# Displacement-based Seismic Design of Masonry Shear Wall Structures

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### important points of this presentation

- current seismic design does not always work well for shear-wall structures
- proposed displacement-based seismic design works well for shear wall structures
  - produces structures that behave reliably in strong earthquakes
  - more consistent and more transparent than current seismic design

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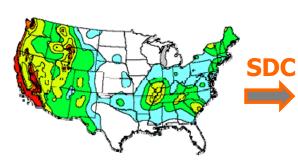
### contents of presentation

- review and examine current seismic design of masonry shear wall structures
- develop proposed displacement-based design
- check and validate displacement-based seismic design

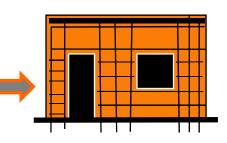


### current force-based design approach ...

- determine seismic design category (SDC) based on geographic location and soil
  - select from ASCE 7 list of permitted structural systems
  - special, intermediate reinforced masonry shear walls
  - prescribed detailing for each wall segment



Seismic Force-Resisting System	ASCE 7 Section where Detailing Requirements are Specified	Response Modification Coefficient, R <sup>o</sup>	System Overstrength Factor, Ω <sub>0</sub> <sup>g</sup>	Deflection Amplification Factor, C <sub>of</sub> <sup>b</sup>	Structural System Limitations and Building Height (ft) Limit <sup>6</sup> Seismic Design Category				
A. BEARING WALL SYSTEMS									
1. Special reinforced concrete shear walls	14.2 and 14.2.3.6	5	21/2	5	NL	NL	160	160	10
<ol> <li>Ordinary reinforced concrete shear walls</li> </ol>	14.2 and 14.2.3.4	4	21/2	4	NL	NL	NP	NP	N
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4. Ordinary plain concrete shear walls	14.2 and 14.2.3.1	11/2	21/2	11/2	NL	NP	NP	NP	N
5. Intermediate precast shear walls	14.2 and 14.2.3.5	4	21/2	4	NL	NL	$40^k$	40 <sup>k</sup>	40
6. Ordinary precast shear walls	14.2 and 14.2.3.3	3	21/2	3	NL.	NP	NP	NP	NI
7. Special reinforced masonry shear walls	14.4 and 14.4.3	5	21/2	31/2	NL	NL	160	160	10
<ol> <li>Intermediate reinforced masonry shear walls</li> </ol>	14.4 and 14.4.3	31/2	21/2	21/4	NL	NL	NP	NP	NI
<ol> <li>Ordinary reinforced masonry shear walls</li> </ol>	14.4	2	21/2	13/4	NL	160	NP	NP	NI
10. Detailed plain masonry shear walls	14.4	2	21/2	13/4	NL	NP	NP	NP	N
11. Ordinary plain masonry shear walls	14.4	11/2	21/2	11/4	NL	NP	NP	NP	N
12. Prestressed masonry shear walls	14.4	11/2	21/2	13/4	NL	NP	NP	NP	N
<ol> <li>Light-framed walls sheathed with wood structural panels rated for shear resistance or steel sheets</li> </ol>	14.1, 14.1.4.2, and 14.5	61/2	3	4	NL	NL	65	65	65
<ol> <li>Light-framed walls with shear panels of all other materials</li> </ol>	14.1, 14.1.4.2, and 14.5	2	21/2	2	NL	NL	35	NP	N



prescriptive reinforcement

ASCE 7 list of permitted systems

#### ... current force-based design approach

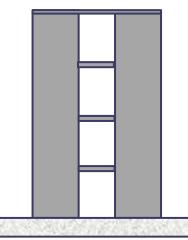
- based on structural system, assign seismic design factors (R,  $C_d$ ,  $\Omega_0$ )
  - design for elastic forces divided by R
  - design for elastic displacements multiplied by  $C_d$
  - design elements that must remain elastic for elastic forces divided by R and multiplied by  $\Omega_0$

