

Real-time Hybrid Simulation (RTHS): Background, Theory and Implementation

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Outline of Presentation

- RTHS Background
- RTHS Developments/Implementation at NHERI Lehigh
- Applications

Background

□ Dynamic testing of structures

➤ Shake table testing

- Most realistic method of dynamic testing of structures
- Limitations:
 - Prototype scaled to accommodate shake table capacity
 - Expensive

➤ Hybrid and real-time hybrid simulations (RTHS)

- Viable alternative to shake table testing

➤ Effective force testing

- Force controlled test and requires all the mass to be present in the lab
- Limitations:
 - Not economical
 - Force control is more difficult than displacement control

RTHS: Background

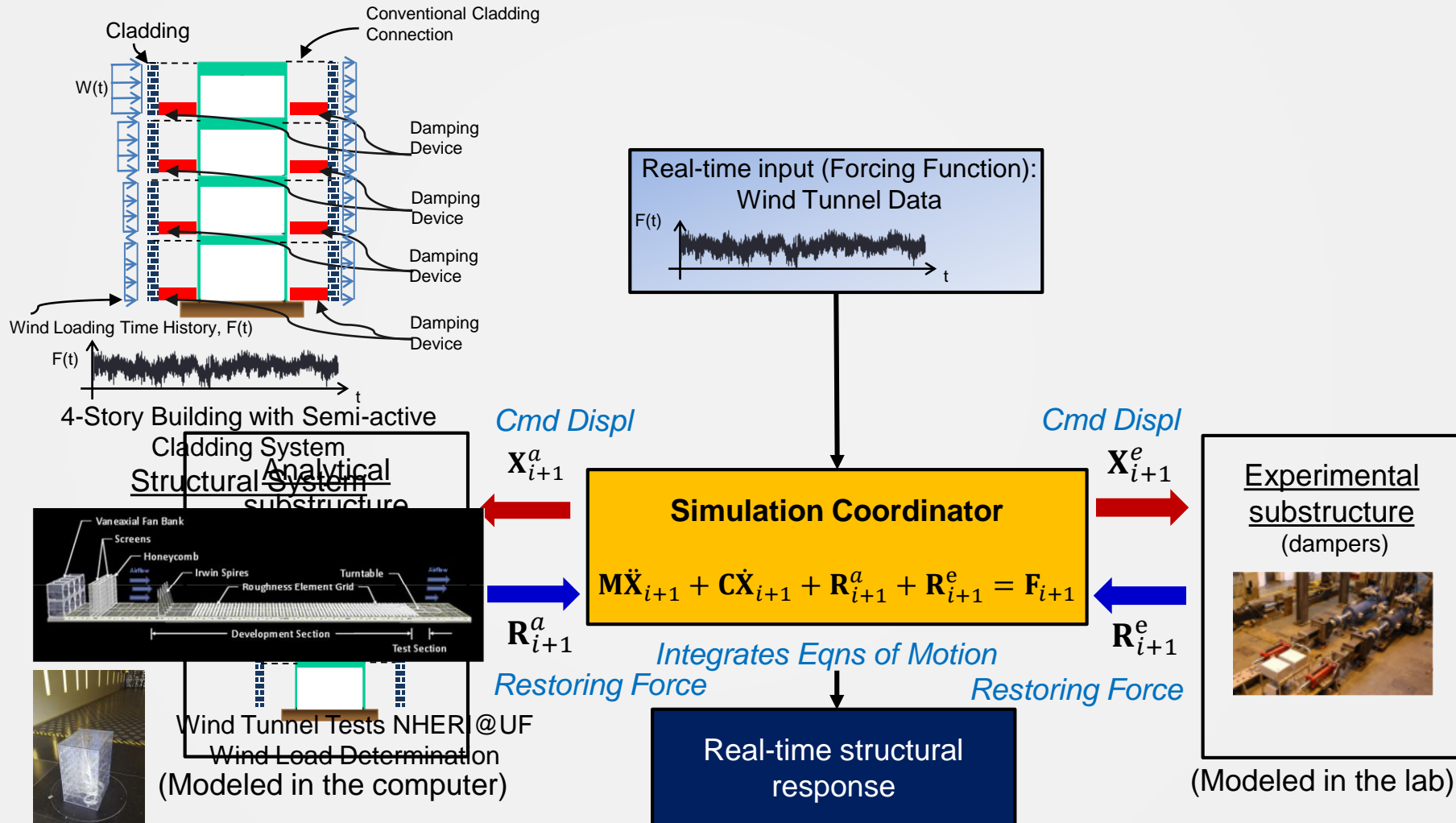
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 - Full scale component can be easily accommodated
 - Rate dependent devices (e.g., dampers, base-isolators) can be tested
 - Analytical substructure(s)
 - Well understood and modeled numerically
 - Various substructures possible for a given expt. substructure
 - Damage can accumulate (not a problem) provided it can be modeled
- ❑ Advantages
 - Cost effective large-scale testing method
 - Comprehensive system response
 - Meets the need of the earthquake engineering community

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Overall Concept of Real-time Hybrid Simulation : Structural System Subject to Wind Loading

NSF CMMI: Semi-Active Controlled Cladding Panels for Multi-Hazard Resilient Buildings
- S. Laflamme (Iowa State), J. Ricles (Lehigh University), S. Quiel (Lehigh University)



Why Real-Time Hybrid Simulation?

- **Enables cost-effective large-scale dynamic tests**
 - Low experimental cost compared to a full shake table test
 - Various analytical substructures can be used for a given experimental substructure, enabling extensive and comprehensive experimental studies
 - Meets the need of the natural hazards engineering community of providing experimental validation of concepts for natural hazards mitigation
- **Accounts for rate-dependency of physical specimens**
 - Rate-dependent structures (frictional devices, dampers, base-isolators, tuned mass damper, etc.) can be investigated with RTHS
 - ➔ not possible with conventional, slow hybrid simulation

RTHS: Implementation issues and challenges

Simulation coordinator

- ☐ Numerical integration algorithm
 - Accurate
 - Explicit
 - Unconditionally stable Preferred
 - Dissipative
- ☐ Fast communication

Analytical substructure

- ☐ Fast and accurate state determination procedure for complex structures

Experimental substructure

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- ☐ Actuator kinematic compensation
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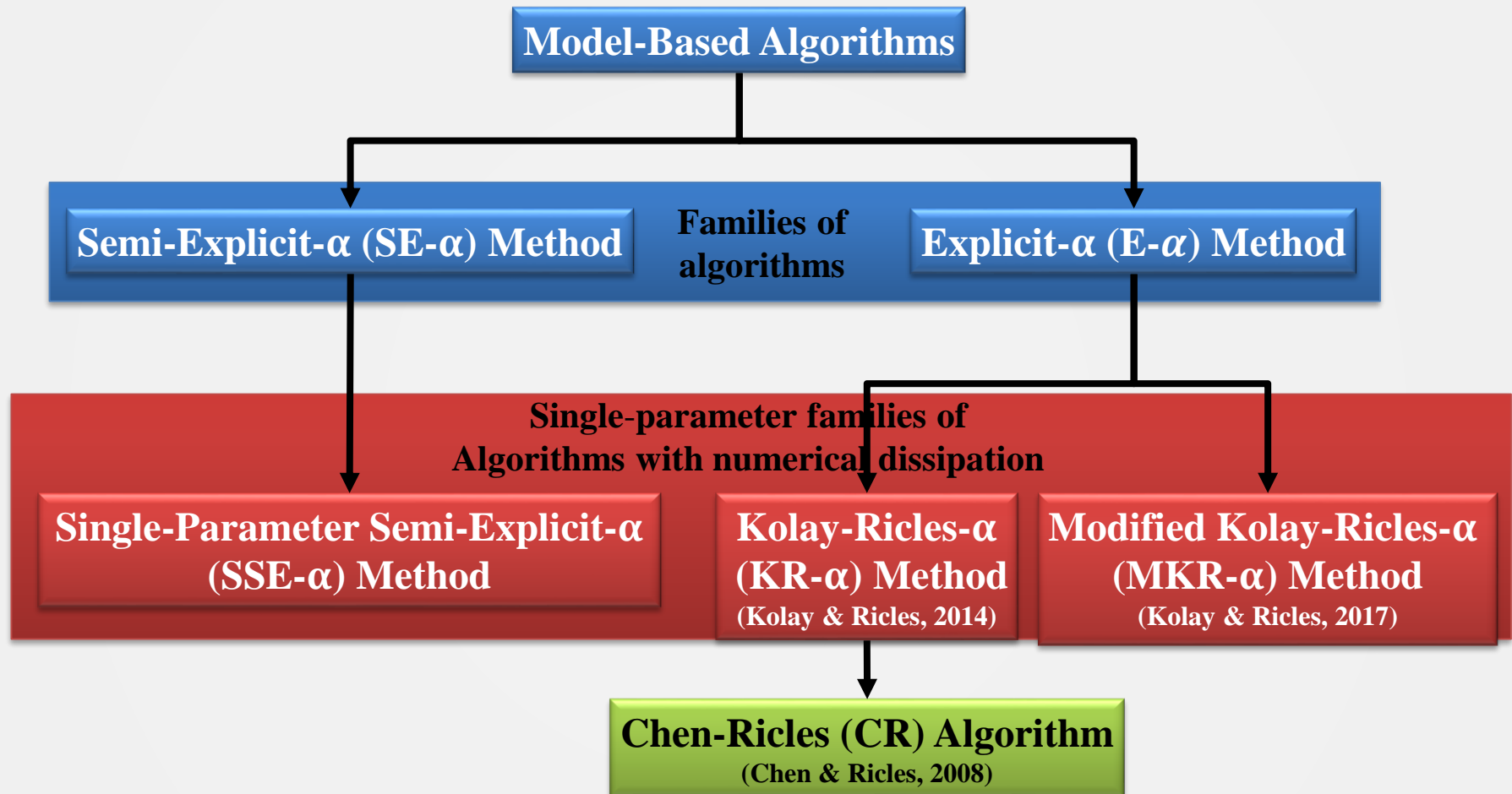
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Solutions

- Various explicit model-based algorithms
- RTMD real-time integrated control architecture

Model-based explicit algorithms for RTHS

NHERI Lehigh Solutions to RTHS Challenges



Kolay, C., & Ricles, J. M. (2015). Assessment of explicit and semi-explicit classes of model-based algorithms for direct integration in structural dynamics. *International Journal for Numerical Methods in Engineering*. doi:10.1002/nme.5153

Numerical Integration Algorithms

Explicit Modified KR- α (MKR- α) Method

- Explicit Integration of Equations of Motion
- Unconditionally Stable
- Controlled Numerical Damping – eliminate spurious high frequency noise

Velocity update:

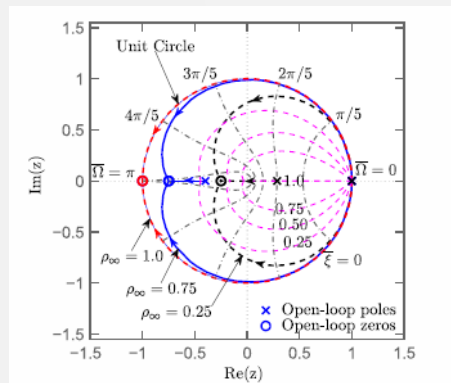
$$\dot{\mathbf{X}}_{n+1} = \dot{\mathbf{X}}_n + \Delta t \alpha_1 \ddot{\mathbf{X}}_n$$

Displacement update:

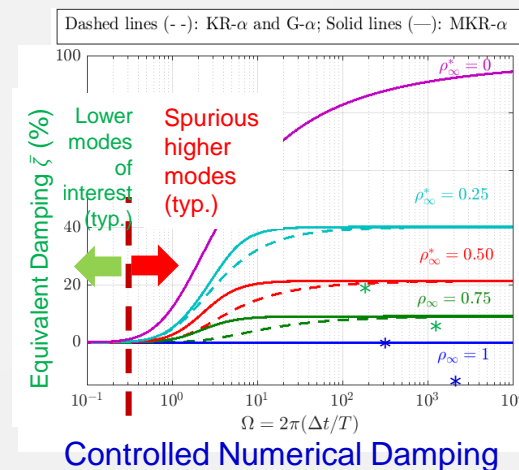
$$\mathbf{X}_{n+1} = \mathbf{X}_n + \Delta t \dot{\mathbf{X}}_n + \Delta t^2 \alpha_2 \ddot{\mathbf{X}}_n$$

Weighted equations of motion: $\mathbf{M} \hat{\mathbf{X}}_{n+1} + \mathbf{C} \dot{\mathbf{X}}_{n+1-\alpha_f} + \mathbf{K} \mathbf{X}_{n+1-\alpha_f} = \mathbf{F}_{n+1-\alpha_f}$

α_1 , α_2 , and α_3 : model-based integration parameters



Stability: Root-Loci



Controlled Numerical Damping

Kolay, C., and J.M. Ricles (2014). Development of a family of unconditionally stable explicit direct integration algorithms with controllable numerical energy dissipation. *Earthquake Engineering and Structural Dynamics*, 43(9), 1361–1380.

<http://doi.org/10.1002/eqe.2401>

Kolay, C., and J.M. Ricles (2017) "Improved Explicit Integration Algorithms for Structural Dynamic Analysis with Unconditional Stability and Controller Numerical Dissipation," *Journal of Earthquake Engineering*, <http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/13632469.2017.1326423>.

