

# *Retrofit of an Existing Hospital to Immediate Occupancy Standards*

## **One Year Later**

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# Damaged Hospital Building

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- Designed in 1974 to Hospital Act requirements
  - Importance factor = 1.5
- Two stories plus basement
- “Gateway” to the Hospital + Emergency Department
  - Radiology, MRI, CT Scan
  - Surgery
  - Cath Lab
  - G.I. Laboratory
  - Materials Management/ Medical Supplies

# Policy Issues

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- **Code**

- **Title 24 – California Building Code** requires the building be improved to meet current code performance requirements

- **Goal - Immediate Occupancy performance**

- **Funding**

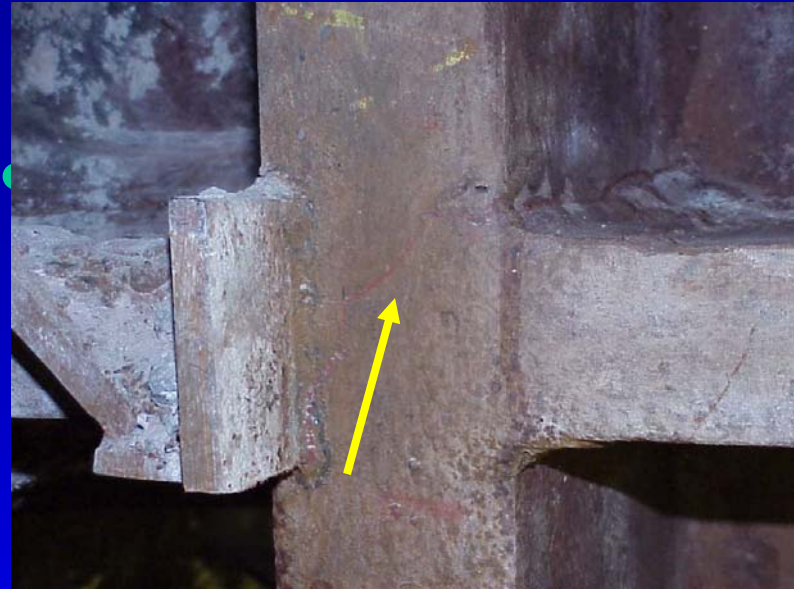
- **Approach meets FEMA requirements for hazard mitigation**

# Connection Damage

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- **Discovered as part of SB 1953 Structural Evaluation – April 2000**
  - **1<sup>st</sup> floor – 1 connection in N-S frame**
  - **2<sup>nd</sup> floor – 7 connections ( 6 in N-S frames)**
  - **Roof – 6 connections ( 5 in N-S frames)**
- **Five of connections – cracks across the column section**
- **Repair procedures approved by OSHPD in July**
- **Repairs around the clock for 6 months in an operational hospital building**

# Column Damage- Flange & Webs



# Structural Issues



- **Steel Moment Resisting Frames in both directions above grade**
  - **Strong Beam – Weak Column**
  - **Damaged SMRF connections**
  - **Brittle column steel**

# Structural Approach



- **Modify the lateral system from SMRF to Steel Plate Shear Wall (SPSW)**
  - **Adds strength**
  - **Adds stiffness**
  - **Focuses tension yielding / plate buckling in steel plate**