Seismic-Load Resisting Systems	R	C <sub>d</sub>	$arOmega_0$
Special RM Load Bearing Shear Walls	5	3 1/2	2 1/2
Intermediate RM Load Bearing Shear Walls	3 1/2	2 1/4	2 1/2

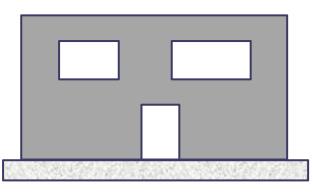
# force-based design does not always work well

• final behavior is not always consistent with design intent

easy to design



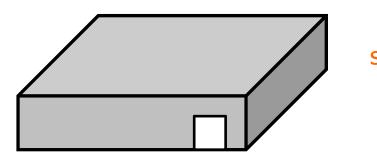
may be impossible to design rationally



weakly coupled walls

irregular openings

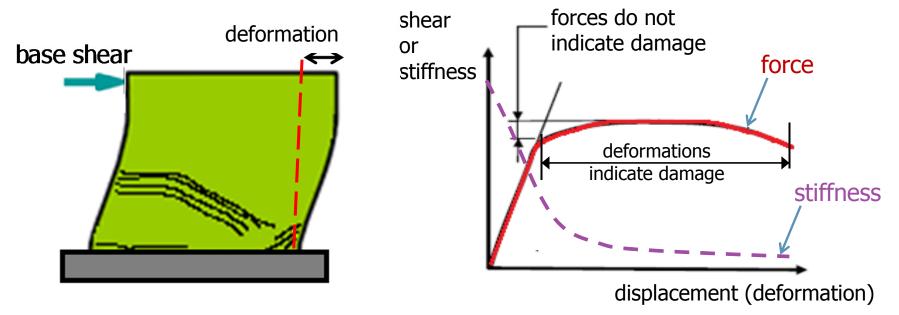
 ductility required by R and implied by detailing may not be available



a low-rise structure in SDC D will not achieve high ductility

### force-based design requirements are not reliable

 emphasis on forces instead of deformations is misguided



force-based principle is not valid for short-period structures

### better design approaches?

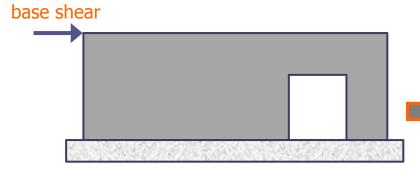
structural period

ductility demand

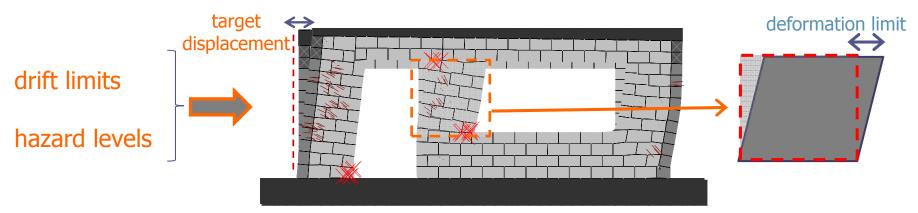
aspect ratio

plan layout

- modified force-based
  - R-factor accounts for actual system behavior



- displacement-based
  - emphasizes deformations
  - designer determines deformation limits

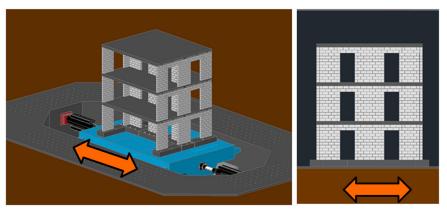


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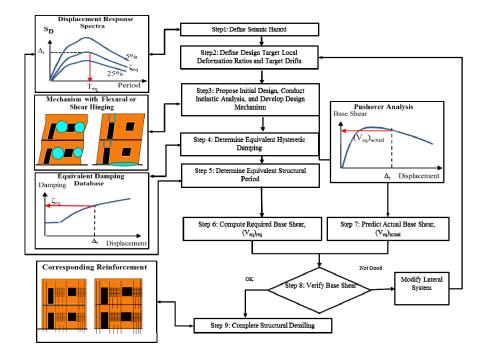
generation of *R*-factor