Integration Parameters

- Parameter controlling numerical energy dissipation
 - ρ_∞ = spectral radius when $\Omega = \omega\Delta t \rightarrow \infty$
 - varies in the range $0 \leq \rho_\infty \leq 1$
 - $\rho_\infty = 1$: No numerical energy dissipation
 - $\rho_\infty = 0$: Asymptotic annihilation
- Scalar integration parameters:
 - $\alpha_m = \frac{2}{\rho_\infty^3}$ **KR- α : One parameter (ρ_∞) family of algorithms**; $\beta = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \gamma \right)$
- Model-based
 - $\alpha_1 = [\mathbf{M}_{IP} + \gamma\Delta t\mathbf{C}_{IP} + \beta\Delta t^2\mathbf{K}_{IP}]^{-1}\mathbf{M}_{IP}$; $\alpha_2 = \left(\frac{1}{2} + \gamma \right) \alpha_1$
 - $\alpha_3 = [\mathbf{M}_{IP} + \gamma\Delta t\mathbf{C}_{IP} + \beta\Delta t^2\mathbf{K}_{IP}]^{-1}[\alpha_m\mathbf{M}_{IP} + \alpha_f\gamma\Delta t\mathbf{C}_{IP} + \alpha_f\beta\Delta t^2\mathbf{K}_{IP}]$
 - IP stands for integration parameters
 - \mathbf{M}_{IP} , \mathbf{C}_{IP} , and \mathbf{K}_{IP} need to be formed based on the hybrid system

KR- α Method: Implementation for RTHS

Initial calculations: specify ρ_∞ ,
calculate α_f , γ , \mathbf{K}^e , \mathbf{C}^e , \mathbf{A} , \mathbf{B} , \mathbf{C} , and \mathbf{D}
Initial conditions: \mathbf{X}_0 , $\dot{\mathbf{X}}_0$, $\hat{\mathbf{X}}_0$, and \mathbf{R}_0

Set $i = 0$

Excitation forces: $\mathbf{F}_{i+1-\alpha_f}$
Responses: \mathbf{X}_i , $\dot{\mathbf{X}}_i$, $\hat{\mathbf{X}}_i$, and \mathbf{R}_i

Set $i = i + 1$

Optional calculation:
 $\ddot{\mathbf{X}}_{i+1} = \mathbf{D}\hat{\mathbf{X}}_{i+1}$

$$\dot{\mathbf{X}}_{i+1} = \dot{\mathbf{X}}_i + \hat{\mathbf{X}}_i$$

$$\mathbf{X}_{i+1} = \mathbf{X}_i + \Delta t \dot{\mathbf{X}}_i + \left(\frac{1}{2} + \gamma\right) \Delta t \hat{\mathbf{X}}_i$$

$$\mathbf{D}_{i+1}^{c(j)} = \mathbf{X}_i^e + \frac{j}{n} (\mathbf{X}_{i+1}^e - \mathbf{X}_i^e)$$

$$\mathbf{X}_{i+1}^a \text{ and } \dot{\mathbf{X}}_{i+1}^a$$

Extrapolation
Effects – small
($\delta t = \frac{1}{1024}$ s small)

Substructure

Analytical Substructure

$$\mathbf{D}_{i+1}^{c(j)}$$

$$j = n - 1$$

$$\mathbf{R}_{i+1}^e = \mathbf{R}_{i+1}^{m(n-1)} + \mathbf{K}^e [\mathbf{X}_{i+1}^e - \mathbf{D}_{i+1}^{c(n-1)}]$$

$$+ \mathbf{C}^e [\dot{\mathbf{X}}_{i+1}^e - \mathbf{V}_{i+1}^{c(n-1)}]$$

$$\mathbf{R}_{i+1}^a$$

$$\mathbf{R}_{i+1} = \mathbf{R}_{i+1}^e + \mathbf{R}_{i+1}^a$$

$$\mathbf{R}_{i+1-\alpha_f} = (1 - \alpha_f) \mathbf{R}_{i+1} + \alpha_f \mathbf{R}_i$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{F}}_{I_i} = \mathbf{B} \hat{\mathbf{X}}_i$$

$$\mathbf{F}_{ID_{i+1-\alpha_f}} = \mathbf{C} [\dot{\mathbf{X}}_i + (1 - \alpha_f) \hat{\mathbf{X}}_i]$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{X}}_{i+1} = \mathbf{A} [\mathbf{F}_{i+1-\alpha_f} - \mathbf{F}_{ID_{i+1-\alpha_f}} - \mathbf{R}_{i+1-\alpha_f} - \hat{\mathbf{F}}_{I_i}]$$

Definitions:

$$\mathbf{A} = \Delta t \alpha_1 [\mathbf{M} - \mathbf{M} \alpha_3]^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{B} = \frac{1}{\Delta t} \mathbf{M} \alpha_3 \alpha_1^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{D} = \frac{1}{\Delta t} \alpha_1^{-1}$$

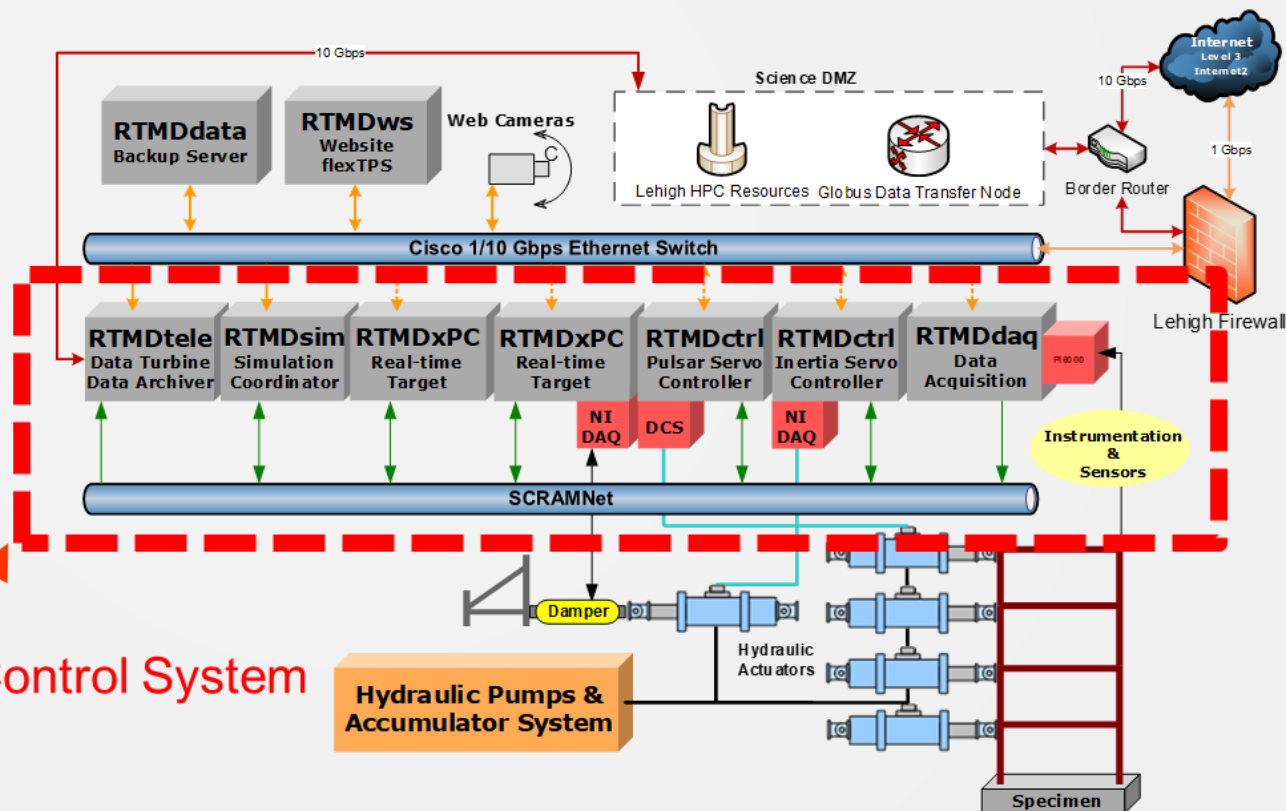
$$\hat{\mathbf{X}}_0 = \Delta t \alpha_1 \ddot{\mathbf{X}}_0$$

RTMD Real-time Integrated Control Architecture

NHERI Lehigh Solutions to RTHS Challenges

- Multiple real-time workstations with real-time communication (SCRAMNet)
- Synchronized control commands with simulation data, DAQ, and camera triggers to enable real time simulations and telepresence

Real-Time
Integrated Control System



RTHS: Implementation issues and challenges

Analytical substructure

- Fast and accurate state determination procedure

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Solutions

- Explicit force-based fiber elements
- HybridFEM
- Multi-grid real-time hybrid simulation



Fiber Element State Determination

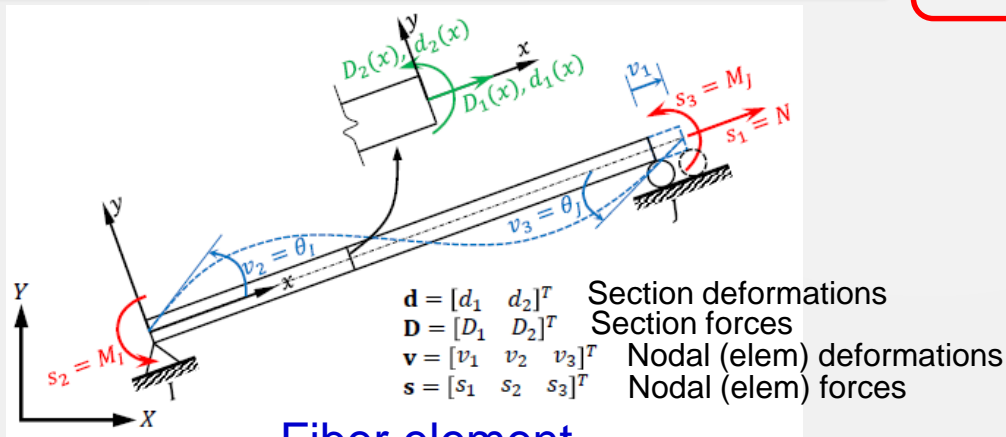
FE Modeling of Analytical Substructure

Displacement-based fiber elements

- ☐ Curvature varies linearly
 - Requires many elements per structural member to model nonlinear response
 - Increases number of DOFs
- ☐ State determination is straight forward

Force-based fiber elements

- ☐ Equilibrium is strictly enforced
 - ✓ Material nonlinearity can be modeled using a single element per structural member
 - ✓ Reduces number of DOFs
- ☐ Requires iterations at the element level

