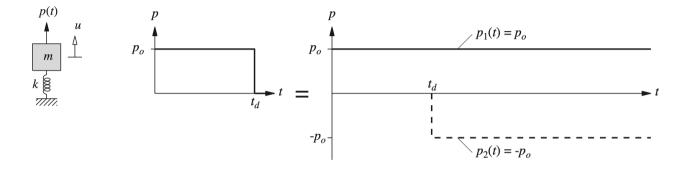
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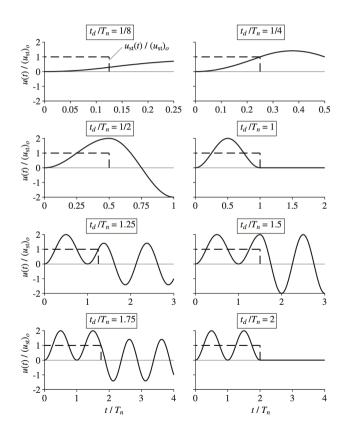
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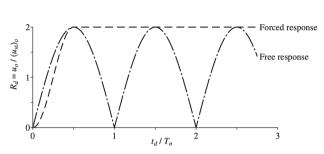
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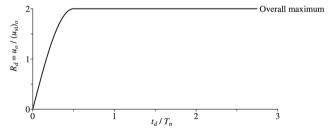
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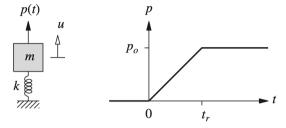
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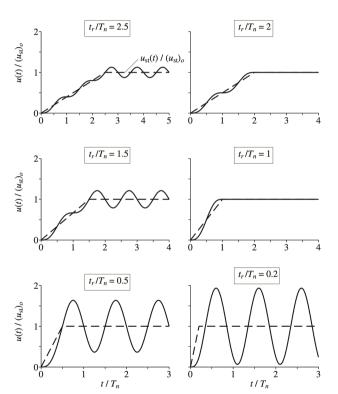


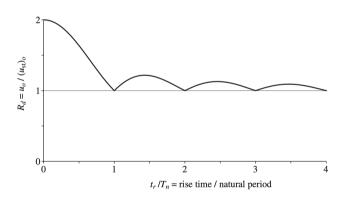


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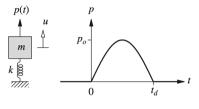


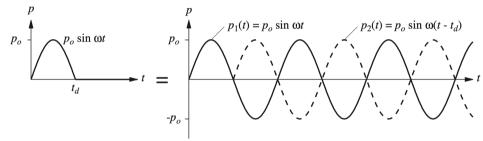
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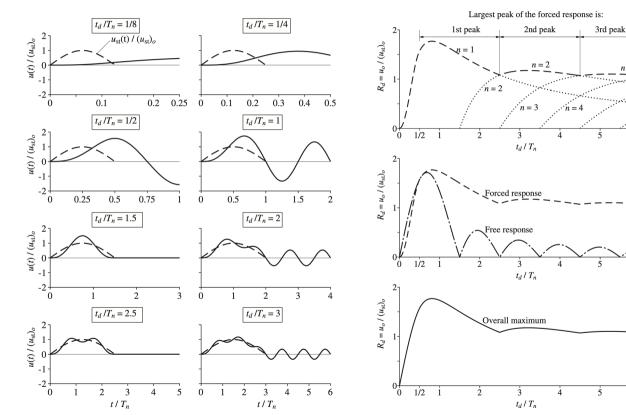


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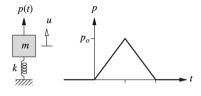


