## Recent Advances in Seismic Soil-Structure Interaction (SSI) Analysis of Special Structures Using ACS SASSI



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## **Purpose of This Presentation:**

To present an overview on the ACS SASSI software application to seismic SSI analysis of nuclear and non-nuclear structures.

The ACS SASSI code includes unique SSI analysis capabilities.

The new version coming next month includes a number of advances that were developed based on the *new recommendations of the ASCE 04-2014 standard on "Seismic Analysis of Safety-Related Nuclear Structures"* that will be published in the next months. The new US standard includes a number of engineering analysis advancements of SSI analysis.

### SSI Effects on Nuclear Structures EPRI AP1000 Stick 5% Damping ISRS at Top of SCV



### SSI Effects on Nuclear Structures on Rock Sites EPRI AP1000 Stick 5% Damping ISRS at Top of SCV



## **ACS SASSI NQA Software for Seismic SSI**

The ACS SASSI software is a specialized seismic soil-structure interaction (SSI) analysis computer code with unique engineering capabilities, that combines stochastic 3D seismic wave modeling and simulation with finite element computations. To access the ACS SASSI page click <u>http://www.ghiocel-tech.com/engineeringTools.html#</u> and, then, select "ACS SASSI" under the "Software Package" option.

Developed under the *nuclear QA program of GP Technologies, Inc.* includes an active NQA maintenance service including tech support and bug and error reporting under 10CFR Part21.

ACS SASSI approaches includes all the SSI approaches validated by EPRI (2007 EPRI TR# 1015111) and accepted by US NRC (ISG-01,2008) for new reactor designs in US, plus new ones included in ASCE 04-2014.

### An Advanced Computational Software for Dynamic Soil-Structure Interaction Analysis on Personal Computers



## ACS SASSI Used for Many US and International Commercial Projects for NPP Structures

Unique specialized SSI software used by large nuclear energy design corporations including Westinghouse for AP1000 and SMRs, Toshiba for AP1000S and ABWR, Mitsubishi Heavy Industries for APWR, Hitachi-GE for ABWR, KEPCO for APR1400, CANDU Energy for CANDU 6, AREVA/MHI for ATMEA1, AREVA for US-EPR1500. Used by many civil engineering structural design subcontractors for NPPs or other corporations for large bridges on piles, caissons, dams, tunnels, buried storage tanks, etc.

In US also used by DNFSB and NRC for confirmatory SSI analysis and by some DOE national labs, as Brookhaven National Labs and Argonne National Labs.

In China, used by CNPE Beijing on various projects, SNERDI Shanghai and SNPDRI Beijing for CAP1000, GEDI Guangzhou for CPR1400. Used by NSC Beijing for confirmatory SSI analyses.

Used by IAEA for several projects in Armenia and Russia.

## **Application Areas for Dynamic SSI Analysis**

- Civil, industrial, nuclear or hazardous facility buildings with complex arbitrary 3D geometry foundations and complex dynamic loads
- Underground multilevel buried structures, waste storage tanks, tunnels
- Large-size industrial under spatially varying seismic waves
- Embedded, buried structures of hazardous facilities under seismic or dynamic loads
- SSI for Concrete and earth dams, embankment, large-span concrete bridges
- Retaining structures and walls, including effects of seismic soil pressures from surface and body wave propagation, including Rayleigh waves.
- Concrete massive deep foundations, including caissons, piers
- Tunnels, subway stations and buried storage facilities
- Multiple interacting neighboring constructions
- Underground lifelines, pipelines under surface waves
- Dynamics from rotating machinery, explosions, impact, or fast moving loads, as vehicles, trains

## **SSI Analysis Inputs and Outputs**

### Inputs:

- 1. Seismic Input: Control Motion, Local Correlation and Spatial Coherency
- 2. Vibration: External Force Time Histories
- 3. Soil Layering: Geometry and Dynamic Properties (Geff, Deff) per Layer
- 4. Baserock: Depth & Dynamic Properties (G,D)
- 5. Structure: Structural Configuration FE Modeling, Nodal Masses, Springs

### **Outputs:**

- 1. Seismic Free-Field Soil Motions
- 2. SSI Response Transfer Functions for Accelerations, Displacements and Element Stresses/Forces/Moments
- 3. Structural Acceleration and Displacement Motions and In-Structure Response Spectra (ISRS)
- 4. Structural Stresses/Strains for Shells/Solids & Forces/Moments for Beams and Springs

## **Past and Present Engineering Applications**



- Low Frequency Inputs (Long-Wavelength)
- Soil Sites
- Stick Models with Rigid Mats
- -Input Soil Motion as Rigid Body Motion
- (Coherent, 1D Propagation of S and P Waves)

- Low and High Frequency Inputs (Long-and Short Wavelengths)
- Soil and Rock Sites
- Finite Element Models, Stick for Preliminary
- Input Soil Motions as Rigid Body (Coherent) and Elastic Body Wave Motion (Incoherent, 3D Waves)

## **Nuclear Structure SSI Analysis Methods**



Vertical wave propagation is used to replace actual complex ground motion pattern, but still produce specified motion at control point.

