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Seismic Design Requirements and Construction Challenges of Lifeline Essential and Critical Bridges



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#### **Post-Earthquake Functionality of Bridges**

**Objectives:** Seismic Resilient Bridges

- Seismic Design Challenges of PNW
- o Post Earthquake Seismic Performance Requirements Lifeline
- Challenges of ABC in Seismic Regions
- /Innovative in Seismic Resiliency using
  - Self Centering Piers

- Super Elastic Materials in Bridge Columns
- Prestressed Bridge Columns
- Dual Shell Concrete Filled Steel Tubes
- Research and Implementation Projects



### **Examples of Bridge Earthquake Damages**











### **WSDOT Bridge Inventory**

Washington State Map



- Total WSDOT bridge structures 3,829
- The average age of WSDOT's bridges is 44 years
- WSDOT has 283 bridges that are 75 years or older
- WSDOT bridge inventory increases by 35 each



### Geologic Hazards in Washington State

#### **Risks in Washington State:**

- faults and earthquakes,
- tsunamis, landslides,
- volcanic hazards.
- /Magnitude 8.0-9.0+
- Shaking felt for 3–6 minutes
- Shaking intensities greatest along coast & where local conditions amplify seismic waves
- Earthquake followed by a major tsunami
- Many large aftershocks



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### **Complexity of PNW Seismic Design**

Cascadia Subduction Zone

- M9 Subduction Mega EQ
- Basin Effect





### WW Liquefaction hazards

Soil liquefaction and lateral spreading in Tumwater, WA 3 weeks after the 2001 Nisqually Quake. Photo courtesy of UW College of Engineering





### **LRFD Bridge Seismic and ABC Design Specifications**

#### **LRFD Bridge Design Specifications**

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Bridges shall be designed for specified limit states to achieve the objectives of constructability, safety, and serviceability, with due regard to issues of inspectability, economy, and aesthetics.

#### **Guide Specifications for LRFD Seismic Bridge Design**

The LRFD Guide Specifications apply to the design and construction of conventional bridges to resist the effects of earthquake motions.

#### **LRFD** Guide Specifications for Accelerated Bridge Construction

The provisions are for common prefabricated elements and systems for Accelerated Bridge Construction (ABC) projects.

The provisions shall be used in conjunction with the AASHTO LRFD Bridge Design Specifications.

#### **LRFD** Guide Specifications for Seismic Isolation Design

The Guide Specifications apply to the design and construction of conventional bridges supported by isolation bearings to resist the effects of earthquake motions.











#### **AASHTO LRFD Seismic Design Strategies**

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 In general, it is uneconomic to design structures to withstand design level earthquake elastically.

#### **Alternative Approaches:**

 Type 1 – Ductile Substructure with Essentially Elastic Superstructure. (This category includes conventional plastic hinging in columns and walls that limits inertial forces by full mobilization of passive soil resistance)

**Type 2 – Essentially Elastic Substructure with Ductile Superstructure.** (This category applies only to Steel Superstructures, and ductility is achieved by constructing ductile elements as part of the pier cross-frames)

 Type 3 – Elastic Superstructure and Substructure with a Fusing Mechanism Between The Two. (This category includes seismically isolated structures)







#### **LRFD SGS:** Bridge System ERS and ERE Categories

Use of ERS and ERE to ensure required seismic performance

Permissible

- Permissible with Approval
- Not Recommended for New Bridge



Seismic Resiliency for Essential/Critical Bridges – Required Balanced Stiffness

#### **Balanced Stiffness Concept for Frames, Bents and Columns**

- 1. Between any two bents within a frame or between any two columns within a bent
- 2. Between adjacent bents within a frame or between adjacent columns within a bent
- 3. Balanced Frame Geometry (ratio of fundamental periods of vibration)





# Seismic Resiliency of Essential/Critical Bridges Limitation on $P-\Delta$ and Pu

 $P-\Delta$  effects may be ignored in the analysis and design of Type 1 structures if the following is satisfied.

