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Unified Shear-Flexural Model for Vibration Control of Buildings Using Passive Dynamic Absorbers

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A unified design model is proposed for various kinds of passive dynamic absorbers (PDAs) attached to buildings with different lateral resisting systems. A total of five different PDAs are considered in this study: (1) tuned mass damper (TMD), (2) circular tuned sloshing damper (C-TSD), (3) rectangular tuned sloshing damper (R-TSD), (4) two-way liquid damper (TWLD), and (5) pendulum tuned mass damper (PTMD). The unified model consists of a coupled shear-flexural (CSF) discrete model with equivalent tuned mass dampers (TMDs), which allows the consideration of intermediate modes of lateral deformation. By modifying the nondimensional lateral stiffness ratio, the CSF model can consider lateral deformations varying from those of a flexural cantilever beam to those of a shear cantilever beam. The unified model was applied to a 144-meter-tall building located in the Valley of Mexico, which was subjected to both seismic and along-wind loads. The building has similar fundamental periods of vibration and different nondimensional lateral stiffness ratios for both translational directions, which shows the importance of considering both bending and shear stiffness in the design of PDAs. The results show a great effectiveness of PDAs in controlling along-wind RMS accelerations of the building; on the contrary, PDAs were ineffective in controlling peak lateral displacements. For a single PDA attached at the rooftop level, the maximum possible value of the PDA mass efficiency index increases as the nondimensional lateral stiffness ratio decreases; therefore, there is an increase in the vibration control effectiveness of PDAs for lateral flexural-type deformations.

1. Introduction

Increasing urbanization in recent decades has led to the construction of high-rise buildings, which are usually susceptible to wind loads worldwide. However, tall buildings located in seismic zones, e.g., cities along the Pacific coast of Mexico, are not only subjected to wind loads but also to seismic ones. While shear and flexural beams can provide adequate models for certain types of buildings, there are many types for which these two extreme modes of lateral deformation may not be appropriate. Generally speaking, low-rise buildings usually deform as pure shear beams, whereas in medium-rise and high-rise buildings, the flexural deformation is as significant as the shear deformation.

Complex structural systems as high-rise buildings can be reduced to equivalent continuous beam models using two different arrangements of bending and shear stiffness: (1) a continuous Timoshenko beam model that reflects a series coupling [1] and (2) a coupled shear-flexural (CSF) continuous model that couples both stiffness in parallel [2]. Dym and Williams [3] concluded that a series coupling of both stiffness does not display the correct dependence of frequency on building height, particularly in shear wall-frame buildings and tube-and-core constructions with the parallel nature of the two-beam model in which transverse displacements due to bending and to shear are identical. In conclusion, it appears that the CSF model seems to be the best model for estimating the frequencies of medium-rise to
high-rise buildings because it provides predictions that are consistent with the observed data [3].

Generally speaking, the common techniques used for vibration control can be classified into three categories: active, passive, and hybrid devices. Unlike active vibration control [4, 5], passive vibration control [6, 7] dissipates energy without incorporating mechanisms powered by an external energy source. On the other hand, hybrid vibration control [4, 8–14] combines features of active and passive control systems. Passive dynamic absorbers (PDAs) are devices tuned to a particular structural frequency so that when that frequency is excited, the device resonates out of phase with the structural motion. There are several types of PDAs such as tuned mass dampers (TMDs), tuned liquid dampers (TLDs), and pendulum tuned mass dampers (PTMDs), among others.

A tuned mass damper (TMD) is a device consisting of a mass, a spring, and a damper that is attached to a structure in order to reduce its dynamic response. Den Hartog [15] derived the formula for the optimum values of the TMD parameters for an undamped single degree of freedom (SDOF) structure subjected to harmonic excitation. Warburton and Ayorinde [16] derived closed-form expressions for obtaining TMD parameters for an undamped SDOF system for base harmonic and white noise random excitation. For seismic applications, Sadek et al. [17] suggested a method for estimating the design parameters of TMDs attached to a damped SDOF structure.

A tuned liquid damper (TLD) is a special type of TMD where the mass is replaced by a liquid (usually water). A TLD utilizes the sloshing of the liquid in the container, but only a fraction of the liquid participates in the sloshing motion tuned to the dominant vibration frequency of the primary structure. Tuned liquid column dampers (TLCs) are a special type of TLDs that rely on the motion of a column of liquid in a U-tube like container to counteract the acting forces on the structures. In a similar way, tuned sloshing dampers (TSDs) are a special type of TLDs consisting of tanks partially filled with liquid that use the sloshing energy of water to reduce the dynamic response of the structure. There are two types of TSDs based on the geometry of the tank: circular tuned sloshing damper (C-TSD) and rectangular tuned sloshing damper (R-TSD). For bidirectional control of building structures, a two-way liquid damper (TWLD) is another special type of TLD that consists of a combination of a TLD and a R-TSD to mitigate the dynamic response of the primary structure.

Kareem [18] studied the reduction of wind-induced motion in shear buildings using a TSD. Chang and Gu [19] studied the control effects of R-TSDs installed on a tall building that vibrates due to vortex excitation. For industrial practice, Wu et al. [20] proposed some useful guidelines for designing TLCs for damped SDOF structures under a white noise type of wind excitation. Tait [21] developed equivalent linear damping ratio expressions for structure-TSD systems subjected to both sinusoidal and random excitation. Lee et al. [22] explored the effect of the coupled TLC-TSD force on the dynamic properties of a TWLD. Subsequently, Min et al. [23] developed a design procedure of TWLDs for attenuation of wind-induced responses of tall buildings, whereas Rozas et al. [24] proposed a new bidirectional tuned liquid column damper for controlling the seismic response of structures.

The natural frequencies of a structure are often difficult to predict accurately. For this reason, it is desirable that the natural frequency of the TMD be tunable on site, which can be easily accomplished by using TLDs or PTMDs. A pendulum tuned mass damper (PTMD) consists of a mass supported with cables, which allows the system to behave like a pendulum. Therefore, the device generates a horizontal force that opposes the floor motion. For high-rise buildings with large mass and low frequencies, a cable-supported pendulum system in which the natural frequency is tunable by changing the pendulum length is highly recommended [25]. For both seismic and wind loads, Gerges and Vickery [26] proposed optimum design parameters for PTMDs by using equivalent TMDs. Shu et al. [27] implemented the performance-based analysis and design methodology to assess the seismic vulnerability of a coal-fired power plant and to optimally design its equivalent pendulum-type tuned mass damper system such that the direct losses are minimized.

Assuming the primary structure as a generalized SDOF system, Chang et al. [28, 29] established unified design formulas for various kinds of PDAs (TMD, TLCD, and TSD) under both seismic and wind loads by using equivalent TMDs. Both studies [28, 29] demonstrated that PDAs can be modeled as equivalent TMDs; however, PDAs are usually studied using building models that cannot couple the bending and shear stiffness in parallel [30–35]. Balendra et al. [36] studied the effectiveness of TLCs in reducing the along-wind response of tall buildings using a CSF continuous model subjected to a reduced external force; that is, they did not incorporate the TLCs in the equations of motion of the CSF continuous model. Afterwards, Huergo and Hernández [37] proposed a CSF discrete model with TMDs, which adequately incorporates the TMDs in the equations of motion; therefore, the main novelty of this paper is the incorporation of different kinds of PDAs into the CSF discrete model by using equivalent TMDs. For practical design purposes, the consideration of different lateral resisting systems by using the CSF discrete model with TMDs [37] could lead structural engineers to optimize not only the design of TMDs but also the design of other kinds of PDAs such as TLDs.

In this paper, Section 2 shows the design procedure of five different kinds of PDAs (TMD, C-TSD, R-TSD, TWLD, and PTMD) by modeling the devices as equivalent TMDs. In Section 3, the five different kinds of PDAs are incorporated into the CSF discrete model [37] in order to reproduce the vibration control of buildings with different lateral resisting systems. In Section 4, the effect of the lateral resisting system on PDAs is shown for the maximum PDA/SDOF nondimensional mass ratio. Assuming a single PDA attached at the rooftop level, Section 5 shows the numerical assessment of a 144-meter-tall building subjected to both seismic and along-wind loads.
2. Design Procedure of Passive Dynamic Absorbers

The aim of Section 2 is to provide a unified analytical formulation for the CSF model with PDAs. The tuning of passive dynamic absorbers (PDAs) to a particular structural frequency achieves input energy dissipation due to the damper inertia force acting on the structure. For engineering purposes, PDAs can be modeled as equivalent tuned mass dampers (TMDs) [26, 28, 29]. Figure 1 shows the geometry of five different kinds of PDAs (TMD, C-TSD, R-TSD, TWLD, and PTMD), where \( m_{\text{PDA}}, k_{\text{PDA}}, \) and \( c_{\text{PDA}} \) are defined as the mass, spring stiffness, and damping coefficient of the PDA modeled as an equivalent TMD, respectively.