### 5 major tasks in this research . . .

 task 1- examined the behavior masonry buildings designed using forcebased procedures



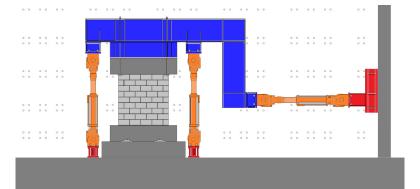
 task 2- developed displacement-based seismic design method

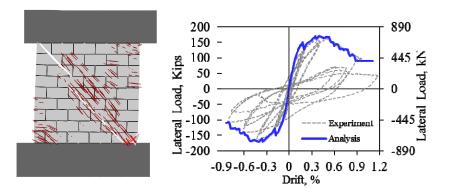


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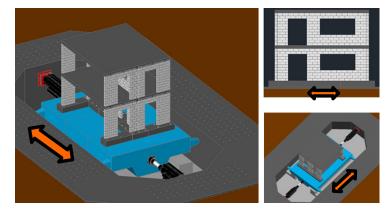
 task 3- conducted cyclic-load tests on masonry wall segments at UT Austin and WSU

 task 4- improved analytical tools



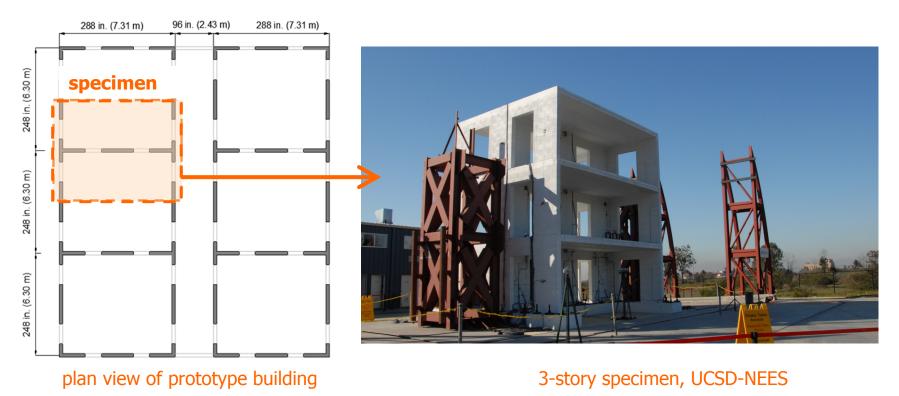


 task 5- validated displacementbased seismic design for masonry



#### task 1- examine force-based procedures

- used shake-table tests to examine overall and local behaviors of masonry buildings
- evaluate the performance of special reinforced masonry walls
- assess the failure mechanism of a real wall system



### 3-story specimen behaved well

 specimen was subjected to an extended series of ground motions

Level of Ground Scale Motion Factor Excitation 20% 45% NEES 90% Imperial DE 120% Valley 1979 150% **El Centro** 180% MCE 250% above MCE Imperial Valley 1940 **El Centro** 300% #5 NEES@UCSD NIST 125% MCE Northridge 1994 1.25 MCE 160% Sylmar Chi Chi 150% 2.0 MCE 1999

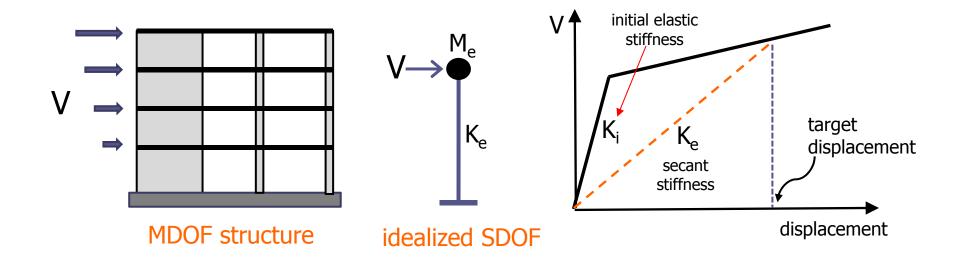
150 % Chi Chi 1990 ( 2 MCE )

