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# Realistic Modeling and Simulation of Earthquake Soil Structure Interaction

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# Motivation

- ► Improving seismic design for nuclear installations
- Development of an expert numerical modeling and simulation tool
- Realistic Earthquake Soil Structure Interaction (Real ESSI) Simulator
- Use of high fidelity numerical models in analyzing seismic behavior of soil structure systems
- Accurate following of the flow of seismic energy in the soil structure system
- Direct, in space and time, seismic energy flow in and out of the soil structure system

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# Hypothesis

- Interplay of the Earthquake, Soil/Rock and Structure in time domain, plays a major role in successes and failures
- Timing and spatial location of energy dissipation determines location and amount of damage
- If timing and spatial location of the energy dissipation can be controlled (directed), we could optimize soil structure system for
  - Safety and
  - Economy



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# Flow of Seismic Energy Dissipation in SSI System

- Mechanical dissipation outside of SSI domain:
  - reflected wave radiation
  - SSI system oscillation radiation
- ► Mechanical dissipation/conversion inside SSI domain:
  - plasticity of soil subdomain
  - plasticity/damage of the parts of structure/foundation
  - viscous coupling of porous solid with pore fluid (air, water)
  - viscous coupling of structure/foundation with fluids
- Numerical energy dissipation/production



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#### **Predictive Capabilities**

- Prediction under Uncertainty: use of computational model to predict the state of SSI system under conditions for which the computational model has not been validated.
- Verification provides evidence that the model is solved correctly. Mathematics issue.
- Validation provides evidence that the correct model is solved. Physics issue.
- Modeling and parametric uncertainties are always present, need to be addressed
- Predictive capabilities with low Kolmogorov Complexity
- ► Goal: Predict and Inform and not (force) Fit



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# **US DOE Motivation**





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#### **Regional Scale Hazard and Risk Simulations**



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#### **Regional Scale Scenario Earthquakes**





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#### Coupling of Earthquake Hazard and Risk



SW4 – 4<sup>th</sup> order finite difference geophysics code for wave propagation



NEVADA & ESSI – finite deformation, inelastic Finite element codes for structures and soils



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#### Regional Scale Model Coupled with ESSI



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#### Validation Testing: New Facility at UNR



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#### Unique Shear Box Design







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#### Components at UNR







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#### Progress in Modeling and Simulation



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# Real ESSI Simulator System

The Real ESSI, **<u>Real</u>**istic modeling and simulation of <u>Earthquakes</u>, <u>Soils</u>, <u>Structures and their</u> <u>Interaction</u>. Simulator is a software, hardware and documentation system for high fidelity, high performance, time domain, nonlinear/inelastic, deterministic or probabilistic, 3D, finite element modeling and simulation of:

- statics and dynamics of soil,
- statics and dynamics of rock,
- statics and dynamics of structures,
- statics of soil-structure systems, and
- dynamics of earthquake-soil-structure system interaction

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# Real ESSI Simulator System

- Real ESSI System Components
  - Pre-processor (gmsh/gmESSI, SASSI2ESSI)
  - Simulator (local, remote/cloud)
  - Post-Processor (Paraview, Python, Matlab)
- ► Real ESSI System availability:
  - Public: Amazon Web Services (AWS, economical!)
  - Government Agencies and National Labs: Local/Remote
- Real ESSI documentation at: http://real-essi.us/
- ► Real ESSI Education and Training



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# Real ESSI Simulator System, Education and Training

- Special training and education for USA Government Agencies and National Labs
  - US-NRC
  - ► LBNL (all)
  - ► LANL
- International
  - UN-IAEA TECDOC
  - Short course at Tongji University in Shanghai, China
  - Visitors from Japan
- Professional practice: Real ESSI Short Course



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#### Real ESSI Short Course, Professional Practice December 12-14, 2017, San Francisco

- ► Day 1: Intro, Setup (AWS), Phased Modeling, ESSI
- ► Day 2: Ground Motions, 1D, 3×1D, 3D, ESSI
- Day 3: Inelastic Modeling, Soil, Contact, Structures, ESSI





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# Modeling Sophistication Levels, Phased Modeling