> Conventional BCs (stiffness, damping, soil motion)

Enormous amount of solid elements; 90% of FE elements are in soil media

### **ACS SASSI Flexible Volume Substructuring**



### **Flexible Volume Method Comparisons for A NI Complex**



## Seismic SSI Modeling in ACS SASSI



### Wave Propagation Models: Coherent vs. Incoherent



1 D Wave Propagation Analytical Model (Coherent)

Vertically Propagating S and P waves (1D)

- No other waves types included
- No heterogeneity random orientation and arrivals included
- Results in a rigid body soil motion, even for large-size foundations

### 3D Rigid Body Soil Motion (Idealized) 3D Random Wave Field Soil Motion (Realistic)



3D Wave Propagation Data-Based Model (Incoherent – Database-Driven Adjusted Coherent) Amplitude of vertically propagating S and P wave motions are adjusted based on the statistical models derived from various field dense-arrays record databases (plane wave coherency models, plus wave passage – Abrahamson's models)

- Includes real field records information, including implicitly motion field heterogeneity, random arrivals of different wave types under random incident angles

### **3D Stochastic Wave Model: Incoherent Motion Field**



### 2007 Abrahamson Coherence for Hard-Rock and Soil Sites





Figure 7-1
Plane-Wave Coherency for the Horizontal Component for Soil Sites





Figure 6-2 Plane-Wave Coherency for the Vertical Component

### Simulated Incoherent Motion Amplitude at 10 Hz



# Ground Motion at Two Points Separate by 700 ft (two corners on the grid, for γ=0.15)



## **ACS SASSI V3.0 Incoherent SSI Analysis**

There are several plane-wave incoherency models (with wave passage effects):

- 1) 1986 Luco-Wong model (theoretical, unvalidated, geom anisotropic)
- 2) 1993 Abrahamson model for all sites and surface foundations
- 3) 2005 Abrahamson model for all sites and surface foundations
- 4) 2006 Abrahamson model for all sites and embedded foundations
- 5) 2007 Abrahamson model for hard-rock sites and all foundations (NRC)
- 6) 2007 Abrahamson model for soil sites and surface foundations
- 7) User Defined Plane-Wave Coherency Functions for X, Y and Z (Real). Wave passage is frequency independent (same Va for all frequencies).
- 8) User Defined Unlagged Coherency Functions for X, Y and Z (Complex). More general situations with wave passage frequency dependent.
- NOTE: For general, more complex situations, there will be instructions on how to include nonuniform motion amplitudes in horizontal plane by modify seismic free-field motion load vector (LOADxxxx files) Advanced users.

## Seismic SSI Analysis Using ACS SASSI

The complex frequency response is computed as follows:

Structural transfer function given input at interaction nodes Coherent SSI response: Coherent ground transfer function at interface nodes given control motion Complex Fourier transform  $U_{s}(\omega) = H_{s}(\omega) * H_{g}^{c}(\omega) * U_{g,0}(\omega)$ of control motion Incoherent ground transfer function given coherent ground motion and Incoherent SSI response: coherency model (random spatial variation in horizontal plane)  $U_{s}(\omega) = H_{s}(\omega) * S_{g}^{i}(\omega) * H_{g}^{c}(\omega) * U_{g,0}(\omega)$ Complex Fourier transform of relative  $S_{g}(\omega) = [\Phi(\omega)][\lambda(\omega)] \{$ spatial variations of motion at interaction nodes that is stochastic by nature Spectral factorization of coherency kernel Random phases (stochastic part)

### Motion Incoherency Modes of Basemat at 10 Hz



### **REMARKS**:

1) For low frequencies or rigid basemats only a number of few incoherency modes are sufficient.

2) Incoherent motion is obtained by combining stochastically the coherency matrix modes.

3) EPRI validated for stick/rigid basemat models simple superposition rules, as SRSS and ACS (zeroing ATF phases).

### EPRI AP1000 Stick Study on Incoherent SSI Approaches (EPRI TR# 1015111, Nov 2007, NRC ISG-01, May 2008)



### EPRI Conclusions on Incoherency Effects (EPRI Report # 1015111, Nov 30, 2007)

The qualitative effects of motion incoherency effects are:

i) for horizontal components are a reduction in excitation translation concomitantly with an increase of torsional excitation and a reduction of foundation rocking

ii) for vertical component is a reduction in excitation translation concomitantly with an increase of rocking excitation.

