

# **Application of Performance Based Earthquake Engineering (PBEE) to Caltrans Ordinary Standard Bridge Design**

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# Background

## 1. External

Seismic Advisory Board

## 2. Internal

PDCA



# Approach, Theoretical Background And Research Needs



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## Components of Performance Based Earthquake Engineering

### 1. Hazard Analysis:

Hazard Identification: Location, Intensity, Risk Loading:  
Seismic Intensity -> Acceleration Record/Input Motion

### 2. Structural Analysis:

Structural Analysis: Modeling Guidelines & Software

### 3. Damage Analysis:

Displacement, Ductility, & Strain

### 4. Loss Analysis



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## 1. Hazard Analysis

- Linear Spectral Analysis: Acceleration Response Spectra: ARS Online
- NLTHA: Uniform Excitation → Acceleration Time History
  - Basis of Design: Site-Specific Design (Target) ARS obtained from ARS online
  - Synthetic Records (captures important site characteristics)
  - Record Selection (subset of all generated records)
  - Spectral Matching (Modify record to have its ARS match a target ARS)
  - Average of 7 Records

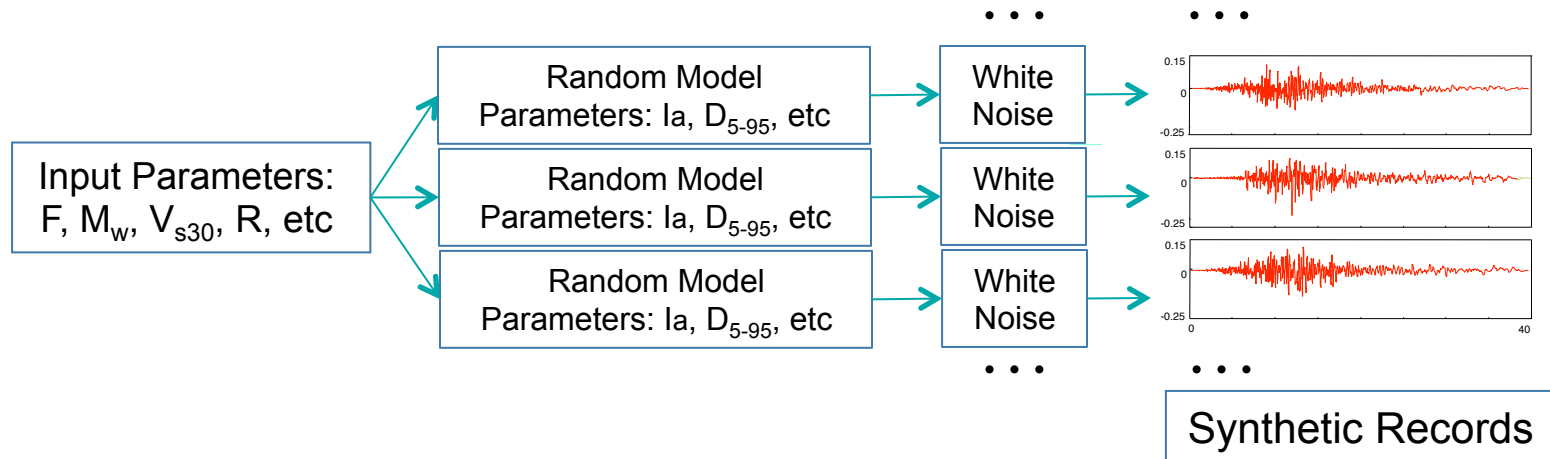


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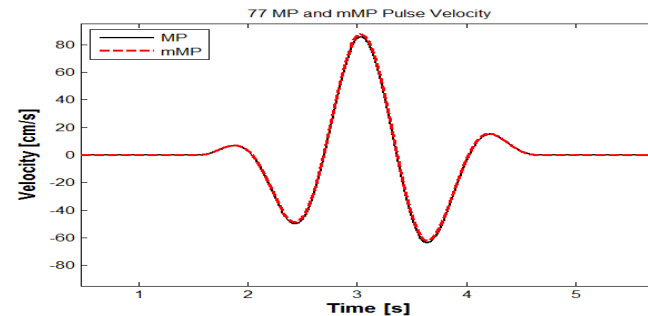
## 1. Hazard Analysis