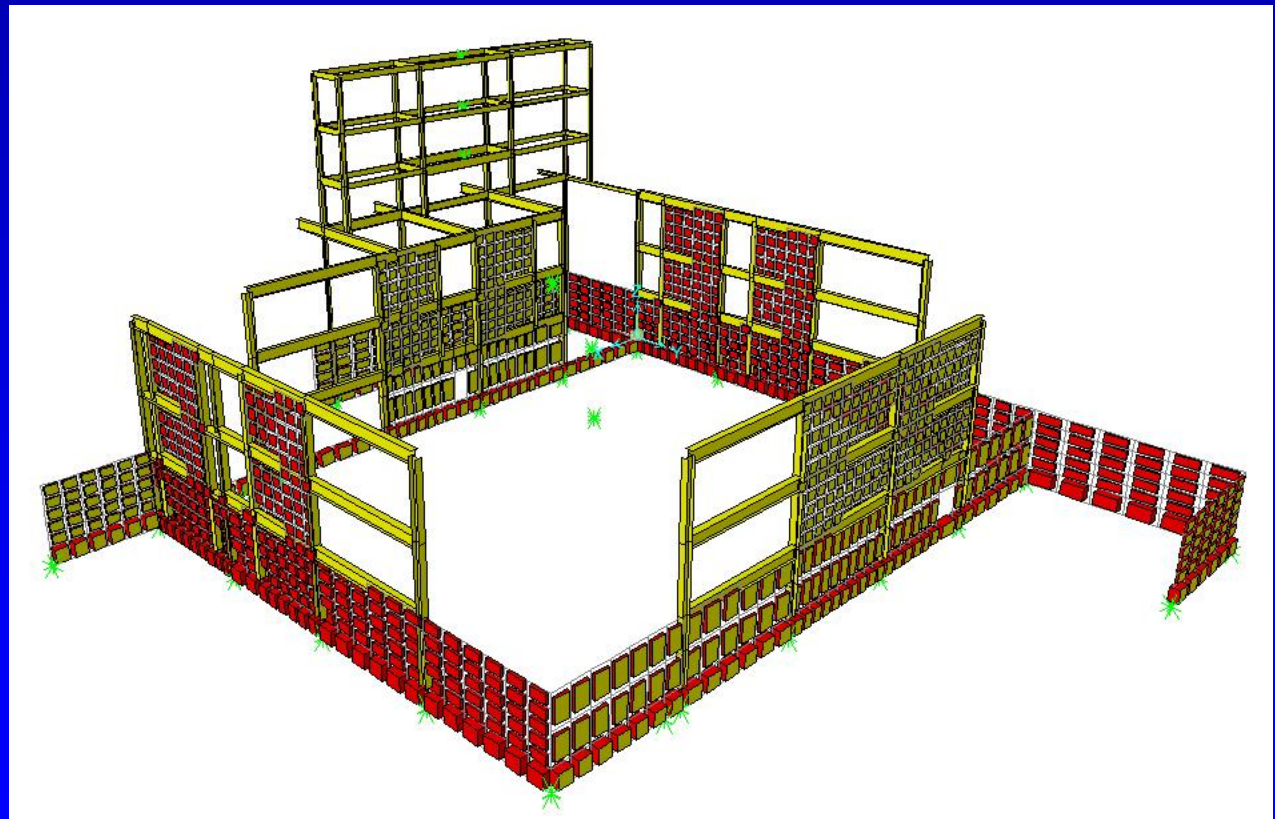
# Progress



- **Revised Foundation design criteria**
  - **Additional soils information**
- **Nonstructural Bracing Criteria**
  - **Development and approval of NPC bracing criteria based on successful past performance during Northridge EQ**
- **Modal Response Analysis**
- **Nonlinear Static Pushover Analysis**
- **Nonlinear Time-history Analysis**
- **OSHPD Plan Review in progress**