Benchmarked SASSI-Based Approaches:

1) Stochastic Simulation – Validated/Accurate, Final Design Calcs

2) SRSS TF Approach – Validated/Accurate, Final Design Calcs

3) AS Approach – Validated/Approximate, Preliminary Design Calcs Other remarks:

- No clear guidance for flexible foundations

- No guidance is provided for the piping/equipment multiple history analysis with incoherent inputs

- No guidance is provided for evaluation of incoherent structural forces

## **Incoherent SSI Results for RB Stick Model**



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## **Effect of Motion Incoherency Differential Phasing**



### Coherent vs. Incoherent SSI Response – Vertical





### **RB Basemat SSI Response for INCOHERENT Inputs**



### Flexible Foundations vs. Rigid Foundations

For *rigid foundations* the incoherency-induced stochasticity of the basemat motion is driven by the rigid body spatial variations (smooth, integral variations) of free-field motion. Kinematic SSI interaction is large, so that differential free-field motions are highly constrained by rigid basemat, i.e. shorter wavelength components are filtered out.

For *flexible foundations*, the incoherency-induced stochasticity of the basemat motion is driven by the local spatial variations (point variations) of free-field motion. Therefore, is much more complex and locally random, with an unsmoothed spatial variation pattern. Kinematic SSI is reduced, so that differential free-field motions are less constrained. Short wavelength are not filtered out.

To accurately capture the phasing of the local motion spatial variations that are directly transmitted to flexible basemat motions, the application of the Stochastic Simulation is recommended. CAPABILITY ONLY IN ACS SASSI.

### **Basemat Flexibility Effects on RB Complex ISRS**



## **Effects of Incoherency on Basemat Bending**

Combined THD at Group 1 - COHERENT 5 ft. EConcrete Y-Direction - Transversal Axis - Frame 1474 Combined THD at Group 1 - INCOHERENT 5 ft. EConcrete Y-Direction - Transversal Axis - Frame 1474



Table 1: Baseslab Bending Moments for A Soil Deposit with Vs = 3,300 ft/s

Zone #	Coherent	Incoherent	Ratio Inc/Coh	Coherent	Incoherent	Ratio Inc/Coh
	MXX	MXX	/ MXX \	MYY	MYY	/ MYY
1	10.293	15.196	1.476	9.567	14.812	1.548
2	8.345	19.986	2.395	7.197	14.901	2.070
3	10.291	13.499	1.312	9.695	15.475	1.596
4	7.404	14.859	2.007	8.386	17.199	2.051
5	7.360	14.618	1.986 /	7.124	14.879	2.089
6	7.370	17.503	2.375	8.354	14.293	1.711

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### **Seismic Coherent vs. Incoherent Stresses for X-Input**

### Backfill Soil Layer with Vs = 1.000 on Rock Vs = 5,500fps Element Center Stresses SYY



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### Seismic Input Directionality (Including 3D Direction Variations)



### Input Motion Phasing (Non Stationary Correlation)

Nahanni Time History



### 1.000 -H1 and H2 Correlation -H1 and V Correlation 0.800 H2 and V Correlation 0.600 0.400 0.200 Correlation 0.000 -0.200 -0.400 -0.600 -0.800 -1.000 0.000 5.000 10.000 15.000 20.000 25.000 30.000 35.000 40.000 Time (seconds)

### **Kobe Time History**

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### **Effects of Different Phasing on ISRS**



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### **Use of 5 Sets of Input Acceleration Time Histories**

ASCE 04-2014 recommends for SSI analysis use of 5 seismic input sets of spectrum compatible acceleration time histories X, Y and Z instead of a single set of time histories.

The SSI response is computed as the average response from the 5 responses obtained for the 5 input sets. The 5 input sets can be based on "seed records" (using Fourier phasing from recorded motion components) or artificially generated input histories with uniform random phases.

Using 5 input sets of time histories will cover potential underestimations of SSI response due to input motion phasing.

Single input set is still acceptable, but it will be required to demonstrate that it does not provide unconservative SSI responses.

## **Soil Layering Hysteretic Behavior**

- 1. The nonlinear properties of the soil are approximated by equivalent linear properties consisting of the shear modulus and damping ratio for the soil which are compatible with the effective shear-strain amplitudes in soil
- 2. The effects of nonlinear soil behavior include two components:(i) The primary nonlinearity due to seismic wave propagation in free-field(ii) The secondary nonlinearity due to soil-structure interaction effects.
- 3. A SSI linear analysis which is performed with estimated soil properties provides approximate values of the effective strain amplitude developed in each soil layer. These are used as an initial estimate for soil properties within an iterative process. The iterative process is continued until compatibility is obtained between soil properties and strain amplitudes. The SSI results of the last iteration reanalysis is assumed to represent the nonlinear response. Could be significant for seismic soil pressure distribution.