### Synthetic Record Generation:

- UCB Synthetic Record Generation Algorithm (By Prof. ADK)



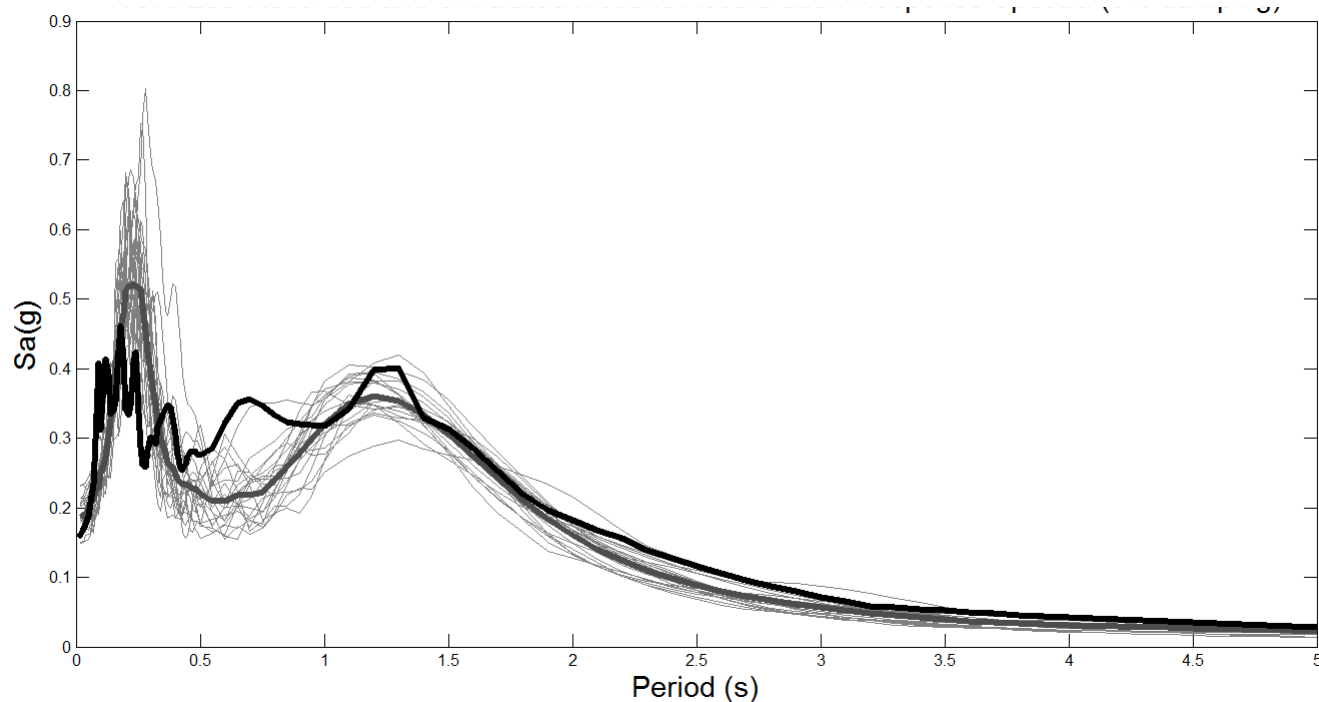
- Modeling of Velocity Pulse



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## 1. Hazard Analysis

### Synthetic Record Generation - Example



Pseudo-acceleration response spectra at 5% damping of the NGA record #285 (black thick line), of 20 simulated ground motions using the fitted parameters (grey lines), and their geometric mean (thick grey line)

