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Effect of Modeling Assumptions on the Earthquake-Induced Losses and Collapse Risk of Steel-Frame Buildings with Special Concentrically Braced Frames

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ABSTRACT

This paper quantifies the collapse risk and earthquake-induced economic losses of steel-frame buildings with special concentrically braced frames designed in urban California. A probabilistic building-specific loss estimation methodology that can explicitly account for the main sources of variability related to seismic hazards and structural response is utilized for this purpose. It is shown that, depending on the choice of the loss-metric, at seismic events with low probability of occurrence (i.e., 2% probability of occurrence in 50 years), losses because of demolition and structural collapse in steel-frame buildings with special concentrically braced frames designed in highly seismic zones may be significantly overestimated when ignoring the contribution of the composite floor and gravity framing system to the analytical model building representation. For frequent and moderately frequent seismic events (i.e., 50 and 10% probability of exceedance over 50 years of building life expectancy), acceleration-sensitive nonstructural component repairs govern building losses regardless of the analytical model representation used. For the same seismic events, an appreciable contributor to total losses in steel-frame buildings with special concentrically braced

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19 frames is structural repairs because of steel brace flexural buckling. It is suggested that dual-
20 parameter rather than drift-based steel brace fragility curves should be used in loss computations
21 conditioned on a single seismic intensity. Otherwise, the expected annual losses should be used as
22 a metric for building-specific loss assessment of steel-frame buildings with special concentrically
23 braced frames.

24 **Keywords:** Earthquake loss assessment; Collapse risk; Special concentrically braced frames;
25 Losses because of demolition; Gravity framing; residual deformations; Seismic effects.

26 INTRODUCTION

27 Steel concentrically braced frames (CBFs) are a widely used lateral load-resisting system
28 around the world to withstand earthquake loading. Because of the steel brace's asymmetric hys-
29 teretic behavior in combination with a wide-range of CBF configurations, local story collapse
30 mechanisms may develop because of plastic deformation concentrations. This could potentially
31 result into large residual story deformations or structural collapse (Tremblay et al. 1995; Tremblay
32 et al. 1996). The magnitude of residual deformations along the height of a building is likely to
33 affect decisions associated with building demolition in the aftermath of an earthquake (Ramirez
34 and Miranda 2012). During more frequently occurring earthquakes (i.e., service-level or design-
35 basis earthquakes), steel CBFs may experience fairly high absolute acceleration demands because
36 of the high lateral stiffness they can provide compared to other lateral load-resisting systems as
37 well as the contribution of higher mode effects to the structural response (Rodriguez et al. 2002;
38 Chopra 2011; Ray-Chaudhuri and Hutchinson 2011). Prior studies (Tremblay 2002; Roeder et al.
39 2012; Lignos and Karamanci 2013) have indicated that steel brace flexural buckling typically oc-
40 curs, on average, at a story drift ratio (i.e., the ratio of the relative lateral displacement between
41 two adjacent floors to the story height) of approximately 0.5%. Considering all the previous, steel
42 CBFs may experience appreciable earthquake-induced losses because of damage in the structural
43 and nonstructural building content at seismic intensities associated with design-basis earthquakes.
44 Such losses should be quantified in a rational manner.

45 With the advent of performance-based earthquake engineering (PBEE) (Cornell and Krawin-

46 kler 2000; FEMA 2012), a number of studies quantified earthquake-induced losses mainly for con-
47 ventional reinforced concrete (Mitrani-Reiser 2007; Ramirez et al. 2012; Baradaran Shoraka et al.
48 2013) and wood structures (Porter et al. 2006; Pei and van de Lindt 2009). In a more recent study,
49 Song et al. (2016) showed that the earthquake-induced losses of steel-frame buildings account-
50 ing for mainshock-aftershock sequences are approximately 27–40% higher than those considering
51 mainshocks only. Ramirez and Miranda (2012) pointed out that building demolition may become
52 a controlling parameter in conventional modern building construction because of large residual de-
53 formations. Liel and Deierlein (2013) showed that direct earthquake-induced losses in nonductile
54 reinforced concrete buildings are only twice those for modern code-compliant buildings, whereas
55 their collapse risk is on the order of at least 30 times higher than code-conforming buildings. To
56 the best of the authors' knowledge, there has not been an attempt to quantify the structural and
57 nonstructural repairs needed in steel-frame buildings with CBFs in the aftermath of an earthquake.
58 This process is not trivial because it should explicitly consider the beneficial influence of gravity
59 framing and column continuity on the distribution of story drift demands and reserve capacity of
60 the steel-frame buildings (Gupta and Krawinkler 1999; MacRae et al. 2004; Ji et al. 2009; Stoakes
61 and Fahnestock 2011; Fahnestock et al. 2014; Flores et al. 2014; Elkady and Lignos 2015; Flores
62 et al. 2016); else, the estimated economic losses can be vastly overestimated (NIST 2012b).

63 Building-specific loss estimation methodologies are typically based on univariate (i.e., either
64 drift- or acceleration-based) fragility curves for structural and nonstructural building components
65 (Porter et al. 2001; FEMA 2012; Li and van de Lindt 2012). This is done in an effort to retain
66 simplicity in the loss computations. However, damageable components may be very sensitive
67 to other geometric and material parameters that are often ignored as part of the loss estimation
68 process. Aslani and Miranda (2005) demonstrated that bivariate fragility curves are more suitable
69 than drift-based fragilities to characterize slab-column connection damage in existing nonductile
70 reinforced concrete buildings. In a more recent study, Lignos and Karamanci (2013) demonstrated
71 the efficiency of dual-parameter fragility curves for building-specific loss estimation of steel CBFs.
72 This is because of the influence of steel brace global and local slenderness on the predefined steel

73 brace damage states that are used within the current loss estimation methodologies.

74 This paper addresses all the aforementioned issues by evaluating the expected earthquake-
75 induced losses in archetype steel-frame buildings with special concentrically braced frames (SCBFs)
76 designed in urban California. The evaluation is conducted at various ground motion intensities un-
77 til the occurrence of structural collapse. In this process, the influence of residual deformations on
78 the building repairs is explicitly considered. Emphasis is placed on the effect of gravity framing
79 and the selected steel brace fragility curve on the loss computations. The influence of the selected
80 seismic design category on the earthquake-induced losses of steel-frame buildings with SCBFs is
81 examined. Guidance on the selection of the appropriate loss-metric is also provided, depending on
82 the seismic performance of interest.

83 **OVERVIEW OF SEISMIC LOSS ESTIMATION METHODOLOGY USED**

84 The main aspects of the used building-specific loss estimation methodology adopted from
85 Ramirez and Miranda (2012) are summarized herein. This is a story-based building-specific loss
86 estimation methodology in which engineering demand parameters (EDPs) at each story are com-
87 puted based on nonlinear response history analysis. The methodology described below has been
88 implemented in an interactive *MATLAB* routine (MATLAB 2015). By assuming mutually exclusive
89 and collectively exhaustive events of building collapse and no collapse, the mean of total seismic
90 losses in a frame building conditioned on the seismic intensity measure $IM=im$ (i.e., $\mu_{L_T|IM}$) is
91 described by,

$$92 \quad \mu_{L_T|IM} = \mu_{L_{NC}|IM,NC} (1 - P_{C|IM}) + \mu_{L_C|C} P_{C|IM} \quad (1)$$

93 where $\mu_{L_{NC}|IM,NC}$ is the mean value of the loss conditioning on no collapse for a given $IM=im$;
94 $\mu_{L_C|C}$ is the mean value of the loss because of collapse (this is independent of seismic intensity
95 IM); and $P_{C|IM}$ is the collapse probability given an $IM=im$. Non-collapse losses $\mu_{L_{NC}|IM,NC}$ can
96 be further disaggregated into losses because of repairs for structural, drift-sensitive, acceleration-
97 sensitive nonstructural components and demolition as discussed in Ramirez and Miranda (2012).

98 Therefore, Eq. (1) can be rewritten as,

$$99 \quad \mu_{L_T|IM} = \mu_{L_R|R,IM,NC} P_{R|IM,NC} (1 - P_{C|IM}) + \mu_{L_D|D,IM,NC} P_{D|IM,NC} (1 - P_{C|IM}) + \mu_{L_C|C} P_{C|IM} \quad (2)$$

100 where $\mu_{L_R|R,IM,NC}$ is the mean of losses because of repairs for structural and nonstructural com-
 101 ponents conditioned on no collapse given a seismic intensity $IM=im$; $\mu_{L_D|D,IM,NC}$ is the mean of
 102 losses because of demolition conditioned on no collapse, given a seismic intensity $IM=im$; $P_{R|IM,NC}$
 103 and $P_{D|IM,NC}$ are the probabilities that the building is being considered to be repaired and be de-
 104 molished, respectively, both conditioned on no collapse given a seismic intensity $IM=im$; therefore,
 105 Eq. (2) becomes,

$$106 \quad \mu_{L_T|IM} = \mu_{L_R|R,IM,NC} (1 - P_{D|IM,NC}) (1 - P_{C|IM}) + \mu_{L_D|D,IM,NC} P_{D|IM,NC} (1 - P_{C|IM}) + \mu_{L_C|C} P_{C|IM} \quad (3)$$

107 In this paper, $\mu_{L_R|R,IM,NC}$ can be estimated by considering the discrete damage state a compo-
 108 nent experiences by using Eq. (4),

$$109 \quad \mu_{L_R|R,IM,NC} = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=0}^n \int_0^{\infty} \mu_{L_{ij}|DS_{ij}} P_{DS_{ij}|EDP} f_{EDP|IM} dEDP \quad (4)$$

110 where m is the number of damageable components being considered; n is the number of damage
 111 states a component may experience; $\mu_{L_{ij}|DS_{ij}}$ is the mean repair cost for the i th component being
 112 in the j th damage state; $P_{DS_{ij}|EDP}$ is the probability of the EDP of interest associated with the i th
 113 component being or exceeding the j th damage state given an $EDP=edp$,

$$114 \quad P_{DS_{ij}|EDP} = \begin{cases} 1 - F_{DS_{i1}}(EDP) & \text{if } j = 0 \text{ (no damage)} \\ F_{DS_{ij}}(EDP) - F_{DS_{i(j+1)}}(EDP) & \text{if } 1 \leq j < n \\ F_{DS_{ij}}(EDP) & \text{if } j = n \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

115 where $F_{DS_{ij}}$ is the fragility curve for the i th component being in the j th damage state, that is the

116 probability that the component of being or exceeding damage state ds conditioned on an $EDP=edp$
 117 of interest; and $f_{EDP|IM}$ is the probability density function of the EDP of interest given an $IM=im$.