Design Earthquake (DE),10% in 50 years

Maximum Considered Earthquake (MCE), 2% in 50 years

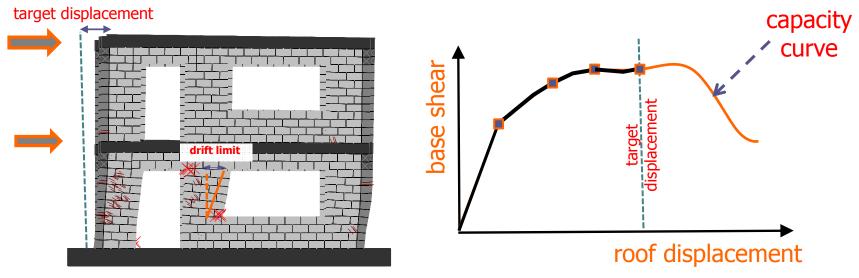
# task 2- develop displacement-based design

- based on achieving specified deformation limits under selected seismic hazard levels
- fundamental difference between force-based and displacement-based design

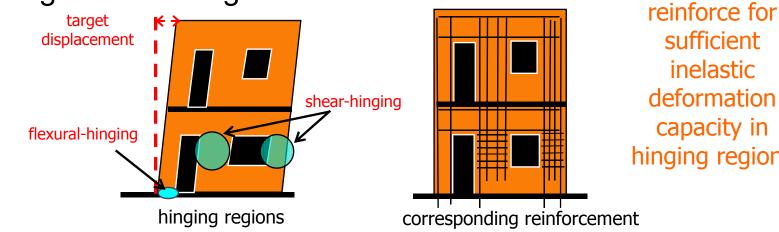


# technical basis for displacement-based method

select a reasonable target mechanism for each hazard level 

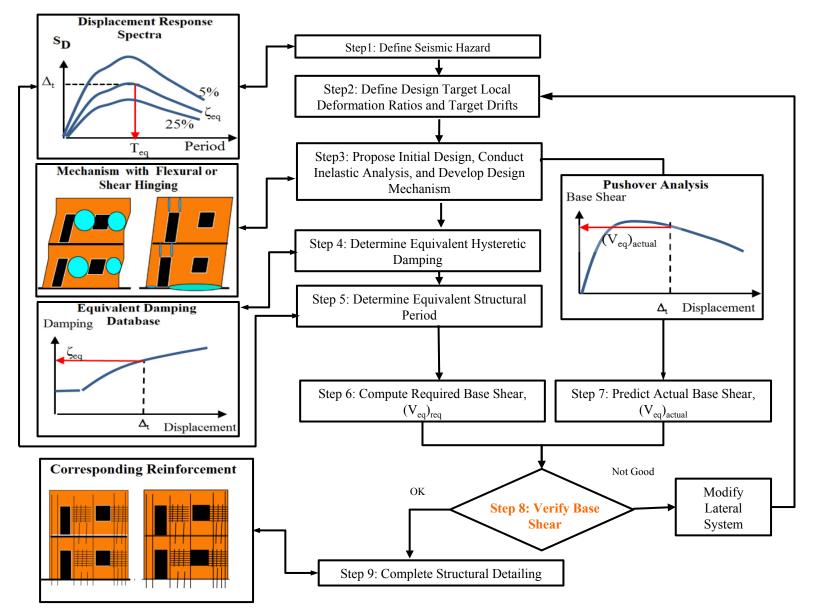


 identify the inelastic deformation demands and adjust strength or detailing



