

Seismic Retrofitting Analysis of Reinforcement Concrete Structures Using Various Methods

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Abstract- Earthquake around the world are single-handedly responsible for the destruction to life and property in large numbers. In order to mitigate such hazards, it is important to incorporate norms that will enhance the seismic performance of structures. This paper represents the change of Reinforced concrete structural components which are found to exhibit distress because of earthquake loading. Such unserviceable structures require immediate attention. And it was done by using the shear wall mechanism in the software. It can be used as a seismic retrofitting technique because it can be applied quickly to the surface of the damaged element without the requirement of any special bonding material and also it requires less skilled labor, as compared to other retrofitting solutions presently existing. It was determined that load carrying capacity for beam-column joint retrofitted with shear wall is increased. In this paper we use analytical approach. In this we use stadd pro v8i software.

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I. INTRODUCTION

Seismic retrofitting is the modification of existing structures to make them more resistant to seismic activity, ground motion, or soil failure due to earthquakes. This goal maybe achieved by adopting one of the following strategies like By reducing the seismic demands on members and the structures as a whole, By increasing the member capacities Stiffness, strength and ductility are the basic seismic response parameters taken into consideration while retrofitting. However, the choice of the technique to be applied depends on locally available materials and technologies, cost considerations, duration of the works and architectural, functional and aesthetic considerations/restrictions. Seismic retrofitting schemes can be either global or local, based on how many members of the structures they are used for. Global (Structural level) Retrofit methods include conventional methods (increase seismic resistance of existing structures) or non-conventional methods (reduction of seismic demand)

1.1 Seismic Retrofitting of Concrete Structures:

Definition: It is the modification of existing structures to make them more resistant to seismic activity, ground motion, or soil failure due to earthquakes.

The retrofit techniques are also applicable for other natural hazards such as tropical cyclones, tornadoes, and severe winds from thunderstorms.

1.2 Need for Seismic Retrofitting:

- To ensure the safety and security of a building, employees, structure functionality, machinery and inventory
- Essential to reduce hazard and losses from non-structural elements.
- predominantly concerned with structural improvement to reduce seismic hazard.
- Important buildings must be strengthened whose services are assumed to be essential just after an earthquake like hospitals.

1.3 Problems faced by Structural Engineers are:

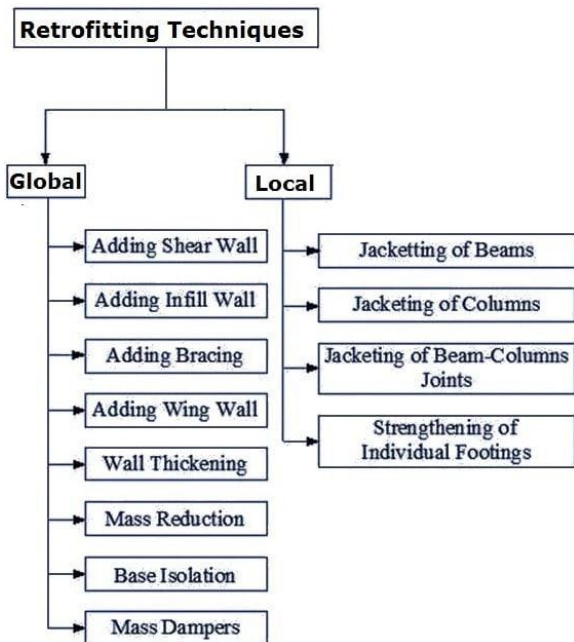
Lack of standards for retrofitting methods – Effectiveness of each methods varies a lot depending upon parameters like type of structures, material condition, amount of damage etc.,

1.4 Basic Concept of Retrofitting:

The aim is at:

- Upgradation of lateral strength of the structure
- Increase in the ductility of the structure
- Increase in strength and ductility

II. CLASSIFICATION OF RETROFITTING TECHNIQUES



2.1 Adding New Shear Walls:

- Frequently used for retrofitting of non ductile reinforced concrete frame buildings.
- The added elements can be either cast-in-place or precast concrete elements.
- New elements preferably be placed at the exterior of the building.
- Not preferred in the interior of the structure to avoid interior mouldings.