- For reinforced concrete columns:
- For steel columns:

$$P_{dl}\Delta_r \le 0.25M_p$$
$$P_{dl}\Delta_r \le 0.25M_n$$



#### **LRFD SGS Capacity Design For Caps for Longitudinal Direction**

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#### **Capacity Design Requirement for SDCs B, C and D**

- Capacity-protected members are <u>designed to remain essentially</u> <u>elastic when the plastic hinge reaches its overstrength moment</u> <u>capacity</u>,  $M_{po} = 1.25$  times the moment demand
- Moment-resisting joints is proportioned so that the principal stresses satisfy the requirements below.
- For principal compression,  $p_c$ :  $p_c \le 0.25 f'_c$
- For principal tension,  $p_t$ :  $p_t \le 0.38 \sqrt{f_c'}$

$$p_t = \left(\frac{f_h + f_v}{2}\right) - \sqrt{\left(\frac{f_h - f_v}{2}\right)^2 + v_{jv}^2}$$

$$p_c = \left(\frac{f_h + f_v}{2}\right) + \sqrt{\left(\frac{f_h - f_v}{2}\right)^2 + v_{jv}^2}$$





$$f_h = \frac{P_b}{B_{cap} D_s}$$

 $f_v = \frac{F_c}{(D_c + D_c)B_{com}}$ 

 $v_{jv} = \frac{-c}{\ell B}$ 

#### **Post-Earthquake Functionality of ABC Bridges**

#### **Emulative Construction**

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- No new concepts to prove.
- Easier acceptance: "performs just like c.i.p."
- Use of precast shortens constructiontime

#### **Innovative Connection Types**

- Socket and Pocket connections
- Super-Elastic Materials
- Self-Centering

#### **Connections** need to be:

- Constructible
- Seismic Resilient
- Long term Performance & Longevity



### **Column Confinement and Performance Curves**

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**Ductility Performance Curves for Reinforced Concrete Columns in SDCs B, C, and D** 









### Seismic Resiliency of Existing Bridges



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### **Research Projects**

WSU-Performance of Steel Jacket Retrofitted Reinforced
 Concrete Bridge Columns in Cascadia Subduction Zone
 Earthquakes

The objective is to characterize the expected performance, ductility capacity, and collapse probability of steel jacket retrofitted bridge columns in Cascadia Subduction Zone earthquakes.

 UW-Effects of Cascadia Subduction Zone M9 Earthquakes on Bridges in Washington State

The objective is to quantify the effects of the seismic hazard on (i) the design of new bridges, (ii) the evaluation of existing bridges.

Prioritization of WSDOT Lifeline Bridges

### Lifeline - Seismic Resilient Bridges

#### **Lifeline Objectives:**

- Provide for public safety in the event of an earthquake
- Reduce the EQ economic impact to the extent reasonable
- Provide Emergency Response Following the Event
   Lifeline Resiliency Requirements:
- Post EQ functionality performance Functionality
- Seismic Design for Essential and Critical Bridges
- O Consideration for Geotechnical Hazards including Liquefaction, Lateral Spread, Landslide, etc.

#### Lifeline Challenges:

- Current Lifeline: Meets life safety No Collapse requirements
- New Lifeline: Needs to meet Post EQ functionality for dual level seismic design intended for Essential and Critical Bridges



#### Seismic Design Functionality Requirements

#### **Expected Bridge Seismic Performance**

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The seismic hazard evaluation level for designing Normal bridges are Safety Evaluation Earthquake (SEE), and the seismic hazard evaluation level for designing Essential and Critical bridges are both the Safety Evaluation Earthquake and the Functional Evaluation Earthquake (FEE).

Bridge Operational	Seismic Hazard	<b>Expected Post</b>	Expected Post		
Importance Category	Evaluation	Earthquake Damage	Earthquake Service		
	Level	State	Level		
Normal	SEE	Significant	No Service		
Essential	SEE	Moderate	Limited Service		
	FEE	Minimal	Full Service		
Critical	SEE	Minimal to Moderate	Limited Service		
	FEE	None to Minimal	Full Service		

Two-level performance criteria are required for design of Essential and Critical bridges.

### **Revised WSDOT Seismic Design Policy for Post EQ Functionality and Serviceability Requirements**

Bridges are considered as Critical, Essential, or Normal for their operational classification as described below:

#### • Critical Bridges

Critical bridges are expected to provide immediate access to emergency and similar life-safety facilities after an earthquake.

