

### REINFORCED CONCRETE BUILDINGS

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# **Progress Initiators**

- 1933 Long Beach Earthquake
  - Field Act, passed by on April 10, 1933.
- 1940 El Centro earthquake
  - Recorded ground motion
- 1971 San Fernando earthquake
  - Modern building design provisions
  - Ductile moment frame
- 1994 Northridge earthquake
  - Seismic rehabilitation of older buildings



## Northridge – New RC Buildings

### Gravity Systems Floor Diaphragms







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### ACI 318 Changes

21.13 — Members not designated as part of the seismic-force-resisting system

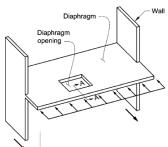
21.13.1 — Scope

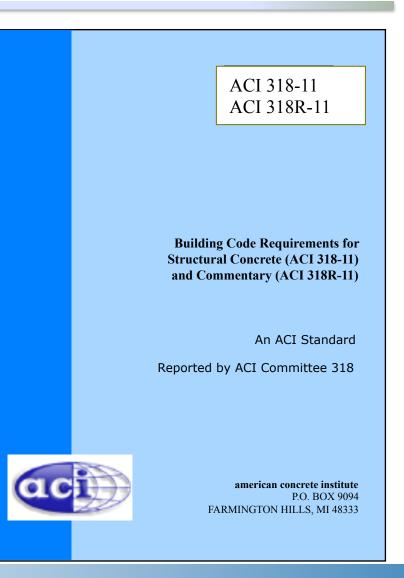
Requirements of 21.13 apply to frame members not designated as part of the seismic-force-resisting system in structures assigned to SDC D, E, and F.

#### 21.11.3 — Seismic load path (Diaphragms)

**21.11.3.1** — All diaphragms and their connections shall be proportioned and detailed to provide for a complete transfer of forces to collector elements and to the vertical elements of the seismic-force-resisting system.



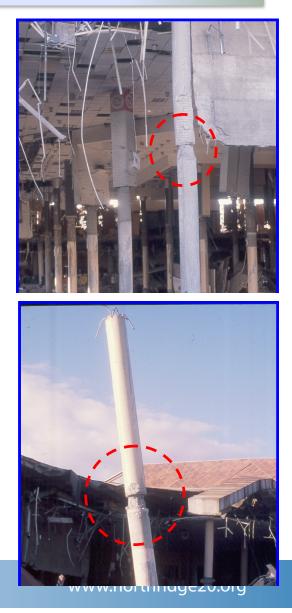




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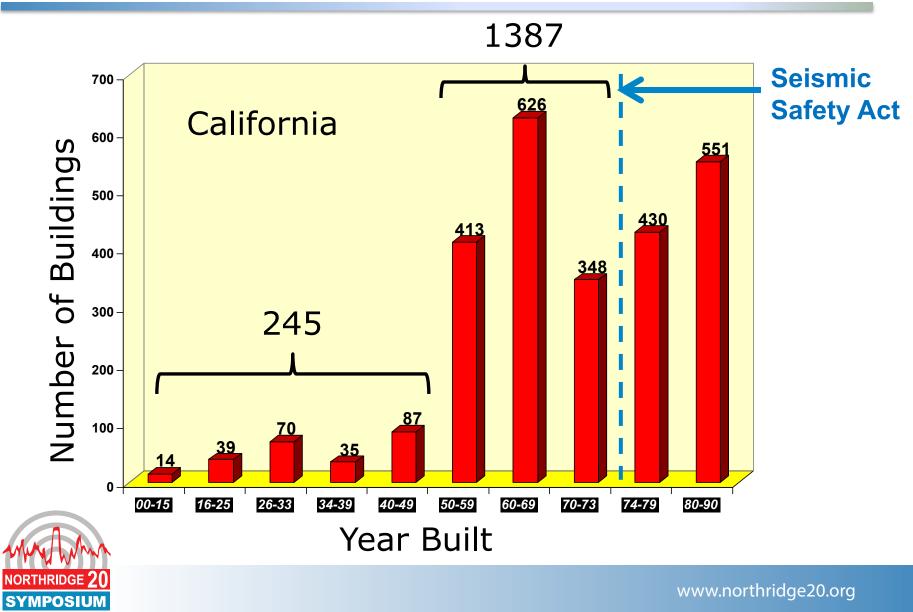
# Existing (Older) RC Buildings

- Observed poor performance
  - Bullock's Department Store -Northridge
- Poor performance & substantial risk (loss of life)
- Magnitude of the problem
  - Gravity systems in newer buildings (< 1997)</li>
  - Buildings constructed prior to the mid-1970's





## Hospital (Acute Care) Facilities



# **Consequences of Collapse**

Christchurch Earthquake of Feb 2011
185 deaths (half from one RC building collapse)



### CTV (1986)





PGC (1963), Pyne Gould (1963)

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## Today's Session: Older RC Buildings

- Part I
  - Retrofit projects in the Los Angeles area
  - Five presentations (SB-1953, four firms)
  - Application/Evolution of FEMA 273/356 and ASCE 41
- Part II
  - Forward looking Future risk reduction
  - Concrete Coalition, NEES Grand Challenge
  - Applied Technology Project 78
- Part III

SYMPOSIUM



## Panel Discussion

- A key outcome of the Symposium is to develop a White Paper summarizing recommended next steps to achieve regional (LA) and California state-wide earthquake resilience drawn from the meeting topics and discussion.
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