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PREFACE

This book contains lecture notes, albeit not covering all materials, delivered at the course on Advanced Earthquake Engineering Analysis that took place at CISM Udine in July 3-7, 2005.

During the last decade, the state of the Art in Earthquake Engineering Design has made significant steps towards a more rationale analysis of structures. Scientists have long recognized that earthquake design is guided by displacements and deformations rather than forces. However due to the historical background of structural engineers in static analyses, effects of earthquake on structures have been viewed as forces acting on the structures. All presently available design building codes are developed along these lines.

Our knowledge of ground motion characteristics, earthquake geotechnical engineering, structural behavior (design and numerical analyses) and model tests have advanced to a point where it is possible to anticipate a significant move from force based design approaches to displacements based design approaches. Although displacement based design approaches constitute the kernel of most research programs, they have not yet been incorporated in the State of Practice.

The purpose of the course was to review the fundamentals of displacement based methods, starting from engineering seismology, earthquake geotechnical engineering, to focus on design, analysis and testing of structures with emphasis on buildings and bridges.

The five main topics presented during the course are detailed below. Each topic started with the fundamentals and then focused on advanced, State of the Art, subjects. The lectures were heavily illustrated with examples drawn from actual projects in which the lecturers are deeply involved.

- Engineering Seismology: measurement and characterisation of seismic motions; prediction of ground motions with empirical attenuation relationships; physics behind earthquake signals; site effects.
- Geotechnical Engineering: non linear soil behavior under cyclic loading; non linear site response analyses; soil-structure interaction including non linear effects; earthquake resistant design of foundation; performance based design.
- Seismic Analyses: introduction to structural response and computer modelling; overview of linear elastic analysis methods; non linear inelastic analyses; pushover analyses; non linear time history analysis.
- Seismic Design: need for displacement based design; fundamentals for direct displacement based design and assessment; strength and deformation capacity.

• Seismic Testing: introduction to seismic testing; shake table tests; pseudo dynamic tests; centrifuge testing; special topics and illustration.

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