

Cascading Seismic and Tsunami Loads for the Design of Open Wharves



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OUTLINE





Hazards and Demands ġ

Physical and numerical modeling E

Validation



Application Example Preliminary Results



Conclusion Summary Future Work







PORTS IN THE UNITED STATES





926 ports in the US

\$4.6 trillion annual economic activity ~ ¼ of national economy

ASCE, 2017





RECENT EVENTS

2011 Japanese Earthquake and Tsunami





Damage to the 10 m deep Berth 3-2 in the Third Wharf Area of Onahama Port. Sugano et al (2014)





HAZARDS AND DEMANDS

- 1. Seismic forces and drifts
- 2. Tsunami pressures / forces and drifts
- 3. Scouring effects on foundations









OBJECTIVES

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LITERATURE REVIEW

 Port structure earthquake analyses and needs
 DesRoches et al. (2009, 2011); NIST GCR 12-917-19 (2012); Chiaramonte et al. (2013);

- No existing tsunami loading experiments for port structures
 Closest.. Robertson et al. (2008) [Wall and Slab]
- Experimental tests of an elevated structure tested at OSU
 Alam et al. (2020), Winter et al. (2020) [joint effort UW and OSU]





Elevated Structure instrumented at Hinsdale Wave Research Laboratory (HWRL) Oregon State University

(a) Experimental setup for elevated structure in flume, (b) Numerical model developed in "DualSPHysics"

DualSPHysics









(a) Experimental setup for elevated structure in Flume HWRL (Alam et al. 2020)



Structure subjected to different wave loading (Alam et al. 2020) (b)



(c) Pressure gauge layout (Alam et al. 2020)





NUMERICAL MODELING

Fluids: Continuum system

Lagrangian NS-SPH scheme

Fluids: Discrete system



Dominguez et al. 2022

Smoothed Particle Hydrodynamics

Conservation laws of continuum fluid dynamics apply to every particle

Navier-Stokes (NS) equations (PDE) are solved for each particle with the influence of the surrounding particles limited to a smoothing length to describe the motion of viscous fluids by solving

Compact support

- Momentum conservation
- Mass conservation
- Energy conservation

Weakly compressible fluids

- Tait's Equation of State (EOS)
- Simplifies computation of pressures







VALIDATION (Free Surface Elevation)







VALIDATION (Flow Velocity)















Baseline Model: Existing port in California. Courtesy of W. (Bill) Bruin, SGH.



MODELED GEOMETRIES

- Baseline geometry based on real example
- Sensitivity study performed to evaluate parameters affecting responses (horizontal and vertical pressures)
- Some assumptions:
 - Pseudo-3D strip model
 - Inlet flow conditions = Piston generated Tsunami wave
 - \circ Total Number of particles = 3459128
 - $\circ~$ Interparticle distance per wave height Δp / h = 10

Parameter		Cases				
Comment	[-]	[-]	MIN	BL	MAX	
Length (# Spans)	L	[ft]	100	153	200	
Bottom Slope	l:h	[deg]	0	1:6	1:3	
Dist between piles	L1	[ft]	20	25	30	
Diameter of piles	D	[ft]	2	2.5	3	
Height of piles \ Origin Shift	β	[ft]	55	65	75	
Water Level	MWL	[ft]	-7	0	7	
BL: Baseline Geometry						







RESULTS

Max Water Level

Min Water Level



















RESULTS (Vertical Pressure)









CONCLUSION (Summary)

- Numerical SPH models were validated for measuring:
 - Free surface elevation
 - Flow velocity
 - Pressure distributions
- Analysis of the Application Example
 - Pressure Field
 - Influence of parameters is similar between the pressure fields on the first pile and bottom of the slab
 - Future work is needed (see next slide)





CONCLUSION (Future Work)

- Tsunami modeling:
 - Evaluate the limitations of the pseudo-3D model
 - Estimate Forces
 - Assess direction wave loading (requires full 3D model)
- Cascading loading modeling:
 - Apply DualSPHysics pressure time-series on advanced nonlinear OpenSees soil-structure models
 - Perform cascading, sequential earthquake ground motion and tsunami loading analysis (SSI, nonlinear time history analyses)





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THANK YOU!

Questions?





EVALUATION OF PRESSURES

Measurements for pressures are executed @ 2dp distance from face of structure

