Standard Problem Exercise No. 3

Model 2: Equipment Hatch Model

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Standard Problem Exercise No. 3 Summary

Model 2 continues examining:

- Effects of containment dilation on prestressing force
- Slippage of prestressing cables
- Steel-concrete interface
- Fracture mechanics behavior







- Detailed model of the Equipment Hatch
- In addition, studying the ovalization of concrete versus steel and the displacement and leakage this could cause
- Temperature analysis was not part of the SPE for Model 2





Model 2 – Local E/H Model Geometry and Boundary Conditions



View Looking Radially out from Center of Cylinder

Detailed Liner Analysis Near E/H (View from Inside PCCV Looking Out Radially)







Model 2 – Perspective View













(Important to Simulating Strain Concentrations)

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Model Geometry and Initial Conditions

- Concrete modeled with 8-node 3D solid elements, rebar modeled with embedded subelements, tendons with two-node truss elements, and liner with 4-node shell elements
- Losses handled by initial conditions applied to tendons and by FE Model's representation of angular friction
- Every tendon was modeled





Prestressing Tendon Geometry for Model 2









Model Geometry and Initial Conditions

- With methodology in Model 1, contact condition requires nodes of tendon and nodes of concrete be coincident
- Making concrete mesh compatible with tendon mesh is extremely difficult and time consuming
- Strategy developed to facilitate modeling of tendonconcrete interaction – embedded shell elements created, surrounding each tendon (analogous to "sheaths" or "ducts")
- Elements fully embedded into concrete, while allowing contact surface to follow 3d geometry and effectively model actual conditions





Sheath Elements Along Tendon with Jacking Elements











Tendons Inside Duct





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Model Geometry and Initial Conditions

- Ends of tendons have a 'jacking element' protruding from the edge of concrete mesh
- For Model 2, jacking 'element' assigned only on one side of each tendon, the side closest to the buttress the tendon is jacked from
- Other end of each tendon tied to concrete face
- This geometry difficult to set up, some unavoidable edge effects which influence the tendon stresses and strains of the end element, the tendon stress and strain distributions interior to these end elements appear to be reasonable







Model Overview









Tendon Sheaths with Jacking Elements <u>Shown</u>











Concrete Mesh









Steel Liner and Penetration Pipe Mesh









Vertical and Horizontal Liner Anchors









Liner Tear Locations



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Key Locations for Reporting Liner Strain Selected for Model 2 Exercise

Objectives:

- 1. To choose a relatively long gage length over which to report strain in order to eliminate differences between analysts due to mesh size
- 2. To focus on key aspects of liner-concrete interaction
- 3. Establish a framework for a fracture-mechanics based liner failure prediction
- Locations are numbered 1 through 10, boundaries are defined by liner anchors
- At large anchor spacing, gage length is 450.45mm
- Locations 5 and 10 straddle two anchor spaces, for a gage length equal to 300.30mm







Liner (E/H) View Showing Strain Reports (cut from Page A-28 of NUREG/CR-6810)







Information About Tendon Friction and Seating Losses

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- Some tendons being jacked from 270°
 have
- additional losses as they sweep around the Equipment Hatch before reaching the region of Model 2
- These tendons have same anchor stress after losses as the freefield hoop tendons







Tendon Stress Applied to Jacking End of Model 2

Jacked from 270°	
Tendon	Stress (MPa)
H37	890
H39	885
H41	873
H43	901
H45	962
H47	1,006
H49	1,015
H51	1,030
H53	1,030
H55	1,030
H57	1,030
H59	1,030
H61	1,030
H63	1,030
H65	1,030

Jacked from 90°		
Tendon	Stress (MPa)	
H38	959	
H40	959	
H42	959	
H44	959	
H46	959	
H48	959	
H50	959	
H52	959	
H54	959	
H56	959	
H58	959	
H60	959	
H62	959	
H64	959	
H66	959	