2.1. Tuned Mass Dampers. The mass of a TMD (see Figure 1(a)) is given by the following equation:

\[
m_{\text{PDA}} = \mu m_{\text{SDOF}},
\]

where \( \mu \) is the TMD/SDOF nondimensional mass ratio that may be chosen in the range of 1/50 to 1/15 for a first design approach [38] and \( m_{\text{SDOF}} \) is the structural mass of an equivalent single degree of freedom (SDOF) system, which is given by the following equation:

\[
m_{\text{SDOF}} = \frac{1}{\left[ \phi \right]^{T} [M] \left[ \phi \right]} \phi_i^2 \left( z_{\text{PDA}} \right),
\]

where \( \left[ \phi \right] \) is a vector containing the modal amplitudes of the \( i \)th lateral mode of vibration of the building that will be tuned to the frequency of the PDA, \( [M] \) is the lumped mass matrix of the building, \( z_{\text{PDA}} \) is the height above ground level of the attachment point of the PDA, and \( \phi_i(\phi_{i}) \) is the modal amplitude of the \( i \)th lateral mode of vibration of the building at \( z_{\text{PDA}} \). The angular frequency, spring, stiffness, and damping coefficient of the TMD are defined, respectively, as follows:

\[
w_{\text{PDA}} = R_f w_i,
\]

\[
k_{\text{PDA}} = m_{\text{PDA}}(w_{\text{PDA}})^2,
\]

\[
c_{\text{PDA}} = 2\xi_{\text{PDA}} m_{\text{PDA}} w_{\text{PDA}},
\]

where \( w_i \) is the angular frequency of the \( i \)th lateral mode of vibration of the building that will be tuned to the frequency of the TMD, \( R_f \) is the TMD/SDOF nondimensional frequency ratio, and \( \xi_{\text{PDA}} \) is the optimum damping ratio of the TMD. Table 1 shows some optimum tuning conditions for damped TMDs attached to an undamped primary structure [39].

2.2. Circular Tuned Sloshing Dampers. Tuned sloshing dampers (TSDs) can be broadly classified into two categories: shallow-water and deep-water dampers. This classification is based on the ratio of the water surface elevation in the direction of motion to the water depth [18]. In the shallow-water case, the TSD damping originates primarily from energy dissipation through the action of the internal fluid viscous forces and from wave breaking [18]. Wave motions in shallow-water TSDs are generally complex due to strong nonlinearities such as wave breaking; however, shallow-water TSDs provide high damping of liquid sloshing and an efficient moving mass [40]. On the other hand, deep-water TSDs provide low damping and an inefficient moving mass because a large portion of the liquid below the free surface does not participate in sloshing. However, the presence of baffles or screens may further increase the damping [18, 21].

It is important to consider the effect of the nonlinear water sloshing when a TSD is employed in a structure subjected to large amplitude excitations such as earthquakes. The presence of several sloshing modes, each with separate frequencies, reduces the inertial forces tuned to damped structural movement [41]. There has been research concerning the effectiveness of sloshing liquid damping systems for high amplitude excitations galore; however, it is important to realize that such systems act more like chaotic energy dissipators as opposed to indirect inertial damping systems [41–43].

On the other hand, when a TSD is subjected to small amplitude excitations, the nonlinearities in its response are largely absent. The amplitudes of motion resulting from wind loading are sufficiently small, so much so that the fundamental sloshing mode of a TSD is practically the only one that is excited. For this reason, and because of the highly periodic nature of wind excitation, TSDs are well suited to reduce structural motion due to wind [41]. Although researchers have extended the theoretical model to account for breaking wave motion in rectangular tuned sloshing dampers (R-TSDs) [44], it is difficult to develop a model for breaking wave motion in circular tuned sloshing dampers (C-TSDs) [43].

According to Chang and Qu [28], the mass, spring stiffness, and damping coefficient of a linear C-TSD (see Figure 1(b)) are given by the following equations:

\[
m_{\text{PDA}} = \frac{\rho \pi r^3}{4.39} \operatorname{tanh} \left( \frac{1.84h}{r} \right),
\]

\[
k_{\text{PDA}} = 0.419 \rho \pi r^2 \operatorname{tanh}^2 \left( \frac{1.84h}{r} \right),
\]

\[
c_{\text{PDA}} = 2\xi_{\text{PDA}} m_{\text{PDA}} w_{\text{PDA}},
\]

where \( \rho \) is the liquid density (usually water), \( r \) is the radius of the circular tank, \( h \) is the liquid depth, \( g \) is the gravitational acceleration, and \( \xi_{\text{PDA}} \) is the optimum damping ratio of the C-TSD.

Assuming a linear wave and small amplitudes, the fundamental angular frequency of the sloshing liquid is calculated as follows:

\[
w_{\text{PDA}} = \frac{k_{\text{PDA}}}{m_{\text{PDA}}} = \frac{1.84g}{r} \tanh \left( \frac{1.84h}{r} \right).
\]
Substituting equation (3) into equation (7) leads to the following equation:

\[ h = 0.5435r \tanh^{-1} \left( \frac{0.5435r (R_f w_i)^2}{g} \right) 
= 0.2718r \ln \left( \frac{g + 0.5435r (R_f w_i)^2}{g - 0.5435r (R_f w_i)^2} \right) \]

where \( w_i \) is the angular frequency of the ith lateral mode of vibration of the building that will be tuned to the frequency of the PDA and \( R_f \) is the C-TSD/SDOF nondimensional frequency ratio. In equation (8), only values of \( r < g/[0.5435(R_f w_i)^2] \) guarantee real values of \( h \).

According to Chang [28, 29], the C-TSD/SDOF nondimensional mass ratio and the C-TSD mass efficiency index are defined, respectively, as follows:

\[ \mu = \frac{\rho \pi r^2 h}{m_{SDOF}} \]

\[ \lambda = \frac{m_{PDA}}{m_{SDOF}} = \frac{\rho \pi r^3}{4.39 m_{SDOF}} \tanh \left( \frac{1.84h}{r} \right) \]

where \( m_{SDOF} \) is the structural mass of an equivalent SDOF system, which was defined in equation (2). Table 2 shows

Table 1: Optimum tuning conditions for damped TMDs attached to an undamped primary structure.

| Loading case                     | Optimization criteria                                      | Optimum tuning conditions                                                                 |
|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Harmonic load applied to         | Minimum relative displacement amplitude of primary         | \( 1/(1 + \mu) \)                                                                     |
| primary structure                | structure                                                 | \( (3\mu)/(8(1 + \mu)^3) \)                                                            |
| Harmonic base acceleration        | Minimum relative displacement amplitude of primary         | \( (1 - 0.5\mu)/1 + \mu \)                                                             |
| Random load applied to           | Minimum relative displacement amplitude of primary         | \( (1 - 0.75\mu)/(4(1 + \mu)(1 - 0.5\mu)) \)                                            |
| Random base acceleration         | Maximum absolute acceleration amplitude of primary structure| \( (1 - 0.25\mu)/(4(1 + \mu)(1 - 0.5\mu)) \)                                            |

Figure 1: Geometry of the five PDAs. TMD: tuned mass damper; C-TSD: circular tuned sloshing damper; R-TSD: rectangular tuned sloshing damper; TWLD: two-way liquid damper; PTMD: pendulum tuned mass damper. (a) TMD-structure interaction system. (b) C-TSD. (c) R-TSD. (d) TWLD. (e) PTMD.
some optimum tuning conditions for TLDs attached to an undamped primary structure [19, 29].

2.3. Rectangular Tuned Sloshing Dampers. For shallow-water dampers, the movement of the water within a tank is not as neat and easy to predict as the lateral oscillation of a mass-spring system. The presence of several different modes of sloshing coupled with nonlinear effects such as wave breaking and slamming impacts, can make an accurate prediction of sloshing behavior difficult [41]. To account for breaking waves inside rectangular containers, Sun and Fujino [44] proposed two coefficients into the equations of motion: a damping coefficient that represents the increase in liquid damping and the frequency shift coefficient that represents the phase velocity shift of liquid motion. The nonlinear damping force of a rectangular tuned sloshing damper (R-TSD) can be replaced by a linearized generalized damping term by minimizing the error between the actual damping force and the linearized generalized damping force [21, 45].

Neglecting the nonlinear behavior of liquid sloshing, the mass, spring stiffness, and damping coefficient of a R-TSD (see Figure 1(c)) are defined, respectively, as follows [28]:

\[
\begin{align*}
    m_{\text{PDA}} &= \frac{8\rho ba^2}{\pi^2} \tanh \left( \frac{\pi h}{a} \right), \\
    k_{\text{PDA}} &= \frac{8\rho ba g}{\pi^2} \tanh^3 \left( \frac{\pi h}{a} \right), \\
    c_{\text{PDA}} &= 2\xi_{\text{PDA}} m_{\text{PDA}} w_{\text{PDA}},
\end{align*}
\]

where \(\rho\) is the liquid density (usually water), \(a\) is the length of the TLD along the liquid motion direction, \(b\) is the width of the tank, \(h\) is the liquid depth, \(g\) is the gravitational acceleration, and \(\xi_{\text{PDA}}\) is the optimum damping ratio of the R-TSD.

