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Reconstruction, Seismic Strengthening and Repair of St. Athanasius Church damaged by explosion



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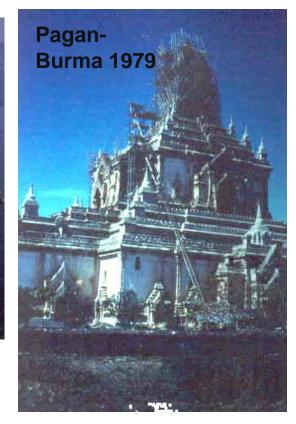


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IZIIS' activities in the field











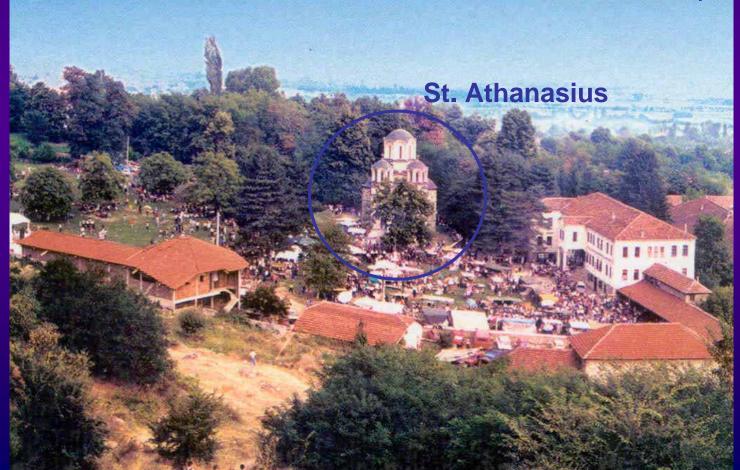
Implementation of knowledge



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Monastery of "St. Mother of God", v. Leshok

- 8 km north east from Tetovo
- 700 years existence
- under the Law on Protection of Cultural Monuments (1957)

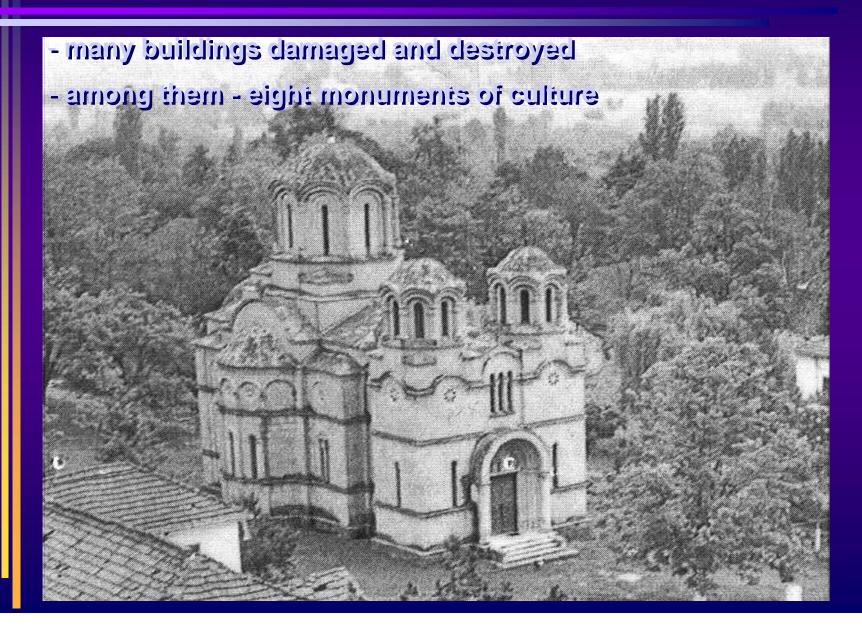


Monastic Church St. Athanasius, Leshok

- three conched structure with nartex and belfries
- massive circular (inside) and polygonal (outside) apses
- pendentives, tambour, central dome



