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Abstract

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Introduction

The response of buried pipelines during seismic shaking has been found to be predominant in the axial direction of the pipeline^(6,8,9,12,15,17). Pipeline damage caused by longitudinal earthquake excitation has been observed to be a major mode of failure^(3,4,5). State of the art papers^(7,20,21) on buried lifeline earthquake engineering have been published recently. The fundamental behavior of underground piping systems has been studied by the investigators at Weidlinger Associates⁽²⁾ and at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute^(13,18). To aid the design of buried pipelines, both the static displacement approach^(11,16) and the dynamic interference response spectra approach⁽¹⁰⁾ have been proposed.

The purpose of this technical memorandum is to develop a rigorous quasi-static analysis model for the response of buried pipelines subjected to earthquake motion in the axial direction to supplement the simplified evaluation reported earlier⁽¹⁸⁾. Since the dynamic effects on the response behavior of buried pipelines^(6,8,12,17) have been found to be negligible, the inertia and damping terms in the dynamic equations of motion will be dropped. Because the input ground motion is a function of time, the response will also be a function of time. Thus, the analysis is called quasi-static.

Description of the General Model

A long buried piping system consisting of n -segments is shown in Fig. 1 where $K_1, K_2, \dots, K_i, \dots, K_{n-1}$ are spring constants at joints between pipe segments; K_0, K_n are spring constants at the end supports; $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{2i-1}, X_{2i}, \dots, X_{2n-1}, X_{2n}$ are longitudinal displacements at the ends of pipe segments; $X_{G1}, X_{G2}, \dots, X_{Gn-1}$ are the corresponding ground displacements at the segment intersections in the same direction as the pipeline axis; X_{G0} and X_{Gn} are the ground movements at the ends; $L_1, L_2, \dots, L_i, \dots, L_n$ are pipe lengths; and $k_1,$

$k_2, \dots, k_i, \dots, k_n$ are soil resistant spring constants per unit length along the pipe segments.

(1) Strain Energy in A Pipe Segment

Referring to Fig. 2, for a pipe segment subjected to two end forces and a linearly distributed soil resistance force, the displacement function within a segment is a cubical variation as:

$$\phi_i(x) = \left[\left(1 - \frac{x^3}{L_i^3}\right) \quad \frac{x^3}{L_i^3} \right] \begin{bmatrix} X_{2i-1} \\ X_{2i} \end{bmatrix} \quad (1)$$

The strain function is:

$$\epsilon_i(x) = \frac{d\phi_i(x)}{dx} = \left[\frac{-3x^2}{L_i} \quad \frac{3x^2}{L_i} \right] \begin{bmatrix} X_{2i-1} \\ X_{2i} \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

and the stress function is:

$$\sigma_i(x) = E_i \epsilon(x) = E_i \left[\frac{-3x^2}{L_i} \quad \frac{3x^2}{L_i} \right] \begin{bmatrix} X_{2i-1} \\ X_{2i} \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

The strain energy within a pipe segment i

$$U_{\text{pipe}}^i = \frac{1}{2} \int_v \sigma_i^t \epsilon_i dv = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{L_i} \sigma_i^t \epsilon_i A_i dx \quad (4)$$

where σ_i^t is transpose of σ_i .

Substituting Eqns. (2) and (3) into Eqn. (4) and integrating, one obtains

$$U_{\text{pipe}}^i = \frac{1}{2} [X_{2i-1} \quad X_{2i}] \begin{bmatrix} \frac{9E_i A_i}{5L_i} & \frac{-9E_i A_i}{5L_i} \\ \frac{-9E_i A_i}{5L_i} & \frac{9E_i A_i}{5L_i} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_{2i-1} \\ X_{2i} \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

The sum of energies of all segments in the system is:

(2) Strain Energy in A Joint Spring

Referring to Fig. 3, the spring elongation and spring force can be expressed:

$$D_i = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_{2i} \\ X_{2i+1} \end{bmatrix} \quad (9)$$

$$F_i = \begin{bmatrix} -K_i & K_i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_{2i} \\ X_{2i+1} \end{bmatrix} \quad (10)$$

The strain energy within a spring is

$$\begin{aligned} U_{\text{spring}}^i &= \frac{1}{2} F_i^t D_i \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} X_{2i} & X_{2i+1} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K_i & -K_i \\ -K_i & K_i \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_{2i} \\ X_{2i+1} \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

Two special cases are developed for the end supports.

