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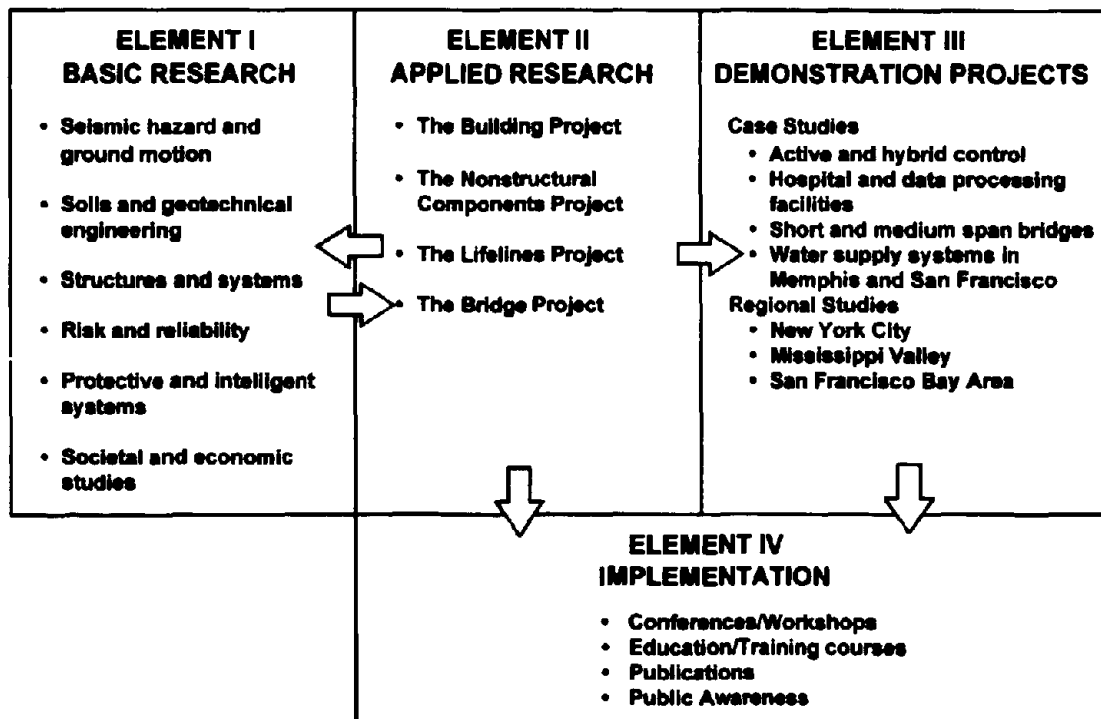
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PREFACE

The National Center for Earthquake Engineering Research (NCEER) was established to expand and disseminate knowledge about earthquakes, improve earthquake-resistant design, and implement seismic hazard mitigation procedures to minimize loss of lives and property. The emphasis is on structures in the eastern and central United States and lifelines throughout the country that are found in zones of low, moderate, and high seismicity.

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Abstract

This is the second part of a two-part series on the Seismic Energy Based Fatigue Damage Analysis of Bridge Piers. The complete analysis methodology for determining the capacity bridge columns was developed starting from basic principles and presented in Part I. This second part deals with the determination of energy and fatigue demands on bridge columns.

A smooth asymmetric degrading hysteretic model is presented, capable of accurately simulating the behavior of bridge piers. The model parameters are determined automatically by using a system identification routine integrated into a computer program OPTIMA. The program can use either real experimental data or simulated experiment results from a reversed cyclic loading Fiber Element analysis.

A SDOF inelastic dynamic analysis program was implemented capable of using different hysteretic models. Spectral results were produced by using the smooth model presented which had been calibrated with full-size bridge column experimental data to determine global parameters to simulate column behavior. More traditional models were also used and some conclusions are presented regarding the significance of the analysis.

Design recommendations regarding the assessment of fatigue energy are made based on the results obtained through the nonlinear dynamic analysis. A complete methodology of seismic evaluation of existing bridge structures is proposed, which incorporated the traditional strength and ductility aspects plus the fatigue energy demand. The relevance of fatigue aspects for the seismic design of new bridge structures is also demonstrated. It is shown that the present code use of force reduction factors, that are independent of natural period, are unconservative for short period stiff structures. Recommendations are made for force reduction factors to be used in fatigue resistant design.

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Section 1

Introduction

1.1 Background

This is the second part of a two-part series on the Seismic Energy Based Fatigue Damage Analysis of Bridge Columns. Part I dealt with Evaluation of Seismic Capacity where constitutive models for concrete and steel were developed and integrated into a Fiber Element procedure to predict the hysteretic behavior of reinforced concrete columns. The Fiber Element program UB-COLA can also be used to determine quantitatively the amount of damage in both the confining steel and the longitudinal reinforcement. This quantitative evaluation of the amount of damage can be used as a post-processor to assess member suitability to a predefined time history.

This second part is concerned with the Evaluation of Seismic Demand. A comprehensive macro model is advanced, in which the hysteretic behavior of bridge columns is closely captured. This macro model is the basis for the formation of reliable inelastic energy and fatigue demands of bridge piers.

The *demand* on a structure can be of two types: displacement ductility demand and energy demand. The former dictates bearing set width requirements and secondary P- Δ load effects, while the latter leads to failure of the constituent materials, steel and concrete, through low cycle fatigue. It will subsequently be shown that the two are also interrelated. Much of the research effort had been concentrated on the ductility demand, although energy demand research is gaining popularity among researchers. The *capacity* of structural elements is, of course, a fundamental problem.

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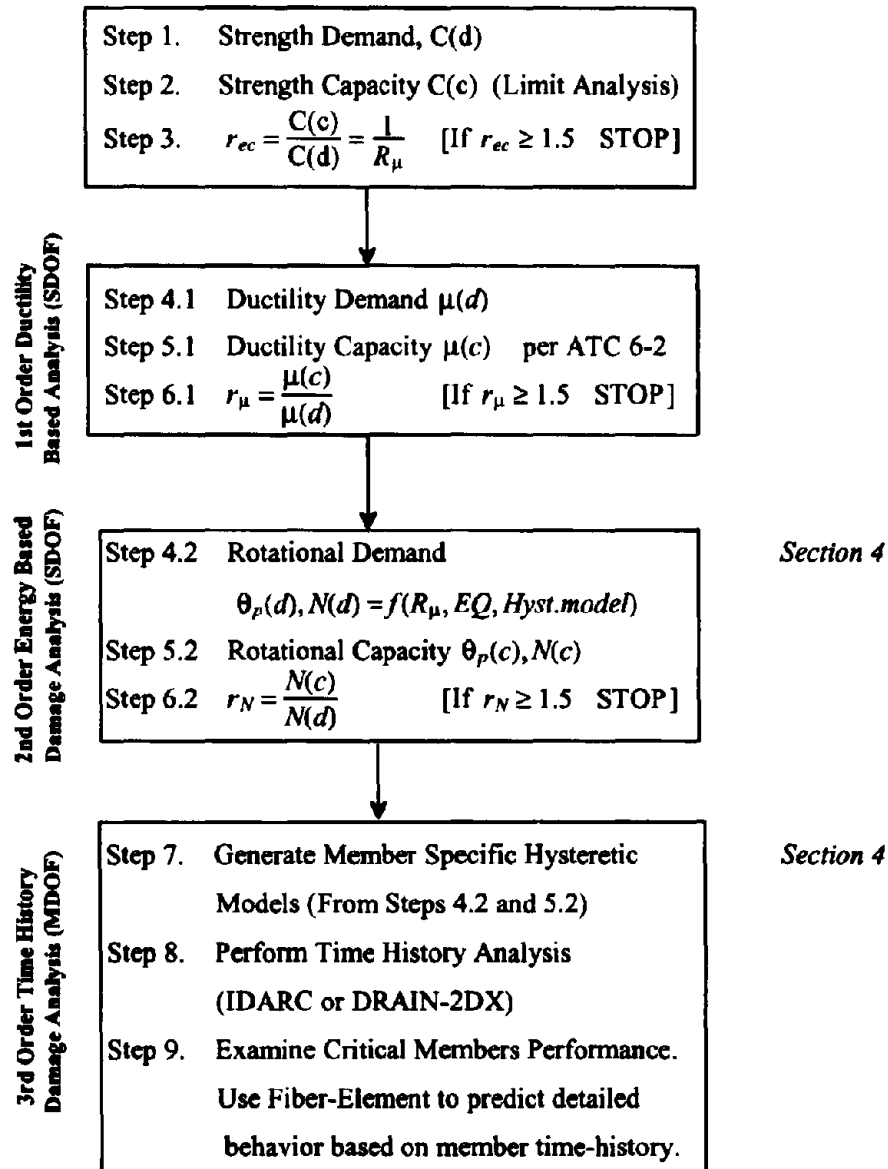


Fig. 1-1 Summary of Research Significance of this Study in the Context of a Seismic Evaluation Methodology.

1.4 Scope of Present Investigation

Firstly, this investigation deals with the modeling of the hysteretic and fracture characteristics of reinforcing steel (Part I, section 2). The low cycle fatigue behavior of steel is modeled based on experimental data. The importance of this modeling is that it allows the prediction of the fatigue life of longitudinal bars in the context of a reinforced concrete member subjected to cyclic loading. Such modeling will thus allow the prediction of failure of a structural concrete member due to low cycle fatigue, which is predominant on well detailed beams and columns with low levels of axial load. Numerous examples are presented to show the capacity of the model to simulate both the stress-strain cyclic behavior and the fatigue fracture.

Secondly, this investigation incorporates the modeling of the behavior of both confined and unconfined concrete subjected to cyclic compression and tension (Part I, section 3). This is the first time any model have attempted to model cyclic behavior of concrete in both tension and compression. The need for such model is more obvious when considering shear deformations where the tension capacity of reinforced steel plays an important role, as in the Modified Compression Field Theory (Collins and Mitchell, 1991), and the Softened Truss Model (Hsu, 1993).

Part I, Section 4 deals with the Fiber Elements modeling of the moment-curvature behavior of a concrete section and with the assessment of deformations. A cyclic strut-tie model is developed to assess shear deformations. This cyclic strut-tie model for shear deformation, which makes good use of the comprehensive constitutive models developed in sections 2 and 3 of Part I, allows to simulate the behavior of shear dominated members.

In this second part, Section 2 presents a modified bilinear version of the Takeda model which is employed to generate spectral responses. This model can simulate some other models commonly used, specifically: the elastic-perfectly plastic model, the bilinear model, the degrading Clough's model and the Q-hyst model (Saiidi, 1982). By using different parameters, the sensitivity of the hysteretic model may be studied.

In Section 3, a smooth rule-based hysteretic model is advanced which can accurately simulate cyclic behavior of bridge columns. An automated system identification technique is used to determine the most suitable set of parameters to simulate a given hysteretic behavior.

The model can use either experimental data or simulated results from the Fiber Element program to calibrate its parameters. It is shown that by using a Fiber Element simulation a good agreement is achieved with actual experimental data. In this approach the need for an experiment is eliminated, as well as the guessing of parameters, while a very close resemblance of actual member behavior is maintained.

Section 4 develops an inelastic SDOF dynamic analysis program to generate energy and fatigue demand. Spectra generated through the proposed procedure is believed to be a reliable assessment of energy demands on bridges.

Section 5 presents some design recommendations and shows the relevance of low cycle fatigue considerations in seismic design.

Finally, some general conclusions are drawn. Future research needs are also suggested. By using this rational approach some additional insight into the expected ductility and energy demands is gained.

Section 2

Piecewise Linear Hysteretic Models

2.1 Introduction

Early hysteretic models were generally in the form of rule-based piecewise linear models. Starting with the simplest form is the elastic-perfectly plastic model. The next level of sophistication is the bilinear model. Both of these models are unable to reflect either the Bauschinger effect in steel or softening in cracked reinforced concrete. Thus more sophisticated models were invented to reflect such behavior such as the smooth Ramberg-Osgood model (1943) and Clough's (1966) degrading stiffness model, respectively. These models, although somewhat more accurate than either the elastic-perfectly plastic or bilinear models, lacked the refinement necessary to capture the idiosyncrasies of steel and/or structural cracked behavior.

Takeda et al. (1970) proposed a trilinear model to simulate the behavior of reinforced concrete members under cyclic loading. This model, which is capable of modeling quite well the nonlinear behavior of reinforced concrete, has become one of the most popular piecewise linear models in use. Mander et al. (1984) introduced a modified bilinear version of this model that for certain values of its parameters could emulate some other known models, specifically: the elasto-perfectly plastic model, the bilinear model, Clough's degrading stiffness model (1966) and the Q-hyst model (Saiidi, 1982). In this section further modifications will be introduced to give it a better capability to represent local cyclic behavior.

2.2 Description of the Model

The model used herein is symmetric for the purpose of developing inelastic response spectra, thus the strength characteristics are defined by the yield point. The model has only

three control parameters α , β and γ . This makes 5 the total number of parameters that define the behavior of the whole hysteretic behavior of the model.

The parameter α is related to the unloading stiffness which is defined as:

$$K_{un} = K_e \left(\frac{X_{max}}{x_y} \right)^\alpha \quad (2-1)$$

in which

$$X_{max} = \max [|x_{max}|, |x_{min}|] \geq x_y \quad (2-2)$$

where K_{un} = unloading stiffness, K_e = elastic stiffness, x_{max} = maximum excursion into the positive yielded zone, x_{min} = maximum excursion into the negative yielded zone and x_y = yield deformation.

The parameter β controls the reloading point, which in turn controls the size of the hysteretic loops, this is shown in Fig. 2-1a. This reloading point is a function of the maximum deformation so that,

$$x_{re}^+ = x_{max}(1 - \beta) \quad (2-3a)$$

or

$$x_{re}^- = x_{min}(1 - \beta) \quad (2-3b)$$

Finally, the parameter γ controls the post yielding stiffness which is given by,

$$K_{py} = \gamma K_e \quad (2-4)$$

2.2.1 Envelope Curves

The positive envelope curve is a bilinear function composed of two rules: rule 1 and rule 3. Similarly the negative envelope curve is composed of rules 2 and 4 as shown in Fig. 2-1a.

Rule 1 : is the elastic loading rule, which changes to rule 3 when reaches the yielding point or to rule 2 when a reversal occurs. In this model a unique rule number was chosen to make the description of the rules unambiguous. The number of rules might look overwhelming, but at the time of implementation it makes it very simple to have unique rule definitions for every situation.

Rule 3 : is the post-yielding loading rule, which has the post-yielding stiffness given by Eq. 2-4.

Rules 2 and 4 : are analogous to rules 1 and 3 for the negative envelope curve. In general, every rule definition has an analogous counterpart for the opposite direction. The numbering was defined in such a way that every odd number rule has a complementary even number rule defined by adding one, this means the complementary rule for rule 13 is rule 14.

The rule system is illustrated in Fig. 2-1 and 2-2, and the whole rule flow is pictured in Fig. 2-3.

2.2.2 Connecting Curves

The negative connecting curve is composed of three rules: rule 5, rule 7 and rule 11. Similarly, the positive connecting curve is composed of rules 6, 8 and 12, as shown in Fig. 2-1a.

Rule 5 : when a reversal from rule 3 takes place from point *M* as shown in Fig. 2-1a, point *P* is targeted with an unloading stiffness as given by Eq. 2-1.

Rule 7 : when point *P* has been reached, rule 5 changes to rule 7 with a target point *Q*, as shown in Fig. 2-1a, which is computed by Eq. 2-3.

Rule 9 : in the case of an incomplete unloading in rule 5, point *M* is targeted again and rule 5 changes to rule 9. The rule flow given in Fig. 2-3 shows that a reversal from rule 5 goes to rule 9 and a change in rule by passing the target point goes to rule 7; this is illustrated graphically in Fig. 2-1a.

Rule 11 : once the point *Q* has been reached, rule 7 changes to rule 11. Although rule 11 has the same properties of rule 4, it is called a different number because the cycle is not complete until it reaches point *N*, as shown in Fig. 2-1a.

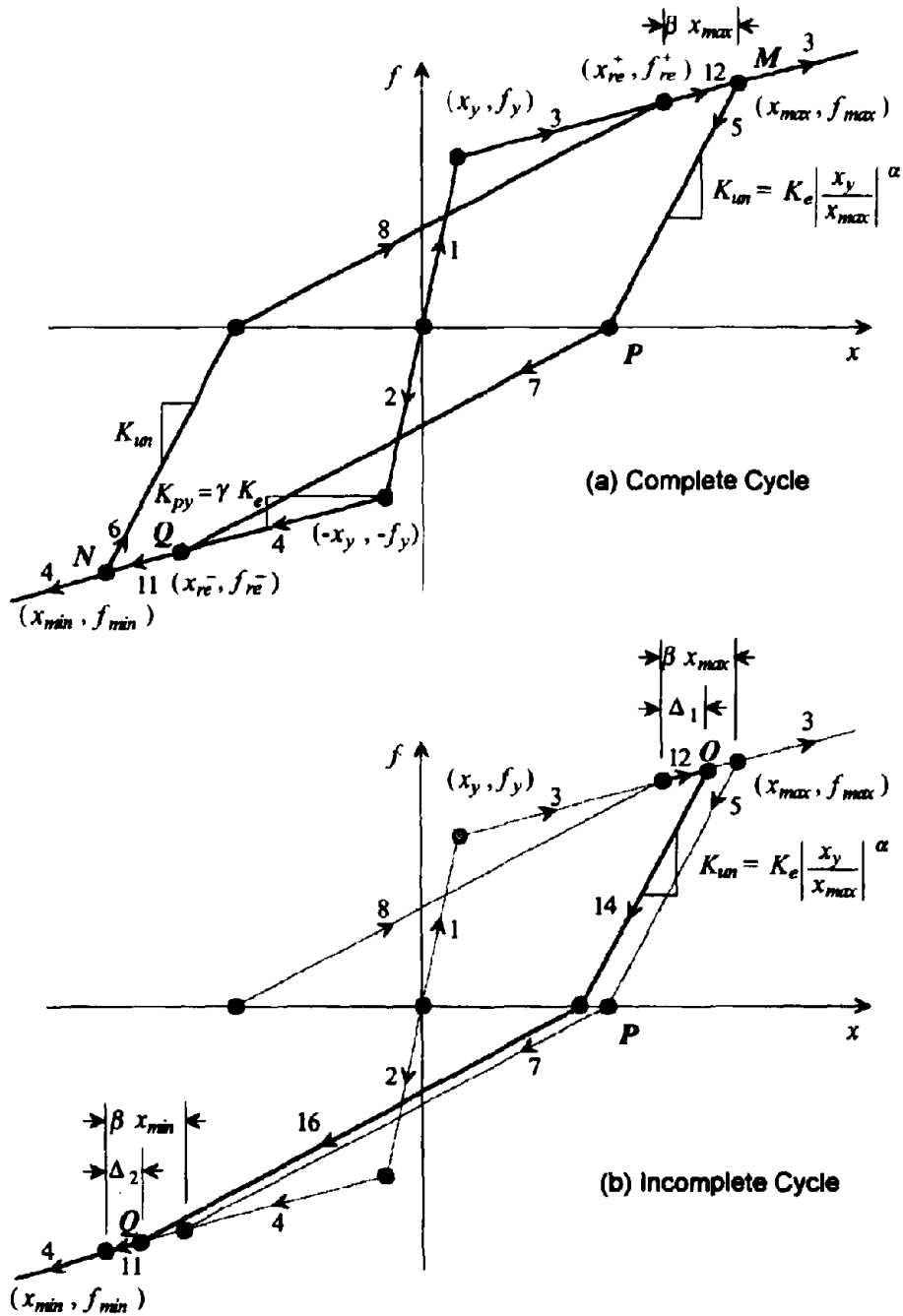


Fig. 2-1 Modified Takeda Model Under Complete and Incomplete Cycling

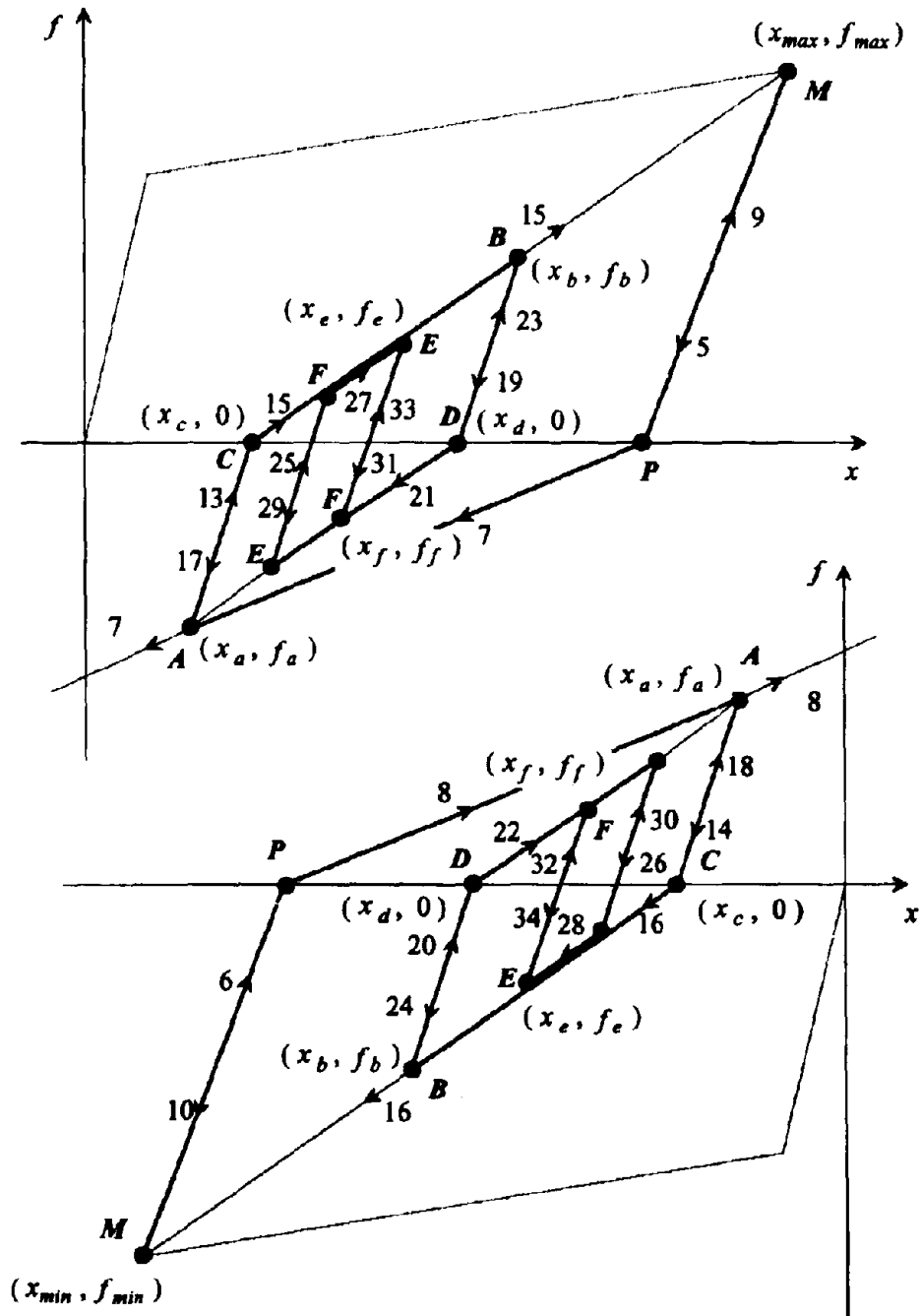


Fig. 2-2 Modifications for Local Cycling

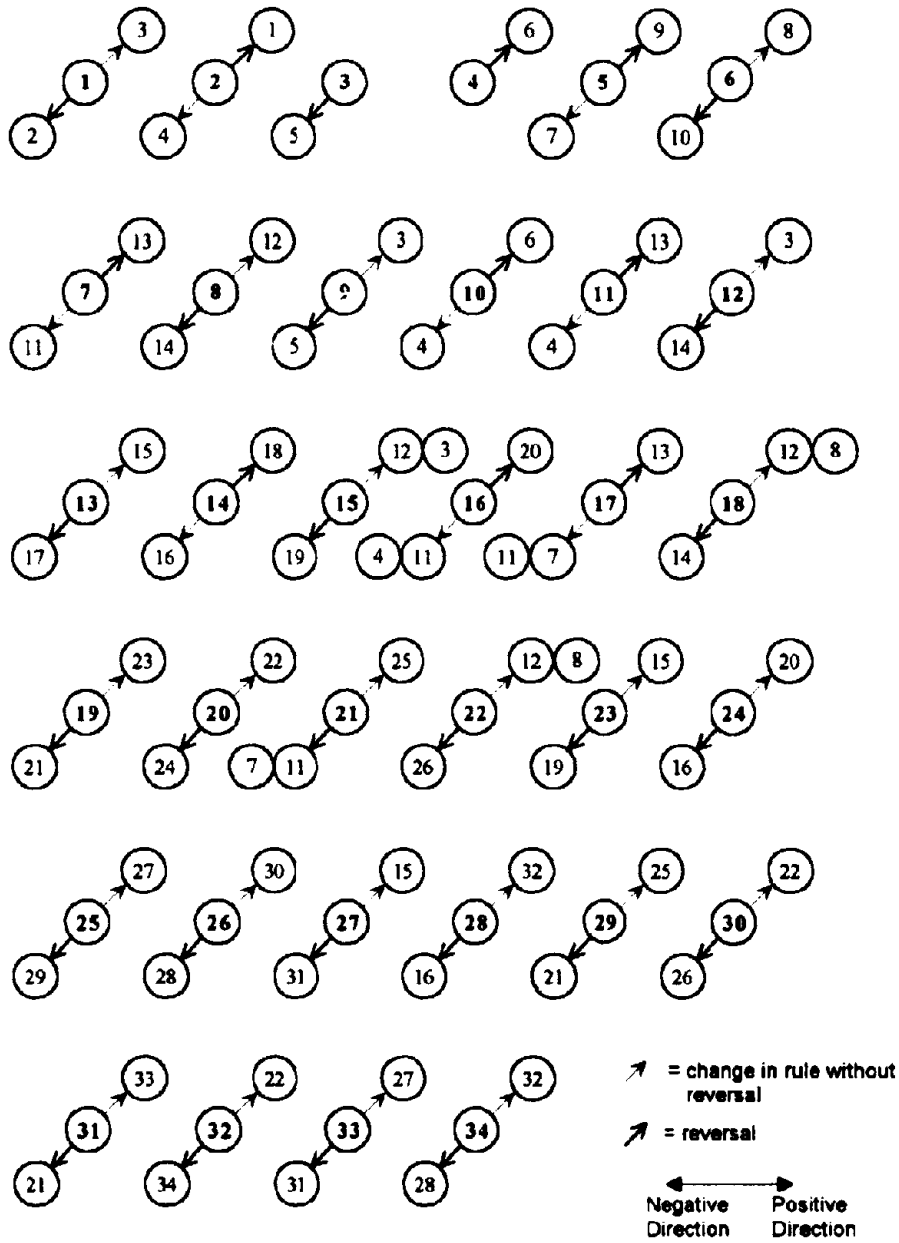


Fig. 2-3 Rule Flow Diagram for the Modified Takeda Model

2.2.3 Incomplete Cycles

If the maximum point (x_{\max}, f_{\max}) is not reached while in rule 12, and a reversal takes place, rule 12 changes to rule 14, as illustrated in Fig. 2-1b. In this case an incomplete cycle has occurred and point Q needs to be located between the returning point (x_{re}^-, f_{re}^-) and the minimum point (x_{\min}, f_{\min}) . Should the reversal have taken place at the maximum point, point Q coincides with the returning point. While at the other extreme, should the reversal take place from the positive returning point (x_{re}^+, f_{re}^+) , the target point Q is the minimum point (x_{\min}, f_{\min}) . Any case in between, can be modeled by a proportion as:

$$\Delta_2 = \Delta_1 \frac{x_{\min}}{x_{\max}} \quad (2-5)$$

where Δ_1 and Δ_2 are shown in Fig. 2-2.

2.2.4 Local Cycling

Local cycling is not a secondary phenomena. During the random excitations of an earthquake motion, a hysteretic model needs to cater for all kinds of reversals. Normally an earthquake input increases in magnitude until it reaches a maximum. Following the time when the maximum response has been achieved, the structure continues vibrating mostly on smaller cycles that constitute local cycling. If a good estimate is to be made of the hysteretic energy, the local cycling behavior becomes a relevant issue. Most experiments are performed at increasingly levels of ductility, and the hysteretic behavior for complete cycles can be successfully modeled, as in the previous section. The nature of local cycling is based, nevertheless, on speculative basis to make it compatible with the overall hysteretic behavior. A deeper study into the nature of local cycling is needed to base its modeling on a more experimental basis.

Fig. 2-2 illustrates the modeling of local cycling behavior. At the reversal from rule 7, point A is defined. This point also defines point C , as the unloading is done with the unloading stiffness K_{un} given by Eq. 2-3. The unloading is represented by rule 13, and when point C is reached it changes to rule 15 which targets the maximum point. A reversal on rule

15 defines point *B* and therefore point *D* and thus every local cycling is performed within the boundaries defined by points *A*, *C*, *B* and *D*, as shown in Fig. 2-2.

2.3 Model Parameters

This model can be used to represent the behavior of some well known models.

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| (a) Elasto-Perfectly Plastic Model | $\alpha = 0$ | $\beta = 1$ | $\gamma = 0$ |
| (b) Bilinear Model | $\alpha = 0$ | $\beta = 1$ | $\gamma \neq 0$ |
| (c) Clough's Degrading Stiffness Model | $\alpha = 0$ | $\beta = 0$ | $\gamma = 0$ |
| (d) Q-hyst Model (Saiidi, 1982) | $\alpha = 0.5$ | $\beta = 0$ | $\gamma = 0.1$ |

Mander et al. (1984) found that values of $\alpha = 0.5$, $\beta = 0.3$ and $\gamma = 0.03$ provided the best overall fit to the experimental hysteresis loops of circular, square and hollow bridge columns. These values will be adopted in the Section 4 as typical values for bridge columns for the purpose of generating inelastic response spectra.

2.4 Conclusions

In this section a modified version of the Takeda model has been presented, with further modifications for local cycling. Typical model parameters calibrated with full-size column experiments by Mander et al. (1984) were adopted.

Section 3

Smooth Assymmetric Degrading Hysteretic Model with Parameter Identification

3.1 Introduction

The analytical description of the behavior of reinforced concrete structural elements subjected to inelastic cyclic behavior usually requires lengthy computations. Both the steel and the concrete have non-linear hysteretic behavior, so the behavior of structural reinforced and prestressed concrete elements will reflect the non-linearities of the constituent materials. In the context of dynamic time-history analysis programs, macro-models tend to be the preferred approach used to simulate the hysteretic behavior of individual elements. These models try to simulate a hysteretic behavior, without the more cumbersome calculations that might be involved in modeling this behavior through either a finite element or a fiber model approach. Most macro models use one of two methods to simulate a hysteretic response: (1) Differential Equations, such as the Bouc-Wen Model, Wen (1975); (2) Piecewise linear rules, such as the well known elasto-perfectly plastic, bilinear, Clough's degrading stiffness model and various forms of the Takeda model (Saiidi, 1982). The first class of macro model is relatively easy to implement, but may require the identification of a number of hysteretic and monotonic control parameters. However, such models also tend to show instabilities under certain partial reversal situations. The second class of models that are based on piecewise linear rules may be harder to implement and maintain the bookkeeping controls, but they can be designed to be stable and flexible. The model presented herein belongs to this second category, but has been enhanced by using continuous smooth curves. This is to more realistically reflect real behavior of structural concrete elements. The approach also has the advantage of minimizing numerical overshoot, because the stiffness is changing gradually rather than suddenly as for linearized models.

In what follows, a smooth macro model is presented for the mathematical simulation of hysteretic behavior of structural concrete elements. This macro model is based on the Three Parameter Model suggested by Park et al. (1987), which has been further refined to better simulate experimental hysteretic behavior. A FORTRAN subroutine (DICHMDL) for displacement controlled input is developed. An optimization routine for the identification of the model's control parameters which may use experimental or fiber-element analyses input is also presented in this chapter. Finally, a FORTRAN program (OPTIMA) which implements the optimization routine (based on Press et al., 1992) and the macro model was implemented.

3.2 A Smooth Curve to Fit Two Tangents

It is necessary to adopt a suitable function which can be used to smooth a piecewise linear system. Herein the modified Menegotto and Pinto relation (Mander et al., 1984), described below is used in the model to simulate a smooth behavior. This curve essentially joins two tangents together with the curve radii controlled by a single parameter, R . At every change in rule three points are identified and a smooth curve is used to make the transition from the starting point to the ending point. The middle point represents the intersection of the tangents at the initial and ending point.

3.2.1 The Menegotto-Pinto Equation

The Menegotto-Pinto equation is expressed in terms of general coordinates and its shown in Fig. 3-1 as:

$$F = F_o + S_o(u - u_o) \left\{ Q + \frac{1 - Q}{\left[1 + \left| S_o \frac{u - u_o}{F_{ch} - F_o} \right|^R \right]^{\frac{1}{R}}} \right\} \quad (3-1)$$

The tangent at any point is given by:

$$S_t = \frac{\partial F}{\partial u} = S_o \left\{ Q - \frac{1-Q}{\left[1 + \left| S_o \frac{u-u_o}{F_{ch}-F_o} \right|^R \right]^{\frac{R+1}{R}}} \right\} \quad (3-2)$$

where F = ordinate, u = abscissa, F_o = initial ordinate, u_o = origin abscissa, S_o = initial slope, F_{ch} = characteristic (yield) ordinate, Q = the post-yielding slope ratio and R = radius of curvature parameter.

It should be noted that for computational tractability R has to be limited to about 25. This essentially represents a bilinear curve given by a single equation. To use this equation it is necessary to develop an algorithm to compute the parameters Q , F_{ch} and R . A procedure to compute these parameters is presented in the next section.

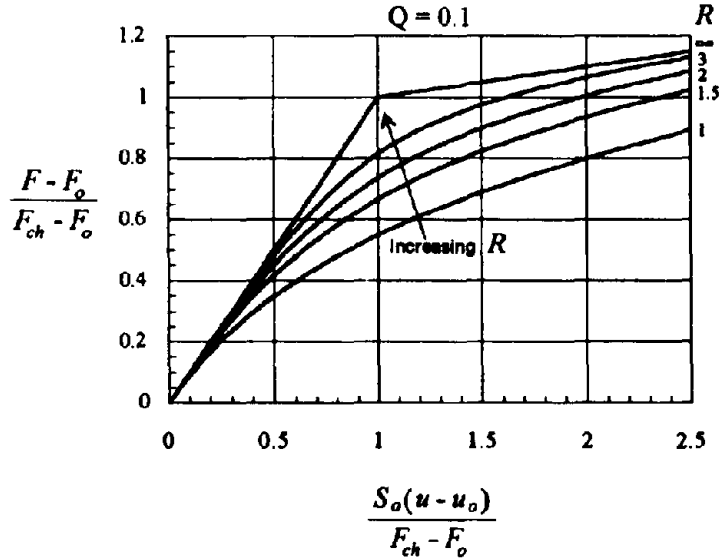


Fig. 3-1 The Menegotto-Pinto Equation

3.2.2 Computation of parameters Q , F_{ch} and R .

By taking A as:

$$A = \left[1 + \left| S_o \frac{u - u_o}{F_{ch} - F_o} \right|^R \right]^{\frac{1}{R}} \quad (3-3)$$

The derivative of A can be found to be:

$$\frac{dA}{du} = \frac{A(1-A^{-R})}{u - u_o} \quad (3-4)$$

Equation (3-1) can be expressed in terms of A as:

$$F = F_o + S_o(u - u_o) \left(Q + \frac{1-Q}{A} \right) \quad (3-5)$$

with the derivative of F respect to u being:

$$S_r = \frac{dF}{du} = S_o \left(Q + \frac{1-Q}{A} \right) - S_o \frac{1-Q}{A} \left(\frac{u - u_o}{A} \frac{dA}{du} \right) \quad (3-6)$$

By substituting equations (3-4) into (3-6) and rearranging:

$$\frac{S_r}{S_o} = Q + \frac{(1-Q)}{A^{R+1}} \quad (3-7)$$

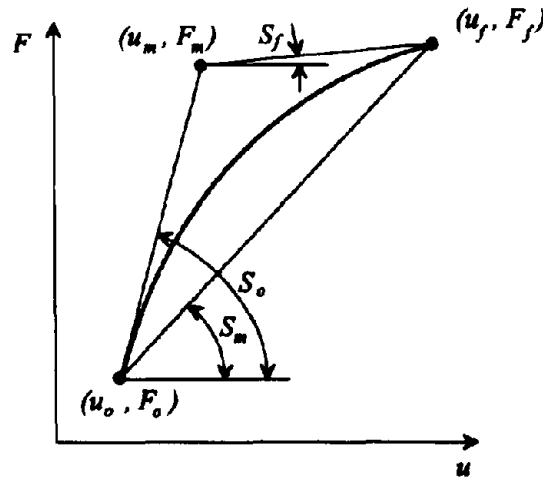


Fig. 3-2 Computation of Parameters for the M-P equation

By evaluating equation (3-7) at $u = u_f$, and solving for Q ,

$$Q = \frac{\frac{S_f}{S_o} - A^{-(R+1)}}{1 - A^{-(R+1)}} \quad (3-8)$$

Solving for Q in equation (3-5),

$$Q = \frac{\frac{S_{sec}}{S_o} - A^{-1}}{1 - A^{-1}} \quad (3-9)$$

where:

$$S_{sec} = \frac{F_f - F_o}{u_f - u_o} \quad (3-10)$$

Equation (3-8) was obtained from an equation related to the final slope (S_f), thus this equation guarantees that at the final point the slope condition is met $S(u_f) = S_f$. Equation (3-9) was derived from an ordinate equation, thus by satisfying this equation, the ordinate condition is met $F(u_f) = F_f$. To satisfy both conditions, it is needed to equate both equations.

$$S_f - S_{sec} \frac{1 - a^{R+1}}{1 - a} + S_o \frac{a(1 - a^R)}{1 - a} = 0 \quad (3-11)$$

where $a = A^{-1}$.

