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Preface

On March 11-12, 1993 Applied Technology Council conducted the ATC-17-1 Seminar on Seismic Isolation, Passive Energy Dissipation, and Active Control. Held in San Francisco, California, the purpose of the Seminar was to present a complete picture of available research information and current practice relating to the design of seismic isolation, passive energy dissipation, and active control systems. A corollary objective was to update and expand the information presented in the initial ATC-17 Seminar, held in San Francisco in March 1986.

The Seminar technical program consisted of 70 state-of-the-art and state-of-the-practice oral and poster papers. The technical presentations included invited state-of-the-art theme papers on the four major systems considered (seismic isolation, energy dissipation, active control, and hybrid control systems) as well as competitively selected papers covering the major issues of concern: ground motion issues, performance criteria, life-cycle costs, code/design procedures, methods of analysis, peer review, performance testing, owners' perspectives, case studies, large scale testing, applications, analysis issues, earthquake performance, hardware, guidelines for testing and evaluation, reliability-based design, and control strategies.

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