For the beginning support, $i = 0$, it is assumed that $X_0 = X_{G0}$. Thus,

$$U_{\text{spring}}^{\text{start}} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} X_{G0} & X_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K_0 & -K_0 \\ -K_0 & K_0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_{G0} \\ X_1 \end{bmatrix} \quad (12)$$

For the end support, $i = n$, it is assumed that $X_{2n+1} = X_{Gn}$ and

$$U_{\text{spring}}^{\text{end}} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} X_{2n} & X_{Gn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} K_n & -K_n \\ -K_n & K_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_{2n} \\ X_{Gn} \end{bmatrix} \quad (13)$$

The total strain energy contained in all joint springs is as follows:

$$U_{\text{spring}}^{\text{Total}} = \sum_{i=0}^n U_{\text{spring}}^i$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \{\bar{X}\}^t [\bar{K}_{\text{spring}}] \{\bar{X}\} \quad (14)$$

where

$$\{\bar{X}\}^t = [X_{G0} \mid X_1 \ X_2 \ \dots \ X_{2i-1} \ X_{2i} \ \dots \ X_{2n-1} \ X_{2n} \mid X_{Gn}]$$

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and $[\bar{K}_{\text{spring}}]$ is a symmetrical tridiagonal matrix as follows:

$$[\bar{K}_{\text{spring}}] = \begin{array}{c} \left[\begin{array}{c|cccccccc|c} K_0 & -K_0 & & & & & & & & \\ -K_0 & K_0 & 0 & & & & & & & \\ & 0 & K_1 & -K_1 & & & & & & \\ & & -K_1 & K_1 & 0 & & & & & \\ & & & & \bullet & & & & & \\ & & & 0 & K_i & -K_i & & & & \\ & & & & -K_i & K_i & 0 & & & \\ & & & & & \bullet & & & & \\ & & & & & 0 & K_{n-1} & -K_{n-1} & & \\ & & & & & & -K_{n+1} & K_{n-1} & 0 & \\ & & & & & & & 0 & K_n & -K_n \\ \hline & & & & & & & & -K_n & K_n \end{array} \right] \end{array} \quad (15)$$

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Using partitioning matrix manipulation, the total strain energy of all joint springs may be expressed as follows:

$$U_{\text{spring}}^{\text{Total}} = \frac{1}{2} K_0 X_{G0}^2 + \frac{1}{2} K_n X_{Gn}^2$$

$$+ \{X\}^t \{\bar{K}_{ba}\} X_{G0} + \{X\}^t \{\bar{K}_{bc}\} X_{Gn}$$

$$+ \frac{1}{2} \{X\}^t [K_{\text{spring}}] \{X\} \quad (16)$$

and

$$R(x) = \left[k_i \left(1 - \frac{x}{L_i}\right) \frac{k_i x}{L_i} \quad -k_i \left(1 - \frac{x}{L_i}\right) \frac{-k_i x}{L_i} \right] \begin{bmatrix} X_{2i-1} \\ X_{2i} \\ X_{Gi-1} \\ X_{Gi} \end{bmatrix} \quad (21)$$

The strain energy produced by the soil resistance within a pipe segment is:

$$U_{\text{soil}}^i = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{L_i} R^t(x) y(x) dx \quad (22)$$