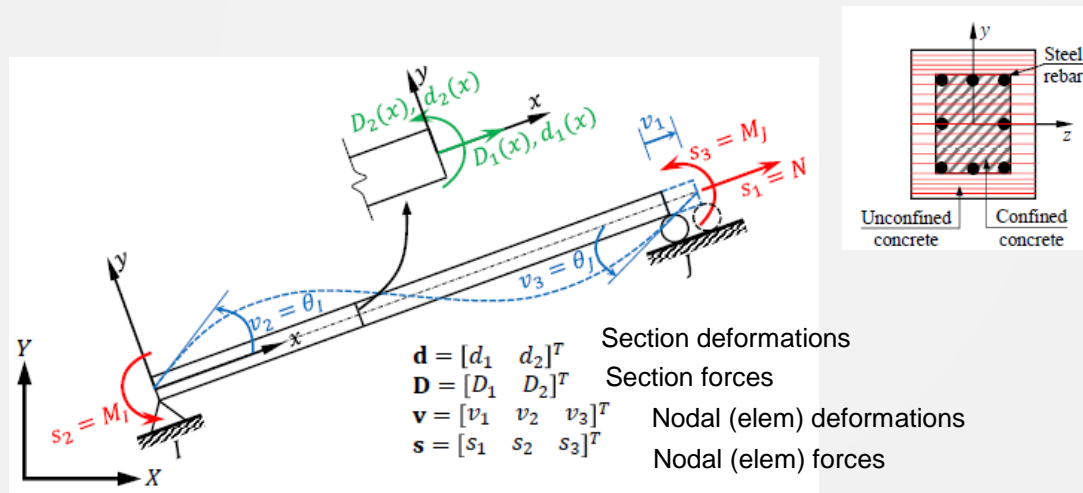


Fiber element

Jeopardizes explicit integration

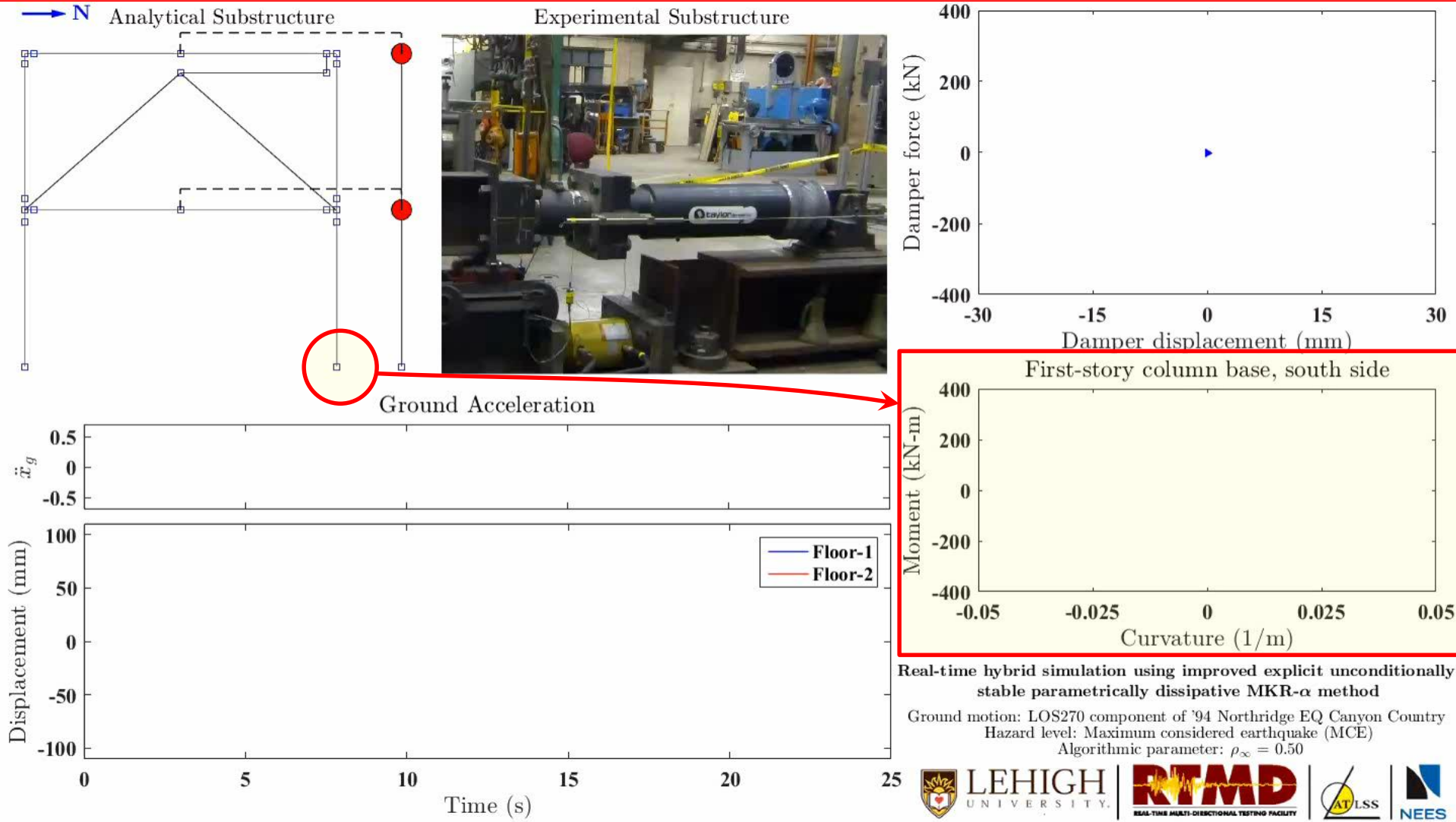
Explicit-formulated Force-Based Fiber Element

- Used with explicit integration algorithm
- Material nonlinearity
- Reduced DOFs in system modeling
- Fixed number of iterations during state determination with carry-over and correction of unbalanced section forces in next time step



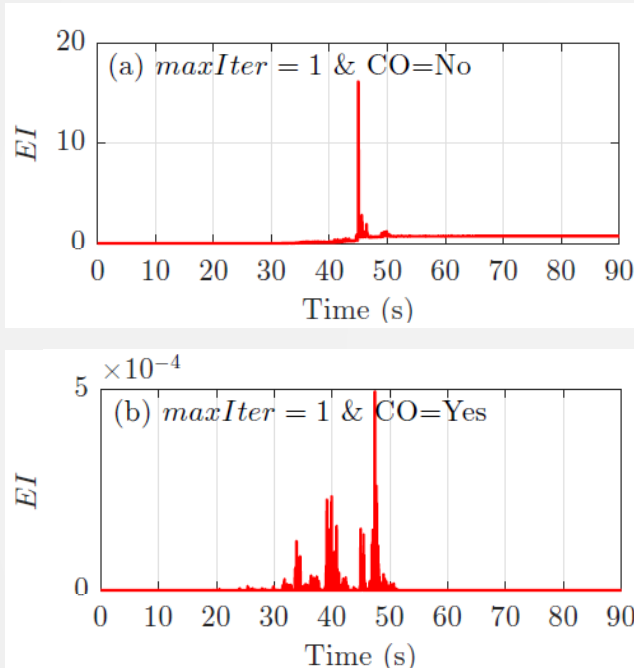
Fiber element

RTHS of RC Structure: Fiber Element Real-time State-Determination

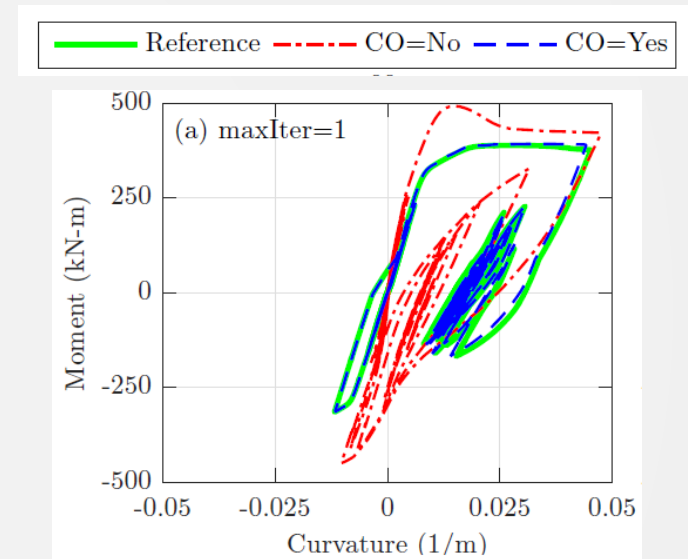


Explicit-formulated Force-Based Fiber Element

- Results



Energy Increment (EI) Error



Moment Curvature Response – 1st story RC column
(CO: Carry over unbalanced section forces)

Note: Reference = Newmark Constant Acceleration Method

Lehigh HybridFEM

NHERI Lehigh Solutions to RTHS Challenges

- MATLAB and SIMULINK based computational modeling and simulation coordinator software for dynamic time history analysis and real-time hybrid simulation of inelastic-framed structures
- Run Modes
 - MATLAB script for numerical simulation
 - SIMULINK modeling for Real-Time Hybrid simulation with experimental elements via xPCs, and hydraulics-off for training and validation of user algorithms.
- User's Manual for training

Karavasilis, T. L., Seo, C.-Y., & Ricles, J. M. (2012). *HybridFEM: A program for dynamic time history analysis and real-time hybrid simulation* (ATLSS Report). ATLSS Report (Vol. 08–09). Bethlehem, PA.

Lehigh HybridFEM

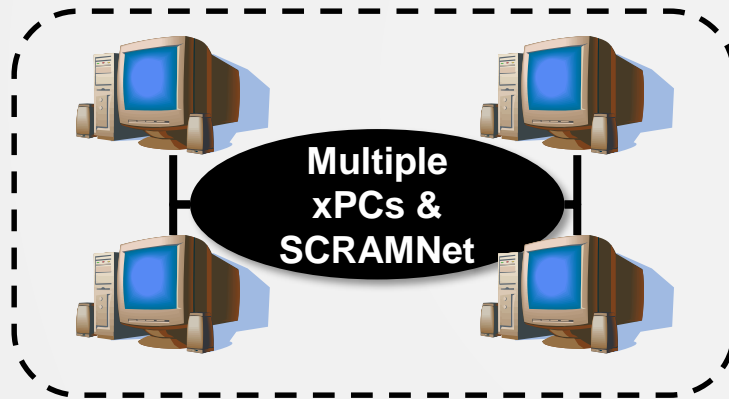
Configuration Options:

- Coordinate system of nodes
- Boundary, constraint and restraint conditions
- Elements
 - Elastic beam-column
 - Elastic spring
 - Inelastic beam-column stress resultant element
 - Non-linear spring
 - Non-linear truss element
 - Displacement-based NL beam-column fiber element
 - Force-based NL beam-column fiber element
 - Zero-length
 - 2D NL planar panel zone
 - Elastic beam-column element with geometric stiffness
- Geometric nonlinearities
- Steel wide flange sections (link to AISC shapes Database)
- Reinforced concrete sections
- Structural mass & inherent damping properties
- Adaptable integration methods
- Materials
 - Elastic
 - Bilinear elasto-plastic
 - Hysteretic
 - Bouc-Wen
 - Trilinear
 - Stiffness degrading
 - Concrete
 - Steel

Multi-grid real-time hybrid simulation

NHERI Lehigh Solutions to RTHS Challenges

- Parallel computing method used with multiple xPCs and SCRAMNet to improve the computational speed for complex large structures
- Incorporated into RTMD Real-time Integrated Control Architecture



Solve equations of motion with multiple xPCs and communication via SCRAMNet

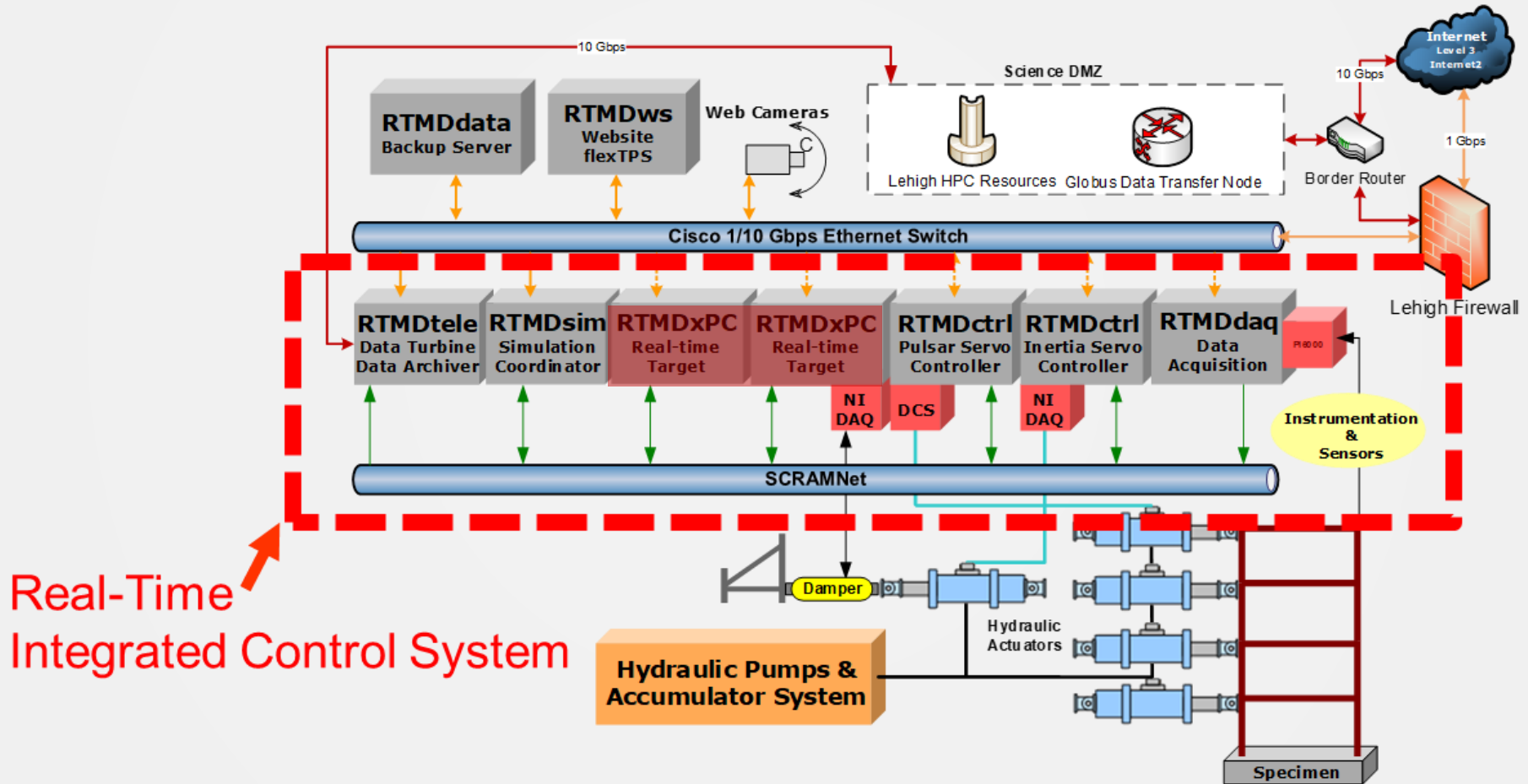
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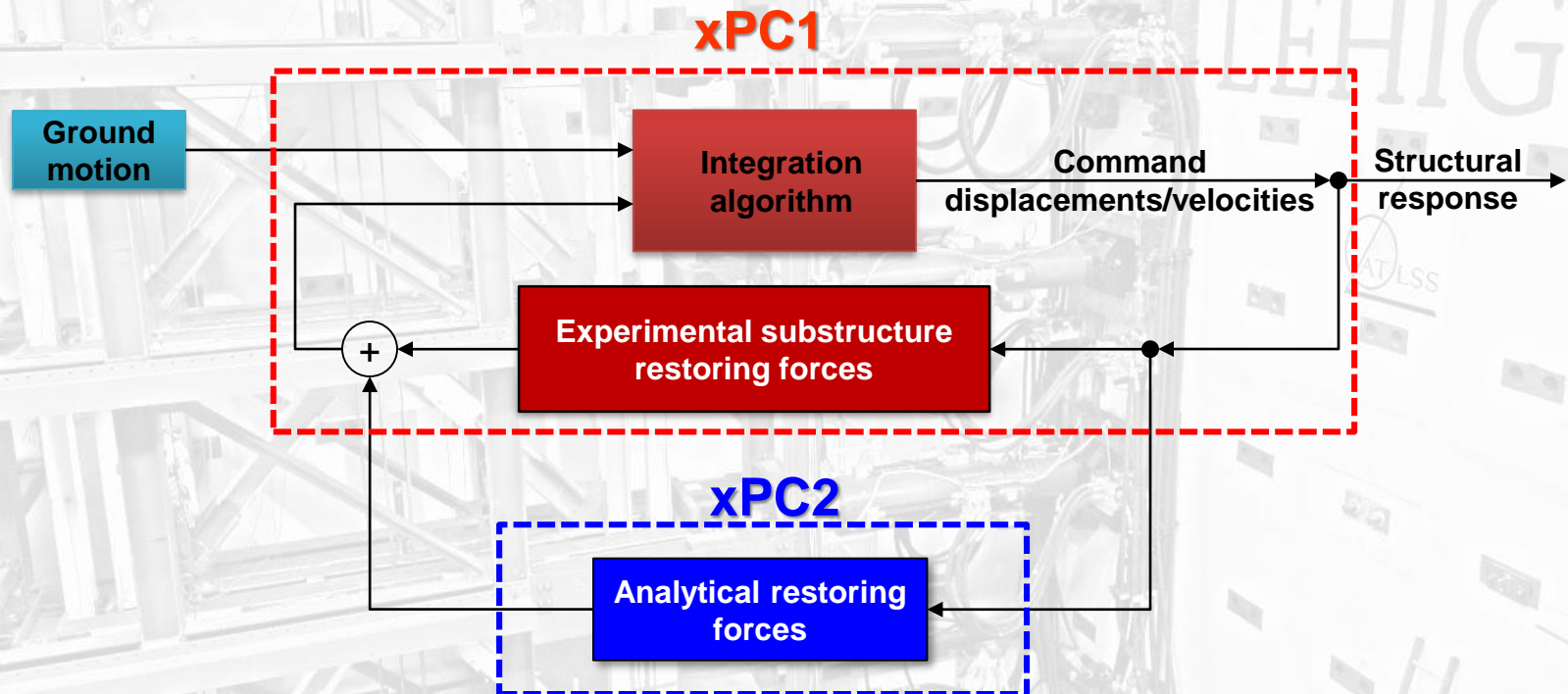
Experimental substructure

