

# SHAKING TABLE TESTS

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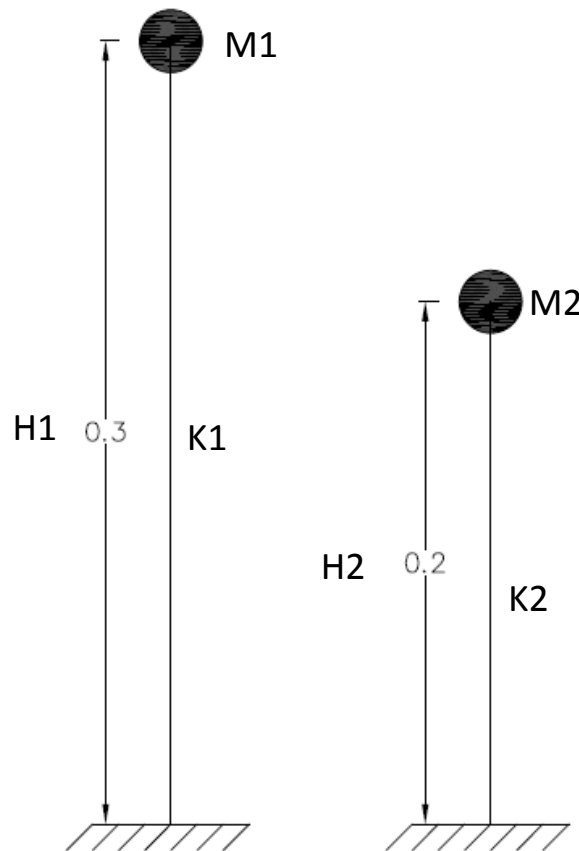
## Acknowledgments

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## Case 1: Resonance phenomenon in SDOF models (1)