# Linear Elastic Analysis model with Finite Elements

- Used for basement and foundation design



# Maximum Allowable Drift Ratios

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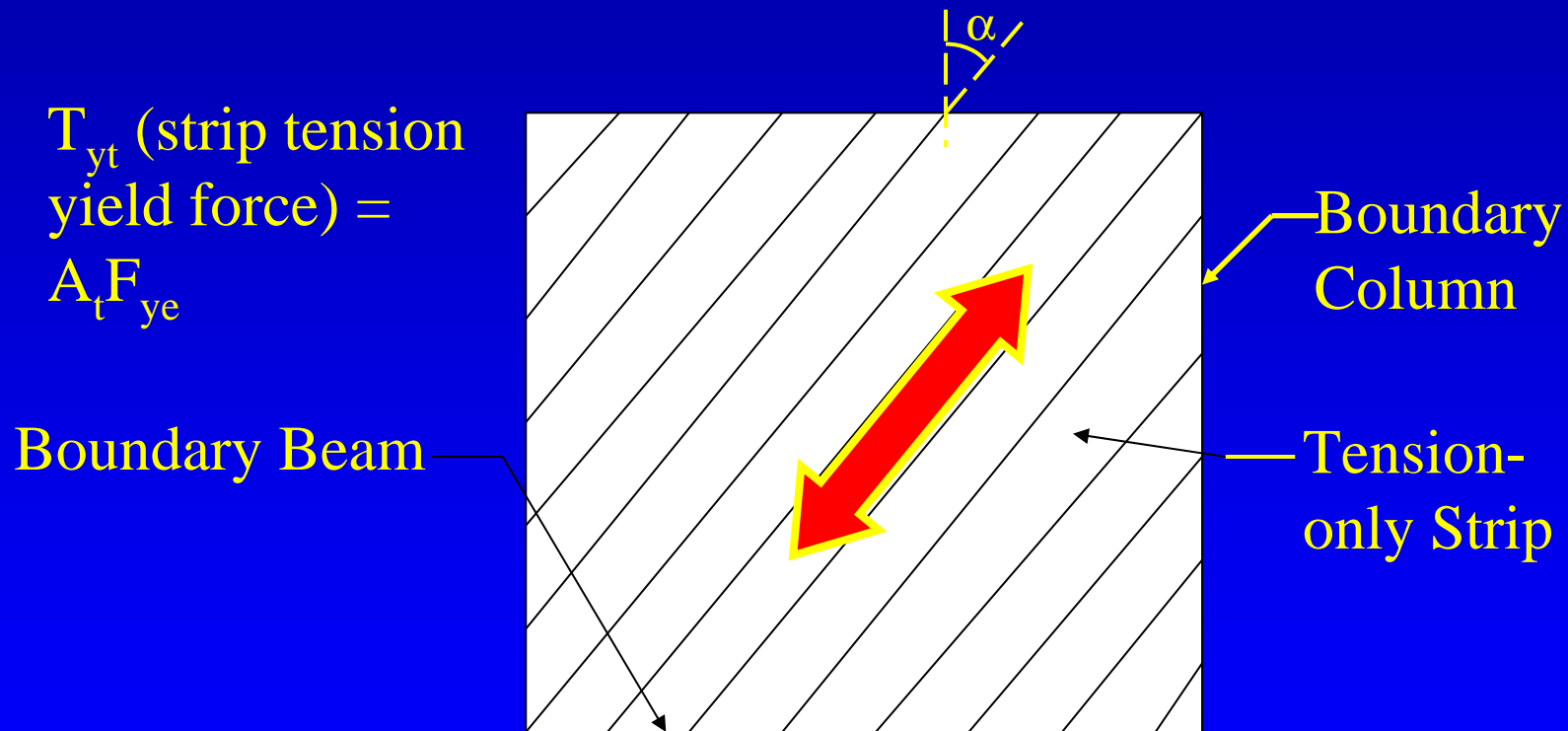
- **Immediate Occupancy – 0.012**
  - **CBC allows 0.025 for  $T < 0.7$  seconds for new buildings**
- **Collapse Prevention – 0.020**

# Superstructure Analysis - Steel Plate Walls + Frame Analysis

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- **Non-linear Static Pushover**
  - **Target Displacement at DBE**
  - **SAP 2000 analysis**
- **Non-linear Time History Analysis**
  - **maximum interstory drifts**
  - **3 pairs of time histories required**
  - **Ram Perform 3-D**