Chae, Y., Tong, S., Marullo, T., and Ricles, J.M. (2012). "Real-time hybrid simulation studies of complex large-scale systems using multi-grid processing." *20th Analysis and Computation Specialty Conference*, Chicago, IL.

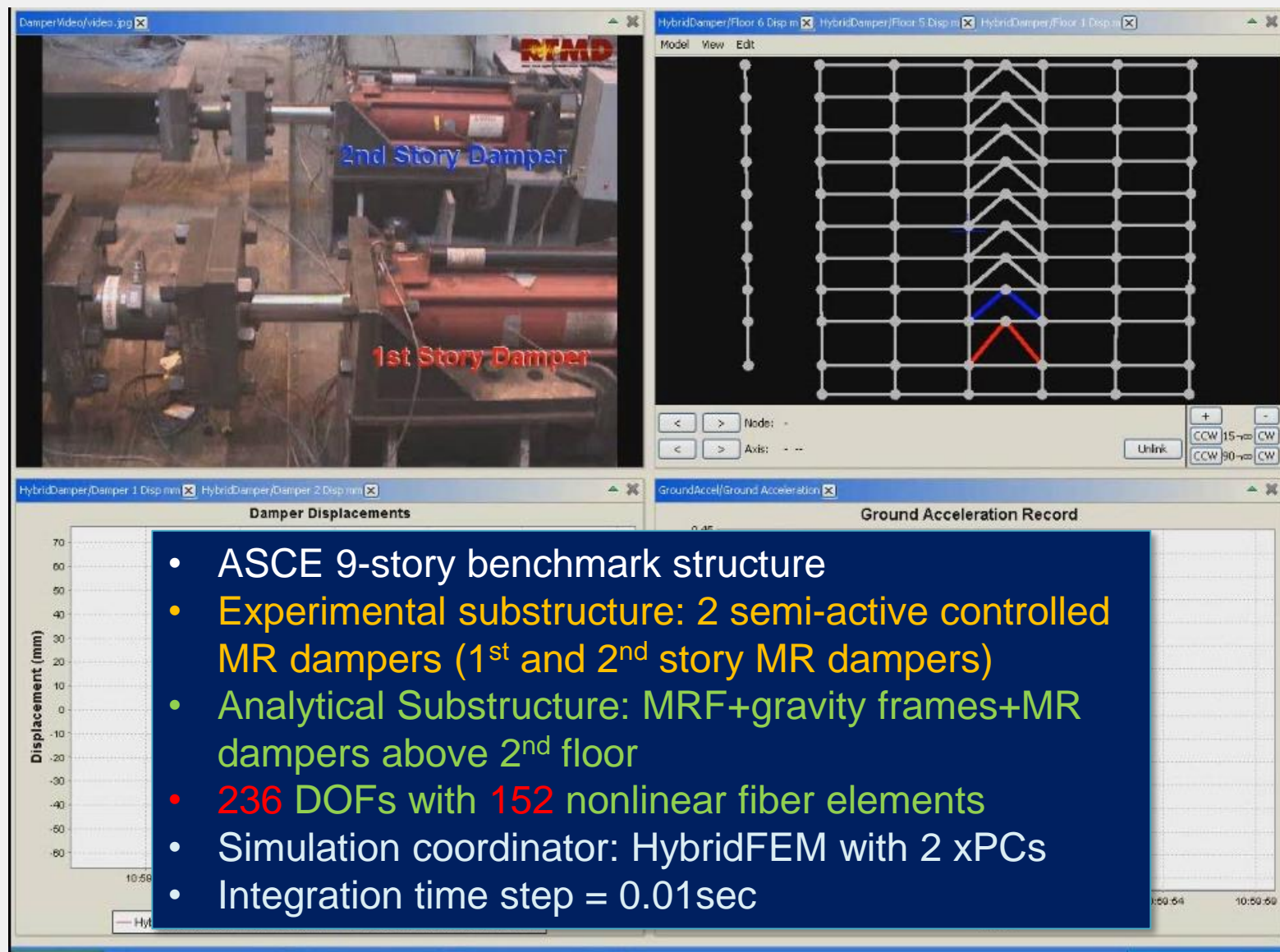
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Multi-Grid Real-Time Hybrid Simulation



Multi-Grid RTHS: 9-story Steel Frame with Semi-active Controlled MR Dampers



RTHS: Implementation issues and challenges

Experimental substructure

- Large capacity hydraulic system and dynamic actuators required
- Actuator kinematic compensation
- Robust control of dynamic actuators for large-scale structures

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Solutions

- Large hydraulic power supply system
- 5 large capacity dynamic actuators
- Development of actuator kinematic compensation
- Servo hydraulic actuator control: Adaptive Time Series Compensator (ATS)

Large Capacity Hydraulic System and Dynamic Actuators

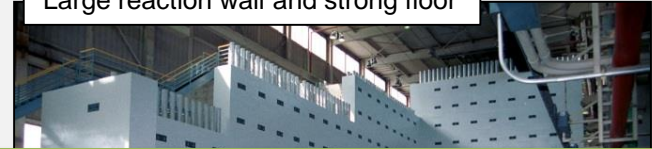
NHERI Lehigh Solutions to RTHS Challenges

- Lehigh has unique equipment with large hydraulic power, facilitating large-scale real-time hybrid simulation

Large-force capacity dynamic actuators



Large reaction wall and strong floor



Maximum load capacity

2 actuators: 517 kips (2,300kN)

3 actuators: 382 kips (1,700kN)

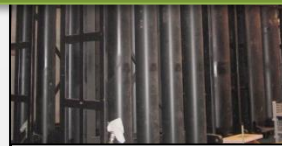
Stroke

+/- 20 in (+/- 500mm)

Maximum velocity

45 in/s (1,140mm/sec) for 382 kip actuators

33 in/s (840mm/sec) for 517 kip actuators



Accumulator System



DAQ System

Large Capacity Hydraulic System and Dynamic Actuators

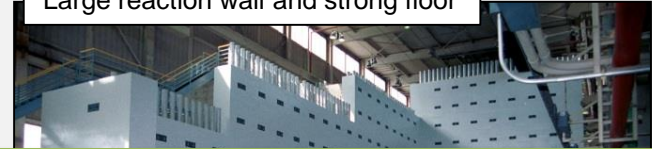
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- Enables a large-scale RTHS of a structure under strong ground motions (i.e., Kobe earthquake, Japan)
- Collapse simulation of a building structure was conducted under extreme earthquake ground motions (beyond MCE level)



Accumulator System



DAQ System

Actuator Kinematic Compensation

- Develop **kinematic compensation scheme** and implementation for RTHS (Mercan et al. 2009)
 - Kinematic correction of command displacements for multi-directional actuator motions
 - Robust, avoiding accumulation of error over multiple time steps; suited for RTHS
 - Exact solution for planar motions

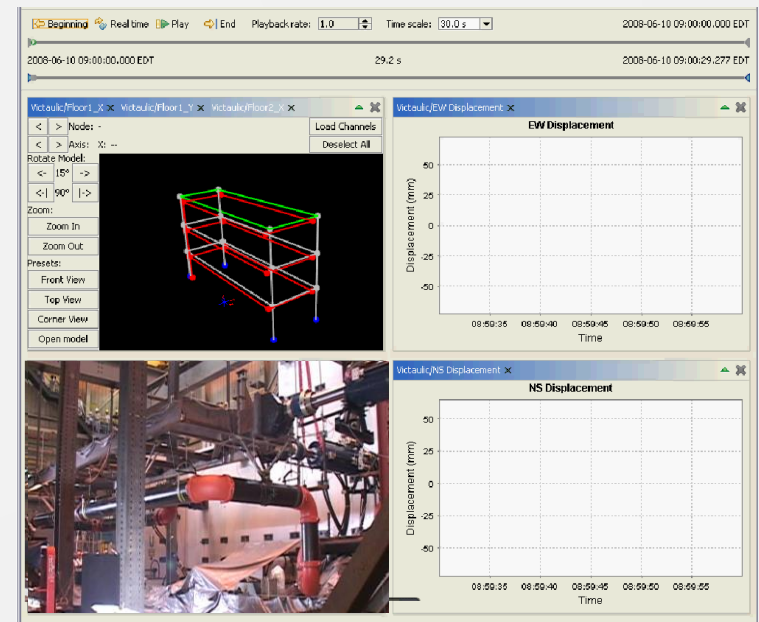
$$(M_i SNxL_{new}, M_i SNyL_{new}) = (-LMa_{inew} \sin(\Theta_2 + \phi_i), LMa_{inew} \cos(\Theta_2 + \phi_i))$$

$$\Theta_2 = \arcsin \left[\frac{L Mb_{inew}}{y F_i / \cos \phi_i} \sin \Theta_3 \right]$$

$$\Theta_3 = \arccos \left[\frac{L Ma_{inew}^2 + L Mb_{inew}^2 - (y F_i / \cos \phi_i)^2}{2 L Ma_{inew} L Mb_{inew}} \right]$$

$$(SPN^m x_{new}, SPN^m y_{new}) = (M_1 SN^m x_{new} - \left| \overrightarrow{VM}_1 \right| \cos(\Theta M_{1,0} + d^m SPN\Theta), M_1 SN^m y_{new} - \left| \overrightarrow{VM}_1 \right| \sin(\Theta M_{1,0} + d^m SPN\Theta))$$

Mercan, O, Ricles, J.M., Sause, R, and M. Marullo, "Kinematic Transformations in Planar Multi-directional Pseudo-Dynamic Testing," *Earthquake Engineering and Structural Dynamics*, Vol. 38(9), pp. 1093-1119, 2009.