#### Essential Bridges

Essential bridges serve as vital links for rebuilding damaged areas and provide access to the public shortly after an earthquake.

#### o Normal Bridges

All other bridges not designated as either Critical or Essential

#### Seismic Design Functionality Requirements

#### **Expected Post Earthquake Damage State**

- **Significant** "imminent failure," i.e., onset of compressive failure of core concrete. Bridge replacement is likely. All plastic hinges within the **structure have formed with ductility demand values**.
- Moderate "extensive cracks and spalling, and visible lateral and/or longitudinal reinforcing bars". Bridge repair is likely but bridge replacement is unlikely
- **Minimal** "flexural cracks and minor spalling and possible shear cracks". Essentially elastic performance
  - None No damage



#### **Seismic Design Functionality Requirements**

- The Design Spectrum for Safety Evaluation Earthquake (SEE) shall be taken as a spectrum based on a 7% probability of exceedance in 75 years (or 975-year return period).
- The Design Spectrum for Functional Evaluation Earthquake (FEE) shall be taken as a spectrum based on a 30% probability of exceedance in 75 years (or 210-year return period).

	Displacement Ductility Demand Limits µ <sub>D</sub>				
Seismic Critical Member	Normal	<b>Essential Bridges</b>		Critical Bridges	
	Bridges	SEE	FEE	SEE	FEE
Wall Type Pier in Weak Direction	5.0	2.5	1.5	1.5	1.0
Wall Type Pier in Strong Direction	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Single Column Bent	5.0	2.5	1.5	1.5	1.0
Multiple Column Bent	6.0	3.5	2.0	1.5	1.0
Pile/Shaft-Column with Plastic above Ground	5.0	3.5	2.0	1.5	1.0
Pile/Shaft-Column with Plastic Hinge Below	4.0	2.5	1.5	1.5	1.0
Ground					
Superstructure	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0

#### 2014 Seismic Hazard Map and Site coefficients

### Seismic Design Functionality Requirements



	Displacement Ductility Demand Limits							
Seismic Critical Member	Normal Bridges EW	Normal WW (No	Normal Bridges WW (Not Lifeline)		Essential Bridges WW (Lifeline)		Critical Bridges	
		SEE	FEE	SEE	FEE	SEE	FEE	
Wall Type Pier in Weak Direction	5.0	5.0	1.5	2.5	1.5	1.5	1.0	
Wall Type Pier in Strong Direction	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	
Single Column Bent	5.0	5.0	1.5	2.5	1.5	1.5	1.0	
Multiple Column Bent	6.0	6.0	2.0	3.5	2.0	1.5	1.0	
Pile Column with Plastic Hinge at Top of Column	5.0	5.0	2.0	3.5	2.0	1.5	1.0	
Pile Column with Plastic Hinge Below Ground	4.0	4.0	1.5	2.5	1.5	1.5	1.0	
Superstructure	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	

### Seismic Design Requirements for Bridge Widening and Rehabilitation Projects

#### **Procedure for Essential/Critical Bridges:**

Examples of potential deviations include:

- a. Meeting two-level design criteria for the widened portion, but only achieving Normal bridge criteria for the existing bridge.
- b. Meeting two-level design criteria for the above-ground portions of the composite structure, but not achieving this for the below-ground portions (foundations).
- c. Performing a two-level design, but requiring deviations from the displacement ductility demand limits identified in BDM.
- d. Only achieving Normal criteria for the composite structure.

#### Example of Projects on Lifeline –I-5 Ship Canal



Bridge Built – 1962 (57 yrs) Length – 3,620 feet Center Spans Steel Deck Truss 6 spans 2,293 feet Width – 52 feet Replacement Value - \$1 Billion

#### Example of Projects on Lifeline, Alaskan Way Viaduct Replacement

## Alaskan Way Viaduct

Removes the Alaskan

Battery Street Tunnel.

Closes and fills the

Way Viaduct.







