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Seismic Design and Accelerated Bridge Construction

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Purpose

Discuss the relationship between the use of accelerated bridge construction techniques and general seismic design performance.

Learning Objectives

At the end of this webinar, you will be able to:

- Understand seismic bridge design philosophy used as the basis of bridge design specifications
- Describe the challenges associated with ABC connections in high seismic regions
- Describe the effects that mechanical couplers may have on plastic deformation capacity of bridge columns
- Identify some of the novel materials and techniques available to improve seismic bridge response

TRB Webinar

Seismic Design and Accelerated Bridge Construction (ABC)

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Presentation Objectives

- Review typical seismic design performance objectives
- Identify how these are achieved with current design methodologies
- Explore how ABC connection types affect seismic design
- Consider where we are in the development of deployable technologies

Seismic States for Site Class E



- 1. Seismic design allows damage to specific elements of bridges
- 2. Bridges are made damage-tolerant by careful detailing of these elements
- 3. All other elements of the bridge are capacity protected to prevent damage to them

We Permit Earthquakes to Damage Bridges



The forces induced if the structure is to remain undamaged can be too large to deal with, thus uneconomical

We Make Bridges Damage-Tolerant



Chain Analogy - Capacity Protection



T. Paulay's Chain Analogy

Chain Analogy - Capacity Protection



Damage from Cyclic Inelastic Loading



Reduced-Scale ABC Column Tests



What's Special About Seismic Applications?

- 1. Continuity of load path under load reversals
- 2. Development of cyclic inelastic deformations
- 3. Maximum forces (moments) occur where we would like to connect prefabricated elements
- 4. Certain element/material behaviors may cause rapid loss of cyclic resistance
 - Local Buckling
 - Strain Concentrations
- 5. Detailing is important!

A Few Words on Continuity of Strength

- In high seismic areas inelastic ductility is required; thus clearly all members must have sufficient strength to form the <u>intended</u> plastic mechanism.
- In low seismic (non-seismic) areas, continuity of strength is still required, just not the ductility (or deformation capacity).
- In low-seismic areas, there still needs to be lateral capacity commensurate with the minimum member strength requirements (e.g. 0.7 or 1 % minimum steel, etc)

Example ABC Connection Locations in a Bridge



Definition of ABC-Type Connection



Where are the connections?



ED – Energy Dissipating CP – Capacity Protected

Basic Steps of Seismic Design

Step	Basic Steps for Seismic Design
1	Determine Seismic Input
2	Establish Design Procedures
3	Identify the Earthquake Resisting System and Global Design Strategy
4	Perform Demand Analysis
5	Design and Check Earthquake Resisting Elements (Ductile or Other)
6	Capacity Protect the Remaining Elements

We Typically Analyze Bridges Elastically

How can we estimate the inelastic displacement of the system?



Can use linear elastic analysis to predict nonlinear displacements!

Displacement-Based Method (DBM)



Inelastic to Elastic Response

Two common methods:

"Coefficient" Method (AASHTO – LS and GS) Substitute Structure Method (Capacity Spectrum - Isolation)



ABC Seismic Systems

Two types of systems:

- System 1) Emulative behavior of normal RC systems
 - Use current AASHTO Coefficient Method for demand (generally conservative of all such systems)
- System 2) Completely different hysteretic behavior
 - Improved behavior (e.g. re-centering)
 - Improved/controlled damping
 - Controlled damage
 - Use Capacity Spectrum Method for demand (still under development)

Ductile Design Activity - DBM



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Grouped Similar Connection Types

Generally Behavior is Emulative of RC

- Bar Couplers
- Grouted Ducts
- Pocket Connections
- Socket Connections
- Integral Connections (Connections Super to Piers)

Non-Emulative of RC

- Emerging Technologies
 - Prestress Tendons in Tandem with Deformed Bars
 - Shape Memory Alloy and ECC
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Bar Coupler Connections





Note that the stiffening presence and "non-yielding" length of the coupler can substantially decrease the ductility of the connection relative to continuous reinforcing bars.

Grouted Duct Connections



NCHRP 12-74



WSDOT

Pocket Connections



NCHRP 12-74

Member Socket Connections



Embedded Column In Blocked out Footing



Embedded Column In CIP Footing

Note that these connections can be made generally "emulative" of reinforced concrete connections.