Multi-directional Real-time Hybrid Simulation

Servo Hydraulic Actuator Control

Sources of Nonlinearity in Real-Time Hybrid Simulation

- Nonlinear servo-valve dynamics
- Nonlinear actuator fluid dynamics
- Test specimen material and geometric nonlinearities
- Slop, misalignment, deformations in test setup

Effect of time delay on real-time hybrid simulation

- Can lead to variable amplitude error and time delay in servo-hydraulic system that does not enable the target displacement of the experimental substructure to be achieved
- Inaccurate structural response
- Delayed restoring force adds energy into the system (negative damping)
- Can cause the instability of simulation

→ important to negate the time delay effect in real-time hybrid simulation



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Servo Hydraulic Actuator Control

□ Actuator delay compensation

- Inverse compensation (Chen 2007)
- Adaptive inverse compensation (AIC, Chen and Ricles 2010)
- Adaptive time series (ATS) compensator (Chae et al. 2013)

- Chae, Y., Kazemibidokhti, K., and Ricles, J.M. (2013). “Adaptive time series compensator for delay compensation of servo-hydraulic actuator systems for real-time hybrid simulation”, *Earthquake Engineering and Structural Dynamics* (accepted for publication).
- Chen C. Development and numerical simulation of hybrid effective force testing method. *Ph.D. Dissertation, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA* 2007.
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Adaptive Time Series (ATS) Compensator

2nd order ATS compensator

$$u_k^c = a_{0k}x_k^t + a_{jk}\dot{x}_k^t + a_{2k}\ddot{x}_k^t$$

u_k^c : compensated input displacement into actuator

x_k^t : target **specimen** displacement a_{jk} : adaptive coefficients

Adaptive coefficients are optimally updated to minimize the error between the specimen target and measured displacements using the **least squares** method

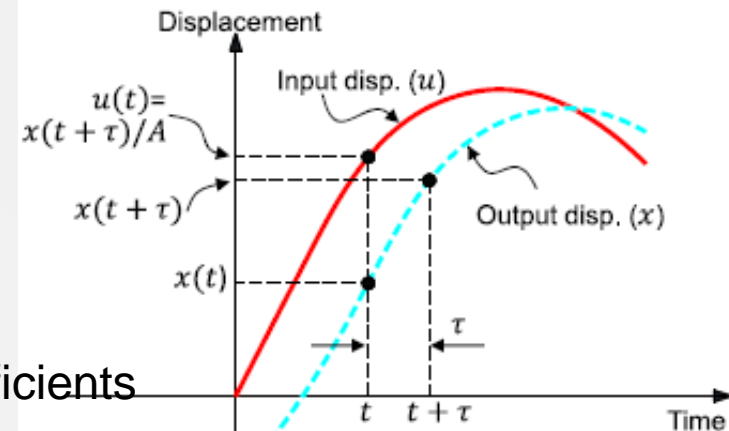
$$\mathbf{A} = \left(\mathbf{X}_m^T \mathbf{X}_m \right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}_m^T \mathbf{U}_c$$

$$\mathbf{A} = [a_{0k} \ a_{1k} \ \cdots \ a_{nk}]^T$$

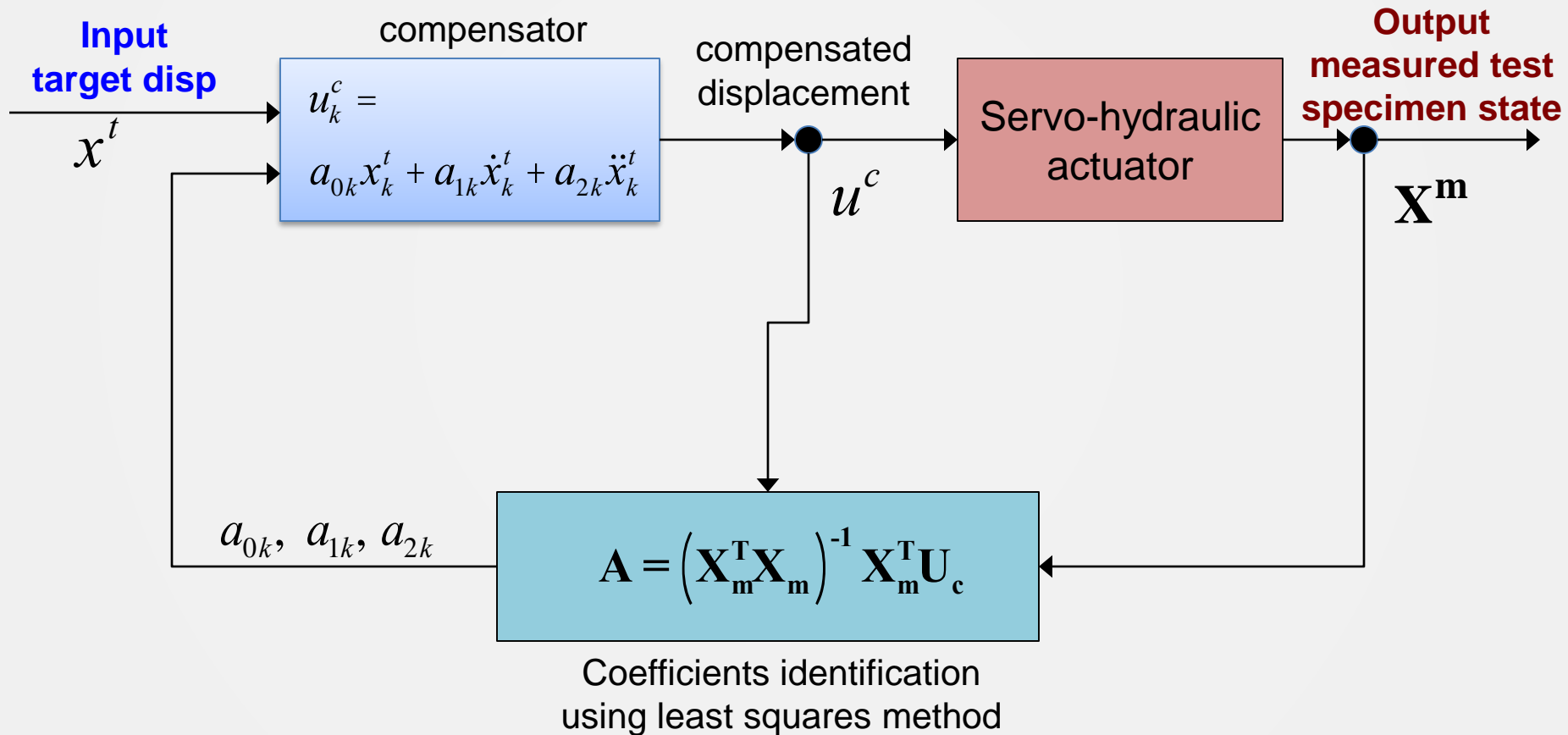
$$\mathbf{X}_m = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{x}}^m \\ \ddot{\mathbf{x}}^m \\ \vdots \\ \frac{d^n}{dt^n}(\mathbf{x}^m) \end{bmatrix}^T$$

$$\mathbf{x}^m = \begin{bmatrix} x_{k-1}^m & x_{k-2}^m & \cdots & x_{k-q}^m \end{bmatrix}^T \quad (\text{Output (measured) specimen displacement history})$$

$$\mathbf{U}_c = \begin{bmatrix} u_{k-1}^c & u_{k-2}^c & \cdots & u_{k-q}^c \end{bmatrix}^T \quad (\text{Input actuator displacement history})$$



Adaptive Time Series (ATS) Compensator Block Diagram



Adaptive Time Series (ATS) Compensator

Unique features of ATS compensator

- **No user-defined adaptive gains** → applicable for large-scale structures susceptible to damage (i.e., concrete structures)
- Negates both **variable time delay** and **variable amplitude error response**
- Time delay and amplitude response factor can be easily estimated from the identified values of the coefficients
- **Use specimen feedback**