2001 - war crisis in Macedonia

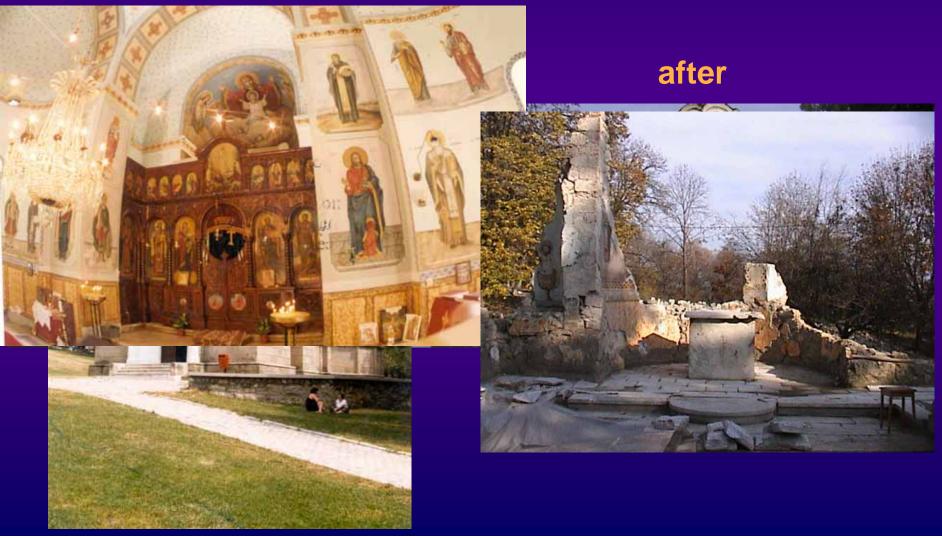


21 August 2001



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before



Damage



June 2002

- European Agency for Reconstruction
- Ministry of Culture of R. Macedonia

Republic Institute for protection of cultural monuments - Architectural and Archeological Investigations - Project for Reconstruction of the Church



Project on Reconstruction, Seismic Strengthening and Repair of the Structure of St. Athanasius Church

July 2002

PHASE 1

Providing architectural documentation
Cleaning up and identification
Urgent preventive measures
Archeological investigations
Chemical analysis
Other investigations



28th July 2002

-Last day of Phase 1





September 2002

Principal Project on Reconstruction, Seismic Strengthening and Repair of the Church

based on IZIIS' investigations in the filed

IZIIS Investigations In the Field

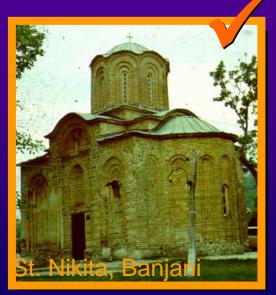
- Research projects on seismic strengthening, conservation and restoration, including seismic isolation of Byzantine Churches in the Republic of Macedonia were realized in the period 1990-2000, with motivation to:
- 1. develop appropriate methods for repair and strengthening of Byzantine churches, in general, and particularly churches located within Macedonia
- 2. provide an economically justified seismic protection and necessary bearing capacity of the structure for an acceptable risk level during future earthquakes

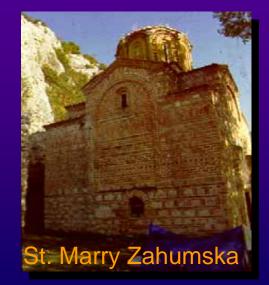
Traditional Technology vs. New Technology



Selection of the prototype church

- Typology
- Existing state
- Interventions
- Authenticity









Investigations on the prototype church

Experimental and Laboratory Tests:

