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Dr. Adel E. Abd El-Nabi has more than twenty years of experience in the field of failure analysis, design, and assessment of buildings, bridges, and infrastructural systems. He serves as a senior consultant for projects related to building enclosure, forensic analysis, design, litigation support, restoration, and renovation work. He is proficient in performing experimental and numerical simulations utilizing state-of-the-art laboratory testing equipment and advanced finite element methods to investigate the performance of highly complex structures. He has assessed, repaired, and designed high-profile structures in the US and overseas. He has conducted non-destructive testing of bridges, pavements, and underground structures using sensors such as strain gauges and accelerometers as well as utilizing other testing technologies such as ground penetrating radar, ultrasonic testing, and infrared to assess material and structural deterioration.

Dr. Abd El-Nabi is also a frequent guest speaker at failure analysis related symposiums. He spoke to national and international audiences on multiple structural engineering topics and has authored numerous technical articles related to structural engineering. In addition, Adel has extensive knowledge of current structural engineering design and assessment codes and standards, including the International Residential and Building Codes, ASCE 7-16, ACI 318-14, AISC Manual and Specifications, NDS 2018, TMS 402/602, and AASHTO.

Dr. Abd El-Nabi is currently an associate professor at the University of Memphis and enjoys teaching structural engineering courses related to the design of structures using steel, concrete, wood, and masonry materials. He also teaches topics related to advanced finite element methods, earthquake engineering, and nonlinear analysis of structures for graduate-level students.

**Areas of Specialization**

Architectural Investigations  
Blast Loading and Effects on Structures  
Commercial Structures  
Construction Defects  
Damage Investigation and Assessment  
Dams & Embankments  
Earth Movement Investigations  
Experimental Testing of Structural Components  
Finite Element Analysis and Failure Simulation

Fire Induced Damage  
Historical Buildings  
Infrastructure  
Non-destructive Testing  
Residential Structures  
Seismic Design and Assessment  
Seismic Repair and Retrofit  
Structural Failure Analysis

## **Education**

Ph.D., Civil and Environmental Engineering University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. 2012  
M.S., Structural Engineering, Cairo University. 2007  
B.S., Civil and Environmental Engineering, Cairo University. 2005

## **Continuing Education and Certifications**

C Level 1, “Authorized Person”, Roof Specific Access Training, 2020  
Wind and Hail Damage to Roof Covering, HAAG Education, 2019  
Intensive Course on Ground Penetrating Radar, Geophysical Survey Systems, Inc., 2016

## **Licensed Structural Engineer (S.E.)**

State of Illinois - License No. 081008183  
State of Oklahoma - License No. 30591

## **Licensed Professional Engineer (P.E.)**

State of Tennessee ..... License No. 121882  
State of Arkansas ..... License No. 19225  
State of Mississippi ..... License No. 30393

## **Professional Associations and Affiliations**

Structural Engineering Institute - Member, Committee of Retrofit of Structures of Dynamic Loads  
National Council of Structural Engineering Association - Member, Committee of Basic Education  
Tennessee Structural Engineering Association - Board Member  
Egyptian Code for Loads - Member and Reviewer, Seismic Load Committee  
American Society of Civil Engineers - Member  
American Institute of Steel Construction - Member  
American Concrete Institute - Member  
Journal of Earthquake Engineering - Reviewer

