#### INTEGRATED APPROACH TO DYNAMIC IMPACT LOADING

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#### Impact

- Impact loading is messy. We like to avoid impact loading if possible.
- With some nuclear structures, we have no choice.
- Sources of impact loading:
  - Tornado missile
  - Seismic
  - Accidental drop/strike



Source: New York Times

### **Traditional Approach to Impact**

- Empirical formulae focus on ballistic impact; useful for tornado missiles, etc.
- Hand calculations



#### A REVIEW OF PROCEDURES FOR THE ANALYSIS AND DESIGN OF CONCRETE STRUCTURES TO RESIST MISSILE IMPACT EFFECTS \*

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#### **Recent Developments**

- Moore's Law:
  - The number of transistors in an integrated circuit doubles every two years
- What it means for engineers:
  - Increased computing power
  - Finite element analysis of nonlinear dynamic impact is feasible



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#### **Recent Developments**

• Moore's Law for finite element analysis (FEA):



For given complexity





#### **Integrated Approach to Impact**



# **Point of Impact Evaluation**

- Local damage is important for high velocity, rigid "missile" striking massive targets
  - Important for tornado missile impact analysis
  - May also apply to other impact scenarios
- Evaluated using empirical formulae
- Interaction between local and global may be important



### **Empirical Formulae**

- The most widely used empirical formulae are developed from extensive testing.
- Check that your selected formula has been verified over the range of parameters that you are considering.

Missile	Velocity (ft/sec)	Calspan test results (table 2)	Scabbing thickness (inches)									
			Modified Petry I ( $K_p = 0.00426$ ) (eqs (1) & (3))		Modified Petry II ( $K_p = 0.0022$ ) (eqs (1) & (3))		Army Corps of Engineers (eqs (4) & 6))		Modified NDRC (eqs (7) & (6) or (10))		Modified BRL (cqs (13) & (14))	
			Pre- dicted	Ratio pred./test	Pre- dicted	Ratio pred./test	Pre- dicted	Ratio pred./test	Pre- dicted	Ratio pred./test	Pre- dicted	Ratio pred./test
213 lb steel slug	100	12.0	1.4	0.12	0.7	0.06	23.3	1.94	14.2	1.18	2.8	0.23
	200	18.0	5.1	0.28	2.6	0.14	24.9	1:38	21.6	1.20	7.2	0.40
	350 mean ratio	24.0	13.4	0.56	6.9	0.29	28.2	1.18	26.1	1.09	15.1	0.63
	pred./ test			0.32		0.16		1.50		1.16		0.42
07 lb	180	12.0	24.3	2.02	12.5	1.04	19.5	1.62	14.0	1.17	30.3	2.52
steel pipe	320	18.0	67.5	3.75	34.9	1.94	33.7	1.87	19.3	1.07	65.1	3.62
	470 mean	24.0	122.5	5.10	63.3	2.64	52.8	2.20	27.1	1.13	108.6	4.52
	pred./ test			3.62		1.87		1. <b>9</b> 0		1.12		3.55
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s2 lb eel pipe	400	18.0	61.4	3.41	31.7	1.76	31.0	1.72	18.9	1.05	55.9	3.11

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# Impulse Load Time History

- When there is significant penetration or crushing at the point of impact, the impulse load time history can be determined by "decoupling" the local and overall phases.
- The simplest method approximates the impulse as a constant force. The force may also be linear with respect to deformation/penetration, which would produce a sinusoidal time history.
- The work done by this force balances the missile kinetic energy  $-x_p$  can be calculated from empirical formulae for penetration OR  $F_p$  can be taken equal to the crush capacity.



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## **Kinematics**

- When impulse load time history cannot be readily determined, the impact could be modeled as "pure impulse" (with infinitesimal duration) by using the velocity just after impact must be calculated.
- The two unknowns ( $v_{a2}$  and  $v_{b2}$ ) may be determined by considering conservation of momentum (1) and coefficient of restitution,  $e_r$  (2).
- $e_r$  is the ratio between the relative "departing" and "approaching" velocities of the impacting objects. It is always between 0 and 1.