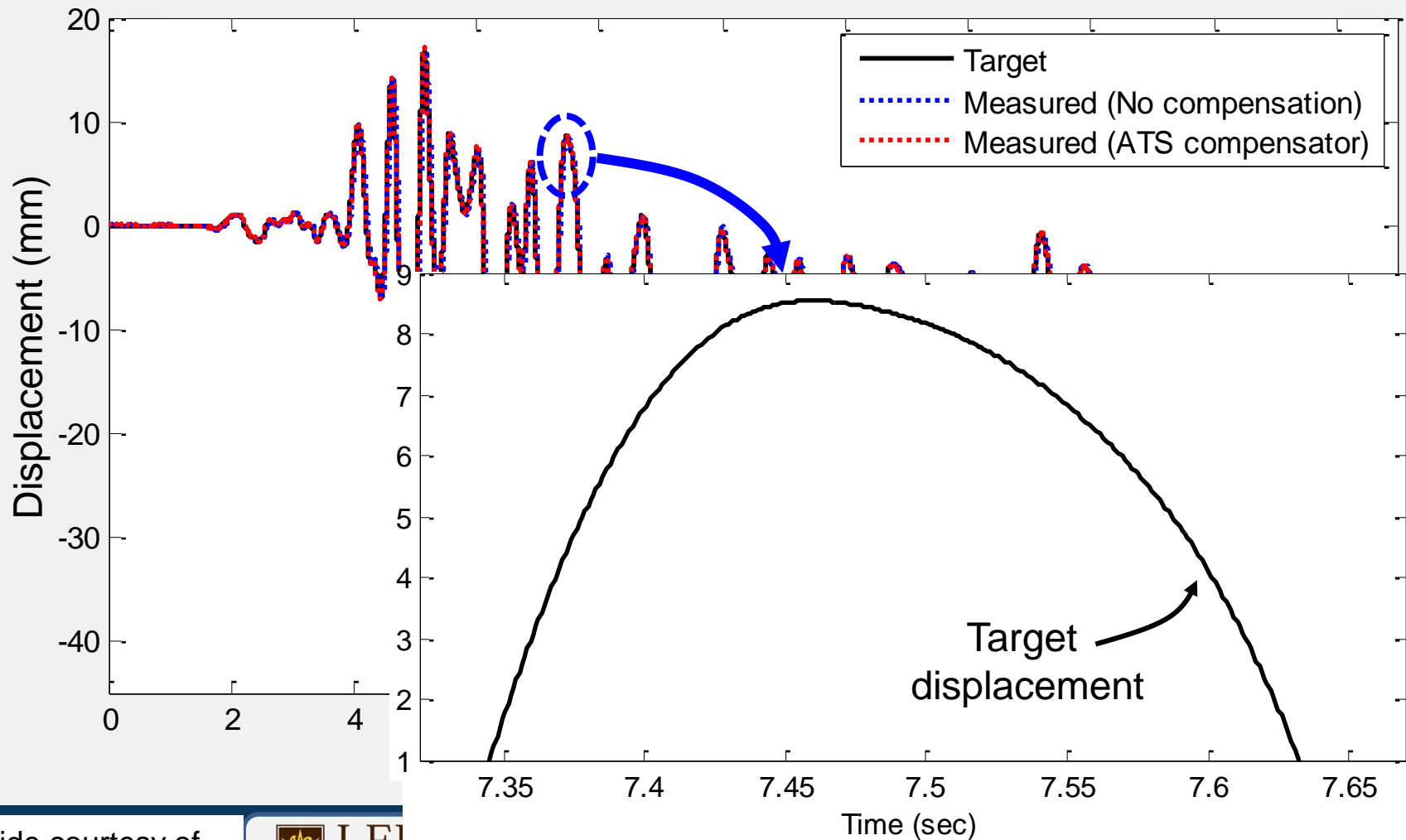
Amplitude error: $A = \frac{1}{a_{0k}}$

Time delay: $t = \frac{a_{1k}}{a_{0k}}$

Adaptive Time Series (ATS) Compensator

- Performance of ATS compensator -

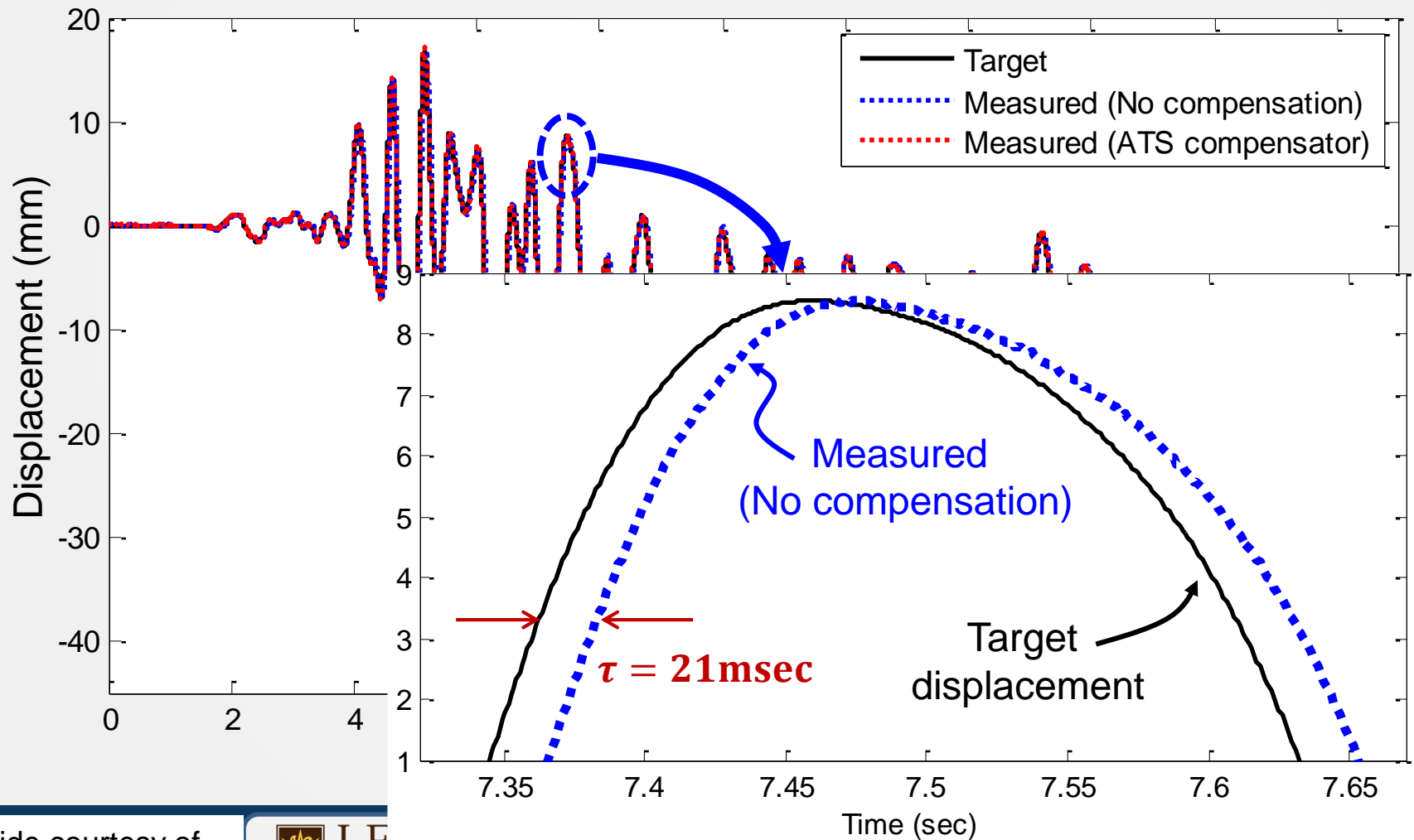
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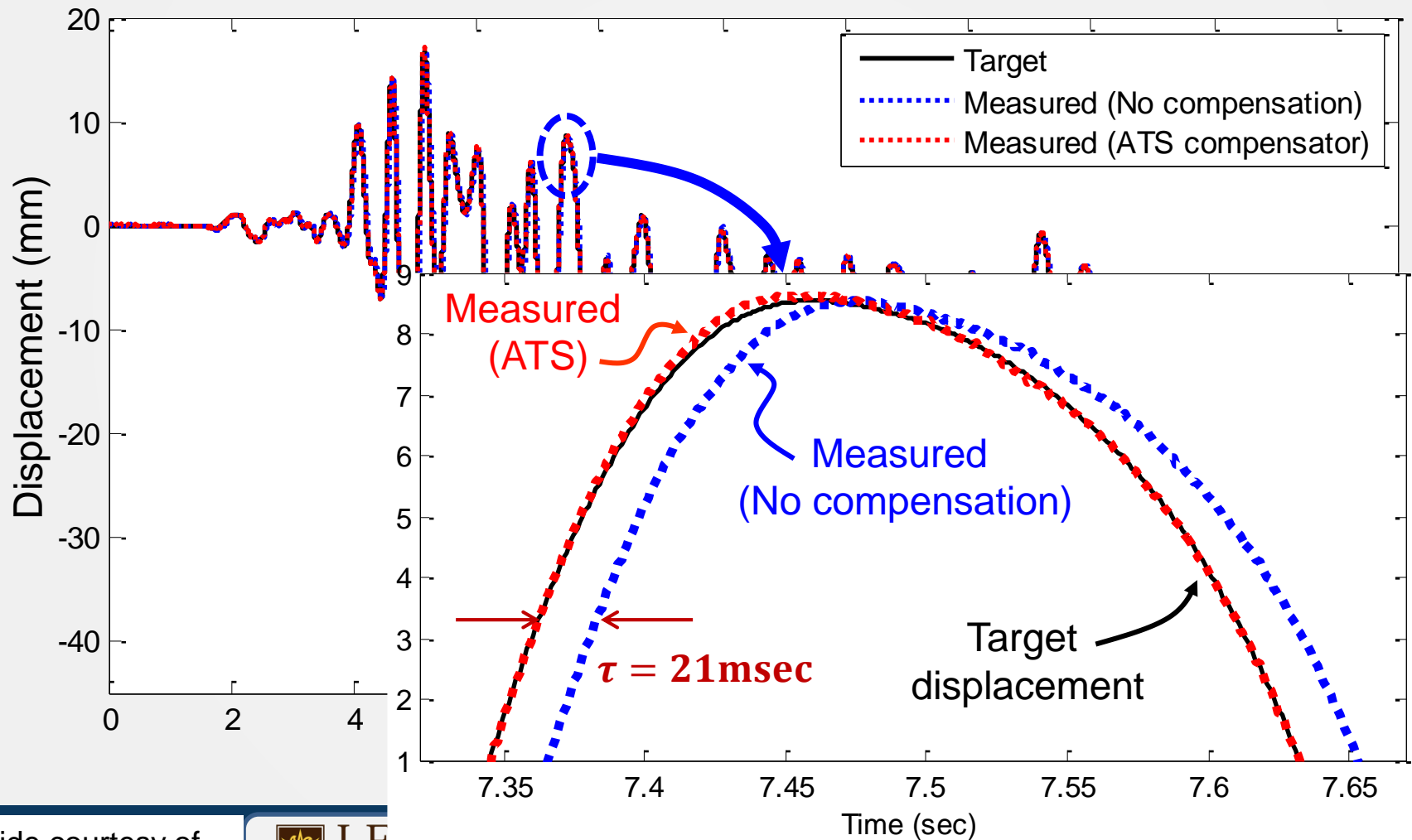
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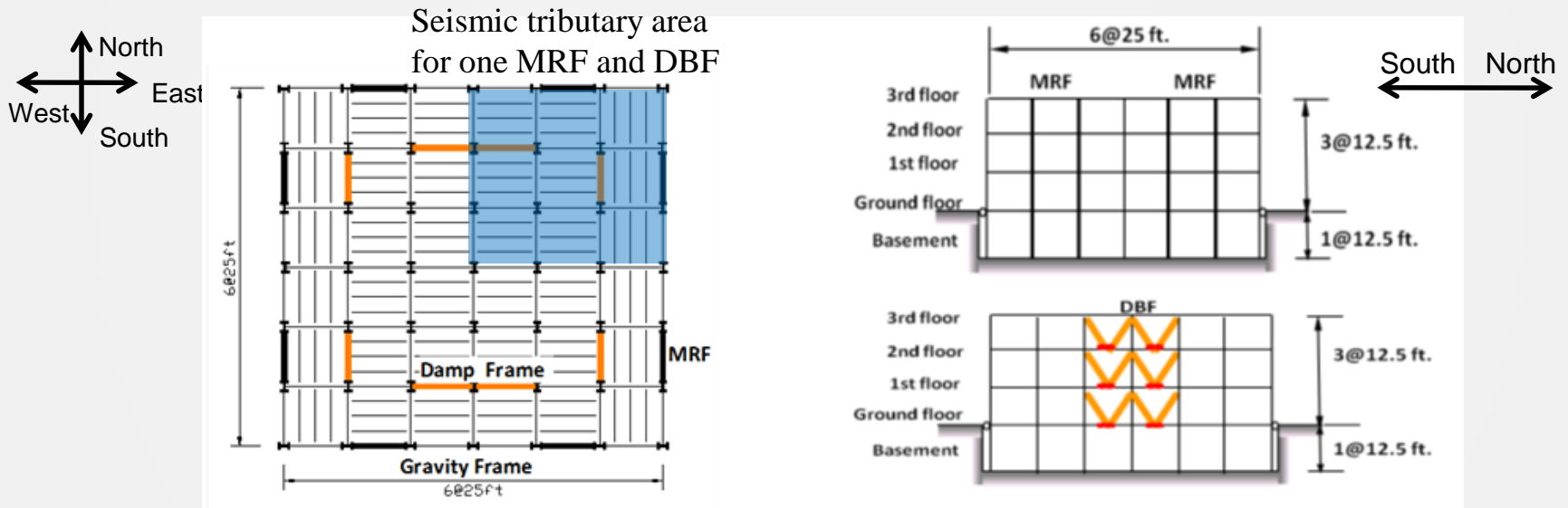
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Applications of RTHS to Resilient Systems

Steel Frame Building with Nonlinear Viscous Dampers Prototype Building

- 3-story, 6-bay by 6-bay office building located in Southern California
- Seismic design category D
- Moment resisting frame (MRF); damped braced frame (DBF), gravity system



Plane View of 3-Story Prototype Building

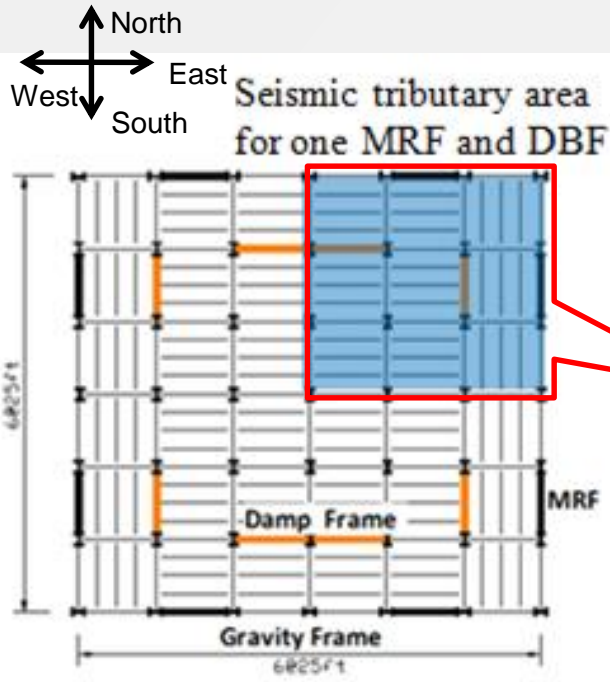
Elevations of 3-Story Prototype Building

Dong, B. “Large-scale Experimental, Numerical, and Design Studies of Steel MRF Structures with Nonlinear Viscous Dampers under Seismic Loading”, *PhD Dissertation*, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Lehigh University, Bethlehem, PA 2015.

Prototype and Test Structure

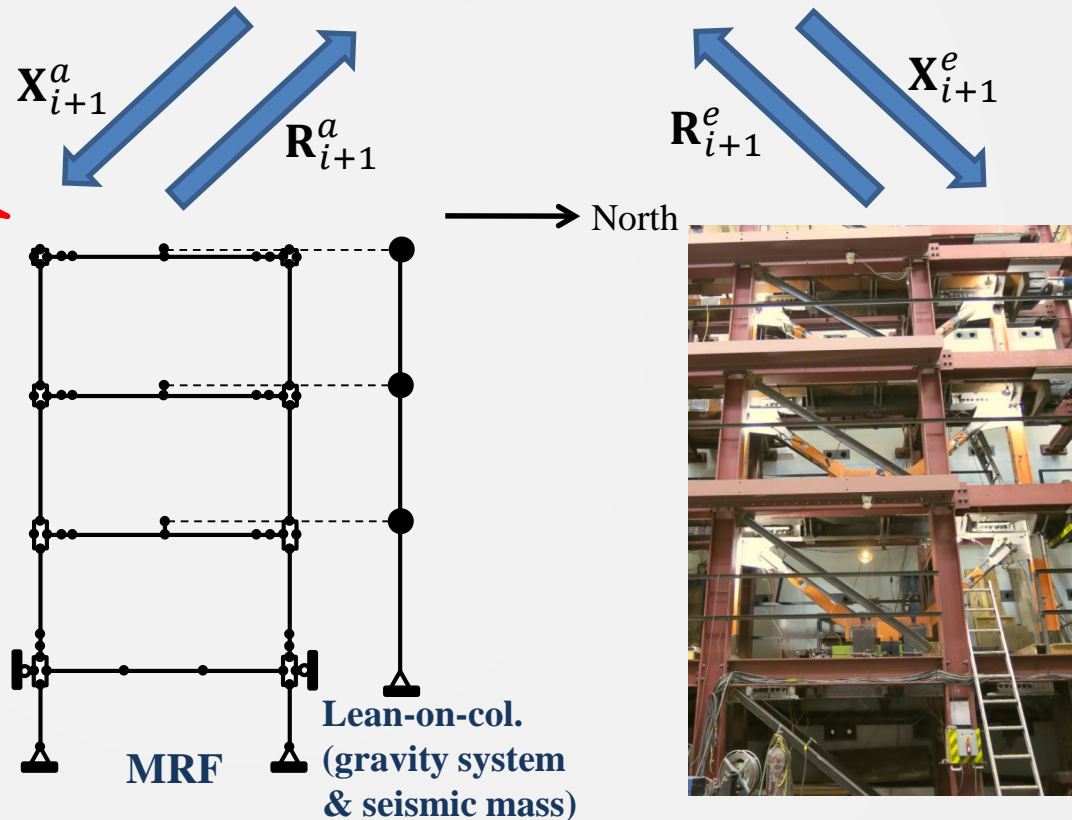
- MRFs designed to satisfy ASCE7 code strength requirement
- Story drift controlled by nonlinear elastomeric dampers installed in DBFs
- DBFs designed to remain elastic under design basis earthquake (DBE) ground motion
- Test structures derived by scaling down the prototype by a factor of 0.6

