

ASCE 4-16

Seismic Analysis of Safety-Related Nuclear Structures and Commentary/DOE NPH Meeting



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SEISMIC ANALYSIS OF SAFETY-RELATED NUCLEAR STRUCTURES (4-16)

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ASCE Is moving towards a 5 year revision cycle

Background

- **ASCE 4 - 86 - Original Working Group**
 - First published in 1987
 - Provided general guidance in dynamic analysis of structure
- **ASCE 4 - 98 – First Major Revision**
 - Published in 1998
 - Major update of 86
 - Moved to targeted demand levels (90% Nep based on 84% input)
 - Primarily aimed at elastic analysis – discusses some nonlinear methods but provides little guidance other than pointing to references.
 - Provided guidance on analysis using standard techniques (response spectrum methods, time history methods, complex frequency and equivalent static)
 - Provided guidance on SSI, subsystem, and special structures
- **ASCE 4 – 16 – 2nd Major Revision (In Publication)**
 - Nonlinear response methods now included
 - Criteria for analysis of sliding and rocking of unanchored components
 - Major update to criteria on base isolated structures

You too can provide suggestions for improvement

Content

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2. Seismic Input
3. Modeling of Structures
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5. Soil-Structure Interaction Modeling and Analysis
6. Input for Subsystem Analysis

7. Buried Pipes and Conduits
8. Dynamic Soil Pressures on Walls
9. Vertical Liquid-Storage Tanks
10. Distribution Systems
11. Dynamic Sliding and Uplift Analysis
12. Seismic Isolated Structures

Appendix A – Seismic PRA and Seismic Margin Assessments

Appendix B – Nonlinear Time Domain Soil-Structure Interaction Analysis

New Technical Provisions

- **Seismic Quality Provisions**
- **Performance-Based Ground Motion**
- **Probabilistic SSI**
- **Deterministic SSI to simulate probabilistic SSI**
- **Nonlinear Response Methods**
- **Sliding and Rocking of Unanchored Components**
- **Seismically Isolated Structures**

Seismic Quality Provisions

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- Most of the Seismic QA provisions in ASCE 4 are high level requirements.
- Corporate QA programs designed to meet ASME NQA-1 or DOE O 414.D will have provisions that address the requirements, but it is recommended that project or corporate QA contacts review ASCE 4 to identify holes

- **Three specific requirements are called out in ASCE 4-16**

1. Analysis verification and documentation
2. Load path study
3. Independent peer review

Performance-Based Design Motions

- **Chapter 2 of ASCE 4**

- Presents acceptable procedures to incorporate local site effects (site response) into calculation of ground motion at different elevations in a soil profile
- Starts with UHRS developed based on a probabilistic seismic hazard analyses at the annual frequency of exceedance appropriate for seismic design category (ASCE 43)
- Can be used to generate surface and foundation-level spectra

- **Provisions**

- Probabilistic site response evaluations (2.3)
- Strain-Compatible Soil Properties (2.4)
- Design Response Motions (2.5)
- DRS-Compatible Time Histories (2.6)

- **Number of time histories**

- One or more*
- Five are required for linear elastic analysis (2.6.1)

- **Structures Sensitive to Low-Frequency Motions**

- Additional criteria for structures with fundamental modes $f < 0.5$ Hz.

- **Alternate Definitions (2.8)**

Probabilistic SSI

- **Section 5.5 is new and presents methods for probabilistic soil structure interaction analysis**
- **Aim is to produce distribution on response - response can vary from moment, axial loads on components but probably most common is a probabilistic response in-structure response. 80% demand is targeted for use with ASCE 43 and will result in HCLPF exceeding the design basis motion**
- **Random variables include structures stiffness, structure damping, soil stiffness and damping and input motion (time history seeds).**
- **Soil profiles are consistent with strain-iterated developed in PSHA**
- **Input motions are either N acceleration time series or N response spectra sets.**
- **200 Simulations required when Monte Carlo methods are used. Minimum of 30 simulation considered when Latin Hypercube Sampling is done.**

Deterministic SSI to Simulate Probabilistic

- Probabilistic SSI is preferred, however, deterministic methods similar to ASCE 4-98 are still allowed
- Target non-exceedance probability remains 80% response to achieve performance prescribed in ASCE 43
- Fixed base analysis are permitted in some cases
- Effects of structure-soil-structure interaction should be considered for light structures in proximity to massive structures
- It is acceptable to account for uncertainties in SSI by varying the high-strain soil shear modulus
 - Best Estimate soil shear modulus
 - Lower bound ($G/(1+C_v)$)
 - Upper bound ($G * (1+C_v)$)
 - Note that minimum C_v is 0.50 and 1.0 “if insufficient data are available to address uncertainties in soil properties”
- Methods used to perform SSI analysis shall be validated (5.1.11)
- ISRS and 80% demand is obtained as an envelope of the UB, LB, BE soil cases. Peak clipping and broadening is permitted (6.2.3)

Nonlinear Response Methods

- **4-16 Includes additional criteria on the use of nonlinear methods to compute structure response**

- **Nonlinear Response History Analysis (4.7)**

- Required for analysis and design of seismically isolated nuclear structures
- May be used for evaluation of unanchored components
- Numerical models of components shall be based on test data
- Requires a minimum of five time history analysis
- Seismic response is taken as the average from five analyses