Substituting Eqns. (20) and (21) into Eqn. (22) and integrating, one obtains:

$$U_{\text{soil}}^i = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} X_{2i-1} & X_{2i} & X_{Gi-1} & X_{Gi} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{k_i L_i}{3} & \frac{k_i L_i}{6} & -\frac{k_i L_i}{3} & -\frac{k_i L_i}{6} \\ \frac{k_i L_i}{6} & \frac{k_i L_i}{3} & -\frac{k_i L_i}{6} & -\frac{k_i L_i}{3} \\ -\frac{k_i L_i}{3} & -\frac{k_i L_i}{6} & \frac{k_i L_i}{3} & \frac{k_i L_i}{6} \\ -\frac{k_i L_i}{6} & -\frac{k_i L_i}{3} & \frac{k_i L_i}{6} & \frac{k_i L_i}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_{2i-1} \\ X_{2i} \\ X_{Gi-1} \\ X_{Gi} \end{bmatrix} \quad (23)$$

Using 2x2 partitioning matrices, Eqn. (23) can be written as follows:

$$U_{\text{soil}}^i = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} X_{2i-1} & X_{2i} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{k_i L_i}{3} & \frac{k_i L_i}{6} \\ \frac{k_i L_i}{6} & \frac{k_i L_i}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_{2i-1} \\ X_{2i} \end{bmatrix} + \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} X_{Gi-1} & X_{Gi} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{k_i L_i}{3} & \frac{k_i L_i}{6} \\ \frac{k_i L_i}{6} & \frac{k_i L_i}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_{Gi-1} \\ X_{Gi} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} X_{2i-1} & X_{2i} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{k_i L_i}{3} & \frac{k_i L_i}{6} \\ \frac{k_i L_i}{6} & \frac{k_i L_i}{3} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_{Gi-1} \\ X_{Gi} \end{bmatrix} \quad (24)$$

$$U_{\text{system}}^{\text{Total}} = U_{\text{pipe}}^{\text{Total}} + U_{\text{spring}}^{\text{Total}} + U_{\text{soil}}^{\text{Total}} \quad (28)$$

Substituting Eqns. (6), (16) and (25) into Eqn. (28), one obtains the potential energy of the entire system as

$$\begin{aligned} U_{\text{system}}^{\text{Total}} &= \frac{1}{2} \{X\}^t [K_{\text{pipe}}] \{X\} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} K_0 X_{G0}^2 + \frac{1}{2} K_n X_{Gn}^2 \\ &+ \{X\}^t \{\bar{K}_{ba}\} X_{G0} + \{X\}^t \{\bar{K}_{bc}\} X_{Gn} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \{X\}^t [K_{\text{spring}}] \{X\} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \{X\}^t [K_{\text{soil}}] \{X\} + \frac{1}{2} \{X_G\}^t [K_{\text{soil}}] \{X_G\} - \{X\}^t [K_{\text{soil}}] \{X_G\} \end{aligned} \quad (29)$$

(5) Governing Equilibrium Equation of Buried Pipelines

According to variational principle⁽¹⁾, the variation of total potential energy of an equilibrium system is equal to zero, i.e.

$$\frac{\partial U_{\text{system}}^{\text{Total}}}{\partial \{X\}} = 0$$

or

$$\frac{\partial U_{\text{pipe}}^{\text{Total}}}{\partial \{X\}} + \frac{\partial U_{\text{spring}}^{\text{Total}}}{\partial \{X\}} + \frac{\partial U_{\text{soil}}^{\text{Total}}}{\partial \{X\}} = 0 \quad (30)$$

Carrying through the derivatives⁽¹⁴⁾ of $U_{\text{system}}^{\text{Total}}$ shown Eqn. (29), one obtains the following equation of equilibrium of the system:

$$\begin{aligned} [K_{\text{pipe}}] \{X\} + [K_{\text{spring}}] \{X\} + [K_{\text{soil}}] \{X\} \\ = [K_{\text{soil}}] \{X_G\} - \{\bar{K}_{ba}\} X_{G0} - \{\bar{K}_{bc}\} X_{Gn} \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

