

Seismic Isolation For Designers And Structural Engineers

Widely used in civil, mechanical and automotive engineering since the early 1980s, multilayer rubber bearings have been used as seismic isolation devices for buildings in highly seismic areas in many countries. Their appeal in these applications comes from their ability to provide a component with high stiffness in one direction with high flexibility in one or more orthogonal directions. This combination of vertical stiffness with horizontal flexibility, achieved by reinforcing the rubber by thin steel shims perpendicular to the vertical load, enables them to be used as seismic and vibration isolators for machinery, buildings and bridges. Mechanics of Rubber Bearings for Seismic and Vibration Isolation collates the most important information on the mechanics of multilayer rubber bearings. It explores a unique and comprehensive combination of relevant topics, covering all prerequisite fundamental theory and providing a number of closed-form solutions to various boundary value problems as well as a comprehensive historical overview on the use of isolation. Many of the results presented in the book are new and are essential for a proper understanding of the behavior of these bearings and for the design and analysis of vibration or seismic isolation systems. The advantages afforded by adopting these natural rubber systems is clearly explained to designers and users of this technology, bringing into focus the design and specification of bearings for buildings, bridges and industrial structures. This comprehensive book: includes state of the art, as yet unpublished research along with all required fundamental concepts; is authored by world-leading experts with over 40 years of combined experience on seismic isolation and the behavior of multilayer rubber bearings; is accompanied by a website at www.wiley.com/go/kelly The concise approach of Mechanics of Rubber Bearings for Seismic and Vibration Isolation forms an invaluable resource for graduate students and researchers/practitioners in structural and mechanical engineering departments, in particular those working in seismic and vibration isolation.

Earthquakes remain largely unpredictable and potentially catastrophic, a matter of continuous concern to communities in affected zones. Scientists and engineers have made a considerable effort to mitigate their consequences through the design of effective protective devices. New concepts have recently been developed to address the requirements for better structural performance and a more effective use of new materials at a lower cost. This book disseminates knowledge and increases awareness on this very critical subject and thus ultimately contributes to a safer structural design against earthquakes. It comprises a number of articles taken from recent editions of Transactions of the Wessex Institute covering a wide range of topics within the subject of seismic protection through vibration control devices. The first four papers provide a very comprehensive review of existing seismic control designs highlighting their variety, the effectiveness of their performance, as well as the extent of their use for the protection of various types of structures world wide. Most articles deal with anti-seismic devices implementing passive control of structural response through seismic isolation and energy dissipation. Testing and modelling energy-dissipating systems are also extensively covered in the book. It is also important to understand how existing structures fitted with seismic control devices perform against earthquakes. Two such case studies are included in the book; a roof isolated from the top of an existing structure and a bridge supported on both isolating and damping systems. Finally, new analytical approaches for optimising the performance of tuned mass dampers are detailed in two companion papers.

This book focuses on the seismic design of building structures and their foundations to Eurocode 8. It covers the principles of seismic design in a clear but brief manner and then links these concepts to the provisions of Eurocode 8. It addresses the fundamental concepts related to seismic hazard, ground motion models, basic dynamics, seismic analysis, siting considerations, structural layout, and design philosophies, then leads to the specifics of Eurocode 8. Code procedures are applied with the aid of walk-through design examples which, where possible, deal with a common case study in most chapters. As well as an update throughout, this second edition incorporates three new and topical chapters dedicated to specific seismic design aspects of timber buildings and masonry structures, as well as base-isolation and supplemental damping. There is renewed interest in the use of sustainable timber buildings, and masonry structures still represent a popular choice in many areas. Moreover, seismic isolation and supplemental damping can offer low-damage solutions which are being increasingly considered in practice. The book stems primarily from practical short courses on seismic design which have been run over a number of years and through the development Eurocode 8. The contributors to this book are either specialist academics with significant consulting experience in seismic design, or leading practitioners who are actively engaged in large projects in seismic areas. This experience has provided significant insight into important areas in which guidance is required.