- **Approximate Inelastic Response Spectrum Analysis (4.8)**

- $D_{NL} = \frac{D_{elastic}}{F_{\mu}}$

- **Nonlinear Static Analysis (4.9)**

- Subject to limitations of ASCE/SEI 41-06
- Target displacements are computed using either coefficient method of ASCE/SEI 41-06 or capacity spectrum method of FEMA 274

Sliding and Rocking of Unanchored Components

- **Sliding and Rocking of Unanchored Components**
- Earthquake experience has demonstrated that anchored components generally perform well – anchoring is preferred
- If estimated sliding or rocking displacements can be tolerated without loss of function, then anchoring is not necessary
- Design values of sliding and rocking are provided in 43-05
- $\Delta_{design} = 3.0 \times \bar{\Delta}$, where $\bar{\Delta}$ is best estimate of sliding
- $\phi_{design} = 2.0 \times \bar{\phi}$, where $\bar{\phi}$ is best estimate of rocking angle
- **ASCE 4 suggests two methods are available for computation of sliding displacements and rocking angles**
 - Nonlinear response history analysis
 - Approximate methods

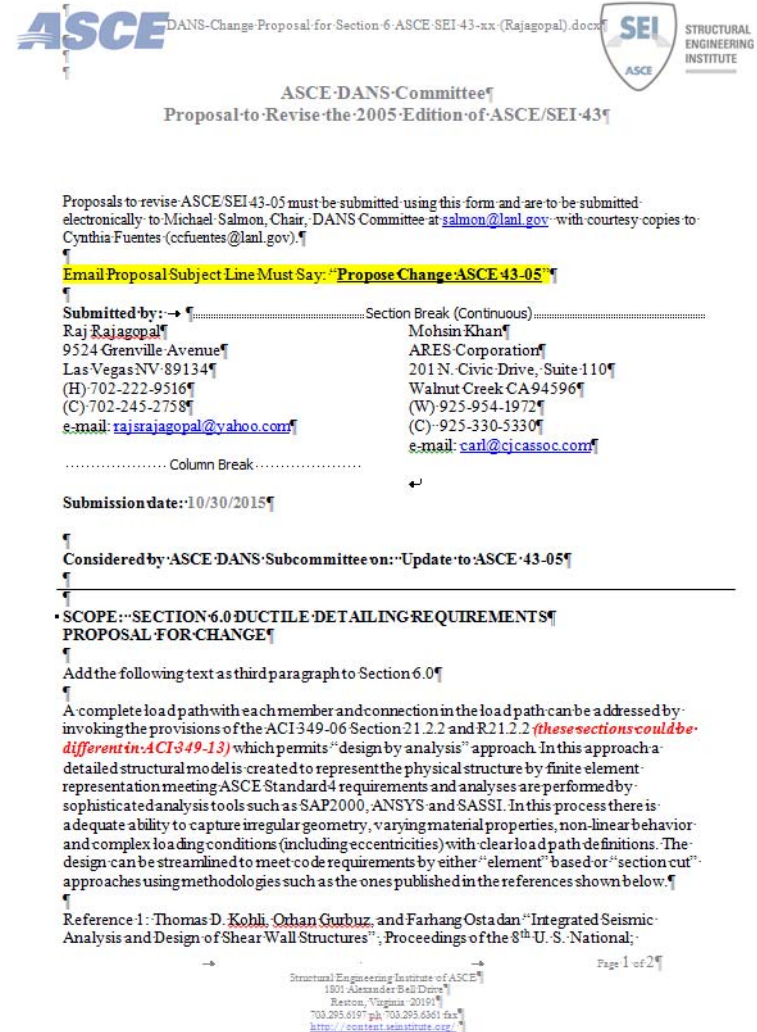
Seismically Isolated Structures

- **Criteria for design of seismically isolated structures has been greatly expanded.**
- **Written for application to power plants and structures**
- **Limited to horizontal isolation only**
- **Two levels of design demand are required (DBE and 1.5xDBE)**
- **Stop is required at 90% displacement demand at 1.5xDBE input**
- **Qualification of isolators and isolation system require dynamic testing**
- **Design and analysis provisions are presented**
- **Peer review of isolation system and related test programs are required.**



Proposal Process for Change

- **Create and Submit Proposed Change**
 - Any person shall be permitted to submit proposed standard provisions at any time to the Chair with a request that the proposed provision be considered by a letter ballot of the Committee
- **Submit to DANS Committee**
 - salmon@lanl.gov,
 - gabatt@becht.com
 - nstoeva@vecsa.com
- **Ballot and appeals process**
 - Appeals are filed to ASCE, Codes and Standard Committee (CSC)
 - jneckel@asce.org
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Summary

- **ASCE 4-98 has been revised, ASCE 4-16 is in publication**
- **ASCE 4-16 has a significant amount of new content that may be helpful in updating PRAs for 10CFR 50.54 evaluations (Fukushima) and DOE Evaluation of older facilities subjected to updated seismic hazard curves**
- **You can help improve by review and submittal of changes that you feel are needed**
- **We are moving to a 5 year revision cycle (3 years accepting change proposals, 2 years balloting and processing through ASCE)**

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