Substructures for RTHS



Time discretized weighted equation of motion (MKR- α Method):

$$\mathbf{M}\hat{\mathbf{X}}_{i+1} + \mathbf{C}\dot{\mathbf{X}}_{i+1-\alpha_f} + (\mathbf{R}_{i+1-\alpha_f}^a + \mathbf{R}_{i+1-\alpha_f}^e) = \mathbf{F}_{i+1-\alpha_f}$$

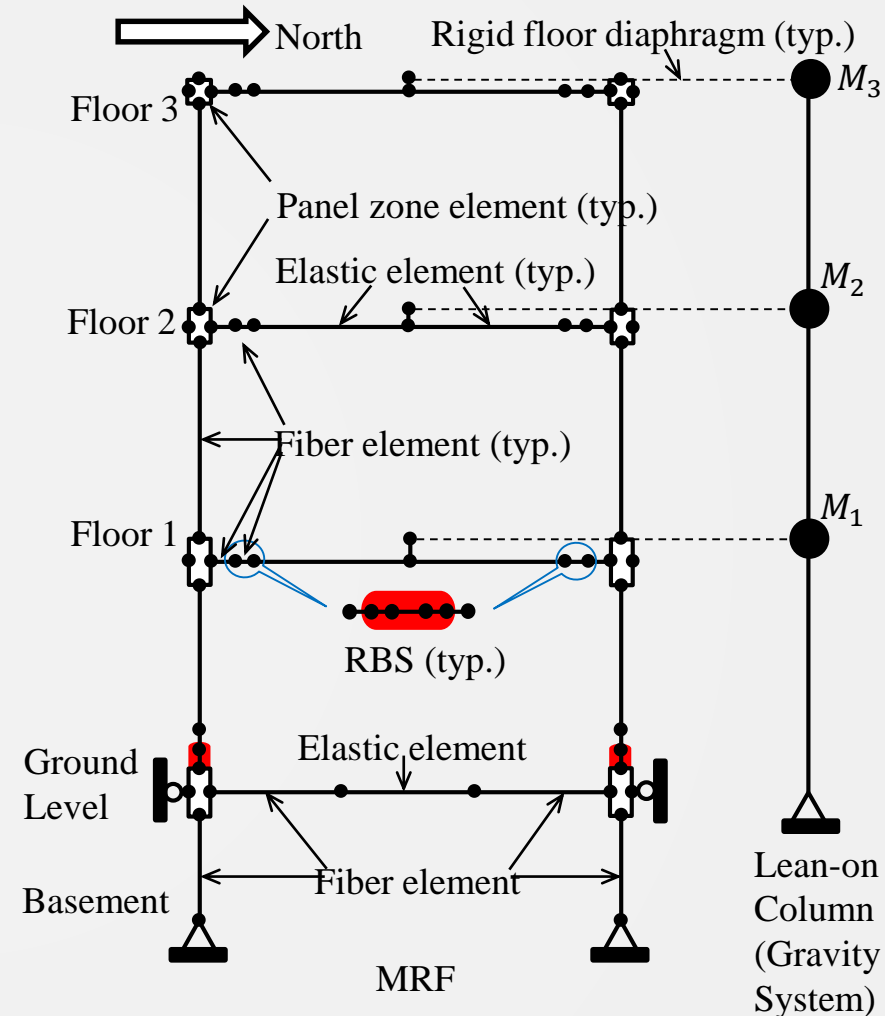


Analytical Substructure

Experimental Substructure
(DBF)

Analytical Substructure

- ❑ FE model developed in HybridFEM
- ❑ Columns and beams
 - displacement-based nonlinear beam-column fiber elements and elastic beam-column elements
- ❑ MRF panel zone
 - nonlinear panel-zone elements
- ❑ Nonproportional damping (NPD) model
- ❑ Gravity system
 - lean-on-column using elastic elements with second order $P - \Delta$ effects
- ❑ 247 DOFs and 74 elements



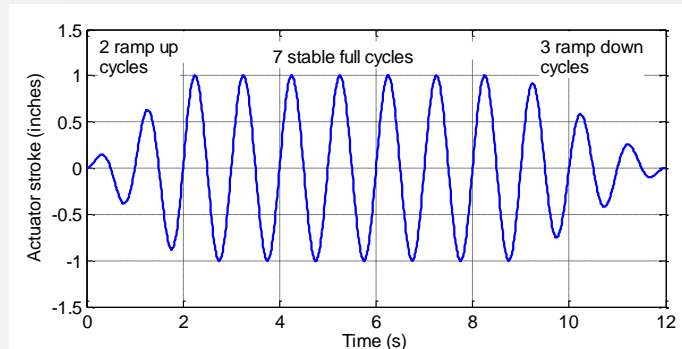
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Nonlinear Viscous Dampers

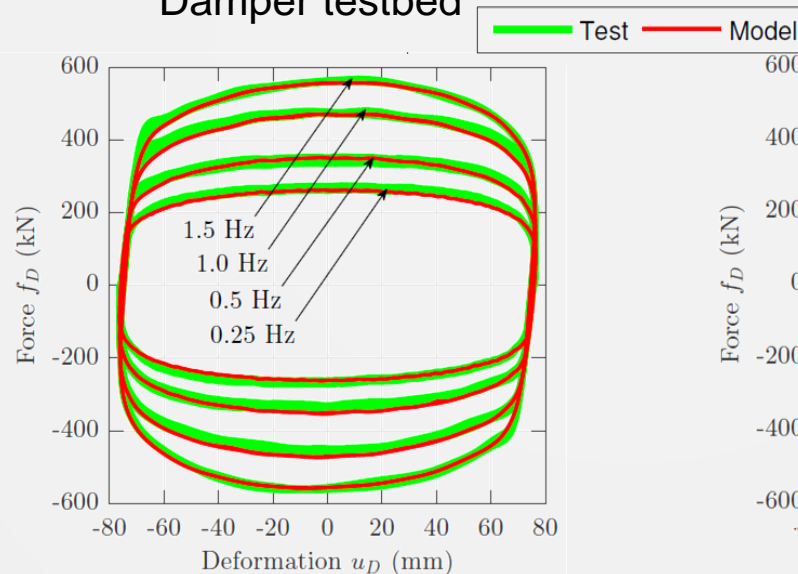
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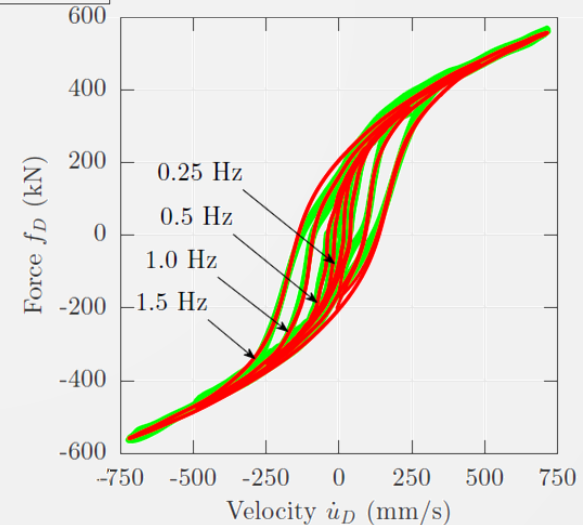
Damper testbed



Loading Protocol



Damper force - deformation



Damper force - velocity



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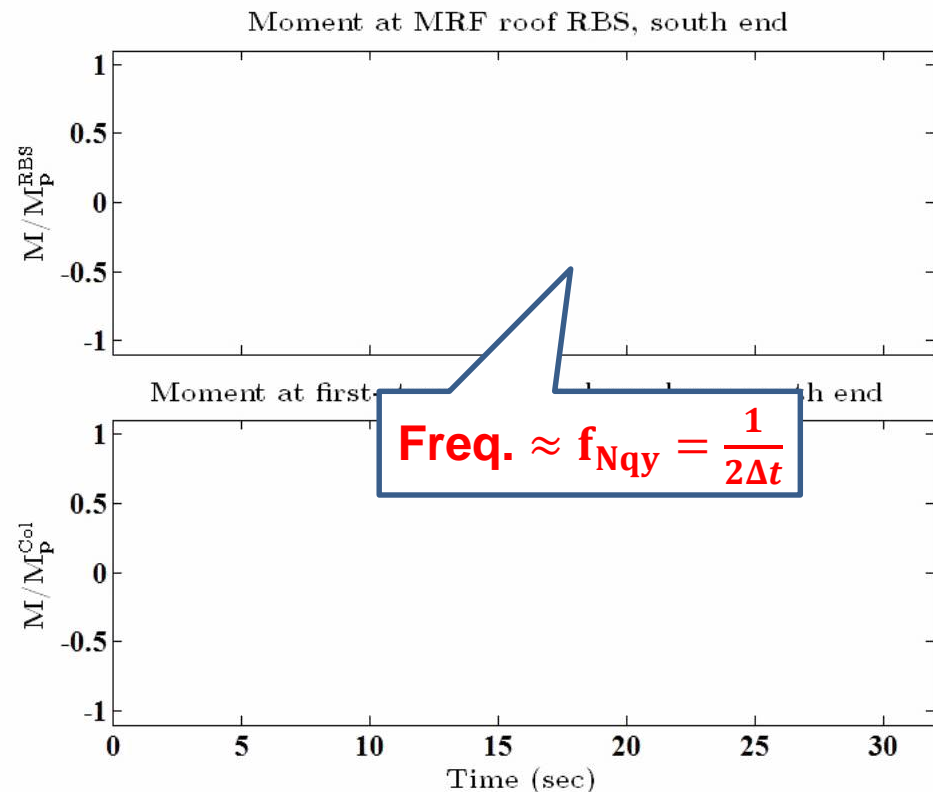
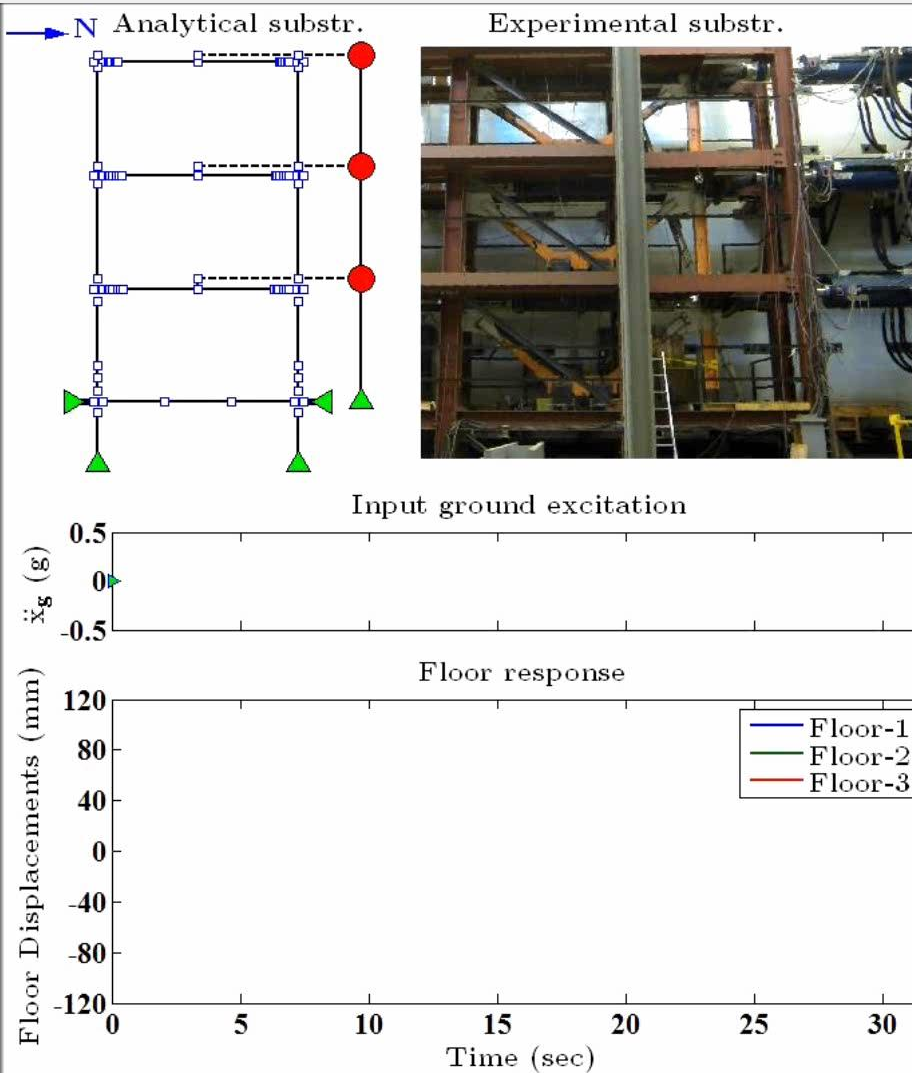
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RTHS: Ground motion and time step

- Ground motion
 - B-WSM180 component of the 1987 Superstition Hills earthquake recorded at the Westmoreland Fire Station
 - Chosen from a suit of 20 ground motion records which produce a median spectral acceleration that matches the design spectrum in the period range of 0.2 – 2.0 sec.
 - Scaled to two hazard levels
 - Design basis earthquake (DBE)*: Scale factor = 1.51
 - Maximum considered earthquake (MCE)*: Scale factor = 2.26
- Time step
 - $\Delta = \frac{4}{1024}$ sec, the smallest time step within which the numerical computation can be finished in real-time