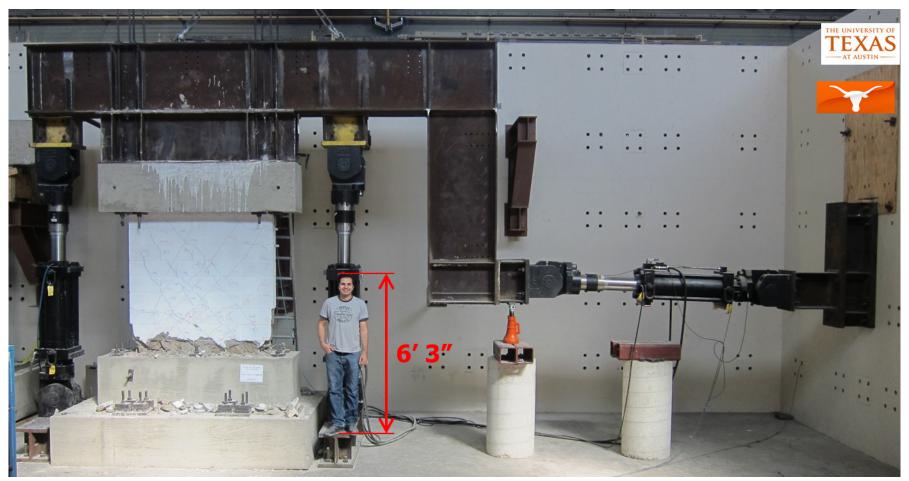
inelastic deformation capacity in hinging regions

#### fundamental steps



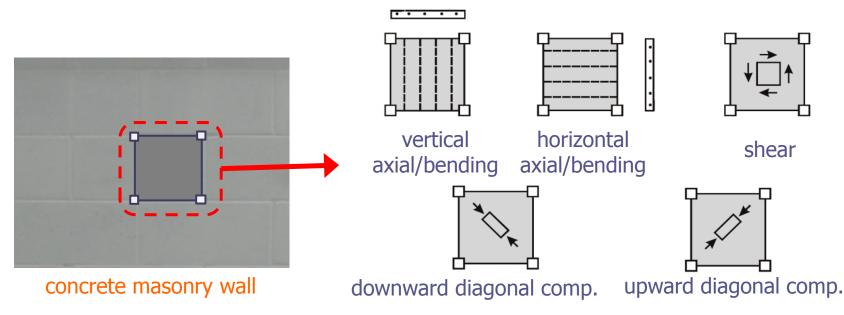
### task 3- conduct cyclic-load test of shear-walls

 designed and conducted cyclic-load tests of 41 masonry shear-walls at UT Austin and WSU



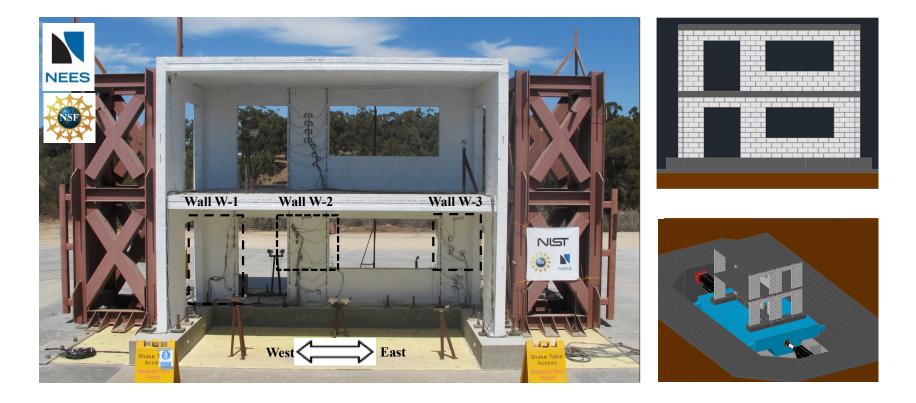
### task 4- improved analytical tools

- predict nonlinear resistance and failure behavior
- predict local and global responses and deformations
- different modeling approaches were considered
  - nonlinear "macro" models, PERFORM 3D "General Wall Element"