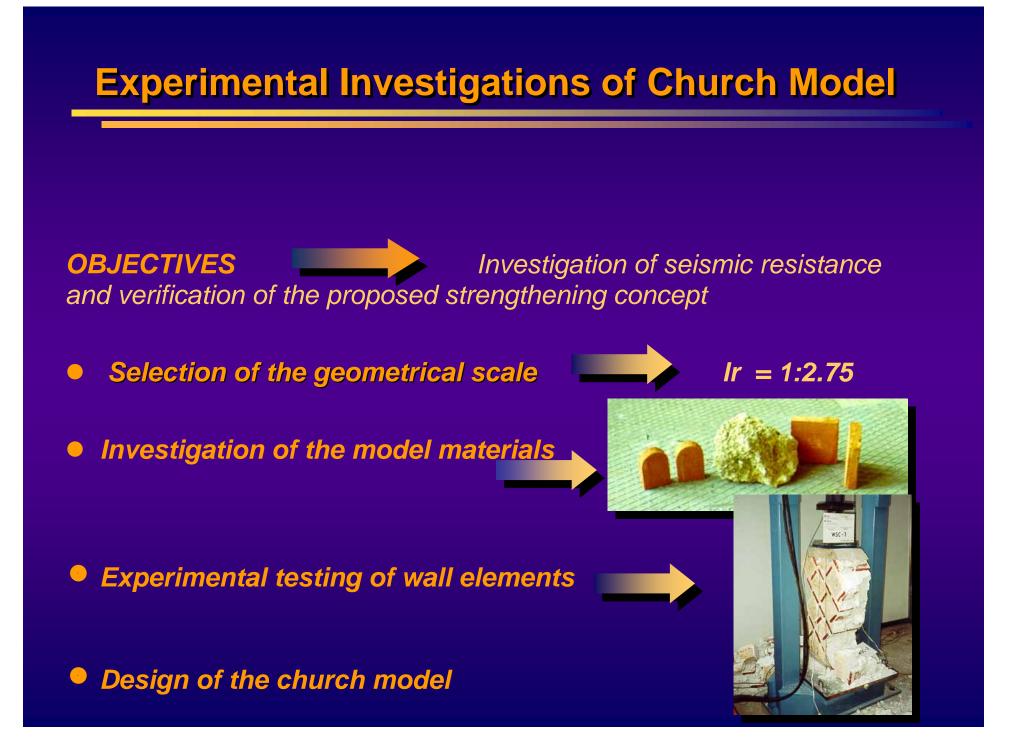
Mechanical and chemical characteristics of stone, brick and mortar

Seismic Hazard Parameters:

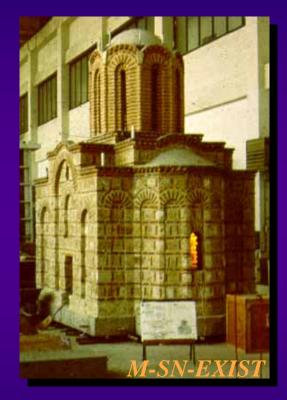
Maximum expected accelerations:



- 0.146, 0.198 i 0.340 for return periods of 100, 200 i 1000 years
- **Dynamic characteristics:** $f^{N-S} = 4.8 \text{ Hz}, f^{E-W} = 6.0 \text{ Hz}$
- Existing Seismic Stability



Church Models on Shaking Table





- Determination of natural frequencies and mode shapes (models M-SN-EXIST and M-SN-STR)
- Shaking table testing testing of the models by gradual increase of the input intensity

Comparison of the Results for Both Models

- Lower damage level under higher level of input excitation
- Qualitatively different type of failure mechanism
- *"minimum interventions maximum protection";*
- Increasing of bearing capacity and deformability



Next Phase of Investigations

Investigation of the efficiency, technical, economical and conservation justification of a seismic isolation as a new approach to earthquake protection of historic monuments



D = 13.1 cm H = 15.1 cm K = 2.5 kN/cm T = 0.8-1.0 s

Laminated Rubber Bearing (1) with Stopper Elements (2)

