# Nonlinear effects in Earthquake Soil Structure Interaction of Nuclear Power Plants

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#### Motivation

Improve seismic modeling and simulation for infrastructure objects

Use of high fidelity numerical models to analyze seismic behavior of soil structure nuclear facilities

Reduction of modeling uncertainty, ability to perform high(er) level of sophistication modeling and simulation

Accurately follow the flow of seismic energy in a soil structure system

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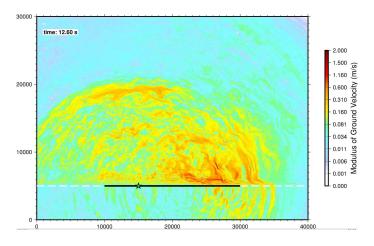
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## **Development of Seismic Motions**

- ► 1D and/or 2D and or 3×1D and/or 3D (6D) motions can be used
- 3D motions from regional scale modeling
- Knowledge of geology (deep and shallow) needed
- Using SW4 (LLNL): Dr. Rodgers, Dr. Pitarka and Dr. Petersson

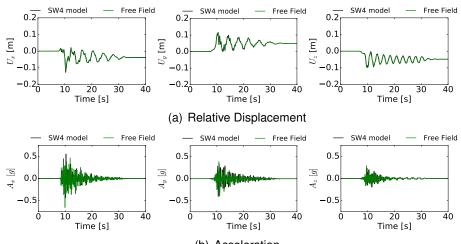
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## Regional Model Motions (Rodgers et al LLNL)



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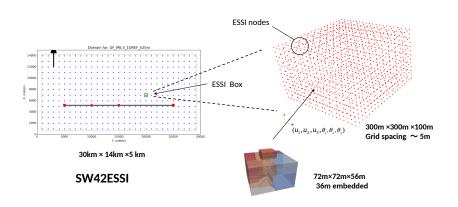
#### Free Field Verification



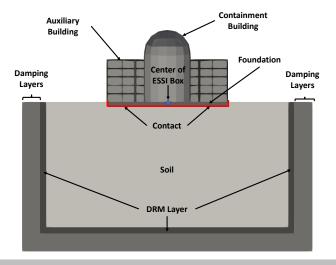
(b) Acceleration

Seismic Motions

#### Seismic Motions: SW4 to Real ESSI

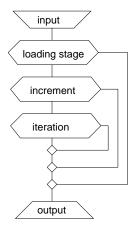


#### NPP Model



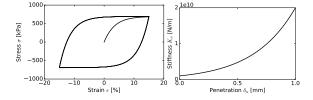
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# Inelastic/Nonlinear Analysis

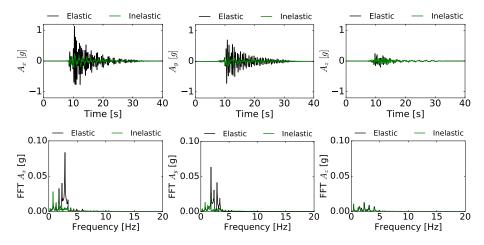


#### Inelastic Soil and Inelastic Contact

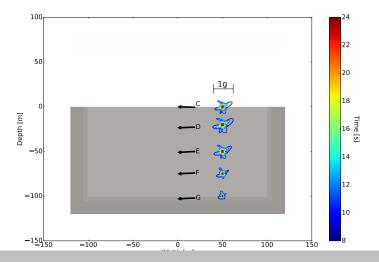
- ► Shear velocity of soil  $V_s = 500 m/s$
- ► Undrained shear strength (Dickenson 1994)  $V_s[m/s] = 23(S_u[kPa])^{0.475}$
- For  $V_s = 500 m/s$  Undrained Strength  $S_u = 650 kPa$  and Young's Modulus of E = 1.3 GPa
- ▶ von Mises, Armstrong Frederick kinematic hardening ( $S_u = 650kPa$  at  $\gamma = 0.01\%$ ;  $h_a = 30MPa$ ,  $c_r = 25$ )
- Soft contact (concrete-soil), gaping and nonlinear shear



# Acc. Response, Top of Containment Building

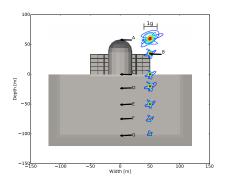


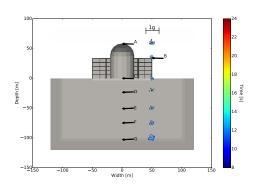
## Acceleration Traces, Free Field



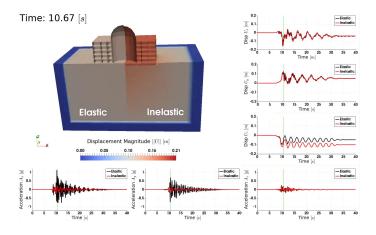
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## Acceleration Traces, Elastic vs Inelastic

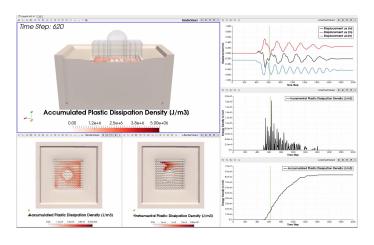




# Elastic and Inelastic Response: Differences



# Energy Dissipation in Large-Scale Model (NPP)



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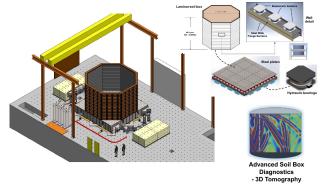
Summary

## US-DOE Project for ESSI of Nuclear Facilities

The Real ESSI Simulator System (UCD/LBNL)

Modeling from seismic source to NPP (LLNL/UCD/LBNL)

High Quality Validation test (UNR/UCD/LBNL)



Summary

- Reduction of demand due to inelastic effects
- The Real ESSI Simulator system used for all the model development, modeling/simulations and post-processing
- The Real ESSI Simulator system documentation and information about different availability/use options is at http://real-essi.info
- Nonlinear/Inelastic Earthquake Soil Structure Interaction (ESSI) short course offered this fall in San Francisco, more info at http://real-essi.info
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