- Level of sophistication chosen to reduce modeling uncertainty
- ► Verify code, solutions, methods, elements, material models
- Verify model components
- Model developed in phases (components) and verified
- Gradually building confidence in inelastic modeling
- Use such developed models to predict and inform, rather than force fit



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#### Model Verification and Modeling Phases



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# Inelastic Modeling for NPP and Components

- ► Soil elastic-plastic
  - Dry, single phase
  - Unsaturated (partially saturated)
  - Fully saturated
- Contact, inelastic, soil/rock foundation
  - Dry, single phase, Normal (hard and soft, gap open/close), Friction (nonlinear)
  - Fully saturated, suction and excess pressure (buoyant force)
- Structural inelasticity/damage
  - Nonlinear/inelastic 1D fiber beam
  - Nonlinear/inelastic 2D wall element



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#### NPP Model



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#### Structure Model

The nuclear power plant structure comprise of

- Auxiliary building,  $f_1^{aux} = 8Hz$
- Containment/Shield building,  $f_1^{cont} = 4Hz$
- ► Concrete raft foundation: 3.5*m* thick



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# 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  $(S_u = 650 kPa \text{ at } \gamma = 0.01\%; h_a = 30 MPa, c_r = 25)$
- Soft contact (concrete-soil), gaping and nonlinear shear



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#### Acc. Response, Top of Containment Building



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#### Acceleration Traces, Free Field



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#### Acceleration Traces, Elastic vs Inelastic



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#### Elastic and Inelastic Response: Differences



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#### Energy Dissipation in Large-Scale Model (NPP)



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#### Soil Modeling Parameters

Material parameters	shear wave velocity [m/s] Young's modulus [GPa] Poisson ratio von Mises radius [kPa] linear hardening parameter [MPa] nonlinear hardening parameter	$500 \\ 1.25 \\ 0.25 \\ 60 \\ 30 \\ 25$
Contact parameters	initial normal stiffness [N/m] hardening rate [/m] maximum normal stiffness [N/m] tangential stiffness [N/m] normal damping [N/(m/s)] tangential damping [N/(m/s)] friction ratio	1e9 1000 1e12 1e7 100 100 0.25
Damping parameters	structure layer surrounding soil DRM layer outside layer 1 outside layer 2 outside layer 3	5% 15% 20% 20% 40% 60%





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#### Representative points



Location of points				
Point ID	X (m)	Y (m)	Z (m)	layer
1	0	0	14	structure
2	15	15	14	structure
3	0	15	14	structure
4	0	15	0	structure
5	0	15	-36	structure
6	0	-15	-36	structure
7	0	-15	0	structure
8	0	15	0	surrounding soil
9	0	15	-36	surrounding soil
10	0	-15	-36	surrounding soil
11	0	-15	0	surrounding soil
12	0	0	-36	structure
13	0	0	-36	surrounding soil



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# SMR: ESSI Effects, Material Modeling





Material B: Bilinear



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#### SMR: Accelerations Along Depth



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#### Depth variation - PGA & PGD



- ► The PGA & PGD of SSI systems are (very) different from free field motions,
- Material nonlinearity has significant effect on acceleration response.



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#### Elastic and Inelastic Response: Differences



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#### Energy Dissipation for an SMR



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# **Energy Dissipation Control Mechanisms**



Numerical

Viscous

#### Plasticity



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#### **Energy Dissipation Control**



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#### **Buoyant Force Simulation**





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#### 1D vs 3D Seismic Motions

- One component of motions (1D) from 3D
- Excellent fit





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# 1D vs 3×1D vs 3D Seismic Motions

- ID is required by the code
- 3×1D can be used depending on frequency/wave length of interest,
- 3D is more realistic, however it is challenging to define motions in full 3D



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#### When to use 3D and/or $3 \times 1D$









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# 1D vs 3D, Bottom Control Point





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# Free Field 3D vs 1D Convolution From Base Point



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# 3D vs $3 \times 1D$ vs 1D, Top of SMR



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- Numerical modeling to predict and inform, rather than fit
- Change of demand due to inelastic effects
  - Reduction of dynamic motions
  - Increase in deformations
- Sophisticated inelastic/nonlinear modeling and simulations need to be done carefully and in phases
- Education and Training is the key!
- http://real-essi.us/



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