Shaking Table Testing of Model M-SN-BIC

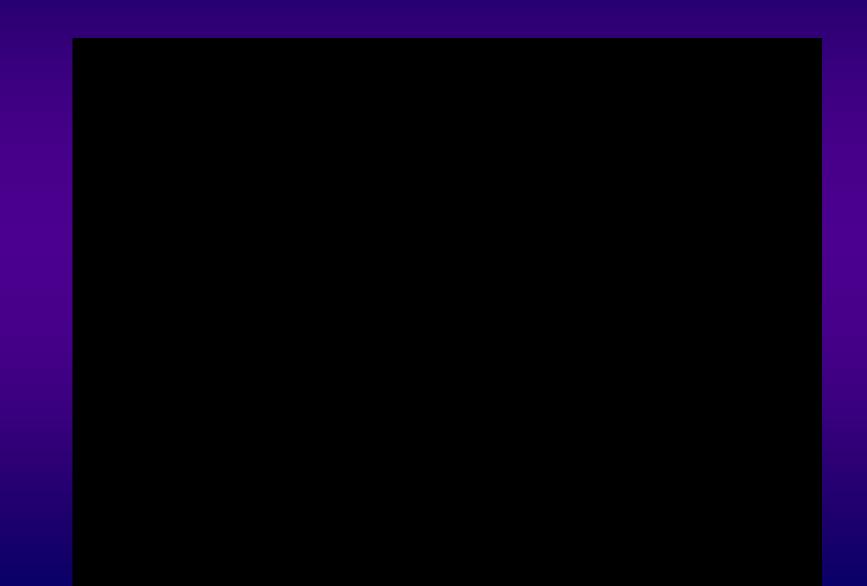


Steel structure and Isolators





Traditional vs. New Technology



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Design Seismic Safety Criteria:

Level I – elastic behaviour, μ <1;

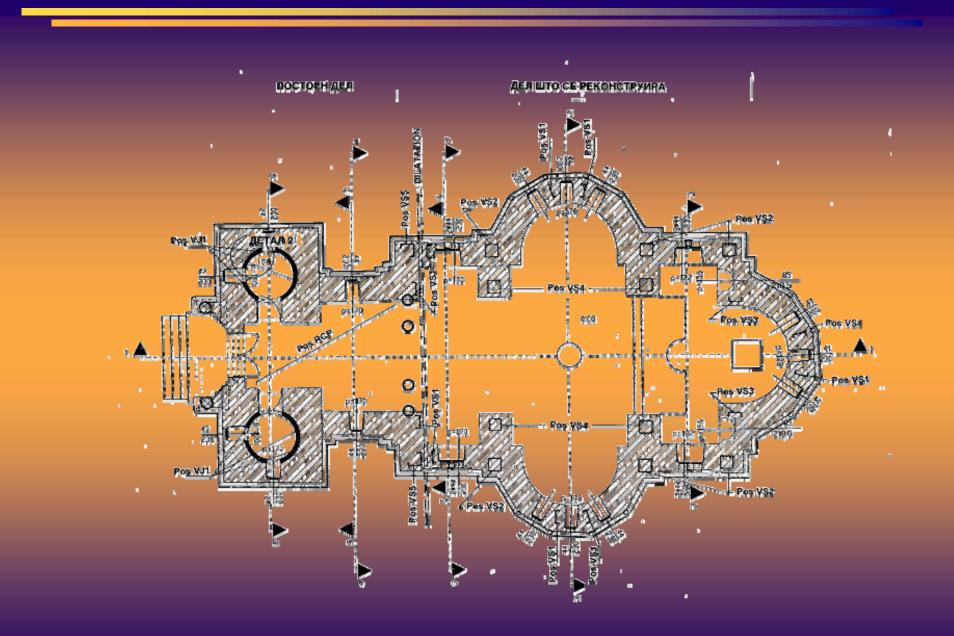
Level II – limited nonlinear deformations of individual elements, μ <1.5, tp=500 years, amax=0.20g

Level III – deep nonlinearity, but non-disturbed stability, μ <2.0, tp=1000 years, amax=0.24g