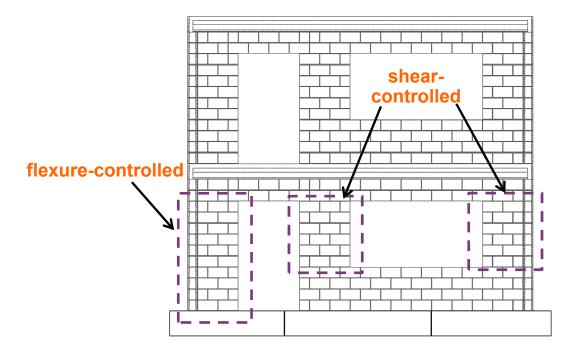
### task 5- validation of displacement-based design

- application of proposed displacement-based design and analytical tool
- a full-scale two-story reinforced masonry shear-wall system, complex geometry of openings



# select seismic hazard levels and target drifts

seismic hazard		deformatio	corresponding	
Level	damage state	flexure-controlled wall segments	shear-controlled walls segments	inter-story drift ratios
Design Earthquake (DE )	Safety Damage State	0.8 %	0.5 %	0.3 %
Maximum Considered Earthquake (MCE)	Collapse Damage State	1.5 %	1.0 %	0.6 %

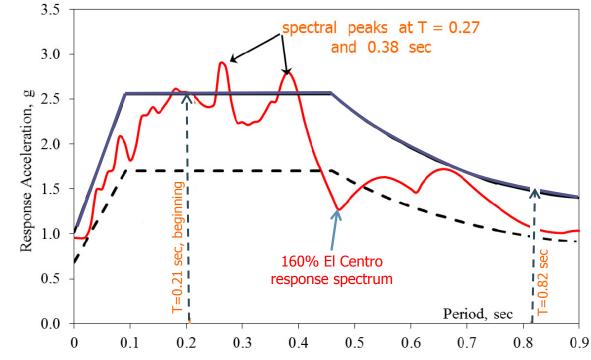


#### shake table test of 2-story specimen



 specimen was subjected to an extended series of ground motions

order	ground motion
1	30% El Centro 1979
2	43% El Centro 1979
3	86% El Centro 1979
4	108% El Centro 1979
5	145 % El Centro 1979
6	160% El Centro 1979



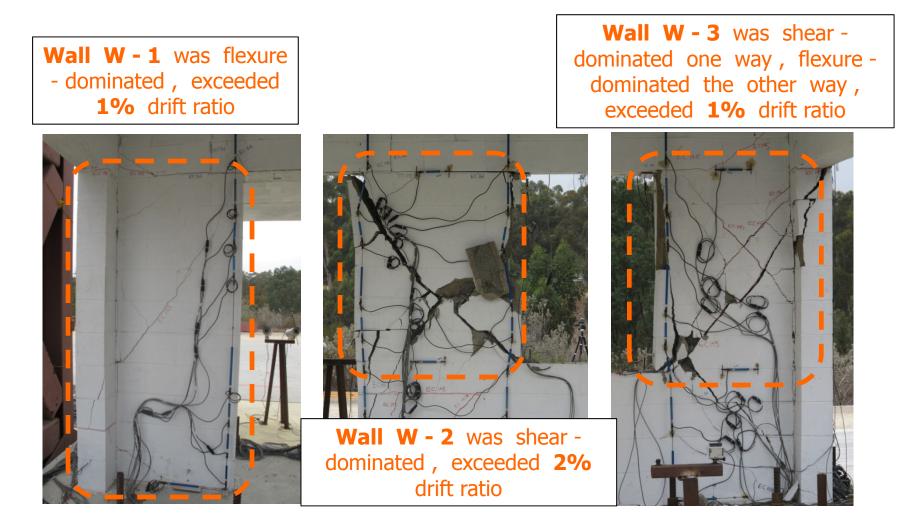
#### shake-table test of specimen above MCE

 specimen successfully resisted repeated ground motions up to MCE



#### measured vs. predicted responses

walls exceeded expected deformation capacities



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