118 In the case in which dual-parameter fragility curves are used for a structural component (e.g.,
 119 steel brace in this case) as part of the PBEE framework, Eq. (5) should be modified as follows
 120 in order to take into account both the EDP and the considered geometric parameter (GP) of the
 121 respective structural component,

$$122 \quad P_{DS_{ij}|EDP,GP} = \begin{cases} 1 - F_{DS_{i1}}(EDP,GP) & \text{if } j = 0 \text{ (no damage)} \\ F_{DS_{ij}}(EDP,GP) - F_{DS_{i(j+1)}}(EDP,GP) & \text{if } 1 \leq j < n \\ F_{DS_{ij}}(EDP,GP) & \text{if } j = n \end{cases} \quad (6)$$

123 where $P_{DS_{ij}|EDP,GP}$ is the fragility curve of the structural component being in the j th damage state,
 124 ds conditioned on the $EDP=edp$ and the geometric parameter $GP=gp$ of interest; $F_{DS_{ij}}(EDP, GP)$
 125 is the fragility curve that computes the probability of being or exceeding the j th damage state of
 126 the i th structural component conditioned on the $EDP=edp$ and the geometric parameter $GP=gp$ of
 127 interest (e.g., global or local slenderness). If the two random variables (i.e., EDP and GP) are
 128 lognormally distributed, a joint probability distribution $F_{DS_{ij}}(EDP, GP)$ may be represented by a
 129 bivariate lognormal distribution (Aitchison and Brown 1957). For steel braces, it was found that
 130 the random variables of the dual-parameter fragility curves are statistically independent (Lignos
 131 and Karamanci 2013); therefore, Eq. (6) is modified as follows,

$$132 \quad P_{DS_{ij}|EDP,GP} = \begin{cases} 1 - F_{DS_{i1}}(EDP) F_{DS_{i1}}(GP) & \text{if } j = 0 \text{ (no damage)} \\ F_{DS_{ij}}(EDP) F_{DS_{ij}}(GP) - F_{DS_{i(j+1)}}(EDP) F_{DS_{i(j+1)}}(GP) & \text{if } 1 \leq j < n \\ F_{DS_{ij}}(EDP) F_{DS_{ij}}(GP) & \text{if } j = n \end{cases} \quad (7)$$

133 where $F_{DS_{i1}}(EDP)$ is the fragility curve for the j th damage state of the i th structural component
 134 conditioned on the $EDP=edp$ of interest; and $F_{DS_{ij}}(GP)$ is the fragility curve that computes the

135 probability of being or exceeding the j th damage state conditioned on the geometric parameter
 136 GP= gp of interest.

137 In order to estimate the probability that a building will be demolished given that it did not
 138 collapse when subjected to an earthquake with seismic intensity $IM=im$, the following relationship
 139 can be used,

$$140 \quad P_{D|IM,NC} = \int_0^{\infty} P_{D|RSDR} f_{RSDR|IM} dRSDR \quad (8)$$

141 where $f_{RSDR|IM}$ is the probability density function of the maximum residual drift ratio along the
 142 height of the building, given an intensity measure $IM=im$; $P_{D|RSDR}$ is the probability of having
 143 to demolish the building conditioned on the maximum residual story drift ratio, RSDR, along the
 144 height of the building, which is modeled by a lognormal distribution with a median, $\mu_{D|RSDR} =$
 145 0.015 radians and a logarithmic standard deviation, $\beta_{lnD|RSDR} = 0.3$ (Ramirez and Miranda 2012).
 146 It should be noted that these parameters are based on engineering judgment and could vary in
 147 different regions around the world. It is noted that the earthquake-induced loss computations are
 148 based on story-based EDPs as proposed by Ramirez and Miranda (2012). Based on the same
 149 methodology, in case that a residual drift concentrates in one (or few) story(ies) along the height
 150 of a building then losses because of demolition are governed by this case.

151 The probabilistic seismic demand model should be determined to characterize the probabilistic
 152 relationship between the EDP of interest associated with a measure of seismic demand in a frame
 153 building [e.g., peak story drift ratios (SDRs), peak absolute floor accelerations (PFAs), residual
 154 story drift ratios (RSDRs), etc.] and the seismic intensity $IM=im$ during the earthquake event. This
 155 model is intended for the integration process over the entire range of EDPs to be used in the compu-
 156 tations of the earthquake-induced economic losses. In this paper, the probability density functions
 157 of attaining a specified structural demand of interest given an $IM=im$ (i.e., $f_{EDP|IM}$) are assumed
 158 to follow a lognormal distribution defined by the median $\mu_{EDP|IM}$ and the logarithmic standard
 159 deviation $\beta_{lnEDP|IM}$ of the parameters. The parametric median $\mu_{EDP|IM}$ and the associated loga-
 160 rithmic standard deviation $\beta_{lnEDP|IM}$ are described by a power-law model form, which is fitted to
 161 the discrete data points obtained from nonlinear response history analyses [i.e., $\mu_{EDP|IM} = a(IM)^b$,

162 $\beta_{\ln EDP|IM} = c(IM)^d]$.

163 An alternative earthquake-induced loss-metric that is used in this paper is the expected annual
164 loss (EAL). The EAL is computed by numerically integrating the expected economic losses for a
165 given seismic intensity measure IM over the entire range of a seismic hazard curve at the design
166 site as follows,

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$$EAL = \int_0^{\infty} \mu_{L_T|IM} \left| \frac{d\lambda_{IM}}{dIM} \right| dIM \quad (9)$$

168 where λ_{IM} is the mean annual frequency of the seismic intensity IM at the site of interest. The
169 advantage of using EAL is that it weights all possible levels of seismic hazard by taking into
170 account their probability of occurrence.

171 **DESCRIPTION OF steel-frame BUILDINGS WITH SCBFs**

172 In order to assess the effect of gravity framing and the selected steel brace fragility curve on
173 the loss computations of steel-frame buildings with perimeter SCBFs, four archetype office steel
174 buildings with 2-, 3-, 6- and 12-stories are considered in this paper. The archetypes are designed as
175 standard office buildings (i.e., occupancy category II) according to ASCE/SEI 7-05 (ASCE 2006)
176 and ANSI/AISC 341-05 (AISC 2005). Details regarding their original design are discussed in
177 NIST (2010). In brief, the archetypes are located on a site with stiff soil denoted as Site Class
178 D in urban California. In order to investigate the effect of the seismic design category (SDC)
179 on the earthquake-induced losses in steel-frame buildings with SCBFs, two sets of archetypes are
180 selected. The first one is designed in Sacramento city (38.579°N, 121.493°W) for the lower bound
181 of SDC D (i.e., denoted as D_{\min}). The second set of archetypes is designed in the downtown area
182 of Los Angeles (33.996°N, 118.162°W) for the upper bound of SDC D (i.e., denoted as D_{\max}) in
183 accordance with ASCE/SEI 7-05 (ASCE 2006).

184 Steel braces in the SCBFs are designed in accordance with ANSI/AISC 341-05 (AISC 2005).
185 Round hollow structural sections (HSS) were used in most cases for the SCBF archetypes, except
186 for the 2-story archetype SCBF building designed for SDC D_{\max} . In this case, rectangular HSS
187 braces were used. The braces are made from ASTM A500 Grade B (i.e., nominal yield stress,

188 $F_{y,nominal}=290$ MPa for rectangular sections; $F_{y,nominal}=315$ MPa for round sections).

189 The gusset plate connections at the steel brace ends are designed in accordance with the bal-
190 anced design procedure as proposed by Roeder et al. (2011) that employs an elliptical clearance
191 distance of eight times the thickness of the gusset plate (t_p) at the corner gusset plate connections.
192 For the design of the gusset plate connections at the mid-span of the beams, a $6t_p$ vertical clearance
193 distance is adopted.

194 Figure 1 illustrates a plan view and elevation of a representative 3-story archetype building
195 with perimeter SCBFs. The use of a 2-story X-bracing configuration is adopted [see Fig. 1(b)].
196 In order to investigate the effect of gravity framing on the earthquake-induced loss computations,
197 the interior gravity framing system of each archetype building is explicitly designed in accordance
198 with ANSI/AISC 360-10 (AISC 2010). The interior gravity columns are assumed to bend with
199 respect to their weak axis as shown in Fig. 1(a).

200 **Site-Specific Seismic Hazard Curves**

201 The site-specific hazard curves for the two design locations discussed earlier are selected based
202 on seismic hazard analysis. Figure 2(a) illustrates the design spectrum according to ASCE/SEI
203 7-05 (ASCE 2006). The same figure shows the design spectral acceleration, $S_a(T_1, 5\%)$ associated
204 with the fundamental period, T_1 of the bare model representations of the archetype buildings. From
205 this figure, it is evident that the base shear demands for SDC D_{max} designs are much larger than
206 those for the SDC D_{min} designs.

207 The site-specific seismic hazard curves for all the archetype buildings are shown in Fig. 2(b).
208 These curves are obtained from the United States Geological Survey (USGS) website. The local
209 site condition is assumed to be the National Earthquake Hazards Reduction Program (NEHRP)
210 site class D determined based on a shear wave velocity v_s of $259m/s$. To better facilitate the EAL
211 as well as the mean annual frequency of collapse, λ_c computations, a fourth-order polynomial is
212 fitted to the selected hazard curves (Eads et al. 2013).

Assumed Fragility Curves and Cost Distribution Functions

In order to reliably estimate the earthquake-induced losses in the archetype buildings their architectural layout is developed by assuming a rectangular floor area of $2007m^2$ ($21,600ft^2$). The replacement cost for an archetype building is assumed to be \$1880 (based on 2013 U.S. dollars) per square meter (i.e., \$175 per square foot). This estimation is based on the RS Means Square Foot Costs (RS Means 2013) for urban California. This is a rational cost estimate based on prior building-specific loss estimation studies (Dyanati et al. 2015).

In order to reliably quantify the earthquake-induced losses for the archetype buildings discussed herein in a probabilistic manner, it is essential to carefully define the fragility curves of their structural and nonstructural components. In an effort to retain simplicity in the loss computations, current probabilistic building-specific loss estimation methodologies (FEMA 2012) utilize univariate fragility curves (e.g., drift- or acceleration-based). However, damageable components may be very sensitive to other geometric and/or material parameters that we tend to ignore (Aslani and Miranda 2005; Lignos and Karamanci 2013). In order to quantify the effect of the used fragility curves on earthquake-induced economic losses of the archetypes discussed earlier, we utilize drift-based and dual-parameter fragility curves for steel braces as discussed in Lignos and Karamanci (2013). An example of such curves is shown in Fig. 3 for global buckling of round HSS braces. Referring to Fig. 3(a), the probability of occurrence of flexural buckling in round HSS braces at 0.5% SDR is 50%. However, depending on the global slenderness, KL/r of the respective brace (where K is the effective length factor, L is the length of the brace, and r is the radius of gyration) this value can be much larger or much smaller for the same SDR as shown in Fig. 3(b). Table 1 lists the dual-parameter fragility curves for all the considered damage states of round HSS braces.

Table 2 summarizes the repair cost associated with damage states for each damageable component identified in the archetype buildings including the respective fragility distribution curve documented in prior studies (FEMA 2012; Ramirez et al. 2012; Lignos and Karamanci 2013). The fragility parameters in Table 2 for steel columns and column splices refer to the steel-frame building performance (i.e., story-based EDP fragility curves). However, losses because of repair

240 actions in such structural components are only considered if the corresponding component under-
241 goes inelastic deformation. The fragility curves used in this paper are primarily adopted by FEMA
242 P-58 and other recently published literature (see Table 2). According to FEMA P-58 background
243 documentation [see Section 1 in Deierlein and Victorsson (2008)], in modern capacity-designed
244 steel-frame buildings it can be assumed that the framing elements (beams and columns) and their
245 connections, as well as the brace-to-frame connections are strong enough such that the inelastic
246 action will primarily occur in the braces through cyclic tension and compression as well as the col-
247 umn bases (FEMA 2012). For this reason, fragility curves that describe the various damage states
248 and the associated repair costs for beam-to-column panel zone joints are not currently available in
249 FEMA P-58 (FEMA 2012).

250 **NONLINEAR BUILDING MODELS AND SIMULATION OF STRUCTURAL COLLAPSE**

251 The analytical model representation of the archetype buildings is developed within the Open
252 System for Earthquake Engineering Simulation Platform (OPENSEES) (McKenna 1997). In order
253 to evaluate the effect of gravity framing system on the earthquake-induced economic losses, two
254 analytical model representations of the archetype buildings are developed. The first one considers
255 the bare steel SCBF (i.e., bare SCBFs model, subsequently referred to as B model); the second
256 model explicitly considers the composite floor action and the interior gravity framing system (i.e.,
257 subsequently referred to as CG model) as discussed in Elkady and Lignos (2015).