Suppose that the three points (u_o, F_o) , (u_m, F_m) and (u_f, F_f) are given, it is necessary to compute the values of Q , f_{ch} and R so that the M-P equation passes through the point (u_f, F_f) and that the initial and ending tangents intersect at (u_m, F_m) as shown in Fig. 3-2. The solution procedure is as follows:

- (1) Compute the initial slope $S_o = \frac{F_m - F_o}{u_m - u_o}$
- (2) Compute the final slope $S_f = \frac{F_f - F_m}{u_f - u_m}$
- (3) Compute the secant slope $S_m = \frac{F_f - F_o}{u_f - u_o}$
- (4) Compute the critical value of R as, $R_{min} = \frac{S_f - S_m}{S_m - S_o}$
- (5) If $R_{min} = 0$, it means that the three points are aligned, thus take $Q = 1$, $S_o = S_m$ and $F_{ch} = F_f$. The value of R need not to be modified.

(6) If $R \leq R_{\min}$ then take $R = R_{\min} + 0.01$

(7) Solve for the value of a in the following expression:

$$S_f - S_{\text{sec}} \frac{1 - a^{R+1}}{1 - a} + S_o \frac{a(1 - a^R)}{1 - a} = 0 \quad (3-12)$$

To find the value of a the following procedure is used:

(a) Define a function $f(a)$ as:

$$f(a) = S_f - S_{\text{sec}} \frac{1 - a^{R+1}}{1 - a} + S_o \frac{a(1 - a^R)}{1 - a} \quad (3-13)$$

(b) Evaluate $f(1-\epsilon)$ and $f(\epsilon)$, where ϵ is a small value (≈ 0.01).

(c) If $f(1-\epsilon) * f(\epsilon) > 0$, decrease the value of ϵ and repeat step (b).

(d) If $f(1-\epsilon) * f(\epsilon) \leq 0$ then a solution is found in this interval. The quadratically converging Newton-Raphson procedure will be used to find the solution.

(e) Take as an initial estimate:

$$a_o = \frac{R_{\min}}{R} \quad (3-14)$$

(f) If $f(a_o) * f(1-\epsilon) < 0$ then replace a_o by $\sqrt{a_o}$ until inequality is false. This is to ensure proper convergence, if this condition is not met the algorithm will find a solution outside the meaningful range.

(g) With a_o as an initial estimate the following recursive expression should be applied until convergence is met. It is important to note that the function $f(a)$ has a singularity at $a = 1$, so the value of Δa should be the smaller of $0.5(1 - a_o)$ and 0.001 .

$$a_{i+1} = a_i - \frac{2f(a_i)\Delta a}{f(a_i + \Delta a) - f(a_i - \Delta a)} \quad (3-15)$$

(8) After the value of a has been defined then,

$$b = \frac{(1 - a^R)^{\frac{1}{R}}}{a} \quad (3-16)$$

(9) The values of f_{ch} and Q are then calculated as:

$$f_{ch} = f_o + \frac{E_o}{b}(\epsilon_f - \epsilon_o) \quad (3-17)$$

$$Q = \frac{\frac{S_m}{S_o} - a}{1 - a} \quad (3-18)$$

3.3 Description of Smooth Hysteretic Model

The model has 32 control parameters that completely defines a general asymmetric response. For a system with equal forward and reverse strengths only 18 control parameters are needed (eight of which are for monotonic, the rest for cyclic control), because most of the parameters defined for the positive side have a counterpart in the negative side. The model has either loading or unloading curves composed of three basic types: (1) envelope curves, (2) reverse curves and (3) transition curves. Each of these curves is defined in the following sections.

3.3.1 Monotonic Envelope Curves

Forward Monotonic Envelope Curve

The forward monotonic envelope curve is composed of branches 1 and 2 as shown in Fig. 3-3. Branch 1 begins at the origin, ends at (u_{o2}, F_{o2}) and its middle point is (u_c^+, F_c^+) . Any branch is defined by three points: a starting point, an ending point and a middle point that represent the intersection of the initial and ending tangents.

The point (u_{o2}, F_{o2}) is defined through the proportionality factor k_1^+ in the following way:

$$u_{o2} = (1 - k_1^+)u_c^+ + k_1^+u_y^+ \quad (3-19)$$

$$F_{o2} = (1 - k_1^+)F_c^+ + k_1^+F_y^+ \quad (3-20)$$

Branch 2 starts at (u_{o2}, F_{o2}) , ends at (u_u^+, F_u^+) and its middle point is (u_y^+, F_y^+) . The initial envelope loading curve stiffness is calculated as:

$$S_1^+ = \frac{F_c^+}{u_c^+} \quad (3-21)$$

The model parameters related to the envelope loading curve are seven: u_c^+ , F_c^+ , u_y^+ , F_y^+ , u_u^+ , F_u^+ and k_1^+ . Here u and F are displacement and force with subscripts c , y and u denoting cracking, yield and ultimate points respectively.

Reverse Monotonic Envelope Curve

Similarly, the reverse monotonic envelope curve is formed by branches 1 and 3 (Fig. 3-3). Branch 1 starts at the origin, ends at (u_{o3}, F_{o3}) and its middle point is (u_c^-, F_c^-) .

The proportionality factor k_1^- is used to locate the point (u_{o3}, F_{o3}) between (u_c^-, F_c^-) and (u_y^-, F_y^-) .

$$u_{o3} = (1 - k_1^-)u_c^- + k_1^-u_y^- \quad (3-22)$$

$$F_{o3} = (1 - k_1^-)F_c^- + k_1^-F_y^- \quad (3-23)$$

Branch 3 starts at (u_{o3}, F_{o3}) , ends at (u_u^-, F_u^-) and its middle point is (u_y^-, F_y^-) . The initial stiffness for the unloading curve is then:

$$S_1^- = \frac{F_c^-}{u_c^-} \quad (3-24)$$

The model parameters related to the reverse monotonic envelope curve are seven: u_c^- , F_c^- , u_y^- , F_y^- , u_u^- , F_u^- and k_1^- .

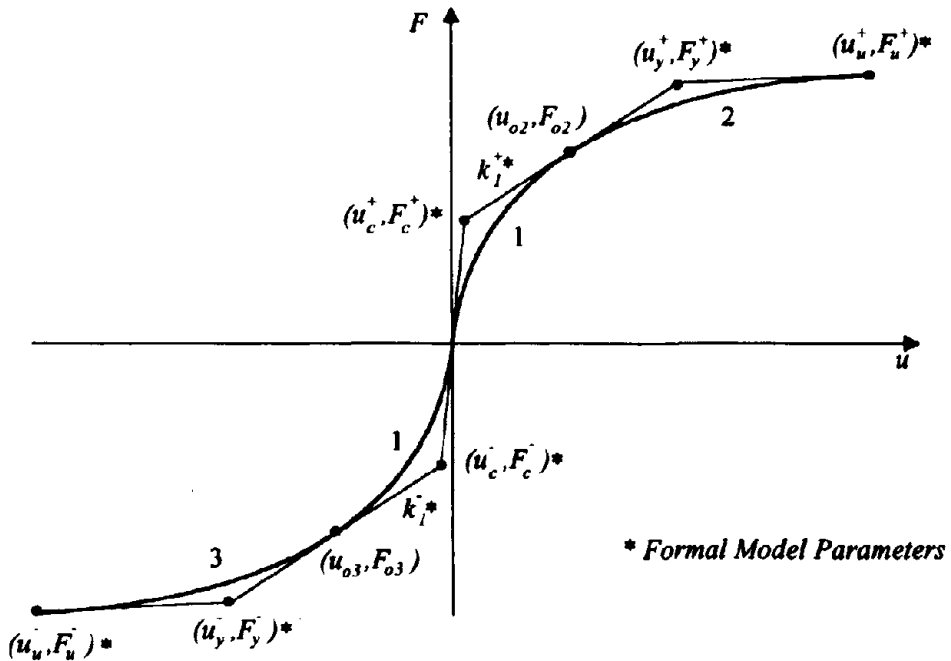


Fig. 3-3 Monotonic Envelope Curves

3.3.2 Reverse Curves

Reverse Loading Curve

The reverse loading curve is composed of three branches 5, 13 and 9 (Fig. 3-4). Curve 5 is formed by the points A, B and C. Point A is the point of reversal on the envelope unloading curve, and it defines the minimum or most negative excursion. Point h is a fixed point defined over the projection of the initial positive elastic tangent with coordinate $(\alpha^+ u_c^+, \alpha^+ F_c^+)$. Point B is defined by the intersection of the line joining points A and h with a line which slope is $\beta^- S_1^-$ and passes through the origin.

The reverse loading initial stiffness is:

$$S_R^+ = \frac{\alpha^+ F_c^+ - F_A^+}{\alpha^+ u_c^+ - u_A^+} \quad (3-25)$$

$$u_B^+ = u_s^- = \frac{S_R^+ u_A^+ - F_A^+}{S_R^+ - \beta^- S_1^-} \quad (3-26)$$

$$F_B^+ = \beta^- S_1^- u_B^+ \quad (3-27)$$

Point i has a fixed coordinate $(\gamma^+ u_c^+, \gamma^+ F_c^+)$ while point j has a variable coordinate $(u_s^+, \gamma^+ F_c^+)$, where u_s^+ is calculated from the last reverse unloading curve. Point D is located through the proportionality factor k_3^+ between points i and j.

$$u_D^+ = u_i^+(1 - k_3^+) + u_j^+ k_3^+ = \gamma^+ u_c^+(1 - k_3^+) + u_s^+ k_3^+ \quad (3-28)$$

Point C is located through the proportionality factor k_2^+ between points B and D. There are eight proportionality factors used in the model, four for the forward direction and four for the reverse direction.

$$u_C^+ = u_B^+(1 - k_2^+) + u_D^+ k_2^+ \quad (3-29)$$

$$F_C^+ = F_B^+(1 - k_2^+) + \gamma^+ F_c^+ k_2^+ \quad (3-30)$$

Point F is located on the envelope loading curve and it has a value that depends on the maximum positive excursion and a degrading factor k_5^+ . Point E is then placed between

points D and F by using the proportionality factor k_4^+ . Finally, point G is calculated by amplifying the degrading factor k_5^+ by a factor r_m .

$$u_F^+ = u_{\max}^+ \left(1 + k_5^+ \frac{D_u^+}{u_c^+ - u_c^-} \right) \quad (3-31)$$

$$u_E^+ = (1 - k_4^+)u_D^+ + k_4^+u_F^+ \quad (3-32)$$

$$F_E^+ = (1 - k_4^+)F_D^+ + k_4^+F_F^+ \quad (3-33)$$

$$u_G^+ = u_{\max}^+ \left(1 + r_m k_5^+ \frac{D_u^+}{u_c^+ - u_c^-} \right) \quad (3-34)$$

where D_u^+ is the total unloading displacement since the last reversal from the envelope loading curve. Branch 9 is then formed by the points E, F and G. The ordinate for both

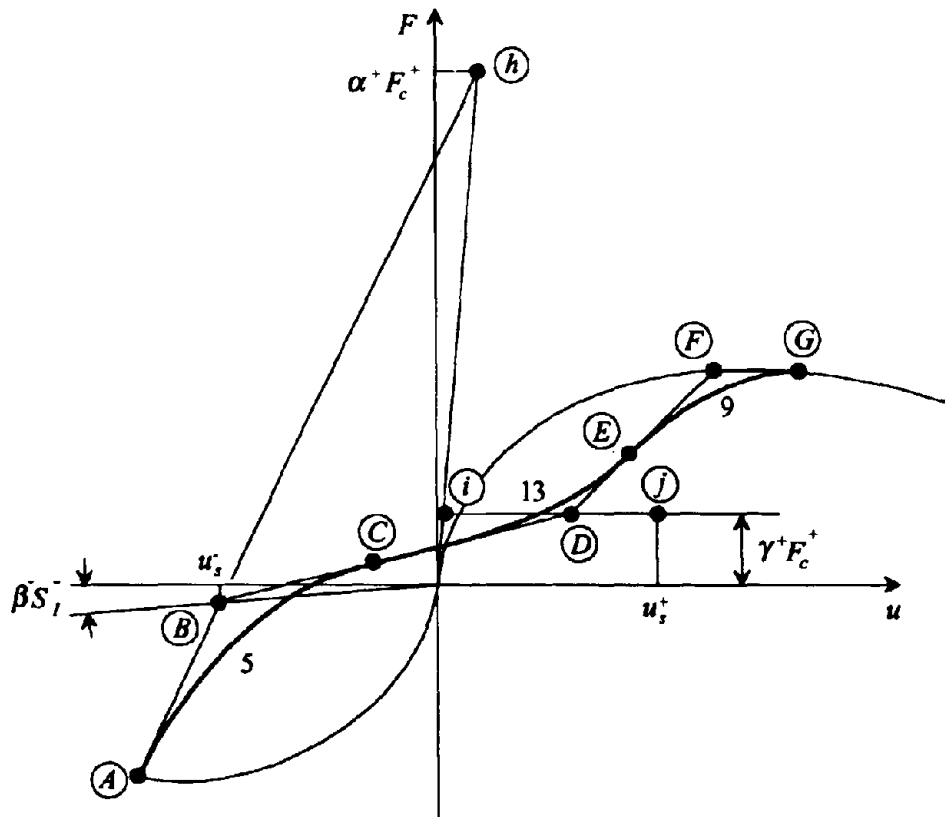


Fig. 3-4 Reverse Loading Curve

point F and G is calculated by evaluating the envelope loading curve for the corresponding abscissa value.

If the maximum loading excursion u_{\max}^+ has not exceeded the yield value u_{02} then point D is taken at the location of point i and the reverse loading curve is formed by branches 5 and 7. Branch 7 connects points i and (u_{02}, F_{02}) , and makes the transition directly to the envelope loading curve (branch 2).

The model parameters related to the reverse loading curve are eight: $\alpha', \beta, \gamma, k_2^+, k_3^+, k_4^+, k_5^+, r_{jn}$.

Reverse Unloading Curve

Similarly the reverse unloading curve is formed by branches 4, 12 and 8 (Fig. 3-5). Curve 4 starts at point A, ends at point C and its middle point is B. Point A is the point of reversal on the envelope loading curve and defines the maximum positive excursion. Point h is a fixed point on the projection of the initial envelope unloading tangent with coordinate $(\alpha^- u_c^-, \alpha^- F_c^-)$. Point B is the intersection of the line that goes through A and h with the line that passes through the origin with slope $\beta^+ S_1^+$, where S_1^+ is defined in Eq. (3-12). The reverse unloading initial stiffness is given by:

$$S_R^- = \frac{\alpha^- F_c^- - F_A^-}{\alpha^- u_c^- - u_A^-} \quad (3-35)$$

The coordinate of B can be calculated by:

$$u_B^- = u_s^- = \frac{S_R^- u_A^- - F_A^-}{S_R^- - \beta^+ S_1^+} \quad (3-36)$$

$$F_B^- = \beta^+ S_1^+ u_B^- \quad (3-37)$$

Point i has a fixed coordinate $(\gamma^- u_c^-, \gamma^- F_c^-)$ and point j has a coordinate $(u_s^-, \gamma^- F_c^-)$, where u_s^- is calculated from the last loading reverse curve. Point D is located by the proportionality factor k_3^- between points i and j.

$$u_D^- = u_i^- (1 - k_3^-) + u_j^- k_3^- = \gamma^- u_c^- (1 - k_3^-) + u_s^- k_3^- \quad (3-38)$$

Point C is located by the proportionality factor k_2^- between points B and D.

$$u_c^- = u_B^-(1 - k_2^-) + u_D^- k_2^- \quad (3-39)$$

$$F_c^- = F_B^-(1 - k_2^-) + \gamma F_c^- k_2^- \quad (3-40)$$

Point F is located on the envelope unloading curve and it has a value that depends on the maximum negative excursion u_{min} and the degrading factor k_5^- . Point E is then placed between points D and F by using the proportionality factor k_4^- . Point G is then calculated by increasing the degrading factor k_5^- by a factor r_{jn} .

$$u_F^- = u_{min} \left(1 + k_5^- \frac{D_u^-}{u_c^+ - u_c^-} \right) \quad (3-41)$$

$$u_E^- = (1 - k_4^-)u_D^- + k_4^- u_F^- \quad (3-42)$$

$$F_E^- = (1 - k_4^-)F_D^- + k_4^- F_F^- \quad (3-43)$$

$$u_G^- = u_{min} \left(1 + r_{jn} k_5^- \frac{D_u^-}{u_c^+ - u_c^-} \right) \quad (3-44)$$

where D_u^- is the total unloading displacement since the last reversal from the envelope unloading curve. Branch 8 is then formed by the points E, F and G. The ordinate for both point F and G is calculated by evaluating the envelope unloading curve for the corresponding abscissa value.

If the maximum loading excursion u_{min} has not exceeded the yield value u_{o3} then point D is taken at the location of point i and the reverse loading curve is formed by branches 4 and 6. Branch 6 connects points i and (u_{o3}, F_{o3}) , and makes the transition directly to the envelope unloading curve (branch 3).

The model parameters related to the reverse loading curve are seven: α^+ , β^+ , γ , k_2^- , k_3^- , k_4^- , k_5^- . The factor r_{jn} is used by both the loading and unloading reverse curves.

3.3.3 Transition Curves

Transition Loading Curve

When a reversal occurs from a point outside the envelope, a transition curve is used as shown in Fig. 3-6. The loading transition curve will connect the current position with

the reverse loading curve or with the envelope loading curve. This curve is branch 10 in the model.

The initial stiffness of the transition loading curve is calculated as:

$$S_o^+ = \frac{S + s_{lp} S_r^+}{1 + s_{lp}} \quad (3-45)$$

where

$$S_r^+ = \begin{cases} S_1^+ & ; u_o \geq \frac{F_o}{S_1^+} \\ \frac{F_o - \alpha^+ F_c^+}{u_o - \alpha^+ u_c^+} & ; u_o < \frac{F_o}{S_1^+} \end{cases} \quad (3-46)$$

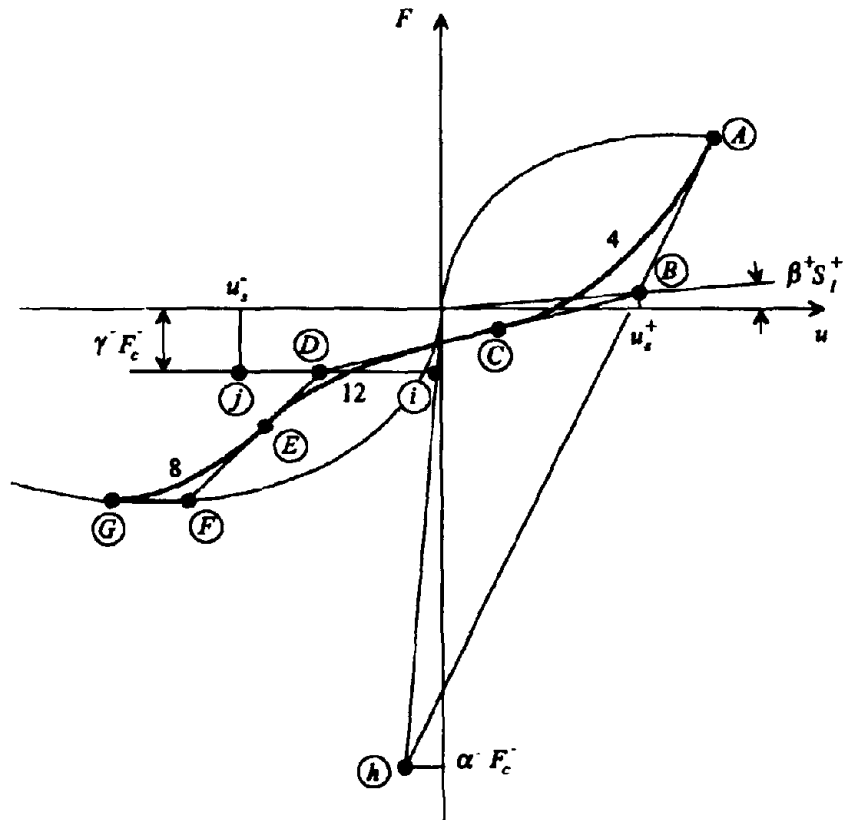


Fig. 3-5 Reverse Unloading Curve

in which u_o = current abscissa (displacement), F_o = current ordinate (force), S = current stiffness just before reversal, s_p = model coefficient related to the transition curves, S_1' = initial envelope loading curve stiffness (elastic) and α' , F_c' , u_c' = model coefficients.

The point of reversal is identified as A in Fig. 3-6. Point B is the intersection of the line that passes through A with slope S_o' as given by Eq. (3-45). The difference in abscissa Δu is then amplified by a factor x_{ng} to locate point C. Point C can be located in branch 5, 7, 13, 9 or 2.

Transition Unloading Curve

When a reversal occurs from any loading curve, other than the envelope loading curve (branch 2), the transition unloading curve will connect the reversal point with

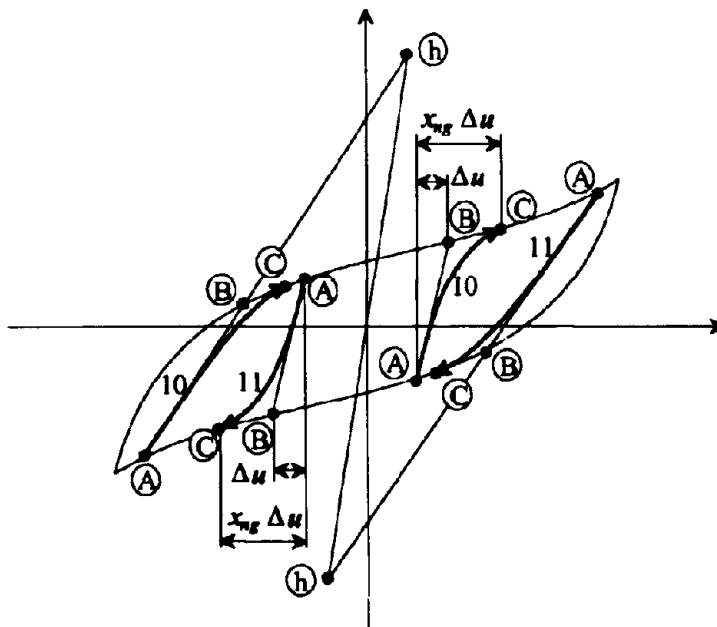


Fig. 3-6 Transition Curves

the reverse unloading curve or the envelope unloading curve. This curve is branch 7 in the model. The initial stiffness of the transition unloading curve is given by:

$$S_o^- = \frac{S + s_{lp} S_s^-}{1 + s_{lp}} \quad (3-47)$$

where

$$S_s^- = \begin{cases} S_1^- & ; u_o \leq \frac{F_o}{S_1^-} \\ \frac{F_o - \alpha^- F_c^-}{u_o - \alpha^- u_c^-} & ; u_o > \frac{F_o}{S_1^-} \end{cases} \quad (3-48)$$

u_o, F_o, S, s_{lp} : same as in Eq. (3-37)

S_1^- : initial envelope unloading curve stiffness (elastic)

α^-, F_c^-, u_c^- : model parameters

Elastic Reversal

An elastic reversal occurs when $u_{max} < u_{o2}$ and $u_{min} > u_{o3}$. If the reversal is from the elastic unloading curve, the initial stiffness for the reversal branch is S_f^+ as given by Eq. (3-46). The ending stiffness is given by:

$$S_f^+ = \frac{F_y^+ - F_c^+}{u_y^+ - u_c^+} \quad (3-49)$$

So the starting point for the elastic reverse loading curve is the point of reversal (u_o, F_o) , the ending point is (u_{o2}, F_{o2}) and the middle point is calculated by using the starting and ending slopes (S_f^+ and S_s^+) as:

$$u_m^+ = \frac{(S_f^+ u_{o2} - F_{o2}) - (S_s^+ u_o - F_o)}{S_f^+ - S_s^+} \quad (3-50)$$

$$F_m^+ = F_o + S_s^+ (u_m^+ - u_o) \quad (3-51)$$

If on the other hand, the reversal is from the elastic loading curve then the initial stiffness is S_f^- as given by Eq. (3-48). The ending stiffness is given by:

$$S_f^- = \frac{F_y^- - F_c^-}{u_y^- - u_c^-} \quad (3-52)$$

The starting point A for the elastic reverse unloading curve is (u_o, F_o) , the ending point B is (u_{o2}, F_{o2}) and the middle point C as shown in Fig. 3-6 is given by:

$$u_m^- = \frac{(S_f^- u_{o3} - F_{o3}) - (S_s^- u_o - F_o)}{S_f^- - S_s^-} \quad (3-53)$$

$$F_m^- = F_o + S_s^- (u_m^- - u_o) \quad (3-54)$$

3.3.4 Model Summary

Curves and Branches: Three types of curves were described (1) Envelope Curves, (2) Reverse Curves and (3) Transition Curves. There are 13 branches in total. The relation between branches is summarized by the diagram shown in Fig. 3-7. Note that there are two types of arrows to distinguish between a reversal and a change in rule without reversing. Suppose that the model is in branch 8, if it reaches its ending point then branch 3 will follow, but if a reversal occurs then branch 10 will follow instead. Branch 3 moves in the reverse direction (it is at the left of branch 8), while branch 10 moves in the forward direction (it is at the right hand side of branch 8). Summarizing then:

(1) Monotonic Envelope Curves:

- (a) Forward Direction: branches 1 and 2.
- (b) Reverse Direction: branches 1 and 3.

(2) Reverse Curves:

- (a) Elastic Loading: branch 1.
- (b) Elastic Unloading: branch 1.
- (c) Yielded Loading Elastic Positive: branches 5 and 7.
- (d) Yielded Unloading Elastic Negative: branches 4 and 6.
- (e) Fully Yielded Loading: branches 5, 13 and 9.
- (f) Fully Yielded Unloading: branches 4, 12, 8.

(3) Transition Curves:

- (a) Loading: branch 10.
- (b) Unloading: branch 11.

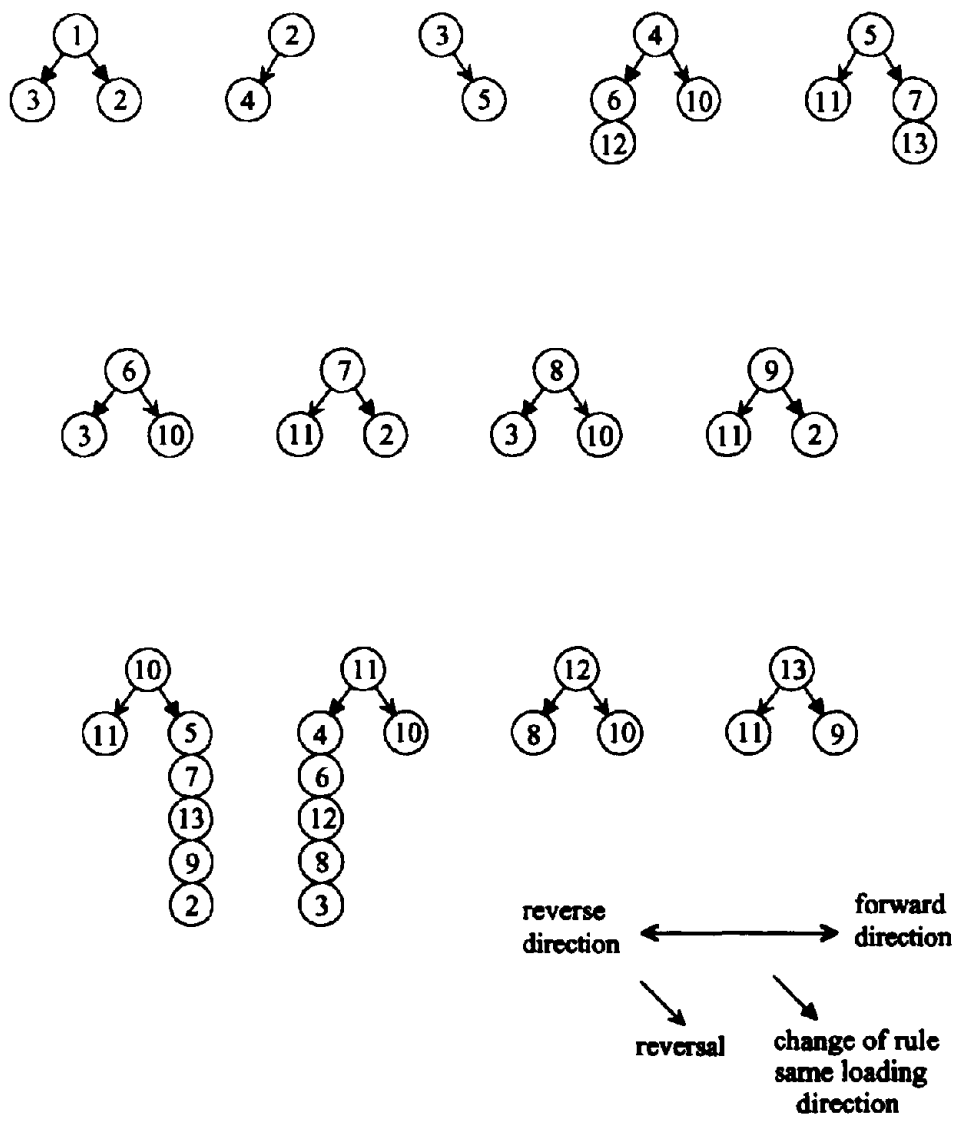


Fig. 3-7 Rule Flow Diagram

Parameters: There are 32 parameters in total. The numbering used in the program given in the appendix is summarized in Table 3-1.

- (1) Related to Envelope Loading Curve: u_c^+ , F_c^+ , u_y^+ , F_y^+ , u_u^+ , F_u^+ and k_1^+ .
- (2) Related to Envelope Unloading Curve: u_c^- , F_c^- , u_y^- , F_y^- , u_u^- , F_u^- and k_1^- .
- (3) Related to Reverse Loading Curve: α^+ , β^+ , γ^+ , k_2^+ , k_3^+ , k_4^+ , k_5^+ , r_m .
- (4) Related to Reverse Unloading Curve: α^- , β^- , γ^- , k_2^- , k_3^- , k_4^- , k_5^- .
- (5) Related to Transition Curves: s_{lp} , x_{ng} .
- (6) Related to Menegotto-Pinto Equation Curvature: R .

Table 3-1 Model Parameters

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|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| (1) u_c^+ | (2) F_c^+ | (3) u_y^+ | (4) F_y^+ | (5) u_u^+ | (6) F_u^+ |
| (7) u_c^- | (8) F_c^- | (9) u_y^- | (10) F_y^- | (11) u_u^- | (12) F_u^- |
| (13) α^+ | (14) β^+ | (15) γ^+ | | | |
| (16) α^- | (17) β^- | (18) γ^- | | | |
| (19) k_1^+ | (20) k_2^+ | (21) k_3^+ | (22) k_4^+ | (23) k_5^+ | |
| (24) k_1^- | (25) k_2^- | (26) k_3^- | (27) k_5^- | (28) k_5^- | |
| (29) R | (30) x_{ng} | (31) r_m | (32) s_{lp} | | |

3.4 Parameter Identification

One of the most discouraging tasks in the use of a macro model is the identification of the model's control parameters, if this has to be done manually. The trial and error process requires a good insight of the effect that every parameter has in the model and also of the interaction among them. Nevertheless, this process can be automated. Herein a method for the identification of model's control parameters is presented.

The identification of the parameters is a non-linear multidimensional constrained minimization problem. Given a discretized hysteretic behavior (u_i, F_i) , it is necessary to find a set of parameters for which a certain function, representing the deviation from the actual behavior, is minimized. The function to be minimized was chosen as a weighted variance:

$$Var = \sum_i \xi_i (F_i - \bar{F}_i)^2 \quad (3-55)$$

where: ξ_i is the weighting factor

F_i is the actual hysteretic force

\bar{F}_i is the simulated force

The weighting factor was taken as:

$$\xi_i = \frac{1}{2} |u_{i+1} - u_i| + \frac{1}{2} |u_i - u_{i-1}| \quad (3-56)$$

3.4.1 Optimization Method

The derivatives of the function given in Eq. (3-55) respect to the parameters, $\left(\frac{\partial Var}{\partial u_c^+}, \frac{\partial Var}{\partial \alpha^+}, \frac{\partial Var}{\partial k_1^+}, \dots \right)$ are not known explicitly. If these derivatives were needed they would have to be calculated numerically, which could be a very time consuming task. For this reason it was decided not to use an optimization method that would require functional derivatives. Brent's approach is a sure method for one-dimensional optimization with quadratic convergence that does not require the first derivative, thus it was chosen as the line optimization method (Press et al., 1992). Brent's method uses a parabolic interpolation and a golden section search when the parabolic interpolation fails to provide a better estimate of the answer. The equation to find the abscissa x which is the minimum of a parabola through three points (x_a, y_a) , (x_b, y_b) , (x_c, y_c) is:

$$x = x_b - \frac{1}{2} \frac{(x_b - x_a)^2 (y_b - y_c) - (x_b - x_c)^2 (y_b - y_a)}{(x_b - x_a)(y_b - y_c) - (x_b - x_c)(y_b - y_a)} \quad (3-57)$$

The golden section search is related to the bisection method used to find roots of equations. The method needs to bracket a solution. A minimum is known to be bracketed if three points, (x_a, y_a) , (x_b, y_b) , (x_c, y_c) with $x_a < x_b < x_c$, are found such that $y_b < y_a$ and

$y_b < y_c$. After a solution is bracketed, the next step is to evaluate the function at a fraction 0.38197 into the larger of the two intervals (for a derivation of the origin of this number, refer to Press et al. (1992)).

$$x = \begin{cases} x_b + 0.38197(x_a - x_b) & ; (x_b - x_a) > (x_c - x_b) \\ x_b + 0.38197(x_c - x_b) & ; (x_c - x_b) > (x_b - x_a) \end{cases} \quad (3-58)$$

The interval is reduced by including the new calculated point (x, y) and the next three point set is chosen to satisfy the bracketing conditions.

The procedure described above to minimize one dimension can be applied to a multidimensional problem. Starting at a point $\{X_0\}$ in N-dimensional space, the minimum along a vector direction n_1 can be found, given a new point $\{X_1\}$. A set of N orthogonal directions is needed to minimize the function. Once the function has been minimized along all the directions, the procedure is repeated until convergence in two consecutive cycles is achieved. This procedure is known as Powell's method (Press et al., 1992). The set of directions in this application were chosen as the unit vectors e_1, e_2, \dots, e_N . This means that every parameter is identified independently of each other. The procedure proved to be very effective in identifying the parameters.

3.4.2 Scaling

Scaling of force-displacement input history

Both the displacement u_i and the force F_i are scaled before they are passed to the optimization routine. Because a minimization problem needs the variables to be of the same magnitude, it is necessary to scale the variables. It is desirable to have all the variables in the order of magnitude from one to ten. This minimizes round-off problems, avoids having to provide scaling factors for every variable and equally weights all parameters. Thus the scaling is done by using:

$$\tilde{u}_i = u_i \frac{20}{u_{\max} - u_{\min}} \quad (3-59)$$

$$\tilde{F}_i = F_i \frac{20}{F_{\max} - F_{\min}} \quad (3-60)$$

Scaling of Parameters

Model parameters are also scaled to have them in an appropriate range of values. The monotonic parameters u_c , F_c , u_y , F_y , u_u , F_u need not be scaled as the force-displacement history is scaled. The hysteretic control parameters α , R , x_{ng} , r_{jn} and s_{ip} do not need to be scaled. However γ , k_1 , k_2 , k_3 , k_4 are multiplied by 10, and β and k_5 are multiplied by 100.

3.4.3 Constraining the Parameters

Parameters have to be constrained not only within certain bounds but also in their relation to other parameters. If this constraint is not provided, the model may behave in a chaotic fashion. Such constraints apply to the unscaled parameters. Table 3-2 below summarizes all the constraints used in the model.

Table 3-2 Parameter Constraints

| | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| $0.08 \leq u_c^+$ | $1.0 \leq F_c^+$ | $0.9F_c^+ \leq F_y^+$ | $1.10u_c^+ \leq 1.05u_y^+ \leq u_u^+$ | |
| $u_c^- \leq -0.08$ | $F_c^- \leq -1.0$ | $F_y^- \leq 0.9F_c^-$ | $u_u^- \leq 1.05u_y^- \leq 1.10u_c^-$ | |
| $0.10 \leq \alpha^+ < 9999$ | $0.0 \leq \beta^+ \leq 0.5$ | $0.001 \leq \gamma^+$ | | |
| $0.10 \leq \alpha^- < 9999$ | $0.0 \leq \beta^- \leq 0.5$ | $0.001 \leq \gamma^-$ | | |
| $0.15 \leq k_1^+ \leq 0.85$ | $0.15 \leq k_2^+ \leq 0.85$ | $-4.0 \leq k_3^+ \leq 2.0$ | $0.15 \leq k_4^+ \leq 0.85$ | $0.002 \leq k_5^+ \leq 5$ |
| $0.15 \leq k_1^- \leq 0.85$ | $0.15 \leq k_2^- \leq 0.85$ | $-4.0 \leq k_3^- \leq 2.0$ | $0.15 \leq k_4^- \leq 0.85$ | $0.002 \leq k_5^- \leq 5$ |
| $1.0 \leq R \leq 10.0$ | $1.05 \leq x_{ng} \leq 5.0$ | $1.05 \leq r_{jn} \leq 5.0$ | $0.05 \leq s_{ip} \leq 9999$ | |

3.4.4 Initial Estimate

The initial estimate may have some influence on the final result obtained. If an initial guess is far from the solution, the minimization algorithm may fall into a local minima that does not accurately represent the true optimal solution. An initial estimate is found by isolating the points that define the positive and negative envelope curves. The optimization routine is then used to identify the parameters that define these two curves. It was found that if these parameters are accurately identified the optimization of the hysteretic control parameters will converge to a good solution.