Socket Connection Using Block Outs

Steel Pile Bent with Precast Cap Beam







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Socket Connections in CIP Footing



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Socket Connection – Internal Forces



Precast Column Socket Connection - Lateral Load Test



Footing undamaged

Univ of WA

Drilled-Shaft Socket Connection Concept


Column-Shaft Tie Reinforcement

Shaft Transverse Reinforcement Must Be Capable of Resisting Splitting Forces in High Seismic Areas





University of Washington

Integral Connection Systems

Two-Stage CIP Cap Beam with Precast Prestressed Girder Superstructure



Girders are made continuous over bents for live and lateral loads.

Connection Locations

all ED

Precast Bent System for High Seismic Regions



- Member socket connection at base (ED)
- Few, but large, bars at precast cap connection (ED)
- Two-stage cap
- Upper stage CIP
- Girders integral with combined lower and upper stages of cap (CP)

Longitudinal Loading – Moments at Two-Stage Cap



Column Longitudinal Moment Resisted Entirely in Upper Stage (Superstructure)

Longitudinal Joint Considerations



Design Example in Highways for LIFE Reports

Two-Stage Cap Longitudinal Joint Width



Design Example in Highways for LIFE Reports

Precast Pier System: Demonstration Project and Design Specifications



DRAFT HfL Bent System Design Specifications

Appendiz C: Design Requirements

PRECAST BENT SYSTEM FOR SEISMIC REGIONS DEVELOPED UNDER HIGHWAYS FOR LIFE TECHNOLOGY PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM

C.1-INTRODUCTION

A fully proceast bent system was developed under the Highways for LIPE Technology Partnerships Program under Grant As, DTFH61.09-6-60005. This appendix provides the design specification requirments for the science design of the bent system, which is a behaviorated as the HII. Bent System Modifications or additions to the requirements of the main *Science Coulde Specifications for LIPET Science Brigg Description* (SG3) are gravitable havin.

C.2 - DESCRIPTION OF SYSTEM

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The system connections consist of a socket connection at the foundation level and a grouted har connection to fire optawan. The foundation must be cast round the presext column forms the socket connection, and the interface between the column and foundation must be intentionally roughened to ansure vertical load carrying capacity. In the HEL Bent System, the connection to the cap beam is intended to consist of lenge dimmetric bars with the Wore bear socyopied. These are copredict these are optically that the start of the same provide that with generous diameters relative to the bars (2 to 3 inches larger in diameter) to fasilitate fit up.

The precast column may also be divided into acgments to reduce handling weights. For many typical bridges a single process column element is sufficient. However, the segmental column concept was included in the validation and HLL demonstration project.

Validation testing of the Hfl. Bent System was conducted by the University of Winkington and the results are reported in Pang, et al. (2008), Handlatono, et al. (2012), Hong, et al. (2012) and Mamh, et al. (2012). Additionally, a demonstration project was constructed by the Washington State Department of Transportation over Interstets 6 south of Olympia. W A. DRAFT HfL Bent System Design Specifications

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ast Bent System, Exploded Viev



Figure C-2 – Elevation of Column and Pier

WSDOT, BergerABAM, UW – Highways for LIFE Technology Partnerships Program

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Hybrid Connections / Non-Emulative Systems



number of such systems are under development.

Recall - Inelastic to Elastic Response

Two common methods:

"Coefficient" Method (AASHTO – LS and GS)

Substitute Structure Method (Capacity Spectrum - Isolation)



Technology Readiness Level (TRL)

Conceptual Example

Technology Readiness Level (TRL)		% of development complete			
TRL	Description	0-25	25-50	50-75	75-100
1	Concept exists				
2	Static strength predictable				infill
3	Non-seismic deployment				II
4	Analyzed for seismic loading				II
5	Seismic testing of components		catch-up required		
6	Seismic testing of subassemblies		"		
7	Design & construction guidelines				
8	Deployment in seismic area				
9	Adequate performance in EQ		advancement		

TRL Concept Developed by NASA

General Observations

- All systems require some:
 - Infill = additional knowledge
 - Advancement = higher level of readiness
 - Catch-up (some do) = knowledge gaps that need closing
- No systems have endured the design earthquake and performed adequately; thus no TRL 9 systems.

National Cooperative Highway Research Program

Published Documents: CHRP Web-Only Document 243 Recommended AASHTO Guide Specifications for ABC Design and erformance-Based mic Bridge Design Construction Application of Accelerated Bridge Construction Connections in Moderate-to-High Seismic Regions A Synthesis of Highway Practice TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH BOARD TRANSPORTATION RESEARCH BOARD ABC Synthesis - 698 PBSD Synthesis - 440 **ABC Recommended Specs** Report 242

Recently adopted by AASHTO*

* Expect ongoing and future tests will lead to improvements

Specifications inNCHRP 12-106 – Performance-BasedDevelopment:Seismic Design (PBSD) Specifications

Thank You!