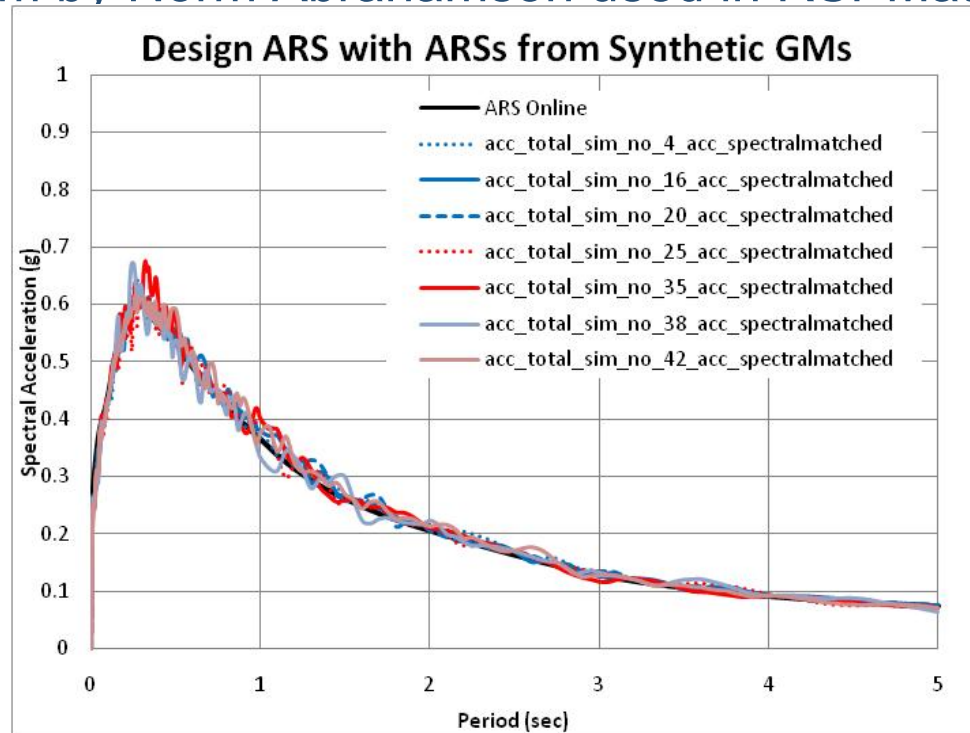


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## 1. Hazard Analysis

### Record Selection:

- Spectral Matching using TDSMatch based on Time Domain algorithm by Norm Abrahamson used in RSPMatch



TDSMatch





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## 1. Hazard Analysis – Where we are:

### Input Motion Generation/Selection:

- Generate Design ARS from ARS Online (Target ARS), based on 1000-year return period
- Generate Synthetic Records: 50 Records (with near field velocity pulse if near field effect is needed)
- Select 7 records (from set of 50) with closest match to target ARS within  $0.5 \leq T \leq 3.0$  seconds
- Scale Records: Use TDSMatch to adjust the 7 selected records to the target ARS
- Use the adjusted records for analysis



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## 1. Hazard Analysis – Where we are headed (Our Needs)

### Input Motion Generation/Selection:

- Generating Synthetic motions in two directions
- Generating motions with hazard intensities and variations to warrant use in design without considering ARS
- Near-field and pulse consideration
- Fault Crossing
- Directionality



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## 2. Structural Analysis

### Nonlinear Time History Analysis (NLTHA):

- Bridge Behavior in Seismic event is NONLINEAR
- NLTHA is the most accurate method available
- Current tools are efficient enough for NLTHA
- Response Spectrum Analysis does not capture some key nonlinear responses (e.g., column plastic hinge, span hinge, shear key, abutment response, & isolation bearing)
- Equal displacement principal is an approximation



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## 2. Structural Analysis

### What is needed for Nonlinear Time History Analysis:

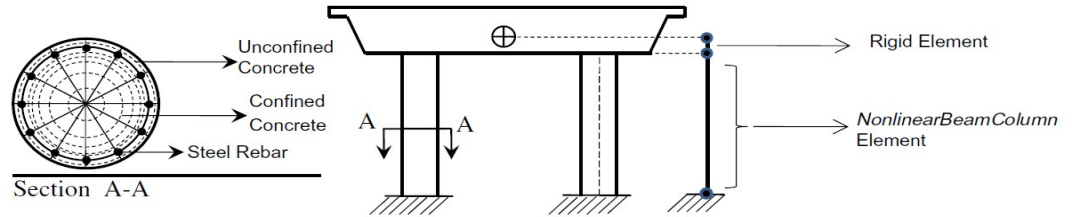
- Loading Guidelines (i.e., Acceleration Time History Records):
  - Intensity, peak acceleration, #of peaks
  - Duration
  - Frequency content
  - Near-Field Effect
- Modeling Guidelines: PEER 2008-03
- Reliable Software: CSI-Bridge, OpenSees, & Midas-Civil
- Acceptance Criteria:  $\Delta_{\text{capacity}}/\Delta_{\text{demand}}$ , Ductility, etc.