3.4.5 Order of Parameter Identification

It was found that the order in which the parameters are identified also has an effect on the convergence of the minimization algorithm. After the parameters related to the envelope have been identified it is better to identify the parameters in order of importance, that is, those that have more influence on the overall behavior are identified first. The optimization routine can be called with four different purposes: (1) Identify the Positive Envelope parameters, (2) Identify the Negative Envelope parameters, (3) Identify all the parameters, (4) Identify the parameters for symmetric case. The order in which the parameters are identified for each case is:

(a) Positive Envelope: $F_c^+, u_c^+, F_y^+, F_u^+, u_y^+, F_y^+, k_1^+$

(b) Negative Envelope: $F_c^-, u_c^-, F_y^-, F_u^-, u_y^-, F_y^-, k_1^-$

(c) Full Identification after envelope has been defined: $\gamma^+, k_3^+, \gamma, k_3^-, k_2^+, k_2^-, k_5^+, k_5^-, \beta^+, \beta, k_4^+, k_4^-, R, x_{ng}, r_{jn}, s_{lp}, \alpha, \alpha^+, u_c^+, F_c^+, u_y^+, F_y^+, u_u^+, F_u^+, u_c^-, F_c^-, u_y^-, F_y^-, u_u^-, F_u^-, k_1^+, k_1^-$

(d) Symmetric Identification: $\gamma^+, k_3^+, k_2^+, k_5^+, \beta^+, k_4^+, R, x_{ng}, r_{jn}, s_{lp}, \alpha^+, u_c^+, F_c^+, u_y^+, F_y^+, u_u^+, F_u^+, k_1^+$

3.5 Verification of Smooth Model and System Identification Method

The model was tested on three different columns with low to moderate levels of axial load. Of great importance in this simulation are the result for a full size bridge pier tested by Mander et al. (1993). The macro model was calibrated against experimental data and also against a Fiber Element Simulated Experiment. This is to show that actual bridge pier behavior can be indirectly simulated by using an indirect fiber model simulation. The comparison of the macro model behavior, when calibrating a simulated experiment, and the actual experimental behavior of the full size bridge pier is shown in Fig. 3-8c. It can be observed that this procedure can produce excellent agreement. The calibrated parameters are given in Tables 3-3 through 3-5. No attempt was made to define any trend, as the purpose of the procedure is to eliminate the empiricism from the modeling of bridge piers. Typical parameter values are, nevertheless, useful as seed values for the optimization algorithm to minimize the possibility of a local minima.

Macro simulations were carried out on the experimental and analytical results of a column test on a 1/3 scaled reinforced concrete column conducted by Aycardi et al. (1991) and a hollow column tested by Mander et al. (1984). The results of the parameter identification are given in Tables 3-4 and 3-5, and the results are shown graphically in Figs. 3-11 to 3-13.

It is important to note that in the context of a structural analysis program the assessment of the approximate level of axial load, $P - \Delta$ effect, etc., are important factors, as these variables have a strong influence on the shape of the hysteretic behavior. If a high degree of refinement is needed, a preliminary analysis becomes necessary, and then through a backfeed approach a more precise analysis may be achieved. In this preliminary analysis, it may be possible to use typical or average parameters, that may to a certain extent approximately simulate the hysteretic behavior.

In general, the degree of detail simulated by the proposed macro model when compared with the experimental and analytical results, was very good.

3.6 Conclusions

In this section a generalized smooth degrading model with strength and stiffness degradation has been presented. The model has a total of 32 envelope and hysteretic control parameters. This makes the manual process of choosing of an appropriate set of control parameters for a given set of hysteretic loops a cumbersome task. However, it should be noted that the envelope parameters as well as the α , β and γ parameters may be initially estimated from geometrical considerations.

A system identification routine was implemented for an automatic selection of a suitable set of parameters to a specific structural element. Excellent agreement was achieved between the output simulation and the experimental or analytical supplied hysteretic behavior. Of particular importance is the high degree of agreement between the macro modeling and the experimental behavior of a full size bridge pier, as this would be the basis of an inelastic spectral energy assessment presented in the next section.

The system identification procedure, where the backbone curve is identified first, and then the rest of the parameters are identified in the order of influence over the hysteretic shape, proved to be a robust approach to achieve good agreement with the input hysteretic history.

Table 3-3a Parameters for a Full Size Bridge Pier (Experimental)

| | | | | | |
|---------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|
| 0.5722 | 0.5722 | 1.4928 | 1.0148 | 8.8749 | 1.2360 |
| -0.5722 | -0.5722 | -1.4928 | -1.0148 | -8.8749 | -1.2360 |
| 56.59 | 0.01989 | 0.3802 | | | |
| 56.59 | 0.01989 | 0.3802 | | | |
| 0.85 | 0.85 | -0.07061 | 0.85 | 0.01 | |
| 0.85 | 0.85 | -0.07061 | 0.85 | 0.01 | |
| 1.715 | 4.00 | 1.3026 | 9606 | | |

Table 3-3b Parameters for a Full Size Bridge Pier (Fiber Element)

| | | | | | |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 0.5263 | 0.5263 | 1.3468 | 1.0075 | 7.1821 | 1.1343 |
| -0.5263 | -0.5263 | -1.3468 | -1.0075 | -7.1821 | -1.1343 |
| 39.89 | 0.200 | 0.900 | | | |
| 39.89 | 0.200 | 0.900 | | | |
| 0.85 | 0.7181 | 0.1395 | 0.85 | 0.03842 | |
| 0.85 | 0.7181 | 0.1395 | 0.85 | 0.03842 | |
| 1.000 | 4.00 | 2.8412 | 9999 | | |

Table 3-4a Parameters for a 1/3 Scale Column (Experimental)

| | | | | | |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 0.5997 | 0.5997 | 1.4498 | 0.9737 | 11.067 | 0.4121 |
| -0.5997 | -0.5997 | -1.4498 | -0.9737 | -11.067 | -0.4121 |
| 1.257 | 0.200 | 0.900 | | | |
| 1.257 | 0.200 | 0.900 | | | |
| 0.4402 | 0.85 | 0.5344 | 0.15 | 0.0331 | |
| 0.4402 | 0.85 | 0.5344 | 0.15 | 0.0331 | |
| 1.000 | 5.00 | 1.05 | 1577.9 | | |

Table 3-4b Parameters for a 1/3 Scale Column (Fiber Element)

| | | | | | |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 0.2434 | 0.2434 | 1.1612 | 0.9883 | 7.7777 | 0.5085 |
| -0.2434 | -0.2434 | -1.1612 | -0.9883 | -7.7777 | -0.5085 |
| 2.052 | 0.200 | 0.90 | | | |
| 2.052 | 0.200 | 0.90 | | | |
| 0.5211 | 0.85 | -0.2447 | 0.85 | 0.01 | |
| 0.5211 | 0.85 | -0.2447 | 0.85 | 0.01 | |
| 1.292 | 3.100 | 2.8296 | 2120.1 | | |

Table 3-5 Parameters for a Hollow Column (Fiber Element)

| | | | | | |
|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 0.4300 | 0.4300 | 1.3525 | 0.9999 | 7.8080 | 0.9985 |
| -0.4300 | -0.4300 | -1.3525 | -0.9999 | -7.8080 | -0.9985 |
| 18.44 | 0.02567 | 0.90 | | | |
| 18.44 | 0.02567 | 0.90 | | | |
| 0.15 | 0.85 | 0.03945 | 0.5017 | 0.02 | |
| 0.15 | 0.85 | 0.03945 | 0.5017 | 0.02 | |
| 3.877 | 4.430 | 1.854 | 214.5 | | |

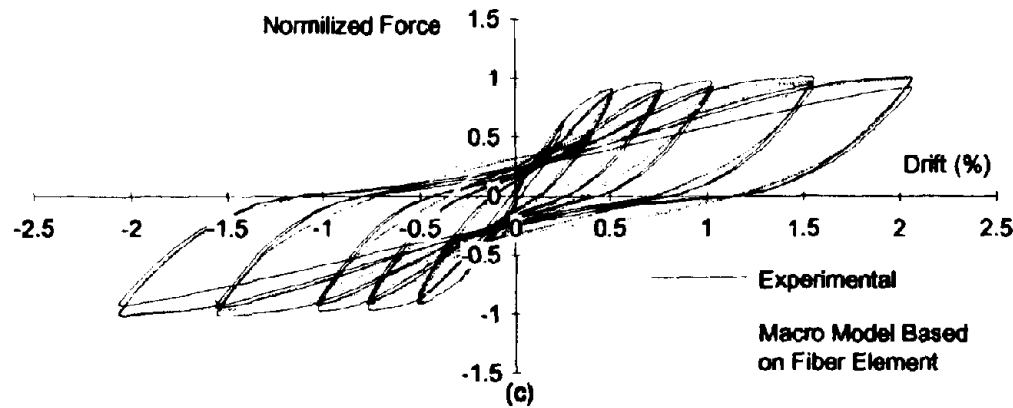
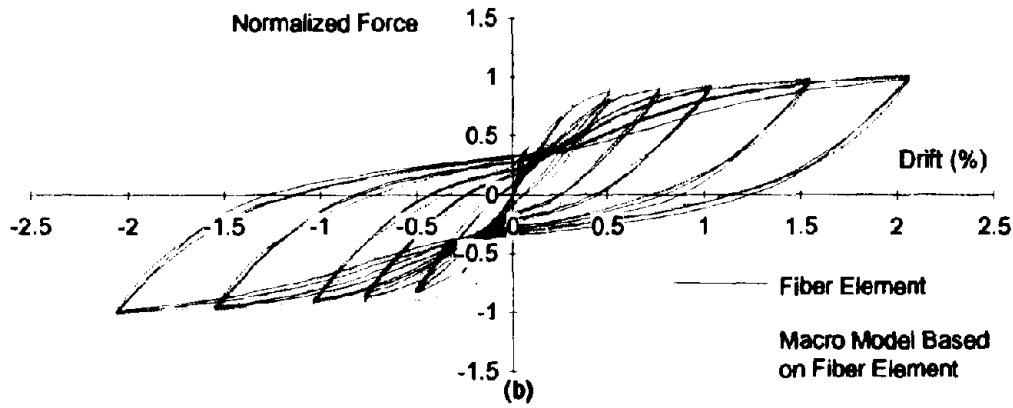
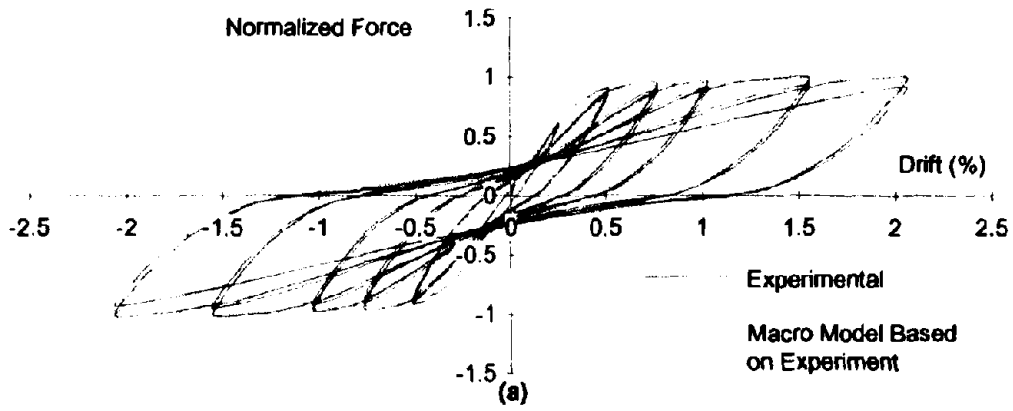


Fig. 3-8 Comparison of Macro Model Simulations Generated through (a) Experimental Data, and (c) Fiber Element Experiment Simulation

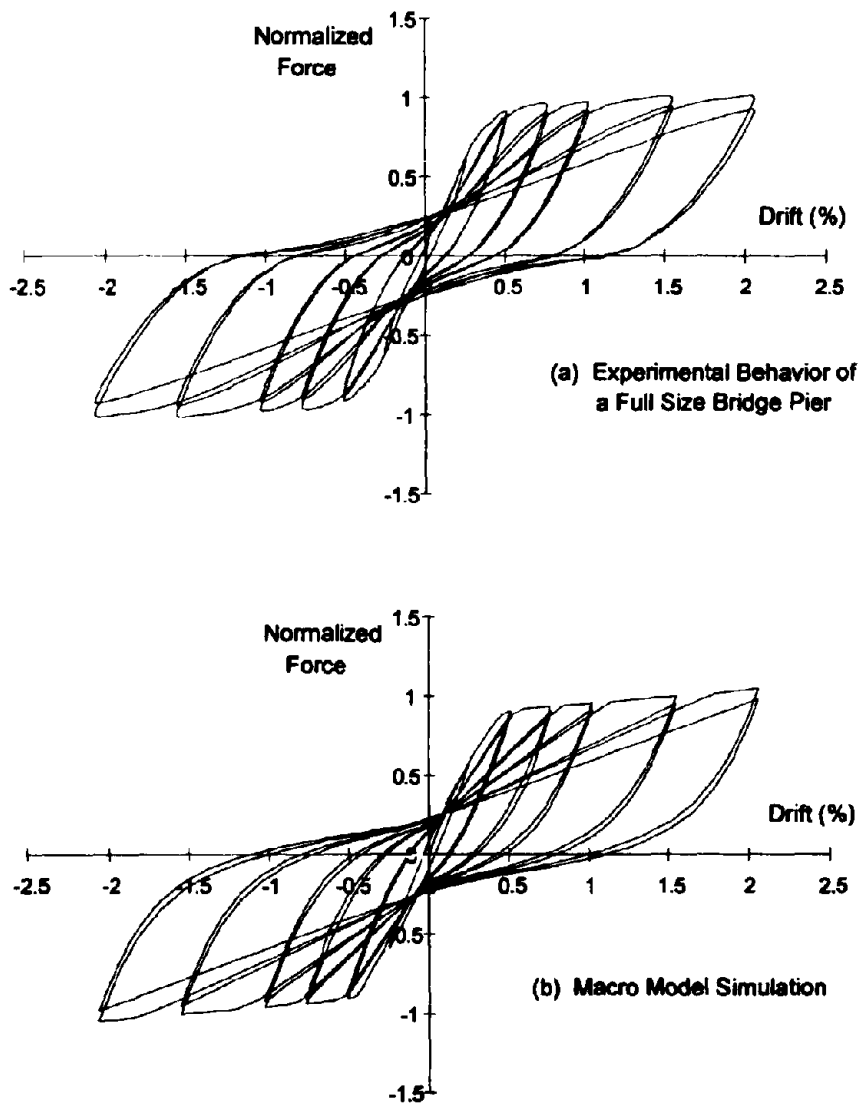


Fig. 3-9 Macro Model Simulation of a Full Size Bridge Pier Based on Actual Experimental Data

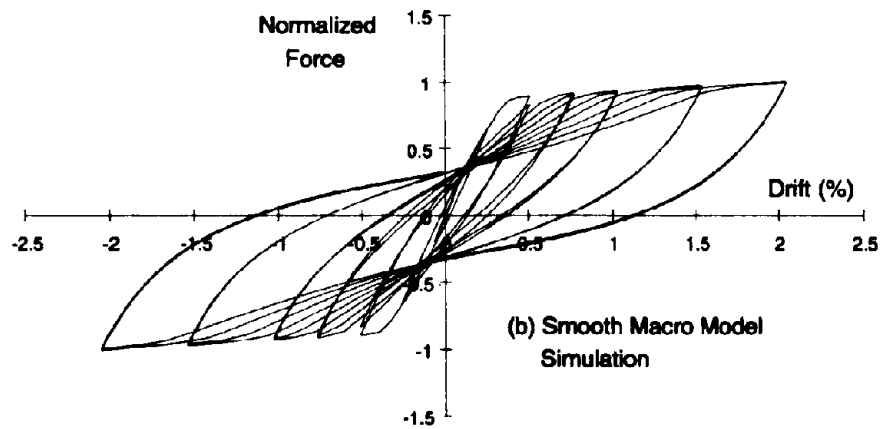
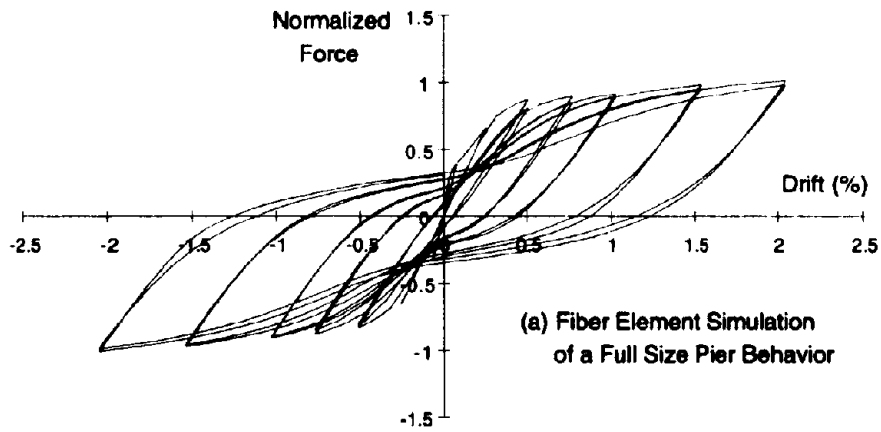


Fig. 3-10 Simulation of the Cyclic Behavior of a Full Size Bridge Pier Based on a Fiber Element Simulated Experiment

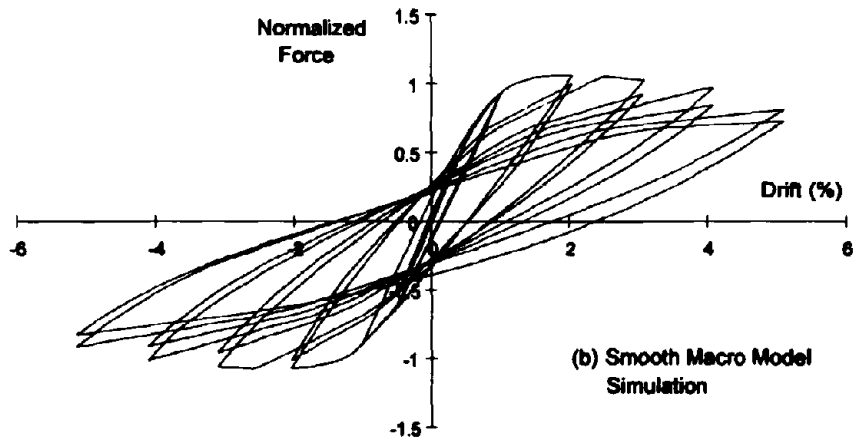
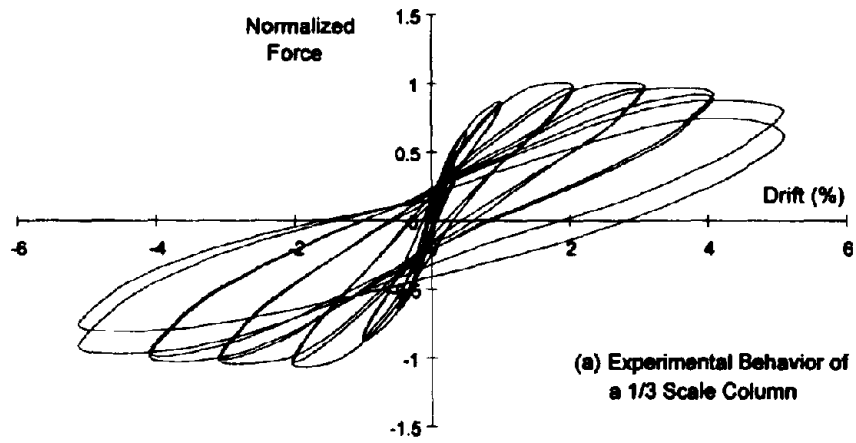
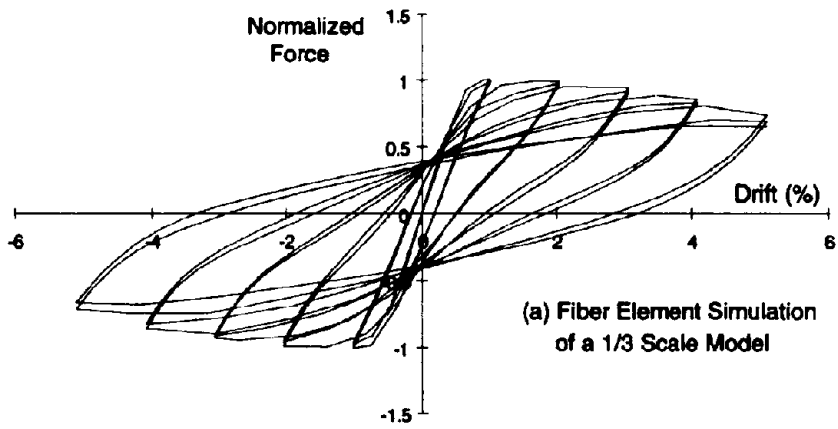
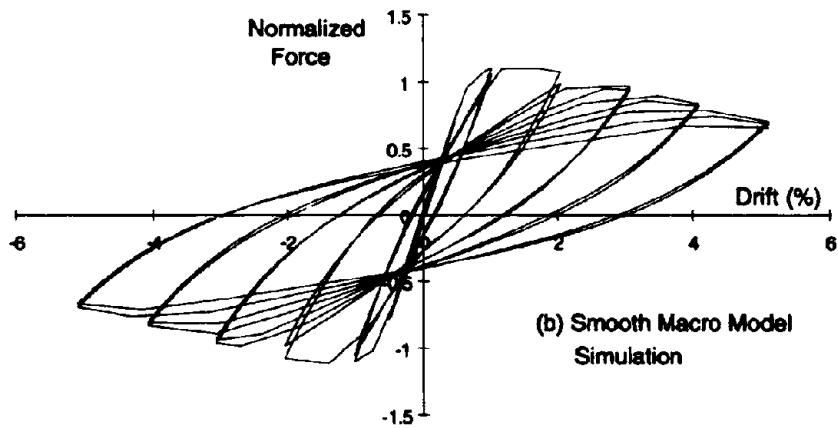


Fig. 3-11 Macro Model Simulation of a 1/3 Scale Column Based on Experimental Data



(a) Fiber Element Simulation of a 1/3 Scale Model



(b) Smooth Macro Model Simulation

Fig. 3-12 Macro Model Simulation of a 1/3 Scale Column Based on Fiber Model Simulated Experiment

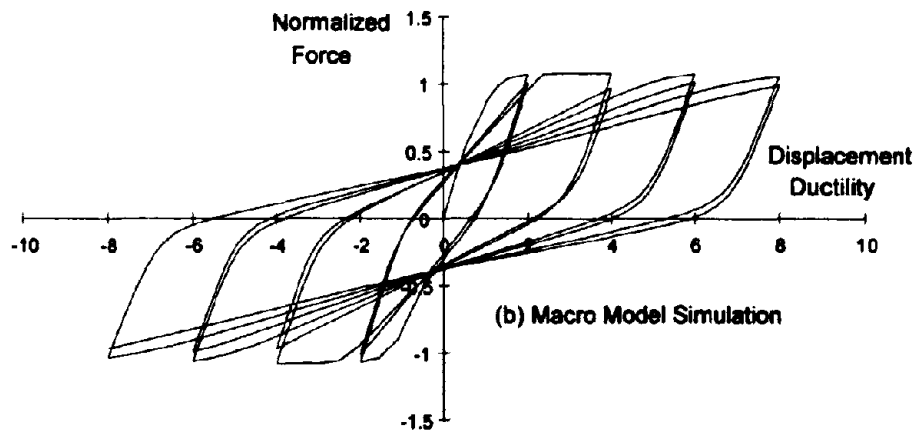
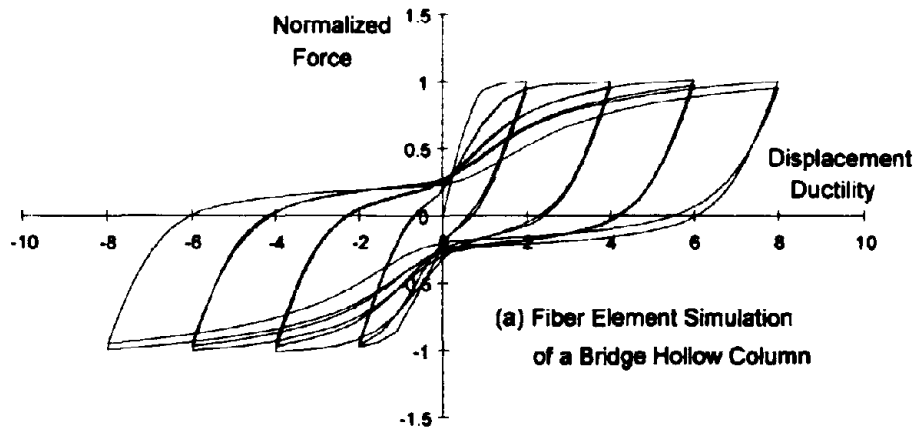


Fig. 3-13 Macro Model Simulation of a Bridge Hollow Column Based on a Fiber Element Simulated Experiment.

Section 4

Assessment of Hysteretic Energy DEMAND

4.1 Introduction

Deterministic methods of analysis are necessary to assess the energy and ductility demand on reinforced concrete structures. The ductility demand is dependent only on the maximum inelastic seismic displacement response, whereas energy demand depends on the duration and magnitude of the response. A methodology to simulate the behavior of reinforced concrete column CAPACITY starting from the hysteretic characteristics of concrete and steel has been developed, which can be applied to calibrate the macro model hysteretic parameters for the determination of hysteretic DEMAND on bridge columns. The macro model parameters can then be used to represent more realistically the behavior of a structural concrete member, or a SDOF idealization of a structural system. In this section a nonlinear single-degree-of-freedom dynamic analysis is used to determine the response DEMAND on a reinforced concrete structure when using the more realistic macro modeling technique, and it is compared with more traditional models. Particular emphasis is given to assessing energy-based low cycle fatigue spectral demands, which can in turn be related to CAPACITY via the fiber-element analysis which in the overall context of seismic evaluation is shown in Fig. 4-1.

4.2 Elastic Response of a SDOF System

Consider the single-degree-of-freedom system shown in Fig. 4-2a. The equation of motion is given by:

$$m(\ddot{x} - \ddot{x}_g) + c(\dot{x} - \dot{x}_g) + k(x - x_g) = p(t) = -m\ddot{x}_g \quad (4-1)$$

where k = stiffness, c = damping coefficient, m = total mass; $x_g, \dot{x}_g, \ddot{x}_g$ are the ground displacement, velocity and acceleration respectively; and x, \dot{x}, \ddot{x} are the system displacement, velocity and acceleration respectively.

Eq. (4-1) can also be written as:

$$\ddot{u} + 2\xi\omega_n\dot{u} + \omega_n^2u = \frac{p(t)}{m} = -\ddot{x}_g \quad (4-2)$$

in which u = displacement of the system respect to the ground (deformation), ξ = damping ratio and ω_n = natural angular frequency given by

$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad (4-3)$$

and the damping coefficient by:

$$\xi = \frac{c}{2m\omega_n} \quad (4-4)$$

The solution to the equation of motion of a linear SDOF system can be found by using the Duhamel's Integral given by:

$$u(t) = \frac{1}{m\omega_d} e^{-\xi\omega_n t} \int_0^t [p(\tau)e^{\xi\omega_n \tau} \sin \omega_d(t-\tau)] d\tau \quad (4-5)$$

This equation can be solved numerically by using standard procedures. An alternative procedure given by Craig (1981), which appears to be more efficient, is given in theP following recursive equations:

$$u_{i+1} = Ap_i + Bp_{i+1} + Cu_i + D\dot{u}_i \quad (4-6)$$

$$\dot{u}_{i+1} = \tilde{A}p_i + \tilde{B}p_{i+1} + \tilde{C}u_i + \tilde{D}\dot{u}_i \quad (4-7)$$

where the constants A through \tilde{D} are defined in Eqs. (4-8) through (4-19) in which h is the integration time step.

$$A = \frac{1}{k\omega_n h} \{ e^{-\beta h} [(v_1 - \beta h) \sin(\omega_d h) - (v_2 + \omega_d h) \cos(\omega_d h)] + v_2 \} \quad (4-8)$$

$$B = \frac{1}{k\omega_n h} \{ e^{-\beta h} [-v_1 \sin(\omega_d h) + v_2 \cos(\omega_d h)] + \omega_d h - v_2 \} \quad (4-9)$$

$$C = e^{-\beta h} \left[\cos(\omega_d h) + \frac{\beta}{\omega_d} \sin(\omega_d h) \right] \quad (4-10)$$

$$D = \frac{1}{\omega_d} e^{-\beta h} \sin(\omega_d h) \quad (4-11)$$

$$\bar{A} = \frac{1}{k\omega_d h} \{ e^{-\beta h} [(\beta + \omega_n^2 h) \sin(\omega_d h) + \omega_d \cos(\omega_d h)] - \omega_d \} \quad (4-12)$$

$$\bar{B} = \frac{1}{k\omega_d h} \{ -e^{-\beta h} [\beta \sin(\omega_d h) + \omega_d \cos(\omega_d h)] + \omega_d \} \quad (4-13)$$

$$\bar{C} = \frac{\omega_n^2}{\omega_d} e^{-\beta h} \sin(\omega_d h) \quad (4-14)$$

$$\bar{D} = e^{-\beta h} \left[\cos(\omega_d h) - \frac{\beta}{\omega_d} \sin(\omega_d h) \right] \quad (4-15)$$

$$v_1 = 1 - 2\xi^2 \quad (4-16)$$

$$v_2 = 2\xi \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \quad (4-17)$$

$$\omega_d = \omega_n \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} \quad (4-18)$$

$$\beta = \xi \omega_n \quad (4-19)$$

This approach was used to compute the elastic response of a SDOF to a given earthquake ground motion, as the inelastic response is to be compared to the elastic one.

4.3 Inelastic Response of a SDOF System

Consider now the case where the stiffness of the system k is not a constant during the analysis. In this case the integration procedure given previously does not represent the solution for this equation, as it is based on the superposition principle which is not valid for nonlinear systems. A step by step integration procedure is needed during which the stiffness of the system is being kept track of. The macro-model presented in the previous section is ideal for this kind of analysis, because it can represent very accurately the hysteretic behavior of the system. Consider a viscous damped SDOF system subjected to a horizontal ground motion. The equation of motion is given by:

$$m \ddot{x} + c \dot{x} + f_S = p(t) = -m \ddot{x}_g \quad (4-20)$$

A procedure given by Clough and Penzien (1993) was modified to improve convergence and is outlined below:

(1) Knowing the displacement and velocity of the system at any given time t , calculate the damping force as:

$$f_D = c(t) \dot{x}(t) \quad (4-21)$$

(2) The inertia force in the mass and the acceleration can be computed by:

$$f_i(t) = p(t) - f_s(t) - f_D(t) \quad (4-22)$$

$$\ddot{x}(t) = \frac{f_i(t)}{m} \quad (4-23)$$

where $f_s(t)$ is the force in the spring. This force and the instantaneous stiffness $k(t)$ are computed by using a suitable hysteresis macro model.

(3) An equivalent instantaneous stiffness is calculated by:

$$\tilde{k}(t) = k(t) + \frac{6}{h^2}m + \frac{3}{h}c(t) \quad (4-24)$$

(4) And an equivalent force is given by:

$$\Delta \bar{p}(t) = \Delta p(t) + m \left[\frac{6}{h} \dot{x}(t) + 3\ddot{x}(t) \right] + c(t) \left[3\dot{x}(t) + \frac{h}{2}\ddot{x}(t) \right] + f_{err} \quad (4-25)$$

where

$$\Delta p(t) = p(t+h) - p(t) \quad (4-26)$$

and

$$f_{err} = f_s(t-h) + k(t-h)[x(t) - x(t-h)] - f_s(t) \quad (4-27)$$

in the original procedure presented by Clough and Penzien this last factor of Eq. (4-25) does not appear, but the introduction of this force correction factor, Fig. 4-2b, greatly improves convergence, as shown in Fig. 4-2c. This force correction factor has been used before in programs as IDARC (Kunnath et al., 1992) and DRAIN-2DX (Allahabadi et al., 1988).

(4) The change in displacement and velocity can then be computed by:

$$\Delta x(t) = \frac{\Delta \bar{p}(t)}{\tilde{k}(t)} \quad (4-26)$$

$$\Delta \dot{x}(t) = \frac{3}{h} \Delta x(t) - 3\dot{x}(t) - \frac{h}{2}\ddot{x}(t) \quad (4-27)$$

(5) The displacement and velocity are updated by:

$$x(t+h) = x(t) + \Delta x(t) \quad (4-28)$$

$$\dot{x}(t+h) = \dot{x}(t) + \Delta \dot{x}(t) \quad (4-29)$$

the procedure is thus repeated until the ending of analysis time is reached.

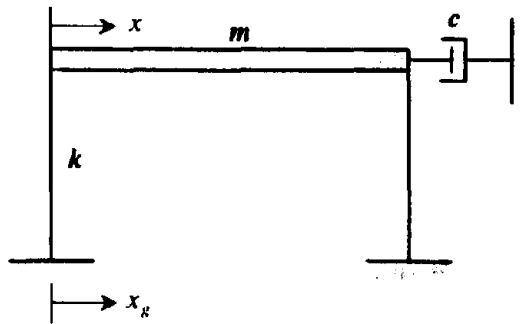


Fig. 4-2a Equivalent Single-Degree-Of-Freedom System

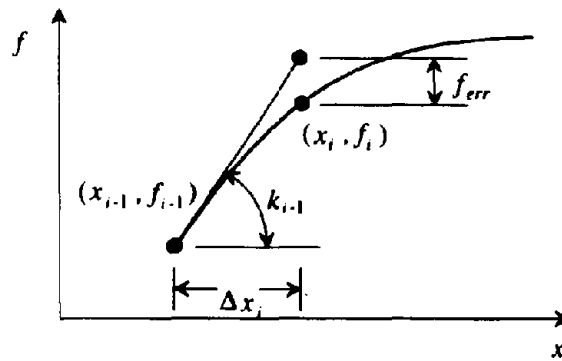


Fig. 4-2b Force Correction Factor

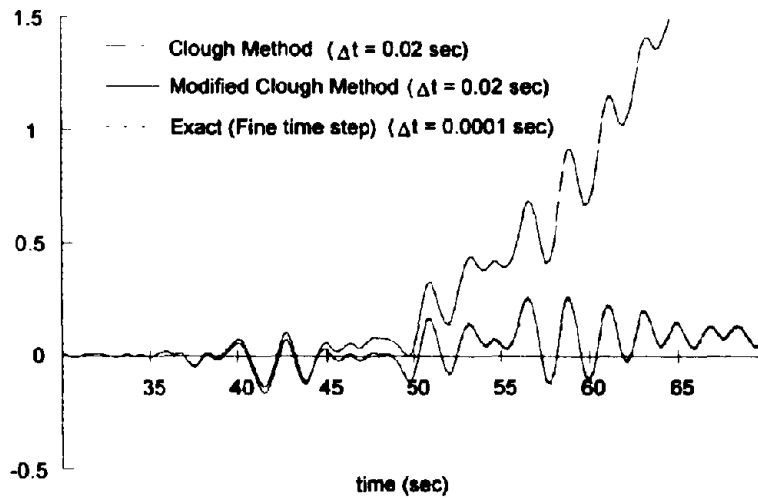


Fig. 4-2c Step-By-Step Integration

4.4 Elastic and Inelastic Response Spectra

The description of the maximum dynamic response quantities for a structure subjected to earthquake excitation as a function of its basic characteristics (natural period, damping ratio and hysteretic rule) is commonly referred to as response spectra. Both displacement ductility and energy based spectra are considered herein and are described in what follows:

4.4.1 Displacement Ductility Spectra

The Spectral Displacement S_d of an elastic system is the maximum displacement that the structure undergoes during the entire time history for a given earthquake. It is a function of the period of the structure T , the damping ratio ξ (normally assumed to be 5% for design).

Elastic Displacement Spectrum

$$S_d = \max[x(t)] \text{ for a linear elastic structure} \quad (4-30)$$

Elastic Pseudo Velocity Spectrum

$$S_v = \omega_n S_d = \frac{2\pi}{T} S_d \quad (4-31)$$

Elastic Pseudo Acceleration Spectrum

$$S_a = \omega_n S_v = \frac{2\pi}{T} S_v \quad (4-32)$$

This three quantities can be plotted in a single graph known as the elastic log tripartite plot, as shown in Fig. 4-6a.

Displacement Spectrum of Inelastic Response

$$X_u = f [R_\mu, \text{hysteretic rule}, \ddot{x}_g(t)] = \max [x(t)] \quad (4-33)$$

Displacement Ductility Spectrum

$$\mu = \frac{X_u}{X_y} \quad (4-34)$$

in which X_y is the yield displacement.

Inelastic Displacement Magnification Spectrum

$$D_m = D_{inelast} / D_{elast} = \frac{X_u}{S_d} = \frac{\mu}{R_\mu} \quad (4-35)$$

Note that for "long" periods this ratio is approximately equal to 1 and is commonly referred to as Newmark's "equal displacement" principle. As the period tends toward zero, the ratio increases to infinity.

4.4.2 Energy Based Spectrum

According to the procedures described by Uang and Bertero (1990) the total absolute energy at any given instant is given by:

$$E_t = E_k + E_s + E_\xi + E_h \quad (4-36)$$

where E_k = absolute kinetic energy, E_s = strain energy, E_ξ = absorbed viscous damping energy, and E_h = hysteretic energy absorbed by the structure. When the ground motion stops, both the kinetic and the strain energy vanish after a few seconds, as the structures vibrate in damped free motion. On the other hand, the damping and hysteretic energy are indications of the energy dissipated (absorbed) by the structure. The absolute kinetic energy is given by:

$$E_k = \frac{1}{2} m (\dot{x} + \dot{x}_g)^2 \quad (4-37)$$

where \dot{x} = relative structural velocity with respect to the ground, and \dot{x}_g = velocity of the moving ground.