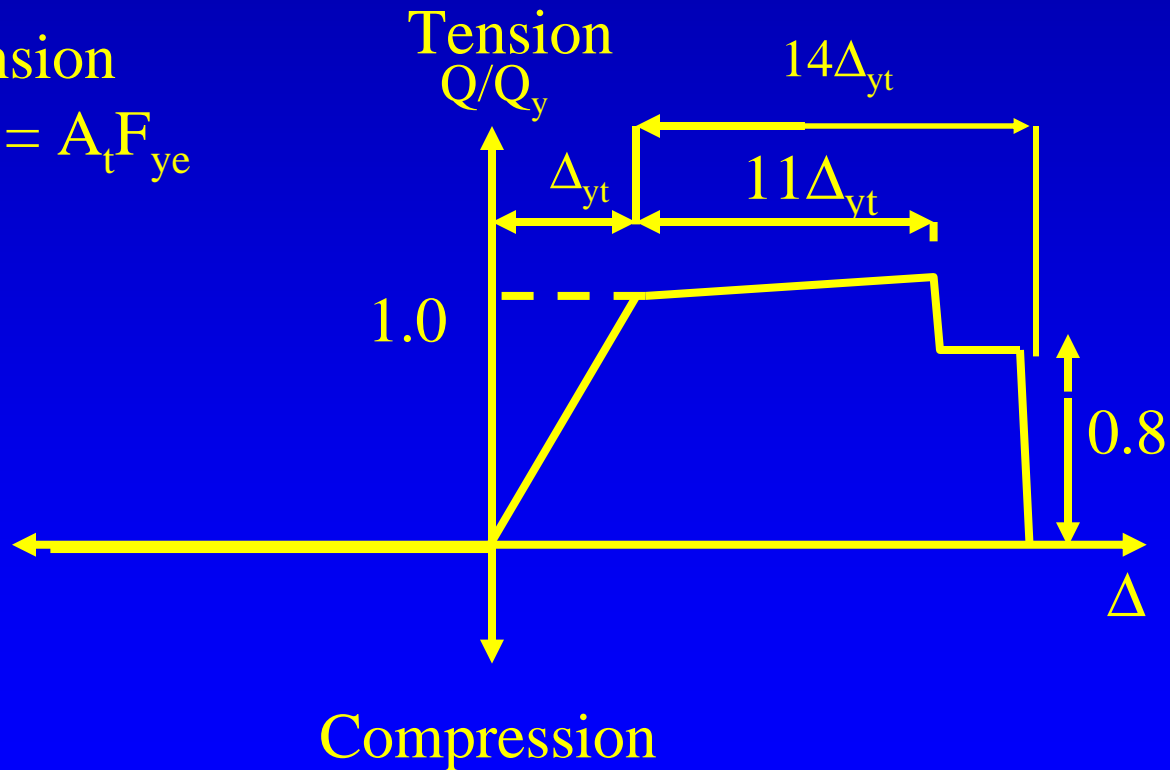
# Steel Plate Wall Analysis – Nonlinear Pushover Model