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### **DATA**

$$M1 = M2 = 0.21 \text{ kg}$$

$$H1 = 0.3 \text{ m}$$

$$H2 = 0.2 \text{ m}$$

$$K1 < K2$$

$$f = w_n / 2\pi$$

$$w_n = \sqrt{\frac{K}{M}}$$

$$f1 < f2$$

### **OUTPUT DATA**

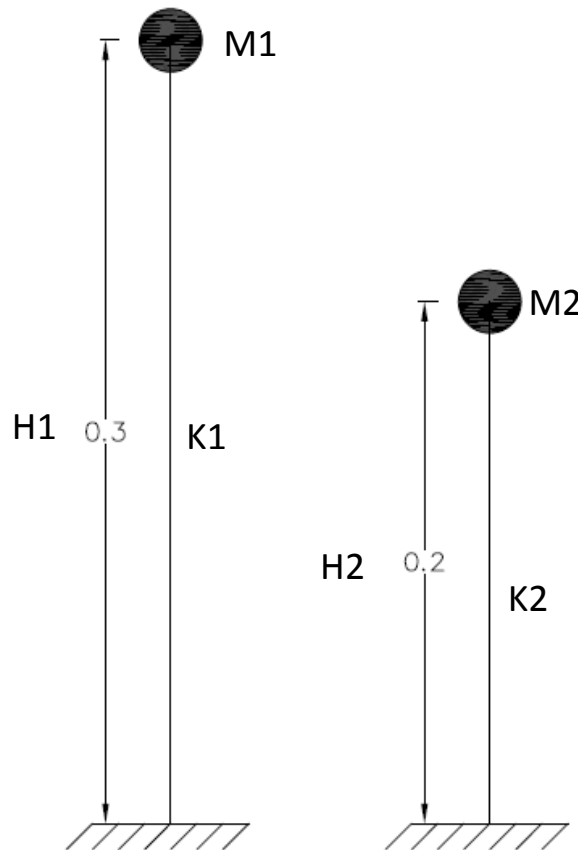
$$f1 = 2.5 \text{ Hz}$$

$$f2 = 4.3 \text{ Hz}$$

$$(M1, f1) \rightarrow K1 = 51.81 \text{ N/m}$$

$$(M2, f2) \rightarrow K2 = 156.72 \text{ N/m}$$

## Case 2: Resonance phenomenon in SDOF models (2)



### DATA

$$M_1 = 0.21 \text{ kg}$$

$$M_2 = M_{2_0} + M_{extra} \quad M_{2_0} = 0.21 \text{ kg}$$

$$H_1 = 0.3 \text{ m} \quad H_2 = 0.2 \text{ m}$$

$$K_1 = 51.81 \text{ N/m} \quad K_2 = 156.72 \text{ N/m}$$

$$f_1 = 2.5 \text{ Hz}$$

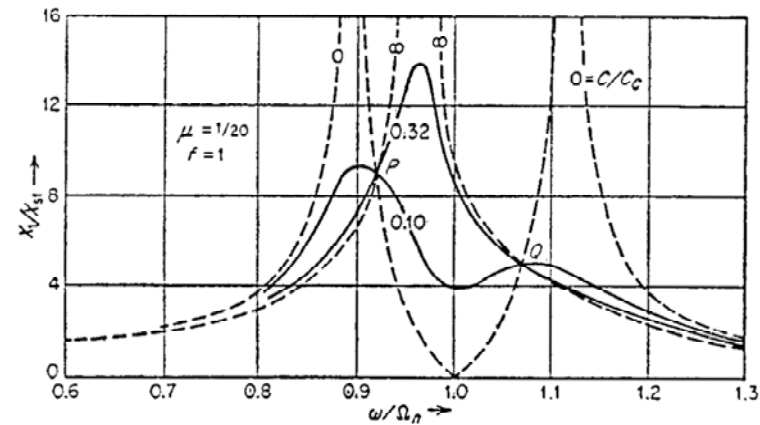
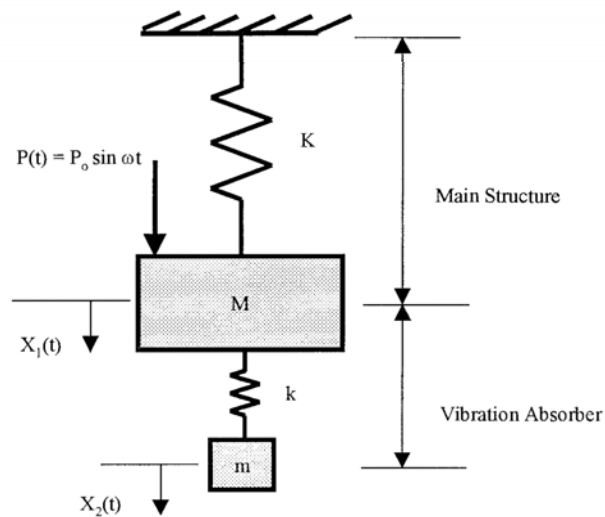
$$f = w_n / 2\pi \quad w_n = \sqrt{\frac{K}{M}}$$

$$f_1 = f_2 \Rightarrow \frac{K_1}{M_1} = \frac{K_2}{M_2} \longrightarrow M_2 = \frac{K_2 \cdot M_1}{K_1} = 0.635 \text{ kg}$$

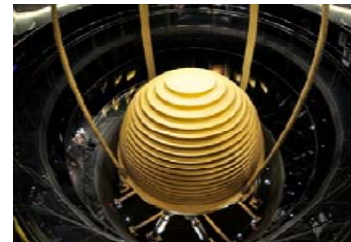
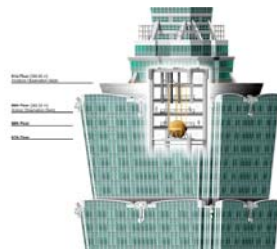
$$M_{extra} = M_2 - M_{2_0} = 0.46 \text{ kg}$$

## Case 3: Resonance phenomenon with Tuned Mass Damper

A **tuned mass damper** is a device (Passive Seismic Control system) mounted in structures to reduce the amplitude of mechanical vibrations. Their application can prevent discomfort, damage or structural failure.