The hysteretic energy is computed as:

$$E_h = E_a - E_s \quad (4-38)$$

where E_a is the total energy absorbed by the structure, computed as,

$$E_a = \int_0^t f dx = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2} (f_i + f_{i-1})(x_i - x_{i-1}) \quad (4-39)$$

and E_s is the strain energy computed as,

$$E_s = \frac{1}{2} \frac{f_n^2}{k(t=0)} \quad (4-40)$$

Note that the recoverable strain energy is a function of the original initial stiffness of the system. The damping energy is always a positive increasing quantity, as it is a non-recoverable energy, and is given by:

$$E_\xi = \int c \dot{x} dx = c \sum_{i=1} \frac{1}{2} (\dot{x}_i + \dot{x}_{i-1})(x_i - x_{i-1}) \quad (4-41)$$

In the case of an elastic structure the hysteretic energy vanishes, thus the total energy is composed of damping energy, kinetic energy and strain energy. In Fig. 4-6b the kinetic energy spectra for an elastic structure is shown.

Elastic Equivalent Number of Cycles

For an elastic structure an equivalent number of cycles at the spectral displacement can be defined in terms of fatigue damage analysis. Numerous investigations on fatigue have confirmed the Manson-Coffin relation:

$$\epsilon_a = c(2N_f)^b \quad (4-42)$$

in which ϵ_a = strain amplitude, N_f = number of cycles to failure, b and c = fatigue coefficients obtained from constant strain amplitude tests. In the case of variable amplitude tests, two questions arise: (1) how the damage is accumulated and (2) how to count the cycles. In answer to the first question, the most simple and common assumption is that the accumulation of damage is linear. This assumption is known as Miner's rule and is expressed as:

$$D = \sum_i \frac{1}{N_{fi}} \quad (4-43)$$

in which D = fatigue damage and N_{fi} = number of cycles at a given strain amplitude. In this equation it is assumed that there are individual cycles of amplitude ϵ_{ai} , each causing a cumulative damage.

A variable amplitude test can be converted to an equivalent constant amplitude test by equating the amount of damage, so that,

$$D = \sum_i \frac{1}{N_{fi}} = \frac{N_c}{N_{feff}} \quad (4-44)$$

where N_c = equivalent number of a predefined amplitude $\epsilon_{a\text{eff}}$ for the whole strain history, and N_{feff} = number of cycles to failure at that same amplitude. In terms of amplitude this can be expressed as:

$$N_c = N_{feff} \sum_i \frac{1}{N_{fi}} = c(\epsilon_{a\text{eff}})^{1/b} \sum_i \frac{1}{c(\epsilon_{ai})^{1/b}} = \frac{1}{(\epsilon_{a\text{eff}})^{-1/b}} \sum_i (\epsilon_{ai})^{-1/b} \quad (4-45)$$

The previous equation can be also expressed in terms of displacement, as:

$$N_c = \sum_i \left(\frac{x_{ai}}{S_d} \right)^{-1/b} \quad (4-46)$$

where x_{ai} = amplitude of the i th cycle on a variable amplitude displacement history. In this equation N_c = number of cycles at a constant amplitude S_d . The amplitudes in a variable amplitude displacement history may be computed by using the standard cycle counting technique known as rainflow counting method. This procedure was used herein to assess the equivalent number of elastic cycles.

Equivalent Elasto-Plastic Cycles

The energy absorbed in an equivalent elastic-perfectly plastic loop of amplitude X_{eff} is given by:

$$E_{ep} = 4 f_y X_{eff} \quad (4-47)$$

Equivalent or Effective Equi-Amplitude Cycles

The standard deviation of a constant amplitude sinusoidal displacement history may be shown to be:

$$x_{STD}(t) = STD[A \sin(\omega t)] = \frac{A}{\sqrt{3}} \quad (4-48)$$

where A is the amplitude of the sine wave and the values of x are taken at arbitrary steps. For a general displacement response, the standard deviation of the inelastic displacements can be readily computed and thus an equivalent effective amplitude may be defined as:

$$X_{eff} = \sqrt{3} x_{STD} + X_y \quad (4-49)$$

An effective ductility may also be defined as the ratio between the effective amplitude X_{eff} and the yield deformation,

$$\mu_{eff} = \frac{X_{eff}}{X_y} \quad (4-45)$$

Effective Number of Inelastic Cycles

An effective number of cycles may be defined as the number of cycles at the effective ductility, given by Eq. (4-45), that would give the same hysteretic energy computed for the whole deformation history. To compute this value, after the analysis ended, the hysteretic macro model was used to simulate 4 cycles with a ductility amplitude equal to the effective equi-amplitude ductility. The average of the loop area was then taken as the loop energy,

$$E_{h\ loop} = E_h(\pm\mu_{eff}) \quad (4-46)$$

The effective number of inelastic cycles are thus defined as:

$$N_c = \frac{E_h}{E_{h\ loop}} \quad (4-47)$$

Factor of Symmetry Spectra

A symmetry factor is commonly used in fatigue studies when describing the relative magnitude of positive and negative displacement peaks. The parameter R is normally used to express the degree of asymmetry of the deformation history. This factor is formally expressed as:

$$R = \frac{\mu_{min}}{\mu_{max}} \quad (4-48)$$

in which μ_{max} = the maximum ductility, and μ_{min} = the minimum ductility. The maximum ductility is taken so that, μ_{max} is positive and μ_{min} is negative giving a normal range of from -1 (equi-amplitude) to about 0.4 as shown in Fig. 4-4.

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(vi) An artificial sinusoidal ground input with $PGA = 1g$ and a frequency of 1 Hz.

These ground input motions are plotted in Fig. 4-5.

The macro model used the calibrated parameters that very accurately represented the behavior of an actual full size bridge pier, thus the inelastic spectral quantities shown in Figs. 4-6 through 4-11 are considered to be a reliable representation of actual bridge pier inelastic response.

In Figs. 4-12 through 4-17, inelastic spectra generated by using an elastic-perfectly plastic model are shown. This second type of hysteretic model and resulting spectra may be considered typical of bridge structures seated on steel or PTFE bearings. Such curves are necessary in a seismic limit analysis for establishing the hierarchy of failure mechanisms (i.e. bearing vs. pier failure).

In order to study the sensitivity of the spectral quantities to the model used, a third set of spectra, shown in Figs. 4-18 through 4-23, was generated using the modified Takeda model described in Section 2.

4.6 Conclusions

The piecewise linear and smooth macro models described respectively in Sections 2 and 3 proved to be useful in describing the hysteretic behavior of a bridge pier structure. The inelastic spectra produced through a well calibrated model is believed to be a realistically representation of bridge pier structures, as they were generated by the calibration of a full size actual bridge pier. The procedure can be use to generate inelastic spectra for other kind of structures by following the procedure outlined throughout this investigation: (1) realistic hysteretic behavior can be known directly (experiment) or indirectly (Fiber Element modeling); (2) the macro model can be calibrated to simulate the structure behavior; (3) a non-linear time history dynamic analysis program is used to evaluate the inelastic response.

A spectral study of the inelastic behavior of typical bridge structures may lead to identify design envelopes for the hysteretic parameters. This, may in turn lead to rational ways of assessing inelastic design demand.

It should be emphasized that the low cycle fatigue demand is both earthquake and hysteretic model dependent. This is evident by comparing the different responses amongst earthquakes, and different responses for a given earthquake comparing the bridge and EPP models. Therefore, further sensitivity studies are necessary for the determination of spectral fatigue demands for different structural types, where the hysteretic model should be varied to properly reflect global response. In this manner a rational assessment can be made of energy based fatigue demands on structural elements.

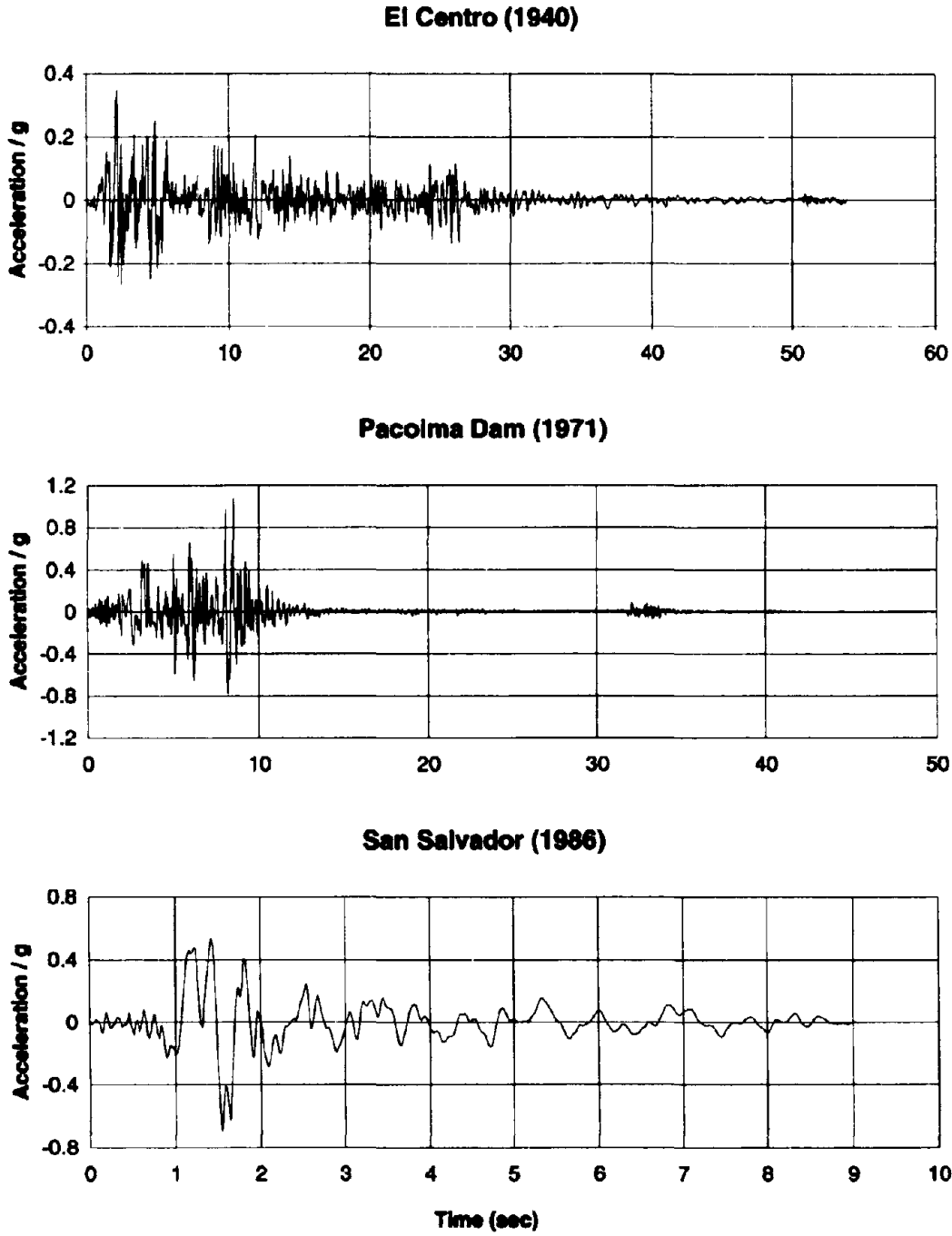
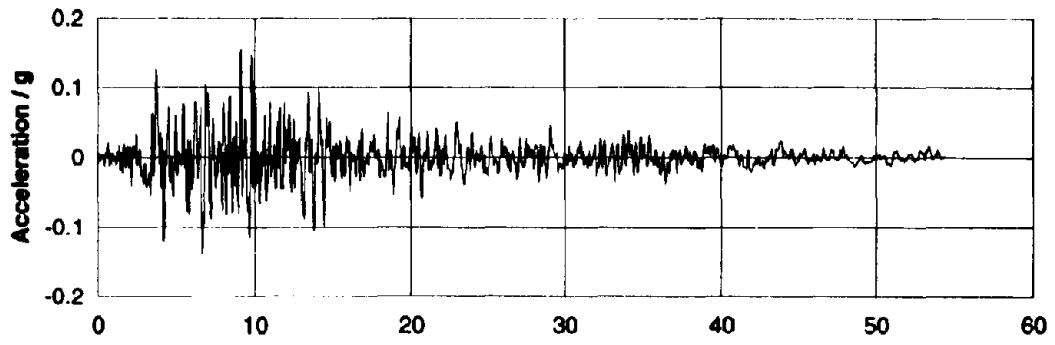
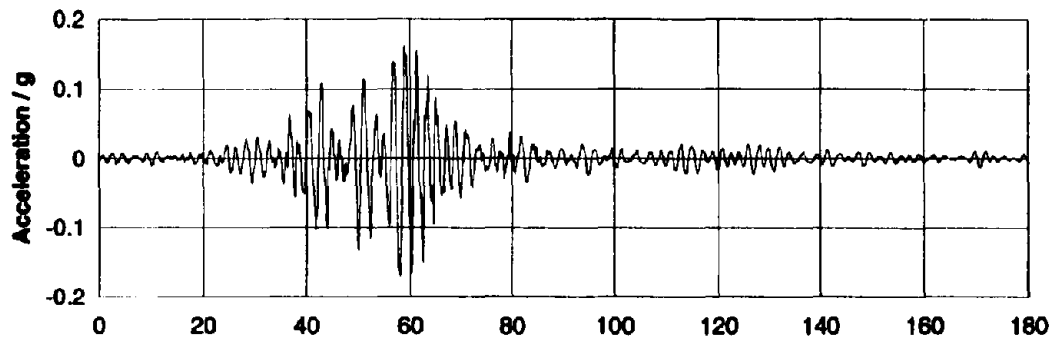


Fig. 4-4 Input Ground Motions Used for Spectral Analysis

Taft (1952)



Mexico City (1985)



Sinusoidal Input

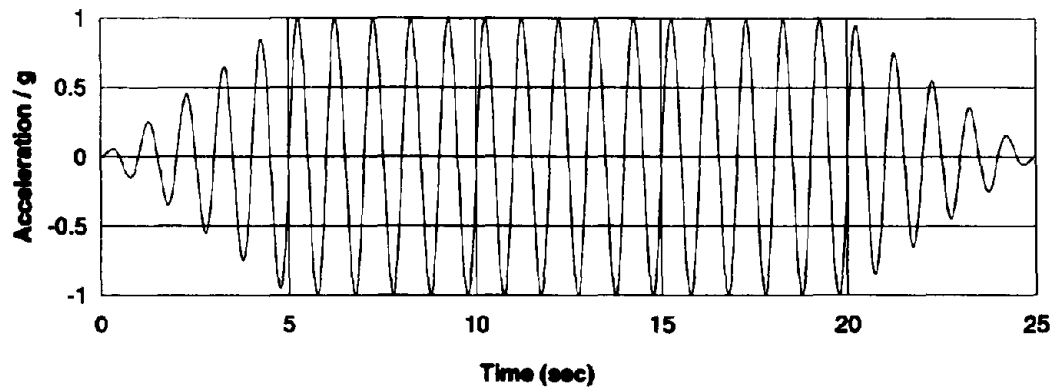


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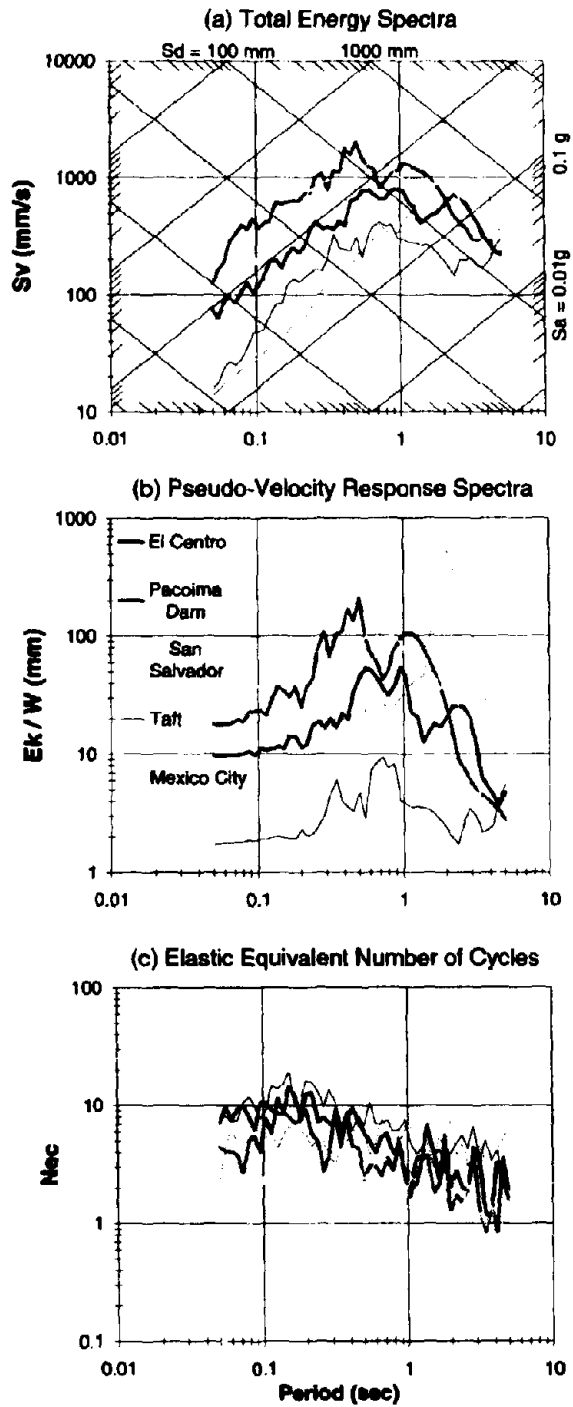


Fig. 4-5 Total Energy, Pseudo-Velocity and Equivalent Number of Cycles of Elastic Structures for Different Types of Input Motion and 5% Viscous Damping Ratio

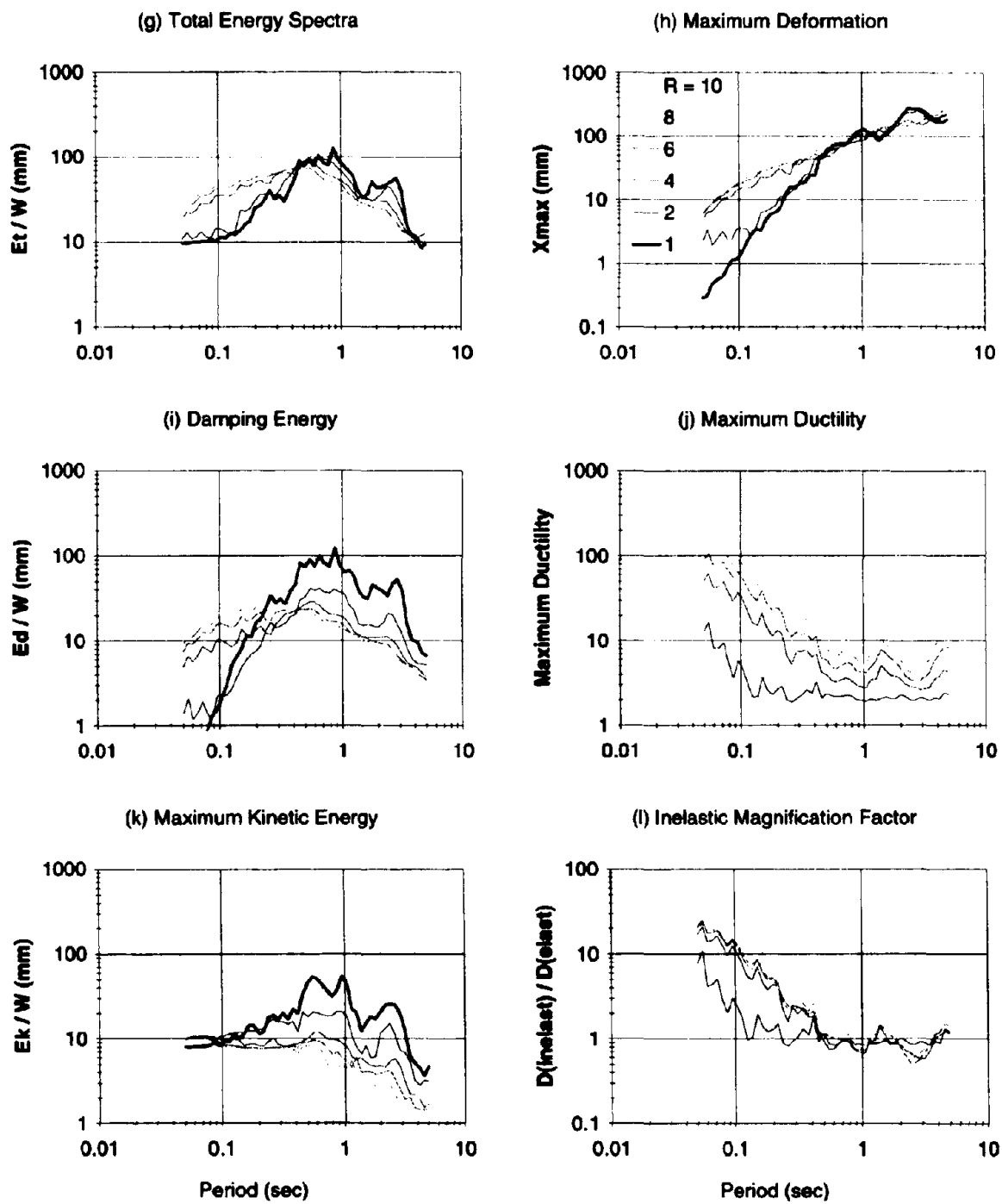


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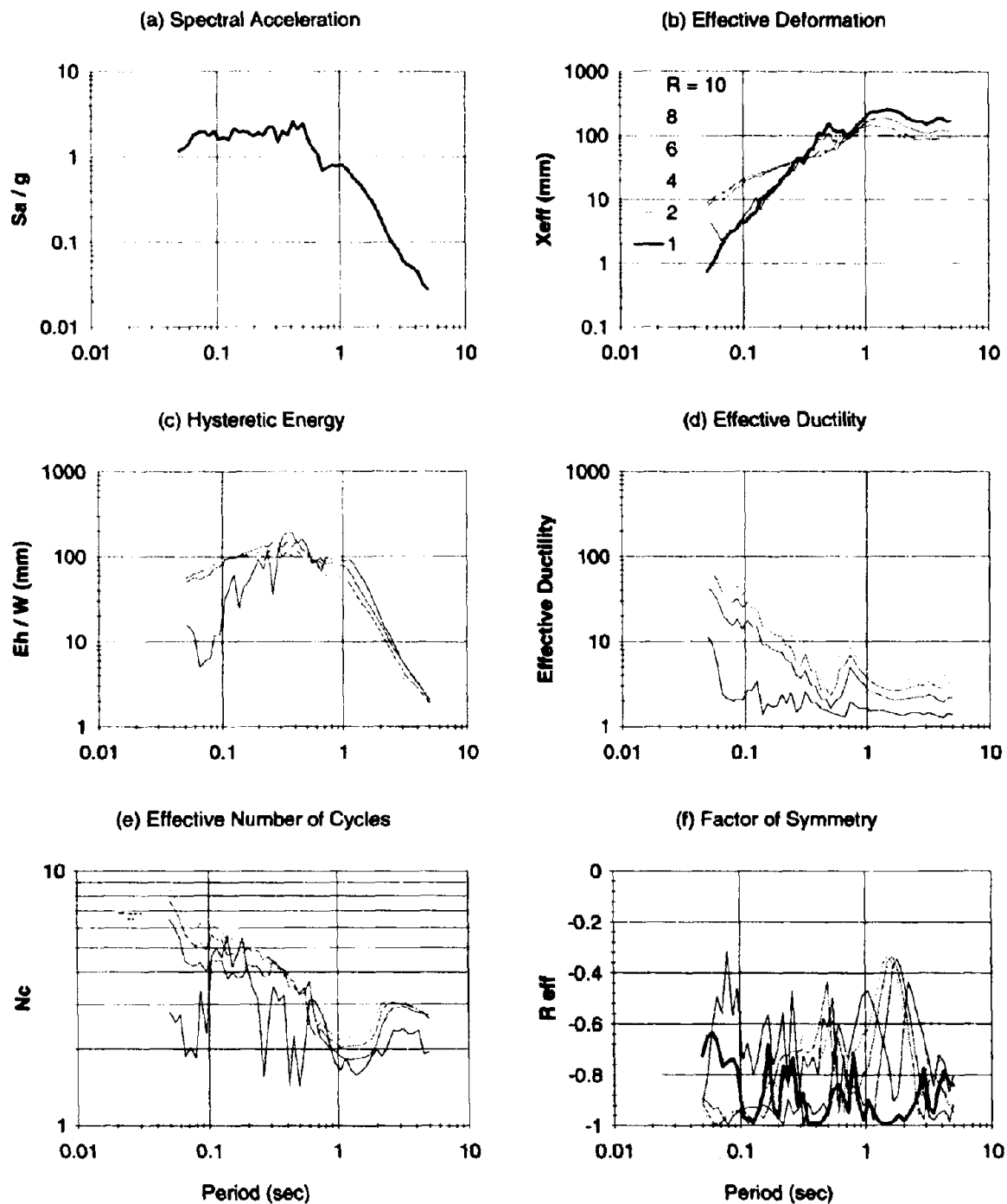


Fig. 4-7 Energy, Ductility and Low-Cycle Fatigue Demand Spectra for Pacoima Dam (1971), with 5% Viscous Damping Ratio and PGA = 1.17 g. (Smooth Model)

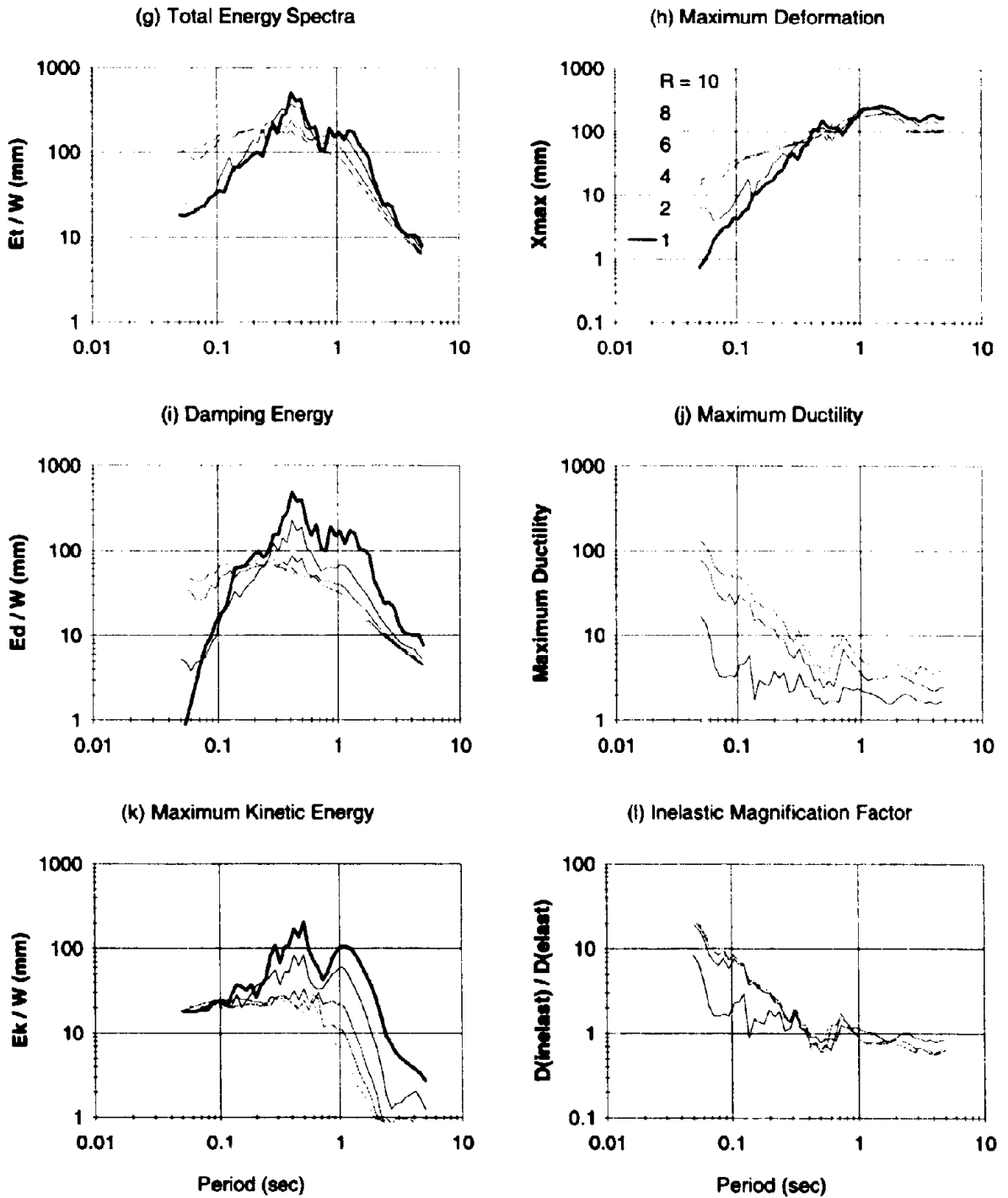


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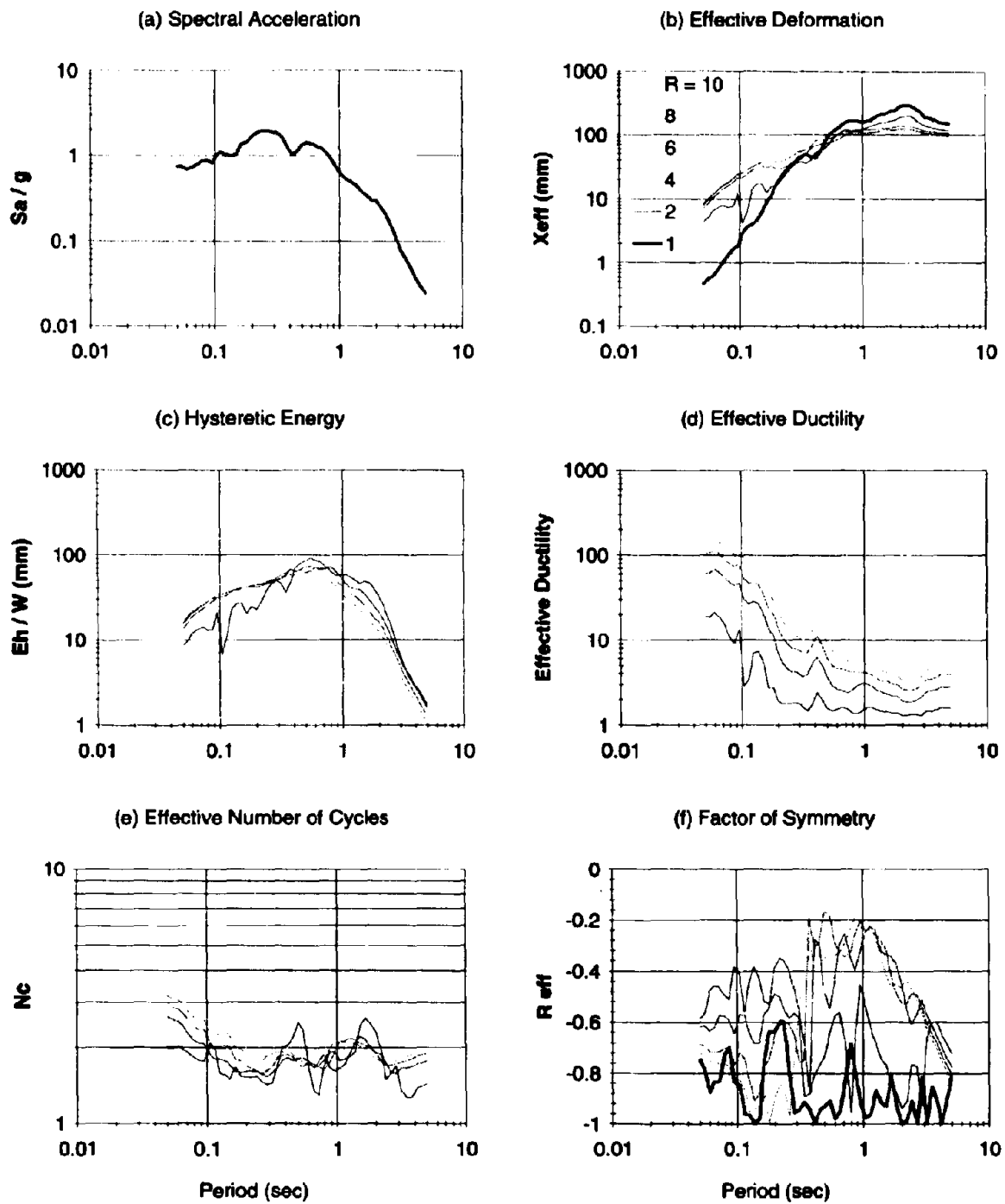


Fig. 4-8 Energy, Ductility and Low-Cycle Fatigue Demand Spectra for San Salvador (1986), with 5% Viscous Damping Ratio and PGA = 0.695 g. (Smooth Model)

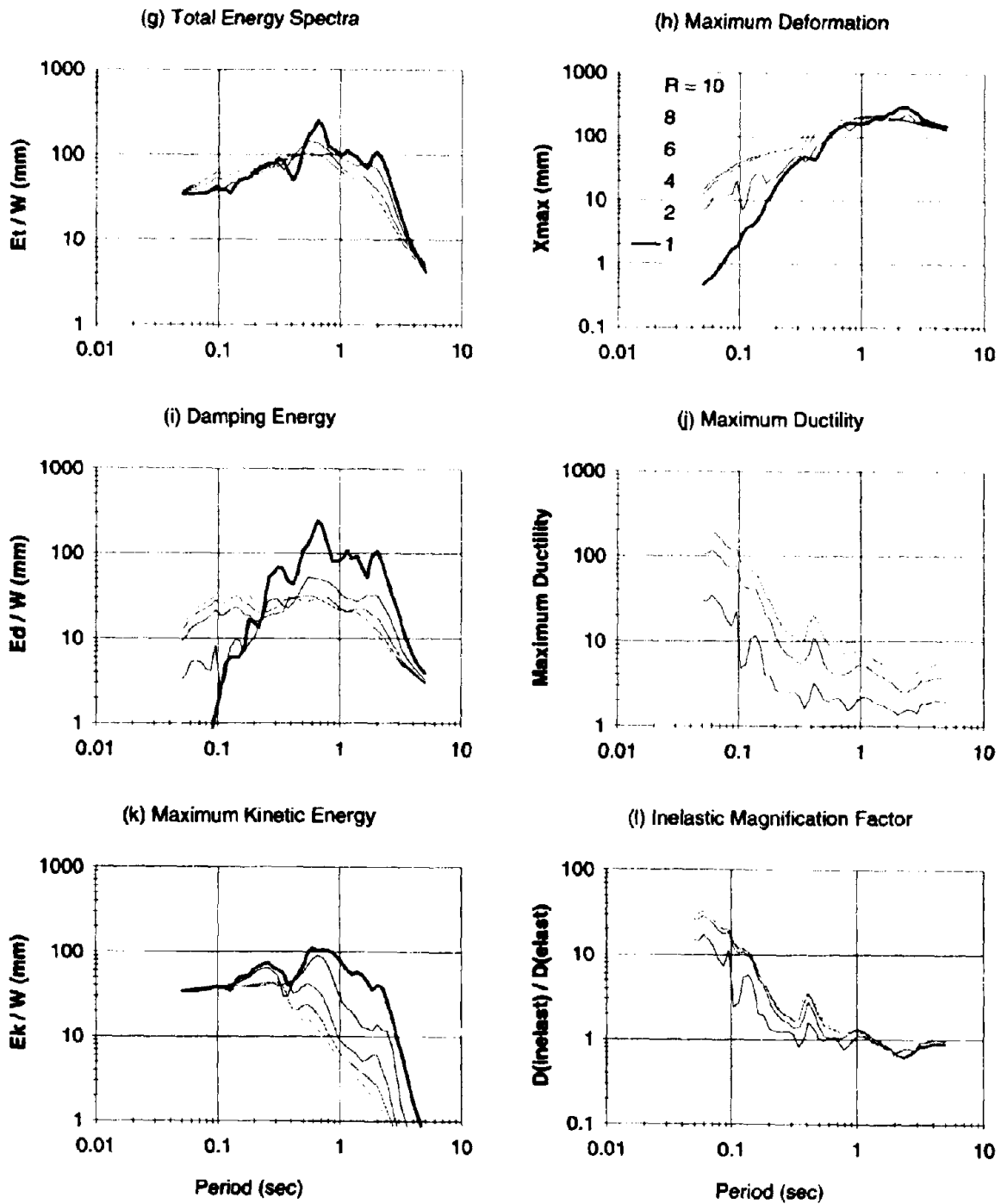


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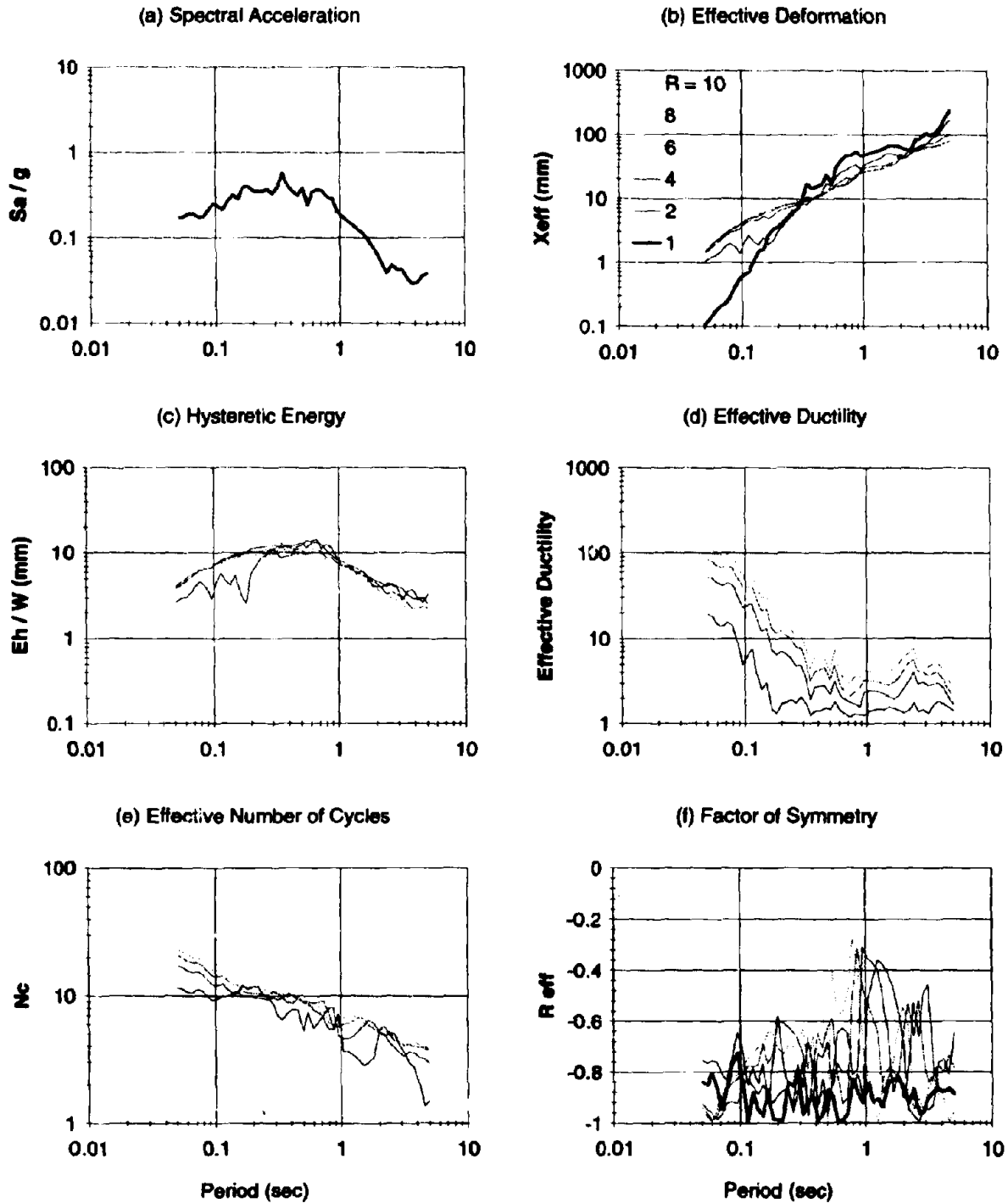