According to the shallow-water wave theory that is applied to the R-TSDs with the depth ratio \(h/a\) ranging from 0.04 to 0.5, the liquid level sloshes within a rectangular container with the following fundamental frequency [40]:

\[
w_{\text{PDA}} = \frac{k_{\text{PDA}}}{m_{\text{PDA}}} = \frac{\pi g}{a} \tanh \left( \frac{\pi h}{a} \right).
\]

Substituting equation (3) into equation (11) leads to the following:

\[
h = \frac{a}{\pi} \tanh^{-1} \left[ \frac{a(R_f w_i)^2}{\pi g} \right] = \frac{a}{2\pi} \ln \left[ \frac{\pi g + a(R_f w_i)^2}{\pi g - a(R_f w_i)^2} \right],
\]

where \(w_i\) is the angular frequency of the \(i\)th lateral mode of vibration of the building that will be tuned to the frequency of the PDA and \(R_f\) is the R-TSD/SDOF nondimensional frequency ratio. In equation (12), only values of \(a < \pi g/(R_f w_i)^2\) guarantee real values of \(h\).

According to Chang [28, 29], the R-TSD/SDOF non-dimensional mass ratio and the R-TSD mass efficiency index are defined, respectively, as follows:

\[
\begin{align*}
    \mu &= \frac{\pi abh}{m_{\text{SDOF}}}, \\
    \lambda &= \frac{m_{\text{PDA}}}{m_{\text{SDOF}}} = \frac{8\rho ba^2}{\pi^2 m_{\text{SDOF}}} \tanh \left( \frac{\pi h}{a} \right),
\end{align*}
\]

where \(m_{\text{SDOF}}\) is the structural mass of an equivalent SDOF system, which was defined in equation (2). According to Chang et al. [19, 29], the values of \(\xi_{\text{PDA}}\) and \(R_f\) can be obtained from Table 2.

2.4. Two-Way Liquid Dampers. Lee et al. [22] proposed a two-way-liquid damper (TWLD) which behaves as both tuned liquid column damper (TLCD) and tuned sloshing damper (TSD) in both orthogonal directions (see Figure 1(d)). For bidirectional control of building structures, the TLCD action (x-direction) is tuned to a particular structural frequency in xz plane and the TSD action (y-direction) is tuned to a particular structural frequency in yz plane. To ensure the U-shape, three constrained conditions are required: \(2t < L_h, t < h\) and

\[
L_e = 2h - t + L_h,
\]

where \(L_e\) is the effective length of the TLCD, that is, the total liquid column length; \(h\) is the liquid depth; \(t\) is the thickness of the TLCD and \(L_h\) is the horizontal liquid column length.

For both orthogonal directions, the fundamental angular frequencies of both TLCD and TSD are defined, respectively, as follows [23]:

\[
\begin{align*}
    w_{\text{PDA},x} &= \sqrt{\frac{2\pi g}{L_e}}, \\
    w_{\text{PDA},y} &= \sqrt{\frac{\pi g}{L_w} \tanh \left( \frac{\pi h}{L_w} \right)},
\end{align*}
\]

where \(g\) is the gravitational acceleration and \(L_w\) is the width of TSD.
For TLC action ($x$-direction), the TLC/SDOF nondimensional mass ratio and the TLC mass efficiency index are defined, respectively, as follows [22, 23]:

$$\mu_x = \frac{\rho L_w t L_e}{m_{SDOF,x}},$$

$$\lambda_x = \mu_x \left(\frac{L_h}{L_e}\right)^2 = \frac{\rho L_w t L_h^2}{L_m m_{SDOF,x}},$$

where $\rho$ is the liquid density (usually water) and $m_{SDOF,x}$ is the structural mass of an equivalent SDOF system in $xz$ plane. For TSD action ($y$-direction), the TSD/SDOF nondimensional mass ratio and the TSD mass efficiency index are defined, respectively, as follows [22, 23]:

$$\mu_y = \frac{2\rho L_w t h}{m_{SDOF,y}},$$

$$\lambda_y = \mu_y \left(\frac{L_h}{L_e}\right)^2 = \frac{2\beta\rho L_w t h}{m_{SDOF,y}},$$

where $m_{SDOF,y}$ is the structural mass of an equivalent SDOF system in $yz$ plane and $\beta$ is the first modal mass participation factor of liquid sloshing, which is given by the following equation:

$$\beta = \frac{8L_w}{\pi^2 h} \tanh \left(\frac{\pi h}{L_w}\right).$$

According to Figure 1(d), $L_e, L_w, L_h, h$ and $t$ are computed by solving the following system of nonlinear equations:

$$\rho L_w t L_e - m_{SDOF,x}\mu_x = 0, \quad (19a)$$

$$2\rho L_w t h - m_{SDOF,y}\mu_y = 0, \quad (19b)$$

$$2h - t + L_h - L_c = 0, \quad (19c)$$

$$w_{xz,i}R_{f,x} - \sqrt{\frac{2g}{L_e}} = 0, \quad (19d)$$

$$w_{yz,i}R_{f,y} - \sqrt{\frac{\pi g}{L_w}} \tanh \left(\frac{\pi h}{L_w}\right) = 0, \quad (19e)$$

where $w_{xz,i}$ and $w_{yz,i}$ are the angular frequencies of the $i$th lateral mode of vibration of the building in $xz$ plane and $yz$ plane, respectively. According to Chang [19, 29], $R_{f,x}$ and $R_{f,y}$ can be obtained from Table 2 based on the values of $\mu_x, \lambda_x, \mu_y$, and $\lambda_y$.

For TLC action ($x$-direction), the mass, spring stiffness, and damping coefficient are given by the following equations [22]:

$$m_{PDA,x} = \rho L_w t L_e,$$

$$k_{PDA,x} = m_{PDA,x} \left(w_{PDA,x}\right)^2 = 2gpt L_w,$$

$$c_{PDA,x} = 2\xi_{PDA} m_{PDA,x} w_{PDA,x},$$

where $\xi_{PDA}$ can be obtained from Table 2 based on the values of $\mu_x$ and $\lambda_x$. For TSD action ($y$-direction), the mass, spring stiffness and damping coefficient are given by [22]

$$m_{PDA,y} = \beta m_{PDA,x} = \frac{8L_w^2\rho t L_e}{\pi^2 h} \tanh \left(\frac{\pi h}{L_w}\right),$$

$$k_{PDA,y} = m_{PDA,y} \left(w_{PDA,y}\right)^2 = \frac{8L_w g pt L_e \tanh \left(\frac{\pi h}{L_w}\right)}{\pi^2 h},$$

$$c_{PDA,y} = 2\xi_{PDA} m_{PDA,y} w_{PDA,y},$$

where $\xi_{PDA}$ can be obtained from Table 2 based on the values of $\mu_y$ and $\lambda_y$.

2.5. Pendulum Tuned Mass Dampers. Neglecting both the rotational stiffness and rotational damping coefficient of the pendulum, the mass, spring stiffness, and damping coefficient of a PTMD (see Figure 1(e)) are defined, respectively, as follows [46]:

$$m_{PDA} = \mu m_{SDOF},$$

$$k_{PDA} = \frac{m_{PDA} g}{l_p},$$

$$c_{PDA} = 2\xi_{PDA} m_{PDA} w_{PDA},$$

where $\mu$ is the PTMD/SDOF nondimensional mass ratio that may be chosen in the range of 1/50 to 1/15 for a first design approach [38]; $m_{SDOF}$ is the structural mass of an equivalent SDOF system, which was defined in equation (2); $g$ is the gravitational acceleration; $l_p$ is the pendulum length; $\xi_{PDA}$ is the damping ratio of the PTMD; and $w_{PDA}$ is the angular frequency of the pendulum, which is given by the following equation:

$$w_{PDA} = \sqrt{\frac{k_{PDA}}{m_{PDA}}} = \frac{g}{\sqrt{l_p}}.$$ (27)

Substituting equation (3) into equation (27) leads to the following equation:

$$l_p = \frac{g}{R_j w_j^2},$$

where $w_j$ is the angular frequency of the $i$th lateral mode of vibration of the building that will be tuned to the frequency of the PTMD and $R_j$ is the PTMD/SDOF nondimensional frequency ratio. Table 3 shows some optimum tuning conditions for PTMDs attached to an undamped primary structure [26].

3. Coupled Shear-Flexural Discrete Model with PDAs

Huergo and Hernández [37] proposed a CSF discrete model with TMDs, which adequately reproduces the lateral deformation of buildings with different lateral resisting
systems. In this section, five different kinds of PDAs (TMD, C-TSD, R-TSD, TWLD, and PTMD) are unified by using equivalent TMDs. Therefore, a fixed-base N-story building with $N_{\text{PDA}}$ PDAs can be schematically represented as shown in Figure 2.