Systems for Accelerated Bridge Construction (ABC) in Seismic Regions: Overview

> John Stanton University of Washington

> > 11 July 2018

Webinar organized by TRB Committee AFF50

Outline

- Decision tree of systems and connections.
- Connections that can be used with many systems.
- Selected systems for enhanced seismic performance.

Decision Tree



SPMT	= Self Propelled Modular Transporter
PBES	= Precast Bridge Elements and Systems
UBPre-T	= UnBonded Pre-Tensioned
SMA	= Shape Memory Alloy

ABC & Enhanced Seismic Performance

- ABC using prefabricated elements requires a design approach different from that of conventional construction.
- ABC vs conventional construction for seismic:
 - Can we get *as good* performance with ABC?

Present approach: Life Safety.

- Can we get *better* performance with ABC? e.g.
 No residual drift.
 - ✤Low damage.

Design for Seismic and ABC



Versatile Connection Types

Connections concepts common to many systems:

- Socket connections
- Pocket connections
- Grouted ducts and sleeves
- Mechanical connections

Versatile Connections - Sockets



WET SOCKET Column: PC concrete or CFT Footing: cip concrete DRY SOCKET

DRY SOCKET Column: PC concrete or CFT *Footing*: PC concrete *Annular space*: cip grout or concrete

No steel crosses column-footing interface. Quick to construct. Best if $h_{\text{footing}} \ge 1.0 D_{\text{col}}$ Well suited to footings. Less so for cap beams.

Sockets – Precast Concrete Column



Vertical load can be carried by friction

Pockets – Precast Concrete Cap Beam



Pockets – Precast Concrete Cap Beam



Grouted sleeves and ducts

SLEEVE:

- Joins two bars in tension.
- Sleeve transfers load by tension in wall.
- Thick walls. Proprietary brands.
- Placement tolerances quite tight.

DUCT:

- Anchors bar in concrete.
- Duct not in axial tension.
- Can lap-splice other bars to outside of duct.
- PT duct thin wall. Nonproprietary.
- More generous tolerances.

Grouted sleeves and ducts

WHERE TO PLACE SLEEVES?

Consider both strength and deformation capacity.



Mechanical connectors



MECHANICAL CONNECTORS

Tension butt-splice between bars.

- Shorter than sleeve. Less effect on plastic hinge zone.
- Need careful alignment for screw threads.

Emulative Systems

"Emulation" Goal

• With a precast system, emulate the performance of a traditional c.i.p. system

In most cases,

- Connection to be as strong as the column.
- Inelastic action occurs in the column.
- Avoid brittle failure modes (e.g. shear).
- Provide flexural ductility.

Emulative Systems

- Precasting the *cap beam* saves the most time, e.g. for:
 - Shoring
 - Formwork
 - Steel fixing
 - Casting-curing cycle

- Precasting the *column* saves some time, but:
 - Contractors prefer to cast in place (keeps work in-house).
 - Time savings are less than with cap beam.

Emulative Systems – Grouted Ducts



EMULATIVE SYSTEM

- Precast column with projecting bars
- Ducts in foundation/cap beam.
- All inelastic action in column. Just like c.i.p.

Haraldsson, Stanton, Eberhard

Emulative Systems – Grouted Ducts

Precast cap beam on c.i.p. columns. (Contractor choice to save time). SR 520, Redmond WA.

First stage cap beam (pc) shown here.

Second stage (i.e. "diaphragm") is cast in place with slab, after girder erection.



Emulative Socket Connection



Emulative Socket Connection



Emulative Socket Connection



After seismic testing. All inelastic action in column. Foundation undamaged.

Haraldsson, Stanton, Eberhard

Emulative Drilled-Shaft Connection



Emulative Drilled-Shaft Connection







Strong shaft / weak column GOOD

Tran, Stanton, Eberhard
Emulative Concrete Filled Tube (CFT) Connection

Concrete Filled Tubes (CFTs) for Seismic Resistance

Courtesy Charles Roeder and Dawn Lehman, University of Washington

Concrete Filled Tube (CFT)

CFTs can be used as foundation elements (piles, shafts) and piers in elevated bridges



Concrete Filled Tube (CFT)



Emulative Systems - Summary



Emulative Systems

Connections in Emulative Systems – Summary

- All of the major connection types (Socket, Pocket, Grouted Sleeves or Ducts,
 Mechanical Connectors, CFTs) have been tested under cyclic loading.
- All can provide sufficient strength.
- Most can provide ductility equal to that of c.i.p. construction.
- Performance depends strongly on details.