258 The lateral load-resisting system of each building located in the east-west (E-W) loading di-
259 rection [see Fig. 1(a)] is modeled in 2-dimensions (2-D). For illustration purposes, Fig. 4 shows
260 the analytical model representation of a 3-story SCBF. In brief, all steel beams and columns are
261 modeled as elastic elements with concentrated plasticity springs at their ends based on the modified
262 Ibarra-Medina-Krawinkler (IMK) deterioration model (Ibarra et al. 2005; Lignos and Krawinkler
263 2011). The panel zone shear distortion is explicitly modeled as discussed in Gupta and Krawinkler
264 (1999). The steel braces in the SCBFs consist of 8 displacement-based fiber elements that are able
265 to trace flexural buckling as well as fracture initiation because of low-cycle fatigue based on the
266 modeling recommendations developed by Karamanci and Lignos (2014). Figure 4(c) illustrates a

267 comparison of the measured and simulated hysteretic axial force-axial displacement relation of a
268 rectangular HSS steel brace based on the modeling recommendations discussed in Karamanci and
269 Lignos (2014). In this figure, the experimental data were retrieved from Han et al. (2007). A non-
270 linear out-of-plane rotational spring [see Figs. 4(a) and (b)] is placed at the ends of each brace to
271 explicitly simulate the flexibility and flexural yielding of the gusset plates because of out-of-plane
272 brace bending as proposed by Hsiao et al. (2013).

273 Second order effects (i.e., P-Delta effects) are explicitly considered in both B and CG models by
274 connecting a '*leaning column*' and an '*equivalent gravity frame*', respectively, with a steel SCBF
275 through axially rigid links. The corotational transformation is used in OPENSEES to consider the
276 second order effects.

277 For CG models the effect of composite action on the interior gravity framing system is explic-
278 itly captured in the CG models as discussed in Elkady and Lignos (2015). This necessitates a real-
279 istic representation of typical shear tab beam-to-column connections used in steel-frame buildings
280 in North America in accordance with ANSI/AISC 360-10 (AISC 2010). The shear tab beam-to-
281 column connections that are considered in this paper consist of a single steel plate fillet welded to
282 the supporting column with a single column of structural bolts. The distance between the beam
283 flange to the column face is 25mm. Experimental research of similar composite shear tab beam-
284 to-column connections (Liu and Astaneh-Asl 2000) suggests that such connections can sustain up
285 to about 40% of the fixed end moment of the steel beam with an appreciable plastic deformation
286 capacity. Figure 4(d) illustrates a comparison of the measured and simulated moment-rotation hys-
287 teretic relation of a composite beam as part of a single-plate shear tab beam-to-column connection.
288 From this figure, the modeling approach used for composite shear tab beam-to-column connections
289 reflects the experimental results.

290 **Structural Collapse Simulations and Associated Collapse Risk**

291 To determine the probabilistic relationship between EDPs and IM, the analytical model repre-
292 sentations of the archetype buildings discussed earlier are subjected to a set of 44 Far-Field ground
293 motions obtained from FEMA P695 (FEMA 2009). This set of ground motions includes twenty-

294 two component pairs of horizontal ground motion records from sites located in a distance greater
295 than or equal to 10 *km* from the fault rupture. The magnitude M_w range of the ground motion set is
296 from M_w 6.5 to 7.6. These ground motions represent well the seismic hazard of urban California
297 and in particular the design location of the archetype buildings. More details regarding the selected
298 ground motion set can be found in FEMA P695 (FEMA 2009).

299 Incremental dynamic analysis (IDA) (Vamvatsikos and Cornell 2002) is used in order to trace
300 the dynamic collapse because of sidesway instability for each archetype building. The critical
301 EDPs of interest (i.e., peak SDRs, PFAs and RSDRs) are monitored for each ground motion over
302 the full range of seismic intensities until the occurrence of structural collapse. Based on these
303 recorded EDPs, the probabilistic relationship of multiple EDPs and IM is established. In this case,
304 the $S_a(T_1, 5\%)$ is used as an IM. However, other IMs could be used in this process as discussed in
305 recent studies (Eads et al. 2015; Kazantzi and Vamvatsikos 2015; Kohrangi et al. 2016). Figures
306 5(a) and (b) illustrate the IDA curves in terms of IM [i.e., the 5% damped spectral acceleration
307 at the first mode of the building $S_a(T_1, 5\%)$] versus the maximum SDRs obtained from the CG
308 model of the 3- and 12-story steel-frame buildings with SCBFs, respectively. In these figures, the
309 additional vertical axis at the right of each figure represents the normalized spectral acceleration
310 with respect to the 5% damped design-basis spectral acceleration of each steel-frame building. The
311 counted median, 16th and 84th percentiles determined based on the suite of 44 ground motions are
312 also superimposed in Fig. 5.

313 Results from nonlinear response history analysis indicate that most of the gravity columns in
314 the archetypes remained elastic before losses because of collapse and building demolition start to
315 govern the total losses (i.e., up to MCE seismic intensity). For example, in the case of the 12-story
316 CG model designed for SDC D_{max} , its gravity columns only in the upper two stories experienced
317 inelastic deformation up to about 4% (i.e., 0.6% inelastic deformation on average) for 24 out of 32
318 non-collapsing ground motions scaled at the MCE seismic intensity.

319 The resulting collapse capacities and record-to-record variability for each archetype are ad-
320 justed to take into account the spectral shape effects as discussed in Haselton et al. (2011). Figure

321 6 illustrates the adjusted collapse fragility curves as computed based on the B and CG models for
322 the SDC D_{\max} and D_{\min} . These curves describe the probability of collapse $P_{C|IM}$ as a function of
323 the spectral acceleration at the first mode period of the respective archetype of interest, $S_a(T_1, 5\%)$.
324 From this figure, it is evident that when the composite slab action and the interior gravity framing
325 system are considered as part of the analytical model representation, the collapse capacity of a
326 building is normally increased, compared to that computed based on a B model regardless of the
327 seismic design category.

328 Table 3 summarizes the median collapse capacities, $\hat{S}_{CT}(T_1, 5\%)$ and logarithmic standard de-
329 viations, β_{RTR} of the aforementioned collapse fragility curves for all the analytical model represen-
330 tations of the archetype buildings under consideration. From this table, the composite floor system
331 and the gravity framing typically increase the collapse capacity by 26% and 40% on average, for
332 SDC D_{\max} and D_{\min} , respectively, compared to the collapse capacities computed based on the B
333 model building representations.

334 The reason why the adjusted median collapse capacity and standard deviation of the 3-story
335 archetype is nearly the same regardless of the used nonlinear building model is that the main
336 collapse mechanisms observed based on the B and CG models are practically the same for the
337 given set of ground motions. Figure 7 shows the main collapse mechanisms including the number
338 of collapses per mechanism out of the 44 ground motions observed in the 3-and 6-story SCBFs
339 based on the B and CG models. The latter is indicated as a fraction above each collapse mechanism
340 shown in Figure 7. Referring to Figures 7(a) and 7(b), it is evident that when the gravity framing
341 is included in the analytical model representation of the 3-story archetype there is practically no
342 change in the number of possible collapse mechanisms. The number of collapses per mechanism is
343 nearly identical in both cases excluding 2 ground motions in which the collapse mechanism shifted
344 from mode III to mode II when the gravity framing was included in the nonlinear building model
345 representation [see Figs. 7(a) and 7(b)]. In this case, the standard deviation of the collapse capacity
346 of the 3-story archetype increases when the CG model is used compared to that computed based
347 on the B model. Referring to Figures 7(a) and 7(b), although the total number of possible collapse

348 mechanisms of the 3-story SCBF did not change when a CG model was utilized the number of
349 collapse mechanisms, which require fewer bracing members to fracture, was reduced.

350 Similarly, Figures 7(c) and 7(d) illustrate the possible collapse mechanisms for the 6-story
351 archetype when the B and CG models are used, respectively. From these figures, when the gravity
352 framing is included in the nonlinear building model, the number of possible collapse mechanisms
353 drops from 7 to 4 in this case. From the resultant collapse mechanisms [see Figure 7(d)] it is
354 evident that the gravity framing better distributes the peak SDRs along the height of a SCBF and
355 prevents the concentration of inelastic deformations into single stories. In this case, the median
356 collapse capacity of the archetype increases considerably. Furthermore, the corresponding standard
357 deviation of the collapse fragility curve of the 6-story SCBF based on the CG model becomes
358 smaller compared to that obtained from the B model because the total number of the collapse
359 mechanisms becomes less [see Figures 7(c) and 7(d)].

360 Figure 8 illustrates the mean annual frequency of collapse λ_c of the analytical model represen-
361 tation of the archetype buildings designed for SDC D_{\max} [see Fig. 8(a)] and D_{\min} [see Fig. 8(b)].
362 The additional vertical axes at the right of each figure corresponds to a probability of collapse over
363 a 50-year return period, P_c (in 50 years) by assuming a Poisson distribution. From these figures,
364 it is evident that the estimated collapse risk of archetype buildings with SCBFs designed for SDC
365 D_{\max} and D_{\min} can be reduced by a factor of 2, on average, when incorporating the composite slab
366 action and the gravity framing system into the analytical model representation of the respective
367 building of interest. In this case, the 1% over 50 years collapse risk limit adopted in ASCE/SEI
368 7-10 (ASCE 2010) is also respected regardless of the number of stories of the respective archetype
369 steel-frame building. In most cases, such limit is not respected otherwise if a B model represen-
370 tation is used. Therefore, the collapse risk of steel-frame buildings with SCBFs can be severally
371 overestimated in highly seismic regions if a B model is used.

372 **EXPECTED LOSSES CONDITIONED ON SEISMIC INTENSITY**

373 Figure 9 shows the normalized loss vulnerability curves for the 3- and 12-story archetype build-
374 ings designed for a SDC D_{\max} and D_{\min} based on the B model representations. In this figure, loss

375 computations are based on univariate (i.e., drift- or acceleration-based) fragility curves for each
376 damageable component according to Table 2. Referring to Fig. 9, the expected losses (i.e., ver-
377 tical axis) are normalized with respect to the corresponding building total replacement cost that
378 is summarized in Table 4. The vulnerability curves illustrate the expected economic losses in an
379 archetype building as a function of the IM, $S_a(T_1, 5\%)$. In Fig. 9, the expected losses conditioned
380 on a seismic intensity are further disaggregated into losses because of structural and nonstruc-
381 tural component repairs, losses because of demolition given that building collapse did not occur
382 and losses because of dynamic collapse. In order to put the expected losses into perspective, the
383 horizontal axes at the top of Fig. 9 illustrate the IM normalized with respect to the spectral ac-
384 celeration corresponding to a design-basis earthquake (DBE) [i.e., $S_a(T_1, 5\%)@DBE$] as specified
385 in ASCE/SEI 7-05 (ASCE 2006). These values can be obtained directly from Fig. 2(a) if the
386 predominant period of the respective archetype building is known.

387 Referring to Fig. 9, the primary contributor to the expected losses is that from nonstructural
388 component repairs up to the DBE seismic intensity regardless of the number of stories of the
389 respective archetype building and the seismic design category. For the 12-story archetype building
390 designed with SDC D_{max} [see Fig. 9(b)], losses are governed by building demolition because of
391 excessive residual deformations along its height as well as losses because of structural collapse at
392 $1.5 \times DBE$ seismic intensities [i.e., a maximum considered earthquake (MCE)]. In that respect, this
393 is important particularly for mid- and high-rise steel-frame buildings designed in highly seismic
394 regions, which are vulnerable to P-Delta effects and therefore, residual deformations may become
395 a controlling issue. This agrees with recent research on steel special moment frames (Hwang et al.
396 2015; Hwang and Lignos 2017). For archetype buildings designed with SDC D_{min} [see Figs. 9(c)
397 and (d)], losses because of building demolition and structural collapse are insignificant at the MCE
398 seismic intensity, regardless of the number of stories of the archetype building. This is in agreement
399 with the collapse risk of the same buildings as shown in Fig. 8. The aforementioned observations
400 are further elaborated in the subsequent paragraphs.