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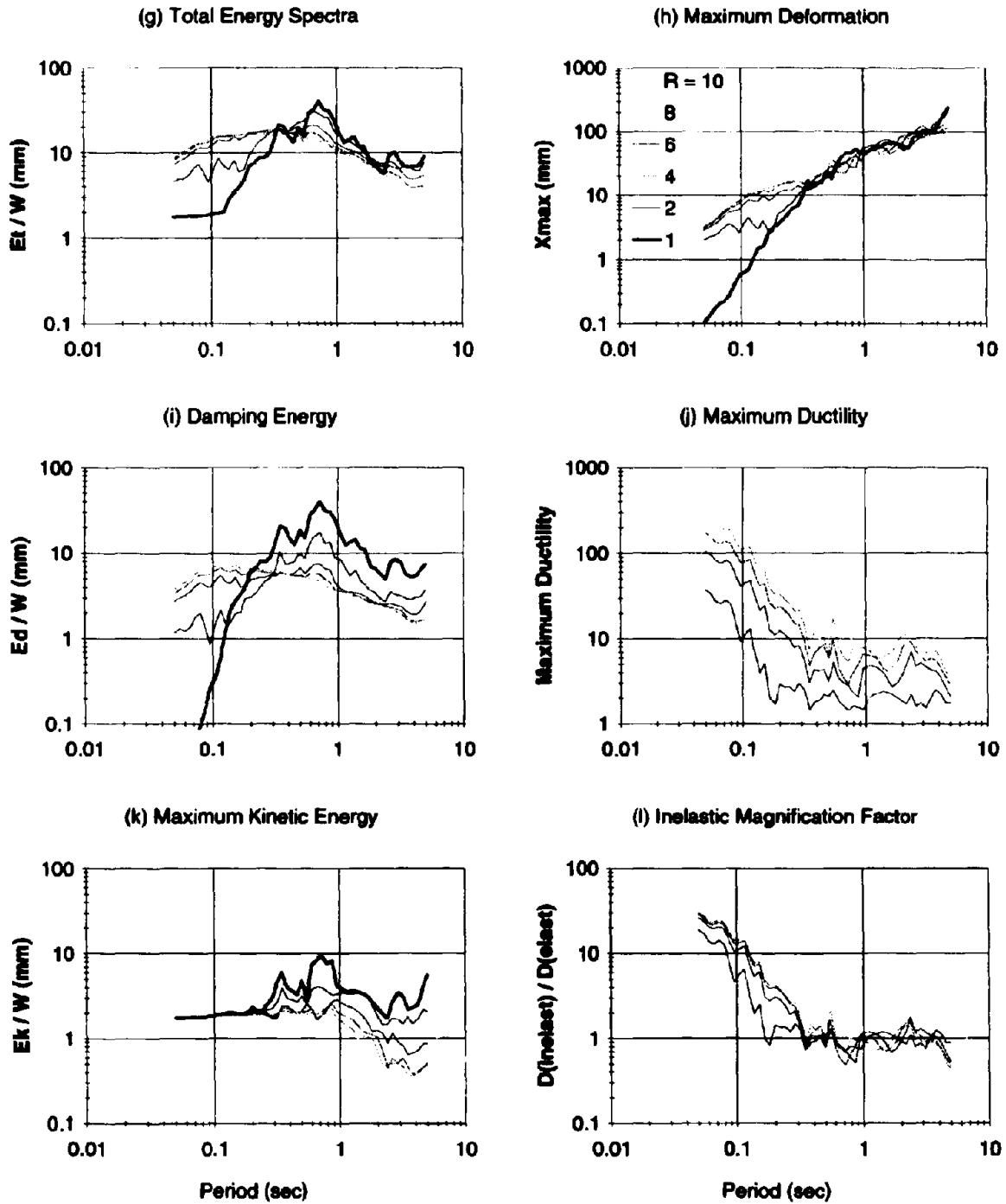


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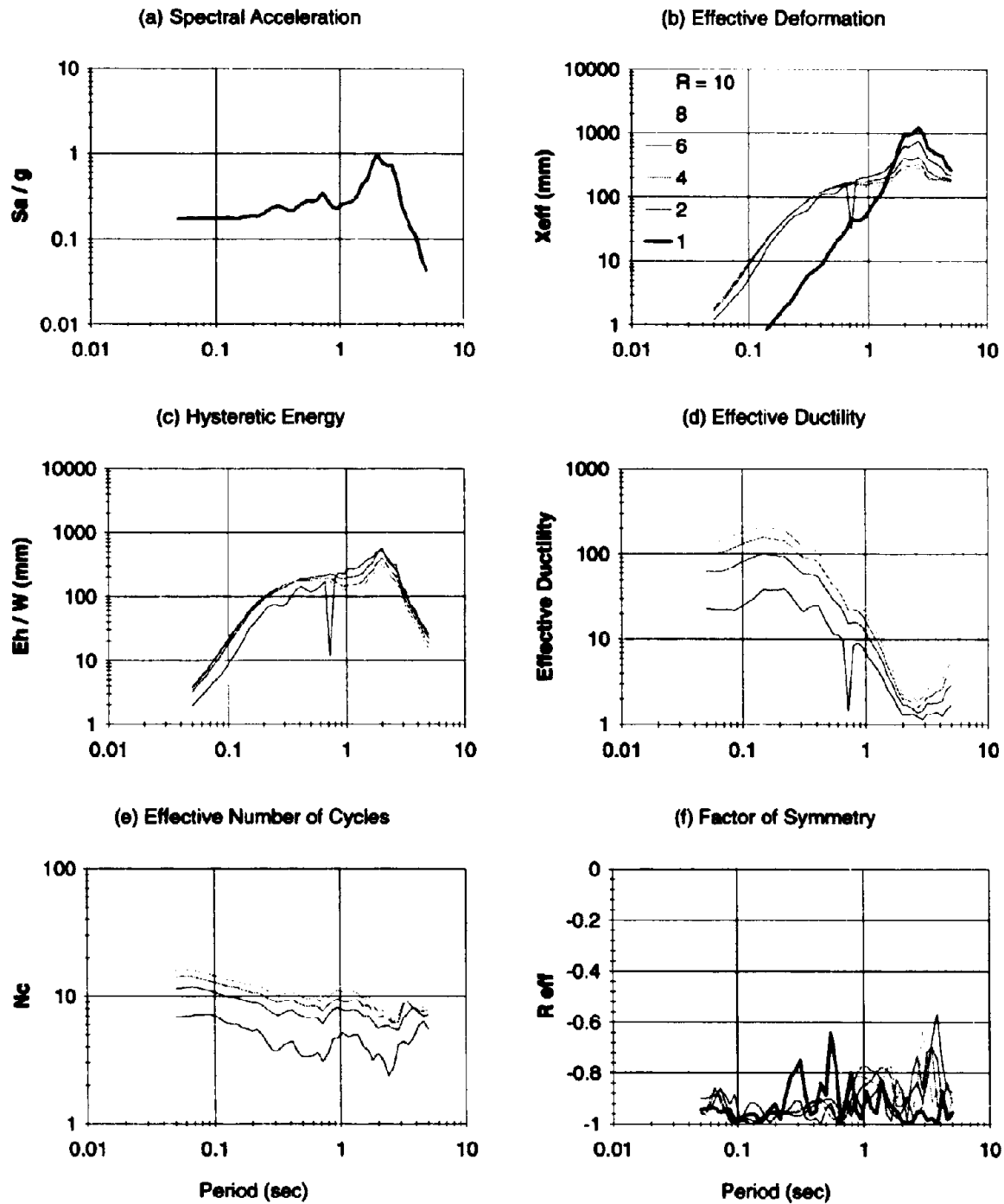


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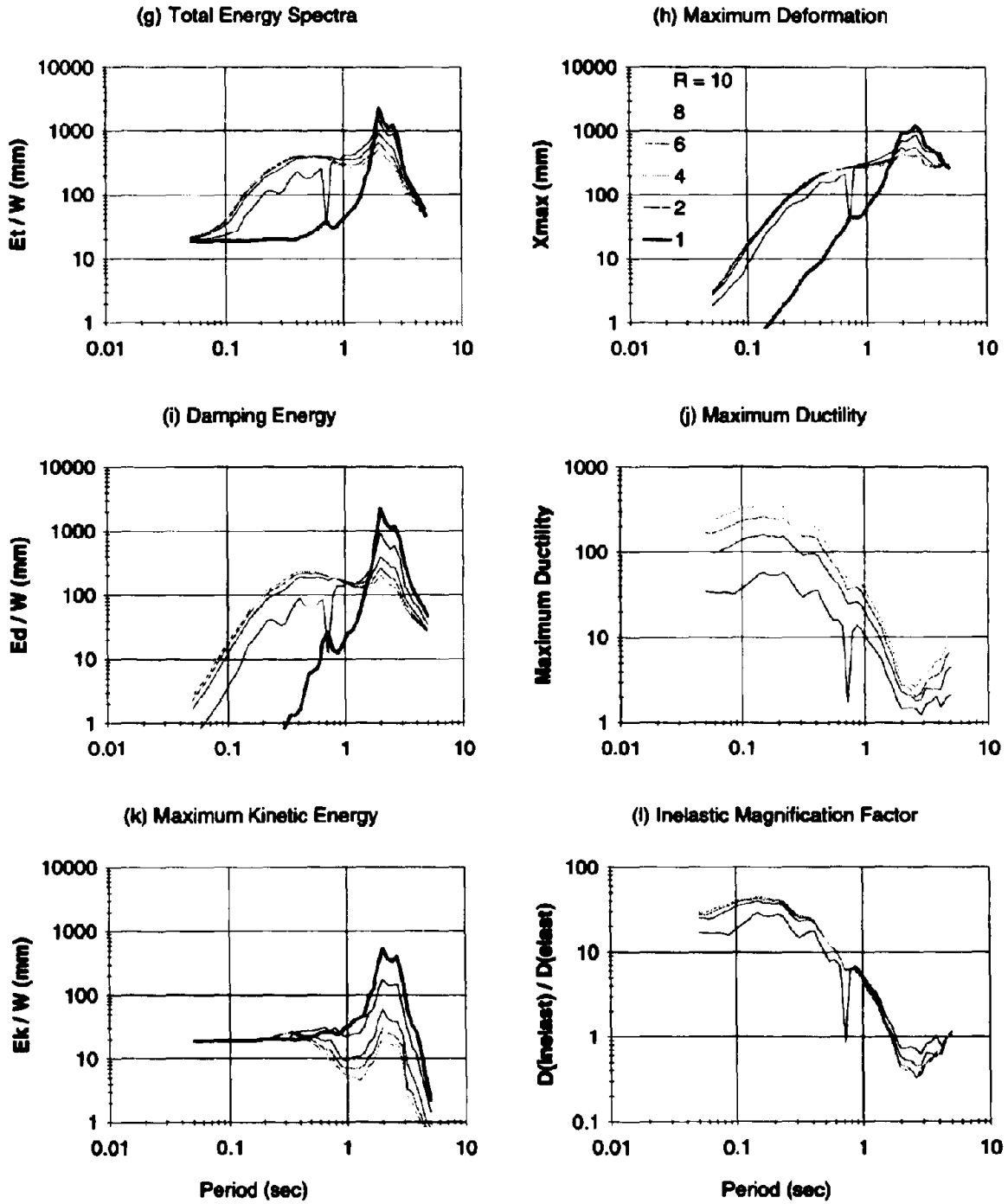


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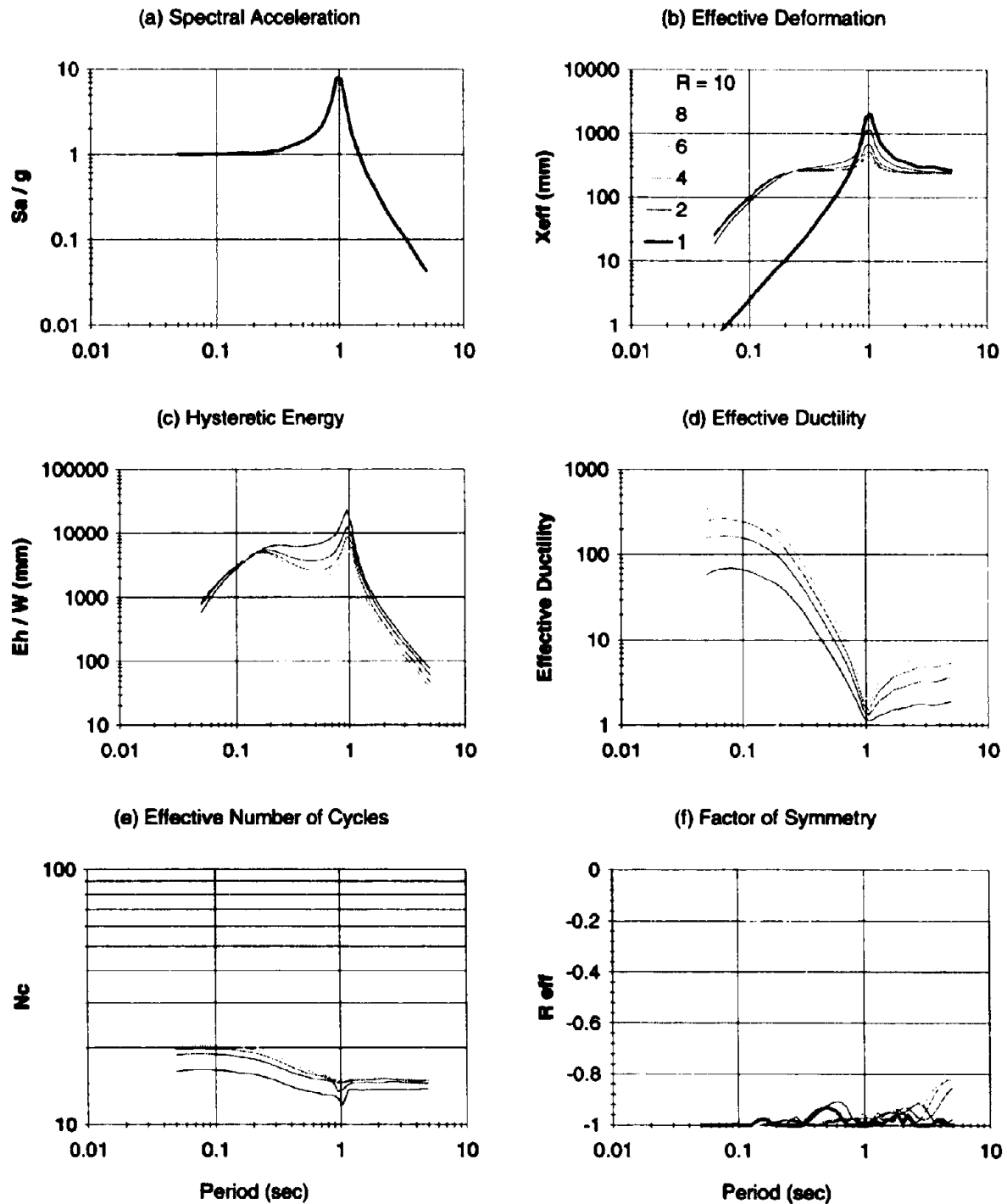


Fig. 4-11 Energy, Ductility and Low-Cycle Fatigue Demand Spectra for Sinusoidal Input, with 5% Viscous Damping Ratio and PGA = 1.0 g. (Smooth Model)

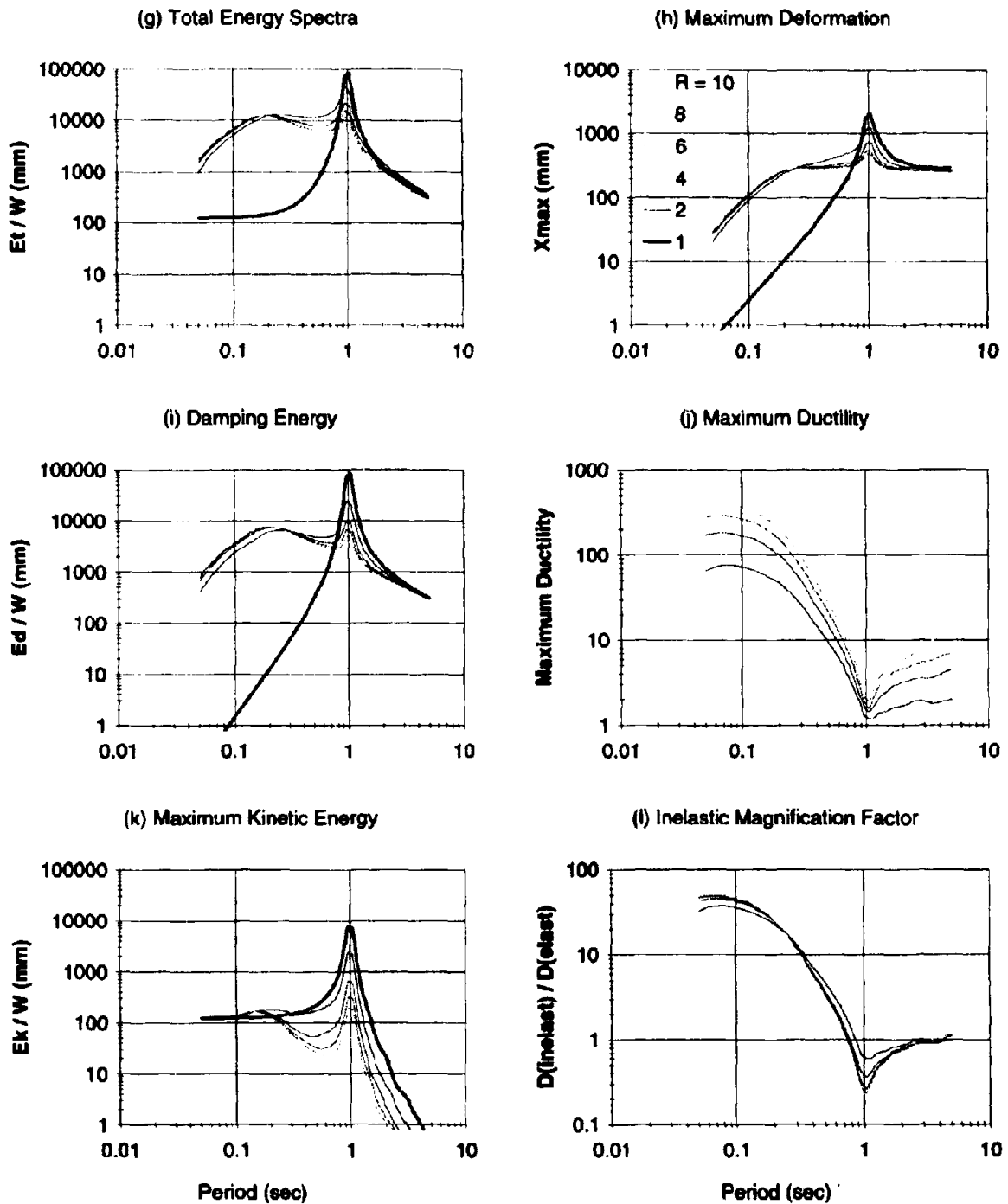


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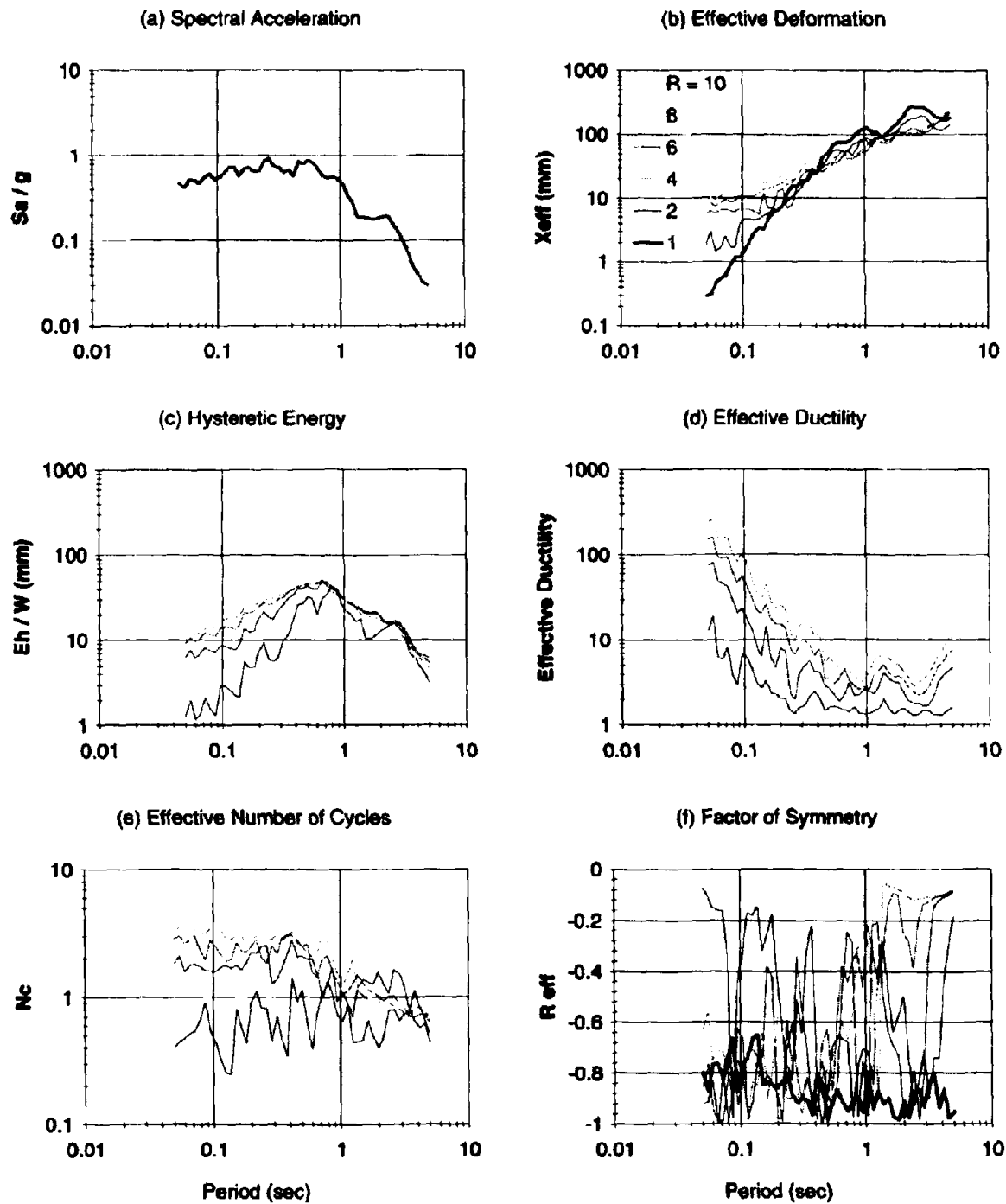


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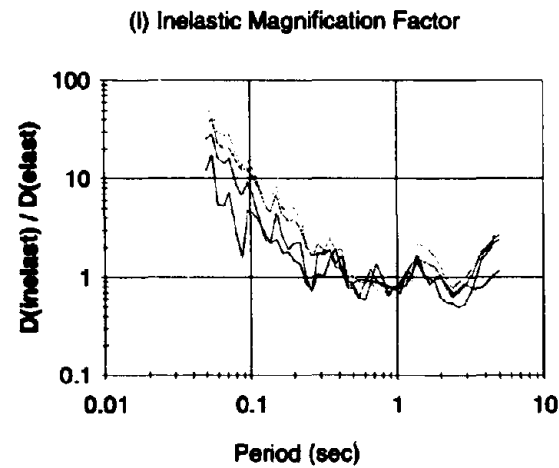
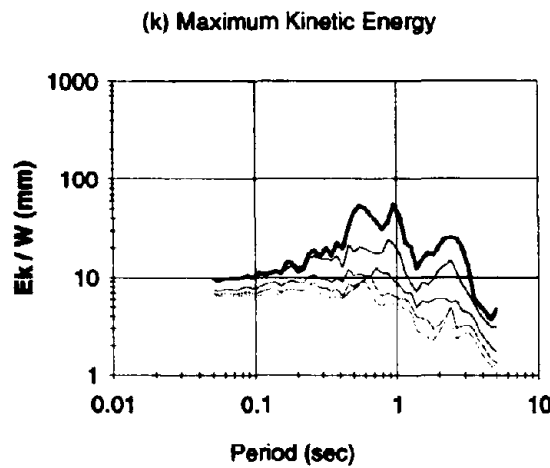
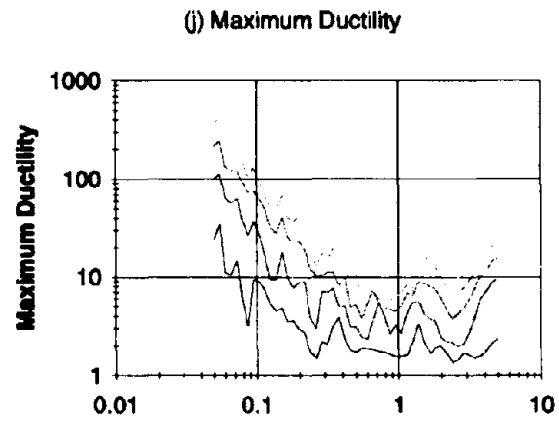
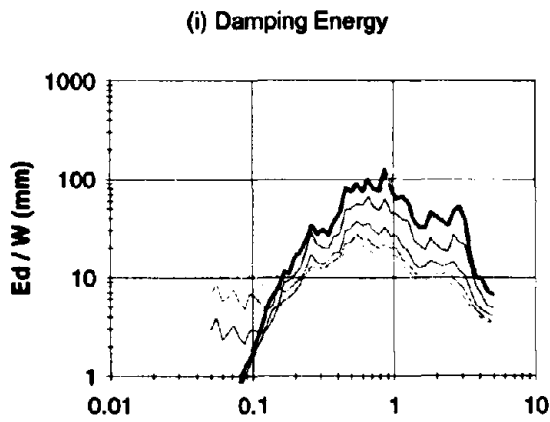
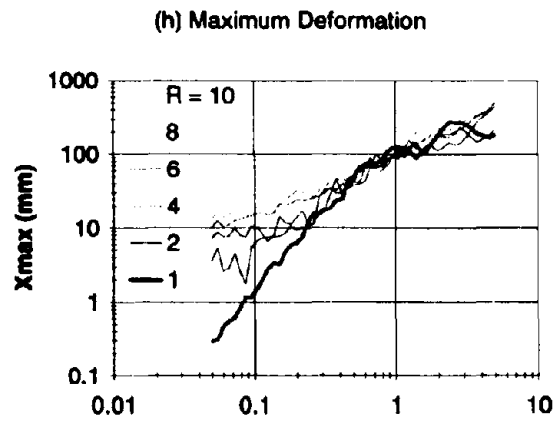
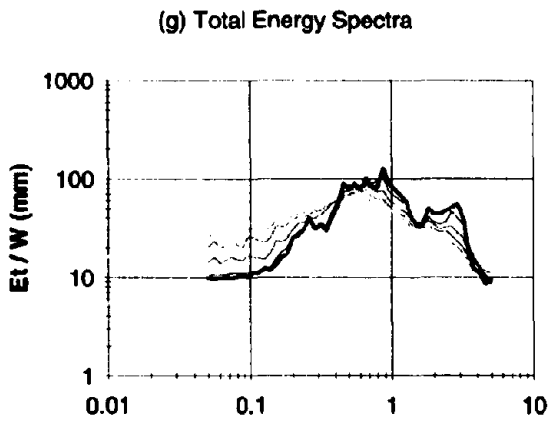


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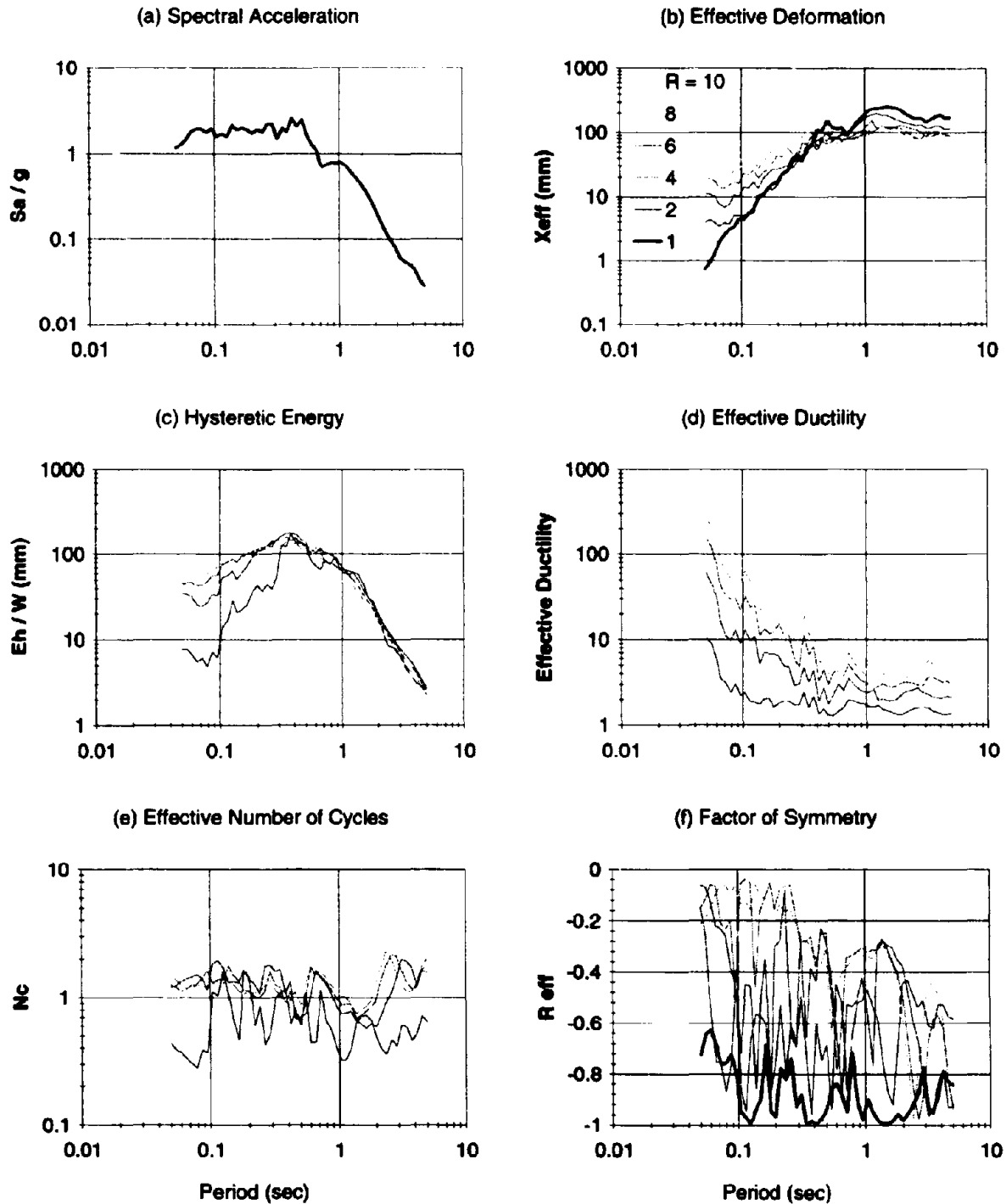


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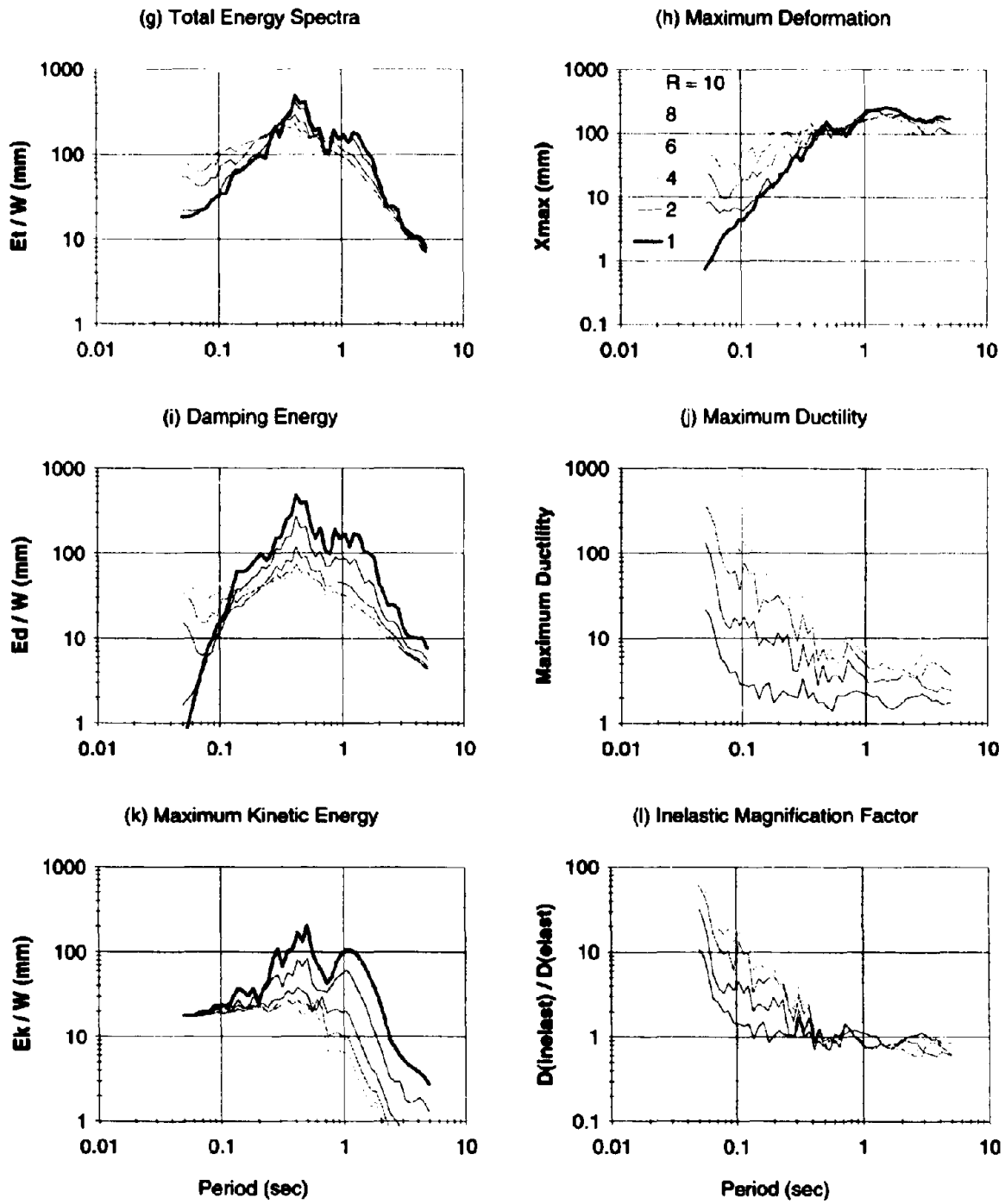


