Steel seismic issues from a consulting engineers perspective

With a leaning towards low damage design and seismic devices

Reliability

- Considering the unexpected
 - What is the failure mode
- Excess displacement performance
- Emergent second order effects or system effects
- At element/device level and system level
- · Aging and durability

Behaviour of the Building

- Not just the structure
- Acceleration and drift impact
- · Localised high displacement impacts

Low Damage Systems vs Robust Systems

- In the move to low damage...
- ...are we sacrificing robustness?
- And where can we get both
- Device connection and interaction research

Barriers to application

- Design time impacts
 - Guidance doc?
- Availability of concept/prelim level information
- Test data and project test facilities
- (Lack of) client desire for resilience

Imported Steel and products

- Imported steel and S0 requirements
- (Simple) steel product performance (couplers, brace connectors, shear studs, bolts)

Seismic Performance of Non-Structural Elements (SPONSE)

- Limited available practical design information

- Design Practice
 Simple and prescriptive
 Or engineered
 Is there a middle ground?
- Parts behaviour
- Parts behaviour in isolated/damped buildings