Amplitudes of the main mass for various values of absorber damping (Den Hartog, 1956).



Tuned mass damper Taipei 101 building

## Case 4: Resonance phenomenon with base isolation system

A **seismic base isolation system** is a Passive Seismic Control system\* which involves the installation of isolators beneath every supporting point of the structure. The isolators, that have a much lower lateral stiffness than the structure, separate it from the ground. From an energy point of view, the base isolation system limit seismic energy transfer to the structure.

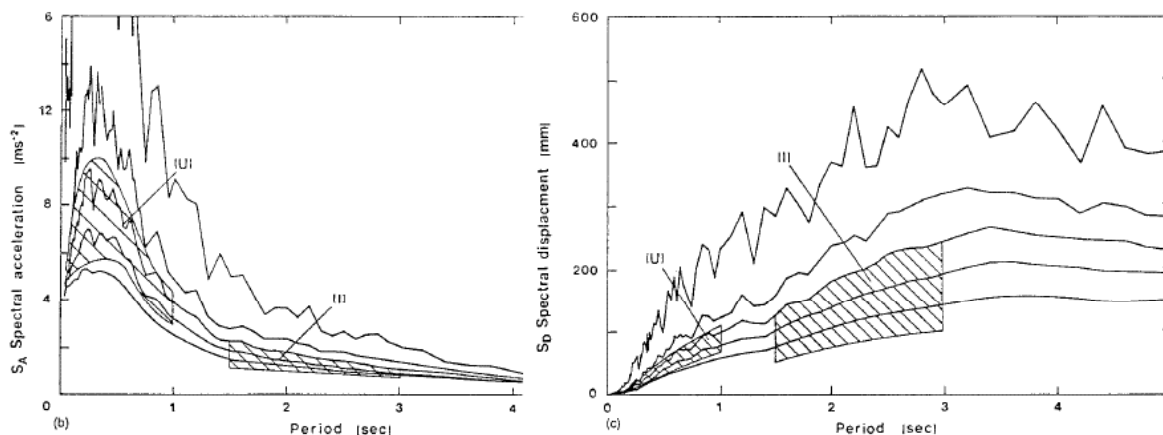
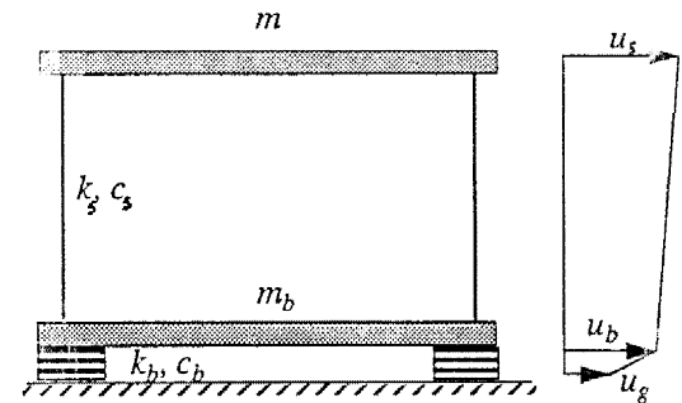


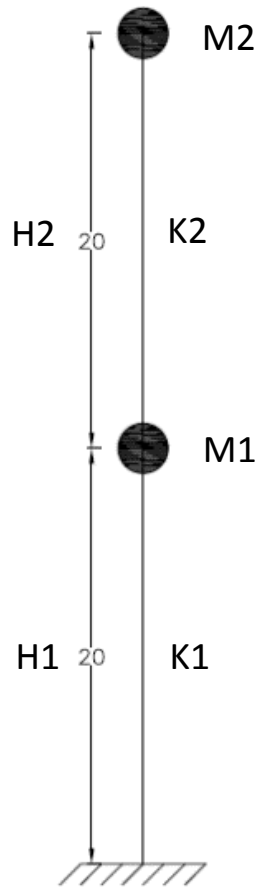
Figure 7.2 Spectral Response of Unisolated (U) and Isolated (I) Structures, Weighted Average of Eight California Records, 0, 2, 5, 10 and 20% damping (Skinner et al., 1993).