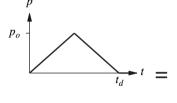


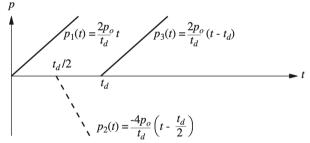
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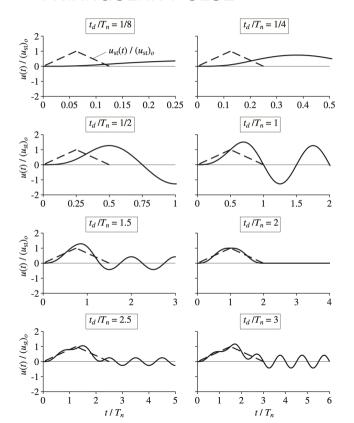
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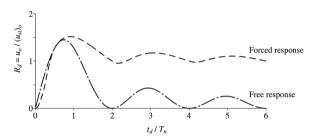


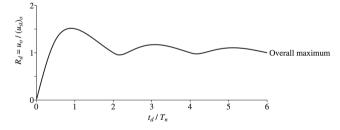




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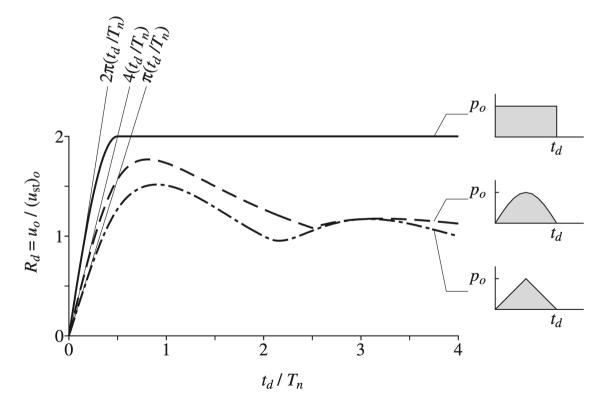






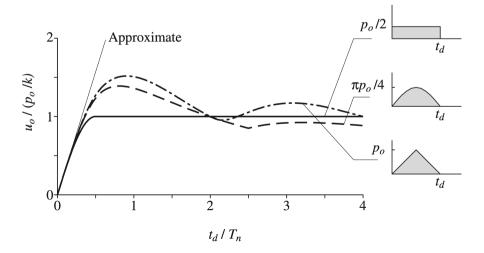
COMPARISON OF PULSE SHAPES

RESPONSE ENVELOPES

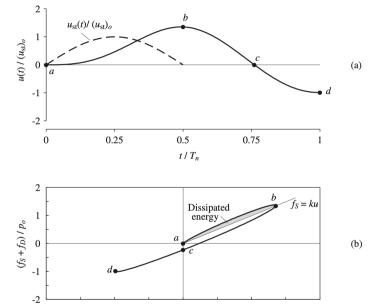


IMPULSES OF SHORT DURATION

► Assume impulse can just be treated as initial velocity (generally conservative)



EFFECT OF DAMPING



- $^{u'(u_{\rm st})_o}$ (a) Response of damped system ($\zeta=0.1$) to a half-cycle sine pulse force with $t_d/T_n=\frac{1}{2}$;
- (b) Force-deformation diagram showing energy dissipated in viscous damping.

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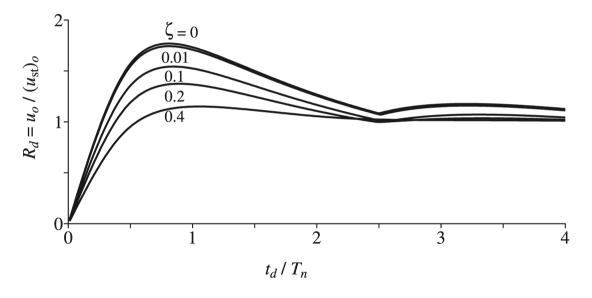


Figure 4.11.2 Shock spectra for a half-cycle sine pulse force for five damping values.