To achieve *more than Code* performance (i.e. more than Life Safety):

Most work on minimizing *downtime* and *damage:*

- Re-centering "Zero residual drift" no bridge closure.
- Minimizing damage to columns minimal repair costs.
- Combinations of the two.

Re-centering can be achieved by:

- Unbonded prestressing.
- Shape Memory Alloy (SMA) reinforcement.

RE-CENTERING SYSTEMS



Unbonded Post-tensioning: Two bees......

Re-centering System Hysteresis Loops



Generic Unbonded PT Bent



Unbonded PT (Rocking) Systems - End Protection



Conventional concrete only



Re-centering Low Damage System → Low Damage Detailing

Hybrid Fiber-Reinforced Concrete (HyFRC)

Steel tube confinement



Unbonded PT (Rocking) Systems - Variations



- pc column only.
- Plant prestressing.
- No anchorages, no corrosion.
- Relies on bond.

Pre-T Precast System. (Low damage, re-centering)

Thonstad, Stanton, Eberhard University of Washington

Pre-T Precast System

Construction sequence



Pre-T Precast system



Pre-T Precast system

Cap Beam Connection: Dry Socket & Grouted Duct.



Pre-T Precast system

Shaking Table Test: 1995 Kobe /Takatori (PGA = 0.8g)



Low damage Unbonded Post-tensioned Connections with External Dissipaters.

Courtesy Allessandro Palermo, University of Christchurch, NZ

Unbonded Post-T: External Dissipaters





Unbonded post-tensioned Mild steel or dissipation devices

Low Damage Connections

Unbonded Post-T: External Dissipators



Field Implementation - Wigram Magdala Bridge: detail of dissipater assembly

Unbonded Post-T: External Dissipators



Installing Dissipater Connections

Unbonded Post-T: External Dissipators



After installation

Low damage Unbonded Post-tensioned Dual Shell Columns.

Courtesy Jose Restrepo, University of California San Diego

Unbonded PT Dual-Shell Column



Unbonded PT Dual-Shell Column

Concentric Steel Shells

- > Hollow-core composite section
- > No need for formwork or rebars

Post-Tensioning System

- PT bar and polyurethane bearing in series.
- Prevents PT bar from yielding.



INTERNAL Energy Dissipators

- > Unbonded stainless-steel dowels
- Grouted into column ducts
- Circumferential welds inside outer shell







EXTERNAL Energy Dissipators

- Buckling-restrained hysteretic devices
- Connected to outer shell and footing
- Allow rotation at connections



Unbonded PT Dual-Shell Column





Observed

Damage



Self-centering dual-shell column:

- > Damage limited to the interface region.
- > Mortar crushing, 1-in. (25-mm) deep.
- Energy dissipater fracture.

Conventional RC column:

- > Damage up to 2 diameters above base.
- > Extensive concrete cover spalling.
- Longitudinal rebar fracture.

Enhanced Seismic - Summary

Efforts to limit:

- Residual drift
- Damage

Methods:

- Unbonded Prestressing, rocking. Several shown.
- *SMA bars/ECC, bending*. Not shown. See Saiidi.

Open questions:

- System complexity. Pre-fabricate as much as possible.
- *Post-EQ repair?* Choice: Internal or external dissipators.

Build-your-own Solution

- Many new concepts have been developed.
- All those shown have been tested.
- Details are critical (as always!)
- Can mix and match to suit any particular application. But first be sure that the concept is clear.

If you do not know how the structure should behave, it does not know either.

Build-your-own Solution



Thank You!

Questions?

Mechanical Splices (Couplers) in and Adjacent to Plastic Hinge Regions and their Impact on Plastic Deformation Capacity of Bridge Columns

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Couplers: Current US Code for Moderate and High Seismic Zones

Code	Coupler Type	Plastic Hinge
AASHTO	Full Mech. Connection	No
Caltrans	Service	No
	Ultimate	No
ACI	Type 1	No
	Type 2	Yes

Unofficial reason for not allowing couplers in PH:

• Insufficient data on columns representing US practice

Topics

- 1. Couplers and Novel Materials in Earthquake Design
- 2. Couplers for Accelerated Bridge Construction
- 3. Couplers in Design for Deconstruction

1- Couplers and Novel Materials in Earthquake Design

• Performance during earthquake

New

• Serviceability after earthquake

Target performance during earthquake: No Collapse



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OK

• Serviceability after earthquake: Minimize **permanent drift** and **damage**

SMA (Nickel Titanium)