#### **Seed-Idriss Equivalent Linear Iterative Method**



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#### Seismic Structure-Soil-Structure Interaction (SSSI) Effects



REMARKS:

- The SSSI effects could be very significant. Both i) wave scattering and ii) inertial coupling could play significant roles. Effects show in ISRS. Usually less significant in structural forces

- Foundation levels and sizes affects the SSSI phenomena

- Light surface structures in vicinity of embedded nuclear islands (NI) could be affected seriously by wave scattering effects; these include the soil motion variation with depth, and the surface waves, oblique S and P body waves radiated from NI foundation

## **AP1000 NI Complex and Annex Bldg Configurations**



# AB and Coupled NI-AB Coherent and Incoherent SSI. 5% Damp ISRS Y-Dir at AB Basemat Corner (EI. 100ft)



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### **SSSI Model Including 3 Nuclear Structures**



# SSI vs. SSSI ISRS Comparisons for FHB Roof

#### Node 57976 (Roof Elevation)



## **SSSI Effects on Local Soil Pressure Under Basemat**



## **SSI vs. SSSI Basemat Soil Pressure Comparisons**

SSI Model

SSSI Model



#### ACS SASSI Seismic US-APWR SSSI Embedded Model



# **SSSI Model for Standard Plant (7 Buildings)**

Single or multiple 1D soil columns can be used. Include incoherency ?....



# ACS SASSI Flexible Volume Subtructuring for Uniform and Non-Uniform Soil



## ASCE 04-2014 Probabilistic Site Response for Computing Deterministic SSI Analysis Inputs

Typical UHSRS shape inputs correspond to the outcrop input motion. For including local soil conditions at the site, site response analyses are required using one or several controlling earthquake RS inputs defined at the baserock (Vs=9200 fps).

Generic Procedure:

Perform 60 probabilistic nonlinear site response simulations (convolutions) using randomized soil layering profiles for the UHS RS inputs at baserock.
 The outcrop probabilistic mean RS of the 60 simulations defines the outcrop FIRS.

3) Performed 3 SHAKE type deterministic linear site response analyses for LB, BE and UB soil profiles to compute the in-column FIRS motions to be used for the deterministic SSI analysis. Pair LB Vs-UB D and UB Vs-LB D.
4) Check at other levels, if the envelope of the 3 deterministic in-column RS envelope the in-column probabilistic mean FIRS.

# **Determination of Seismic Inputs for SSI Analysis**



### **Probabilistic Simulation of Soil Profiles**



#### Deterministic vs. Probabilistic Outcrop FIRS at 140 ft Depth.



NOTE: Deterministic outcrop FIRS set equal to probabilistic mean outcrop FIRS. Need to check RS results at surface and half of foundation depth. Alternately, it can be defined at surface and checked at selected depths.

#### Probabilistic Site In-Column Motion Simulations (60 simulations vs. probabilistic mean RS)



### Deterministic vs. Probabilistic In-Column RS for Outcrop FIRS Input Defined at 140 ft Depth



### **ASCE 04-2013 Probabilistic SSI Analysis**

The new ASCE 04-2013 standard states that the purpose of the analytical methods included in the standard is to provide reasonable levels of conservatism to account for uncertainties. More specifically, in the same section is written that given the seismic design response spectra input, the goal of the standard is based on a set of recommendations to develop seismic *deterministic SSI responses* that correspond approximately to a 80% non-exceedance probability level.

For probabilistic seismic analyses, *probabilistic SSI responses* defined with the 80% non-exceedance probability level are considered adequate.

Section 5.5 of the standard provides guidelines for the acceptable probabilistic SSI approaches. The GRS spectral shape could be considered with variable shape or not (Methods 1 and 2). Soil profiles, Vs and D, should include spatial correlation with depth. Structural stiffness and damping should be also modeled by random variables.

# **Probabilistic Seismic Input Models**

Method 2 (Random Field)

#### Method 1 (Random Variable)



# Probabilistic Soil Profile Models (Random Field)



## ACS SASSI V3.0 Probabilistic Site Response and SSI Analysis Inputs (Option Pro)

Seismic Input Spectral Shape (Sa):

- Sa is random variable (scale factor) (Method 1 in ASCE 04)

- Sa is a random field (curve) with given correlation structure (Method 1 in ASCE 04). Correlation from probabilistic simulations or records (ProEQUAKE)

#### Soil Layer Profiles (Vs, D and soil curves G-gama, D-gama)

- Vs and D (at low strain) for each soil layer are two random variables. Vs and D both depend on stress level; they can be negatively correlated, nonlinear stochastic dependence (tests) or independent.(ProSITE)

- Vs and D profiles (for all soil layers) is a random field with given spatial correlation structure (based on geotechnical data). (ProSITE)

- G-gama and D-gama soil material curves are random fields based on laboratory statistical data (ProSITE)

#### Structural Effective Stiffness and Damping:

- Keff/Kel and D are two random variables that are a function of stress level; they can be negatively correlated, nonlinear stochastic dependence (tests) or independent. (ProHOUSE)

NOTE: Since stress level depends on locations, multiple sets of the two random variables should be defined. In ACS SASSI we considered a random variable pair (Keff/Kel and D) for each group of elements. Correlations between the two random variables of different groups could be considered, as needed.