Single-Story Structure isolated with a Linear Base Isolation System.

\*Passive Seismic Control devices have no feedback capability between them, structural elements and the ground.

## Case 5: Resonance phenomenon in a two-story shear frame



### DATA

$$M1 = M2 = 0.380 \text{ kg} \quad H1 = H2 = 0.2 \text{ m} \quad K1 = K2 = 121 \text{ N/m}$$

Solving by MATLAB

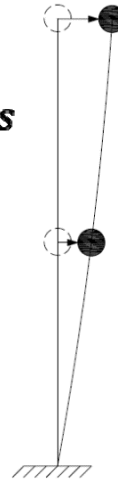
$$M = [M] \quad K = [K] \quad [F, E] = \text{eig}(K, M) \xrightarrow{\text{solves}} [K]\{\phi\} = \lambda[M]\{\phi\}$$

$$E = \begin{bmatrix} w_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & w_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad F = \begin{bmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$w_1 = 11.02 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$f_1 = 1.75 \text{ Hz}$$

$$\phi_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1.000 \\ 1.618 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$w_2 = 28.87 \text{ rad/s}$$

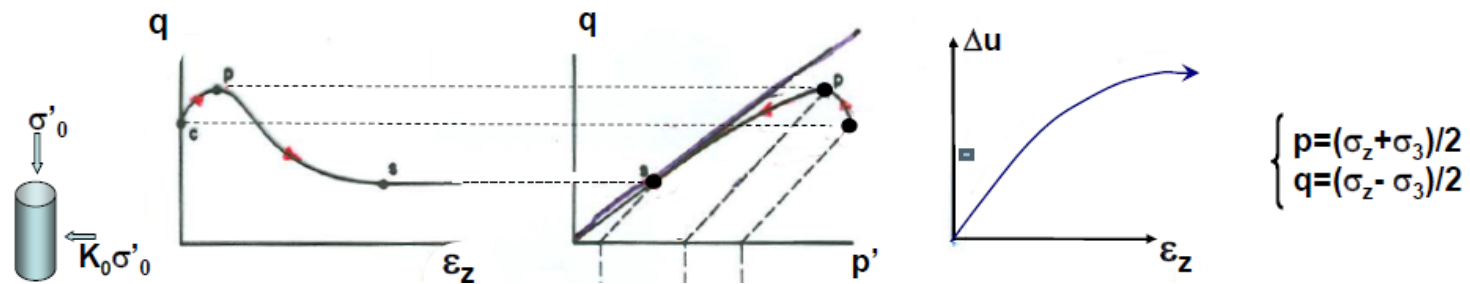
$$f_2 = 4.59 \text{ Hz}$$

$$\phi_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 1.000 \\ -0.618 \end{pmatrix}$$



# SOIL LIQUEFACTION

**Soil liquefaction:** describes a phenomenon where by a saturated or partially saturated soil substantially loses strength and stiffness in response to an applied stress, usually earthquake shaking or other sudden change in stress condition, causing it to behave like a liquid.