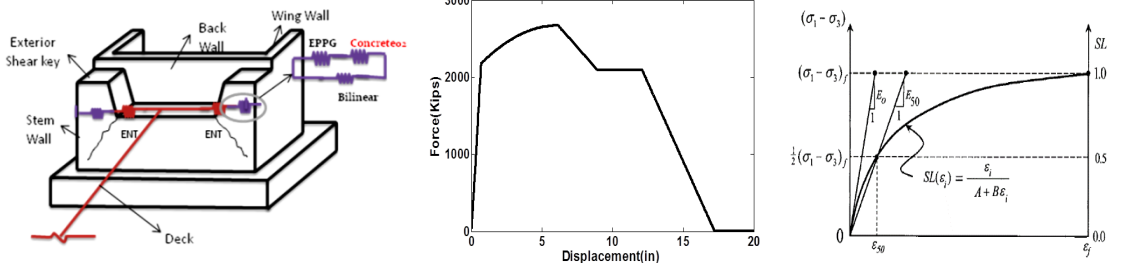
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## 2. Structural Analysis Modeling Nonlinear Behavior:

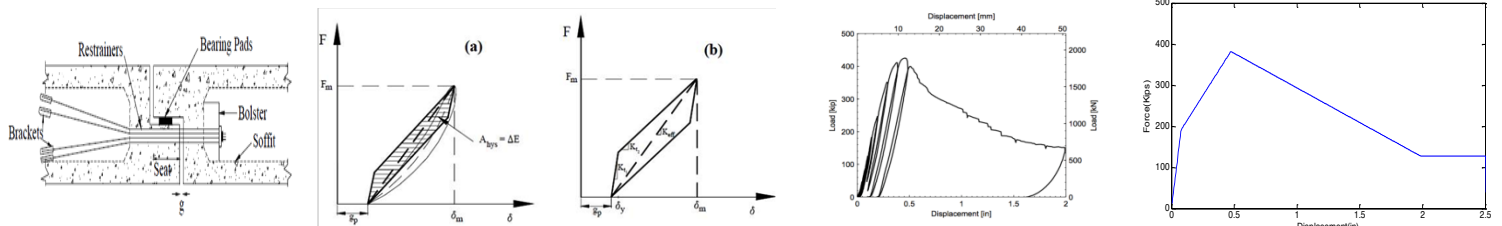
- Column Hinge



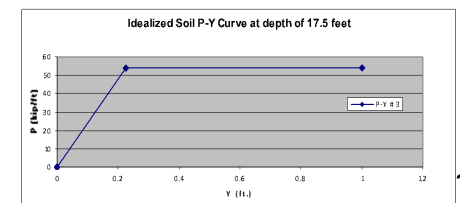
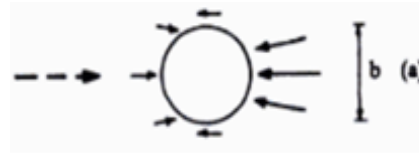
- Abutment Springs



- Hinge impact & Shear key



- Soil Structure Interaction (p-y, t-z, & q-z)



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## 2. Structural Analysis – Where we are:

### Response Calculation:

- Apply each input motion in longitudinal and transverse directions (and more directions if curved or highly skewed)
- Record maximum displacements in longitudinal and transverse directions
- Calculate average of the maximum displacements (in each direction) as displacement demand

### Capacity Calculation:

- Perform push-over analysis in longitudinal and transverse directions
- Calculate displacement capacity based on strain limits given in SDC



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## 2. Structural Analysis – Where we are headed (Our Needs):

### Response Calculation:

- Formal guidance for THA
- Better quantification of damping
- Better modeling of various nonlinear elements
- Improved tools for analysis



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## 3. Damage Analysis: Where we are:

### Capacity Calculation:

- Perform push-over analysis in longitudinal and transverse directions
- Calculate displacement capacity based on strain limits given in SDC