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Jacked from Basemat		
Tendon	Stress (MPa)	
V59	1,130	
V60	1,130	
V61	1,130	
V62	1,130	
V63	1,130	
V64	1,130	
V65	1,130	
V66	1,130	
V67	1,130	
V68	1,130	
V69	1,130	
V70	1,130	
V71	1,130	
V72	1,117	
V73	1,102	
V74	1,090	
V75	1,076	
V76	1,065	
V77	1,054	
V78	1,057	
V79	968	
V80	978	
V81	968	
V82	968	
V83	948	
V84	950	
V85	943	





- For Model 2c, estimate for stiffness and strength of liner is needed to complete the simulation
 - Detailed local models for vertical and horizontal anchors created to obtain force-versus deflection curves
 - Used to determine stiffness of springs connecting the steel liner to the anchors
 - For anchor to concrete interaction, a friction coefficient of 0.5 was used
 - Liner has fully yielded at the anchor, and the concrete is crushing
 - This data converted to a bilinear curve
 - Results of the local models were applied in the direction perpendicular to the direction of the anchor







Vertical Liner Anchor Local Model at 10x deformed shape



Horizontal Liner Anchor Local Model at 10x deformed shape

















Force-Deflection Curve for Vertical Liner Anchor



Force-Deflection Curve for Horizontal Liner Anchor









Failure Criteria

- For Model 2, tendon criteria remains at 3.8% strain as for Model 1
- But Model 2 is also focused on liner tear and leakage





Biaxial-Stress Liner Failure Criteria

 $\mu = 2^{(1-\mathrm{TF})}$

where: μ is the ductility (reduction) ratio TF is the Davis Triaxiality factor

$$TF = \frac{\sqrt{2} (\sigma_1 + \sigma_2 + \sigma_3)}{\left[(\sigma_1 - \sigma_2)^2 + (\sigma_2 - \sigma_3)^2 + (\sigma_3 - \sigma_1)^2 \right]^{1/2}}$$

But when the third principal stress is zero or nearly zero, as in the case of the TBT shell plates,

$$TF = \frac{\left(\sigma_1 + \sigma_2\right)}{\left(\sigma_1^2 - \sigma_1\sigma_2 + \sigma_2^2\right)^{1/2}}$$

For instance when σ_1 and σ_2 , TF = 2 and the ductility ratio is 0.5





Biaxial-Stress Liner Failure Criteria

- Many containment analysts have concluded there is extensive judgment involved in its application
- Strains predicted by FE models can be highly dependent on the level of detail (and mesh refinement)
- The existence of flaws in the material (especially at weld seams) mean that tears might occur with strains significantly lower than the absolute ductility of the material







Analysis Results

- Model 2 was analyzed with three sets of linerconcrete interaction assumptions
 - 2a) Liner assumed bonded (no-slip) to concrete
 - 2b) Liner only connected to concrete at anchors, free-slip in between
 - 2c) Best estimate connection and consideration of friction





Required Output/Results for Model 2

- 1. Description of modeling assumptions and phenomenological models
- 2. Description of liner failure criteria used
- 3. Pressure milestones. Applied pressure:i) Where and when concrete hoop cracking occurs
 - ii) First tendon reaches 1% strain
- 4. Deformed shape and liner strain distribution at P=0 (prestress applied); 1xP_d; 1.5P_d; 2P_d; 2.5P_d; 3P_d; 3.3P_d; 3.4P_d; Ultimate pressure
- 5. Liner strain magnitudes (hoop direction) at locations indicated in Figure
- 6. Ovalization: Change in diameter of hatch and adjacent concrete, in hoop direction, versus pressure
- 7. Ovalization: Change in diameter hatch and adjacent concrete, in Meridional direction, versus pressure





Results by Pressure Milestones

Milestone	Pressure (MPa)	x Pd
Zero Concrete Hoop Stress (at 0° azimuth)	0.534	1.36
Concrete Hoop Cracking Occurs (at 0° azimuth)	0.585	1.49
Tendon A and B Reach approx.1% Strain (at 0°		
azimuth)	1.362	3.47