After grouping from Eqn. (31), one obtains the following simplified equation:

$$\begin{aligned} [K_{\text{system}}] \{X\} &= [\bar{K}_{\text{soil}}] \{X_G\} \\ 2n \times 2n \quad 2n \times 1 \quad 2n \times 2n \quad 2n \times 1 \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
[\bar{K}_{soil}] = \left[\begin{array}{ccccccccc}
(\frac{k_1 L_1}{3} + K_0) & \frac{k_1 L_1}{6} & & & & & & & & \\
\frac{k_1 L_1}{6} & \frac{k_1 L_1}{3} & & & & & & & & \\
& & 0 & & & & & & & \\
& & \frac{k_2 L_2}{3} & \frac{k_2 L_2}{6} & & & & & & \\
& & 0 & & & & & & & \\
& & \frac{k_2 L_2}{6} & \frac{k_2 L_2}{3} & 0 & & & & & \\
& & & & & \bullet & & & & \\
& & & & 0 & \frac{k_i L_i}{3} & \frac{k_i L_i}{6} & & & \\
& & & & & \frac{k_i L_i}{6} & \frac{k_i L_i}{3} & 0 & & \\
& & & & & & & \bullet & & \\
& & & & & & 0 & \frac{k_n L_n}{3} & \frac{k_n L_n}{6} & \\
& & & & & & & \frac{k_n L_n}{6} & (\frac{k_n L_n}{3} + K_n) & \\
\end{array} \right]
\end{array}
\quad (35)$$

2nx2n

In general terms, the elements of $[\bar{K}_{soil}]$ are defined as

$$\bar{K}_{2i-1,2i-1}^{soil} = \bar{K}_{2i,2i}^{soil} = \frac{k_i L_i}{3} ; \quad 1 \leq i \leq n \quad (36a)$$

$$\bar{K}_{2i,2i+1}^{soil} = \bar{K}_{2i+1,2i}^{soil} = 0 ; \quad 1 \leq i \leq n-1 \quad (36b)$$

$$\bar{K}_{2i-1,2i}^{soil} = \bar{K}_{2i,2i-1}^{soil} = \frac{k_i L_i}{6} ; \quad 1 \leq i \leq n \quad (36c)$$

except for the two ends which are as follows:

$$\bar{K}_{11}^{soil} = \frac{k_1 L_1}{3} + K_0 \quad (36d)$$

$$\bar{K}_{2n,2n}^{soil} = \frac{k_n L_n}{3} + K_n \quad (36e)$$

(6) Ground Motion Input

The solution of pipe motion $\{X\}$ shown in Eqn. (32) depends on the inputs of the ground motion $\{X_G\}$. Since $\{X_G\}$ is a function of time, the solution of $\{X\}$ is also a function of time. Thus, the method proposed is called the 'Quasi-static' model.

Assuming that the wave form of the traveling seismic excitation remains constant over the entire length of the pipeline which is divided into n -segments, the inputs of the time-space varying ground motions starting from the first support are:

$$X_{G0} = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 0 \\ \Delta_{\max} h(t) & t \geq 0 \end{cases} \quad (37a)$$

$$X_{G1} = \begin{cases} 0 & t - \Delta T_1 < 0 \\ \Delta_{\max} h(t - \Delta T_1) & t - \Delta T_1 \geq 0 \end{cases} \quad (37b)$$

$$X_{Gi} = \begin{cases} 0 & t - \Delta T_i < 0 \\ \Delta_{\max} h(t - \Delta T_i) & t - \Delta T_i \geq 0 \end{cases} \quad (37c)$$

where Δ_{\max} is maximum ground displacement input in a record; $h(t)$ is the displacement time function; ΔT_i is the delay time of seismic wave traveling from the first support to the end face of i^{th} pipe segment considered, which can be expressed as

$$\Delta T_i = \sum_{j=1}^i L_j / C_j \quad (38)$$

and C_j is the traveling wave velocity of soil surrounding the pipe segment j .