401 Figures 10 and 11 show the expected losses based on B and CG model representations of se-

402 lected archetype buildings at two seismic intensities of interest (i.e., DBE and MCE) at the design
403 site of interest for SDC D_{\max} and D_{\min} , respectively. In the same figures, the influence of the used
404 steel brace fragility curve (i.e., univariate versus bivariate) to the expected losses is also exam-
405 ined. Referring to Figs. 10 and 11, at moderate seismic intensities (i.e., DBE seismic intensity),
406 losses because of nonstructural component repairs seem to be indifferent to the respective analyt-
407 ical model representation. In particular, losses because of the acceleration-sensitive nonstructural
408 component repairs become a major contributor to the expected total losses regardless of the num-
409 ber of stories. It is worth mentioning that the contribution of structural repairs to the total losses at
410 the DBE seismic intensity is appreciable in most cases. This is attributed to flexural buckling of the
411 round HSS braces. This typically occurs at SDRs in the range of 0.5%, on average (Roeder et al.
412 2012; Lignos and Karamanci 2013). However, when the effect of steel brace global slenderness or
413 local slenderness on the corresponding fragility curve is explicitly captured, the computed losses
414 because of steel brace flexural buckling are reduced by 20%, on average, with respect to those
415 computed based on drift-based steel brace fragility curves. This observation holds true regardless
416 of the used seismic design category (see Figs. 10 and 11).

417 Referring to Fig. 10, at seismic intensities associated with low probability of occurrence earth-
418 quakes (i.e., MCE hazard level) in highly seismic regions (i.e., SDC D_{\max}), economic losses for
419 mid- and high-rise steel-frame buildings are largely governed by building demolition when EDPs
420 are based on the bare steel SCBF (i.e., B model). This is attributed to the excessive predicted
421 residual deformations along the building height. This observation holds true regardless of the used
422 steel brace fragility curve. It is noteworthy that when the gravity framing is explicitly considered
423 as part of the analytical model representation of the same archetype buildings, losses because of
424 demolition at the MCE intensity are reduced by 27 to 92% compared to those predicted from the
425 B models. This indicates the importance of the gravity framing system in the reduction of the
426 destabilizing (P-Delta) influence of the gravity load on steel-frame buildings with SCBFs.

427 Referring to Figs. 10(b) and (c), in mid- and high-rise archetype buildings designed with SDC
428 D_{\max} , losses because of structural collapse based on CG models are decreased significantly than

429 those computed based on B models. This observation is attributed to the fact that the drift concen-
430 tration is not limited only to a few stories of a steel-frame building with SCBFs when the interior
431 gravity framing system is included into the analytical model (Ji et al. 2009). Therefore, more sto-
432 ries (i.e., more steel braces) participate into the energy dissipation during an earthquake. This also
433 agrees well with findings from earlier studies on the contribution of the gravity framing system to
434 the reserve capacity of steel braced frame buildings without any special detailing requirements for
435 seismic loading (Stoakes and Fahnestock 2011; Fahnestock et al. 2014).

436 It is noteworthy that losses because of building demolition do not become a controlling issue
437 for archetypes in relatively moderate seismicity zones (i.e., SDC D_{\min}) (see Fig. 11). This holds
438 true even for taller buildings that may be sensitive to P-Delta effects. In such cases, B model
439 building representations may be used for building-specific loss assessment. This is because of the
440 fact that very few braces fracture along the height of archetypes designed for SDC D_{\min} at the
441 MCE intensity. For instance, looking at the simulation results from 30 out of 44 ground motions
442 scaled at the MCE intensity that structural collapse did not occur in the CG model representation
443 of the 12-story D_{\min} archetype, only 3 braces fractured over the frame height during 9 out of 30
444 ground motions. In contrast, at the MCE intensity, the CG model building representation of the
445 12-story D_{\max} archetype experienced many more brace fractures. In addition, some of its stories
446 lost completely both braces. Therefore, plastic deformations concentrated in these stories and
447 structural collapse occurred because of P-Delta effects.

448 **EXPECTED ANNUAL LOSSES**

449 In this section, the earthquake-induced losses in steel-frame buildings with SCBFs are evalu-
450 ated based on the EAL. This loss-metric is computed by integrating the site-specific seismic hazard
451 curves shown in Fig. 2(b) over the corresponding vulnerability curves shown in Fig. 9. The ad-
452 vantage of using EAL as a loss-metric compared to the loss vulnerability curves discussed earlier
453 is that EAL is calculated by considering all possible levels of seismic hazard at the design site and
454 their probability of occurrence. Therefore, the contribution of frequent seismic events on building-
455 specific loss estimation is more pronounced compared to loss computations at a given seismic

456 intensity.

457 Figure 12 illustrates the EALs for the 3- and 12-story archetype buildings designed for SDC
458 D_{\max} and D_{\min} . Additionally, the corresponding present value ($P.V.$) of life-cycle costs is provided
459 in the vertical axis at the right side of each figure. The $P.V.$ is simply computed by multiplying a
460 building's EAL times its expected remaining life, T with a discount rate, $r = 3\%$ $\left[= EAL \times \sum_{i=1}^T (1+r)^{-i} \right]$.
461 In this paper, the expected remaining life of a building is assumed to be 50 years (i.e., office build-
462 ing). Referring to Fig. 12, EALs and $P.V.$ are normalized with respect to the total replacement cost
463 of the respective building. For comparison purposes, both the B and CG model representations of
464 the 3- and 12-story archetypes are facilitated to compute the EALs as well as the $P.V.$ In order to
465 capture the sensitivity of the EAL on the used steel brace fragility curve, the EALs are computed
466 based on drift-based and dual-parameter steel brace fragility curves (Lignos and Karamanci 2013).
467 In Fig. 12, EALs are further disaggregated into losses because of repairs of structural and nonstruc-
468 tural building components (i.e., drift-sensitive and acceleration-sensitive), building demolition as
469 well as collapse losses.

470 From Fig. 12, the EALs are practically not sensitive to the choice of the used analytical model
471 representation nor the used steel brace fragility curve. Therefore, the simplest possible combina-
472 tion can be utilized for building-specific loss assessment when the EAL is used as a loss-metric.
473 Same observations hold true for the rest of the archetypes that were evaluated based on their EALs
474 that are summarized in Table 4. From this table, the normalized EALs for archetype buildings with
475 SCBFs typically range from 0.74 to 0.87% for SDC D_{\max} and from 0.39 to 0.65% for SDC D_{\min} .
476 These values are consistent but slightly larger than the EALs computed for other frame buildings
477 with conventional steel and reinforced concrete lateral load-resisting systems in North America
478 (Ramirez et al. 2012; Hwang et al. 2015; Hwang and Lignos 2017).

479 Figure 12 illustrates that losses because of repairs in acceleration-sensitive nonstructural com-
480 ponents dominate the total EALs regardless of the analytical model representation (i.e., B or CG
481 model), the selected steel brace fragility curve and the used seismic design category. steel-frame
482 buildings that utilize SCBFs are inherently stiff; therefore, absolute floor acceleration demands

483 along their height are expected to be larger than those in moment-resisting frame systems. On the
484 other hand, losses because of repairs in drift-sensitive nonstructural components seem to be negli-
485 gible in all cases because of the added lateral stiffness that steel braces provide compared to steel
486 moment-resisting frame systems. Referring to Fig. 12, the contribution of SCBF structural repairs
487 to the EALs can be appreciable for mid- and high-rise archetypes. This is attributed to flexural
488 buckling of steel braces at fairly small SDRs (i.e., 0.5%) that can be associated to frequent and
489 moderately frequent seismic events (i.e., 50% and 10% probability of occurrence over 50 years).

490 From Table 4 and Fig. 12, the contribution of demolition and collapse losses to the EALs is
491 not significant. Such contributions are expected to dominate losses at seismic intensities with low
492 probability of occurrence (i.e., extreme events). However, these events have a small weight on the
493 EAL computations compared to that of frequent seismic events (i.e., mean annual frequency λ_{IM} of
494 occurrence are 2.1×10^{-3} and 4.0×10^{-4} at given hazard levels of DBE and MCE, respectively).
495 If the emphasis of building-specific loss estimation as well as building performance is at large
496 deformations associated with structural collapse then it is recommended that losses conditioned on
497 the seismic intensity of interest should be used as a loss-metric. In this case, the nonlinear building
498 model representation should explicitly consider the gravity framing system and the composite floor
499 action.

500 **LIMITATIONS**

501 This paper summarizes a comprehensive investigation on the effects of modeling choices as
502 well as the used component fragility curves on the collapse risk and probabilistic economic loss
503 assessment of steel-frame buildings with SCBFs. However, a number of limitations of the present
504 study should be pointed out. Such limitations may provide the basis for further research. In
505 particular:

- 506 • Even though the rotational stiffness of the column base connection may significantly af-
507 fect the structural response [see Zareian and Kanvinde (2013)], the column bases are ide-
508 alized as *fixed*. Experimental studies on steel column base connections [e.g., Kanvinde

509 et al. (2012) and Borzouie et al. (2014)] as well as reconnaissance reports on steel-frame
510 buildings (Clifton et al. 2011; MacRae et al. 2015) suggest that a lower rotational stiff-
511 ness should be used than that used in practice for “*fixed*” column base connections [e.g.,
512 fixed base value of $1.67(EI/L)_{\text{column}}$ specified in current New Zealand provisions (NZS
513 2007)]. Despite that primary structural elements in the capacity-designed superstructure
514 may be undergoing considerable yielding, the inherent column base flexibility may signif-
515 icantly reduce the expected plastic deformation at the column base that ultimately affects
516 the residual drift in the bottom story of a frame building. This issue deserves more attention
517 and should be investigated in future studies.

- 518 ● The response of steel-frame buildings to earthquake shaking affected by the soil-foundation-
519 structure interaction (SFSI) is not considered in this paper. This may be a critical consid-
520 eration in cases that structural damage was not observed in steel-frame buildings (MacRae
521 et al. 2015), This is consistent with prior analytical studies on the beneficial effect of SFSI
522 on structural performance (i.e., reduction in peak SDRs, PFAs as well as residual defor-
523 mations) in multi-story buildings (Givens et al. 2012; NIST 2012a; Storie et al. 2014).
524 Therefore, the probabilistic economic losses may be overstated when ignoring the SFSI ef-
525 fect into the analytical model representation of the respective building. This issue deserves
526 more attention in future research studies.
- 527 ● Losses because of repair or replacement of acceleration-sensitive nonstructural components
528 herein are derived based on fragility curves with fairly low median PFAs at each damage
529 state as suggested in FEMA P-58 (FEMA 2012). However, this may not be consistent
530 with damage observations in steel-frame buildings from the 2010/2011 Christchurch earth-
531 quakes (Clifton et al. 2011). In particular, no damage was observed to either the suspended
532 ceilings or the sprinkler (i.e., components sensitive to PFAs) installed in steel buildings
533 subjected to a PGA of 0.55 g and PFAs of 0.55–0.7 g. Therefore, loss estimation of non-
534 structural acceleration-sensitive components may be conservative to some extent.
- 535 ● The earthquake-induced economic losses presented herein are based on fragility curves for

536 building components available in recently published literature (FEMA 2012; Ramirez et al.
537 2012; Lignos and Karamanci 2013). For instance, specific components such as elevator re-
538 pairs may be more influenced by residual drifts instead of PGA, as the lift shaft guiderails
539 may require realignment in the case of permanent deformations along the height of a build-
540 ing (Clifton et al. 2011). Therefore refined component fragility curves should be developed
541 when new experimental data become available.