Design of Seismic Isolated Structures From Theory to Practice John Wiley & Sons

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During the past forty years, the number of large retail stores (often referred to as big-box stores) has grown significantly. These stores incorporate steel pallet storage racks loaded with heavy merchandise which pose a life-safety risk to the exposed general public during a seismic event. A base isolation system compatible with conventional racks is designed and developed which provides seismic isolation primarily in the cross-aisle direction. The new patented base isolation system provides seismic isolation by incorporating heavily damped elastomeric bearings (referred to here as seismic mounts) and low-friction bearing plates. The objective of the base isolation system is to reduce horizontal accelerations of the rack to eliminate product shedding and structural damage during a major earthquake without interfering with normal, day-to-day material handling operations. Full scale shake table testing show the new base isolation system meets the performance objectives recommended in the FEMA-460 document zSeismic Considerations for Steel Storage Racks Located in Areas Accessible to the Publicy for both life safety under the Design Earthquake (DE) and for collapse prevention under the Maximum Considered Earthquake (MCE). Special heavily damped (HD) butyl compounds are developed and utilized in the seismic mounts. These compounds are statically and dynamically characterized which provides input data for numerical studies. Non-linear hyperelastic material models are developed and used with finite element analysis to design various base isolation systems. Several of these new base isolation systems are optimized to achieve characteristics that expand their use from lightly loaded racks to heavily loaded racks. Designs are further optimized based on feedback from shake table testing and transient structural analysis. The new base isolation system is evaluated by uniaxial and triaxial shake table tests performed at the Structural Engineering and Earthquake Simulation Laboratory (SEESL) at the University of Buffalo (UB). Three phases of testing were performed on steel pallet storage racks both directly anchored (conventional) and with the new base isolation system. Tests were performed with both simulated and real merchandise. The results of the seismic tests demonstrate the improved structural performance of rack structures incorporating the new base isolation system. Cross-aisle absolute accelerations and inter-story drifts of the base isolated rack structure are reduced by more than 70% compared to the same rack conventionally anchored at its base. Numerical simulations (transient structural, finite element analysis) are presented comparing storage rack response against tests performed on the tri-axial shake table. The simulations agree with experimental test results within 20%. The simulation model is used to determine optimal seismic

isolation parameters that satisfy the practical range of rack shelf loads and configurations expected in typical warehouse and store installations.

These authors present much sought after information on the design procedures for seismically isolated structures. Using a logical progression, they describe seismic isolation along with the concepts of earthquake structural dynamics underlying the isolation theory. Methods discussed will provide the basis for continuing development and refinement.

Because of their structural simplicity, bridges tend to be particularly vulnerable to damage and even collapse when subjected to earthquakes or other forms of seismic activity. Recent earthquakes, such as the ones in Kobe, Japan, and Oakland, California, have led to a heightened awareness of seismic risk and have revolutionized bridge design and retrofit philosophies. In *Seismic Design and Retrofit of Bridges*, three of the world's top authorities on the subject have collaborated to produce the most exhaustive reference on seismic bridge design currently available. Following a detailed examination of the seismic effects of actual earthquakes on local area bridges, the authors demonstrate design strategies that will make these and similar structures optimally resistant to the damaging effects of future seismic disturbances. Relying heavily on worldwide research associated with recent quakes, *Seismic Design and Retrofit of Bridges* begins with an in-depth treatment of seismic design philosophy as it applies to bridges. The authors then describe the various geotechnical considerations specific to bridge design, such as soil-structure interaction and traveling wave effects. Subsequent chapters cover conceptual and actual design of various bridge superstructures, and modeling and analysis of these structures. As the basis for their design strategies, the authors' focus is on the widely accepted capacity design approach, in which particularly vulnerable locations of potentially inelastic flexural deformation are identified and strengthened to accommodate a greater degree of stress. The text illustrates how accurate application of the capacity design philosophy to the design of new bridges results in structures that can be expected to survive most earthquakes with only minor, repairable damage. Because the majority of today's bridges were built before the capacity design approach was understood, the authors also devote several chapters to the seismic assessment of existing bridges, with the aim of designing and implementing retrofit measures to protect them against the damaging effects of future earthquakes. These retrofitting techniques, though not considered appropriate in the design of new bridges, are given considerable emphasis, since they currently offer the best solution for the preservation of these vital and often historically valued thoroughfares. Practical and applications-oriented, *Seismic Design and Retrofit of Bridges* is enhanced with over 300 photos and line drawings to illustrate key concepts and detailed design procedures. As the only text currently available on the vital topic of seismic bridge design, it provides an indispensable reference for civil, structural, and geotechnical engineers, as well as students in related engineering courses. A state-of-the-art text on earthquake-proof design and retrofit of bridges *Seismic Design and Retrofit of Bridges* fills the urgent need for a comprehensive and up-to-date text on seismic-ally resistant bridge design. The authors, all recognized leaders in the field, systematically cover all aspects of bridge design related to seismic resistance for both new and existing bridges. * A complete overview of current design philosophy for bridges, with related seismic and geotechnical considerations * Coverage of conceptual design constraints and their relationship to current design alternatives * Modeling and analysis of bridge structures * An exhaustive look at common building materials and their response to seismic activity * A hands-on approach to the capacity design process * Use of isolation and dissipation devices in bridge design * Important coverage of seismic assessment and retrofit design of existing bridges