According to Figure 2, the shear wall (flexural beam) and rigid frame (shear beam) are assumed to be connected by a finite number of axially rigid members that transmit horizontal forces; thus, both cantilever beams in the coupled system undergo the same lateral deformation, $u(z,t)$. For $j = 1, 2, 3, \ldots, N$, the $j$th axially rigid member is represented by a spring whose stiffness tends to infinity, that is, $k_j^0 \rightarrow \infty$, which guarantees a parallel coupling of the bending and shear stiffness of the building. The total length of each cantilever beam, $H_j$, is discretized into $N$ linear finite elements, where the length of the $j$th finite element is denoted by $L_j$. The mass, spring stiffness, and damping coefficient of the $j$th PDA are represented by $m_{\text{PDA},j}$, $k_{\text{PDA},j}$, and $c_{\text{PDA},j}$, respectively, whereas the lateral displacement in the time domain of the $j$th PDA is represented as $u_{\text{PDA},j}(t)$.

If floor masses and lateral stiffness are assumed to remain constant along the height of the building, the degree of participation of overall flexural and overall shear deformations in the CSF model is controlled by a nondimensional lateral stiffness ratio given by the following equation:

$$\alpha = H \sqrt{\frac{GAS}{EI}} \tag{29}$$

where $EI$ is the flexural rigidity of the building and $GA^S$ is the effective shear rigidity of the building. A value of $\alpha \rightarrow 0$ represents a pure flexural model (Euler–Bernoulli beam), whereas a value of $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ represents a pure shear model. According to Miranda and Reyes [47], the lateral deformation of shear wall buildings, shear wall-frame buildings, and moment-resisting frames can usually be approximated by using values of $0 \leq \alpha \leq 2$, $1.5 \leq \alpha \leq 6$, and $5 \leq \alpha \leq 20$, respectively. According to Miranda and Taghavi [2], $EI$ and $GA^S$ are given by the following equation:

$$EI = \frac{4m\pi^2H^4}{(T_1y_1)^2(y_1^2 + \alpha^2)} \quad \tag{30}$$

$$GA^S = \frac{4m\pi^2\alpha^2H^2}{(T_1y_1)^2(y_1^2 + \alpha^2)} \quad \tag{31}$$

where $m$ is the mass per unit length of the building; $H$ is the total height of the building; $T_1$ is the fundamental period of vibration of the fixed-base building, which can be computed by any of the existing empirical formulas [48–52]; and $y_1$ is an eigenvalue parameter related to the first mode shape of the CSF continuous model, that is, the first root of the following characteristic equation [2]:

$$2 + \left(2 + \frac{\alpha^4}{y_1^2(\alpha^2 + y_1^2)}\right)\cos(y_1)\cosh(\sqrt{\alpha^2 + y_1^2})$$

$$+ \left(\frac{\alpha^2}{y_1\sqrt{\alpha^2 + y_1^2}}\right)\sin(y_1)\sinh(\sqrt{\alpha^2 + y_1^2}) = 0, \quad \tag{32}$$

where $i = 1, 2, 3, \ldots, \infty$. In a pure shear model, $\alpha \rightarrow \infty$ and $y_1 \rightarrow \pi/2$; however, Miranda and Reyes [47] indicated that $\alpha = 20$ represents a model very close to the pure shear model. Figure 3 shows the first root of equation (32) and its corresponding polynomial curve fitting.

For $0 \leq \alpha \leq 20$, the polynomial curve fitting shown in Figure 3 is given by the following equation:

$$y_1 = \left(8.0564 \times 10^{-10}\right)\alpha^7 - \left(1.3677 \times 10^{-7}\right)\alpha^6$$

$$+ \left(8.4444 \times 10^{-6}\right)\alpha^5 - \left(2.5511 \times 10^{-4}\right)\alpha^4$$

$$+ \left(4.0722 \times 10^{-3}\right)\alpha^3 - \left(3.2706 \times 10^{-2}\right)\alpha^2$$

$$+ \left(9.0619 \times 10^{-2}\right)\alpha + 1.8603. \quad \tag{33}$$

Neglecting axial deformation, each node of each cantilever beam (see Figure 2(b)) has two local degrees of freedom (transverse displacement and rotation). According to the Euler–Bernoulli beam theory, a $4 \times 4$ stiffness matrix is assumed for each finite element related to the flexural cantilever beam, considering the flexural rigidity, $EI$, shown in equation (30). On the other hand, according to the Timoshenko beam theory, a $4 \times 4$ stiffness matrix is assumed for each finite element related to the shear cantilever beam, considering an equivalent flexural rigidity, $(E \bar{I})^S \rightarrow \infty$, and the effective shear rigidity, $GA^S$, shown in equation (31). For the shear cantilever beam, pure shear deformation is guaranteed, regardless of the slenderness ratio, by assuming that $(E \bar{I})^S \rightarrow \infty$ [37]. Then, the $2N \times 2N$ stiffness matrices of both cantilever beams are assembled by the conventional numerical assembly technique for the finite element method. Subsequently, the condensed stiffness matrix of the decoupled flexural beam, $[K^F_{i,j}]_{2N \times 2N}$, and the condensed stiffness matrix of the decoupled shear beam, $[K^S_{i,j}]_{2N \times 2N}$, are computed by the well-known static condensation technique [53], considering that only translational degrees of freedom remain active. Reference [37] contains more explicit details on the formulation of the condensed stiffness matrices of both decoupled beams.
The lumped mass at the \( j \)th story of the building is represented by \( m_j (j = 1, 2, 3, ..., N) \) in such a way that \( m_N = 0.5 \bar{m} (L_N) \) and \( m_n = 0.5 \bar{m} (L_n + L_{n1}) \), where \( n = 1, 2, 3, \ldots, (N - 1) \) and \( \bar{m} \) is the mass per unit length of the building. Then, the total mass of the building is split in half; thereby, the lumped mass matrices of both decoupled beams are represented as \( \mathbf{M}_N^{\text{CSF}} = \mathbf{M}_N^{\text{CSF}} = 0.5 \mathbf{diag} [m_1 \ldots m_N] \). According to Huergo and Hernández [37], the lateral damping matrix of the decoupled flexural beam, \( \mathbf{C}_N^{\text{CSF}} \), and the lateral damping matrix of the decoupled shear beam, \( \mathbf{C}_N^{\text{CSF}} \), are computed with the help of the Rayleigh’s approach [53] using the same damping ratio in all modes.

Assuming that \( N_{\text{PDA}} = N \) (see Figure 2(b)), the equations of motion of the CSF model with PDAs can be grouped in the matrix system given by Huergo and Hernández [37]:

\[
\mathbf{M}_{\text{CSF}} \ddot{\mathbf{u}}_{\text{CSF}} (t) + \mathbf{C}_{\text{CSF}} \dot{\mathbf{u}}_{\text{CSF}} (t) + \mathbf{K}_{\text{CSF}} \mathbf{u}_{\text{CSF}} (t) = \mathbf{F}_{\text{CSF}} (t),
\]

where

Figure 2: Coupled shear-flexural model for an \( N \)-story building with PDAs. (a) Sketch. (b) Equivalent discrete model [37].

Figure 3: First root of the characteristic equation of the fixed-base CSF continuous model.
\[
[M_{CSF}] = \\
m_{PDA} \begin{bmatrix}
\begin{bmatrix}
[M^E]_1 \\
M^E_{PDA} \\
\vdots \\
m^E_{PDA,N}
\end{bmatrix}

\end{bmatrix} \tag{35}
\]

\[
[M^P] = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix}
[M^S]_1 \\
M^S_{PDA} \\
\vdots \\
m^S_{PDA,N}
\end{bmatrix} \tag{36}
\]

\[
K^E_{PDA} = \begin{bmatrix}
K^E_{PDA} \\
K^E_{PDA} \\
\vdots \\
K^E_{PDA}
\end{bmatrix} \tag{37}
\]

\[
K^S_{PDA} = \begin{bmatrix}
K^S_{PDA} \\
K^S_{PDA} \\
\vdots \\
K^S_{PDA}
\end{bmatrix} \tag{38}
\]

\[
[C^E_{PDA}] = \begin{bmatrix}
[C^E_{PDA}] \\
[C^E_{PDA}] \\
\vdots \\
[C^E_{PDA}]
\end{bmatrix} \tag{39}
\]

\[
[C^S_{PDA}] = \begin{bmatrix}
[C^S_{PDA}] \\
[C^S_{PDA}] \\
\vdots \\
[C^S_{PDA}]
\end{bmatrix} \tag{40}
\]

\[
K^E_{PDA} = [K^E_{PDA}] \tag{41}
\]

\[
K^S_{PDA} = [K^S_{PDA}] \tag{42}
\]

\[
\{u_{CSF}(t)\} = \begin{bmatrix}
\{u^F_{CSF}(t)\} \\
\{u^S_{CSF}(t)\}
\end{bmatrix} \tag{43}
\]

For seismic loads, the external forces of the CSF model are given by
\[
\{F_{CSF}(t)\} = -[M_{CSF}]_1 \{\ddot{u}_{\gamma}(t)\}, \tag{44}
\]

where \(\ddot{u}_{\gamma}(t)\) is the horizontal ground acceleration, whereas for wind loads, the external forces of the coupled system are given by the following equation:
\[
\{F_{CSF}(t)\} = \frac{1}{2} [F_1(t) \ldots F_N(t)\{0\}_{1 \times N}]^T \cdot F_N(t)\{0\}_{1 \times N}^T, \tag{45}
\]

where \(F_j(t)\) is the wind force acting on the jth story.