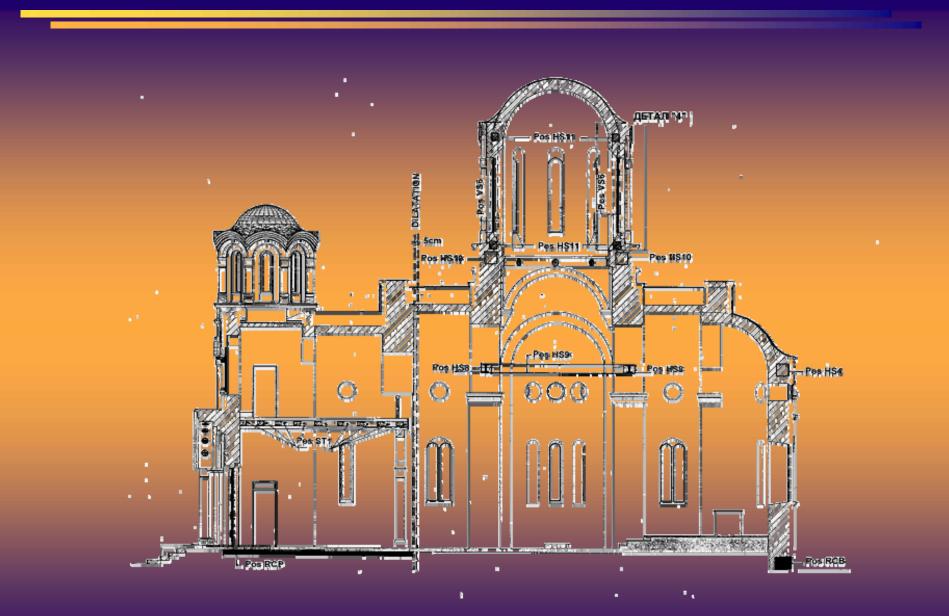
Concept for Repair, Strengthening and Reconstruction

- 1. Repair and structural strengthening up to the design level of seismic safety for the *damaged existing part*
- 2. Complete reconstruction by maximum possible use of selected material in lime mortar plus structural strengthening elements for the design level of seismic safety for the *demolished part*
- 3. Dilatation (not less than 3 cm) between the structural units, concentration of future damages

