

# Simplified strategies based on damage mechanics for RC under dynamic loadings

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## **Question to solve:**

For large size concrete structures such as building the use of FE techniques implies often to choose simplified modelling including multifiber beam or lattice descriptions

Is simplified modelling able to describe the response to low, medium and high velocity?

#### Content

- Concrete model
- MF beam and localization pbs
- Applications: seismic response strain rate effects (spalling test) impact on a RC beam - Conclusions

From the coupling Elasticity – isotropic Damage,

 $\boldsymbol{\sigma} = \boldsymbol{\Lambda}_{\boldsymbol{\theta}}(1-d): \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = (1-d) \left[ \lambda_0 \operatorname{trace}(\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}) \mathbf{1} + 2\mu_0 \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \right]$ 

The objective is to describe the main non linear effects in concrete (cracking and damage, unilaterality,....)

- Main assumptions for the 3D version :

In order to stay as simple as possible: - only one damage variable d is used, which is the « activated» part of damage or « effective damage » (nil when cracks are closed)

- no permanent strain

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 $E_0(1-d)$ 

- However for a 1D version (useful for simplified modelling) Enhancements have been introduce such as :

- hysteretic dissipation during cyclic loading
- permanent strains
- strain rate effects,.....

## $\mu$ model : principles

To distinguish « cracking » and « crushing », 2 equivalent strains are defined :

$$\varepsilon_{t} = \frac{I_{\varepsilon}}{2(1-2\upsilon)} + \frac{\sqrt{J_{\varepsilon}}}{2(1+\upsilon)} \quad \text{and} \qquad \varepsilon_{c} = \frac{I_{\varepsilon}}{5(1-2\upsilon)} + \frac{6\sqrt{J_{\varepsilon}}}{5(1+\upsilon)} \qquad \begin{cases} I_{\varepsilon} = \varepsilon_{1} + \varepsilon_{2} + \varepsilon_{3} \\ J_{\varepsilon} = \frac{1}{2}[(\varepsilon_{1} - \varepsilon_{2})^{2} + (\varepsilon_{2} - \varepsilon_{3})^{2} + (\varepsilon_{3} - \varepsilon_{1})^{2}] \end{cases}$$

From this, 2 thermodynamical variables are defined :

$$Y_t = \max(\varepsilon_{0t}, \max(\varepsilon_t))$$
 and  $Y_c = \max(\varepsilon_{0c}, \max(\varepsilon_c))$ 

#### 2 loading surfaces are associated to this variables

 $f_t = \varepsilon_t - Y_t \le 0$  and  $f_c = \varepsilon_c - Y_c \le 0$ 

#### **Evolution of the « effective damage »**

$$d=\text{fct.}(Y_0, Y, A, B), \quad \text{with } Y = rY_t + (1-r) Y_c \quad \text{and} \quad Y_0 = r \varepsilon_{t0} + (1-r) \varepsilon_{c0}$$

$$r \text{ is the triaxiality factor} \quad r = \frac{\sum_i \langle \tilde{\sigma}_i \rangle_+}{\sum_i |\tilde{\sigma}_i|} \quad (\text{Lee}, \text{Fenves 98}) \quad \tilde{\sigma} = \Lambda_{\theta}: \varepsilon \text{ (effective stress)}$$

$$A= f (At, Ac, r) \quad B=f (Bt, Bc, r): At, Bt, Ac, Bc \text{ material parameters (from tests on sample)}$$
Mazars J., Hamon F., Grange S., 2015, A new 3D damage model for concrete under monotonic, cyclic and dynamic loading, Materials and Structures, 48, 3779–3793.



## Simplified modelling : Multifiber Timoshenko beam description

#### Principle :

- in each beam element the section is composed of // fibres (concrete – steel)

- the behaviour of each fiber is 1D (but the global behaviour is 3D)
- kinematics constraint at the connection between 2 elements :
  - plane section remains plane



## **Multifiber description and localization**

#### On the same RC beam (1.5m long section 5x5 fiber) : 3 different types of loading are considered

Conclusion : Localization appears only on specific cases (RC tie, plain concrete beam,...) In these cases, solutions to solve mesh dependency are the same as 2D-3D FE



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## **RC** beam under bending

#### **1.** In a 2D-FE beam: localization generates section warping



In the framework of the crack-band theory, cracking is localized in a band of elements (**size h**) the behaviour of which is calibrated from the Hillerborg method :



#### 2. In a MF beam: sections remain plane which thwart localization

Then the damage-cracking processes for one crack is distributed on both side of the crack over a volume defined by the distance  $s_c$ ( $s_c$  is the crack spacing)  $\rightarrow G_f/s_c = \int \sigma d\varepsilon$ 



\*Bazant Z.P., Oh B.H., 1983, Crack band theory for fracture of concrete, Materials and structures, Vol. 16 n°3, pp. 155-177. Bazant Z.P., 2002 Concrete fracture models: testing and practice, Engineering Fracture Mechanics, 69, 165-205.