542 **CONCLUSIONS**

543 This paper assessed the effect of analytical modeling assumptions on the collapse risk and
544 the earthquake-induced economic losses for typical archetype steel-frame buildings with special
545 concentrically braced frames (SCBFs) ranging from 2- to 12-stories. This was achieved through
546 the development of analytical model representations of the bare SCBF only (namely as B model)
547 as well as models that captured explicitly the effect of the gravity framing and the composite floor
548 action (namely as CG model) on the steel-frame building's structural response. Typical archetypes
549 were designed in two different seismic zones in urban California; the first one represented the
550 lower bound of the Seismic Design Category D (referred to as SDC D_{\min}); and the second one
551 represented the upper bound of the Seismic Design Category D (referred to as SDC D_{\max}). A
552 comprehensive probabilistic loss estimation methodology was used (Ramirez and Miranda 2012)
553 and refined that rigorously integrates multiple engineering demand parameters (EDPs) for a wide
554 range of seismic intensities representing frequent seismic events as well as earthquakes with low
555 probability of occurrence. The earthquake-induced economic losses were evaluated in terms of
556 expected losses conditioned on a seismic intensity (i.e., loss vulnerability curves) and the expected
557 annual losses (EALs). The effect of the used steel brace fragility curve on the loss computations
558 was also quantified. The main findings are summarized as follows:

- 559 1. Damage in acceleration-sensitive nonstructural components seem to govern the total losses
560 in steel-frame buildings with SCBFs at frequent and design basis seismic events. The
561 magnitude of such losses is not sensitive to the selected analytical model representation,

562 the number of stories of the respective archetype building and the used loss-metric.

- 563 2. Losses because of steel brace damage seem to be appreciable at frequent and design-basis
564 earthquakes. This is because of the fact that steel brace flexural buckling may occur at
565 fairly small drift ratios (i.e., 0.5% on average). In this case, the choice of the used steel
566 brace fragility curve affects the loss computations. In particular, drift-based fragility curves
567 commonly used in the earthquake engineering practice tend to overestimate repairs of steel
568 brace components by approximately 20% compared to dual-parameter steel brace fragility
569 curves. The latter captures the effect of brace geometry (i.e., global and local slenderness)
570 on loss computations for a given story drift ratio.
- 571 3. If losses because of demolition and collapse are of fundamental concern, they should be
572 evaluated conditioned on the seismic intensity of interest. In this case, the choice of the
573 analytical model representation of the archetype building becomes significant especially
574 for steel-frame buildings designed in highly seismic regions (i.e., SDC D_{\max}). In particular,
575 nonlinear building models that explicitly capture the destabilizing effects of the gravity
576 framing (i.e., CG models) should be used. Else, losses because of demolition are largely
577 overestimated because of drift concentrations in few stories of a steel SCBF that in reality
578 are not as pronounced as B models predict.
- 579 4. steel-frame buildings with perimeter SCBFs designed for a SDC D_{\max} achieved a probabilit-
580 ity of collapse in 50 years that satisfied the 1% limit specified by ASCE/SEI 7-10 (ASCE
581 2010) only when the contribution of the composite slab action and the gravity framing was
582 considered as part of the analytical model building representation. Models that consider the
583 bare frame only seem to largely overestimate the collapse risk of steel-frame buildings with
584 SCBFs in highly seismic regions. This is not a controlling issue for steel SCBFs designed
585 for a SDC D_{\min} .
- 586 5. The EAL is a more representative metric to evaluate losses in steel-frame buildings with
587 SCBFs for seismic events with moderate to high probability of occurrence (i.e., more fre-
588 quently occurring seismic events) compared to loss-metrics that are conditioned on a single

589 seismic intensity. The reason is that more frequent seismic events are better weighted in
590 the EAL computations through the integration of the loss vulnerability curve of a building
591 over the design site-specific hazard curve. In this case, detailed modeling of the respective
592 building of interest does not seem to be critical for the cases considered in this paper.

- 593 6. The normalized EALs for low- to high-rise steel-frame buildings with SCBFs range from
594 0.74 to 0.87% for SDC D_{\max} and from 0.39 to 0.65% for SDC D_{\min} . These values seem
595 to be insensitive to the choice of the analytical modeling representation of the respective
596 archetype and the choice of the steel brace fragility curve. In addition, the above EAL
597 range is consistent but slightly larger than the corresponding values for other conventional
598 steel and reinforced concrete frame buildings designed in seismic regions.

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TABLE 1 Dual-parameter fragility distribution functions for steel braces (Lignos and Karamanci 2013)

Assembly description	Damage state ^a	Fragility parameters					
		μ_{SDR} (%)	$\beta_{\ln SDR}$	$\mu_{KL/r}$	$\beta_{\ln KL/r}$	$\mu_{(D/t)/\lambda_{hd}^b}$	$\beta_{\ln(D/t)/\lambda_{hd}^b}$
Round HSS Braces	DS1	0.41	0.51	63.6	0.46	0.97	0.47
	DS2	0.96	0.45	66.1	0.45	1.02	0.42
	DS3	2.75	0.51	68.9	0.40	1.11	0.33

^a DS1 = global buckling; DS2 = local buckling; and DS3 = brace fracture.

^b λ_{hd} = the corresponding seismic compactness limit specified in AISC (2010).

TABLE 2 Fragility and cost estimates for steel-frame buildings with perimeter SCBFs

Assembly description	Damage state ^a	Unit	Fragility parameters			Repair cost parameters
			EDP ^b	x_m^c	β^d	x_m^c (\$)
Columns base (W < 223kg/m) (FEMA 2012)	Crack initiation	EA	SDR	0.04	0.40	19224
	Crack propagation			0.07	0.40	27263
	Fracture			0.10	0.40	32423
Columns base (223kg/m < W ≤ 446kg/m) (FEMA 2012)	Crack initiation	EA	SDR	0.04	0.40	20082
	Crack propagation			0.07	0.40	29395
	Fracture			0.10	0.40	36657
Columns base (W > 446kg/m) (FEMA 2012)	Crack initiation	EA	SDR	0.04	0.40	21363
	Crack propagation			0.07	0.40	32567
	Fracture			0.10	0.40	41890
Column splices (W < 223kg/m) (FEMA 2012)	Crack initiation	EA	SDR	0.04	0.40	9446
	Crack propagation			0.07	0.40	11246
	Fracture			0.10	0.40	38473
Column splices (223kg/m < W ≤ 446kg/m) (FEMA 2012)	Crack initiation	EA	SDR	0.04	0.40	10246
	Crack propagation			0.07	0.40	13012
	Fracture			0.10	0.40	42533
Column splices (W > 446kg/m) (FEMA 2012)	Crack initiation	EA	SDR	0.04	0.40	11446
	Crack propagation			0.07	0.40	14812
	Fracture			0.10	0.40	47594
Column (≤ W27) (FEMA 2012)	LB	EA	SDR	0.03	0.30	16033
	LTB			0.04	0.30	25933
	Fracture			0.05	0.30	25933
Column (≥ W30) (FEMA 2012)	LB	EA	SDR	0.03	0.30	17033
	LTB			0.04	0.30	28433
	Fracture			0.05	0.30	28433
Rectangular HSS (Brace weight < 60kg/m) (Lignos and Karamanci 2013)	GB	EA	SDR	0.40	0.43	29983
	LB			1.02	0.44	37014
	Brace Fracture			1.60	0.48	36480
Rectangular HSS (61kg/m < Brace weight < 147kg/m) (Lignos and Karamanci 2013)	GB	EA	SDR	0.40	0.43	29983
	LB			1.02	0.44	47115
	Brace Fracture			1.60	0.48	47882

TABLE 2 Fragility and cost estimates for steel-frame buildings with perimeter SCBFs (continued)

Assembly description	Damage state ^a	Unit	Fragility parameters			Repair cost parameters
			EDP ^b	x_m^c	β^d	x_m^c (\$)
Round HSS (Brace weight < 60kg/m) (Lignos and Karamanci 2013)	GB	EA	SDR	0.41	0.51	29983
	LB			0.96	0.45	37014
	Brace Fracture			2.75	0.51	36480
Round HSS (61kg/m < Brace weight < 147kg/m) (Lignos and Karamanci 2013)	GB	EA	SDR	0.41	0.51	29983
	LB			0.96	0.45	47115
	Brace Fracture			2.75	0.51	47882
Moment connections (one-sided, ≤ W27) (FEMA 2012)	LB	EA	SDR	0.03	0.30	16033
	LTB			0.04	0.30	25933
	Fracture			0.05	0.30	25933
Moment connections(one-sided, ≥ W30) (FEMA 2012)	LB	EA	SDR	0.03	0.30	17033
	LTB			0.04	0.30	28433
	Fracture			0.05	0.30	28433
Moment connections (two-sided, ≤ W27) (FEMA 2012)	LB	EA	SDR	0.03	0.30	30400
	LTB			0.04	0.30	47000
	Fracture			0.05	0.30	47000
Moment connections (two-sided, ≥ W30) (FEMA 2012)	LB	EA	SDR	0.03	0.30	30400
	LTB			0.04	0.30	52399
	Fracture			0.05	0.30	52399
Shear tab connections (FEMA 2012)	Yielding	EA	SDR	0.04	0.40	12107
	Partial tearing			0.08	0.40	12357
	Complete separation			0.11	0.40	12307
Corrugated slab (90mm steel; 100mm overlay) (Hwang et al. 2015)	Crack initiations	m ²	SDR	0.00375	0.13	180
	Crushing near column			0.01	0.22	330
	Shear stud fracture			0.05	0.35	570
Drywall partition (Ramirez et al. 2012)	Visible	6m ²	SDR	0.0039	0.17	90
	Significant			0.0085	0.23	530
Drywall finish (Ramirez et al. 2012)	Visible	6m ²	SDR	0.0039	0.17	90
	Significant			0.0085	0.23	250
Exterior glazing (Ramirez et al. 2012)	Crack	pane	SDR	0.04	0.36	440
	Fallout			0.046	0.33	440
Suspended ceiling (A > 232m ²) (FEMA 2012)	5% tiles dislodge	232m ²	PFA(g)	0.35	0.40	3542
	30% tiles dislodge			0.55	0.40	29337
	Collapse			0.80	0.40	55200

TABLE 2 Fragility and cost estimates for steel-frame buildings with perimeter SCBFs (continued)

Assembly description	Damage state ^a	Unit	Fragility parameters			Repair cost parameters
			EDP ^b	x_m^c	β^d	x_m^c (\$)
Automatic sprinklers (Ramirez et al. 2012)	Fracture	3.66m	PFA(g)	0.32	1.40	900
Elevator (FEMA 2012)	Failure	EA	PGA(g)	0.50	0.28	868

^aGB=Global buckling, LB=local buckling, LTB=lateral-torsional buckling.

^bSDR=story drift ratio, PFA=peak floor acceleration (g), PGA=peak ground acceleration (g).

^c x_m =median value of assembly fragility curve.

^d β =lognormal standard deviation.