Models For Special Cases

For wider applications of the quasi-static model to analyze buried lifeline systems subjected to seismic excitations, two special case models; one for a long

buried pipeline system and the other for a rigid pipe segment system will be developed.

(1) A Buried Continuous Pipeline System

For a long buried continuous pipeline system, there will be no joint springs. In this case, $X_{2i} = X_{2i+1} = X_{i+1}$ is observed. In a n-segment pipeline system, there will be n+1 degrees of freedom as shown below:

$$\{X_{\text{cont}}^t\} = [X_1, X_2, \dots, X_i, \dots, X_n, X_{n+1}] \quad (39)$$

1x(n+1)

and

$$\{X_{G, \text{cont}}^t\} = [X_{G0}, X_{G1}, \dots, X_{Gi}, \dots, X_{Gn-1}, X_{Gn}] \quad (40)$$

1x(n+1)

Observing the $2i^{\text{th}}$ and $(2i+1)^{\text{th}}$ rows of Eqn. (32) as:

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{-9E_i A_i}{5L_i} + \frac{k_i L_i}{6} \right) X_{2i-1} + \left(\frac{9E_i A_i}{5L_i} + \frac{k_i L_i}{3} + K_i \right) X_{2i} - K_i X_{2i+1} \\ & = \frac{k_i L_i}{6} X_{Gi-1} + \frac{k_i L_i}{3} X_{Gi} \end{aligned} \quad (41)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & -K_i X_{2i} + \left(\frac{9E_{i+1} A_{i+1}}{5L_{i+1}} + \frac{k_{i+1} L_{i+1}}{3} + K_i \right) X_{2i+1} + \left(\frac{-9E_{i+1} A_{i+1}}{5L_{i+1}} + \frac{k_{i+1} L_{i+1}}{6} \right) X_{2i+2} \\ & = \frac{k_{i+1} L_{i+1}}{3} X_{Gi} + \frac{k_{i+1} L_{i+1}}{6} X_{Gi+1} \end{aligned} \quad (42)$$

Letting $X_{2i} = X_{2i+1} = X_{i+1}$; $X_{2i-1} = X_i$; $X_{2i+2} = X_{i+2}$ and adding Eqns. (41) and (42), one obtains the governing equilibrium equation for a long buried continuous pipeline system as:

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\frac{-9E_i A_i}{5 L_i} + \frac{k_i L_i}{6} \right) X_i + \left(\frac{9E_i A_i}{5 L_i} + \frac{9E_{i+1} A_{i+1}}{5 L_{i+1}} + \frac{k_i L_i}{3} + \frac{k_{i+1} L_{i+1}}{3} \right) X_{i+1} \\
& + \left(\frac{-9E_{i+1} A_{i+1}}{5 L_{i+1}} + \frac{k_{i+1} L_{i+1}}{6} \right) X_{i+2} \\
& = \frac{k_i L_i}{6} X_{Gi-1} + \frac{1}{3}(k_i L_i + k_{i+1} L_{i+1}) X_{Gi} + \frac{k_{i+1} L_{i+1}}{6} X_{Gi+1} \quad (43)
\end{aligned}$$

Note that the above equation is good for any $1 \leq i \leq n-1$ values.

The equilibrium of the two end supports are written as follows:

For the first row, it is

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\frac{9E_1 A_1}{5 L_1} + \frac{k_1 L_1}{3} + K_0 \right) X_1 + \left(\frac{-9E_1 A_1}{5 L_1} + \frac{k_1 L_1}{6} \right) X_2 \\
& = \left(\frac{k_1 L_1}{3} + K_0 \right) X_{G0} + \frac{k_1 L_1}{6} X_{G1} \quad (44)
\end{aligned}$$

and the last row

$$\begin{aligned}
& \left(\frac{-9E_n A_n}{5 L_n} + \frac{k_n L_n}{6} \right) X_n + \left(\frac{9E_n A_n}{5 L_n} + \frac{k_n L_n}{3} + K_n \right) X_{n+1} \\
& = \frac{k_n L_n}{6} X_{Gn-1} + \left(\frac{k_n L_n}{3} + K_n \right) X_{Gn} \quad (45)
\end{aligned}$$

For free end supports, K_0 in Eqn. (44) and K_n in Eqn. (45) should be removed.