BLAST LOADING

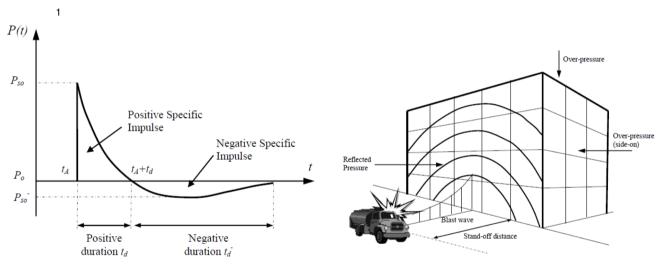


Figure 2: Blast wave pressure – Time history

Figure 3: Blast loads on a building

¹Ngo et al. (2007). EJSE Special Issue: Loading on Structures

BLAST LOADING

PRESSURE AMPLIFICATION

OKLAHOMA CITY BOMBING

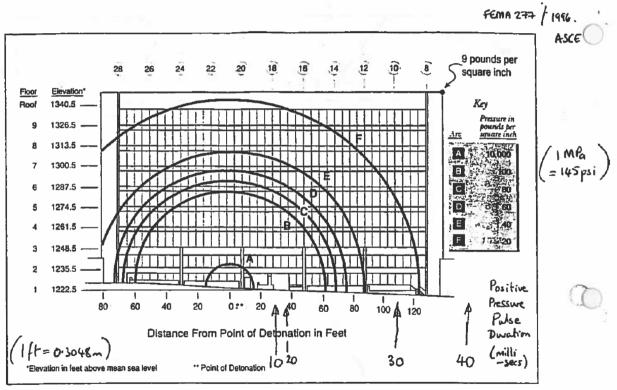


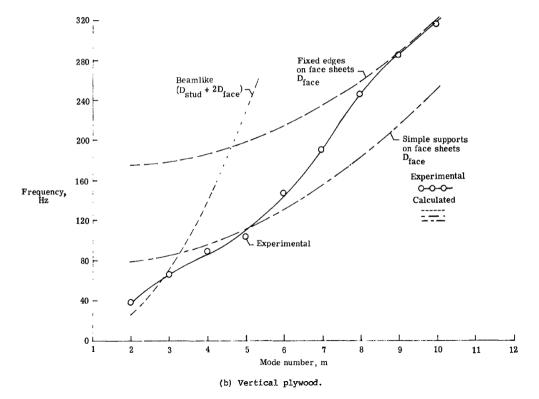
Figure 3-5 Peak overpressures on north elevation of nine-story portion of Murrah Building.

SIMPLIFIED APPROACH

Global building response:

- Assume impulse only causes initial velocity:
- ► Assume damping has small effect:

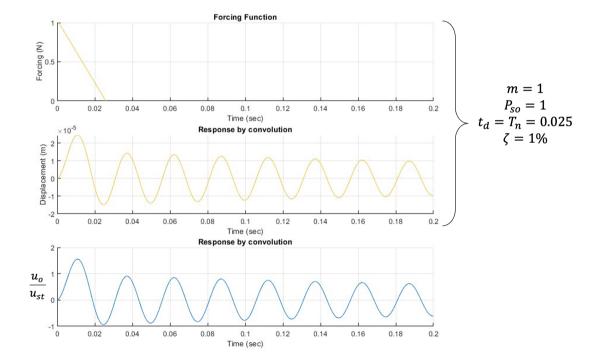
WHAT ABOUT WINDOW/WALL ELEMENT?



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CONVOLUTION TO FIND THE RESPONSE



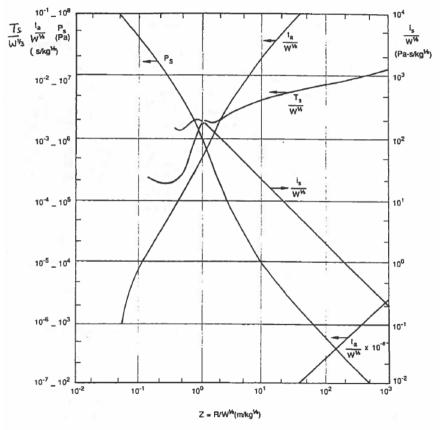


Figure 3.8 Side-on blast wave parameters for spherical charges of TNT (after Ref. 6)