## **Positions Held**

### **Engineering Systems Inc. (ESi), Peachtree Corners, Georgia**

Senior Consultant, 2020 - Present

### **University of Memphis, Tennessee**

Associate Professor, 2018 – Present

Assistant Professor, 2012 – 2018

### **University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Illinois**

Research and Teaching Assistant, 2008 – 2012

### **Multiple Design Firms**

Structural Engineer, 2005 – 2020

## Publications/Presentations

- Abd El-Nabi, A.,** Elnashai, A. "Integrity Assessment of the Pharos of Alexandria during the AD 1303 Earthquake," Engineering Failure Analysis, Vol. 33c, pp. 119-138. October 2013. **Featured and interviewed on Science Channel, Unearthed Episodes, Series Four, Title: Lost Lighthouse of Alexandria, URL: <http://www.windfallfilms.com/show/18270/lost-lighthouse-of-alexandria.aspx>**
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- Omranian, E.; **Abd El-Nabi, A.;** Abdollahzadeh, G. "Seismic vulnerability assessment of RC skew bridges subjected to mainshock-aftershock sequences." Soil dynamics and earthquake engineering. November 2018.
- Abd El-Nabi, A.** "Fragility curves for RC frames subjected to Tohoku mainshock-aftershocks sequences." Earthquake Engineering. May 2018.
- Abd El-Nabi, A.;** Camp, C.; Baker, C.; Hosseinpour, F. "Structural evaluation of low volume roads using ground penetrating radar (GPR)." Tennessee Department of Transportation. May 2018.
- Oygus, R., Toros, C., **Abd El-Nabi, A.** "Seismic Behavior of Irregular Reinforced-Concrete Structures under Multiple Earthquake Excitations," Soil Dynamics and Earthquake Engineering, Vol. 104, pp. 15-32. 2018.
- Ismail, A., **Abd El-Nabi, A.,** Larson, T. "High-resolution P- and S-wave Seismic Reflection Followed by Engineering Modeling for Geotechnical Site Characterization in Southern Illinois," Journal of Environmental and Engineering Geophysics, Vol. 22(4), pp. 375-384. 2018.
- Hosseinpour, F., **Abd El-Nabi, A.** "Fragility Curves for RC Frames under Multiple Earthquakes," Journal of Soil Dynamics and Earthquake Engineering, Vol. 98, pp. 222-234. 2017.
- Hosseinpour, F., **Abd El-Nabi, A.** "Effect of different aspects of multiple earthquakes on the nonlinear behavior of RC structures," Soil Dynamic and Earthquake Engineering, Vol. 92C, pp. 706-725. (DOI: 10.1016/j.soildyn.2016.11.006). 2017.
- Movaghati, S., **Abd El-Nabi, A.** "Advancements in Fragility Analysis using Numerical Calibration Methods for a Horizontally Curved RC Bridge," Engineering Structures, Vol. 125C, pp. 236-243. (DOI: 10.1016/j.engstruct.2016.07.017). 2016.
- Abd El-Nabi, A.,** Elnashai, A. "Numerical Modeling and Analysis of RC Frames Subjected to Multiple Earthquakes," Earthquakes and Structures, An International Journal Vol. 9, No. 5 pp. 957-981. (DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.12989/eas.2015.9.5.957>). 2015.
- Hosseinpour, F., **Abd El-Nabi, A.** "Statistical Evaluation of the Monotonic Models for FRP Confined Concrete Prisms," Advances in Concrete Construction, An International Journal Vol. 3, No. 3 pp. 161-185. (DOI: 10.12989/acc.2015.3.3.161). 2015.
- Abd El-Nabi, A.,** Frankie, T., Spencer, B. "Numerical and Hybrid Analysis of a Curved Bridge and Methods of Numerical Model Calibration," Engineering Structures, Vol. 70C pp. 234-245 (D.O.I. 10.1016/j.engstruct.2014.04.009). 2014.

## Publications/Presentations continued

- Abd El-Nabi, A.**, Elnashai, A. "Performance of Degrading Reinforced Concrete Frame Systems under Tohoku and Christchurch Earthquake Sequences," *Journal of Earthquake Engineering*, Vol. 18(7), pp. 1009-1036 (DOI:10.1080/13632469.2014.923796). 2014.
- Spencer, B., Chang, C., Frankie, T., Kuchma, D., Silva, P., **Abd El-Nabi, A.** "A Phased Approach to Enable Hybrid Simulation of Complex Structures," *Earthquake Engineering and Engineering Vibration*, Vol. 13 pp. 63-77 (D.O.I. 10.1007/s11803-014-0240-2). 2014.
- Abd El-Nabi, A.**, Frankie, T., Spencer, B. "Numerical Hybrid Simulation Modeling Verification for a 3-Pier Bridge," *Journal of Systemics, Cybernetics and Informatics*, Vol. 11(5), pp. 48-51. 2013.
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- Abd El-Nabi, A.**, Machaly, E.S., Safar, S., "New Design Rules for Plate Girder Web Panels Subjected to Pure Shear", *Journal of Engineering and Applied Science*, Vol. 55, February 2008.
- Abd El-Nabi, A.**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, PhD Dissertation (2012): Multiple Earthquake Effects on Degrading Reinforced Concrete Structures.
- Abd El-Nabi, A.**, and Elnashai, A. (2010) "Response of RC Buildings under Multiple Earthquakes", the 7th International Conference on Urban Earthquake Engineering & 5th International Conference on Earthquake Engineering, Tokyo, March 2010.
- Abd El-Nabi, A.**, Frankie, T., and Spencer, B. (2012) "Hybrid Simulation Modeling of a Curved Bridge", Design and Modeling in Science, Education, and Technology, Orlando, FL.
- Abd El-Nabi, A.** (2012) "Performance of RC buildings under the March 11 Earthquakes in Japan," Earthquake Engineering Research Institute, Memphis, TN.
- Abd El-Nabi, A.**, and Amr Elnashai (2012) "Response of Degrading RC Frames Under Replicate Motions", the 15th World Conference in Earthquake Engineering, Lisbon, Portugal, September 2012. view article online
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## **Publications/Presentations continued**

- Movaghati, S., **Abd El-Nabi, A.** (2015) "Semi-rigid Steel Connection with Self-centering System," Structures Congress, Portland, OR.
- Hosseinpour, F., **Abd El-Nabi, A.** (2015) "Statistical Evaluation of the Compressive Strength Models for FRP Confined Concrete Rectangular Prisms using Experimental Data," Earthquake Engineering Research Institute, Boston, MA.
- Movaghati, S., **Abd El-Nabi, A.** (2015) "Experimental and Numerical Analysis of Semi-rigid Connections with and without Self-centering Devices," Earthquake Engineering Research Institute, Boston, MA.
- Ghaffari, Y., Pezeshk, S., **Abd El-Nabi, A.** (2015) "Improved Value for Load Increase Factor in Disproportionate Collapse," Structures Congress, Portland, OR.
- Movaghati, S., **Abd El-Nabi, A.** (2016) "Use of self-centering system to retrofit steel flexible moment connections," Geo-Structures Congress, Phoenix, AZ.
- Hosseinpour, F., **Abd El-Nabi, A.** (2016) "Inelastic behavior of structures under multiple earthquakes," Geo-Structures Congress, Phoenix, AZ.
- Rostamiam, M., **Abd El-Nabi, A.** (2016) "Reliability analysis of steel frames under earthquake loading using Meta-models," Joint Engineering Mechanics Institute and Probabilistic Mechanics & Reliability Conference, Vanderbilt, TN.
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