The matrix equation (34) can be expressed as follows:
\[
\{\dot{q}(t)\} = [A]\{q(t)\} + [F_{\gamma}(t)], \tag{46}
\]

where for \(N_{PDA} = N\),
\[
\{q(t)\} = \begin{bmatrix}
\{u_{CSF}(t)\} \\
\{\ddot{u}_{CSF}(t)\}
\end{bmatrix}_{8N \times 1}, \tag{47}
\]

\[
\{\dot{q}(t)\} = \begin{bmatrix}
\{u_{CSF}(t)\} \\
\{\ddot{u}_{CSF}(t)\}
\end{bmatrix}_{8N \times 1}, \tag{48}
\]

\[
[A] = \begin{bmatrix}
[0]_{4N \times 4N} & [I]_{4N \times 4N} \\
-\{M_{CSF}\}^{-1}[K_{CSF}] & -\{M_{CSF}\}^{-1}[C_{CSF}]
\end{bmatrix}_{8N \times 8N}, \tag{49}
\]

\[
[F_{\gamma}(t)] = \begin{bmatrix}
[0]_{4N \times 1} \\
\{M\}^{-1}[F_{CSF}(t)]
\end{bmatrix}_{8N \times 1}. \tag{50}
\]
and \([I]_{4N \times 4N}\) is the identity matrix. The matrix equation for a numerical integration solution using the state space method [54] is as follows:

\[
q(t_{n+1}) = e^{[A]\Delta t} q(t_n) + e^{[A]\Delta t} \Delta t [F_c(t_n)],
\]

where \(\Delta t\) is the integration time step.

Once the relative displacements have been determined by equation (48), the element forces for structural design can be determined by static analysis of the structure at each time step. At any instant of time, the equivalent static forces are the external forces that will produce the relative displacements at the same instant of time in the stiffness component of the structure [53].

The \(i\)th effective modal mass of the fixed-base CSF model with PDAs is given by the following equation:

\[
m_{eff,i} = \frac{\left( \{\phi_{CSF,i}\}^T [M_{CSF}] [I]_{4N \times 4N} \{\phi_{CSF,i}\} \right)^2}{\{\phi_{CSF,i}\}^T [M_{CSF}] \{\phi_{CSF,i}\}},
\]

where \(\{\phi_{CSF,i}\}\) is the \(i\)th mode shape vector of the coupled model. Therefore, the participating mass ratio of the \(i\)th mode of vibration is defined as \(m_{eff,i}/m_T\), where the total mass is given by \(m_T = \sum_{i=1}^{N} m_j + m_{PDA,j}\).

The consideration of \(N_{PDA} < N\) is achieved by assuming that some PDAs have mass, spring stiffness, and damping coefficient equal to zero. In this case, the matrices \([M_{CSF}],[K_{CSF}],\) and \([C_{CSF}]\) will have some rows and columns with all zero entries, which must be removed before performing a linear time-history analysis. In addition, the size of \([u_{CSF}(t)]\) and \([F_{CSF}(t)]\) must also be changed.

4. Effect of the Lateral Resisting System on PDAs

According to the uniform CSF continuous model [2], equation (2) can be expressed as follows:

\[
m_{SDOF} = \frac{mH}{\int_0^1 \phi_i^2(z) dz},
\]

where \(m\) is the mass per unit length of the building; \(H\) is the total height of the building; \(z = z/H\); \(z_{PDA} = z_{PDA}/H\); and \(\phi_i(z)\) is the \(i\)th mode shape of the CSF continuous model [2], which is given by the following equation:

\[
\phi_i(z) = \sin(y_i z) - \frac{y_i}{\sqrt{a^2 + y_i^2}} \sinh\left(\sqrt{a^2 + y_i^2} z\right) - \eta_i \cos(y_i z) + \eta_i \cosh\left(\sqrt{a^2 + y_i^2} z\right),
\]

where \(i = 1, 2, 3, \ldots, \infty; y_i\) is the \(i\)th root of equation (32) and

\[
\eta_i = \frac{y_i^2 \sin(y_i)}{\sqrt{a^2 + y_i^2}} + \frac{\sqrt{a^2 + y_i^2}}{\sqrt{a^2 + y_i^2}} \sinh\left(\sqrt{a^2 + y_i^2} z\right).
\]

The effect of the lateral resisting system of the building on the value of \(m_{SDOF}\) is shown in Figure 4, considering different attachment point locations of the PDAs.

For a PDA tuned to the first mode of vibration, Figure 4 shows that for lower stories \(m_{SDOF}\) increases as \(\alpha\) decreases; on the contrary, for upper stories, \(m_{SDOF}\) increases as \(\alpha\) increases. Therefore, for lower stories, the PDA/SDOF nondimensional mass ratio, \(\mu\), increases as \(\alpha\) increases; on the contrary, for upper stories, \(\mu\) decreases as \(\alpha\) increases. In conclusion, a PDA tuned to the first mode of vibration is more effective in controlling vibrations at lower stories when the primary structure deforms like a pure shear beam. On the contrary, its effectiveness in vibration control increases at upper stories for flexural-type deformations.

For both second and third modes of vibration, \(m_{SDOF}\) changes significantly for middle stories as \(\alpha\) changes. For the second mode of vibration, \(\mu\) increases as \(\alpha\) increases when a single PDA is attached in the range \(0.2H \leq z_{PDA} \leq 0.8H\), whereas for the third mode of vibration, \(\mu\) increases as \(\alpha\) decreases when a single PDA is attached in the range \(0.4H \leq z_{PDA} \leq H\). Furthermore, for the first three modes of vibration, \(\mu\) increases as \(\alpha\) decreases when \(z_{PDA} = H\); thus, a single PDA installed at the rooftop level could be more effective for multimode control than an equal-mass PDA installed at lower stories.

According to the shallow water wave theory [40], the depth ratios \(h/2r\) and \(h/a\) of C-TSDs and R-TSDs, respectively, must be ranged from 0.04 to 0.05. Both depth ratios are generally in this range in order to obtain high damping of liquid sloshing and efficient moving mass [40]; that is, for the same value of \(\mu\), the values of \(\xi_{PDA}\) and \(m_{PDA}\) increase as the depth ratio decreases. Assuming shallow water waves with a mass density of 1000 kg/m^3, Figure 5 shows the maximum efficient moving mass computed for both a circular tuned sloshing damper (C-TSD) and a rectangular tuned sloshing damper (R-TSD, \(a = b\)), considering a single TSD on the rooftop level tuned to the fundamental mode of vibration with a depth ratio equal to 0.46. The geometry and equivalent TMD mass related to Figure 5 are shown in Table 4.

Figure 5 shows that the maximum possible value of the mass efficiency index, \(\gamma\), increases as the fundamental period of vibration of the building increases. Figure 5 also shows that \(\gamma\) increases as \(\alpha\) decreases; thereby, larger TSDs can be installed at the rooftop level in buildings that deform as pure flexural beams in order to increase the effectiveness in vibration control. For the same depth ratios (see Figure 5 and Table 4), \(\gamma\) and \(m_{PDA}\) are greater for a square tuned sloshing damper even though the total liquid mass \(m_{SDOF}\) is greater for a circular tuned sloshing damper. Therefore, a R-TSD could be a better option for vibration control than a C-TSD. Furthermore, a R-TSD is a more versatile device because it is able to be tuned to both translational directions by changing the dimensions of the tank.

For the special case of TWLDS, a parametric analysis for different values of \(\alpha\) is impractical due to the system of nonlinear equations (19a)–(19e) and the three constrained conditions that ensure the U-shape on the device. However, greater values of \(\mu\) and \(m_{PDA}\) can be expected for high-rise buildings that deform as pure flexural beams (see Table 5). In addition, equations (20) and (23) demonstrate that the equivalent TMD mass is always greater for the TLCD action.
Figure 4: Structural mass of an equivalent SDOF system. (a) $Z_{\text{PDA}} = 0.2H$. (b) $Z_{\text{PDA}} = 0.4H$. (c) $Z_{\text{PDA}} = 0.8H$. (d) $Z_{\text{PDA}} = H$. 

Figure 5: Maximum efficient moving mass of a single TSD attached at $z_{\text{PDA}} = H$: $h/2r = h/a = 0.46$ and $R_f = 1$. (a) C-TSD. (b) R-TSD ($a = b$).