Plan of the church, Level +1.90 m



Cross section 1-1

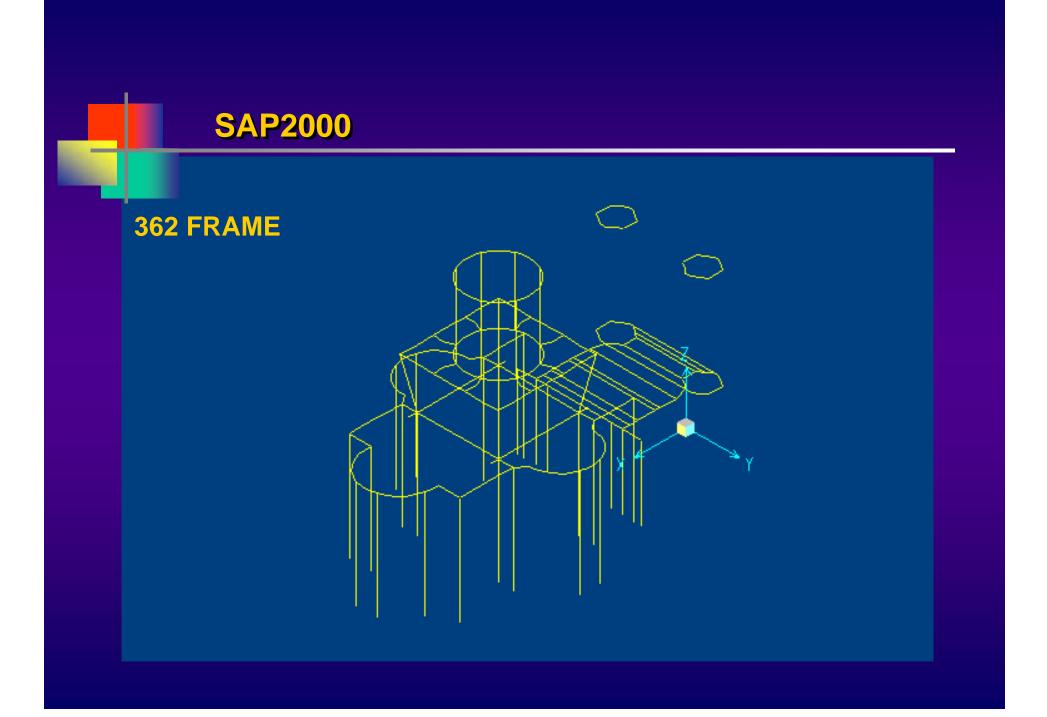


Analysis of the structure

Static and Equivalent Seismic Analysis by the Finite Element Method

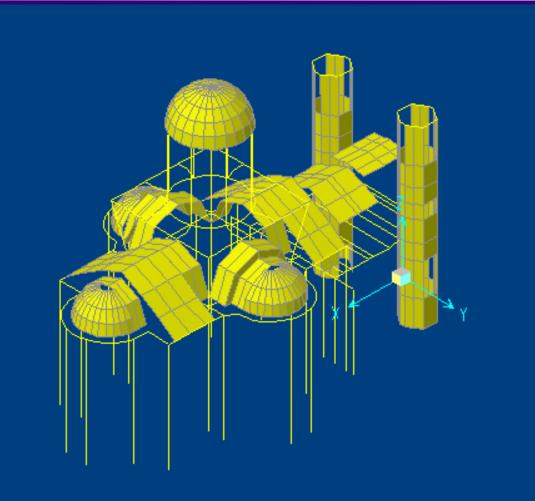
Bearing and Deformability Capacity and Nonlinear Dynamic Analysis

INPUT: Shear base K = 0.30 E = 1200000 kPa; G = 460000 kPa; fc = 1000 kPa; ft = 100kPa; $\gamma_{stone} = 22.5 k / m^3; \gamma_{brick} = 18.5 kN/m^3$



