### Seismic behaviour of RC buildings infilled with masonry walls

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Motivation Literature review Damage assessment Numerical modelling





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#### Seismic risk = Hazard \* Vulnerability \* Exposure



(Benutzer, 2005; Azmat et al., 2013; Tucker, 2012)

Lessons from earthquakes	~20
Seismic standards	~20
Experimental work	~125
Numerical modelling	~70

Low quality of materials Insufficient constructive detailing Insufficient shear strength Vulnerability of infill walls Collapses: Due to irregularities on the distribution of the infill walls

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Irregularities in height and plan (structural and non-structural elements) Minimal strength capacity for the infill walls Recommendations regarding positioning of openings on infill walls

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Gaps on infill-frame interface decreases considerably the horizontal strength Vertical loading on columns increase of stiffness and resistance of the system due to increase of confinement of the wall

Eccentricity of the wall relative to the frame plane centre-line leads to out-of-plane bending effects, reducing both initial stiffness and ultimate capacity

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Models with combined in-plane and out-of-plane's behaviour Failure curve of infill masonry walls for actions in both directions Parametric studies (and experimental) of double-leaf walls Calibration of simplified models for retrofitting interventions

#### NSF RAPID | DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

Oregon State University, USA University of Buffalo, USA University of Roma "La Sapienza", Italy University of Porto, Portugal University of Chieti-Pescara, Italy University of Nebraska, USA

## About Nepal | DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

Capital Kathmandu (largest city)
Total Area 147,181 km<sup>2</sup> (1,6x PT)
Population 28,120,000 (2,7x PT)
Density 180/km<sup>2</sup>
GDP 19.77 USD Billion (8% PT)





## Past earthquakes | DAMAGE ASSESSMENT



#### Hazard | Exposure | Some of the strongest registered earthquakes



#### Gorkha earthquake | DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

#### More than 400 aftershocks with M>4 | Location of seismic activity

# Buildings typologies | DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

The buildings' stock of RC framed structures in Kathmandu valley is 38% and in Nepal 10%.

Over the last few decades (1991-2001), RC building construction has rapidly increased, replacing other construction materials and solutions, like adobe, stone and brick masonry, in Kathmandu Valley.

Most RC buildings in Nepal were constructed with framed structures with infill masonry panels. These buildings offered insufficient capacity, lacked ductile detailing and were poorly constructed and may have limited durability.

# RC building typologies | DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

WDS (Well Designed Structure) WDS building structures designed based on the International standards/codes (e.g. Indian Standard code), considering seismic design with ductile detailing

NBC (MRT) (Nepal Building Code)

RC Buildings

NBC+ (MRT) (Modified Nepal Building Code) NBC structures are designed with MRT, which provides some ready-to-use provisions in terms of dimensions and details for structural and non-structural elements for up to 3 storeys in RC framed, ordinary residential buildings in Nepal NBC+ is an improvement of the recommendations for the minimum size and reinforcement detailing in columns, relatively to the NBC.

CCP (Current Construction Practices) Buildings group that represent the CPP in Nepal, structures in many urban areas of Nepal represent the largest group.

# RC building typologies | DAMAGE ASSESSMENT





#### Deficient RC structural systems | Solid brick infill walls with poor mortar



Poor quality of materials and construction detailing



#### Soft-storey mechanisms | Elevation irregularity | Failure of columns



#### Soft-storey mechanisms | Elevation irregularities | 3+ Added storeys



Columns/Joints shear failure | Poor detailing | Inadequate bars anchorage and insufficient stirrups | Poor materials quality



Medium-rise buildings | Severe damages concentrated in some columns at ground level | In-plan irregularity (only-one full infilled façade)



Medium-rise buildings | Poor quality of concrete | Shear-out



Medium-rise building | Severe damages concentrated in some columns at ground level | In-plan irregularity (only-one full infilled façade)



Medium-rise building | Strong infill walls | Shear sliding mechanism and damage in adjacent columns (shear-out)



#### Inadequate capacity of Columns | Dimensions and detailing | Soft-storey



Insufficient capacity of RC elements | Dimensions and detailing Soft-storey | Stirrups failure



High-rise WDS buildings

Damages essentially at non-structural elements



High-rise WDS buildings Pronounced in-plane cracking | Out-of-plane collapse of walls

# Remarks on the mission | DAMAGE ASSESSMENT

Non-designed structures suffered extensive damage

Partial or full collapses, mostly due to vertical irregularities

Well-designed RC buildings demonstrated significant non-structural damage

Insufficient control by Nepalese entities (design and construction)

#### Numerical developments

Semi-refined modelling Abaqus – Parametric study Macro modelling OpenSees – New element



# Semi-refined | Numerical modelling

Volume elements Continuum element for infill wall

Study:

Dimensions

Properties of materials

Infill-frame interface conditions

Eccentricities

Single- and double-leaf walls



 $\leftarrow$  Connections

#1 Wall-Frame - Contact#2 Interface-Frame - Friction and tension#3 Interface-Wall - Friction and tension

Frame

Elastic

Wall

Concrete Damage Plasticity Model With damage

## Semi-refined | Numerical modelling

#### Boundary connections with different strategies

RC frame	RC frame		RC frame	
Connection with volume element	Connection with surface element		Interaction directly on elements	
Masonry wall	Masonry wall	]	Masonry wall	٦

#### Pushover and cyclic analysis



Out-of-plane behaviour Interaction between two masonry walls and its connections

Simplified approach for assessment of failure's strength for actions combined in both directions: inplane and out-of-plane Applicability on the simulation of real (and complex) study cases



Example using the default elements provided by OpenSees

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Structural model in TCL

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Structural model in TCL

API element in C++

Matlab

Compile element

Run model with OpenSees

(Warnings on Command window)

(Results on Workspace)



Structural model in TCL API element in C++

#### Matlab

Compile element Run model with OpenSees (Warnings on Command window) (Results on Workspace) Post-Processor



#### **Developments**

Complete the development of the new element for OpenSees, by correcting errors and bugs.

Calibration and validation of models with experimental data collected from previous testing campaigns developed at FEUP-LESE, and other available data.

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