#### Simulated Probabilistic Seismic GRS (Method 1) and Soil Profile (Vs and D) Using Random Variables



Note: Only 30 LSH simulations were used

# Simulated Probabilistic Seismic GRS (Method 2)

Simulated GRS



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#### **Effect of Spatial Correlation Length on Simulated Soil Profiles**



# **Probabilistic Structural Modeling (Stiffness & Damping)**

- Effective stiffness ratio Keff/Kelastic and damping ratio, Deff, are modeled as statistically dependent random variables.

- Keff/Kelastic and Deff can be considered negatively correlated, or having a complementary probability relationship, or Deff be a response function of Keff/Kelastic based on experiments



- Keff and Deff are defined separately for each element group. Statistical correlement group Keff variables can be included.

## Case Studies: 1) EPRI AP1000 NI & 2) PWR RB Sticks



Case 1: Soil Site, Vs = 1,000 fps Case 2: Rock Site, Vs = 6,000 fps



#### Seismic GRS (Method 2) and Soil Profiles for Rock Site 100 LHS Simulations



#### **Deterministic vs. Probabilistic SSI Analysis for Soil Site**

CASE A: Deterministic Mean (Mean GRS, Soil LB, BE, UB, and Struct Mean Keff=0.90 and Deff=6%)



#### **Deterministic vs. Probabilistic SSI Analysis for Rock Site**



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#### **Deterministic vs. Probabilistic SSI Analysis for Soil Site**

CASE B: Deterministic ASCE (Mean GRS, Soil LB, BE, UB, and Struct Code Keff=1.00 and Deff=4%)



#### **Deterministic vs. Probabilistic SSI Analysis for Rock Site**

CASE B: Deterministic ASCE (Mean GRS, Soil LB, BE, UB, and Struct Code Keff=1.00 and Deff=4%)



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## **Concluding Remarks**

- The ASCE 04-2013 standard goal, that Deterministic SSI produces SSI responses that correspond to approximately 80% NEP, is accomplished in an overall, average sense.
- Exceptions appear to corresponds to particular cases of large mass eccentricity structures that are more sensitive to rotational motions, including torsional and rocking motions. More investigations are needed, and currently underway.
- Using lower damping in structure in Deterministic SSI analysis impacts larger for the rock sites for which radiation damping is much lower. More investigations are needed, and currently underway.

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## **SMR SSI Analysis Case Studies**



## **ACS SASSI SMR SSI Models**



#### Simple SMR Structure

SMR size: 100 ft x 100 ft X 200 ft Shell Element size: 10 ft X 10 ft Shell Thickness: 4ft for floors, 8ft for basemat Solid size: 10 ft X 10 ft X 10 ft

40 ft Embedment SMR SSI Model (use FV method) 140 ft Embedment SMR SSI Model (use FV method)

#### **SMR SSI Case Studies**

#### SMR SSI Models:

Case 1: SMR Structure with Surface Foundation (fictious, as a reference) Case 2: SMR Structure with 40 ft Embedment (fictious, similar to NI embedment) Case 3: SMR Structure with 140 ft Emdedment (closer to the real design)

#### Seismic Inputs:

#### SITE RESPONSE:

We considered a typical UHSRS shape inputs corresponding to the baserock (Vs=9200 fps) at the 500ft depth. 60 probabilistic site response simulations (convolutions) were performed using randomized soil layering profiles for the UHSRS inputs at the 500 ft depth.

#### SSI ANALYSIS:

<u>Probabilistic SSI:</u> We considered the 60 simulated in-column soil motions at the foundation level for the embedded models, and simulated surface motions for the surface model.

Deterministic SSI: We considered the outcrop probabilistic mean response spectra of the 60 simulations, as the outcrop FIRS. Then, we performed 3 SHAKE type deterministic analyses for LB, BE and UB soil profiles to compute the in-column FIRS motions to be used for the deterministic SSI analysis. No adjustment was applied to the in-column FIRS to envelope the in-column probabilistic mean FIRS.

#### **SMR SSI Case Studies**

#### SOIL LAYERING

- 1) Uniform soil profile
  - (Vs = 2,000 fps down to 350 ft depth, baserock at 500 ft depth)
- 2) Nonuniform soil profile

(variable Vs profile with stiffer layers about softer layers, baserock at 500 ft depth).

<u>Probabilistic SSI:</u> We considered the 60 randomized soil profiles. The Vs and Damping for each soil profile were considered as dependent random variables with lognormal distribution. Damping variable is considered statistically dependent (varying inversely than Vs) as recommended by ASCE 04-2014. Vs c.o.v. was 0.20 and Damping c.o.v. was 0.35. The Vs profiles were assumed to have a spatial correlation corresponding to a 20 ft correlation length (as recommended by Popescu, Princeton, much lower than 2 ft correlation length recommended by Jeremic, UC Davis – 2ft correlation length appears to be too low for site response simulations, since Vs profile values at different close depths will be basically statistically independent...).