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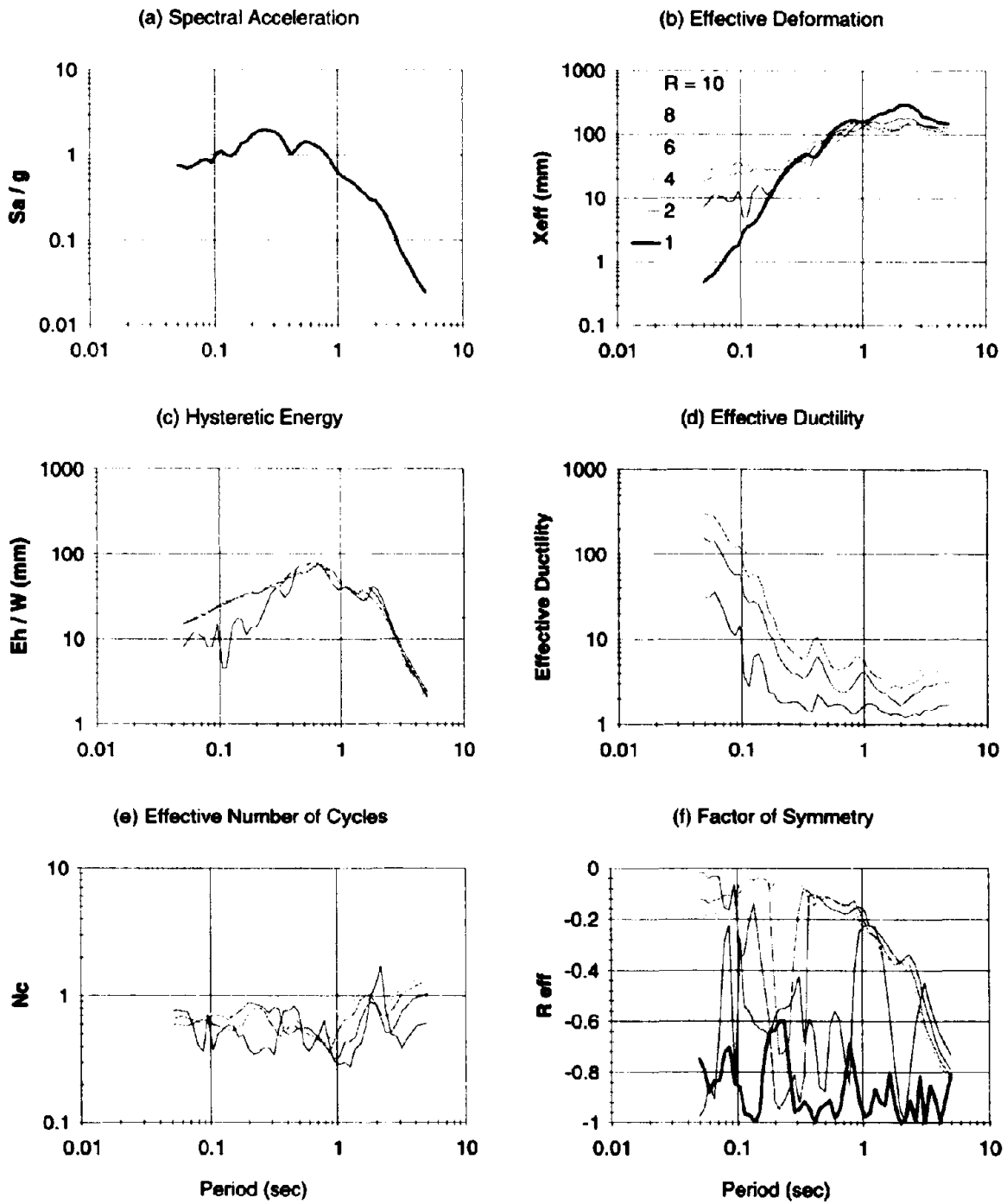


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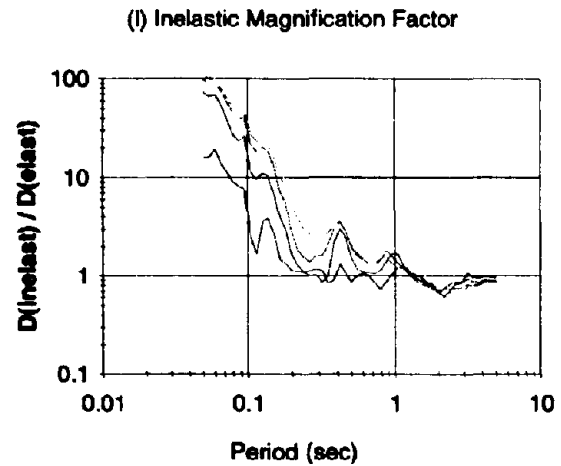
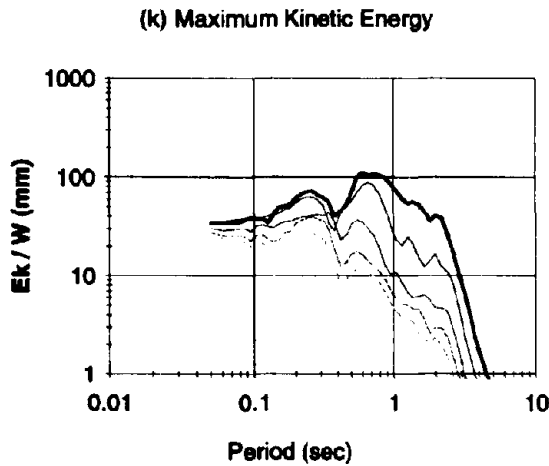
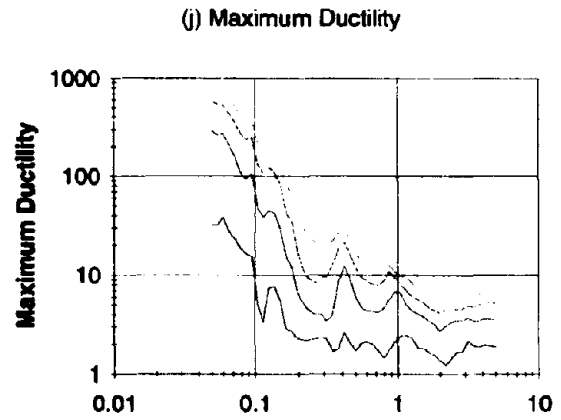
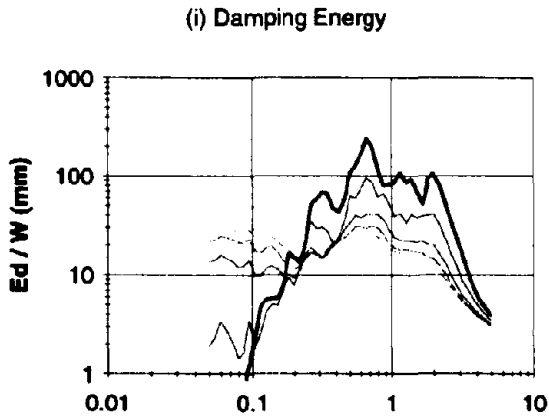
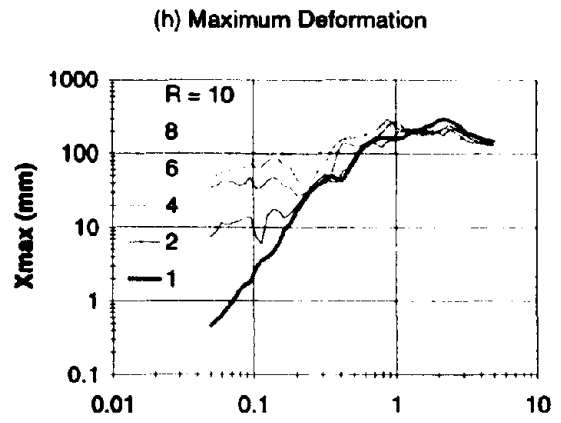
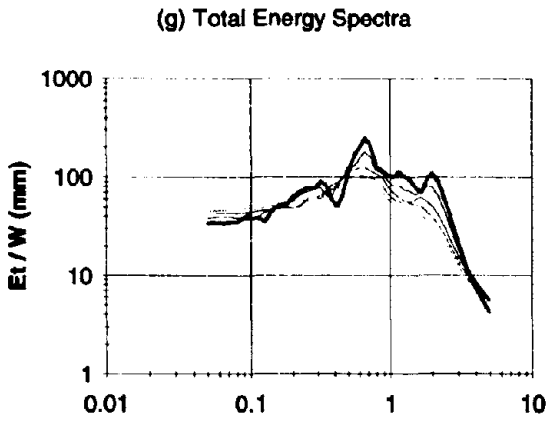


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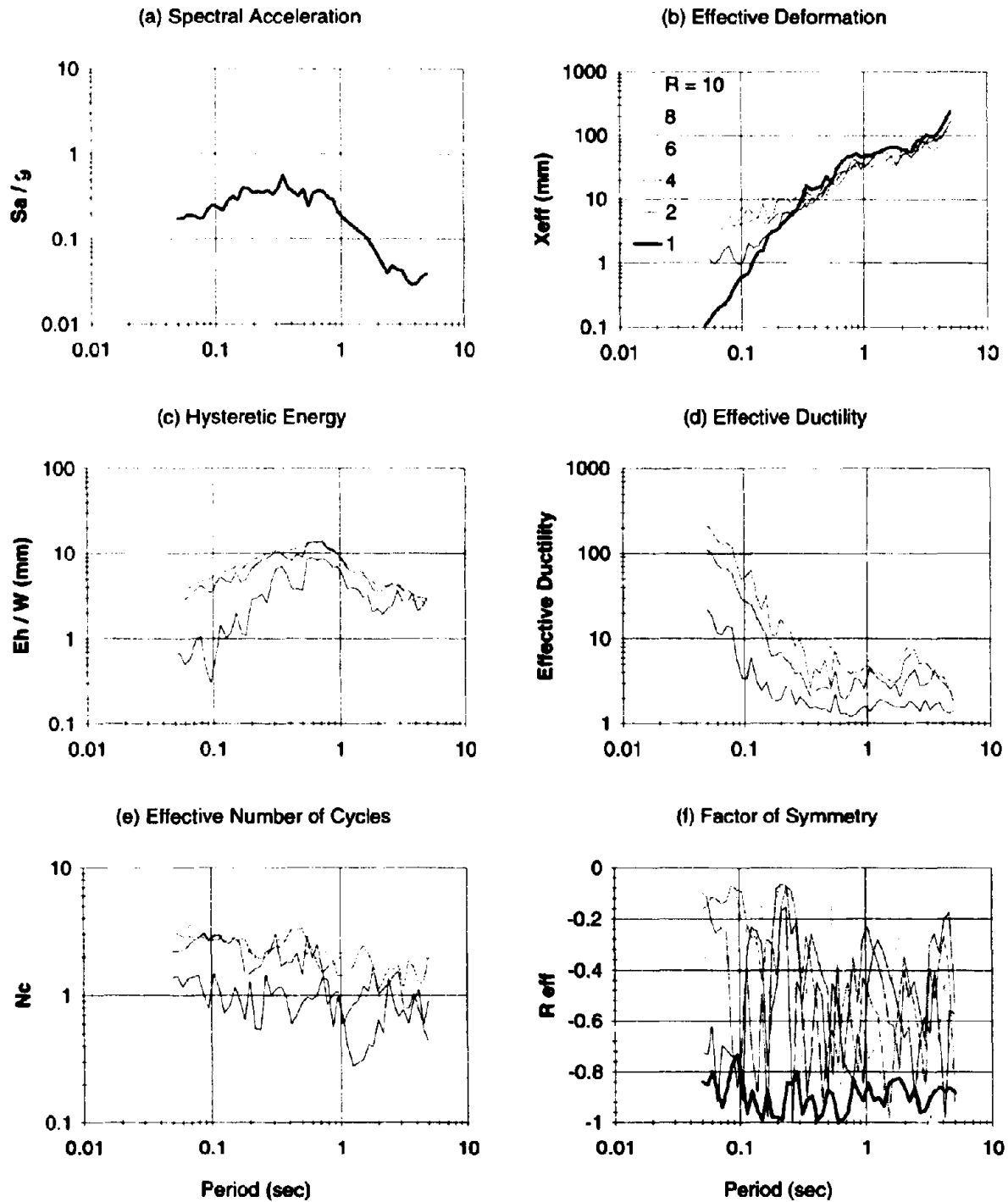


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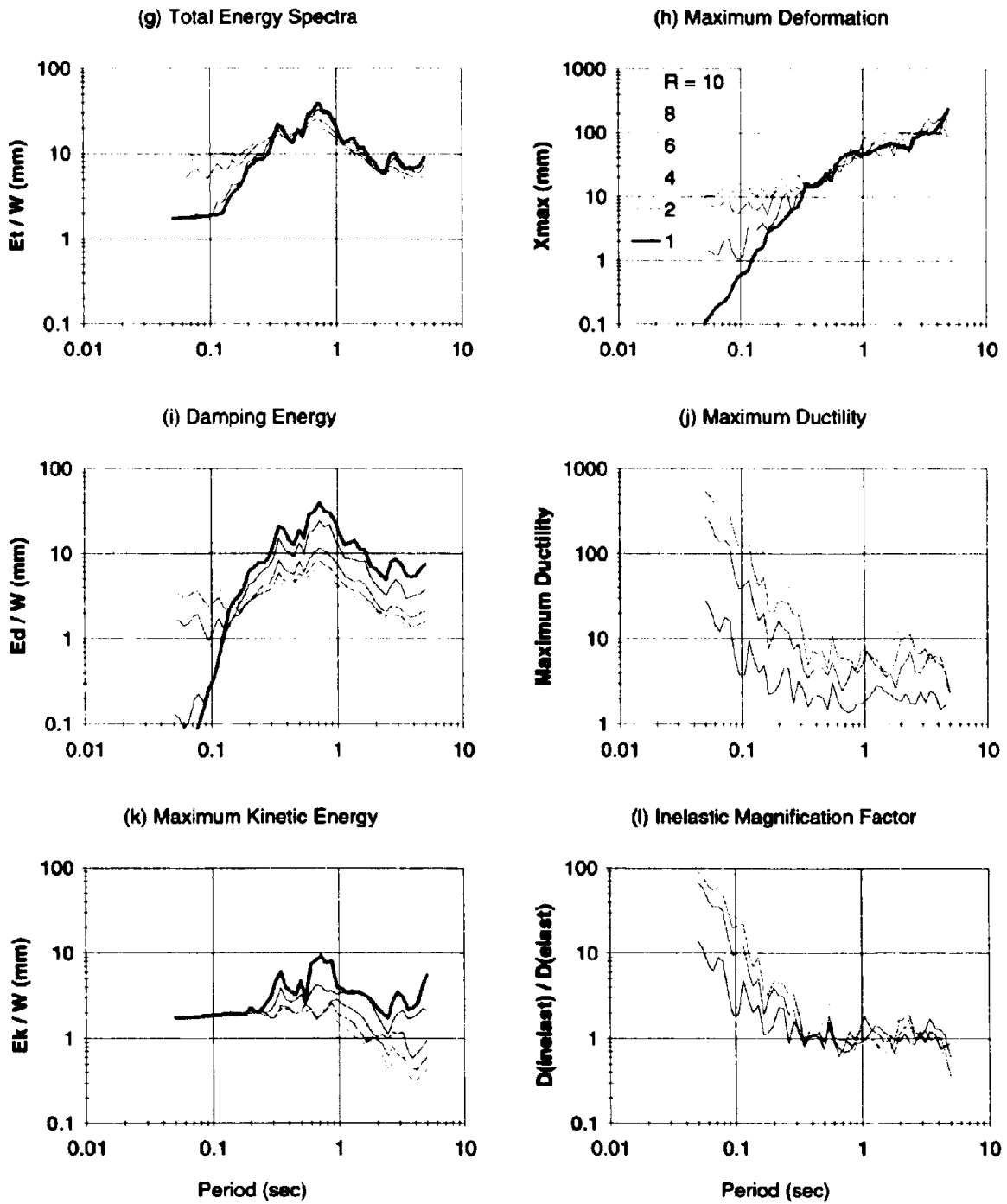


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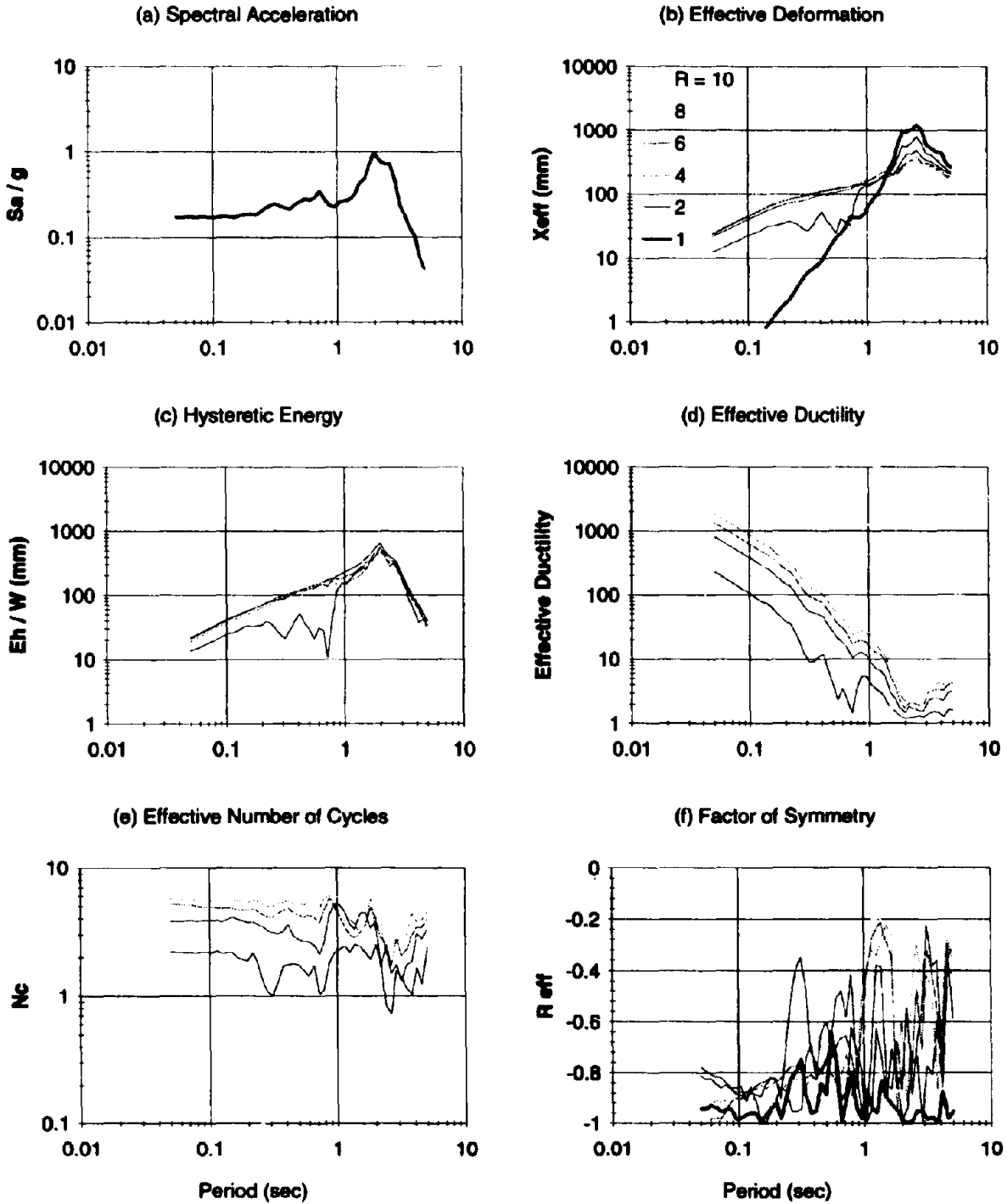


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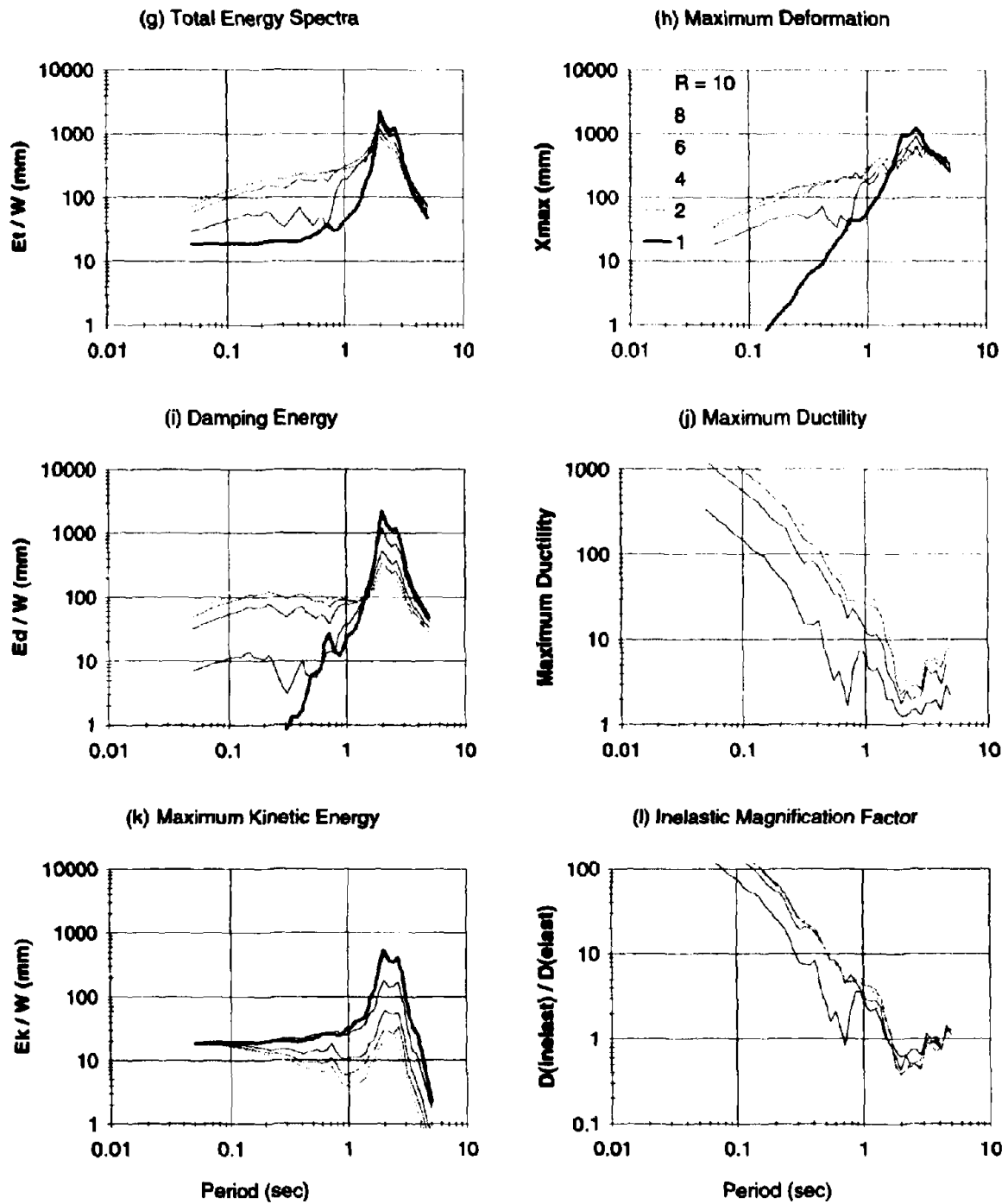


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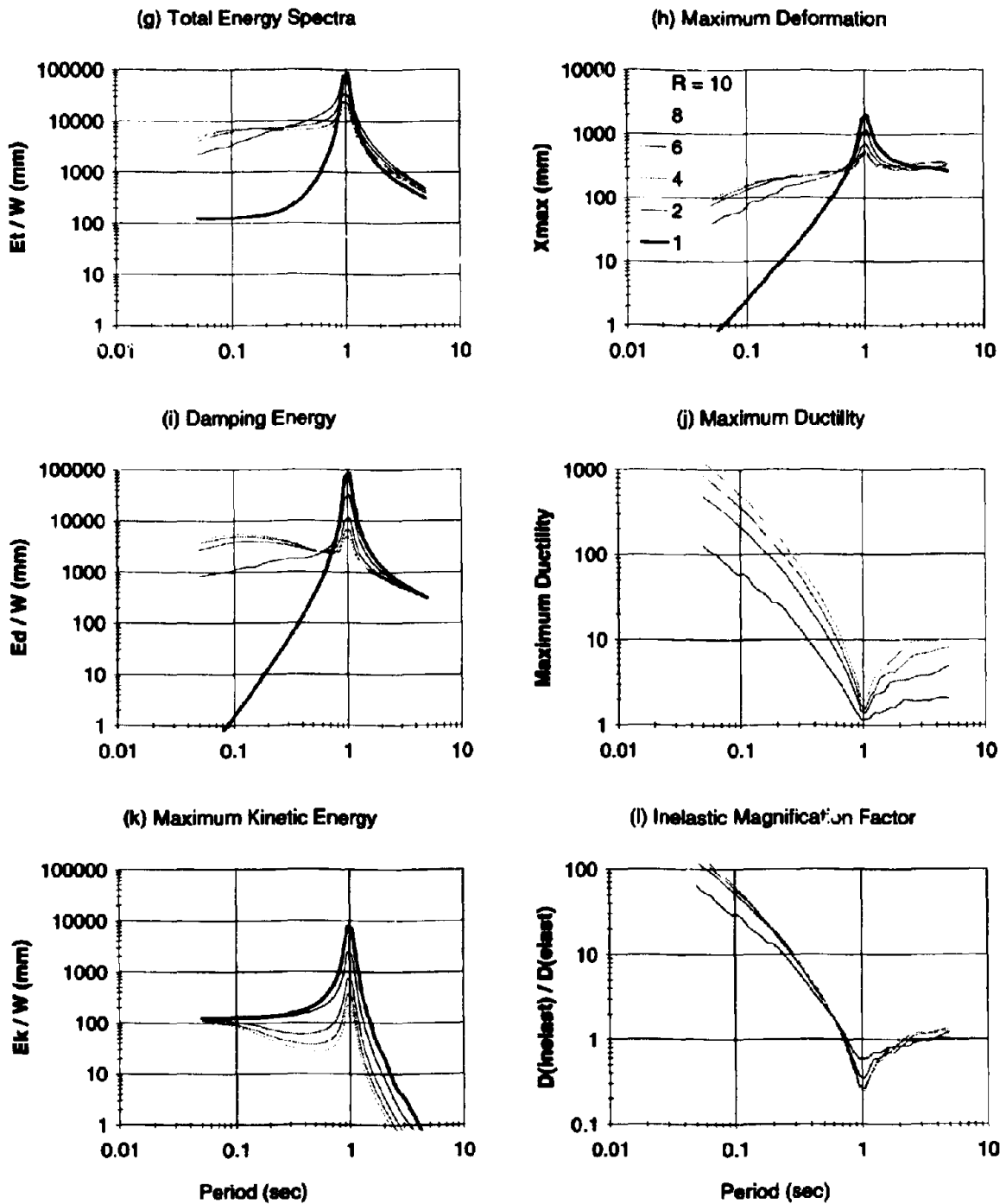


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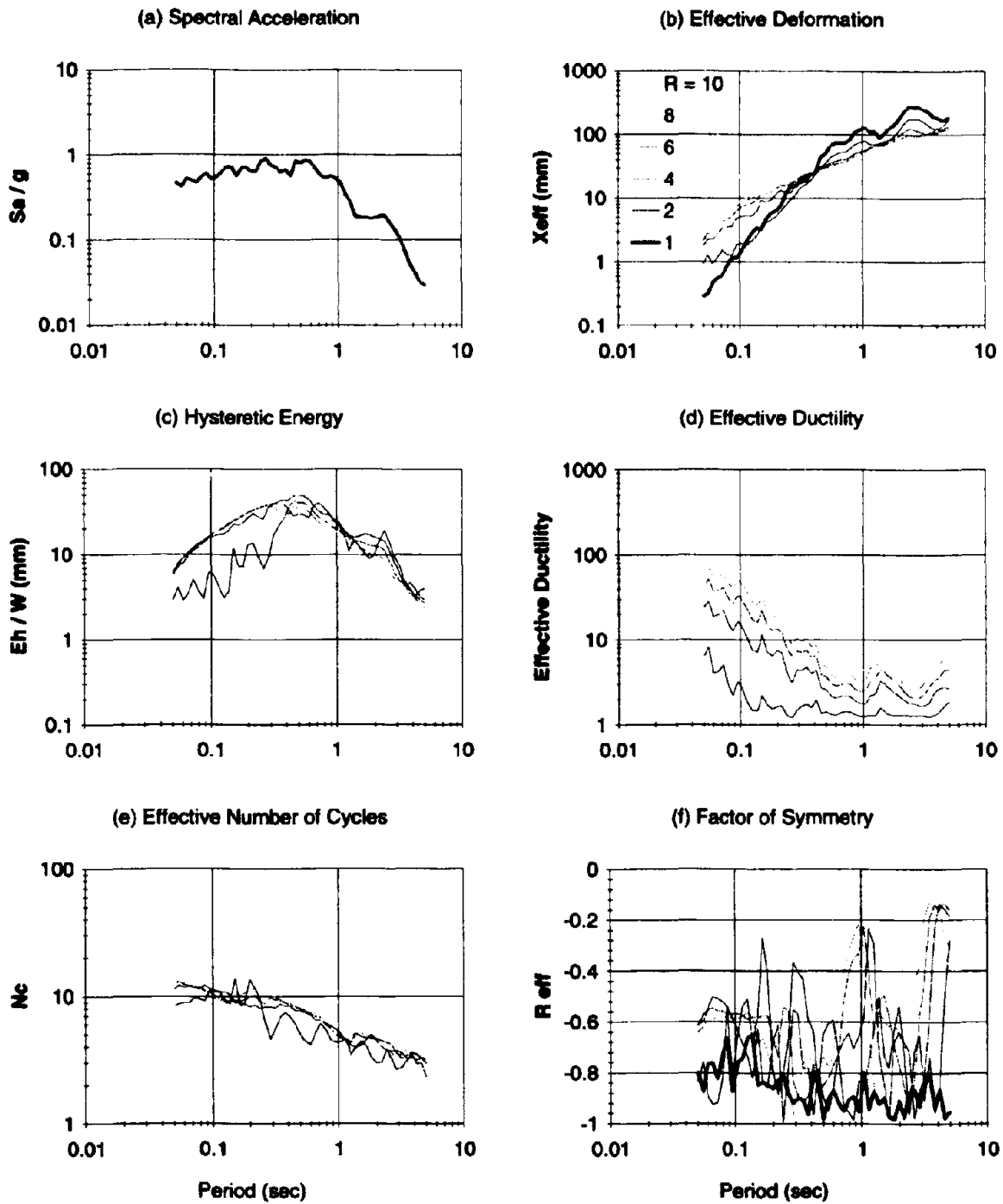


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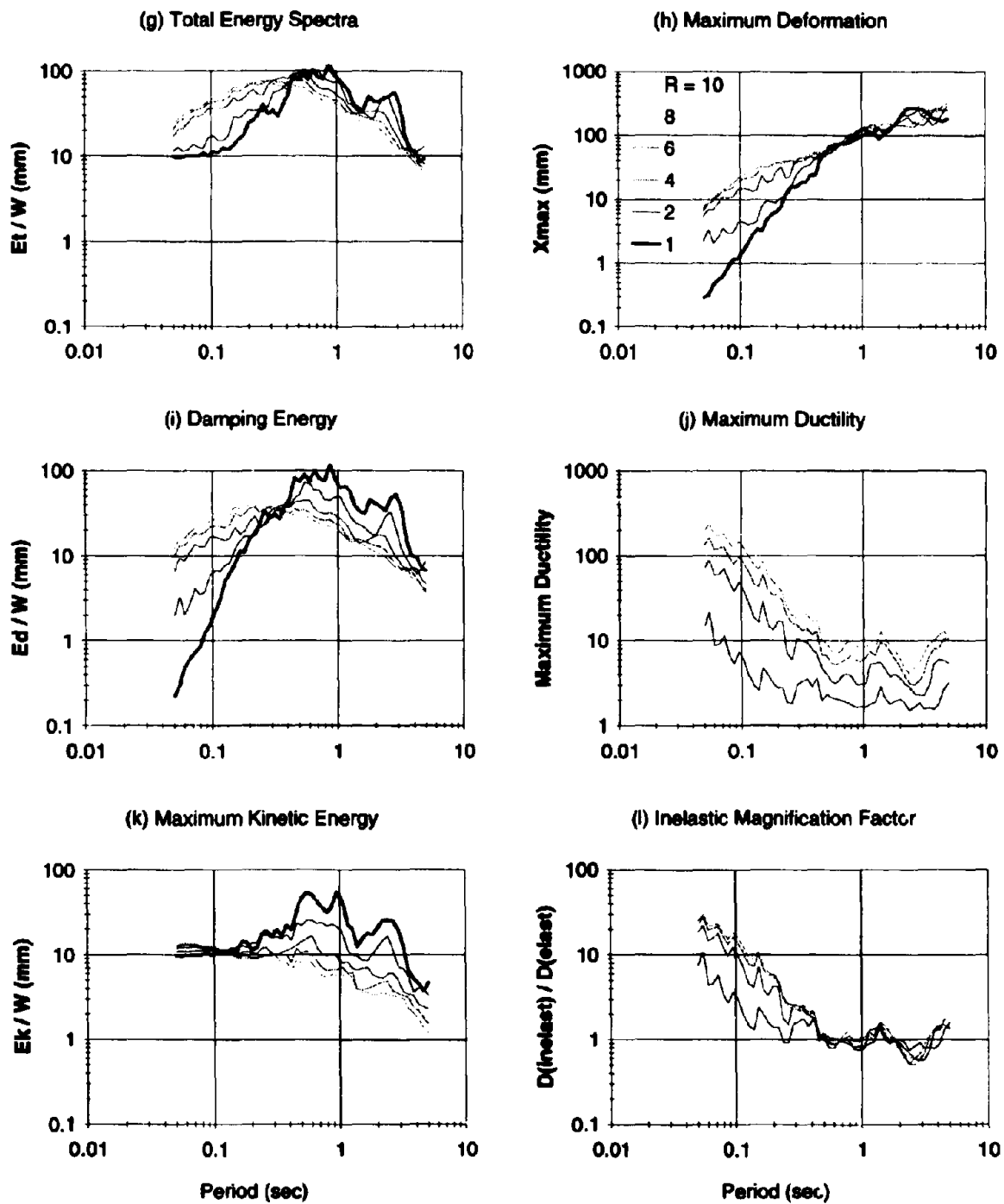


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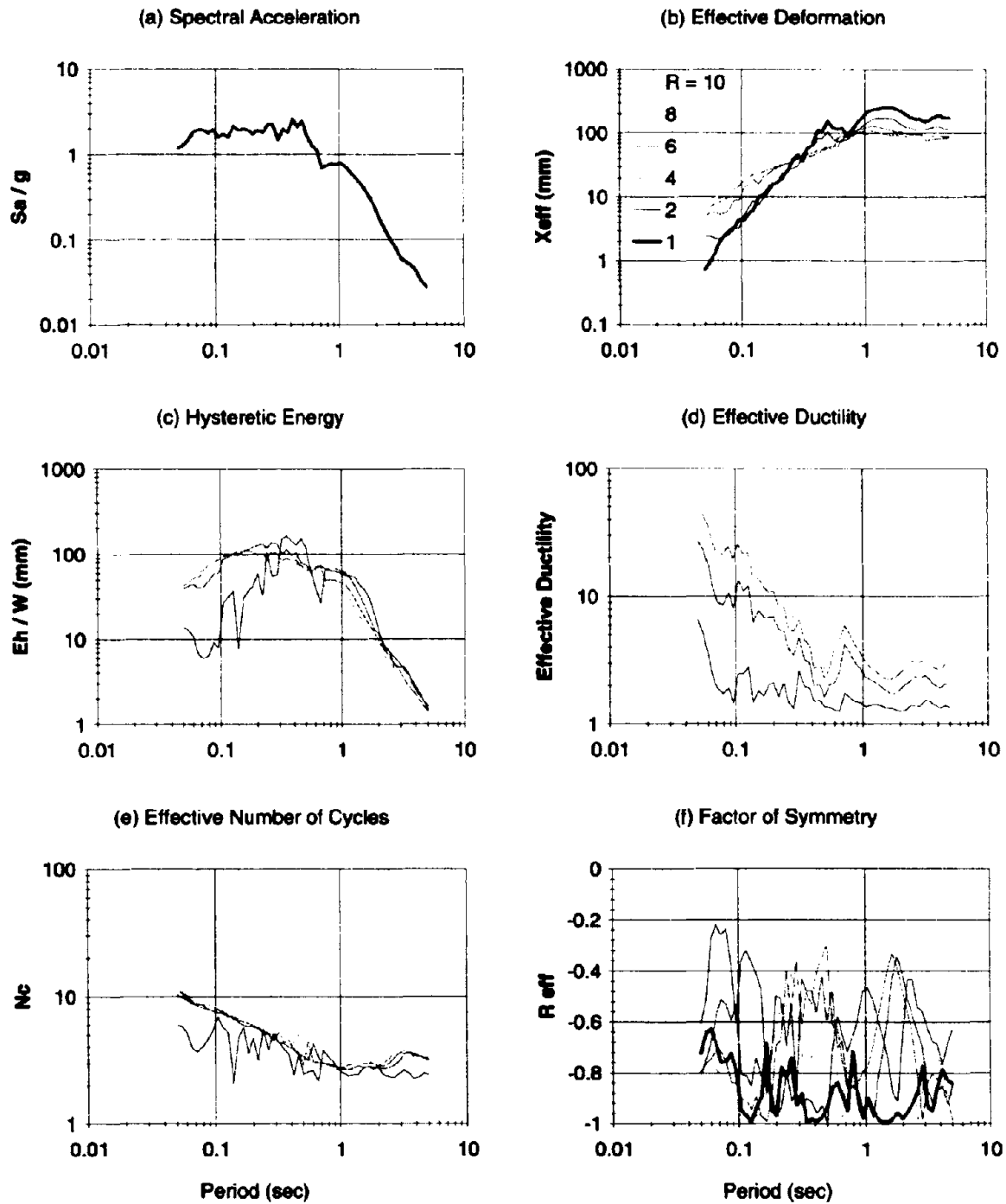