For fixed end support condition, $X_1 = X_{G0}$ and $X_{n+1} = X_{Gn}$, one can write $(n-1)$, equations from Eqn. (43). Eqns. (44) and (45) become unnecessary in this case.

(2) A Rigid Pipe Segmented System

For a rigid pipe segment system, it is observed that $X_1 = X_2, \dots, X_{2i-1} = X_{2i}$. For an n -segment pipeline system, there will be n degrees of freedom as shown below:

$$\{X_{\text{rigid}}^t\} = [X_1, X_2, \dots, X_i, \dots, X_n] \quad (46)$$

but there will be $n+1$ ground displacements as

$$\{X_{G,\text{rigid}}^t\} = [X_{G0}, X_{G1}, \dots, X_{Gi}, \dots, X_{Gn-1}, X_{Gn}] \quad (47)$$

Observing $(2i-1)^{\text{th}}$ and $2i^{\text{th}}$ rows of Eqns. (32) as

$$\begin{aligned} -K_{i-1} X_{2i-2} + \left(\frac{9E_i A_i}{5 L_i} + \frac{k_i L_i}{3} + K_{i-1}\right) X_{2i-1} + \left(\frac{-9E_i A_i}{5 L_i} + \frac{k_i L_i}{6}\right) X_{2i} \\ = \frac{k_i L_i}{3} X_{Gi-1} + \frac{k_i L_i}{6} X_{Gi} \end{aligned} \quad (48)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{-9E_i A_i}{5 L_i} + \frac{k_i L_i}{6}\right) X_{2i-1} + \left(\frac{9E_i A_i}{5 L_i} + \frac{k_i L_i}{3} + K_i\right) X_{2i} - K_i X_{2i+1} \\ = \frac{k_i L_i}{6} X_{Gi-1} + \frac{k_i L_i}{3} X_{Gi} \end{aligned} \quad (49)$$

Letting $X_{2i-1} = X_{2i} = X_i$; $X_{2i-2} = X_{i-1}$; $X_{2i+1} = X_{i+1}$ and adding Eqns. (48) and (49), one obtains the equilibrium equation for a rigid pipe segment system as:

$$\begin{aligned} -K_{i-1} X_{i-1} + (k_i L_i + K_{i-1} + K_i) X_i - K_i X_{i+1} \\ = \frac{1}{2} k_i L_i X_{Gi-1} + \frac{1}{2} k_i L_i X_{Gi} \end{aligned} \quad (50)$$

Note that the above equation is good for any $2 \leq i \leq n-1$ values.

For $i = 1$, $X_0 = X_{G0}$, the first row of the equilibrium equation is

$$\begin{aligned} (k_1 L_1 + K_0 + K_1) X_1 - K_1 X_2 \\ = (K_0 + \frac{1}{2} k_1 L_1) X_{G0} + \frac{1}{2} k_1 L_1 X_{G1} \end{aligned} \quad (51)$$

For $i = n$, $X_{n+1} = X_{Gn}$, the last row of the equilibrium equation is

$$\begin{aligned} & -K_{n-1} X_{n-1} + (k_{n-1} L_n + K_{n-1} + K_n) X_n \\ & = \frac{1}{2} k_{n-1} L_n X_{Gn-1} + \left(\frac{1}{2} k_{n-1} L_n + K_n\right) X_{Gn} \end{aligned} \quad (52)$$

Discussions

Note that the quasi-static analysis model shown in Eqn. (32) can be solved easily since the equation is basically a static one. If seismic inputs $X_{G1}(t_1)$, $X_{G2}(t_2)$... are given, the response of pipe segments $X_1(t)$, $X_2(t)$... are calculated numerically. With this numerical procedure, various wave forms of input and time lag can be incorporated without difficulty as long as we can define the ground displacement variation in time and in space. Furthermore, in order to evaluate the system including the possibility of soil resistance failure surrounding the pipe, an idealized elasto-plastic soil resistance curve as shown in Fig. 5 can also be easily incorporated.