Table 4: Geometry and equivalent TMD mass of a single TSD attached at $z_{\text{PDA}} = H$: $h/2r = h/a = 0.46$ and $R_f = 1$.

| $T_1$ (s) | Type of TSD | $2r$ (cm) | $a = b$ (cm) | $h$ (cm) | $\mu m_{\text{SDOF}}$ (kg) | $m_{\text{PDA}}$ (kg) |
|-----------|-------------|-----------|--------------|----------|----------------------------|----------------------|
| 1         | C-TSD       | 85.44     | —            | 39.28    | 225.23                     | 52.13                |
|           | R-TSD       | —         | 69.82        | 32.07    | 156.32                     | 78.52                |
| 2         | C-TSD       | 341.76    | —            | 157.13   | 14414                      | 3336.6               |
|           | R-TSD       | —         | 279.26       | 128.28   | 10044                      | 5025.4               |
| 3         | C-TSD       | 768.97    | —            | 353.54   | 164190                     | 38006                |
|           | R-TSD       | —         | 628.59       | 289.1    | 114230                     | 57333                |
| 4         | C-TSD       | 1367.1    | —            | 628.52   | 922530                     | 213540               |
|           | R-TSD       | —         | 1117         | 513.12   | 640270                     | 321620               |
sumed that (CSF model). For the first modeshape in both translational directions, Figure 8 shows a comparison between the fixed-base 3D FEM and the fixed-base CSF continuous model [2]. Furthermore, Table 7 and Figure 9 show the first three modes of vibration of the fixed-base building in both translational directions, which proves that the assumed values of \( \alpha \) adequately represent the higher modes of vibration.

A single PDA (TMD, C-TSD, R-TSD, TWLD, and PTMD) attached at \( z_{\text{PDA}} = H \) was tuned to \( T_{x,y} = 3.65 \) s and \( T_{x,z} = 3.44 \) s. Assuming the Cartesian coordinate system shown in Figure 6(b), the structural masses of the equivalent SOF systems at \( z_{\text{PDA}} = H \) are \( m_{\text{SDOF,x}} = 1.6996 \times 10^7 \) kg and \( m_{\text{SDOF,y}} = 1.1009 \times 10^7 \) kg for \( xz \) plane and \( yz \) plane, respectively. All the PDAs were optimized based on Tables 1–3. For the special case of a single TLD (C-TSD, R-TSD, and TWLD), the device was designed in such a way that its natural frequency is tunable by changing the liquid depth, assuming that the mass density of the water inside the container is equal to 1000 kg/m\(^3\).

According to the shallow-water wave theory [40], the maximum possible values of \( \mu \) for C-TSDs were computed in such a way that both a real solution and a depth ratio of \( h/2r < 0.5 \) are guaranteed. The same values of \( \mu \) were assumed for R-TSDs, which also guarantees shallow-water waves for rectangular containers. For R-TSDs, the depth ratio, \( h/a \), is generally in the range of 0.04 to 0.5 in order to obtain high damping of liquid sloshing and efficient moving mass; that is, for the same value of \( \mu \), the values of \( \xi_{\text{PDA}} \) and \( m_{\text{PDA}} \) increase as the ratio \( h/a \) decreases. For both TMD and PTMD cases, the same values of \( \mu \) computed for C-TSDs and R-TSDs were chosen in order to compare the effectiveness of the four different PDAs (TMD, PTMD, C-TSD, and R-TSD) in controlling the dynamic response of the building in both translational directions. For the TWLD case, the TLCD action (\( x \)-direction) and the TSD action (\( y \)-direction) take place in \( xz \) plane and \( yz \) plane, respectively; however, the maximum possible values of \( \mu \) are lower compared to those computed for the other four PDAs (TMD, PTMD, C-TSD, and R-TSD). The geometry and dynamic properties of the five different PDAs are shown in Tables 8–12, where \( T_{\text{PDA}} \) is the fundamental period of vibration of the PDA.

### 5. Numerical Example

In this section, the improved CSF model (see Figure 2(a)) is used to assess the vibration control of a 37-story building located in the Valley of Mexico (see Figure 6(a)). The length, depth, and height of the building are 44 m, 22 m, and 144.24 m, respectively. The building has composite steel deck, depth, and height of the building are 44 m, 22 m, and location in the Valley of Mexico (see Figure 6(a)). The building has composite steel deck, depth, and height of the building are 44 m, 22 m, and 144.24 m, respectively.

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#### 5.1. Earthquake-Induced Vibrations

For buildings without passive energy dissipation devices, the elastic CSF model is not useful when strong earthquakes generate an inelastic
For a time-domain inelastic analysis, maybe a possible solution could be to compute the elongation of the fundamental period (i.e., stiffness degradation) at each time step by using hysteresis loops. In this way, the stiffness matrix of the coupled system, $[K_{CSF}]$, could be assembled at each time step from the new values of $EI$ and $GA^3$. However, further research related to the possibility of an extended CSF model capable of computing the inelastic response must be done. On the other hand, a linear elastic behavior can be considered acceptable when the passive energy dissipation devices are effective in controlling earthquake-induced vibrations.

An earthquake ground motion record is composed by three orthogonal components: one vertical component and two horizontal components. For earthquakes acting in two directions, the two horizontal components of the ground acceleration must be applied to each translational direction of the CSF model by independent time-domain dynamic analyses. The Mexico City building code classifies the soil of the Valley of Mexico as firm (i.e., hard rock), lakebed (i.e., high water content clay underlain by resistant sands), and transition (i.e., between firm soil and lakebed zone). Three different stations are considered for the Mexico City earthquake of September 19, 1985: the N90E component recorded at station Central-de-Abastos-Frigorífico (CDAF), the N58E component recorded at station Sismex-Viveros (SXVI), and the S90W component recorded at station Ciudad-Universitaria-Mesa-Vibradora (CUMV). The earthquake ground motion records related to Table 13 are
shown in Figure 10(a), whereas the elastic input energy spectra, related to a structural damping ratio of 5%, are shown in Figure 10(b). Both Table 13 and Figure 10 clearly show that the soil type significantly modifies the duration, peak ground acceleration, and energy content of the earthquake ground motion records, particularly for the CDAF station, where the seismic waves were significantly amplified by the geologic conditions of the lakebed zone. For the three seismic records, Table 14 shows that peak values of input energy are related to periods lower than $T_{xz,1} = 3.65$ s and $T_{yz,1} = 3.44$ s. Therefore, PDAs could be less effective in controlling earthquake-induced vibrations because soil-
building resonance is avoided for both orthogonal directions. For the purposes of this numerical example, the soil-structure interaction effects are neglected; that is, the same modes of vibration of the fixed-based 144-meter-tall building are considered for the three seismic records shown in Figure 10(a).

According to the geometry and dynamic properties specified in Tables 8–12, 15 and 16 show the periods and modal participating mass ratios of the building with a single PDA when the primary structure is subjected to the horizontal ground accelerations shown in Figure 10(a).

Tables 15 and 16 show that if a total of \(N_{\text{PDA}}\) PDAs are attached to the building, the first \(N_{\text{PDA}}\) modes of vibration will be under the influence of \(N_{\text{PDA}}\) PDAs, and the \((N_{\text{PDA}} + 1)\text{th}\) mode of vibration will actually be the first mode of the building [37]. For example, if a single PDA is attached to the building, the first mode will be related to the PDA vibration, the second mode will be related to the first

| Parameter | Seismic load | Along-wind load |
|-----------|--------------|-----------------|
| \(\mu\)   | \(0.0140\)    | \(0.0276\)      |
| \(T_{\text{PDA}}(s)\) | \(3.69\)     | \(3.69\)        |
| \(\xi_{\text{PDA}}\) | \(0.0323\)   | \(0.0420\)      |
| \(r\) (m) | \(5\)        | \(5\)           |
| \(h\) (m) | \(3.02\)     | \(3.862\)       |
| \(m_{\text{PDA}}(kg)\) | \(208960\)   | \(255630\)      |
| \(k_{\text{PDA}}(N/m)\) | \(7930.3\)   | \(11978\)       |

Table 9: Geometry and dynamic properties of a C-TSD attached at \(z_{\text{PDA}} = H\).

| Parameter | Seismic load | Along-wind load |
|-----------|--------------|-----------------|
| \(\mu\)   | \(0.0140\)    | \(0.0276\)      |
| \(T_{\text{PDA}}(s)\) | \(3.70\)     | \(3.52\)        |
| \(\xi_{\text{PDA}}\) | \(0.0448\)   | \(0.0580\)      |
| \(a\) (m) | \(8.69\)     | \(8.68\)        |
| \(b\) (m) | \(8.71\)     | \(8.69\)        |
| \(h\) (m) | \(3.14\)     | \(4.03\)        |
| \(m_{\text{PDA}}(kg)\) | \(138030\)   | \(151530\)      |
| \(k_{\text{PDA}}(N/m)\) | \(398040\)   | \(482800\)      |
| \(c_{\text{PDA}}(N s/m)\) | \(20998\)    | \(31356\)       |