### Acceptance Criteria / Damage Assessment:

- Displacement-based, Current SDC Limits:
  - $\Delta_{\text{demand}} = \text{average } \Delta_{\text{max.col}}$  of each column
  - $\Delta_{\text{capacity}} = \text{From Push-over analysis of bent or frame}$
- Damage Index Evaluation:
  - PDCA: Column damage index based on strain





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## 3. Damage Analysis: Where we are headed (Research Needs):

### Possible Future Acceptance Criteria / Damage Assessment:

- No Push-over Analysis needed, instead calculate the ultimate curvature for each plastic hinge
- Compare Curvature demand and capacity:
  - Yield curvature =  $\phi_y$ , based on SDC idealized M- $\phi$  curve
  - Curvature demand =  $\phi_d$  = Average of maximum curvatures of the 7 analysis cases
  - Curvature capacity =  $\phi_c$  (based on SDC strain limits), i.e.:  
 $\phi_d \leq \phi_c$
  - Curvature Ductility:  $\phi_c / \phi_y \geq 10$  (using SDC values)
- Identify Damage Index:
  - Curvature demand  $\rightarrow$  Max strain demand  $\rightarrow$  Damage Index



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## 4. Loss/Cost Analysis – Where we are headed (Research Needs):

### Possible Future Acceptance Criteria / Damage Assessment:

Damage State (DS) Index with Associated Strain Threshold and Repair Cost  
(Saini and Saiedi, 2014)

Damage State (DS)	Description	Trigger	Trigger Value				Item - Strategy	Units	Cost
			Concrete Cover Strain	Concrete Core Strain	Main Steel Strain	Confinement Steel Strain			
1	Surface cracks	Strain	$\leq 0.002$	na	$\leq 0.002$	$\leq 0.002$	OK	na	0
2	First spalling	Strain	$0.002 < \epsilon \leq 0.005$	na	$0.002 < \epsilon \leq 0.005$	$0.002 < \epsilon \leq 0.005$	Patch Concrete	SQFT	\$400
									\$250
									\$100
									\$50
3	Major spalling	Strain	Spalled to core strain height	$0.005 < \epsilon \leq 0.008$	$0.005 < \epsilon \leq 0.010$	$0.005 < \epsilon \leq 0.010$	Patch Concrete	SQFT	\$400
									\$250
									\$100
									\$50
							Epoxy Inject	LF	\$62
4	Exposed reinf.	Strain	spalled off	$0.008 < \epsilon \leq 0.010$	$0.010 < \epsilon \leq 0.025$	$0.010 < \epsilon \leq 0.015$	Steel Column Casing	EA	\$61,200
5	Core shedding	Strain	spalled off	$0.010 < \epsilon \leq 0.020^{(1)}$	$0.025 < \epsilon \leq 0.06^{(2)}$	$0.015 < \epsilon \leq 0.120^{(2)}$	Replace Column	EA	\$138,055
6	Failure (rupture)	Strain & Displ.	spalled off	$> 0.020^{(1)}$	$> 0.06^{(2)}$	$> 0.120^{(2)}$	Replace Superstructure and Columns	EA	\$1,455,840



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## Summary – Current Status

- **Hazard Analysis** - Loading (Input motions):
  - Generate 50 synthetic records (Include near-field effect if needed)
  - Select 7 records that best match design ARS in range  $0.5s \leq T \leq 3.0s$
  - Use TDSMatch to adjust selected records to design ARS
- **Structural Analysis** - Modeling: Include major nonlinearities:
  - Column plastic hinge, abutment spring, shaft p-y, & span hinge
- **Structural Analysis** - Analysis: CSIBridge, OpenSees, or Misdas-Civil, etc.
  - Perform Nonlinear analysis in long./transverse (and maybe more) directions
  - Calculate maximum displacement demand (average of 7 motions)
- **Damage Analysis** - Acceptance Criteria:
  - Perform Push-over analysis, obtain displacement capacity
  - Compare displacement demand vs. capacity (Current SDC)
  - Future: Compare curvature demand vs. capacity



# PBEE - Bridges

## 4. Loss Analysis / Performance Measure – Future

### 4.1: Loss quantification

Function of Interest Rate ?

### 4.2: Performance Measure

Cost

Time

Fatalities

Sustainability (Mackie)