"This primer describes the current state of seismic isolation technology and highlights issues and concerns which are unique to the design of isolated structures. Readers will rapidly gain practical knowledge related to base isolation design from this concise book. Included are the fundamentals of seismic isolation, design of isolated structures, analysis, and testing. Provided are overviews of the topic that are accessible not only to structural engineers who have not been formally trained in base isolation design, but also to architects and students in a first-level engineering course. This book emphasizes practical issues, rather than theoretical issues, making it complementary to textbooks on earthquake engineering."--BOOK JACKET. Title Summary field provided by Blackwell North America, Inc. All Rights Reserved

"This report presents analysis and design procedures for bridge bearings and seismic isolators. The procedures are based on: (1) the LRFD framework, and (2) fundamental principles that include the latest developments and understanding of the behavior of these devices. The new procedures are applicable to both seismically-isolated and conventional bridges. Examples of design of conventional elastomeric and PTFE spherical bearings are presented, as well as examples of detailed design and analysis of the seismic isolation system of a bridge located in California utilizing lead-rubber, single Friction Pendulum and triple Friction Pendulum isolators. This report is intended to serve as a resource document for the development of Memoranda to Designers by the California Department of Transportation for the analysis and design of bridge bearings and isolators"--Pages iii-iv.

Ground motion due to earthquake excitation often induces disastrous disturbances that severely damage structures and their contents. Conventional earthquake-resistant design focuses on the strengthening of structures to avoid collapse, while little attention is paid to the prevention of damage as it is almost impossible to construct completely earthquake proof structures at reasonable cost. This state-of-the-art volume explores seismic isolation as an alternative and performance-based design approach to minimize earthquake induced loads and resulting damage in low to medium-rise buildings. A discussion of the characteristics, advantages and limitations of seismic isolation is followed by a demonstration of its capability to decouple a structure from the damaging effects of ground acceleration. Describes currently used seismic isolation systems in detail. Evaluates the performance of seismically isolated structures and provides examples of their response under earthquake action. Proposes a preliminary design methodology for seismically isolated structures. Accessible to both students and practising structural engineers who need to familiarise themselves with this approach.

Complete, practical coverage of the evaluation, analysis, and design and code requirements of seismic isolation systems. Based on the concept of reducing seismic demand rather than increasing the earthquake resistance capacity of structures, seismic isolation is a surprisingly simple approach to earthquake protection. However, proper application of this technology within complex seismic design code requirements is both complicated and difficult. *Design of Seismic Isolated Structures* provides complete, up-to-date coverage of seismic isolation, complete with a systematic development of concepts in theory and practical application supplemented by numerical examples. This book helps design professionals navigate and understand the ideas and procedures involved in the analysis, design, and development of specifications for seismic isolated structures. It also provides a framework for satisfying code requirements while retaining the favorable cost-effective and damage control aspects of this new technology. An indispensable resource for practicing and aspiring engineers and architects, *Design of Seismic Isolated Structures* includes: * Isolation system components. * Complete coverage of code provisions for seismic isolation. * Mechanical characteristics and modeling of isolators. * Buckling and stability of elastomeric isolators. * Examples of seismic isolation designs. * Specifications for the design, manufacture, and testing of isolation devices.

Seismic Design for Architects shows how structural requirements for seismic resistance can become an integral part of the design process. Structural integrity does not have to be at the expense of innovative, high standard design in seismically active zones. * By emphasizing design and discussing key concepts with accompanying visual material, architects are given the background knowledge and practical tools needed to deal with aspects of seismic design at all stages of the design process * Seismic codes from several continents are drawn upon to give a global context of seismic design * Extensively illustrated with diagrams and photographs * A non-mathematical approach focuses upon the principles and practice of seismic resistant design to enable readers to grasp the concepts and then readily apply them to their building designs Seismic Design for Architects is a comprehensive, practical reference work and text book for students of architecture, building science, architectural and civil engineering, and professional architects and structural engineers.

