Fast Nonlinear Seismic SSI Analysis of Nuclear Structures in Complex Frequency Domain - A Breakthrough Development -



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## **Purpose of This Presentation:**

The presentation shows a novel nonlinear SSI approach for modeling of nonlinear hysteretic behaviors of reinforced concrete structures in the complex frequency domain.

The new approach can be used to perform fast and accurate nonlinear SSI analyses, including sophisticated nonlinear hysteretic models, at a small fraction of the runtime of a time domain nonlinear SSI analysis.

A case study of a nuclear shearwall building is presented in relative detail. ACS SASSI Option N was used for nonlinear SSI analysis.

## **Equivalent-Linear System in Complex Frequency**

Based on the up-to-date literature, the nonlinear behavior of dynamic structural systems can be captured only by nonlinear time history analyses.

Only simple equivalent linear (EQL) approaches were applied in frequency domain. As a result of the EQL model *time invariant behavior*, the SSI response could be either over or under estimated at different time moments.



## Linear Hysteretic (Voigt) Model in Complex Frequency



## **Nonlinear Hysteretic Models in Time and Frequency**

To map a linear system response time history we need a linear (frequency-independent) hysteretic model.

To map a nonlinear system response time history we need a nonlinear(frequencydependent) hysteretic model. Shear Wall Shear Model Hysteresis Loop



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## **Nonlinear Hysteretic Model in Complex Frequency**



## Frequency-Dependent Linearized Hysteretic Models in Complex Frequency: Kausel-Assimaki Model



Kausel, E. and Assimaki, D., 2002

## **Frequency-Dependent Hysteretic Model Results**



**REMARK:** Kausel and Assimaki (2002) and Yoshida et al. (2002) implementations lacked in the compatibility between the frequency and the time domain representations.

## Nonlinear Plasticity FEA Models: ANACAP Model



Figure 5-86 Comparison of X-Direction Hysteresis from ANACAP Analysis Considering Prior Damages but with X-Input Motion only and Test Result for Run-6

NUREG/CR-6925, BNL-NUREG-77370, 2006

## Nonlinear SSI Analysis of Low-Rise Shearwall Buildings

- Define shearwall panels between floors that will behave nonlinear.
- Define shearwall panel back-bone curves and hysteretic models based on experimental evidence, in accordance with recommendations of ASCE 43-2005 and ASCE 41-06.



## Nonlinear SSI Analysis in Complex Frequency:

Computational Steps:

- For the initial iteration, perform a linear SSI analysis using the elastic properties for the selected shearwall panels
- Compute the reinforced concrete shearwall panel behavior in time domain and frequency domain using the hysteretic model associated to each selected panel
- Perform a new SSI analysis iteration using a fast SSI reanalysis (restart analysis) in the complex frequency domain using the hysteretic models computed in Step 2 for all selected panels
- Check convergence of the nonlinear SSI response after new SSI iteration, and go back to Step 2 if the convergence was not achieved.

## **Nuclear Shearwall Building on A Rock Site**



## Shearwall Back Bone Curves (BBC) for All Shearwalls

A number of 36 wall panels were modeled for nonlinear SSI analysis. For each BBC were determined based on ASCE 04-2013 and ASCE 43-05.



Focus of the weak story (results shown for the panels #19 and 23)



### **Chen-Mertz Hysteretic Model for Low-Rise Shearwalls**

#### Nonlinear SSI Analysis Convergence (Per Panel and Global)

#### 0.30g ZPGA 0.3g Y-Excitation Rock Base, Percent Difference for Maximum Positive Displacement 0.25 Difference of 2-1 Difference of 3-2 Difference of 4-3 Difference of 5-4 0.2 Difference of 6-5 Percent Difference Difference of 7-6 0.05 9 10 11 12 13 14 8 15 6 Panel Number





#### 0.70g ZPGA









#### **Nonlinear SSI Analysis Iteration History for Panel #19**



#### Panel #23 Comparative Linear and Nonlinear Story Drifts

## Panel #23 Hysteretic Loops for 1<sup>st</sup> and Final Iterations



### Panel #23: Frequency-Dependent Stiffness and Damping





#### **ASCE 43-05 Inelastic Reduction Factors for Different Damage States**



#### **Nonlinear SSI and ASCE 43-05 Inelastic Reduction Factors**

0.30g ZPGA Design Level (LS-D)

0.70g ZPGA Review Level (LS-A)

		ASCE 43	Calcs
Panel	μ, Final	Fµ, Final	Fμ,
Number	Analysis	Analysis	Shear
1	0.716	0.657	1.042
2	0.662	0.568	1.004
3	0.664	0.573	1.029
4	0.734	0.684	1.097
5	0.776	0.743	1.153
6	0.756	0.715	1.153
7	0.708	0.645	1.093
8	0.735	0.686	1.122
14	1.373	1.321	1.315
15	1.662	1.524	1.348
16	1.230	1.208	1.358
18	0.800	0.775	1.104
19	1.238	1.215	1.222
20	1.198	1.182	1.328
21	0.732	0.681	1.112
22	1.100	1.095	1.144
23	1.721	1.562	1.339
24	1.070	1.068	1.241
Average	0.993	0.939	1.178
Building	1.177	1.163	

		ASCE 43	Calcs
Panel	μ, Final	Fµ, Final	Fμ,
Number	Analysis	Analysis	Shear
1	1.811	1.619	1.697
2	1.673	1.532	1.636
3	1.615	1.493	1.703
4	1.716	1.559	1.846
5	1.720	1.562	1.985
6	1.596	1.480	2.022
7	1.515	1.425	1.901
8	1.621	1.497	1.887
14	4.500	2.828	2.040
15	6.390	3.432	2.052
16	3.810	2.573	2.143
18	2.020	1.743	1.801
19	4.523	2.836	1.819
20	4.058	2.668	2.031
21	1.648	1.515	1.855
22	3.745	2.548	1.752
23	6.764	3.539	2.046
24	3.143	2.299	1.982
Average	2.993	2.119	1.900
Building	3.801	2.569	

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#### **Nonlinear SSI and ASCE 43-05 Inelastic Reduction Factors**



# Conclusions

- Nonlinear SSI analysis in complex frequency domain is a very promising engineering approach. It is at least 500 -1000 times faster than nonlinear SSI analysis in time domain.
- It provides results consistent with the ASCE 43-05 recommendations.
- Nonlinear SSI analysis in complex frequency is much more robust that nonlinear SSI analysis in time domain that is much more sensitive, especially for higher frequencies. Nonlinear time domain analyses are more prone to analysis errors than nonlinear complex frequency domain analyses.

The nonlinear SSI approach in complex frequency is currently implemented in the ACS SASSI Option N capability. The commercial version will be available in 2014.

The nonlinear approach is currently extended to soil material hysteretic behavior (providing more realistic results than the equivalent-linear SHAKE methodology), and to other types of structural concrete components.