**Steel Plate Shear Wall Tension Strip Model**

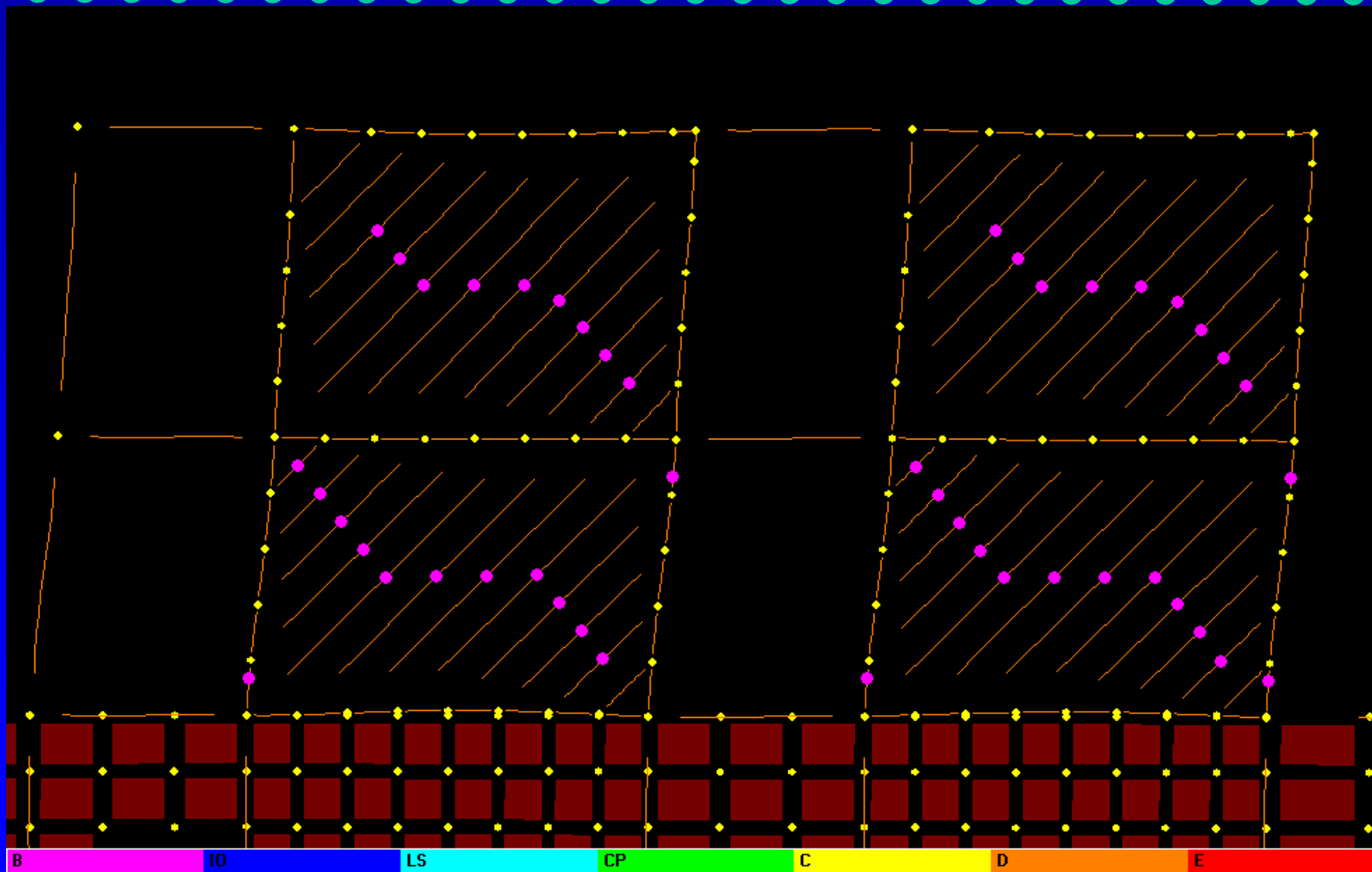
# Steel Plate Wall Analysis

$T_{yt}$  (strip tension yield force) =  $A_t F_{ye}$

