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Damage Inspection of Fiber Reinforced Polymer-Concrete Systems using a Distant Acoustic-Laser NDE Technique

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Outline

- Motivation and Objective
 - Delamination/debonding problem in multi-layer fiberglassconcrete systems
- Distant Inspection Acoustic-Laser NDE Technique
- Experimental Result
- Summary

Deterioration and degradation of civil infrastructure









- Sudden failures of civil infrastructure systems
 - Significant impacts
 - EX: I-35 Highway Bridge Collapse, Minneapolis, Minnesota (6:05pm, Wed., Aug. 1, 2007)



(Source: Security camera by the Army Corps of Engineers)

(Source: www.gettyimages.com)

- Deterioration/degradation is inevitable, but sudden failure must be prevented.
- Among various strengthening and repairing techniques, externallywrapped strengthening technique provides a rapid and effective solution.





(Source: Fyfe Co. LLC, 2005)

■ After strengthening, a multi-layer fiberglass-concrete system is formed. → Less ductile than the original reinforced concrete system

Delamination/debonding in a strengthened reinforced concrete beam:



Delamination/debonding in a strengthened reinforced concrete column:



a) Bond delamination between plies



b) Overlap joint debonding

[Au (2001)]

- Strengthening techniques are used –
- For new constructions to upgrade their design capacity
- For damaged structures to restore their design capacity
- Inspection needs:
 - Need to determine the level of strengthening
 - Need to evaluate the quality of strengthening construction
 - Need to monitor the long-term performance of the strengthened system
- Objective:
 - To develop a distant/standoff technique for the inspection of delamination/debonding

Inspection scheme:



- Proposed acoustic-laser NDE technique
 - Is a standoff inspection technique
 - Has a high powered parametric acoustic array (PAA) that can excite the structure from ranges exceeding 30 meters
 - Has a laser vibrometer that collects the surface dynamic signature of the multi-layer structure
- Principle:
 - Dynamic signature of an intact multi-layer system is different from the one of an damaged multi-layer system.

Simplified models of delamination and concrete cracking:



- Theoretical basis:
 - Difference in natural frequencies of the damaged and intact regions
- Governing equation of an intact region 2D beam model:

$$EI\frac{\partial^4 y}{\partial x^4} + \rho A\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} + ky = 0$$

where *E* = Young's modulus, *I* = moment of the inertia, ρ = density of the material (fiberglass), *A* = cross sectional area, *y*(*x*,*t*) = transverse displacement of the beam at position *x* and time *t*, and *k* = distributed stiffness coefficient characterizing the connection between FRP and concrete.

Governing equation of a damaged region (clamped beam):

$$EI\frac{\partial^4 y}{\partial x^4} + \rho A\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

- Natural frequencies of the intact and damaged regions:
 - Intact –

$$\omega_{i} = \sqrt{\frac{K_{i}}{M_{i}}} = \sqrt{EI \int_{0}^{L} \left[\frac{d^{2}\phi_{i}(x)}{dx^{2}}\right]^{2} dx} + \int_{0}^{L} k \left[\phi_{i}(x)\right]^{2} dx / \rho A \int_{0}^{L} \left[\frac{d\phi_{i}(x)}{dx}\right]^{2} dx$$

where M_i = the generalized mass of the *i*-th mode, and $\phi_i(x)$ = shape function. Damaged (with void) –

$$\left(\omega_{void}\right)_{i} = \sqrt{\frac{K_{i}}{M_{i}}} = \sqrt{EI \int_{0}^{L} \left[\frac{d^{2}\phi_{i}(x)}{dx^{2}}\right]^{2} dx} / \rho A \int_{0}^{L} \left[\frac{d\phi_{i}(x)}{dx}\right]^{2} dx$$

The Rayleigh wave over a finite length void can be described in terms of two harmonic waves traveling in opposite directions.

$$y(x,t) = Ae^{j(\omega t - kx)} + Be^{j(\omega t + kx)}$$

where A and B are complex amplitudes.

Parametric acoustic array (PAA):



[Courtesy of MIT Lincoln Laboratory]

3000 Watt Power Supply



Safety Lockout Switches



Acoustic radiation pattern of the developed PAA:



RF Anechoic Chamber Measurements

[Courtesy of MIT Lincoln Laboratory]

Acoustic Spectrum mic #3 on boresight

PAA radiation patterns at 7 kHz and 26.3 kHz:



 \rightarrow Acoustic waves by PAA is focused.

Acoustic radiation patterns at different frequencies:



Acoustic power from PAA:



Low power amplifier

Specimen description



- Concrete mix ratio = water : cement : sand : aggregate = 0.45 : 1 : 2.52 : 3.21
- Glass FRP (GFRP) mix ratio = epoxy : glass fiber = 0.645 : 0.355
- GFRP type = Tyfo SHE-51A by Fyfe
- Epoxy = Tyfo S epoxy by Fyfe
- GFRP sheet thickness = 0.25 cm (0.1 in)

Low frequency acoustic response using a loudspeaker source:



(Measurements were made at a distance of 30 m in an open area in Lexington, MA.)

High frequency acoustic response using the PAA:



 \rightarrow Using a sound speed of 340 m/s shows that the $\frac{1}{2}$ wavelength of the resonance is approximately 2 inches which is the width of the large void.

High frequency acoustic response:



Approximate 3D solution:

- Uniform circular plate with fixed edge supports in free vibration

$$\omega_{mn} = \frac{\left(\lambda a\right)_{mn}^2}{a^2} \sqrt{\frac{D}{\rho h}}$$

where $D = Eh^3/12(1-v^2)$ = flexural rigidity of the plate, E = Young's modulus, h = thickness of the plate, v = Poisson's ratio, ρ = density of the material, $w = w(r, \theta, t)$ = transverse displacement in cylindrical coordinate as the function of spatial variables and time *t*. (E = 21.5 psi (148 GPa); ρ = 1.4 lb/in³ (1.5 kg/m³))

 λa is found from the frequency equation; a = the radius of the circular plate, λ = eigenvalue of the frequency equation.

$$J_{n}(\lambda a)\frac{dI_{n}}{dr}(\lambda a) - I_{n}(\lambda a)\frac{dJ_{n}}{dr}(\lambda a) = 0$$

where
$$J_{n}(\lambda a) = \left(\frac{\lambda a}{2}\right)^{n} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left\{ \left[-\frac{(\lambda a)^{2}}{4}\right]^{k} / k!\Gamma(n+k+1) \right\} = \text{Bessel function of the first kind}$$
$$I_{n}(\lambda a) = \left(\frac{\lambda a}{2}\right)^{n} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left\{ \left[\frac{(\lambda a)^{2}}{4}\right]^{k} / k!\Gamma(n+k+1) \right\} = \text{modified Bessel function of the first kind}$$

Approximate 3D solution:



→Difference is attributed to i) non-perfectly shape of the delamination, and ii) the variation in boundary condition.

Summary

- The proposed acoustic-laser technique is capable of remotely exciting a fiberglass-concrete system and collecting the surface dynamic signature from the system.
- Surface dynamic signature of the intact (solid) region in a multi-layer fiberglass-concrete system is different from the one of the delaminated (void) region. → A database relating surface dynamic signature and delamination/debonding characteristics can be established.
- High velocity measurements are remotely observed at the debonding location and at the resonant frequency relating to the debonding geometry.
- Possible use for detecting surface concrete cracking and steel corrosion

Thank you for your attention.

Questions?