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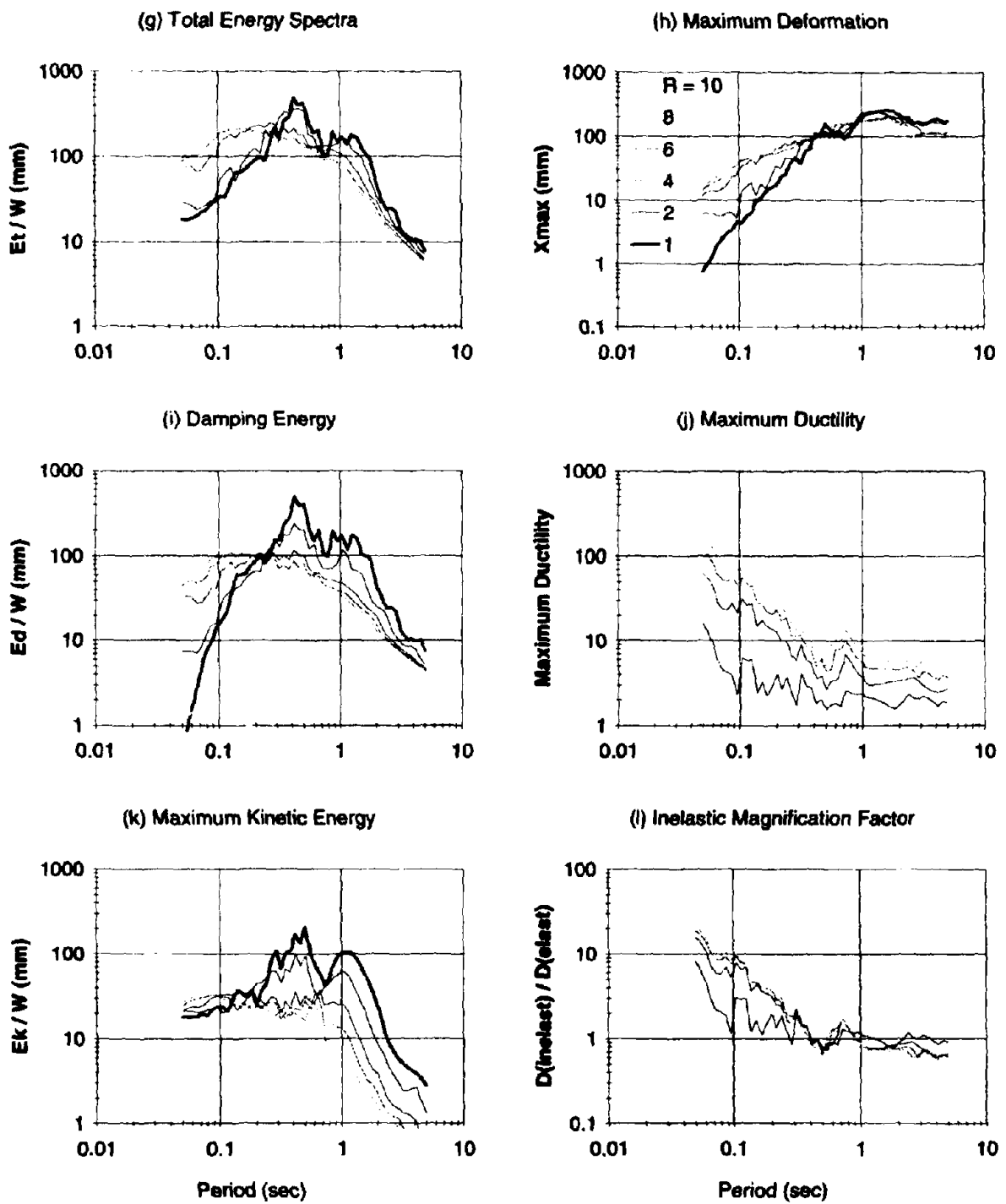


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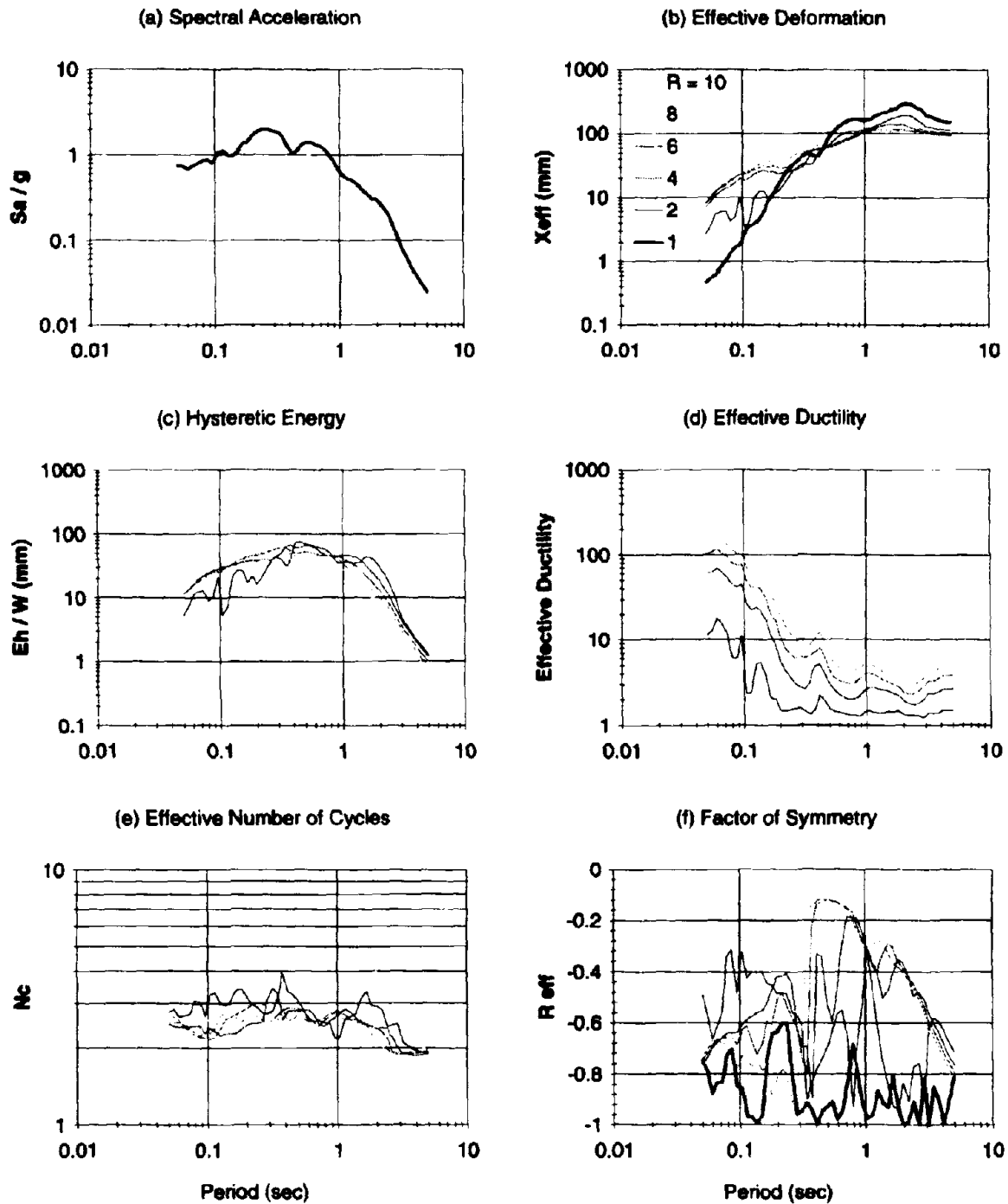


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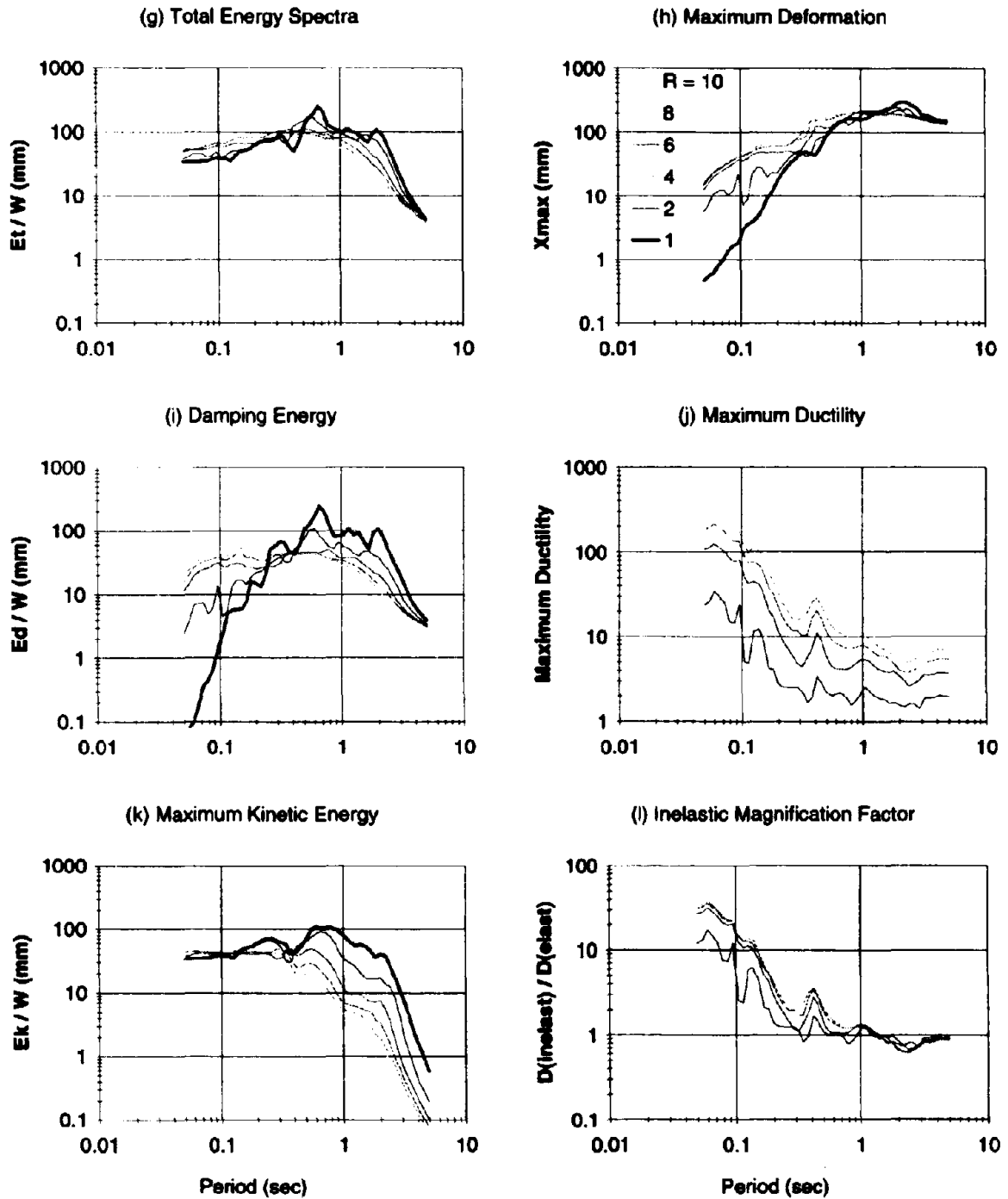


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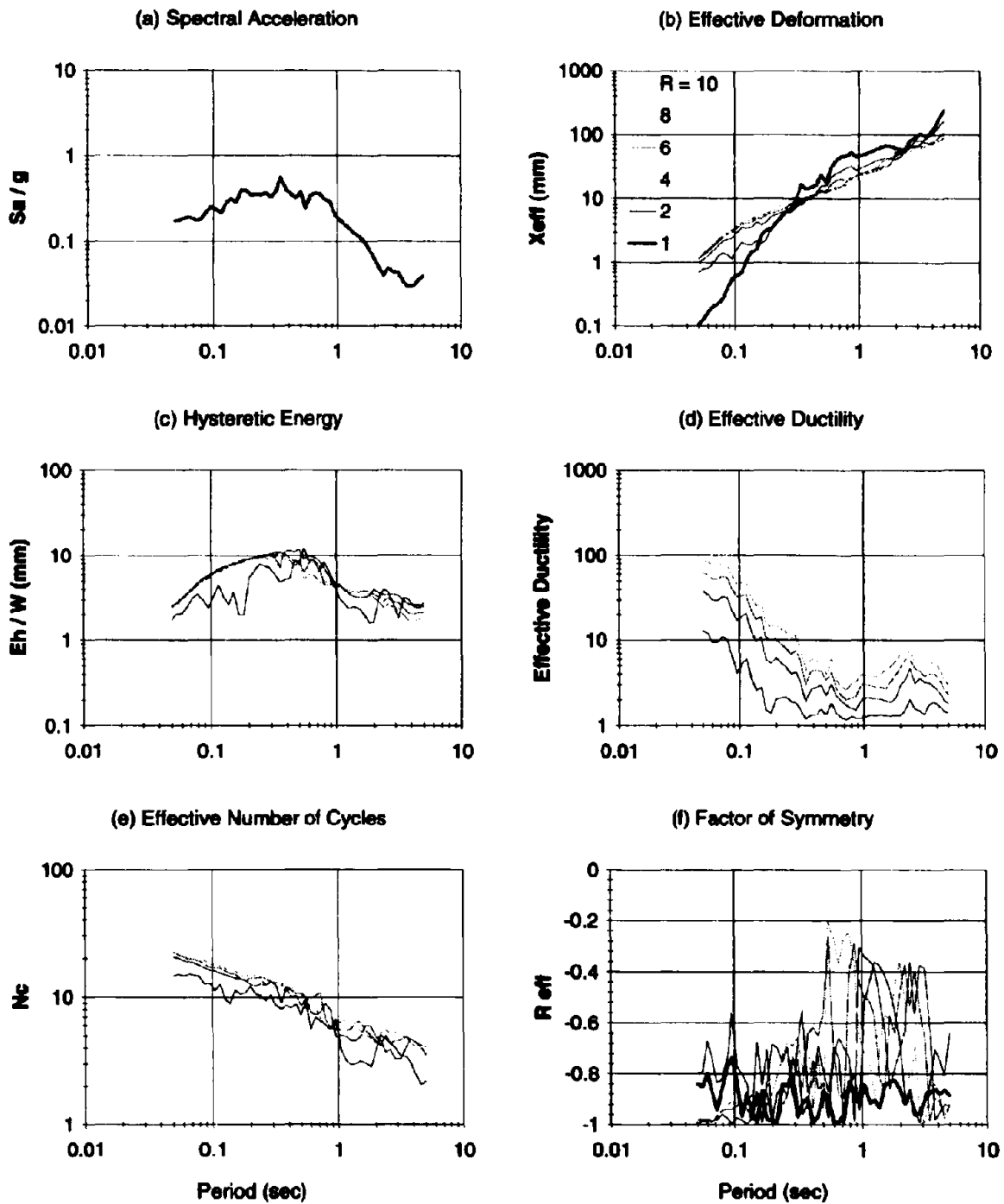


Fig. 4-21 Energy, Ductility and Low-Cycle Fatigue Demand Spectra for Taft (1952) N21E, with 5% Viscous Damping Ratio and $PGA = 0.156$ g. (Modified Takeda Model)

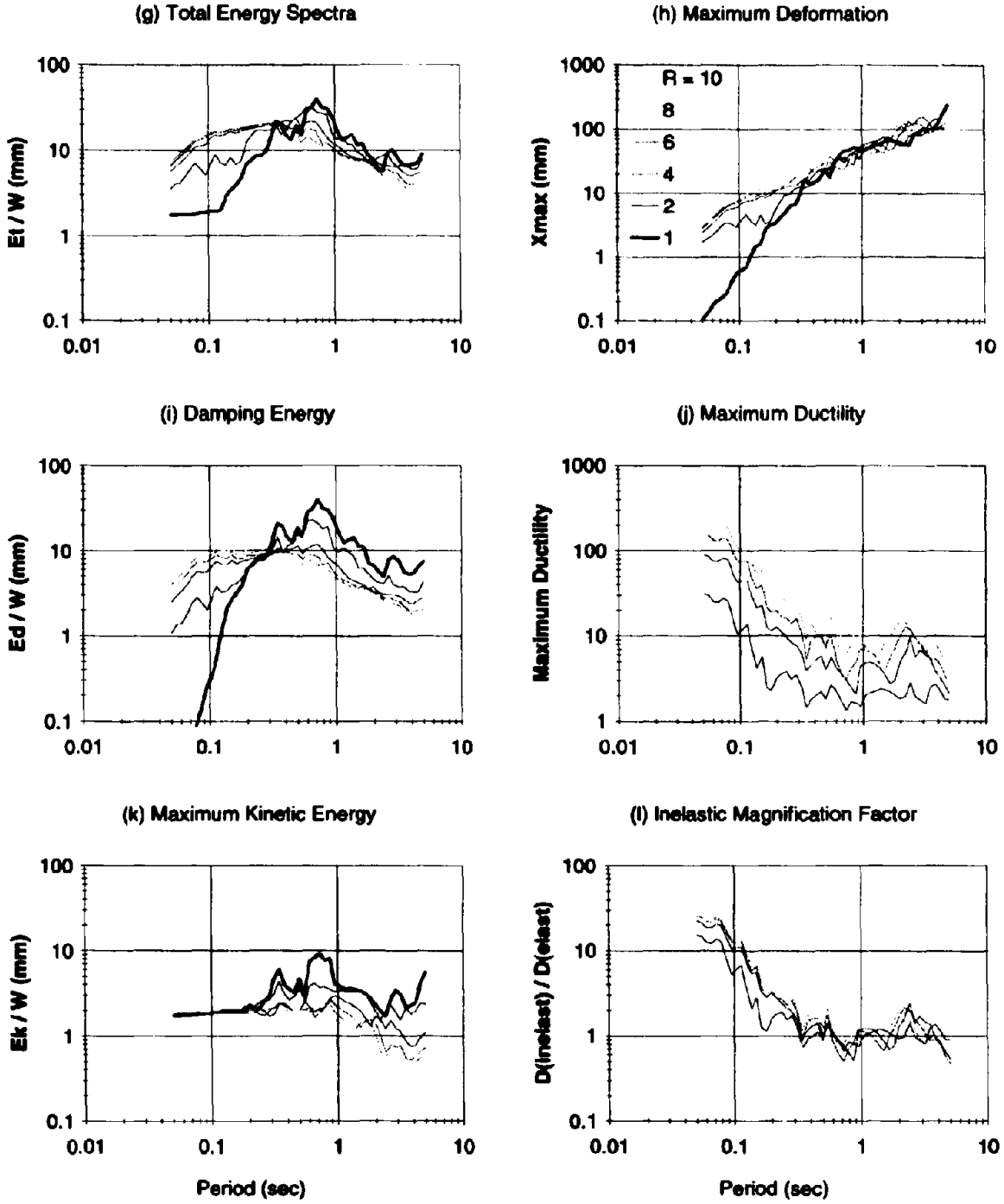


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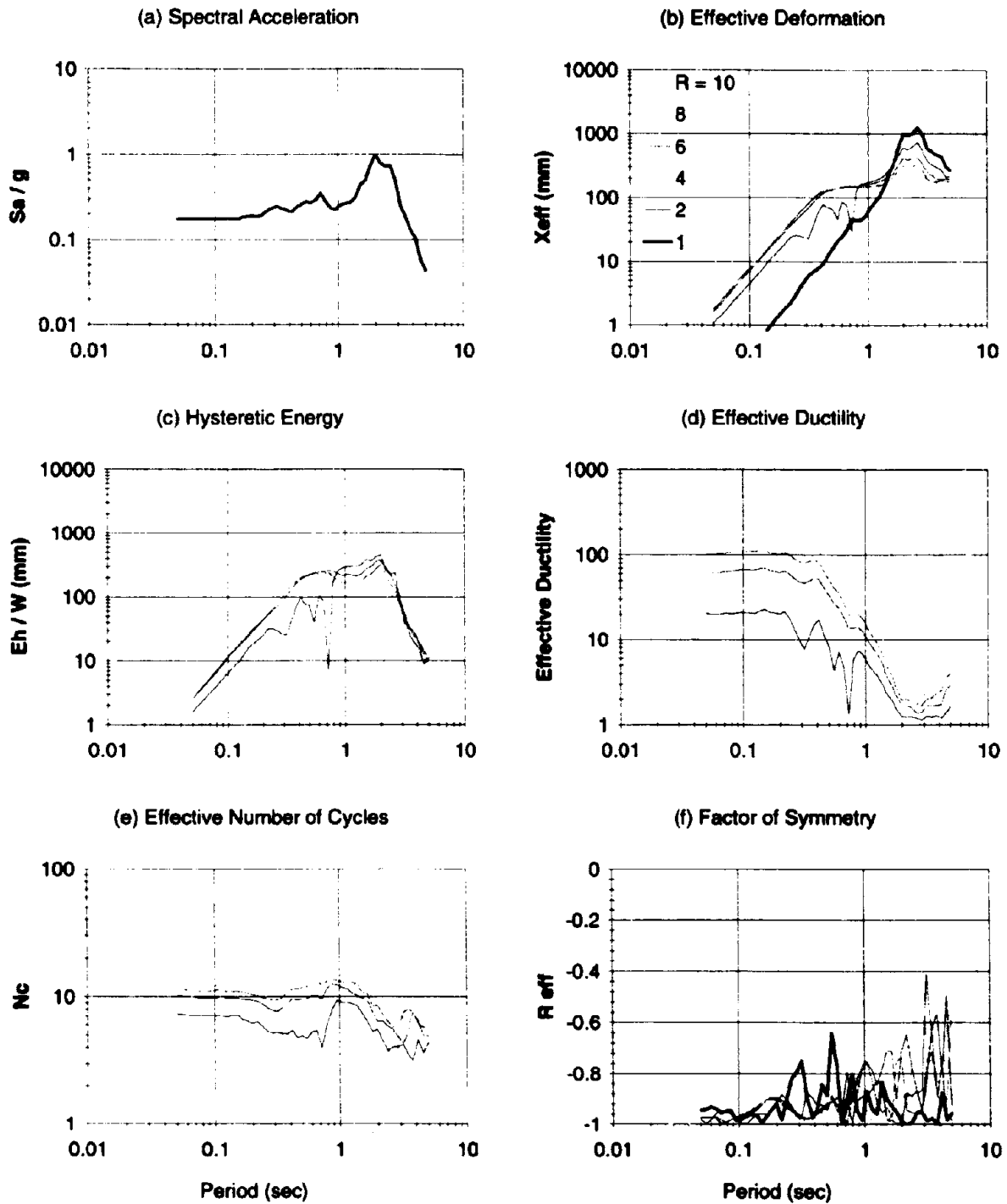


Fig. 4-22 Energy, Ductility and Low-Cycle Fatigue Demand Spectra for Mexico City (1985), with 5% Viscous Damping Ratio and $PGA = 0.171$ g. (Modified Takeda Model)

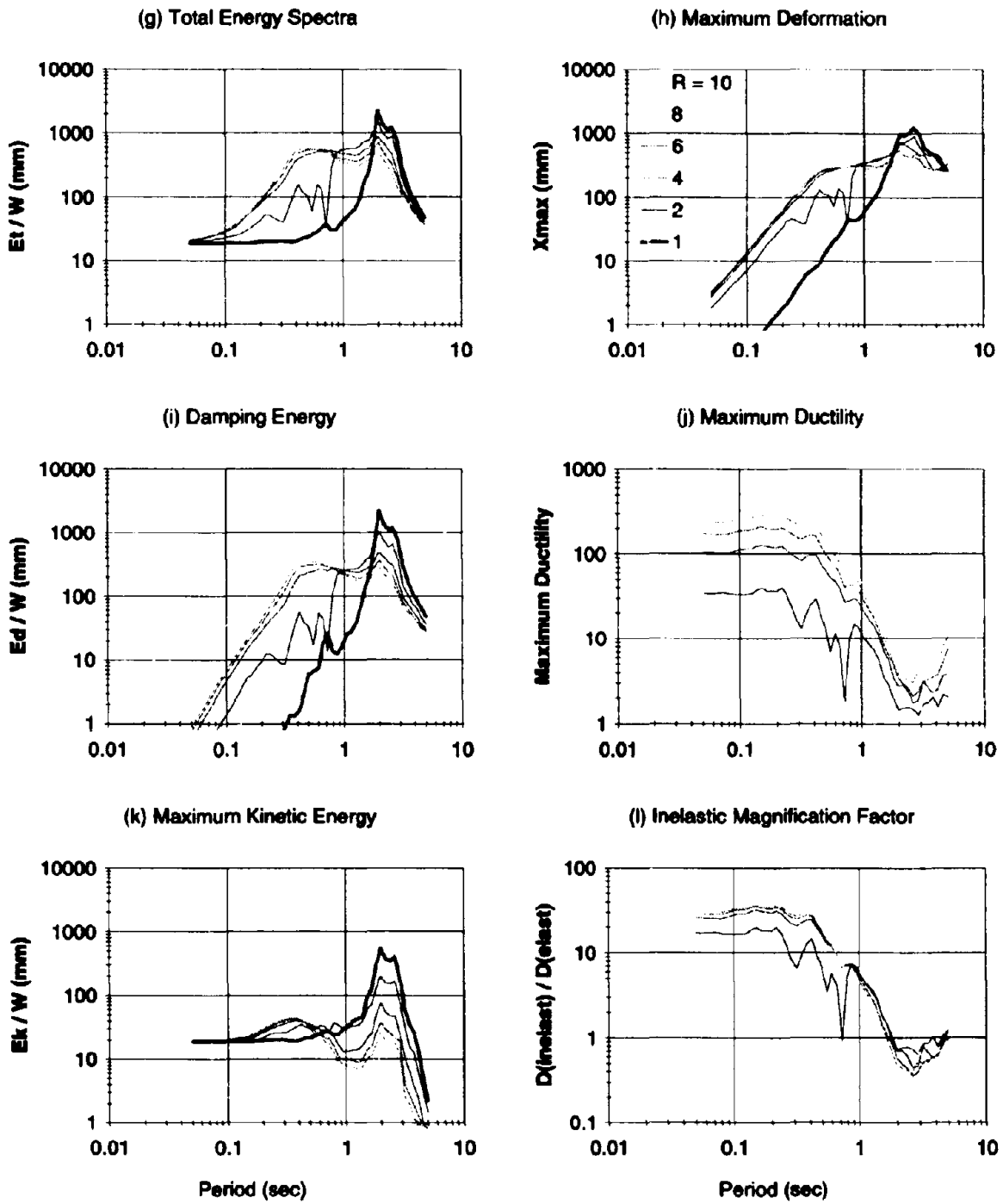


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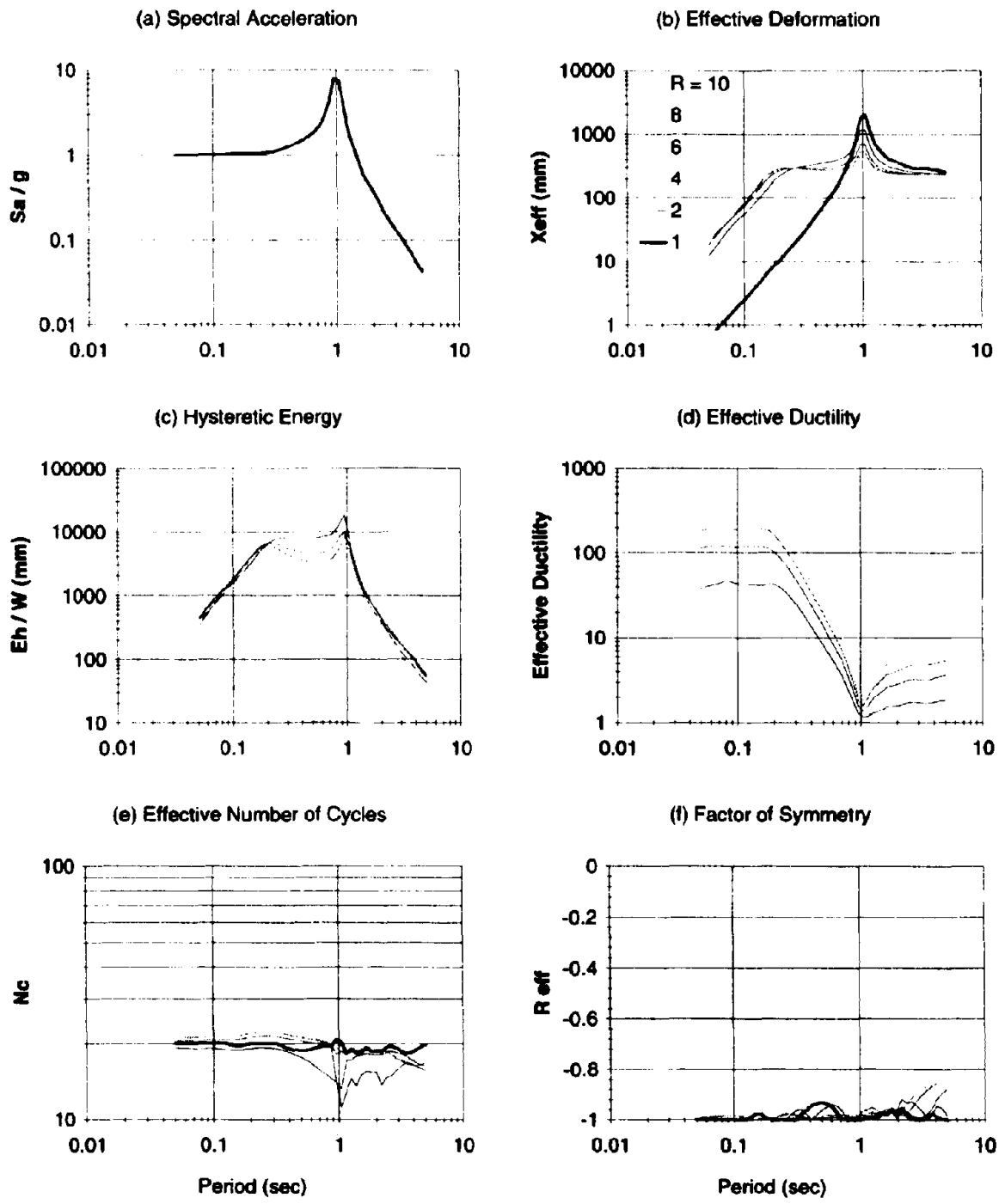


Fig. 4-23 Energy, Ductility and Low-Cycle Fatigue Demand Spectra for Sinusoidal Input, with 5% Viscous Damping Ratio and PGA = 1.0 g. (Modified Takeda Model)

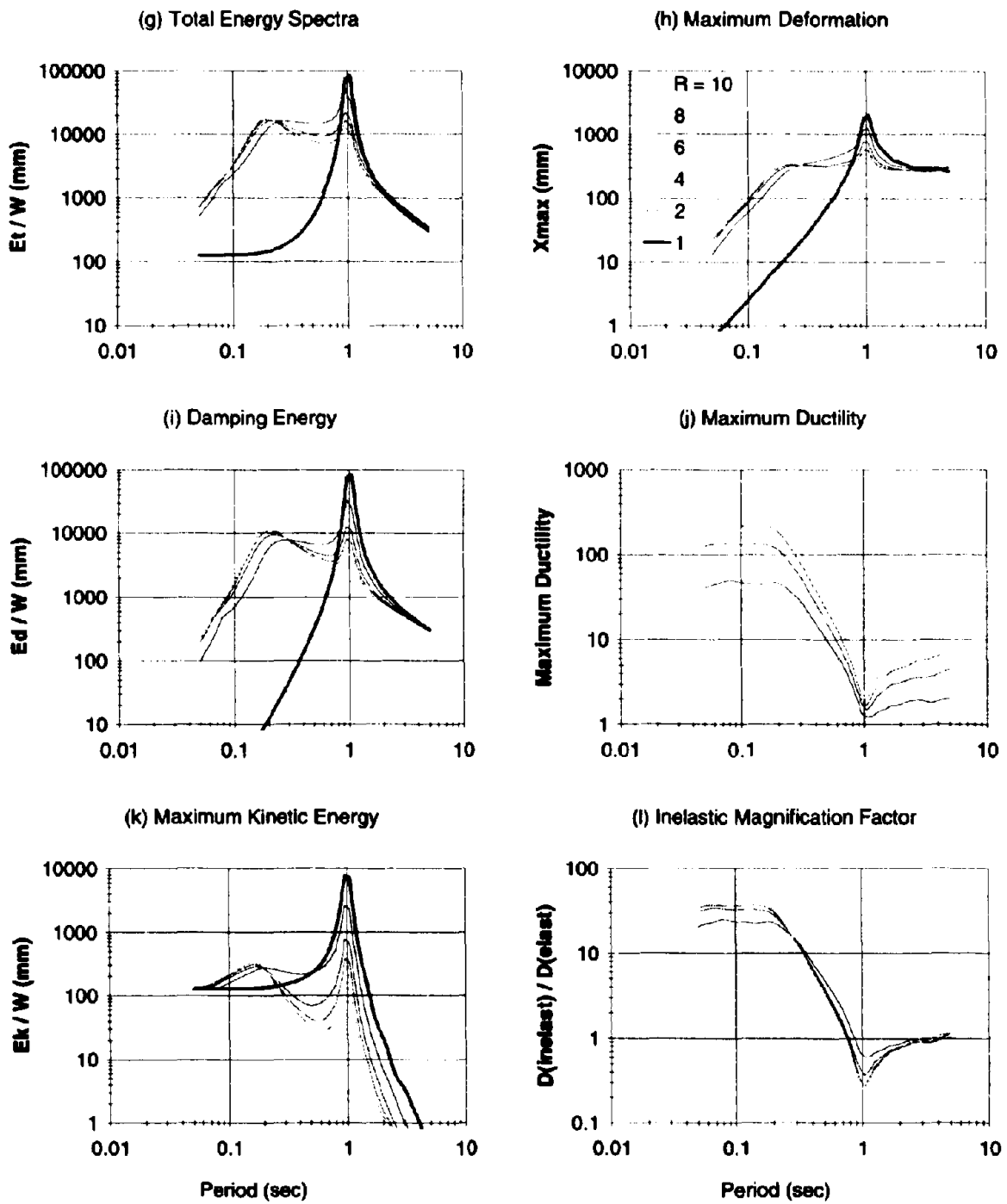


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Section 5

Seismic Analysis and Design Recommendations

5.1 Introduction

The high design forces required to ensure that a structure will behave elastically during a strong seismic event makes such a design uneconomical. In practice the elastic force demands are reduced by a strength reduction factor (R_μ) with the acceptance of some inelastic response. Thus suitable detailing of members is required to ensure ductile behavior of the structural components. As manifested in the previous section, the inelastic effects are a function of the strength reduction factor, peak ground acceleration (PGA), duration of strong shaking, frequency content, natural period and damping of the structure, detailing and hysteretic characteristics of the structural members.

In this study the problem of energy demand has been addressed. The seismic analysis and design implications of taking into consideration the energy demand and capacity will now be presented. The energy demand is related to the low cycle fatigue of concrete, longitudinal column steel and transverse hoop steel (Mander et al., 1988a, b), while the ductility demand is related to the overall structural stability as a result of P- Δ effects.