TABLE 3 Median and logarithmic standard deviation of collapse fragility curves for all the analytical model representations of the archetype steel buildings with SCBFs

No. of stories	$\hat{S}_{CT}(T_1, 5\%) / g$				β_{RTR}			
	SDC D _{max}		SDC D _{min}		SDC D _{max}		SDC D _{min}	
	<i>B</i>	<i>CG</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>CG</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>CG</i>	<i>B</i>	<i>CG</i>
2	2.96	3.75	1.30	1.90	0.48	0.48	0.56	0.54
3	4.22	4.31	1.76	1.90	0.50	0.54	0.56	0.61
6	2.51	3.09	1.34	1.73	0.59	0.48	0.60	0.58
12	1.11	1.68	0.71	1.23	0.73	0.63	0.50	0.53

TABLE 4 Normalized EALs for archetype buildings with SCBFs based on drift-based steel brace fragility curves

Building model		Replacement cost (millions U.S. dollars)	EAL (%)					Total losses
			nonstructural losses		Structural losses	Demolition losses	Collapse losses	
			Acc	Drift				
SDC D_{max}								
2	<i>B</i>	7.56	0.623	0.020	0.061	0.092	0.020	0.816
	<i>CG</i>		0.690	0.022	0.068	0.012	0.009	0.801
3	<i>B</i>	11.34	0.648	0.027	0.049	0.011	0.004	0.738
	<i>CG</i>		0.707	0.025	0.047	0.008	0.005	0.792
6	<i>B</i>	22.68	0.663	0.049	0.071	0.034	0.015	0.832
	<i>CG</i>		0.666	0.043	0.061	0.013	0.005	0.788
12	<i>B</i>	45.36	0.562	0.063	0.159	0.045	0.043	0.872
	<i>CG</i>		0.623	0.044	0.113	0.006	0.015	0.801
SDC D_{min}								
2	<i>B</i>	7.56	0.315	0.012	0.040	0.005	0.020	0.392
	<i>CG</i>		0.395	0.013	0.037	0.000	0.005	0.450
3	<i>B</i>	11.34	0.521	0.015	0.036	0.001	0.003	0.577
	<i>CG</i>		0.594	0.015	0.035	0.000	0.004	0.647
6	<i>B</i>	22.68	0.334	0.035	0.059	0.002	0.002	0.432
	<i>CG</i>		0.419	0.029	0.051	0.000	0.001	0.501
12	<i>B</i>	45.36	0.395	0.044	0.132	0.005	0.001	0.577
	<i>CG</i>		0.435	0.029	0.090	0.001	0.000	0.556

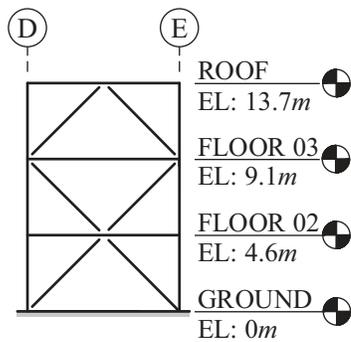
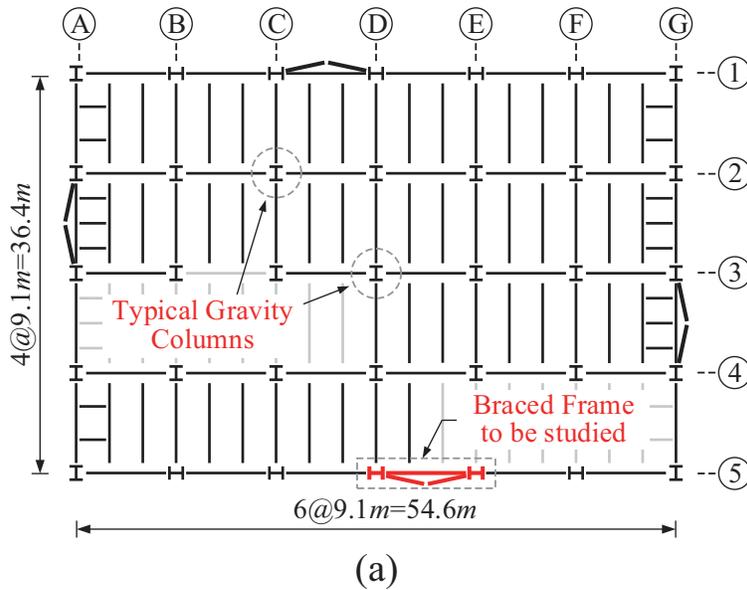
Note that all values in the table are expressed as a percentage of the total replacement cost of the respective building

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Note:

Gravity Loads

1. Roof Loading
 - Dead = 3.21 kPa
 - Live = 0.96 kPa
2. Floor Loading
 - Dead = 4.07 kPa
 - Live = 2.39 kPa

Seismic Design Parameters

Occupancy Category II
(office)

Importance Factor = 1.0

$R = 6, C_d = 6, \Omega_0 = 2.0$

Seismic Design Category *D*

1. D_{max}

$S_{DS} = 1.4g, S_{D1} = 0.7g$

$F_a = 1.0, F_v = 1.5$

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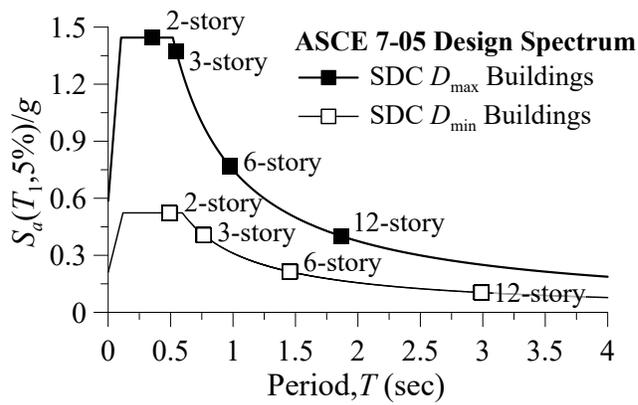
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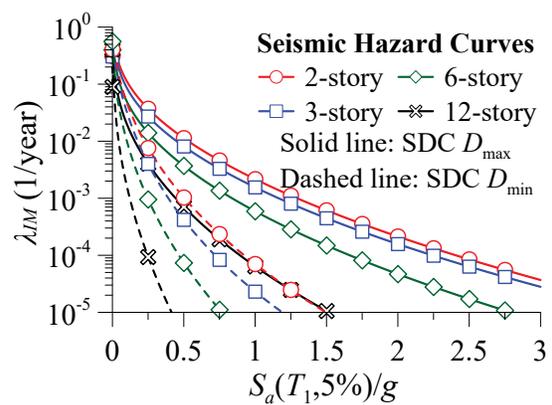
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FIG. 1 Archetype steel-frame buildings with perimeter SCBFs: (a) typical plan view; and (b) elevation view of the 3-story SCBF

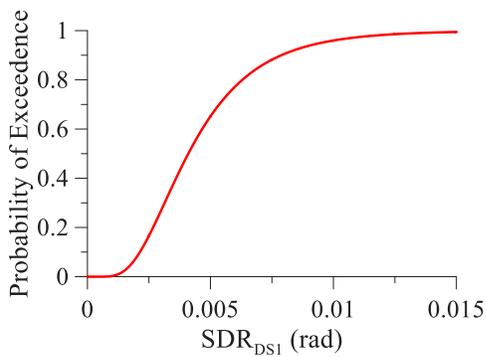


(a) Design spectrum

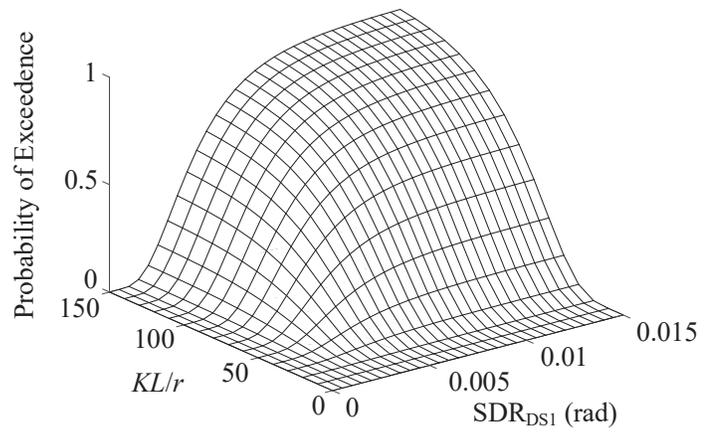


(b) Site-specific seismic hazard curves

FIG. 2 Design spectrum and site-specific seismic hazard curves for bare model representations of archetype buildings with SCBFs



(a) Univariate fragility curve



(b) Dual-parameter fragility curve

FIG. 3 Example of fragility curves for damage state of global buckling for round HSS braces: (a) univariate fragility curve; and (b) dual-parameter (global slenderness KL/r) fragility curves [adopted from Lignos and Karamanci (2013)]

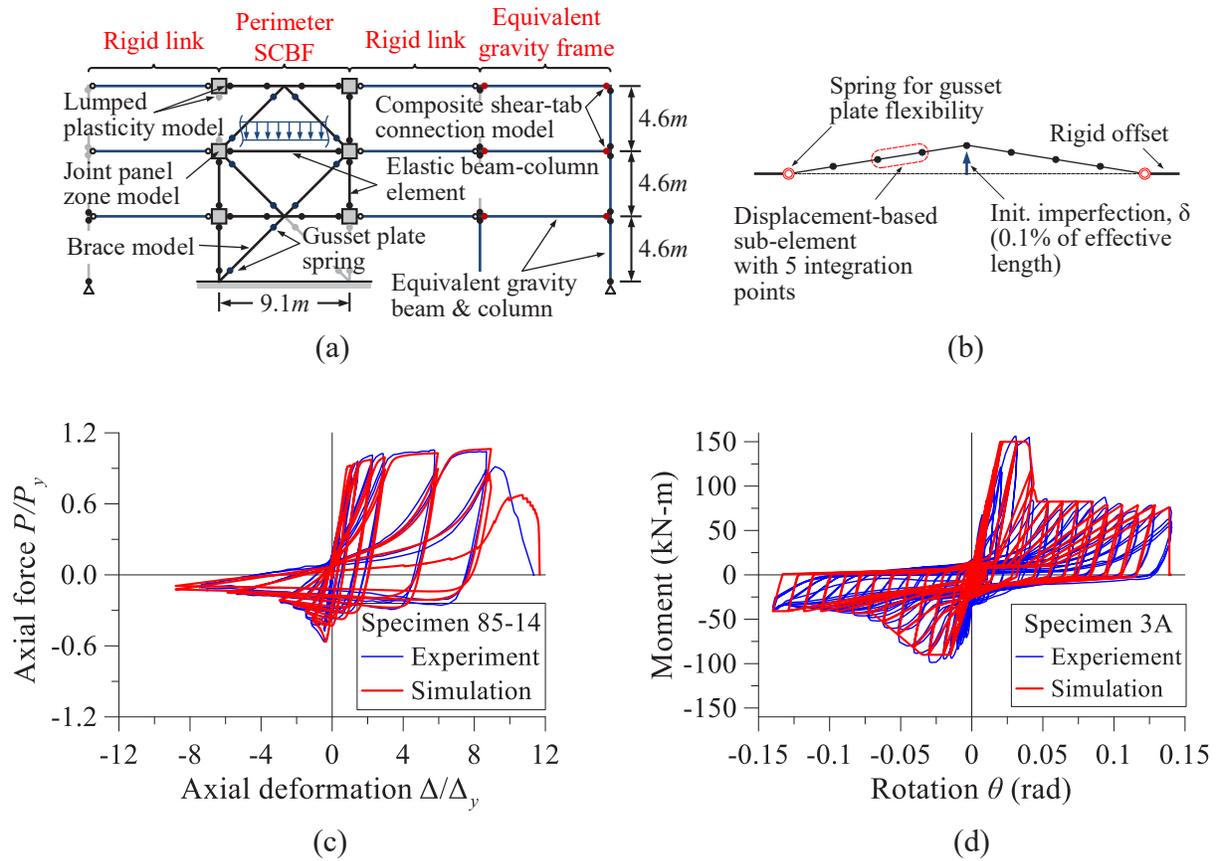


FIG. 4 Analytical model representation of steel-frame buildings with SCBFs: (a) 2-D analytical model including the gravity framing (CG model); (b) description of the steel brace component model; (c) axial force-deformation relation for rectangular HSS brace section [data from Han et al. (2007)]; and (d) moment-chord rotation relation for composite beam in single-plate shear tab connections [data from Liu and Astaneh-Asl (2000)]