Table 10: Geometry and dynamic properties of a R-TSD attached at \(z_{\text{PDA}} = H\).

| Parameter | Seismic load | Along-wind load |
|-----------|--------------|-----------------|
| \(\mu\)   | \(0.003\)    | \(0.003\)       |
| \(T_{\text{PDA}}(s)\) | \(3.54\)     | \(3.46\)        |
| \(\xi_{\text{PDA}}\) | \(0.0273\)   | \(0.0274\)      |
| \(L_h\) (m) | \(3.60\)     | \(—\)           |
| \(L_w\) (m) | \(—\)        | \(6.82\)        |
| \(h\) (m) | \(2.02\)     | \(2.02\)        |
| \(t\) (m) | \(1.20\)     | \(1.20\)        |
| \(m_{\text{PDA}}(kg)\) | \(50988\)    | \(32469\)       |
| \(k_{\text{PDA}}(N/m)\) | \(160570\)   | \(107240\)      |
| \(c_{\text{PDA}}(N s/m)\) | \(4949.2\)   | \(3228\)        |

Table 11: Geometry and dynamic properties of a TWLD attached at \(z_{\text{PDA}} = H\).
mode without PDAs, and the third mode will be related to the second mode without PDAs, etc. For different lateral resisting systems, the structural mass of an equivalent SDOF system at \( z_{\text{PDA}} = H \) increases as the value of \( \alpha \) increases, that is, \( m_{\text{SDOF},x} = 1.6996 \times 10^7 \text{ kg} \) and \( m_{\text{SDOF},y} = 1.1009 \times 10^7 \text{ kg} \). In a similar way, the participating mass ratio related to the first mode of vibration without PDAs also increases as the value of \( \alpha \) increases, that is, \( m_{\text{eff},1}/m_T = 0.8103 \) and \( m_{\text{eff},1}/m_T = 0.6794 \) for \( xz \) plane and \( yz \) plane, respectively.

For the five different PDAs shown in Tables 8–12, 36 time-history elastic analyses were carried out assuming that the building is subjected to the horizontal ground accelerations shown in Figure 10(a). Assuming a structural damping ratio of 5% and neglecting soil-structure

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### Table 12: Geometry and dynamic properties of a PTMD attached at \( z_{\text{PDA}} = H \).

| Parameter       | Base acceleration \( xz \) plane | Base acceleration \( yz \) plane | Force \( xz \) plane | Force \( yz \) plane |
|-----------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| \( \mu \)       | 0.0140                           | 0.0276                           | 0.0141              | 0.0281              |
| \( T_{\text{PDA}}(s) \) | 3.71                             | 3.56                             | 3.69                | 3.51                |
| \( \xi_{\text{PDA}} \)     | 0.0589                           | 0.0822                           | 0.0591              | 0.0829              |
| \( l_p \) (m)            | 3.43                             | 3.15                             | 3.38                | 3.07                |
| \( m_{\text{PDA}}(kg) \)  | 237940                           | 303850                           | 239640              | 309350              |
| \( k_{\text{PDA}}(N/m) \) | 680960                           | 946710                           | 695390              | 990120              |
| \( c_{\text{PDA}}(N \cdot s/m) \) | 47381                           | 88205                           | 48220               | 91813               |

### Table 13: General characteristics of the Mexico City earthquake of September 19, 1985.

| Origin    | Surface-wave magnitude | Depth (km) | Station | Soil type | Epicentral distance (km) | Peak ground acceleration (m/s²) | Duration (s) |
|-----------|------------------------|------------|---------|-----------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------|
| Subduction | 8.1                    | 15         | CDAF    | Lakebed   | 430                      | 1.1749                          | 143.19       |
|           |                        |            | SXVI    | Transition| 422                      | 0.4163                          | 129.15       |
|           |                        |            | CUMV    | Firm      | 419                      | 0.3828                          | 62.58        |

**Figure 10:** Mexico City earthquake of September 19, 1985. (a) Earthquake ground motion records. (b) Elastic input energy spectra.
According to Tables 8–12, the same values of TWLD are attached to the 144-meter-tall building (see values of both baseshear force and base overturning moments, which were computed by the equivalent static load method [53].

Interaction effects, the peak displacements and peak interstory drift ratios (IDR) are shown in Figures 11–14; whereas the peak values related to the critical storey are shown in Tables 17 and 18. Furthermore, Table 19 shows the peak values related to the critical storey are shown in Figures 11–14; whereas the peak displacements and peak internal forces at the base. For low-to moderate-intensity motion (e.g., CUMV station), the effectiveness of TMDs in vibration control of buildings with a period near the dominant of the soil (i.e., 2 s period building) can significantly reduced if a TMD is included on its top; however, this reduction does not always represent a real advantage for buildings with a period near the dominant of the soil, because for intense motions the maximum-in-time base shear ratio still results too high [57], e.g., the case for 2 s period buildings located on soft soil in the Valley of Mexico. For CUMV station, all the PDAs are slightly more effective for the vibration control of the primary structure. Approximately a 6% reduction is achieved for peak displacements and peak internal forces at the base. For low-to moderate-intensity motion (e.g., CUMV station), the effectiveness of TMDs in vibration control of buildings with a period near the dominant of the soil (i.e., 2 s period building) can significantly increase as the value of μ increases (e.g., by using distributed multiple TMDs) [37]. However, larger values of μ are not possible when TLDs (C-TSD, R-TSD, TWLD) are attached to the 144-meter-tall building (see Tables 8–12). According to Tables 8–12, the same values of μ for four different kinds of PDAs (TMD, C-TSD, R-TSD, and PTMD) lead to different values of \( m_{PDA} \) and \( \xi_{PDA} \), that is, the PDA mass efficiency index, \( \lambda \), of the liquid mass vibration absorbers leads to lower values of \( m_{PDA} \) and \( \xi_{PDA} \). Therefore, the solid mass vibration absorbers (i.e., TMD and PTMD) are slightly more effective in controlling the seismic response in CUMV station (see Tables 17 to 19).

According to Table 18, the damage index is usually expressed in terms of the peak interstory drift ratio. For \( \gamma z \) plane, the greatest damage is located at \( z = 0.22H \), \( z = 0.027H \) and \( z = 0.27H \) for CDAF, SXVI and CUMV stations, respectively; however, for the solid mass vibration absorbers (TMD and PTMD), the greatest damage in the CUMV station is located at \( z = 0.081H \). For \( \gamma y \) plane, the greatest damage is located at \( z = 0.51H, z = 0.68H \), and \( z = 0.43H \) for CDAF, SXVI, and CUMV stations, respectively; however, for the solid mass vibration absorbers (TMD and PTMD), the greatest damage in the CUMV station is located at \( z = 0.59H \). Therefore, the critical story depends not only on the value of abut also on the earthquake ground motion record and the equivalent parameters of the PDA.

The earthquake-induced vibrations shown in this section cannot be generalized because duration, peak ground acceleration, and energy content of earthquake ground motion records change depending on the epicentral distance, geologic conditions, and origin of the earthquake (e.g., local earthquakes, continental-plate earthquakes, normal-faulting earthquake, subduction earthquakes). In future works, the effectiveness of PDAs in controlling earthquake-induced vibrations will be studied using a flexible-base CSF model [58] subjected to several earthquake ground motion records.

### 5.2. Along-Wind Vibrations

The 144-meter-tall building is located in a suburban area with a roughness length of 0.3 m. Assuming an annual probability of 0.1, the mean wind
velocity at 10 m height is equal to 15.02 m/s [59]. In a wind field, the drag force at the jth story is given by the following equation:

\[ F_j(t) = \frac{1}{2} \rho_a A_j C_D \left[ \mathbb{U}(z_j) + u(z_j,t) \right]^2, \]  

(53)
where $\rho_a$ is the air density; $A_j$ is the projected area of the $j$th story; $C_D$ is the drag coefficient, which was assumed as equal to 1.1 and 1.45 for $xz$ plane and $yz$ plane, respectively [59]; $\bar{U}(z_j)$ is the mean wind velocity at $z_j$; and $u(z_j, t)$ is the fluctuating part of the wind field, which can be treated mathematically as a stationary stochastic process with a zero mean value. Assuming the Solaris spectrum [60], the fluctuating component was computed by using the spectral representation technique [61]. According to equation (53), the simulated drag forces for the building are shown in Figure 15.