Note:  $v_{b1}$  and  $v_{a2}$  would have a negative sign

# **Coefficient of Restitution**

- Perfectly elastic impact,  $e_r = 1$ (approaching velocity equals departing)
- Perfectly plastic impact ,  $e_r = 0$ (the two objects "stick" together)
- Empirical information is available for values in between 0 and 1, depending on the structures and materials involved in the impact.



# **System Simplification**

- Once the impulse load time history or velocity just after impact is known, the dynamic response may be determined from simple structural dynamics for a single degree of freedom system.
- For many impact scenarios, the systems are easily reduced to a single degree of freedom
- The masses of the impacting objects are self-evident in these cases.



## **System Simplification**

• For systems with distributed mass and stiffness (such as walls and slabs), mass and stiffness could be approximated by selecting a mode shape,  $\phi$  corresponding to the impact deformation.

$$m^{\star} = \sum_{i} m_{i} \phi_{i}^{2}$$
(7)  

$$k^{\star} = \sum_{i} k_{i} (\Delta \phi_{i})^{2}$$
(8)  

$$P^{\star} = \sum_{i} p_{i} \phi_{i}$$
(9)  
ASCE (1975)

- Values in the above equations (m<sub>i</sub>, k<sub>i</sub>, p<sub>i</sub>,  $\varphi_i$ ) may be determined from literature or from linear FEA

# **System Simplification**

- Use of static linear FEA allows for generalized modes for a wide range of structural configurations. Multiple impact locations can also be considered and quickly processed.
- Check if the mode shape is valid: compare strain energy distribution in the structure to the extent of wave propagation over the impact duration.

Cantilever wall with impact at top corner and top mid-span:



## **Dynamic Response**

- The linear dynamic amplification factor for impulse loading on a single-degree-of-freedom system can be simply determined from structural dynamics.
- The calculated dynamic amplification factor can be used with the prior FEA results to determine structural demands from impact.



FIGURE 3.1.4 DISPLACEMENT-RESPONSE SPECTRA (SHOCK SPECTRA) FOR THREE TYPES OF IMPULSE

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#### **Dynamic Response**

• Moments in cantilever wall due to impact:



# **Nonlinear Dynamic Response**

- The same parameters can be used for nonlinear structural response.
- The required ductility for a given impact load can be calculated from single degree of freedom response.
- Where impulse load time history is not know, the energy absorption capacity of a structure may be determined from yield line analysis or by nonlinear "pushover" type analysis (resistance function).



FIGURE 2.23 Maximum response of elasto-plastic one-degree systems (undamped) due to rectangular load pulses. (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.<sup>10</sup>)



Fig. 6. Yield pattern for concentrated load at center of square slab with restrained edges.



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#### **Integrated Approach to Impact**



### Linear Dynamic FEA

- If the impulse load time history is known, but the system cannot be reduced to single degree of freedom, then linear dynamic FEA may be used.
- This method accounts for the action of multiple modes.



# **Nonlinear Dynamic FEA**

- It is appropriate to use nonlinear dynamic FEA if:
  - The system cannot be reduced to single degree of freedom
     AND
  - The impulse load time history is not known
- Nonlinearity may come from contact, material behavior, and/or rigid body motion.









# **Nonlinear Material Properties**

- It is important to select nonlinear material properties carefully.
- Include high strain rate effects
  - Typically, reduced ductility and increased strength/stiffness
- Include triaxiality effects
  - Reduced ductility for steel; hydrostatic pressure "cap" for concrete
  - High triaxiality at the point of impact
- Material models for impact:
  - Concrete: Material Model 159 in LS-DYNA
  - Steel: Johnson-Cook
  - Polymer Composites: Modified Hashin

#### Conclusions

- Engineers have many tools at our disposal for solving impact problems.
- These tools will continue to become more efficient and more sophisticated.
- An integrated approach to impact gives these sophisticated tools a firm grounding in traditional mechanics-based and empirical approaches.
  - Or better yet, solve the problem without turning on your computer.
- Note: there is no cookbook approach to impact. Unique problems require unique solutions.

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