Performance Based Economic Loss Assessment Due to a Hypothetical Large Southern California Earthquake Based on the Disruption and Recovery of Port of Los Angeles Freight Traffic



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Disaster Resilience

Under extreme events, the resilience of a transportation network is highly dependent on the performance of its physical components, such as roadways, bridges, and culverts.

Failure of some of these components, particularly bridges, could substantially disrupt the functioning of the network.

With the average bridge in the U.S. being 43 years old (ASCE, 2017), quantifying resiliency at network level requires detailed analyses of bridge seismic behavior.





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Objectives



Develop a methodology that generates high-resolution representations of post-disaster transportation network conditions, and the consequent economic losses

As a demonstration of the methodology, post-event performance the Greater Los Angeles transportation network will be investigated for a hypothetical large scenario earthquake affecting the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach.

Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach

- Are the largest container terminals in the US
- Account for 40% US imports and 25% US exports





Framework: Overview





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Framework: Hazard Characterization



(USGS, 2013)



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M 7.3 Palos Verdes Fault Scenario Earthquake





Magnitude: 7.3 Epicentral distance: 2 mi (3.25 km)



Extract Bridge Geometry

Develop a 3D bridge model by coupling dimensions obtained from Google Street View images, bridge centerline derived from satellite images/OSM, ground elevation data







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Transverse steel reinforcement ratio									
	[Distribution							
Design Era	Туре	Mean	Standard Deviation	Lower Bound	Upper Bound				
Pre-1971	#4 @ 12 in. irrespective of the cross-section								
Post-1971	Uniform	0.85	0.07	0.4	1.3				

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Component	EDP	Units	$M_{ m CDT-0}$	$M_{\rm CDT-1}$	$M_{\rm CDT-2}$	$M_{\rm CDT-3}$
Columns						
Pre-1971	Curvature ductility	N/A	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.2
1971-1990	Curvature ductility	N/A	1.0	2.0	3.5	5.0
Post-1990	Curvature ductility	N/A	1.0	4.0	8.0	12.0
Abutment Seat						
AS1-S	Displacement	Inches	0.5	1.0	2.0	3.0
AS2-S	Displacement	Inches	1.0	3.0	6.0	9.0
AS3-S	Displacement	Inches	1.0	3.0	10.0	15.0
AS3-L	Displacement	Inches	2.0	6.0	10.0	15.0
AS4-S	Displacement	Inches	1.0	3.0	14.0	21.0
AS4-L	Displacement	Inches	2.0	6.0	14.0	21.0
Abutment Deformation						
Passive	Displacement	Inches	3.00	10.00	N/A	N/A
Active	Displacement	Inches	1.50	4.00	N/A	N/A
Transverse	Displacement	Inches	1.00	4.00	N/A	N/A

Component damage thresholds used to calculate bridge fragilities



Bridges Modeled for This Project (1000)







Traffic simulation: SCAG Road Network

Road network is downloaded from OpenStreetMap for the six counties that comprise the SCAG region (Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, and Ventura).

The network consists of 615,714 intersections (nodes) and 1,444,790 roads (edges).

Post-earthquake bridge closures: {59, 44, 14, 10, 6} miles of roadway were closed {1, 3, 7, 14, 30} days after the earthquake



SCAG Road Network

Roads around Port of LA





Traffic Simulation: Travel Demand

Travel demand (origin-destination flow, OD) from SCAG were processed.

Left: A subset of the trips within the SCAG area: # totals trips considered = 10,680,134

Right: Trips from the ports to other destinations in the SCAG area. # trips = 200,000 ~= daily port traffic.



SCAG traffic: ~10.6 million trips



Port traffic: 0.2 million trips





Methodology



Semi-dynamic traffic assignment model used to compute for traffic volume on roads before and after bridge closures.

Travel time update:

$$\widehat{t} = t_0 \left(1 + a \cdot \left(\frac{q}{q_{\max}} \right)^b \right)$$

- Vehicles are assumed to choose fastest path under current road closure and traffic congestion status.
- Trucks are restricted from using residential roads





Impact measurements



Unfulfilled trips





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Travel time



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Vehicle hours traveled (VHT)

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Economic impact assessment



Discussion

- Port area impacts contribute to more than half of overall indirect costs (impact is spatially disproportionate to areas with damage)
- Economic impact is not disproportionate compared to overall economic activity in general region
- Good resilience of LA port area transportation network



Thank you