The success of any product sold to consumers is based, largely, on the longevity of the product. This concept can be extended by various methods of improvement including optimizing the initial creation structures which can lead to a more desired product and extend the product's time on the market. Design and Optimization of Mechanical Engineering Products is an essential research source that explores the structure and processes used in creating goods and the methods by which these goods are improved in order to continue competitiveness in the consumer market. Featuring coverage on a broad range of topics including modeling and simulation, new product development, and multi-criteria decision making, this publication is targeted toward students, practitioners, researchers, engineers, and academicians. Earthquakes are catastrophic events that cause huge economic losses due to the vulnerability of the existing building stock. However, collapses of vulnerable buildings can be avoided if preventative measures, such as enhancement of their earthquake resistance, are implemented on time. This book will allow the reader to become acquainted with a number of unique, modern and cost-effective seismic isolation strategies, which can be easily, and in very short periods of time, and without interruption of the use of the buildings, implemented with high efficiency in existing buildings, making them earthquake proof. An important aspect here is that the book's seismic isolation strategies are demonstrated on real examples of existing buildings with different structural systems, such as reinforced concrete frame buildings with shear walls and stone buildings with load-bearing walls. The cost-effectiveness of the suggested strategies is further proved by comparative analyses carried out for buildings both with and without seismic isolation systems.

My involvement in the use of natural rubber as a method for the protection of buildings against earthquake attack began in 1976. At that time, I was working on the development of energy-dissipating devices for the same purpose and had developed and tested a device that was eventually used in a stepping-bridge structure, this being a form of partial isolation. It became clear to me that in order to use these energy devices for the earthquake protection of buildings, it would be best to combine them with an isolation system which would give them the large displacements needed to develop sufficient hysteresis. At this appropriate point in time, I was approached by Dr. C. J. Derham, then of the Malaysian Rubber Producers' Research Association (MRPRA), who asked if I was interested in looking at the possibility of conducting shaking table tests at the Earthquake Simulator Laboratory to see to what extent natural rubber bearings could be used to protect buildings from earthquakes. Very soon after this meeting, we were able to do such a test using a 20-ton model and hand-made isolators. The early tests were very promising. Accordingly, a further set of tests was done with a more realistic five storey model weighing 40 tons with bearings that were commercially made. In both of the test series, the isolators were used both alone and with a number of different types of energy-dissipating devices to enhance damping.

This book focuses on the seismic design of Structures, Piping Systems and Components (SSC). It explains the basic mechanisms of earthquakes, generation of design basis ground motion, and fundamentals of structural dynamics; further, it delves into geotechnical aspects related to the earthquake design, analysis of multi degree-of-freedom systems, and seismic design of RC structures and steel structures. The book discusses the design of components and piping systems located at the ground level as well as at different floor levels of the structure. It also covers anchorage design of component and piping system, and provides an introduction to retrofitting, seismic response control including seismic base isolation, and testing of SSCs. The book is written in an easy-to-understand way, with review questions, case studies and detailed examples on each topic. This educational approach makes the book useful in both classrooms and professional training courses for students, researchers, and professionals alike. The subject of earthquake engineering has been the focus of my teaching and research for many years. Thus, when Mario Paz, the editor of this handbook, asked me to write a Foreword, I was interested and honored by his request. Worldwide, people are beginning to understand the severity of the danger to present and future generations caused by the destruction of the environment. Earthquakes pose a similar threat; thus, the proper use of methods for earthquake-resistant design and construction is vitally important for countries that are at high risk of being subjected to strong-motion earthquakes. Most seismic activity is the result of tectonic earthquakes. Tectonic earthquakes are very special events in that, although they occur frequently, their probability of becoming natural hazards for a specific urban area is very small. When a severe earthquake does occur near an urban area, however, its consequences are very large in terms of structural destruction and human suffering.

Seismic isolation offers the highest degree of earthquake protection to buildings and their inhabitants. Modern applications of the technology are less than 50 years old and uptake in seismically active regions continues to soar. Seismic Isolation for Architects is a comprehensive introduction to the theory and practice in this field. Based on the latest research findings and the authors' extensive experience, coverage includes the application, effectiveness, benefits, and limitations of seismic isolation, as well as the architectural form, design aspects, retrofitting, economics, construction, and maintenance related to this method. The book is written for an international audience: the authors review codes and practices from a number of countries and draw on examples from eleven territories including the US, Chile, Argentina, Italy, Japan, and New Zealand. Aimed at readers without prior knowledge of structural engineering, the book provides an accessible, non-technical approach without using equations or calculations, instead using over 200 drawings, diagrams and images to support the text. This book is key reading for students on architecture and civil engineering courses looking for a clear introduction to seismic-resistant design, as well as architects and engineers working in seismically active regions.

Prepared by the Highway Innovative Technology Evaluation Center (HITEC), a CERF Service Center. his report summarizes the

results of an evaluation that was designed to test the performance of 11 seismic isolators and dampers. The devices were tested for stability, response during earthquake simulations, and fatigue and weathering effects.