Results and Observations

- The results for 2b) and 2c) are similar, so no separate plots
- Significant differences begin occurring at 3.0xP_d
- The yield strain for the liner is 0.0018
- Pockets of yielding begin to occur at 2.5xP_d, and become widespread by 3.0xP_d
- First yielding occurs in area adjacent to liner thickness transition near hatch and in larger areas between 0-degree and 18-degrees azimuth. Note that near 0-degrees is where transition occurs in hoop rebar area density







Results and Observations

- Elevated strain zones are somewhat more prevalent in Model 2b and 2c than in Model 2a
- By 3.3xP_d, many elevated liner strain zones are reaching 0.01, and by 3.7xP_d, 0.014 to 0.017 or nearly 2% strain
- Agree reasonably well with observed behaviors from the 1:4 Scale Model Test
- Mesh size of 2"-3" for modeling the liner
- With this mesh-size, we would not anticipate predicting as large of localized liner strains as may occur at an individual strain gage





Results and Observations

- Ovalization of the penetration sleeve, and resulting separation between pipe and concrete
- Found differences in diameters (both horizontal and vertical) between the pipe and concrete are not uniform through the thickness
- We plotted the separation gap between the penetration surface and the concrete surface
- No significant separation until approximately 2.5P_d, but then separations of 0.03 inch, 0.08 inch 0.12 inch, 0.14 inch, and 0.16 inch for 2.5P_d, 3.0P_d, 3.3P_d, 3.4P_d, and 3.47P_d, respectively
- Model 2a showed more separation than Model 2b and 2c
- Maximum separation occurs at 2 o'clock position of E/H







Min Principal Stress (psi) in Concrete **Under Prestress Only**





Increment 14: Step Time = 1.000 Primary Var: S, Min. Principal Deformed Var: U Deformation Scale Factor: +1e+00





Tendon Stresses (psi) After Prestress Only





Step: Temp Adjustment 2, Temperature Applied to Tendons 2 Increment 14: Step Time = 1.000 Primary Var: S. S11 Deformed Var: U Deformation Scale Factor: +1e+00





Tendon Stresses (psi) with 3.3xP_d









Tendon Stresses (psi) with 3.47xP_d











Tendon Strain with 3.47xP_d









Liner Max Principal Strains at 2.0xP_d









Liner Max Principal Strains at 3.0xP_d for Model 2a





(note change in contour limits)





Liner Max Principal Strains at 3.3xP_d for Model 2a









Liner Max Principal Strains at 3.3xP_d for Model 2b









Liner Max Principal Strains at 3.3xP_d for Model 2c









Liner Max Principal Strains at 3.47xP_d for Model 2a









Liner Max Principal Strains at 3.47xP_d for Model 2b









Liner Max Principal Strains at 3.47xP_d for Model 2c









Pipe Separation from Concrete (in) at 2.5xP_d for Model 2b









Pipe Separation from Concrete (in) at 3.0xP_d for Model 2b









Pipe Separation from Concrete (in) at 3.4xP_d for Model 2a









Pipe Separation from Concrete (in) at 3.4xP_d for Model 2c









Pipe Separation from Concrete (in) at 3.47xP_d for Model 2a









Pipe Separation from Concrete (in) at 3.47xP_d for Model 2c











Failure Prediction

- State-of-the-art for predicting tearing for steel shells comprised of plates, weld seams, stiffeners consist of two fundamental types of failure criteria:
 - 1. Strain-based failure criteria applied to unflawed steel material and components (described earlier)
 - 2. Fracture-based methods applied to postulated flaws, which are commonly found in welded steel structures
- Both are relevant to PCCV liners, but both have different information requirements
- Failure Criteria Type 2 is more demanding in terms of information required







Failure Prediction

- For PCCVs, it may be a better predictor of "failure" because it guides the prediction of failure size, while Criteria Type 1 does not
- Approximate procedure is needed, or "transfer function" for correlating J-based fracture prediction to strains in PCCV Liner
- Ultimately, this also leads to prediction of liner tear lengths and opening areas versus strain in the liner
- Final step from prediction of J for a typical "flawed" piece of liner, to prediction of specific numbers and sizes of cracks, requires addition of statistical assessment