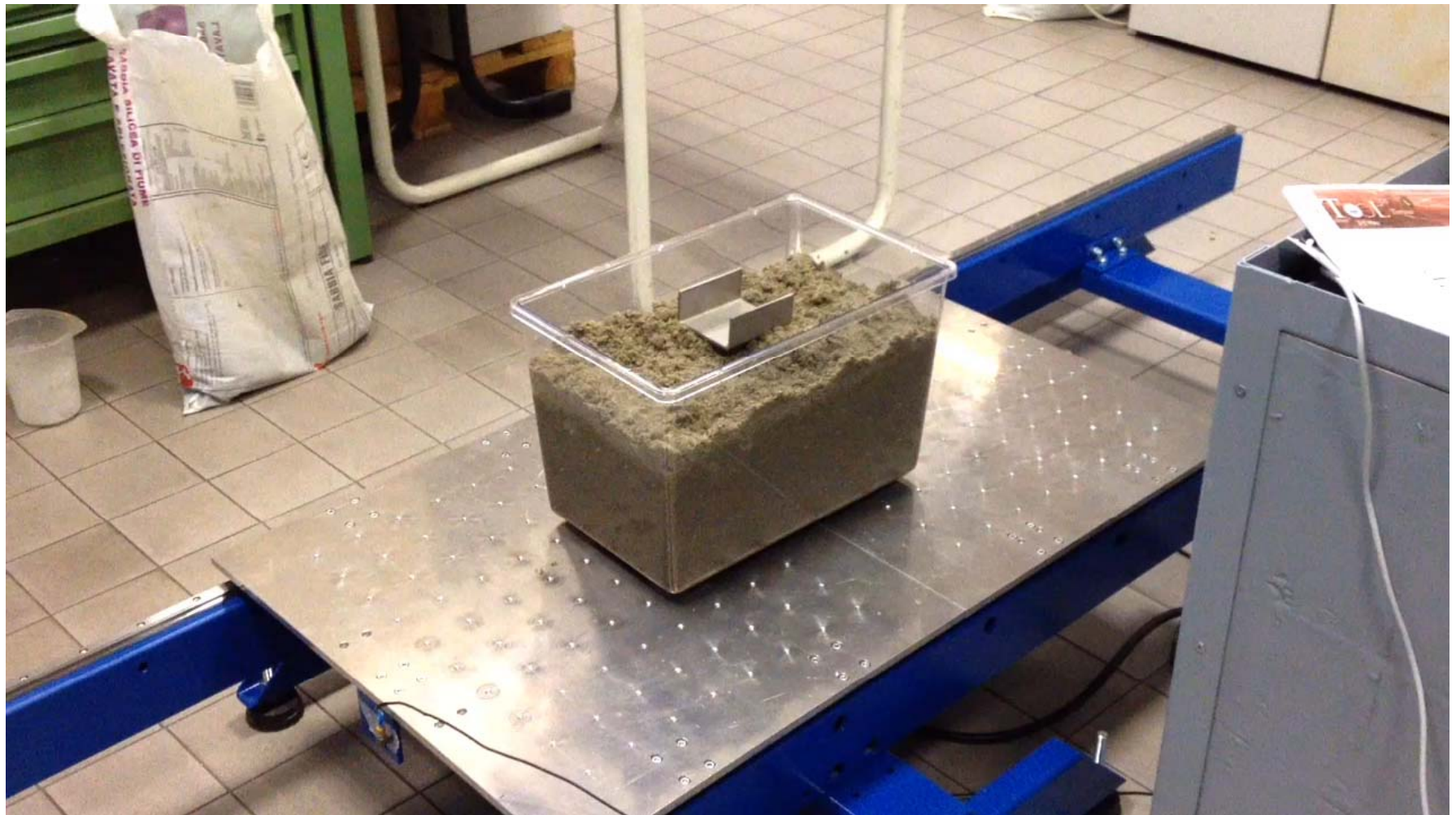
1964 Niigata (Japan) earthquake



2011 Christchurch (New Zealand) earthquake



# SOIL LIQUEFACTION



## SEISMIC DESIGN COMPETITION

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**El Centro earthquake:** occurred on May 18th, 1940 in the Imperial Valley in Southern California as a result of a rupture along the Imperial Fault. It was the first major earthquake to be recorded by a strong-motion seismograph located next to a fault rupture and also the strongest recorded earthquake to hit the Imperial Valley with a moment magnitude of 6.9 (6.5 on Richter scale magnitude).



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