2.2 Adding Steel Bracings

- An effective solution when large openings are required.
- Potential advantages due to higher strength and stiffness, opening for natural light can be provided, amount of work is less since foundation cost may be minimized and adds much less weight to the existing structure.

2.3 Jacketing (Local Retrofitting Technique):

This is the most popular method for strengthening of building columns.

Types of Jacketing:

1. Steel jacket,

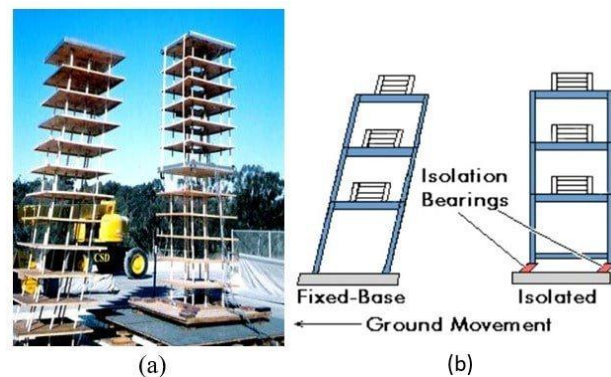
2. Reinforced Concrete jacket,
3. Fibre Reinforced Polymer Composite (FRPC) jacket

Purpose for jacketing:

- To increase concrete confinement
- To increase shear strength
- To increase flexural strength

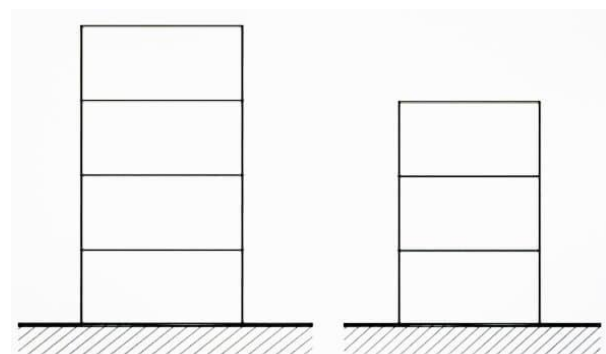
2.4 Base Isolation (or Seismic Isolation):

Isolation of superstructure from the foundation is known as base isolation. It is the most powerful tool for passive structural vibration control technique.



2.5 Mass Reduction Technique of Retrofitting:

This may be achieved, for instance, by removal of one or more storey's as shown in Figure. In this case it is evident that the removal of the mass will lead to a decrease in the period, which will lead to an increase in the required strength.



Seismic Retrofitting by Mass reduction (removal of Storey)

2.6 Wall Thickening Technique of Retrofitting:

The existing walls of a building are added certain thickness by adding bricks, concrete and steel aligned at certain places as reinforcement, such that the weight of wall

increases and it can bear more vertical and horizontal loads, and also its designed under special conditions that the transverse loads does not cause sudden failure of the wall.

III. INDIAN STANDARD CODES FOR EARTHQUAKE DESIGN OF STRUCTURES

- IS: 1893-2002 (part-1) Criteria for Earthquake Resistant Design of Structures (Part 1 : General Provision and Buildings) – Code of Practice
- IS: 4326-1993 Earthquake Resistant Design and Construction of Buildings – Code of Practice
- IS: 13920-1993 Ductile Detailing of Reinforced Concrete Structures subjected to Seismic Forces – Code of Practice
- IS: 13935-1993 Repair and Seismic Strengthening of Buildings – Guidelines
- IS: 13828-1993 Improving Earthquake Resistance of Low Strength Masonry Buildings – Guidelines
- IS: 13827-1993 Improving Earthquake Resistance of Earthen Buildings – Guidelines

IV. CONCLUSION – SEISMIC RETROFITTING TECHNIQUES FOR CONCRETE STRUCTURES

- Seismic Retrofitting is a suitable technology for protection of a variety of structures.
- It has matured in the recent years to a highly reliable technology.
- But, the expertise needed is not available in the basic level.
- The main challenge is to achieve a desired performance level at a minimum cost, which can be achieved through a detailed nonlinear analysis.
- Optimization techniques are needed to know the most efficient retrofit for a particular structure.
- Proper Design Codes are needed to be published as code of practice for professionals related to this field.

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