Crack Modeling for Use in Strain-to-J-<u>Mapping</u>









Crack FE Modeling for Development of Strain-to-J Mapping









Failure Prediction

- Two fracture models developed as separate FE models with extremely fine mesh (element size of 0.01-inch), appropriate to embedding small initial cracks into the models, calculating J-integrals and propagating cracks
- Fracture models consider two particular conditions where local liner strain concentrations significant – a vertical seam weld, straddled by horizontal stiffener, with or without presence of a vertical T-anchor
- In fracture mechanics work, it is typical to assume a 'flaw' size equal to thickness of material (in our case 1/16")
- Fracture submodels have a standardized length
- In PCCV, it is the length between the liner anchors
- A gage-length for strain mapping should be relatively immune to differences between analysts mesh size in Models 2 or 3
- For Model 2c, largest strains observed at Locations 6, 8, and 1. This tends to agree with observations around the E/H Region. The largest strains (Location 6) are applied to the fracture analyses





Assumed Initial Flawsize in Fracture Mechanics



Through Thickness Crack from Initial Flaw







- Crack propagation threshold needs to be established (but say for example it is J_{cr} = 350 in-lb/in²); values such as this come from fracture toughness testing
- Typical J_{cr} values for Grade 50 ksi carbon steels can range from 50-100 in-lb/in² to as high as 600-800 in-lb/in² but based on recent work on another project, $J_{cr} = 350$ in-lb/in² was found to be a reasonable median value
- J_{cr} is reached when the "averaged strain" (between anchors) is 0.0028. This corresponds to a pressure of approximately 2.7xP_d (by cross referencing to the Model 2c Liner Strain graph)
- A small flaw in the liner would first begin to grow (and leak substantially) at a pressure of 2.7xP_d. Conclusion from this is similar to observations made during the PCCV testing
- Such predictions for onset of tearing, AND predictions of the length of tears will be conducted in the Phase 2 work





Dimensions of Fracture Model 1 (same as Fracture Model 2)









Boundary Conditions Applied to fracture Model (shell thickness rendered)









Crack Size and Location on Fracture Model 1







Fracture Model 2 (Same a Fracture Model 1 with Vertical Liner Anchor Removed)









Circumferential Strain at Specified Locations vs. Multiples of Design Pressure for Model 2a

8.000E-03 7.000E-03 6.000E-03 1 2 5.000E-03 **Circumfrential Strain** 3 4.000E-03 3.000E-03 • 7 2.000E-03 1.000E-03 - 10 1.500E-17 0.0 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 3.0 3.5 4.0 -1.000E-03 **Pressure Factor**









Circumferential Strain at Specified Locations vs. Multiples of Design Pressure for Model 2b

8.000E-03 7.000E-03 6.000E-03 1 5.000E-03 **Circumfrential Strain** 3 4.000E-03 3.000E-03 • 7 2.000E-03 1.000E-03 - 10 1.500E-17 2.5 0.0 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 3.0 3.5 4.0 -1.000E-03 **Pressure Factor**

Model 2b Liner Strain







Circumferential Strain at Specified Locations vs. Multiples of Design Pressure for Model 2c

8.000E-03 7.000E-03 6.000E-03 1 2 5.000E-03 **Circumfrential Strain** 3 4.000E-03 3.000E-03 • 7 2.000E-03 1.000E-03 - 10 1.500E-17 0.0 0.5 1.0 1.5 2.0 2.5 3.0 3.5 4.0 -1.000E-03 **Pressure Factor**

Model 2c Liner Strain







Circumferential Strain in Model 1 with Average Strain of 0.00372



(Vertical Liner Anchor not Displayed for Clarity)







Circumferential Strain in Model 1 with Average Strain of 0.00419







J-integral vs. Circumferential Strain in Fracture Model 1 and 2