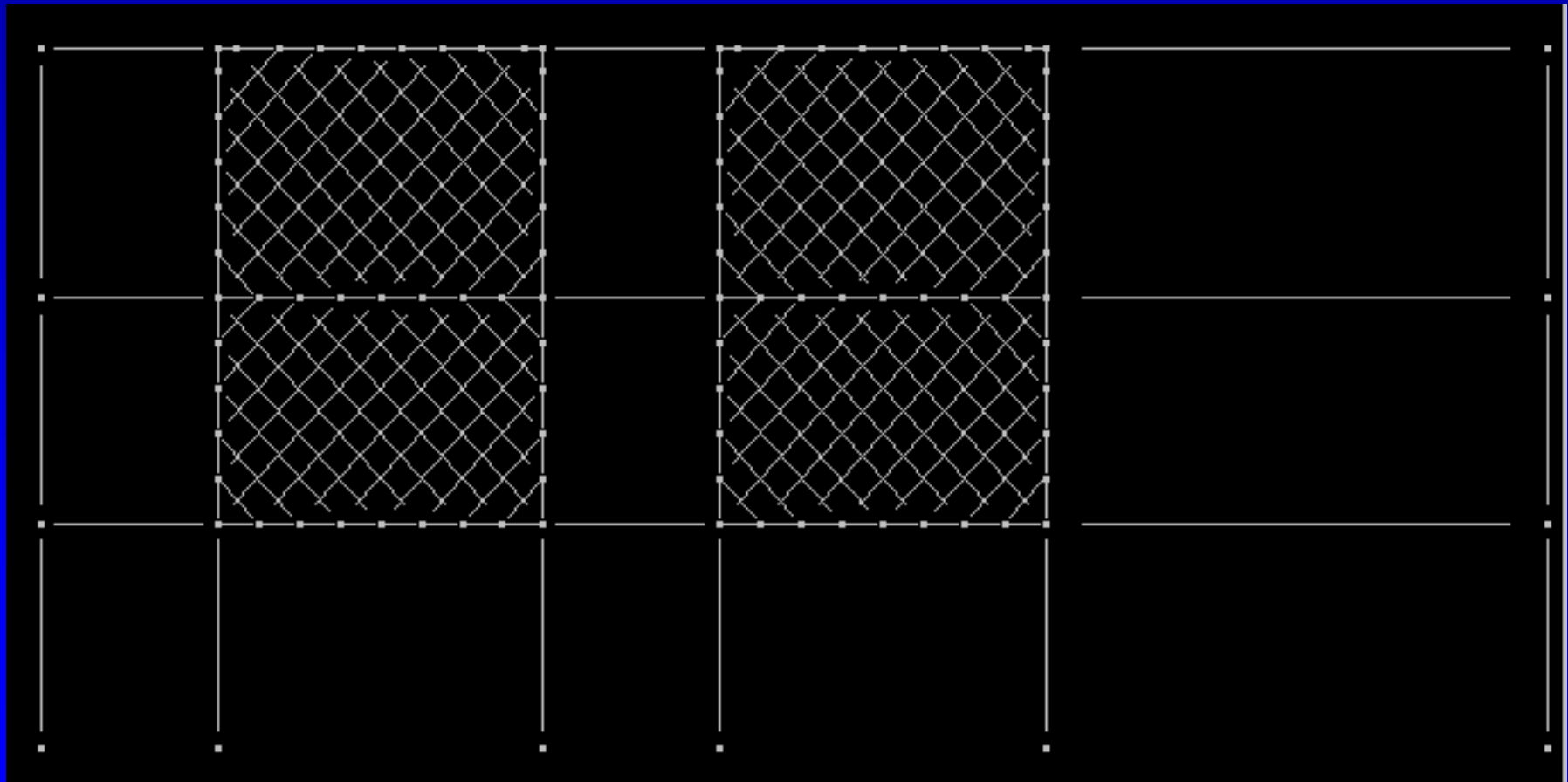


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# Pushover Yielding Sequence



