

**Seismic Analysis of  
Structures and Equipment**  
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### Overview

Structures (and equipment) are analyzed to identify their vulnerabilities to seismic ground shaking. The analysis is carried out by applying ground motions to a mathematical model of the structure. The ground motions are defined by their response spectra or time-histories. The structure is modeled by a lumped or distributed-mass system. The nonlinearities are explicitly

modeled or empirically considered. As a result, there are many different methods of analyzing a structure. The objectives of this seminar are: (a) to discuss the pros and cons of different methods of analysis; and (b) to provide an understanding of the dynamic response of structures such that the most appropriate method of analysis can be selected and the most efficient design can be generated.

### Learning Objectives

- How seismic loads are different from other loads such as gravity and wind
- Why ‘deformability’ and ‘damping’ are as important as ‘strength’ in seismic design
- What are the advantages of performance-based design over prescriptive design
- Why dynamic analysis is not always more accurate than a static analysis

### Who should attend?

- Structural and geotechnical engineers
- Seismologists and geologists
- Students and educators
- Architects and building officials
- Risk managers and insurers

### Training Methodology

The course is based on a balanced combination of classroom teaching and syndicate exercises supported by case studies and exercises within the industrial environment. This course is designed in with leading industry knowledge and practical case studies discussion and analysis to provide an interactive learning environment.

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**Day 1**

**Ground Motions during Past Earthquakes**

- Ground motion parameters – peak ground acceleration, velocity and displacement (PGA, PGV and PGD); number of cycles; duration
- Response spectrum of ground motion – resultant versus geometric-mean, effect of damping Pseudo-acceleration, pseudo-velocity and deformation response spectra
- Tripartite and acceleration-deformation plots of response spectra
- Smooth response spectrum from PGA, PGV and PGD

**Prediction of Future Ground Motions**

- Ground motion prediction equations for PGA, PGV and PGD
- Probabilistic seismic hazard analysis for predicting future ground motions
- Site-specific ground motions for performance-based seismic design:
  - a. Response spectra for static analyses
  - b. Ground motion histories for one-, two- and three-dimensional dynamic analyses

**Methods of Seismic Analyses**

- Linear-static (response spectrum) analysis
- Linear-dynamic (time history) analysis
- Nonlinear-static (pushover) analysis
- Nonlinear-dynamic (nonlinear time history) analysis
- Pros and cons of different methods of analyses

**Seismic Analysis of Building Structures**

- Period and damping of a linear structure
- Effects of material yielding on period and damping
- Concept of deformability (ductility)
- Critical responses – plastic rotations, inter-story drifts, floor accelerations, etc.
- Pushover and damping curves
- Static versus dynamic analyses; linear versus nonlinear analyses

**Day 2**

**Sliding Analysis of Equipment**

- Response of anchored versus unanchored equipment
- Factors affecting sliding and rocking of unanchored equipment
- Effects of sliding on damping and deformability of the system (equipment)
- Static analysis of sliding response
- Dynamic analysis of sliding response

**Rocking Analysis of Equipment**

- Effects of rocking on deformability and damping of the system (equipment)
- Static (pushover) analysis of rocking response
- Dynamic (time history) analysis of rocking response
- Toppling response spectrum of ground motion

**Seismic Analysis of Storage Racks**

- Modeling nonlinearities due to sliding, material yielding, and large deflections
- Improving performance of storage-racks in cross-aisle direction
- Improving performance of storage-racks in down-aisle direction
- Critical responses – sway, sliding, hinge rotations, etc.

**Seismic Analysis of Liquid-Storage Tanks**

- Modeling impulsive and convective (sloshing) actions in a liquid-storage tank
- Effects of soil-structure- interaction on deformability and damping of a storage tank
- Modeling nonlinearities due to plastic yielding, base sliding, base uplifting, soil yielding and partial uplifting of foundation
- Critical responses – sloshing wave height, base sliding, plastic rotation, base uplifting, etc.

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**About the Trainer**

**Dr. Praveen K. Malhotra, P.E.**

After obtaining his Ph.D. in structural engineering from Rice University, Dr. Praveen Malhotra joined the California Geological Survey in Sacramento, CA. Working closely with geologists and seismologists for seven years, Dr. Malhotra closed the gap between earth sciences and engineering. Dr. Malhotra was then recruited by a worldwide property insurance company to help them understand, manage and mitigate their risk from earthquakes. Dr. Malhotra soon realized that there were two very different perspectives of risk – Aggregate Risk from insurance company’s perspective and Individual Risk from insurer’s perspective. Both risks needed to be addressed. After working for 13 years with the insurance company, Dr. Malhotra started his own consulting practice in 2010. He now provides services related to assessment and mitigation of risk. He publishes extensively and presents seismic training seminars throughout USA and different parts of the world. He is a licensed engineer in California and holds two patents.

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