After solving for displacements, the joint spring force F_i within the elastic soil resistance range can be found as:

$$F_i^{\text{start}} = K_{i-1}(X_{2i-1} - X_{2i-2}); F_i^{\text{end}} = K_i(X_{2i+1} - X_{2i}) \quad (53)$$

The axial stress, σ_i , and strains, ϵ_i , in pipe i either in tension or compression are then computed:

$$\sigma_i^{\text{start}} = F_i^{\text{start}}/A_i; \sigma_i^{\text{end}} = F_i^{\text{end}}/A_i \quad (54a)$$

$$\epsilon_i^{\text{start}} = F_i^{\text{start}}/E_i A_i; \epsilon_i^{\text{end}} = F_i^{\text{end}}/E_i A_i \quad (54b)$$

These stresses and strains can be used to evaluate the vulnerability/serviceability of the pipeline segments during an earthquake using a strength, ductility or buckling criteria⁽¹⁹⁾.

The failure possibility of joint i , D_i , by pull-out or crushing for instance

is indicated by

$$D_i = F_i / K_i = X_{2i+1} - X_{2i} \quad (55)$$

Summary

This technical memorandum has developed all the necessary equations for the quasi-static analysis of buried pipelines in axial motion. The formulation is very general involving the following parameters:

- . Pipe segments variable in either length or cross sectional area;
- . Variable joint spring stiffnesses;
- . Variable end conditions;
- . Variable soil spring constants and with soil strength yield possibilities;
- . Variable time delay of traveling waves

Note that a variation of soil properties may be taken into account by the soil stiffness and/or traveling wave delay time. Since the solution will be performed using a numerical procedure, the variation of wave form can be easily taken into account.

With the above development, a computer program can be written to include all parameters for the general quasi-static seismic analysis of buried pipelines.

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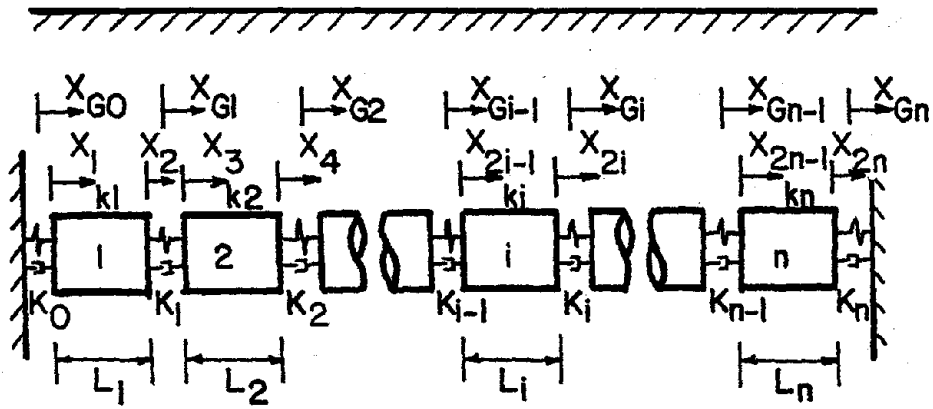
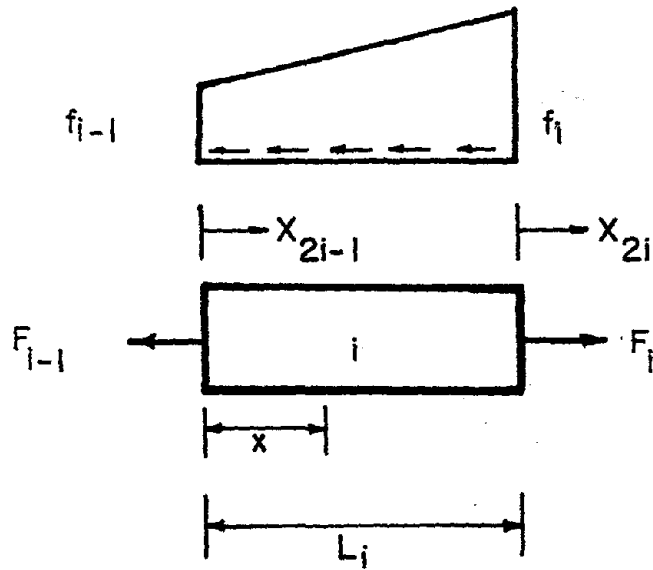