For wind engineering, the total damping ratio is composed of the structural part and the aerodynamic part, where the aerodynamic damping is caused by the interaction between the motion of a structure and motion of the air around it [62–64]. The aerodynamic damping increases the total
damping for along-wind vibration depending on the wind profile and the fundamental mode of vibration of the building [63], whereas the aerodynamic damping could be negative for across-wind vibrations [64]. In this paper, the aerodynamic contribution was neglected because the main aim is the unification of different PDAs by using a CSF model. The structural part of the damping ratio depends not only on the type of structural material but also on the intensity of the motion, which is why structural damping ratios are usually lower in wind engineering, particularly for the assessment of the serviceability limit state. According to Tamura and Kareem [62], the structural damping ratio of 100–200-meter-tall buildings under wind loads is approximately equal to 1%

For the five different PDAs shown in Tables 8–12, 12 time-history elastic analyses were carried out, assuming that the building is subjected to the along-wind forces shown in Figure 15. Assuming a structural damping ratio of 1% and neglecting soil-structure interaction effects, the peak displacements are shown in Figure 16, whereas Table 20 shows the peak values of the internal forces at the base, which were computed by the equivalent static load method [53].

Generally speaking, Figure 16 shows that the five different PDAs are ineffective in controlling the along-wind peak lateral displacements of the building in both transatlantional directions. Figure 16(a) shows that the five different PDAs are slightly more effective in controlling the peak lateral displacements in $xz$ plane. Consequently, Table 20 shows low effectiveness of PDAs in controlling both base shear force and base overturning moment.

The RMS accelerations are usually used to assess the serviceability limit state, which is why these are shown instead of the peak accelerations. The along-wind RMS accelerations are shown in Figure 17, where the rooftop RMS accelerations are shown in Table 21.

As was expected, Figure 17 shows a great effectiveness of the five different PDAs in controlling along-wind RMS
accelerations of the building. According to Tables 8–12, values of $\mu$ are the same in each plane for TMD, R-TSD, C-TSD, and PTMD cases. Generally speaking, solid mass vibration absorbers (TMD and PTMD) are more effective in vibration control of RMS accelerations than tuned sloshing dampers (C-TSD and R-TSD) because the mass efficiency
index is equal to 100% for solid mass vibration absorbers. For the solid mass vibration absorbers, the RMS value of acceleration response at the rooftop is reduced by 31% and 49% in \( xz \) plane and \( yz \) plane, respectively.

As it was previously mentioned, when a TSD is subjected to small amplitude excitations such as wind vibrations, the fundamental sloshing mode of a TSD is practically the only one that is excited. For this reason, and because of the highly periodic nature of wind excitation, TSDs are well suited to reduce structural motion due to wind [41]. Both TSDs achieve a great effectiveness in vibration control even though the mass efficiency index is less than 100%; in fact, C-TSDs and R-TSDs achieve approximately 67% and 84% of the vibration control effectiveness of a TMD, respectively. Thereby, Figure 5 and Table 21 show that R-TSDs could be more effective in the vibration of RMS accelerations than C-TSDs; furthermore, a R-TSD is a more versatile device because it is able to be tuned to both translational directions by changing the dimensions of the tank. Unlike solid mass vibration absorbers (TMD and PTMD), tuned sloshing dampers offer the following benefits: low initial cost, easy and inexpensive installation, little to no maintenance, use in retrofit cases, and ease to design, among others.

According to Table 21, the TWLD was the least effective PDA in vibration control; however, the along-wind accelerations were significantly reduced even though the related values of \( \mu \) are low in both translational directions (i.e., \( \mu = 0.003 \)). For a TWLD, the participation of the liquid is always greater in the TLCD direction; therefore, the values of \( n_{PD}^{T} \) and \( \xi_PDA \) are lower in the TSD direction. However, the RMS value of acceleration response at the rooftop is reduced by 10.51% and 24.08% in TLCD direction (\( xz \) plane) and TSD direction (\( yz \) plane), respectively; this demonstrates that the vibration control increases at upper stories for flexural-type deformations (see Figure 4). In fact, this particular behaviour is achieved with all kinds of PDAs attached at the rooftop level; that is, the effectiveness in vibration control of RMS accelerations increases as the value of \( \alpha \) decreases (see Figure 4(d)).

In future works, the effectiveness of PDAs in controlling wind-induced vibrations will be studied using a flexible-base CSF model [58] subjected to both along-wind and across-wind forces.

| RMS Plane | No PDAs | TMD | C-TSD | R-TSD | TWLD | PTMD |
|-----------|---------|-----|-------|-------|------|------|
| \( xz \) Acceleration (milli-g) | 0.6889 | 0.4761 | 0.5586 | 0.5144 | 0.6165 | 0.4781 |
| \( yz \) | 2.5124 | 1.2987 | 1.6417 | 1.4731 | 1.9075 | 1.2861 |
| Reduction (%) | — | 30.88 | 18.92 | 25.33 | 10.51 | 30.59 |
| \( xz \) | — | 48.31 | 34.65 | 41.37 | 24.08 | 48.81 |

6. Conclusions

A fixed-base coupled shear flexural (CSF) discrete model with TMDs is used to unify the design procedure of five different types of passive dynamic absorbers (PDAs): tuned mass damper (TMD), circular tuned sloshing damper (C-TSD), rectangular tuned sloshing damper (R-TSD), two-way liquid damper (TWLD), and pendulum tuned mass damper (PTMD). By modifying the nondimensional lateral stiffness ratio, the CSF model can consider lateral deformations varying from those of a flexural cantilever beam to those of a shear cantilever beam. The unified model was applied to a 144-meter-tall building located in the Valley of Mexico, which was subjected to both seismic and along-wind loads. Accordingly, the following conclusions were obtained:

(a) For the first mode of vibration, the structural mass of an equivalent SDOF system at lower stories increases as the nondimensional lateral stiffness ratio decreases; on the contrary, for upper stories, it increases as the nondimensional lateral stiffness ratio increases. Therefore, if a single PDA attached at the rooftop level is tuned to the first mode of vibration, the maximum possible value of the mass efficiency index of the PDA increases as the nondimensional lateral stiffness ratio decreases. Furthermore, the mass efficiency index of the PDA also increases as the fundamental period of vibration of the building increases. Generally speaking, there is an increase in the vibration control effectiveness of PDAs for high-rise buildings that deform as pure flexural beams.

(b) For the second mode of vibration, the PDA/SDOF nondimensional mass ratio increases as the nondimensional lateral stiffness ratio increases when a single PDA is attached in the middle stories, whereas for the third mode of vibration, the PDA/SDOF nondimensional mass ratio increases as the nondimensional lateral stiffness ratio decreases when a single PDA is attached in the middle stories. For both the second and third mode of vibration, the PDA/SDOF nondimensional mass ratio increases as the nondimensional lateral stiffness ratio increases when a single PDA is attached at the rooftop level. Furthermore, for higher modes of vibration, the PDA/SDOF nondimensional mass ratio increases as the height of the attachment point of the PDA increases. Thus, a single PDA installed at the rooftop level could be more effective for multimode control than an equal-mass PDA installed at lower stories.

(c) For the same depth ratios, the mass efficiency index and the equivalent TMD mass of a TSD are greater for a rectangular container even though the total liquid mass is greater for a circular container. Therefore, a R-TSD could be a better option for vibration control than a C-TSD. Furthermore, a R-TSD is a more versatile device because it is able to
be tuned to both orthogonal directions by changing the dimensions of the tank. Wave motions in shallow-water TSDs are generally complex due to strong nonlinearities such as wave breaking; however, shallow-water TSDs provide high damping of liquid sloshing and an efficient moving mass.

(d) For earthquake-induced vibrations, the location of the peak interstory drift ratio could depend not only on the value of the nondimensional lateral stiffness ratio but also on the features of the earthquake ground motion record and the equivalent parameters of the PDA. Particularly, the location of the peak interstory drift ratio changed at the CUMV station for the specific case of the solid mass vibration absorbers (TMD and PTMD). However, further research is needed in this regard.

(e) For along-wind vibrations, the five different PDAs (TMD, C-TSD, R-TSD, TWLD, and PTMD) showed great effectiveness in controlling RMS accelerations. For the same values of the PDA/SDOF nondimensional mass ratios, solid mass vibration absorbers (TMD and PTMD) were more effective in vibration control of RMS accelerations than tuned sloshing dampers (C-TSD and R-TSD) because the mass efficiency index is equal to 100% for solid mass vibration absorbers. However, tuned sloshing dampers offer the following benefits: low initial cost, easy and inexpensive installation, little to no maintenance, use in retrofit cases, and ease to design, among others. The TWLD was the least effective PDA in vibration control. However, the along-wind accelerations were significantly reduced even though the maximum possible value of the PDA/SDOF nondimensional mass ratio was lower in both orthogonal directions.

(f) The attachment of uniformly distributed PDAs could be related to great effectiveness in controlling the dynamic response compared to a single PDA attached at the rooftop. However, it is highly recommended to use uniformly distributed PDAs in taller buildings in order to guarantee both a real solution and a possible geometry for the devices, particularly when TLDs are used to dissipate input energy.

(g) Literature features several formulas for optimum tuning conditions of PDAs; however, these formulas are not related to different lateral resisting systems. For this reason, these formulas are not the best option to optimize the passive vibration control in medium-rise to high-rise buildings, where the flexural deformation is as significant as the shear deformation.

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