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**Demolition**:

#### **Connections: Recommended Duct Size & Embedment Length**



#### **Seismic Performance**







$$l_{ac} = \frac{0.67 d_{ht} f_{ye}}{\sqrt{f'_g}}$$

**Precast Column Grouted Ducts and Pocket/Socket Connections** 

### **Implementation Examples**

0.0598in



corrugated steel pipe:







### Highways For Life Project Fully Precast Bridge

The purpose of **Highways for LIFE** was to advance Longer-lasting highway infrastructure using Innovations to accomplish the Fast construction of Efficient and safe highways and bridges









#### Socket Connection – Internal Forces



### **Fully Precast Bent with Dropped Bent Cap**



#### HFL/Bridge Feature:

- 1/2 Precast Column Segments
- 2 Precast Pretensioned Bent Cap
- 30 Precast Pretensioned DBT Girders
- 96 Grouted Duct Connections
- 4 Pocket/Socket Connections



### **WSDOT HFL - Fully Precast Bridge**









From Research to Implementation

### Isolation Bearings for Seismic Resiliency and Energy Dissipation

#### **Considerations:**

Durability & Long-term Performance of Bearings
Expansion joints to accommodate seismic movements for bearings to function properly.
Adequate clearance for the seismic displacement between the girders and abutment back wall.
Bearings type Combinations not allowed.



Triple Peodulum<sup>as</sup> Operation









#### **Innovative Designs for Seismic Resiliency**

Seismic Resiliency with use of Innovative Designs, Materials, and construction:

- Use of super-elastic materials in columns
- Use of prestressing in columns
- Other innovative designs





#### Self Centering Piers using Super Elastic Materials for Bridge Columns

- Shape Memory Alloy (SMA)
  Engineered Cementitious Composite (ECC)
  Three 0.4 Scale Columns (0 SMA /ECC 1 PC)
- Three 0.4 Scale Columns (2 SMA/ECC, 1 RC)











### Super-Elastic Materials in Bridge Columns Shape Memory Alloys හි Engineered Cementitious Concrete

From Research to Implementation – 1<sup>st</sup> use





The Goal of Innovative Bridge Research and Deployment (**IBRD**) **Program** was to promote innovative designs, materials, and construction methods.

**New Generation of Super-elastic Materials!** 

## Seismic Resiliency – PS Self Centering

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Wigram-Magdala Bridge in New Zealand

### **Seismic Resiliency PS Self-centering**



#### Improving Seismic Resiliency for Essential/Critical Bridges

#### Foundation Flexibility on Structural Response





Figure 4.8-1-Effects of Foundation Flexibility on the Force-Deflection Relation for a Single Column Bent (Caltrans, 2006)

### Seismic Design and Resiliency of CFST Foundation

RC Pier

CFST Pier







Moment (kip-in)

#### **CFST Column Connections**



### **Dual Shell CFST Self-Centering Capability**

Self-Centering Precast Concrete Dual-Steel-Shell Columns for Accelerated Bridge Construction



Hysteretic response: (a) conventional ductile system; (b) purely rocking system; and (c) hybrid rocking system.



Figure: Schematics of the proposed system:

- (a) column typical cross-section;
- (b) bent components and rocking kinematics; and
- (c) joint rotation.

### **ABC-UTC: UHPC Connection for Seismic Performance**



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FIU Research: UHPC Connections + SMA or Self Centering PS



#### Observation



#### **Moment Curves**



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### **Concluding Remarks:**

- Post-Earthquake seismic resiliency is achievable using innovative design and construction methods
- Bridge Piers with Self Centering Capability (SMA, PS, etc.) are suited for Seismic Resiliency and post EQ Functionality
- Self Centering Super-elastic materials are suited for seismic resiliency
- CFST facilitate rapid construction and offers greater seismic resiliency
- **Ø** UHPC Pier Connections provides improved seismic performance
- Need for Further Implementation of Proven Innovative Technologies to Facilitate:
  - Designers/Owners/Contractors Familiarity,
  - Materials Availability and Costs,
  - Construction Experience,
  - Research, etc.

### Thanks for Your Attention

#### **Available Reports/Documents:**

- WSDOT Bridge Design Manual
- Webinars: ABC-UTC, TRB, WSDOT

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- Precast concrete spliced-girder bridge in Washington State using super-elastic materials in bridge columns to improve seismic resiliency: From research to practice
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