<u>Deterministic SSI:</u> Based on the 60 probabilistic site response simulations we computed the deterministic LB, BE and UB soil profiles based on the 16%, 50% and 84% NEP for the Vs and Damping profiles.

#### UHSRS Seismic Inputs at the Baserock (Vs= 9,200 fps)



#### Nonuniform Soil Profile (Site 2) 60 Probabilistic and 3 Deterministic Soil Profiles



#### Probabilistic Site In-Column Motion Simulations (Site 2) (60 simulations vs. probabilistic mean RS)



#### Deterministic vs. Probabilistic In-Column RS for Outcrop FIRS Input Defined at 140 ft Depth (Site 2)



#### Probabilistic ISRS Simulations for 140ft Embedded SSI Model (Site 2)



#### Deterministic vs. Probabilistic ISRS for 140ft Embedded Model (Site 2)



# Deterministic ISRS for 140ft Embedded Model for (Site 2) LB, BE and UB Soils with Different Vs and Damping UB and LB Profile Combinatior



# Effects of Kinematic SSI for Embedded SMRs

140 ft Embedment

(Site 2)

#### 40 ft Embedment

#### **STORY DRIFTS**



NOTE: For 140 ft embedment the kinematic SSI effects are significant, 10-90%, up to the ground surface elevation at 140 ft.

For 40 ft embedment the kinematic SSI much less significant, 1-5%, below the the ground surface elevation at 40 ft.

# **Concluding Remarks**

The current SSI analysis requirements related to the SSI analysis appear to be reasonable for SMRs.

Probabilistic site response simulations based on convolve up procedures could produce highly non-flat FIRS (defined by the mean of outcrop motion RS at the foundation level). As a result of this the structural SSI responses are highly sensitive to the FIRS shapes.

For the SMR embedded models SSI responses produced by the soil variation bounds, UB for shear modulus combined with LB for damping (UB-LB) and LB for shear modulus combined with UB for damping (LB-UB) might not produce upper bounded ISRS.

The effects of the kinematic SSI effects in terms of relative displacements in the basement, are reduced for the 40 ft embedment SMR model, and much larger for the 140 ft embedment SMR model.

# ACS SASSI Version 3.0 Two-Step SSI Analysis Using ANSYS Interfacing (Options A and AA)

Two engineering analysis option in ACS SASSI:

i) One step analysis using ACS SASSI for computing overall SSI responses motions, including ISRS, maximum accelerations and relative displacements within the structure, and structural forces and stresses (Option AA)

ii) *Two step analysis using ACS SASSI in 1<sup>st</sup> step and ANSYS in 2<sup>nd</sup> step* for computing forces and stresses in structure using a more refined structural FEA modeling via ANSYS. The 1<sup>st</sup> step is the overall SSI analysis that is identical with the analysis above mentioned at item i). The 2<sup>nd</sup> step uses SSI responses as input BCs. The 2<sup>nd</sup> step consists in an equivalent (quasi)static stress analysis using a much more refined FE mesh structural model (via ANSYS static analysis). The 2<sup>nd</sup> step can be also a ANSYS transient analysis (no soil need to included in ANSYS model). (Option A)

The ACS SASSI-ANSYS interface is extremely efficient, very easy to use.

# ACS SASSI Version 3.0 Advanced ANSYS Integration (Option AA, in addition to Option A)

Two ANSYS interfacing options available:

- Option A or ANSYS (updated for ANSYS V13-V14) Perform ANSYS FEA based on ACS SASSI SSI analysis results (support motions and seismic forces). Consider basemat flexibility. Nonlinear aspects, as plasticity, uplift, sliding, gaps can be included in ANSYS second step.
- 2) Option AA or Advanced ANSYS (new for ANSYS V13-V14) Perform ACS SASSI SSI analysis using the ANSYS structural FE matrices (K,M and C)

# OPTION A: ACS SASSI-ANSYS Interface for SSI Analysis Using ANSYS Models

ACS SASSI-ANSYS interfacing provides useful analysis capabilities:

For structural stress analysis:

 ANSYS Equivalent-Static Seismic SSI Analysis Using Refined FE Models (including refined mesh, element types including local nonlinearities, nonlinear materials, contact elements, etc.)
 ANSYS Dynamic Seismic SSI Analysis Using More Refined FE Models (including refined mesh, element types including local nonlinearities, nonlinear materials, contact elements, etc.)

