#### **COLLAPSE FRAGILITY OF REINFORCED CONCRETE MOMENT FRAME BUILDING UNDER PULSE-LIKE MOTIONS**

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### Abstract

The effect of different element and material models used to characterize the behavior of reinforced concrete components is investigated in the context of developing collapse fragilities of a typical reinforced concrete moment frame building subjected to seismic loading. Incremental Dynamic Analyses are carried out using 30 site-specific ground motions to generate demand-intensity curves. The maximum inter-story drift ratio is selected as the critical seismic demand parameter and two intensity measures were used. Findings from the study indicate that modeling choices do have a significant impact on the predicted collapse probabilities.

### Results

**Dispersion of IMs for 2 models** ullet







# Methodology & modeling

- Incremental Dynamic Analysis (IDA) was used to generate demandintensity curves which in turn were used to develop collapse fragilities • Two intensity measures were considered:
  - $S_a(T_1)$  and  $S_{agm}(T_1, 1.5T_1, 2.5T_1)$ , where  $S_{agm}(T_i) = [\prod_{i=1}^n S_a(T_i)]^{\overline{n}}$
- A peak inter-story drift of 6% was chosen as the limit state for collapse
- OpenSees computational platform was used in all simulations
- Force-based nonlinear beam-column elements were used for all members in Model A, with four and five integration points along beam and column elements, respectively.
- All members modeled as elastic elements with concentrated plastic hinges at each end in Model B.



# Findings

- Modeling choices have an impact in seismic collapse assessment
- Definition of collapse should be carefully evaluated
- Has a collapse mechanism formed?
- Non-convergence is not necessarily collapse
- Improved intensity measures can reduce dispersion in the estimated demands
- <u>Future work</u>: Examine relationships between IMs and dynamic properties of system; Use high fidelity models to calibrate simpler models; Extend study to range of building types; Investigate different ground motion selection methods.