5.2 Analysis of Results

Based on analytical studies, Mander et al. (1984) proposed an inelastic dynamic magnification factor D_m which relates the maximum inelastic displacement (X_u) to the elastic spectral displacement (S_d) and is given by:

$$D_m = \frac{X_u}{S_d} = \frac{1}{R_\mu} \left[1 + \left(\frac{T_o}{T} \right) (R_\mu - 1) \right] \geq 1 \quad (5-1)$$

in which D_m = inelastic dynamic magnification factor, T = natural period of the structure, R_μ = strength reduction factor and T_o = period that separates "long" period structures from "medium" and "short" period structures. Based on an envelop to a series of maximum credible earthquakes,

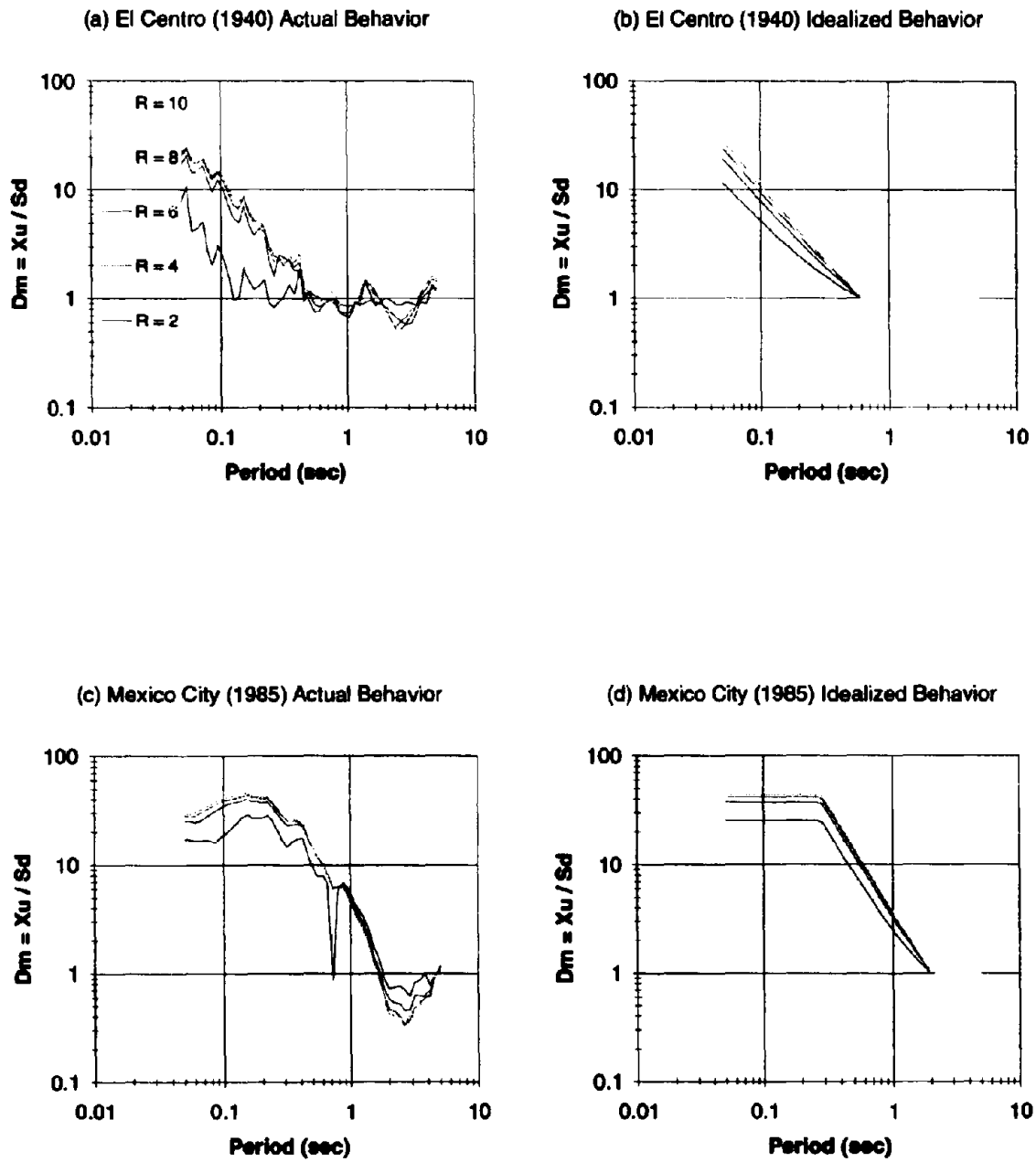
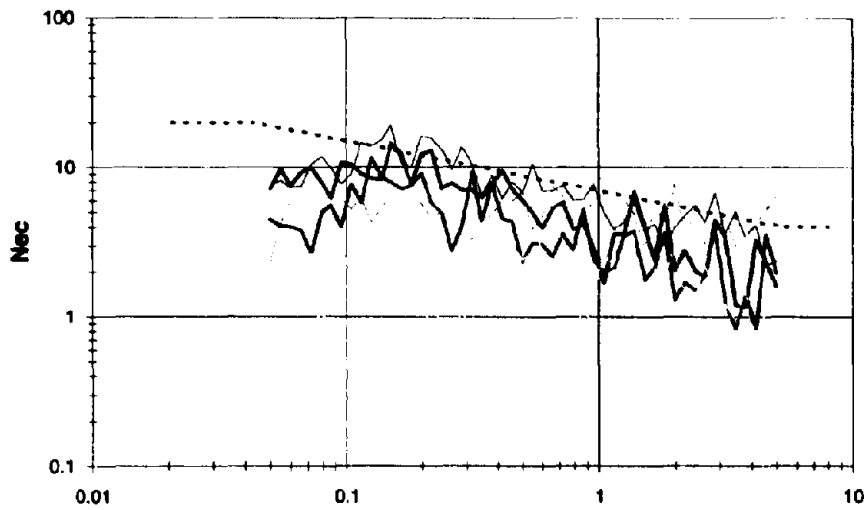


Fig. 5-1 Inelastic Dynamic Magnification Factor Idealization

(a) Equivalent Number of Elastic Cycles



(b) Equivalent Number of Inelastic Cycles for $R = 6$

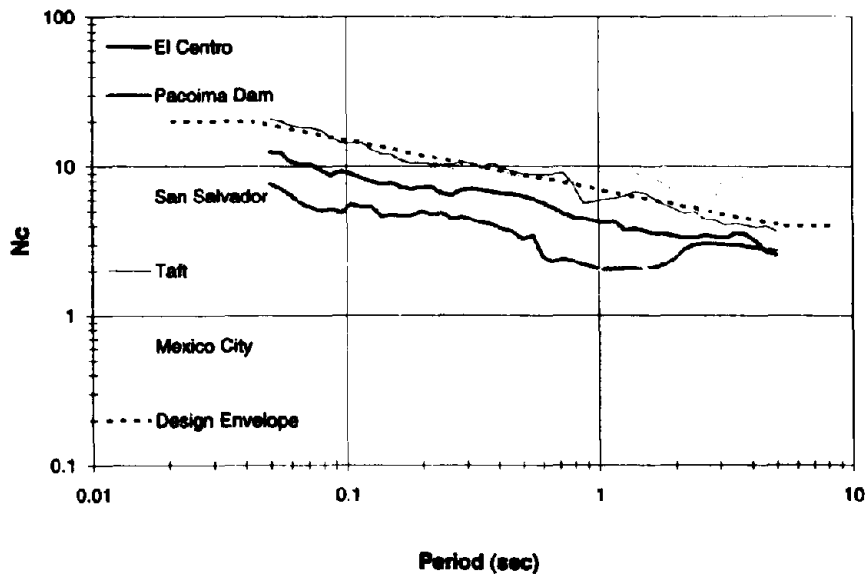


Fig. 5-2 Equivalent Number of Elastic and Inelastic Fully Reversed Cycles

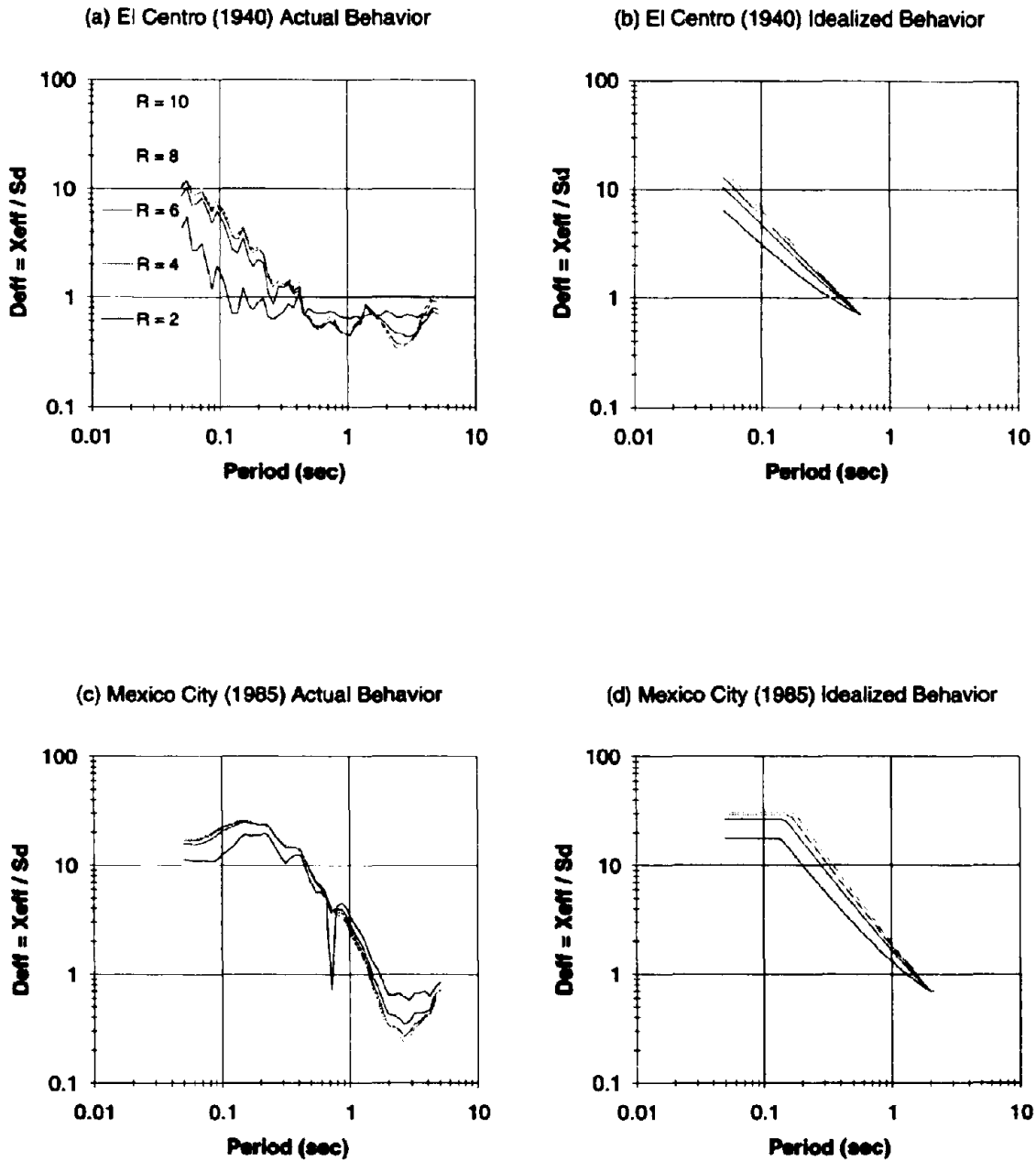


Fig. 5-3 Effective Inelastic Dynamic Magnification Factor Idealization

Eq. (5-4) is shown in Fig. 5-3. Comparing Eqs. (5-4) and (5-2) it is evident that in general the equivalent effective displacement amplitude is 70% of the maximum displacement, $X_{eff} = 0.7X_u$.

5.3 Design Recommendations

In earlier studies, it has been shown that the low cycle fatigue of reinforcing and prestressing bars may be expressed in the form of a single universal fatigue equation (Kasalanati, 1993; Mander et al., 1992)

$$\epsilon_{ap} = \epsilon'_f (2N_f)^b \quad (5-5)$$

in which ϵ_{ap} = plastic strain amplitude, N_f = number of cycles to failure and ϵ'_f and b = fatigue strain and exponent coefficient respectively. Panthaki (1992) found experimentally that the following equation holds for both reinforcing and high strength prestressing bars

$$\epsilon_{ap} = 0.08(2N_f)^{-0.5} \quad (5-6)$$

As shown in Fig. 5-2, the number of cycles demand is given by Eq. 5-3. Thus replacing Eq. 5-3 into Eq. 5-6 gives,

$$\epsilon_{ap}(c) = 0.021 T^{1/6} \quad (5-7)$$

This equation describes the limiting effective plastic strain amplitude capacity of the longitudinal reinforcement as a function of the structure's natural period. Thus, the effective plastic strain amplitude should be kept below this limit, if a low cycle fatigue failure is to be avoided.

The plastic curvature is related to the plastic strain amplitude in the longitudinal bars by:

$$\phi_p = \frac{2\epsilon_{ap}}{d-d'} \quad (5-8)$$

where ϕ_p = average plastic hinge curvature, $d-d'$ = distance between outermost longitudinal bars, and $2\epsilon_{ap}$ = total plastic strain amplitude. When the plastic hinge is subjected to one completely reversed cycle at a plastic curvature amplitude of $\pm\phi_p$, the outermost longitudinal bars are subjected to a total plastic strain amplitude of $2\epsilon_{ap}$, as shown in Fig. 5-4.

The plastic rotation at the plastic hinge is given by,

$$\theta_p = \phi_p L_p = 2\epsilon_{ap} \frac{L_p}{d-d'} \quad (5-9)$$

where θ_p = plastic hinge rotation and L_p = equivalent plastic hinge length. By replacing Eq. 5-7 into Eq. 5-9, the plastic rotation capacity (or column drift) is given as,

$$\theta_p(c) = 0.042 T^{1/6} \frac{L_p}{d - d'} \quad (5-10)$$

It is also possible to define an equivalent yield rotation for a cantilever column as follows.

The displacement of an elastic cantilever column, Fig. 5-5, is given by:

$$\Delta_y = \frac{F_y L}{3 EI} = \phi_y \frac{L^2}{3} \quad (5-11)$$

Thus, an equivalent average rotation (The yield drift) may be expressed as,

$$\theta_y = \frac{\Delta_y}{L} = \phi_y \frac{L}{3} \quad (5-12)$$

The yield curvature can also be expressed approximately in terms of yield strain, similarly to Eq. 5-8, as:

$$\phi_y = \frac{2 \varepsilon_y}{d - d'} \quad (5-13)$$

Thus, replacing Eq. (5-13) into Eq. (5-12) the equivalent yield rotation is given by:

$$\theta_y = \frac{2}{3} \varepsilon_y \frac{L}{d - d'} \quad (5-14)$$

Thus, the effective displacement capacity is expressed by,

$$X_{eff}(c) = D_{eff} S_d = X_{p,eff} + X_y = [\theta_p(c) + \theta_y] L \quad (5-15)$$

Dividing this equation by the yield displacement, X_y , gives

$$\frac{X_{eff}}{X_y} = D_{eff} \frac{S_d}{X_y} = \frac{[\theta_p + \theta_y] L}{X_y} = \frac{\theta_p}{\theta_y} + 1 \quad (5-16)$$

By definition,

$$X_y = \frac{S_d}{R_\mu} \quad (5-17)$$

Replacing Eqs. (5-10), (5-14) and (5-17) into Eq. (5-16), gives

$$D_{eff} R_\mu = \frac{0.063}{\varepsilon_y} T^{1/6} \left(\frac{L_p}{L} \right) + 1 \quad (5-18)$$

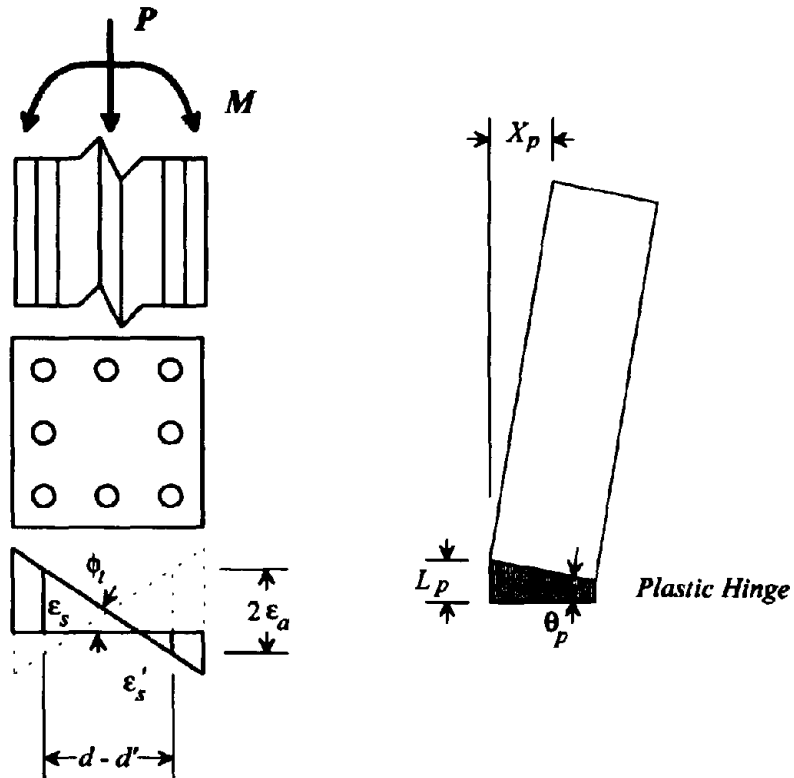


Fig. 5-4 Plastic Curvature, Plastic Rotation, Plastic Deformation and Plastic Strain Amplitude.

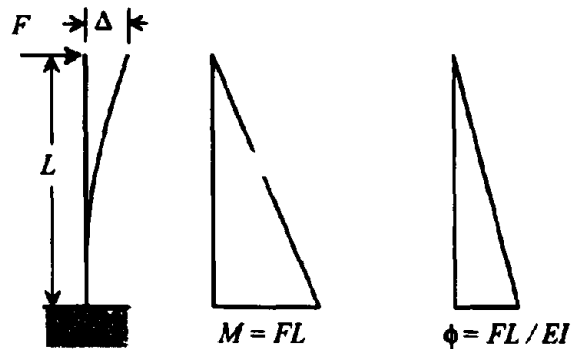


Fig. 5-5 Elastic Column Behavior

The equivalent plastic hinge length given by Paulay and Priestley (1992) can be given as:

$$L_p = 0.08L + 4350\varepsilon_y d_b \quad (5-19)$$

where L = column length (M/V), d_b = diameter of the longitudinal steel and ε_y = yield strain of that steel.

A conservative value for in Eq. (5-4) is 0.7 sec. Thus,

$$D_{eff} = \frac{0.7}{R_\mu} \left[1 + (R_\mu - 1) \left(\frac{0.7}{T} \right)^{1.1+R_\mu/40} \right] \quad T < 0.7 \text{ sec} \quad (5-20)$$

$$D_{eff} = 0.7 \quad T \geq 0.7 \text{ sec}$$

now, replacing Eq. (5-20) into (5-18),

$$R_\mu = 1 + \left[\frac{0.09}{\varepsilon_y} T^{1/6} \left(\frac{L_p}{L} \right) + \frac{3}{7} \right] \left(\frac{T}{0.7} \right)^{1.1+R_\mu/40} \quad T < 0.7 \text{ sec} \quad (5-21a)$$

$$R_\mu = 45T^{1/6} \left(\frac{L_p}{L} \right) + 1.43 \quad T \geq 0.7 \text{ sec} \quad (5-21b)$$

A yield strain of $\varepsilon_y = 0.002$ may be conservatively adopted, thus by applying Eq. (5-19) to (5-21)

$$R_\mu = 1 + \left[\left(3.6 + 400 \frac{d_b}{L} \right) T^{1/6} + 0.43 \right] \left(\frac{T}{0.7} \right)^{1.1+R_\mu/40} \quad T < 0.7 \text{ sec} \quad (5-22a)$$

$$R_\mu = \left(3.6 + 400 \frac{d_b}{L} \right) T^{1/6} + 1.43 \quad T \geq 0.7 \text{ sec} \quad (5-22b)$$

As Eq. (5-22a) is in implicit form, a simple fixed-point iteration procedure can be used to find R_μ .

Typical values of the fatigue limiting force reduction factor are presented as a function of the natural period in Fig. 5-6. Different bar diameter to column length ratios of $\frac{d_b}{L} = 1/300$, $1/100$ and $1/50$ are shown to be representative of large box columns, typical bridge columns and squat shear-critical columns, respectively (Mander et al., 1984).

The strength reduction factor, shown in Fig. 5-6, can be directly applied to an elastic design spectral acceleration envelope to obtain the inelastic base shear coefficient. AASHTO (1989) recommends an elastic design envelope in the form:

$$\frac{S_a}{PGA} = cT^{-2/3} \leq 2.5 \quad (5-24)$$

in which S_a = spectral acceleration, PGA = peak ground acceleration and c = a constant varying from 1.25 for stiff soil to 2.5 for soft soil. The PGA is defined according to the seismic zone of design. In Fig. 5-7 the limiting inelastic design spectra for fatigue is presented.

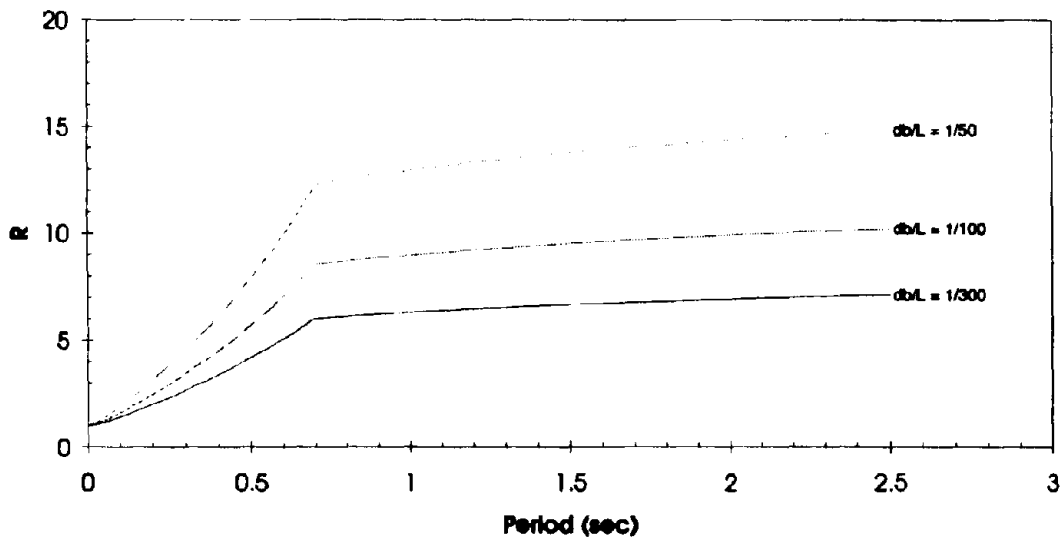


Fig. 5-6 Fatigue Limiting Force Reduction Factors

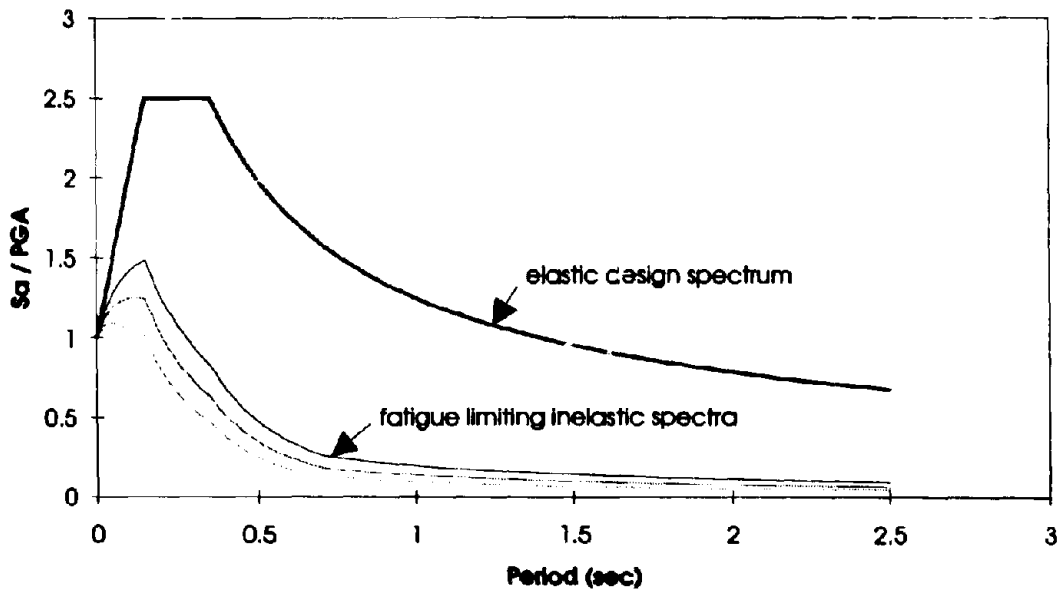


Fig. 5-7 Inelastic Design Spectra Limited by Low Cycle Fatigue

5.4 Seismic Evaluation

The steps in the proposed seismic evaluation methodology (Fig. 4-1) will now be summarized

- Step 1. Determine the strength demand $C(d)$ by choosing a value of A , the normalized peak ground acceleration coefficient.
- Step 2. Determine the strength capacity $C(c)$ by using a seismic limit (plastic) analysis or incremental pushover analysis.
- Step 3. Determine the strength reduction factor

$$R_{\mu} = \frac{C(d)}{C(c)}$$

First Order Ductility Based Analysis

- Step 4.1 Determine the ductility demand

$$\mu(d) = D_m R_{\mu} = 1 + \left(\frac{0.7}{T}\right)^n (R_{\mu} - 1)$$

but $\mu(d) \geq R_{\mu}$

with $n = 1.2 + 0.025 R_{\mu}$

- Step 5.1 Determine the ductility capacity $\mu(c)$

This is based on an ultimate compression strain of $\epsilon_{cu} = 0.008$ for unconfined concrete. For confined concrete the ultimate strain may be based on the energy balance recommendation of Mander et al. (1988a). Paulay and Priestley (1992) suggest a conservative estimate for the confined ultimate compression strain be taken as

$$\epsilon_{cu} = 0.004 + 1.4 \rho_s f_{yh} \epsilon_{sm} / f'_{cc}$$

where ϵ_{sm} = the maximum steel strain at the ultimate steel stress, f_{yh} = yield stress of the transverse hoop steel, ρ_s = volumetric ration of the transverse

reinforcement and f'_{cc} = confined concrete strength (Mander et al., 1988a) which in lieu of a more precise analysis may be taken as $1.5f'_c$.

Step 6.1 Determine the ductility based Capacity / Demand ratio

$$r_{\mu} = \frac{\mu(c)}{\mu(d)}$$

Second Order Energy Based Fatigue Demand Analysis

Step 4.2 Determine the cyclic loading demand from

$$N(d) = 7 T^{-1/3}$$

but,

$$4 \leq N(d) \leq 20$$

Step 5.2 Determine the cyclic loading capacity

$$N(c) = \frac{0.0128}{\theta_p^2} \left(\frac{L_p}{d-d'} \right)$$

where $L_p = 0.08L + 4350 \epsilon_y d_b$

and $\theta_p = (0.7R_{\mu} - 1)\theta_y$ for $T > T_{PV} = 0.7$ sec

and for $T \leq 0.7$ sec, $\theta_p = \left[0.7 \left(\frac{0.7}{T} \right)^n (R_{\mu} - 1) - 0.3 \right] \theta_y$

where $n = 1.1 + 0.025R_{\mu}$

Step 6.2 Determine the cyclic loading Capacity / Demand ratio

$$r_N = \frac{N(c)}{N(d)}$$

The values of r_{μ} and r_N corresponding to several values of A are determined. Thus by interpolation it is possible to ascertain the maximum peak ground acceleration for which either stability or low cycle fatigue is critical.

5.4.1 Illustrative Example

Consider the bridge pier studied experimentally and analytically by Mander et al. (1993). Model and prototype specimens were tested and the following data was obtained:

| | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Base shear capacity | $C_n(c) = 0.9$ |
| Natural period | $T = 0.09$ sec |
| Yield drift | $\theta_y = 0.0025$ radians |
| Maximum ductility capacity | $\mu(c) = 15$ |

Step 1. Choose a peak ground acceleration of 0.5g. The maximum demand for short period structures when $T < 0.33$ sec is given by

$$C(d) = 3.25A = 1.625$$

Step 2. $C_n(c) = 0.90$, from analysis and experiment (Mander et al., 1993)

Step 3. Force reduction factor

$$R_\mu = \frac{C(d)}{C(c)} = \frac{1.625}{0.9} = 1.806$$

Step 4.1 Ductility demand

$$\mu(d) = 1 + \left(\frac{0.7}{T}\right)^{1.2+0.025R_\mu} (R_\mu - 1)$$
$$\mu(d) = 1 + \left(\frac{0.7}{0.09}\right)^{1.2+0.025 \times 1.806} (1.806 - 1) = 11.36$$

Step 5.1 $\mu(c) = 15$, given by experiment/analysis (Mander et al., 1993)

Step 6.1 Ductility based C/D ratio

$$r(\mu) = \frac{\mu(c)}{\mu(d)} = \frac{15}{11.36} = 1.32$$

Step 4.2 Cyclic demand

$$N(d) = 7 T^{-1/3} = 15.6 \text{ cycles}$$

Step 5.2 Plastic rotation amplitude

$$\theta_p = \left[0.7 \left(\frac{0.7}{T} \right)^{1.1+0.025R_\mu} (R_\mu - 1) - 0.3 \right] \theta_y$$

$$\theta_p = \left[0.7 \left(\frac{0.7}{0.09} \right)^{1.1+0.025 \times 1.806} (1.806 - 1) - 0.3 \right] 0.0025$$

$$\theta_p = 0.014 \text{ radians}$$

assuming $\frac{L_p}{d-d'} = 0.5$

$$N(c) = \frac{0.0128}{\theta_p^2} \left(\frac{L_p}{d-d'} \right)^2$$

$$N(c) = \frac{0.0128}{0.014^2} 0.5^2$$

$$N(c) = 16.3 \text{ cycles}$$

Step 6.2 Cyclic loading C/D ratio

$$r_N = \frac{N(c)}{N(d)} = \frac{16.3}{15.6} = 1.04$$

This procedure has been repeated for a number of different peak ground acceleration (A) values. The results are plotted in Fig. 5-8. It is evident from this graph that inelastic response occurs when $A > 0.277$. The maximum sustainable peak ground acceleration is governed by low cycle fatigue when $A = 0.504$.

It will be noted that this result is quite different from that previously obtained using the ATC 6-2 methodology (Mander et al., 1993). In that approach it is implicitly assumed that the equal displacement principle holds at all times such that $\mu(d) = R_\mu$. The present results show, however, that due to the short period nature of the structure $\mu(d) \gg R_\mu$. Clearly the ATC 6-2 methodology is inappropriate for short period structures, when $T < T_{pv} = 0.7$ sec. Unfortunately, this comprises the vast majority of bridges, particularly those with frame type pier bents.

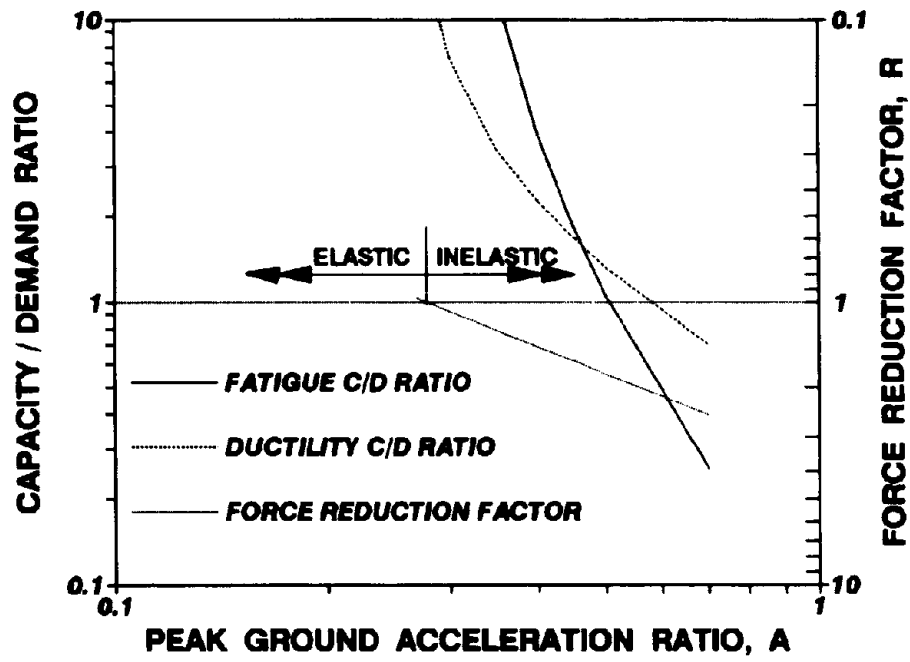


Fig. 5-8 Results of C/D Analysis for Example Problem

5.5 Discussion and Conclusions

It is of interest to compare the results obtained in this study with a recently published state-of-the-art paper on the evaluation of strength reduction factors for earthquake resistant design (Miranda and Bertero, 1994). In that paper a summary has been made of previous studies that investigated strength reduction factors and proposed empirical expressions to estimate R_{μ} . As observed in the present study, Miranda and Bertero demonstrate that there is generally a bilinear type of relationship between R_{μ} and natural period of vibration alluvium and rock. For soft soil sites, however, they present an outcome that is similar to the results computed herein for both the Mexico City (1985) and sinusoidal excitations. Miranda and Bertero conclude that the magnitude of the strength reduction factors is primarily a function of displacement ductility demand, the natural period of the system, and the soil conditions of the site. Other factors (such as the hysteretic behavior, damping of the structure, and distance to the epicenter of the earthquake) may affect the strength reduction factors, but to a much lesser degree.

Present bridge design codes assume a constant force reduction factor for all natural period. A maximum value $R_{\mu} = 5$ has been adopted in the AASHTO code. An exception to the constant force reduction factor is the New Zealand seismic design recommendations for bridges (Berrill et al., 1981). In that code Eq. 5-1 is implicitly adopted with $T_o = 0.7$ sec. Certain building codes now explicitly describe period-dependent strength reduction factors. These include Mexico City Building Code (1976) and the CIRSOC 103 Argentine Code (Sonzognia et al., 1984). More recently, bilinear expressions for R_{μ} (with $T_o = 0.5$ sec.) were suggested by Tso and Naumoski (1991) to improve the national building code of Canada. Hidalgo and Arias (1990) have also proposed period-dependent R_{μ} factors for the new version on Chilean seismic code. It should be noted, however, that none of these studies have used fatigue failure as a basis for determining the appropriate strength reduction factors.

This section has demonstrated the importance of having a reliable assessment of displacement ductility demand for short period structures. This impacts on the design of new structures when the period is less than that of the peak spectral velocity, T_{PV} . For such cases it is recommended that the force reduction factors should be reduced by no more than the values shown in Fig. 5-6, if fatigue failure is to be avoided. For simplicity a conservative fatigue based force reduction factor could be recommended for new design as:

$$R_{\mu} = 10T ; \quad 1 \leq R_{\mu} \leq 7$$

This section has also demonstrated the need for more rigorous fatigue based seismic analysis for the evaluation of existing bridge structures. Existing methodologies do not account for the possibility of low cycle fatigue failure. This study has also shown that such a failure is possible and may be critical where ductility based stability concerns do not govern.

Section 6

Summary, Conclusions and Recommendations

6.1 Summary

This study has been concerned with the computational modeling of energy absorption (fatigue) capacity of reinforced concrete bridge columns by using a cyclic dynamic Fiber Element computational model that was presented in the Part I of this report series. The results were used with a smooth hysteretic rule to generate seismic energy demand. By comparing the ratio of energy demand to capacity, inferences of column damageability or fatigue resistance are made.

Starting from the basic principles of nonlinear mechanics of materials, the first report gives a complete analysis methodology for bridge columns. The hysteretic behavior of steel reinforcement is dealt with in detailed: stability, degradation and consistency of cyclic behavior is explained. An energy based universally applicable low cycle fatigue model for steel was proposed. A hysteretic model for confined and unconfined concrete subjected to tension or compression cyclic loading was advanced, which is also capable for simulating gradual crack closure. A Cyclic Inelastic Strut-Tie (CIST) model was developed, in which the comprehensive concrete model proved to be suitable. The CIST model was shown to be capable of assessing inelastic shear deformations with a high degree of accuracy, within the context of a Fiber Element (FIBE) program. The FIBE approach was validated by comparing the results with a variety of columns.

In this second report, a smooth model was presented which can accurately simulate the macro behavior of reinforced concrete columns. The model parameters are determine through a system identification procedure that eliminates the need for parameter guessing. This approach permits a more rational approach as the parameters are determine by calibrating actual experimental hysteretic results or simulated experiments. Of particular importance is the accuracy with which the behavior of a full-size bridge pier was simulated both by using a Fiber

3. Fatigue Based Force Reduction Factors

Fatigue limiting force reduction factors have been derived in this study. It is now well recognized that for short period structures a uniform value of the force reduction factor leads to a large increase in the displacement ductility amplitude. This study has demonstrated that a similar increase results in the fatigue demand. It is therefore recommended that the equations developed herein for R_μ be used for fatigue based seismic analysis and design. A conservative value of the force reduction factor used to prevent fatigue failure may be adopted such that

$$R_\mu = 10 T \quad 1 \leq R_\mu \leq 7$$

where T = natural period of the structure.

6.3 Recommendations for Future Research

(1) Parametric studies to measure the influence of model parameters, may clarify the range and validity of the various proposed model parameters.

(2) A study on the interaction between the orthogonal cracking and yielding on biaxial flexure is needed.

(3) A modified shear model for the assessment of shear deformation on biaxial shear needs to be developed.

(4) The macro model needs to be integrated into a general purpose nonlinear dynamic analysis program as IDARC or DRAIN-2DX to study the effect of having realistically calibrated models in a multi-degree of freedom system.

(5) Inelastic Energy Spectra need to be generated for different types of structures, where a realistic modeling of hysteretic behavior are implemented by following the general guidelines given in this investigation.

(6) The effect of site dependent earthquake excitation needs to be addressed, to define its effect on fatigue and energy demands.

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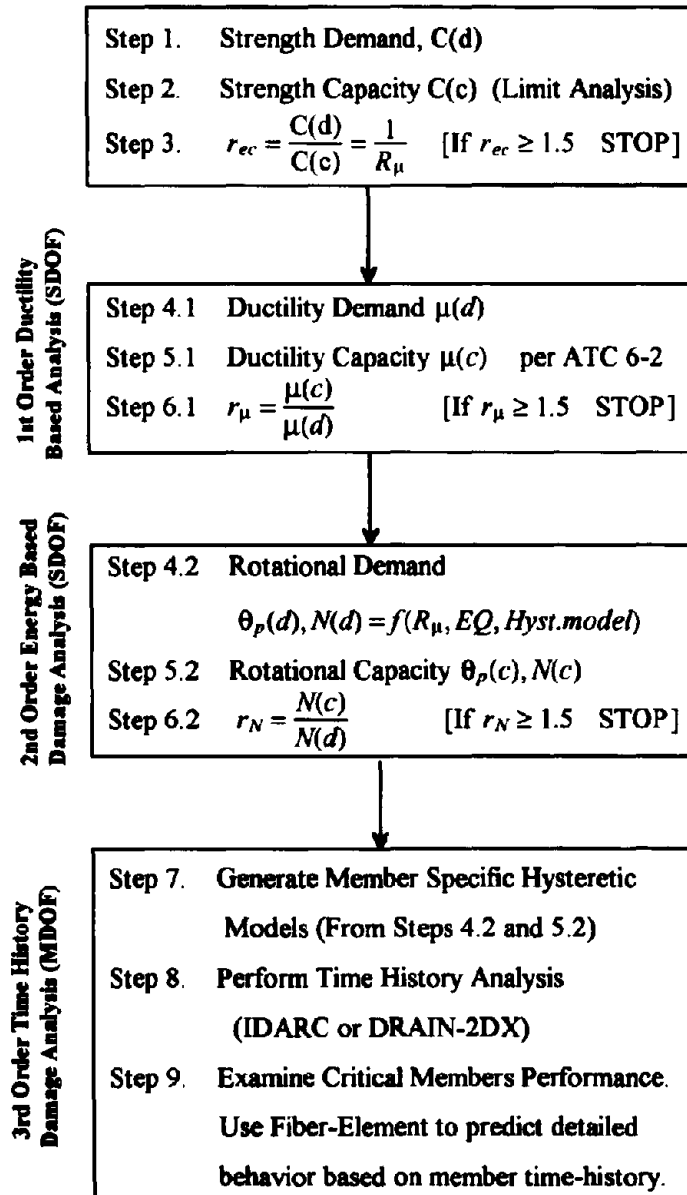


Fig. 6-1 Summary of Research Significance of this Study in the Context of a Seismic Evaluation Methodology.

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