For soil pressure computation (approximate): - ANSYS Equivalent-Static Seismic Soil Pressure Computation including Soil-Foundation Separation Effects



#### **ACS SASSI – ANSYS Interface for Refined Seismic Stress Analysis**



ANSYS Refined Structural Model Using EREFINE command or ANSYS GUI (rank 1-6) ANSYS Structural Model Automatically Converted From ACS SASSI Using PREP Module





#### **ACS SASSI – ANSYS Interface for Seismic Soil Pressure Analysis**



# **Exporting Equivalent Static Loads to ANSYS**

- From ACS SASSI-MAIN select "ANSYS Static Load" from the Run menu
- Fill in the appropriate boxes as described in the documentation
- ANSYS APDL input files are created containing the load data are created when the user clicks "OK"

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## **Example of Equivalent Static APDL File Created**

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## ACS SASSI-ANSYS Equivalent-Static SSI Stress Analysis for Surface and Embedded Structure



## **ANSYS Equivalent-Static vs. ACS SASSI**

## **SSI Analysis**

# Surface Concrete Box SOLID Elements

Soil Vs=1000fps



Figure 193: Case b) SYY Element Center Stresses for "Displacement and Acceleration" Option Displacement and Acceleration Option



Figure 194: Case b): SZZ Element Center Stresses for "Displacement and Acceleration" Option



Figure 197: Case c): SXX Element Center Stresses for "Acceleration" Option



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# ANSYS Equivalent-Static vs. ACS SASSI SSI Analysis

## Deeply Embedded Concrete Box SOLID Elements

Soil Vs=1,000 fps









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## **ANSYS Dynamic Load Generation from ACC Frames**

- From ACS SASSI-MAIN select "ANSYS Dynamic Load" from the Run menu
- Fill in the appropriate boxes as described in the documentation
- ANSYS APDL input files are created containing the load data are created when the user clicks "OK"

ANSYS Dynamic Load Converter					
	– SASSI Model and Results I	nput			
	Path	F:\ssi_results			
	HOUSE Module Input	solid_box.hou	<		
	Ground Acceleration File	NEWMHX.ACC <<	<		
ANSYS Model and Data Input					
	Path	F:\ANSYS_Files			
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	Raleigh Damping Coeff. Alpha 0.45473e-3	Beta 0.2154			
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NOTE: For embedded models, the input is the kinematic SSI accelerations and relative displacements calculated at different embedment depth levels. *REMARK: Rayleigh damping assumption in ANSYS less realistic!* 2014 COPYRIGHT OF GP TECHNOLOGIES - PRESENTATION NOTES, SHANGHAI, APRIL 3, 2014

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ANSYS Dynamic Load APDL File Created

## ANSYS Dynamic vs. ACS SASSI SSI Analysis

# Soli Vs=1,000 fps

#### Seismic Loading for ANSYS: Ground Acceleration Histories and Relative Displacement Histories wrt Free-Field Surface Motion

#### ANSYS Dynamic vs. ACS SASSI – Surface SSI Model

Above Ground Surface



#### **ANSYS Dynamic vs. ACS SASSI – for Surface SSI Model**

**Below Ground Surface** 



# OPTION AA: ACS SASSI-ANSYS Interface for SSI Analysis Using ANSYS Models

OPTION AA uses directly ANSYS structural model for SSI analysis

Sequence of Steps:

- 1) Develop ANSYS structural FEA model with no restrictions (any FE type, CE, rigid links)
- 2) If embedded, develop ANSYS excavated soil FEA model
- 3) Using ADPL generate matrices K, M, C
- 4) Using ACS SASSI GUI read ANSYS model .cdb to convert geometry configuration for post-processing
- 5) Using modified HOUSE read and merge K, M and C matrices for FV, FI or FFV methods, and produce FE complex K matrix and mixed M matrix for SSI analysis
- 6) Perform SSI analysis with the same ANALYS module

#### **OPTION AA: Preliminary ANSYS steps for SSI analysis**


## **OPTION AA: 35,000 Node Embedded RB Complex; Acceleration Transfer Function (ATF) Various Locations**



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## **Concrete Pool ANSYS SOLID Model Example**





# **Concluding Remarks**

New Option AA capability will improve significantly the FEA modeling by using up-to-date ANSYS FE types.

- Build excavated soil and structural models in ANSYS basically with no special restriction other than those of ANSYS

- Access to various ANSYS FE types, including piping, shell elements including shear flexibility, etc.

- Include rigid links, constrained equations, etc.

Very practical, useful capability...

# **Presentation Conclusions**

In the last 10 years, great efforts in US, including both industry and Government, produced significant advancements in earthquake engineering with emphasis on seismic SSI analysis methodologies as described in the EPRI TR# 1015111-2007 and ASCE 04-2014 standard, as partially discussed in this presentation.

The ACS SASSI includes basically all the SSI approaches recommended by EPRI and ASCE 04-2014 and additional ones.

# Recent Advances in Seismic Soil-Structure Interaction (SSI) Analysis of Special Structures Using ACS SASSI



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## Part 2: Other Civil Engineering Structures

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# ACS SASSI Version 3.0 Fast Nonlinear Analysis Capability in Complex Frequency (Option Non)

This capability is 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.

Initially the new approach will be limited to low-rise shearwall structures with planar walls (no curved walls)

# **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 (frequencyindependent) hysteretic model.

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



## **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. 121 2014 COPYRIGHT OF GP TECHNOLOGIES - PRESENTATION NOTES, SHANGHAI, APRIL 3, 2014

## 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

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# 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.