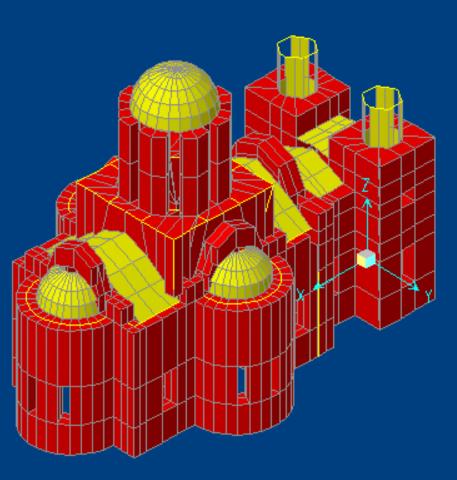


362 FRAME 601 SHELL



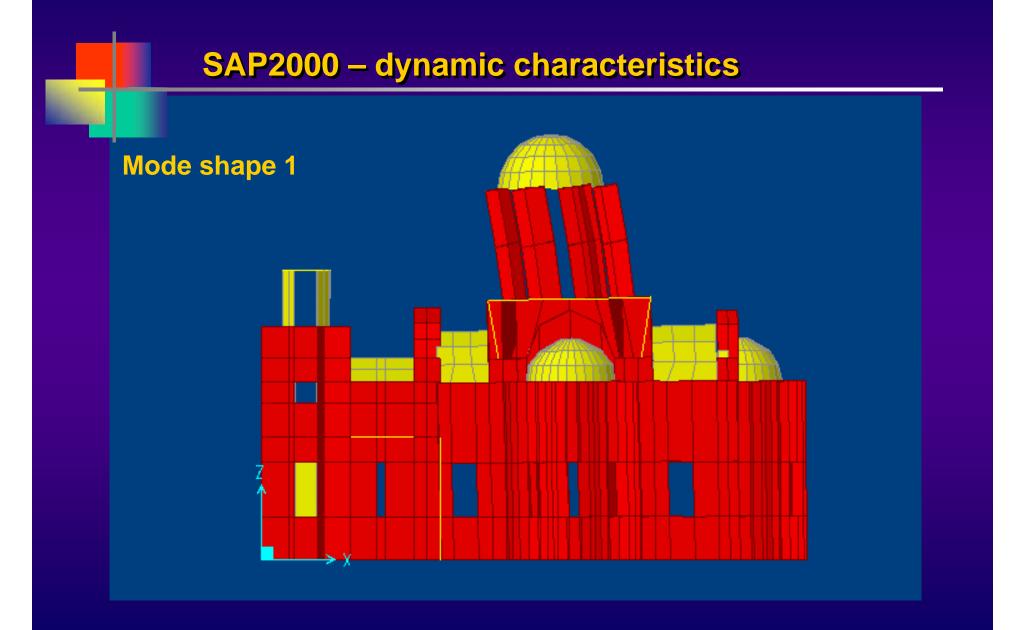
SAP2000

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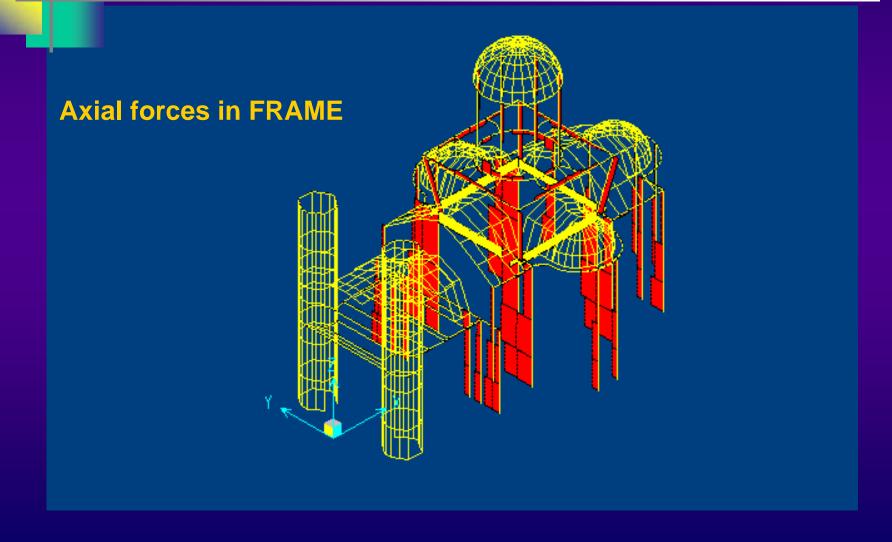


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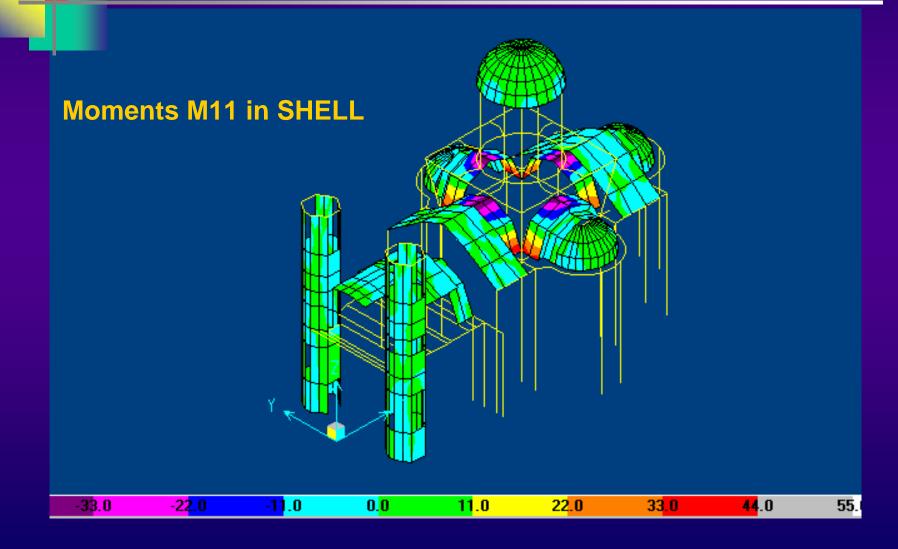