## RC beam under bending.... again

**Conclusion** : there is no localization problem, **But** : material parameters for MF beam description are different from the ones used for FE-2D calculations **Finding** : this way leads to a mesh independency



## 1D concrete behaviour : introduction of hysteretic loops and permanent strain

 $\begin{array}{l} \textit{Permanent strain (Pontiroli 1995)} \\ (\sigma - \sigma_{ft}) = E \left(1 - d_{i}\right) \left(\varepsilon - \varepsilon_{ft}\right) & d_{i} = d_{t} \text{ or } d_{c} \\ \varepsilon_{ft} = \varepsilon_{ft0} / (1 - d_{c}). \left(\varepsilon_{ft} - \varepsilon_{fc}\right) - \varepsilon_{fc}. d_{c} / (1 - d_{c}) \\ \sigma_{ft} = E \left(1 - d_{c}\right) \left(\varepsilon_{ft} - \varepsilon_{fc}\right) + E. \varepsilon_{fc} \\ \varepsilon_{ft0} \text{ et } \varepsilon_{fc} \text{ are } 2 \text{ materials parameters} \end{array}$ 

Hysteretic loop  $\sigma_t = \sigma + \sigma_d, \ \sigma = E(1-d)\varepsilon,$   $\sigma_d = (\beta_1 + \beta_2 d_i).E.(1-d_i)\varepsilon.f(\varepsilon).sign$   $\beta_1 \text{ and } \beta_2 \text{ are 2 parameters}$   $f(\varepsilon)$  gives the form and the size of the loop sign is – for unloading and + for reloading



#### What about cylic loading response for large deformation?

<u>In the real life</u>: when crack opens and Rebar yield, a debonding zone appears in the vicinity of the crack



→ relative slide between steel and concrete :

Debonding zone



<u>Proposition</u> : introduce this sliding in the behaviour of the steel ( $\varepsilon_s = \kappa \varepsilon_p$ )



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#### **Cyclic loading : Simulations (MF)/Experiments**



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## Seismic application: SMART 2013 (CEA-EDF)



- 1. Mock-up representative of a building of a power plant
  - 1/4 scale weight = 45t
  - asymmetrical structure
  - bidirectional loading

2. Loading program: *Phase 1 : artificial signal in respect of the design spectra Phase 2 : natural earthquake (Northridge) Phase 3 : Northridge replica* 



Schéma de la maquette

T. Chaudat, P-E Charbonnel – SMART 2013 Experimental campaign, 2014

## Shear wall simplified modelling: lattice « equivalent reinforced concrete»



Kotronis P., Mazars J., Simplified modelling strategies to simulate the dynamic behavior of RC walls, J. of Earthquake Engineering, Vol 16, n°5, 2005

## **Out of plane deformations**

(M. di Biaso, S. Grange, Rapport benchark SMART 2013)

#### vertical additional bars are added (*section area = 0*) *bending and torsion inertia* identified from a FE modal analysis

Modal analysis of the « ERC » wall

Modal analysis FE shell elements



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## SMART 2013 (EDF-CEA) : Benchmark results

(B. Richard et al., benchmrark report SMART 2013)



#### Performance of the « 1D » calculation SMART 2013 (M. di Biaso, S. Grange, Benchark report SMART 2013) Beams and columns = NL multifiber beams; Walls = NL Equivalent Reinforced Concrete truss; Slabs = linear shell Mode 3 Mode 1 Mode 2 Exp: 6.47Hz Exp: 9.13Hz Exp: 17.85Hz Design Calcul: 6.28Hz Calcul: 7.86Hz Calcul: 16.5Hz earthquake (0.22g)Northridge earthquake (1.1g) 10-2 Max disp, C, X floor3 point C Spectre X Max disp, C, X 100 experimental numerical experimental numerical 3.5 experimental numerica 80 3 2.5

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Mazars J., Grange S., Modélisation du fonctionnement des ouvrages en béton armé sous séisme, congrès AFPS, Paris 2015

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## High velocity loading Spalling test





- Experimental observations :
  - 1. Tensile strength increases with strain rate
  - 2. Strain rate changes fracture processes
    - Induces multi-fracturing
    - Increases fracture energy



## Tensile behavior evolutions with strain rate



<u>Two domains :</u>



Erzar B., Forquin P., 2011, Experiments and mesoscopic modelling of dynamic testing of concrete, Mechanics of Materials 43



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#### Experiment from Swedish Defence Research Agency (FOI)

#### Impact on a RC beam : Medium velocity loading

<u>Ågårdh L, Magnusson J, Hansson H, 1999</u> Drop

weight

Striker head

Mass : 718kg Height: 2.68m Impact velocity 6.7m/s





Ågårdh L, Magnusson J, Hansson H:."High Strength Concrete Beams Subjected to Impact Loading, an Experimental Study". Defence Research Establishment, Sweden. FOA-R--99- 01187-311—SE.1999.





# t< 5ms -

## **Comparison of various calculations**











- 1. Present simplified modelling (1D)
- 2. Tuan Ngo and Priyan Mendis (RC impulsive model – 2D- 2005)
- 3. Present simplified modelling (1D)
- 4. Pontiroli et al (2D) PRM model 2004
- 5. M. Unosson K&C concrete model (2D) 2001

## Conclusions

**Central question:** *is simplified modelling (MF beams, lattice elements) able to describe the response to low, medium and high velocity?* 

Yes, but some requirement are needed

- **1.** Have relevant models :
  - Damage model for concrete including major behaviour effects (crack-closure, permanent strains, hysteretic loop,...)
  - Including the steel concrete debounding effects
- 2. Take care to localization problems
- **3. Introduce strain rate effects** 
  - Retarded damage concept + Fracture energy evolution (2 domains) :
    - low and medium velocity (<10/s)
    - high velocity (>10/s)
  - Adapted dynamic solver

#### ..... major advantage : robustness and very low computer cost