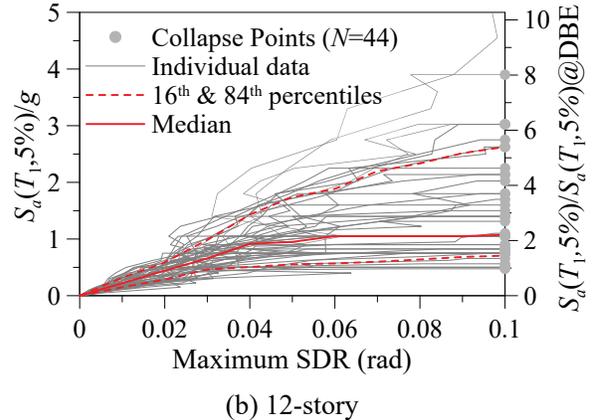
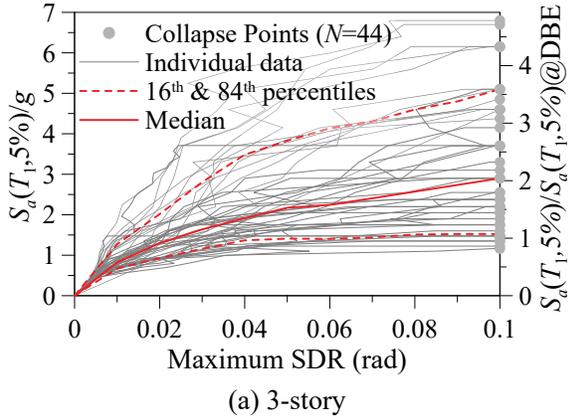


FIG. 5 IDA curves for the 3- and 12-story steel-frame buildings with perimeter SCBFs (CG models)

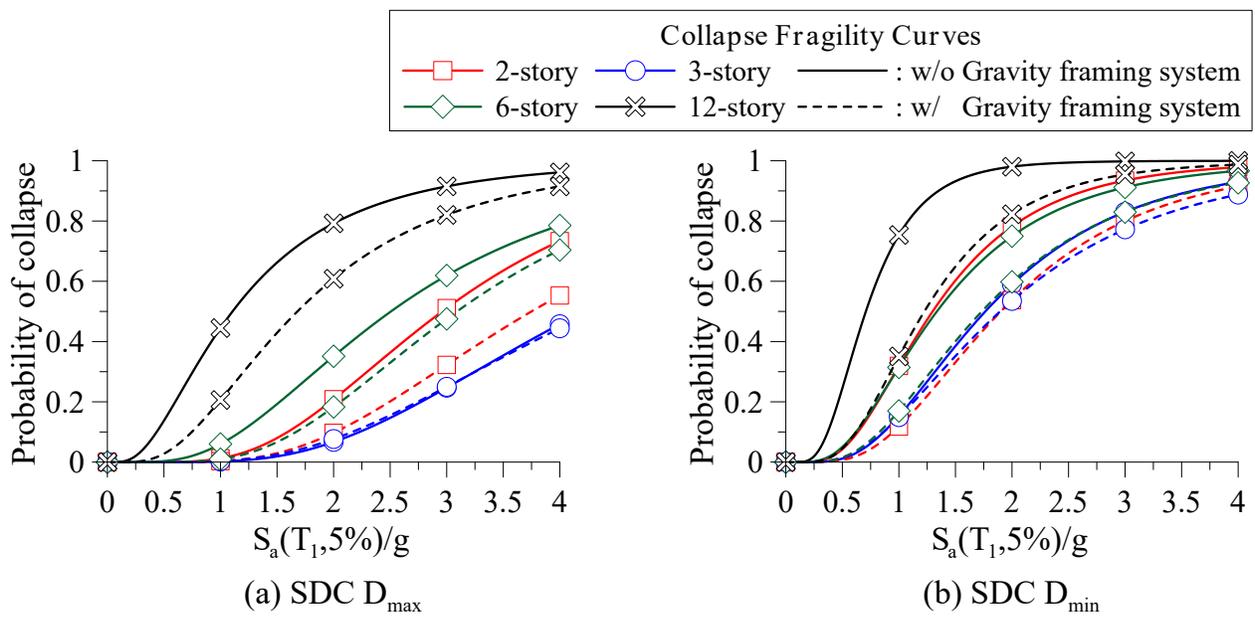


FIG. 6 Collapse fragility curves for steel-frame buildings with perimeter SCBFs with/without gravity framing system

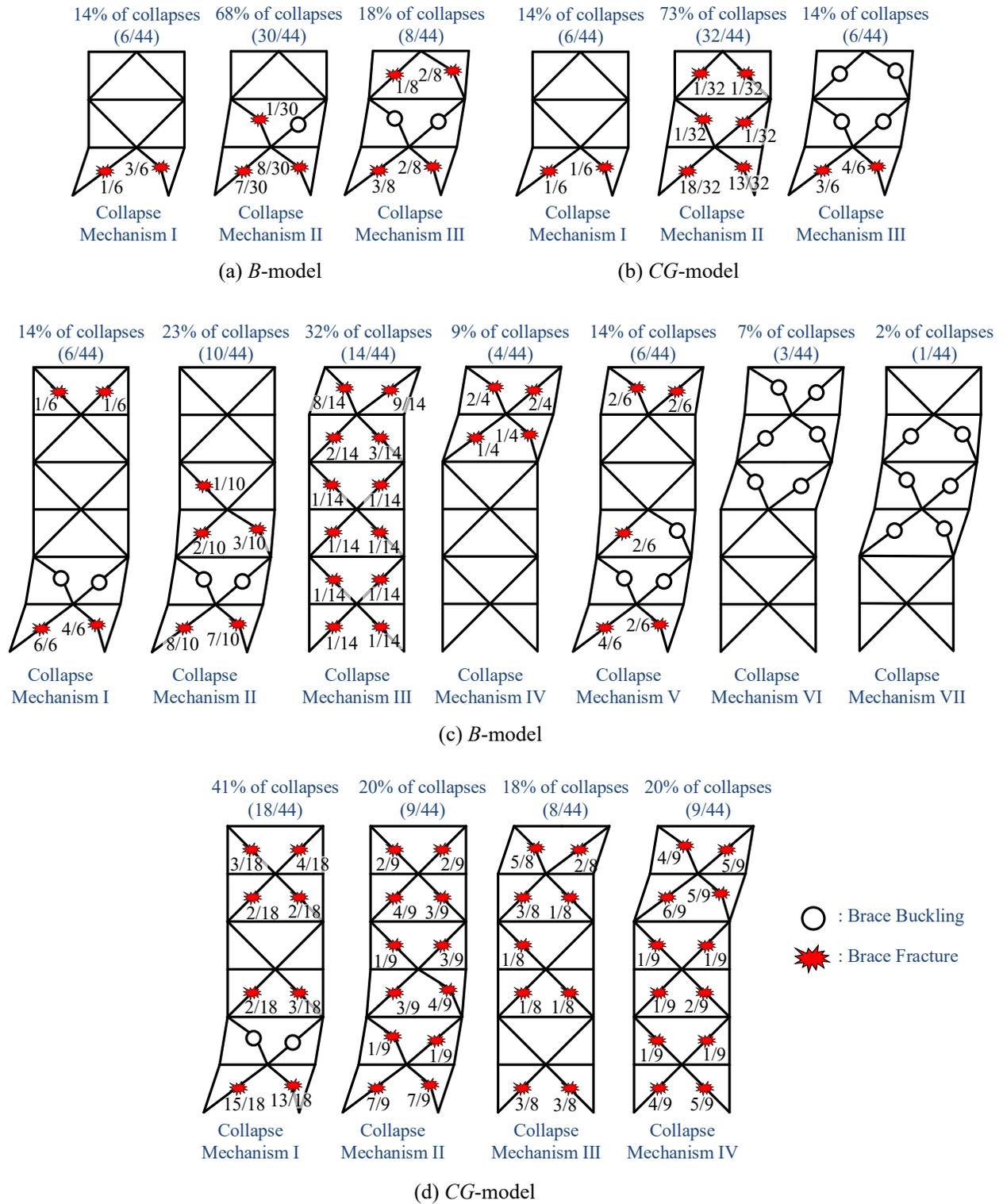


FIG. 7 Collapse mechanisms for the 3- and 6-story archetypes based on B and CG models

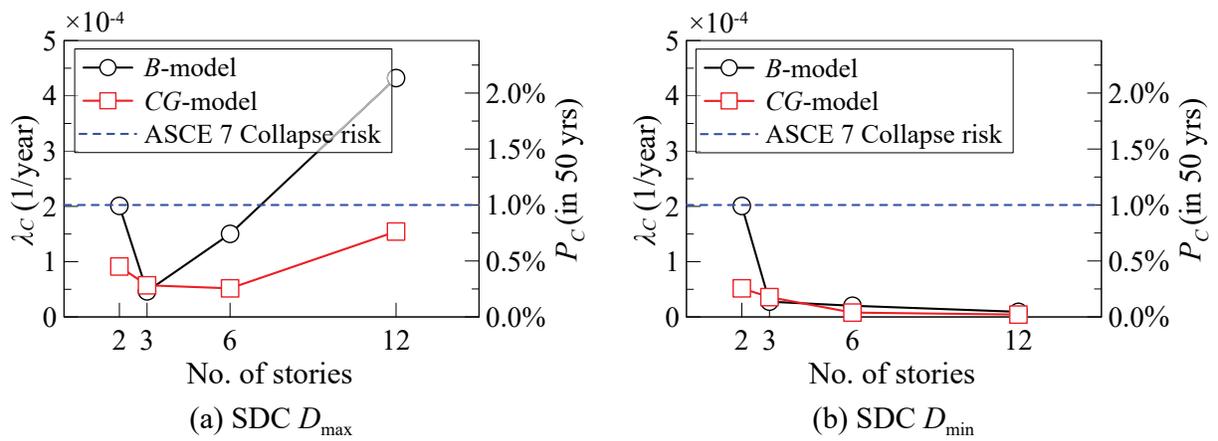


FIG. 8 Mean annual frequency of collapse λ_c and the corresponding collapse probability over 50 years P_c (in 50 years) for the analytical model type of archetype buildings with perimeter SCBFs