# Steel Plate Strip Model – Time History Model



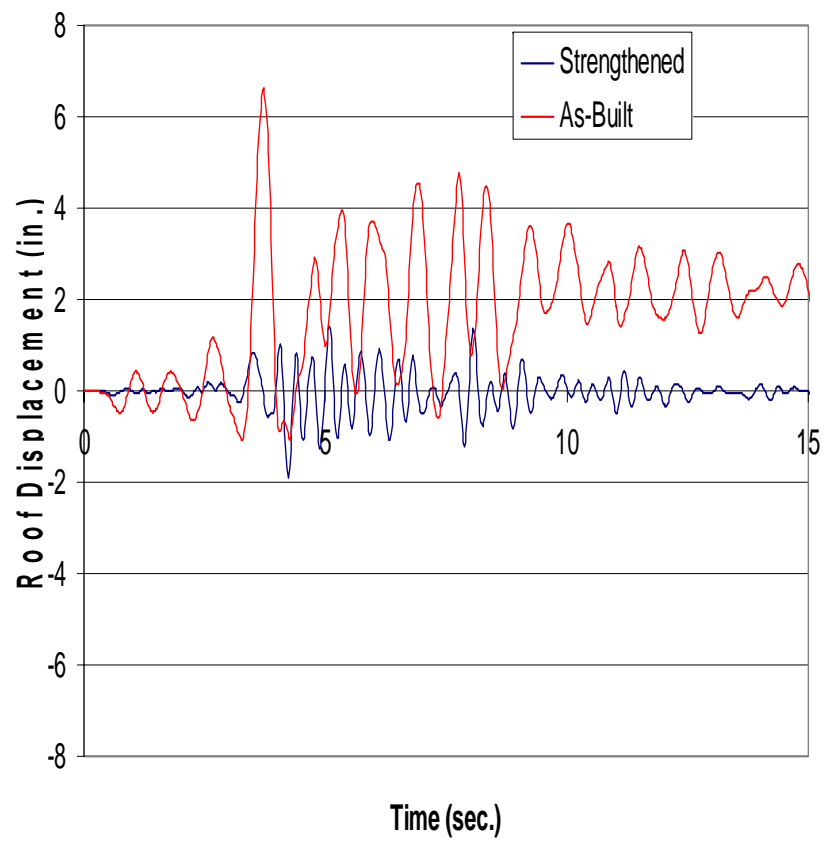
# Time History Design Ground Motions

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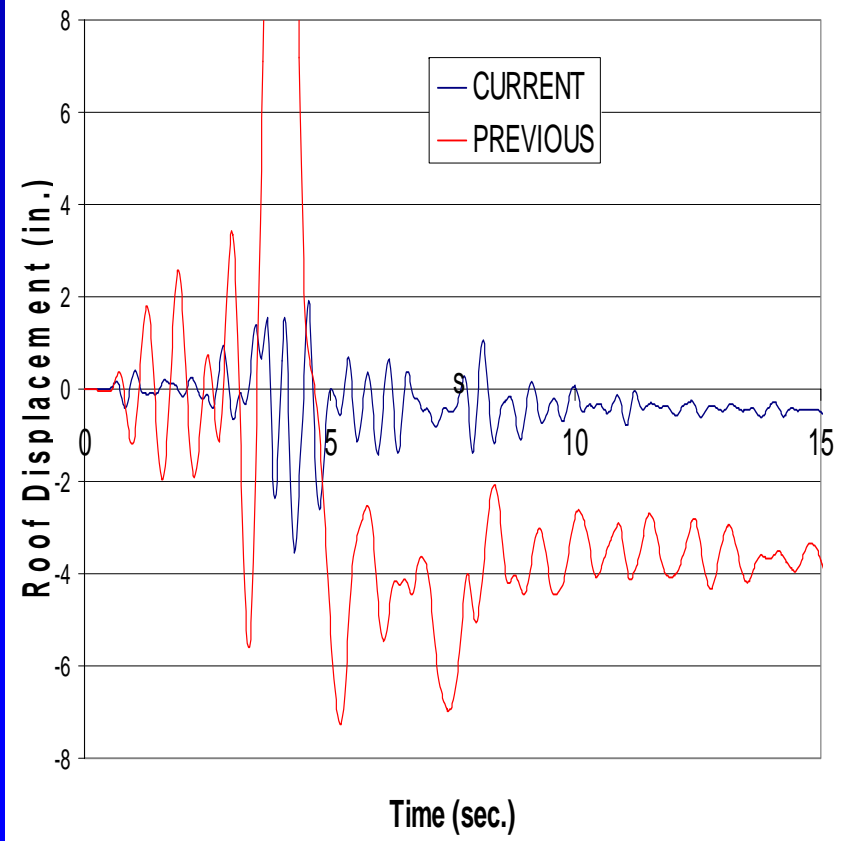
- Design Basis Earthquake
- Maximum Credible
  
- Sylmar
- Newhall
- El Centro

# Nonlinear Time History Results

DBE Sylmar NS



MCE Sylmar NS



# Maximum Roof Displacement of Strengthened Building

East – West Response

	DBE	MCE
Sylmar NS	1.9''	3.5''
Sylmar EW	1.7''	2.9''
Newhall N46E	1.9''	3.2''
Newhall N44W	1.8''	3.2''
El Centro S50W	1.7''	3.1''
El Centro S40E	1.8''	3.0''

# EERI Spectra Journal Article

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- **“Case Study of a Northridge Welded Steel Moment-Frame Building Having Severed Columns”**
  - **Bruce Maison, Tom Hale (Vol. 20, Number 3, Aug.-2004)**
  - **Connections modeled with probabilistic fracturing element**
  - **Concludes 99% confidence against global collapse for a second event with pre-existing fractured connections**
    - **FEMA 351 Approach**

# Challenging Issues Remain

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- **What does it mean to meet “immediate occupancy”?**
  - **What level of structural damage causes a hospital to lose its immediate occupancy status?**
    - **Do we have to meet “current code” to achieve immediate occupancy?**
    - **How much and what type of structural damage can we allow and still provide immediate occupancy?**
      - **Foundations**
      - **Structural steel**

# Challenging Issues

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## ➤ Funding Issues

- How much money should we spend to achieve this goal?
- Should the age, or expected remaining life, of the building enter into the consideration?
- Should there be a cap on costs to meet immediate occupancy requirements?
  - Similar to ADA compliance costs?