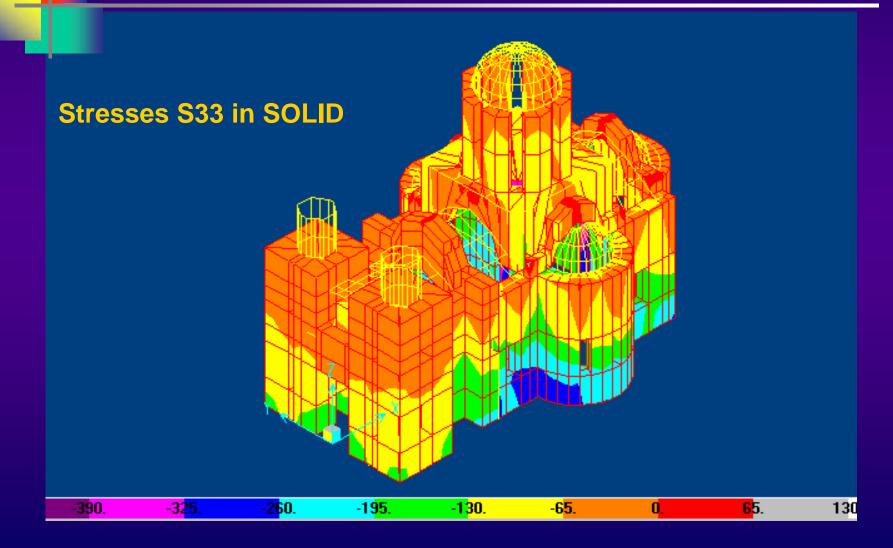
SAP2000 – stress state



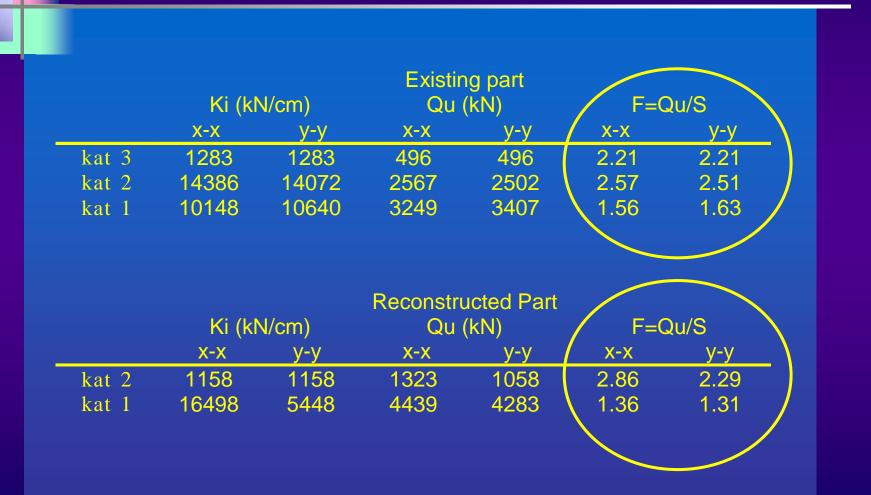
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Bearing and Deformability Capacity



Nonlinear Dynamic Analysis

 μ < 1.5 for tp=500 years, a_{max} =0.20g μ < 2.0 for tp=1000 years, a_{max} =0.24g

Such designed structure satisfies the prescribed requirements and criteria for this type of historic structures

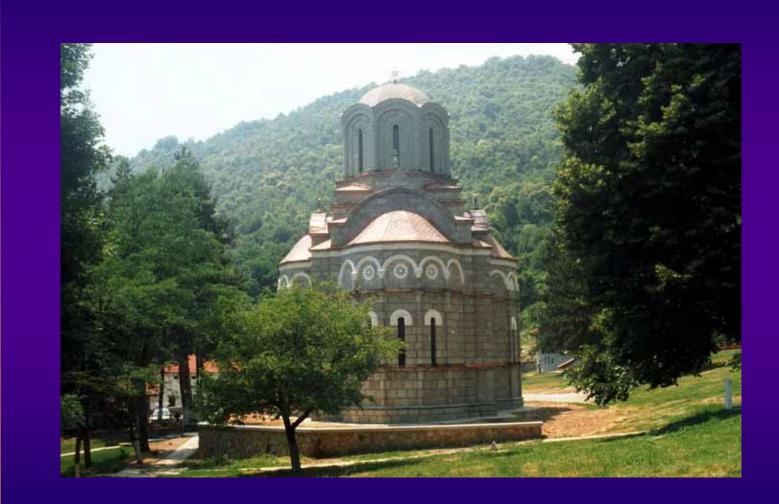
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April - September 2004



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CONCLUSIONS

When damage or destruction of cultural historic monuments is considered, the reason does not play a primary role anymore!

We must not allow that either the globalization or any other social, political, economic or technological process take place in the world ignoring the genesis of development of the human environment and the achievements of the human civilization!

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