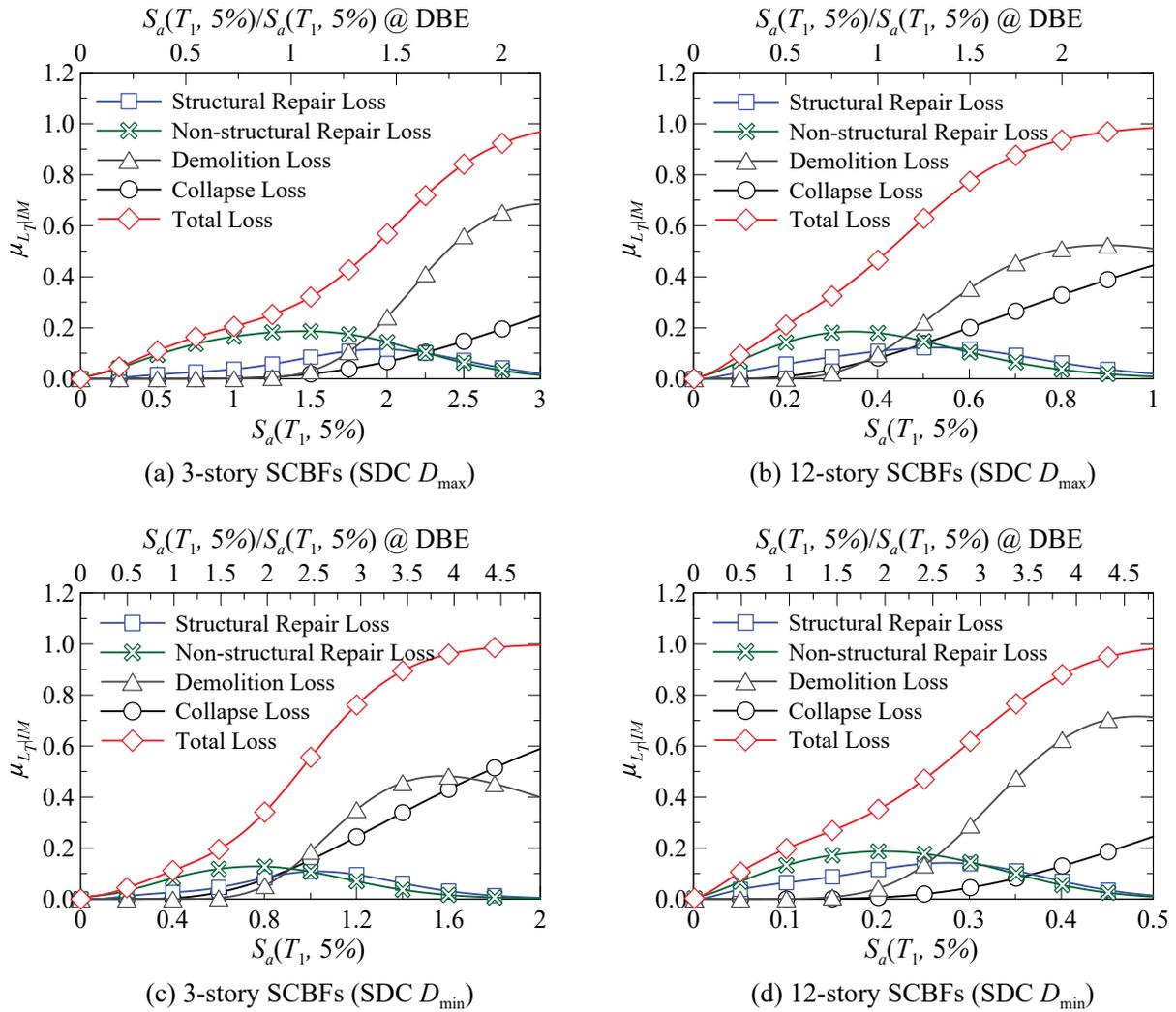


FIG. 9 Normalized loss vulnerability curves for steel-frame buildings with perimeter SCBFs designed for SDC D_{max} and D_{min} conditioned on seismic intensity

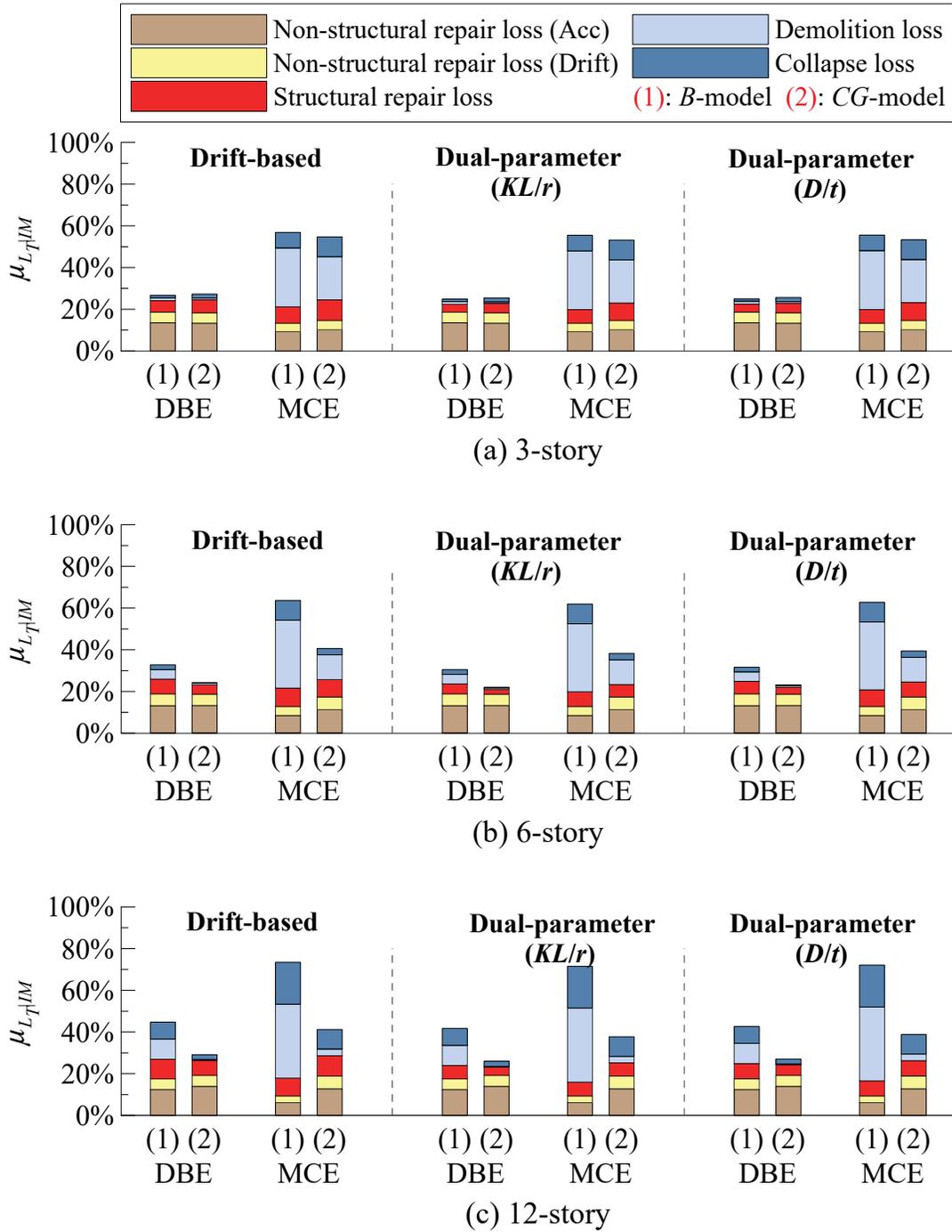


FIG. 10 Normalized expected losses of steel-frame buildings with perimeter SCBFs designed for SDC D_{max} conditioned on selected seismic intensities

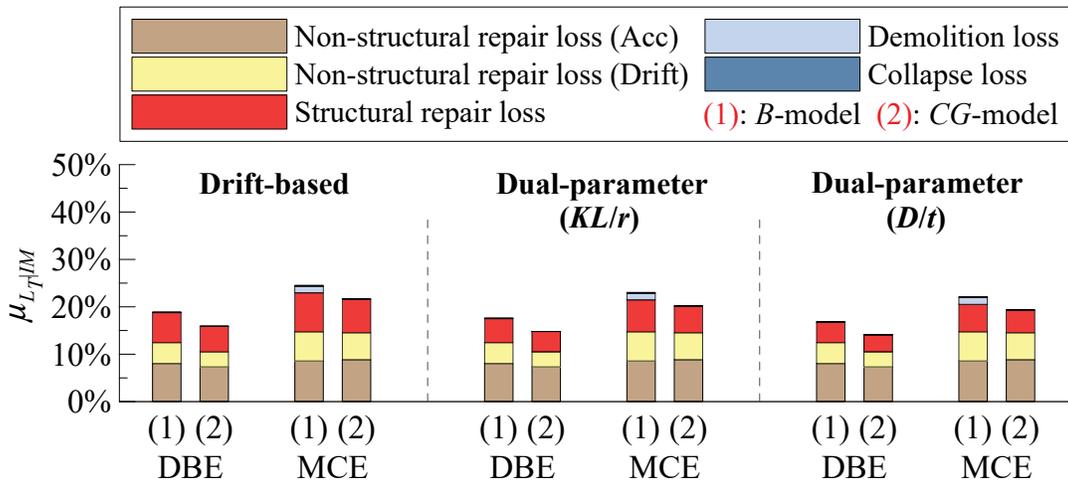


FIG. 11 Normalized expected losses of the 12-story steel-frame building with perimeter SCBFs designed for SDC D_{min} conditioned on selected seismic intensities

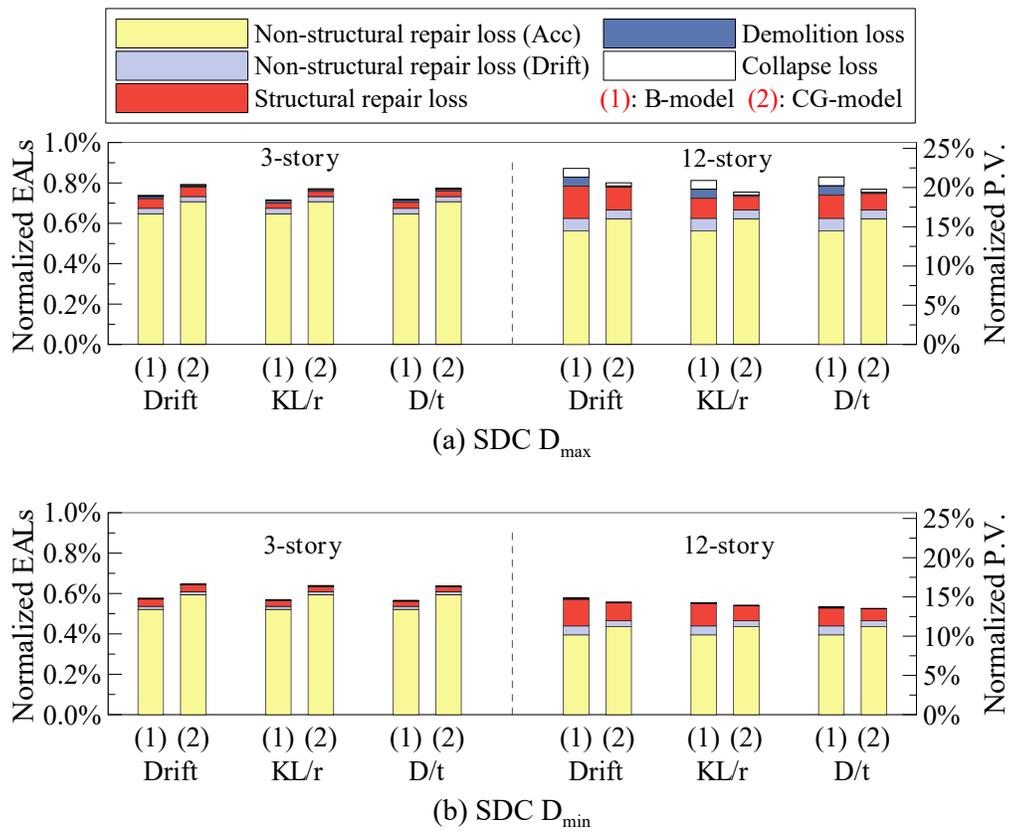


FIG. 12 Normalized expected annual losses and present values for steel-frame buildings with SCBFs