Also military applications

Shape Memory Alloy

- Superelastic response
- Shape memory effects
- NiTi SMA developed in1962
- Cu-Al-Mn SMA being developed


SMA Bar Application

- Very expensive! Approx. 90 x steel cost
- Limit its use only in plastic hinges



NiTi Bar Sizes and Connections

- Can be made up to 100-mm diameter
- UNR: 13-mm, 16-mm-, and 30-mm bars
- UNR: Threaded couplers; lock screw couplers; headed couplers









Combining SMA Bars with Engineered Cementitious Composites (ECC, Ductile Concrete)



Polyvinyl Alcohol Fiber











HRC Couplers in Seattle Alaska Way Viaduct- CIP







Design Guidelines for SMA Columns



Topic 2 - Couplers for Accelerated Bridge Construction



Headed Bar [hrcomprese]



Grouted Sleeve [splicedplee.co



Bar Grip (Swaged) [ba**csplipter**om]



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Mechanical Rebar Couplers – Current Study



Phase I-9 Half-Scale Column Models

- Caltrans Seismic Design Criteria (Disp. Ductility ≥ 5)
- Design Details
 - 9ft Tall; 2ft Diameter
 - 11 #8 Longitudinal Steel (1.9%)
 - #3 Spiral @ 2in Pitch (1%)
 - Axial Load = 226kip $(0.1f'_{c}A_{g})$
- Precast Hollow Shell Design
- Filled with SCC
- Use of Precast Pedestal



Connection Details – HC Models



HRC Couplers



Custom Built Length







Close up



Connection Details – GC Models



Columns with Pedestal









Testing





5% Drift – Push Cycle 2 CIP HCNP

GCNP



 $\mu_{\rm D} = 3.6$ F = 65.9 kip



 $\mu_{\rm D} = 3.2$ F = 67.8 kip

 $\mu_D = 3.7$ F = 70.4 kip

Observations – Damage at Failure



CIP (2nd Cycle 10% Drift) HCNP (2nd Cycle 10% Drift) GCNP (2nd Cycle 6% Drift)

Force-Displacement Responses









Effect of Couplers on Spread of Yielding



Stress-Strain Model for Couplers



Parametric Study on Columns w/ Couplers

Parameters:

- > Coupler Length $(L_{sp} = 5d_b, 10d_b, \text{ and } 15d_b)$
- > Pedestal Height ($H_{sp}=5d_b$, $10d_b$, $20d_b$, and $30d_b$)
- > Coupler Rigid Length Factors (β = 0.25, 0.50, 0.75)
- > Coupler Vertical Spacing ($S_{sp} = 2L_{sp}$ and $4L_{sp}$)
- Displacement Ductility Capacity (m= 3, 5, and 7)
- Aspect Ratio (4, 6, and 8)
- Axial Load Index (5 and 10%)

More than 660 pushover analyses

Proposed Ductility Equation





$$\frac{\mu_{sp}}{\mu_{CIP}} = (1 - 0.18\beta) \left(\frac{H_{sp}}{L_{sp}}\right)^{0.1\beta}$$

Proposed Modified Plastic Hinge Length





$$L_p^{sp} = L_p - (1 - \frac{H_{sp}}{L_p})\beta L_{sp} \le L_p$$

 L_p is the AASHTO plastic hinge length: $L_p = 0.08L + 0.15f_{ye}d_b \ge 0.3f_{ye}d_b$

Topic 3 – Couplers in Design for Deconstruction (DfD)

Objectives:

Develop structural member that1- Withstand strong earthquakes with no or minorDamage so they are useable after earthquakes.2- Can be disassembled and reused.

Note: 6% of CO₂ emission in the world is from cement factories.



Column Test Models







Cu-Al-Mn Bars





Two-Span DfD Bridge Model



After disassembly









Reassembled Bridge Test to Failure (10% drift)

Overview - Shake table test of a reassembled precast modular 2-span bridge model with innovative materials (Bridge #2)

2/6/2015 Run 7 - 1.225 x Rinaldi (PGA=1.2 g)

PI: Dr. M. 'Saiid' Saiidi Graduate Assistant: Sebastian Varela, PhD student University of Nevada, Reno

Message

>Bridge earthquake engineering community should be open to possible use of couplers in column plastic hinges.

Columns w/ certain types of couplers perform as well as columns w/ no couplers.

>The limited drift capacity of some coupler types would limit their use to low and moderate seismic zones.

> Ease of construction varies among different coupler types.

Specific acceptance criteria and design guidelines for "seismic couplers" are needed to provide the coupler option for ABC in moderate and high seismic zones (emerging).

Today's Speakers

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