This state of the art report from an international task group (TG44) of CIB, the International Council of Building Research Organizations, presents a highly authoritative guide to the application of innovative technologies on response control and seismic isolation of buildings to practice worldwide. Many countries and cities are located in earthquake-prone areas making effective seismic design a major issue in structural engineering. Reassuringly, structural response control and seismic isolation have advanced remarkably in recent years following numerous studies internationally. Several major conferences have been held and reports have been written but little has been issued on the application of the technologies to good structural engineering practice. Plugging that gap, Response Control and Seismic Isolation of Buildings presents researchers in structural engineering (dynamics) and construction management with up-to-date applications of the latest technologies.

This handbook contains up-to-date existing structures, computer applications, and information on planning, analysis, and design seismic design of wood structures. A new and very useful feature of this edition of earthquake-resistant building structures. Its intention is to provide engineers, architects, is the inclusion of a companion CD-ROM disc developers, and students of structural containing the complete digital version of the handbook itself and the following very engineering and architecture with authoritative, yet practical, design information. It represents important publications: an attempt to bridge the persisting gap between I. UBC-IBC (1997-2000) Structural advances in the theories and concepts of Comparisons and Cross References, ICBO, earthquake-resistant design and their 2000. implementation in seismic design practice. 2. NEHRP Guidelines for the Seismic The distinguished panel of contributors is Rehabilitation of Buildings, FEMA-273, Federal Emergency Management Agency, composed of 22 experts from industry and universities, recognized for their knowledge and 1997. extensive practical experience in their fields. 3. NEHRP Commentary on the Guidelines for They have aimed to present clearly and the Seismic Rehabilitation of Buildings, FEMA-274, Federal Emergency concisely the basic principles and procedures pertinent to each subject and to illustrate with Management Agency, 1997. practical examples the application of these 4. NEHRP Recommended Provisions for principles and procedures in seismic design Seismic Regulations for New Buildings and practice. Where applicable, the provisions of Older Structures, Part 1 - Provisions, various seismic design standards such as mc FEMA-302, Federal Emergency 2000, UBC-97, FEMA-273/274 and ATC-40 Management Agency, 1997.

Solid design and craftsmanship are a necessity for structures and infrastructures that must stand up to natural disasters on a regular basis. Continuous research developments in the engineering field are imperative for sustaining buildings against the threat of earthquakes and other natural disasters. Performance-Based Seismic Design of Concrete Structures and Infrastructures is an informative reference source on all the latest trends and emerging data associated with structural design. Highlighting key topics such as seismic assessments, shear wall structures, and infrastructure resilience, this is an ideal resource for all academicians, students, professionals, and researchers that are seeking new knowledge on the best methods and techniques for designing solid structural designs.

This book features chapters based on selected presentations from the International Congress on Advanced Earthquake Resistance of Structures, AERS2016, held in Samsun, Turkey, from 24 to 28 October 2016. It covers the latest advances in three widely popular research areas in Earthquake Engineering: Performance-Based Seismic Design, Seismic Isolation Systems, and Structural Health Monitoring. The book shows the vulnerability of high-rise and seismically isolated buildings to long periods of strong ground motions, and proposes new passive and semi-active structural seismic isolation systems to protect against such effects. These systems are validated through real-time hybrid tests on shaking tables. Structural health monitoring systems provide rapid assessment of structural safety after an earthquake and allow preventive measures to be taken, such as shutting down the elevators and gas lines, before damage occurs. Using the vibration data from instrumented tall buildings, the book demonstrates that large, distant earthquakes and surface waves, which are not accounted for in most attenuation equations, can cause long-duration shaking and damage in tall buildings. The overview of the current performance-based design methodologies includes discussions on the design of tall buildings and the reasons common prescriptive code provisions are not sufficient to address the requirements of tall-building design. In addition, the book explains the modelling and acceptance criteria associated with various performance-based design guidelines, and discusses issues such as selection and scaling of ground motion records, soil-foundation-structure interaction, and seismic instrumentation and peer review needs. The book is of interest to a wide range of professionals in earthquake engineering, including designers, researchers, and graduate students.

Base isolation technology offers a cost-effective and reliable strategy for mitigating seismic damage to structures. The effectiveness of this new technology has been demonstrated not only in laboratory research, but also in the actual response of base-isolated buildings during earthquakes. Increasingly, new and existing buildings in earthquake-prone regions throughout the world are making use of this innovative strategy. In this expanded and updated edition, the design methods and guidelines associated with seismic isolation are detailed. The main focus of the book is on isolation systems that use a damped natural rubber. Topics covered include coupled lateral-torsional response, the behavior of multilayer bearings under compression and bending, and the buckling behavior of elastomeric bearings. Also featured is a section covering the recent changes in building code requirements.

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