FIG. 1 A BURIED LONG PIPING SYSTEM



Sectional Property $E_i I_i$

FIG. 2 A PIPE SEGMENT WITH LINEAR SURFACE RESISTANCE FORCE

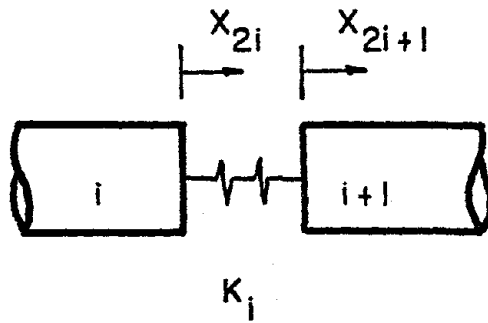


FIG. 3 A JOINT SPRING

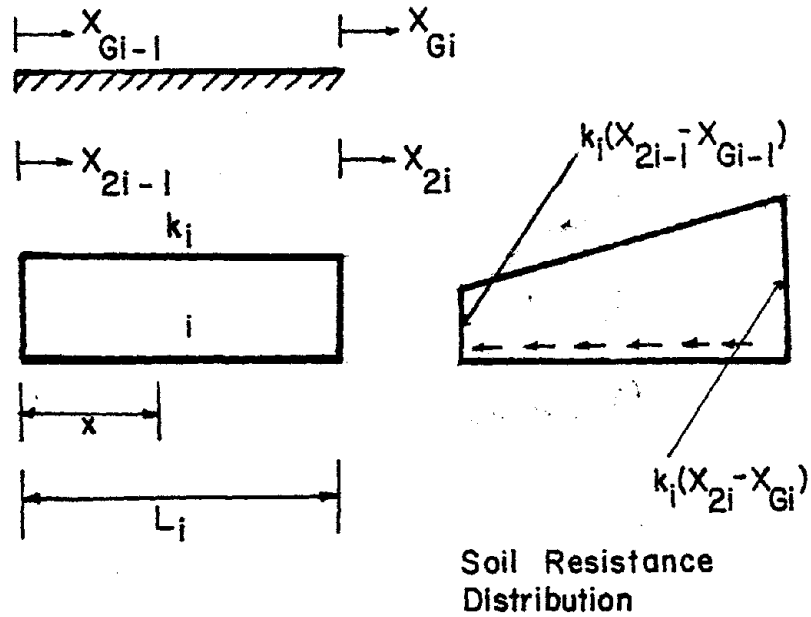


FIG. 4 SOIL RESISTANT DISTRIBUTION
ALONG A PIPE SEGMENT

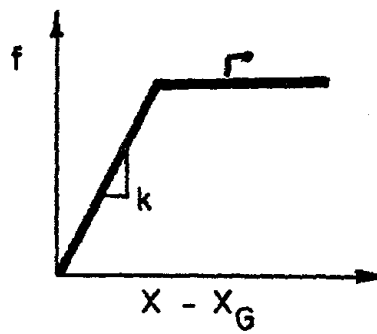


FIG. 5 SOIL RESISTANT CHARACTERISTICS