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

## Low-Rise 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 41-2006 and ASCE 43-05.



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

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

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#### O.70g ZPGA 0.7g Y-Excitation Rock Base, Percent Difference for Maximum Positive Displacement Difference of 24 Difference of 54 Difference 054 Difference 054







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



# Panel #23 Comparative Linear and Nonlinear Story Drifts





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





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#### **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**



# **Concluding Remarks**

- 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 standard 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.

# **SSSI Effects for Buildings in Dense Urban Areas**

Study for evaluating the SSI and SSSI effects for neighboring structures in dense urban areas including the effects of incoherency.



# **Seismic SSI Analysis Inputs**

#### Seismic Input Motion at Ground Surface:



Design Spectrum (0.25g)Simulated Acceleration Input (0.25g)Incoherent Motion: 2005 Abrahamson coherency model, with wave passage Va=1,300m/s





#### **SSI Effects on Multistory Building Forces in Columns and Walls**



# **Two Different Layout Scenarios for SSSI Models**





#### **SSSI Effects on Structural Forces/Stresses in MB and SS**



# **SSSI Response Locations for MB**



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#### **Incoherent SSSI Effects on Vertical ISRS and ZPA for MB**



#### Incoherent SSSI Effects on Horizontal ISRS and ZPA for C (Roof)



#### **SSSI Effects on Structural Forces/Stresses in MB and SS**



# **SSSI Effects for Buildings in Dense Urban Areas**

This study shows that for dense urban areas where buildings are close to each other, the SSSI effects could be quite large, between 10% to 500% depending on the type of building.

It should be noted that the SSSI effects are highly amplified due to motion spatial variation in horizontal direction, i.e. motion incoherency, that creates random differential phasing between neighbor building motions.

REMARK: It shows a deficiency of the current state-of-practice of seismic SSI analysis. Need to revise the requirements for seismic analysis in design codes. Need to use ACS SASSI V3.0 to capture these important SSI-related aspects that are typically ignored.

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## Seismic Analysis for 242m Highway Bridge



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#### ACS SASSI Bridge SSI Model

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# **Seismic SSI Analysis Inputs**

#### Seismic Input Motion at Ground Surface:



Design Spectrum (0.25g)

Simulated Acceleration Input (0.25g)

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Incoherent Motion: 2005 Abrahamson coherency model, with wave passage Va=1,300m/s

#### Soil Layering:

Hard Soil: Vs=1,300m/s, Uniform Profile Soft Soil: Vs=200m/s, Uniform Profile



## **SSI Response Acceleration Response Spectra**



#### **SSI ZPA Profile at Pier Side 1**



## SSI Maximum Displacement Profile at Pier Side 1



## **SSI Response ZPA Profile at Pier Side 2**



## **SSI Response ZPA Profile at Pier Side 2**



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# Motion Incoherency Effects on Concrete Bridges

This study shows that the effects of motion incoherency and wave passage can increase the maximum elastic structural forces and moments in the bridge pier columns and piles by up to 500%.

It should be noted that the SSSI effects are highly amplified due to motion spatial variation in horizontal direction, i.e. motion incoherency, that creates random differential phasing between neighbor building motions.

REMARK: It shows a serious deficiency of the current state-ofpractice of seismic SSI analysis. Need to revise the requirements for seismic analysis in design codes. Need to use ACS SASSI to capture these important SSI-related aspects that are typically ignored.

# Effects of Sand Liquefaction of RB on Piles



#### **PWR RB Stick Model**

- 69 Piles, one at each basemat node
- Pile length = 40 ft
- Pile radius = 2.5 ft

• Beams with masses used to model Containment Vessel (CV) and Internal Structure (IS)

- Foundation radius = 65 ft
- Selected output piles are attached to nodes
  1 and 46 (Center basemat and edge of basemat).

# **Soil Liquefaction Effects on Pile Foundations**

This study shows that the local soil liquefaction effects could increase the shear forces and bending moments in piles by a factor of 200-300% due to large soil deformations.

The soil liquefaction could also increase largely the structure inertial SSI effects.

**REMARK:** 

It shows a serious deficiency of the current state-of-practice of seismic SSI analysis for pile foundation. Need to use ACS SASSI V3.0 to capture these important SSI-related aspects that are typically ignored.

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#### Soil Layering Vs and Vp Profiles



## Seismic Input Ground Response Spectra (GRS)



Ground Surface Spectra RG 1.60 Shape Foundation Level Spectra (In-Column Motions)

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## **Input Acceleration Time Histories**



**RG160Y Foundation Level** 





#### **Effects of Piles on RB SSI Response**



## **Effects of Liquefaction for RB on Piles**



## **Liquefaction Effects on Pile Forces and Moments**



# Thank you for your interest in ACS SASSI software!