*Note: DBE has 475 year return period (10% probability of exceedance in 50 years)
MCE has 2475 year return period (2% probability of exceedance in 50 years)

MCE level RTHS using $\rho_{\infty} = 1.0$



Real-time hybrid simulation using explicit unconditionally stable parametrically dissipative KR- α method

Ground excitation: B-WSM180 component, 1987 Superstition Hills, Westnoreland Fire Station
Hazard level: Maximum considered earthquake (MCE)

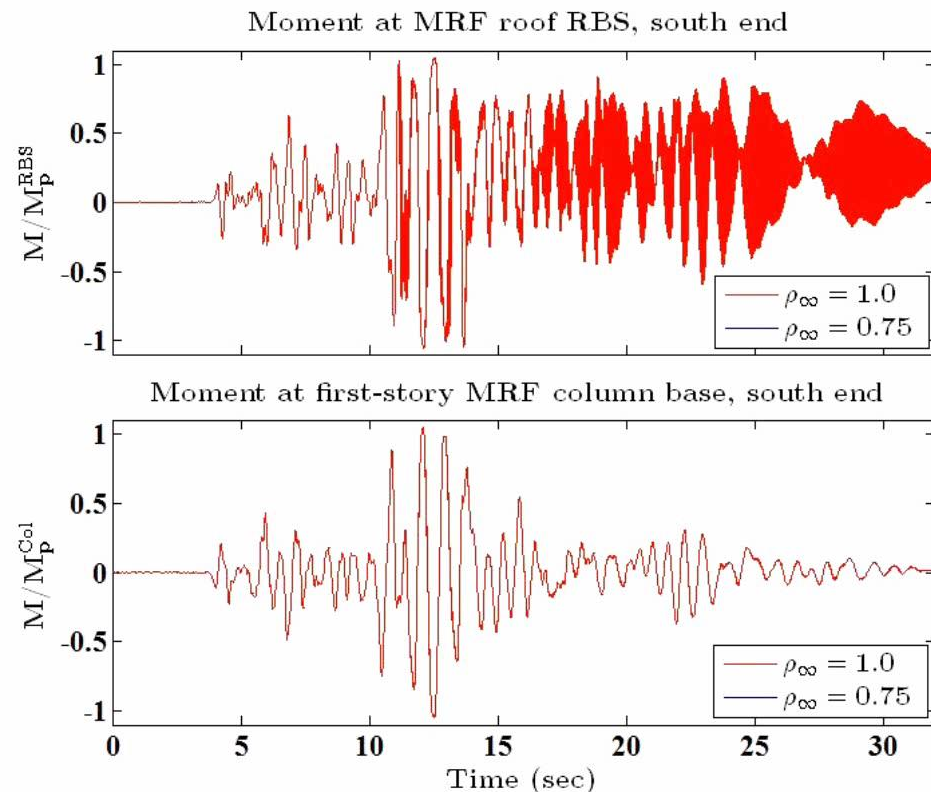
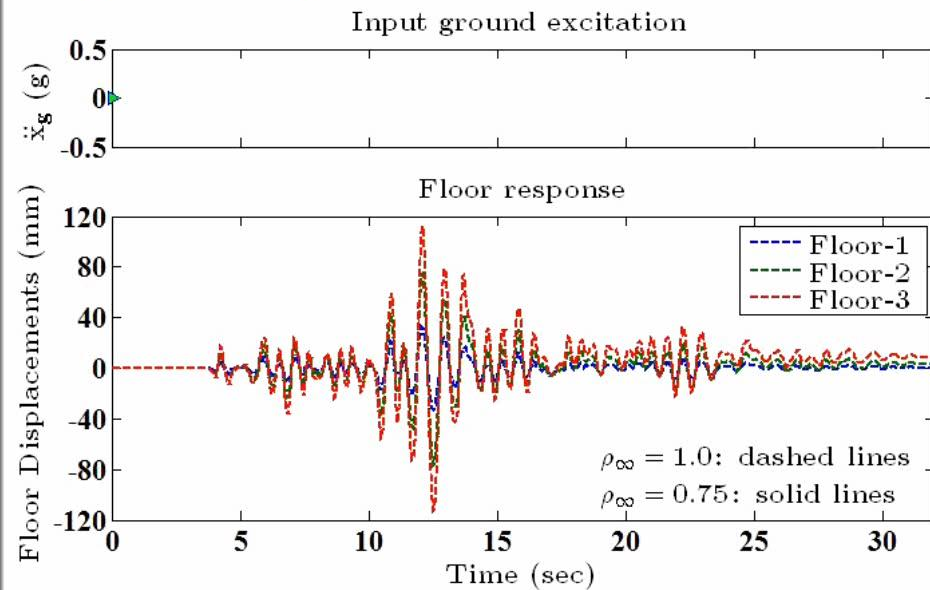
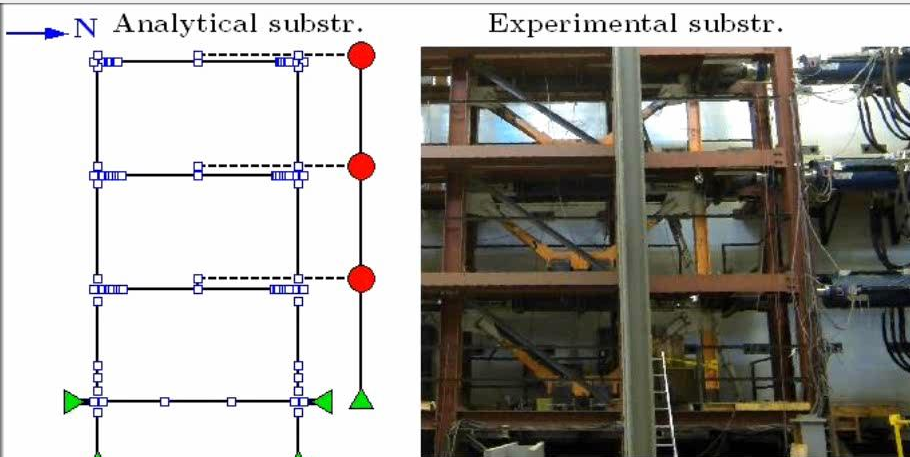
Algorithmic parameter: $\rho_{\infty} = 1.0$



High frequency oscillations in member forces

- Under nonlinear structural behavior, pulses are introduced in the acceleration at the Nyquist frequency $\left(= \frac{1}{2\Delta t}\right)$ when the state of the structure changes within the time step
- These pulses excite spurious higher modes present in the system which primarily contribute to the member forces
- The problem becomes worst by the noise introduced through the measured restoring forces and the actuator delay compensation which can amplify high frequency noise.
- How can we remove them?
 - Reduce the time step: Not always possible due to the computation time required for each time step
 - Introduce controllable numerical damping

MCE level RTHS using $\rho_{\infty} = 0.75$



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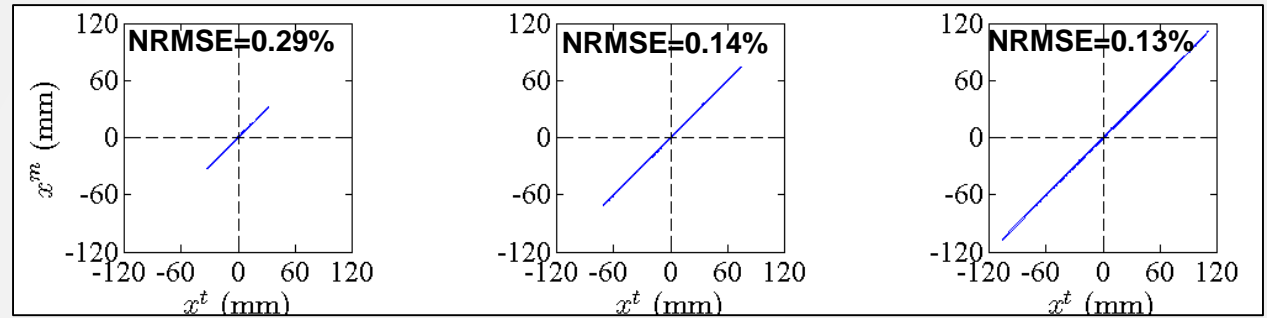
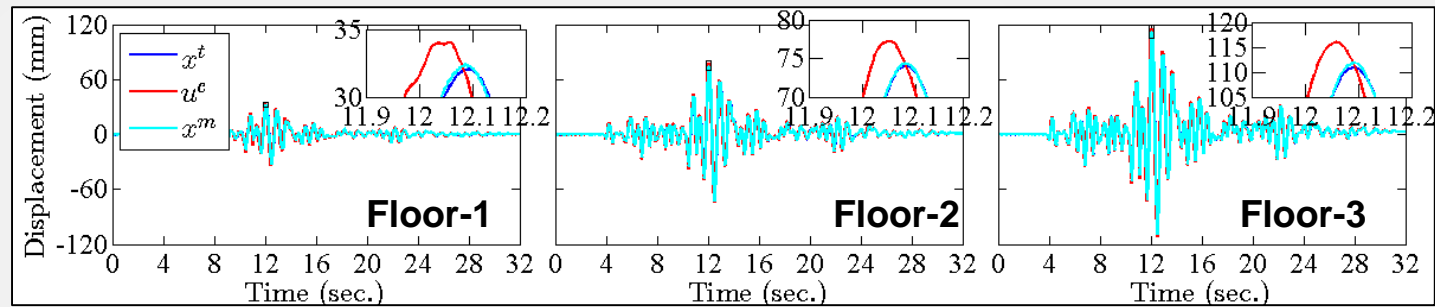
Hazard level: Maximum considered earthquake (MCE)

Algorithmic parameter: $\rho_{\infty} = 0.75$



Actuator control: Typical MCE level test & $\rho_{\infty} = 0.75$

x^t : targeted specimen displacement
 u^c : input command to actuator
 x^m : measured specimen displacement



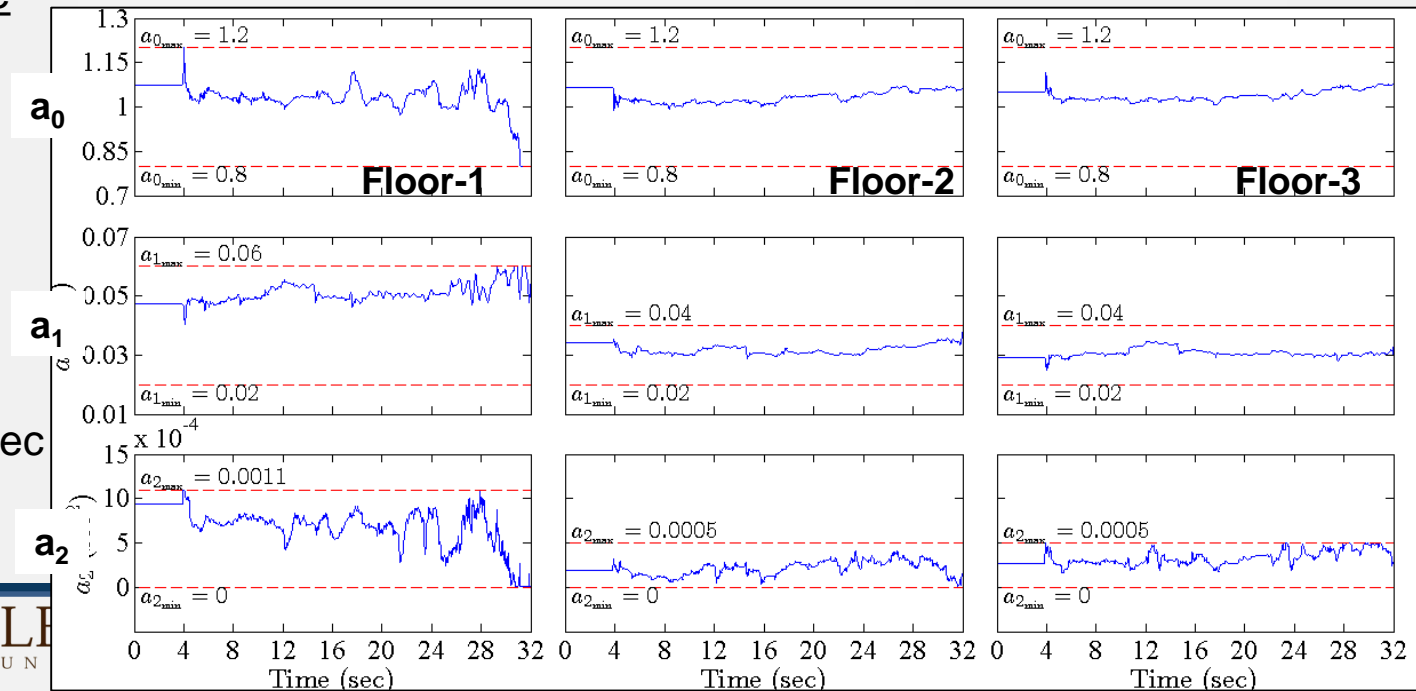
Time History of Adaptive Coefficients

Amplitude Correction

$$A_k^{(j)} \approx \frac{1}{a_{0k}^{(j)}} = 0.83 \sim 1.25$$

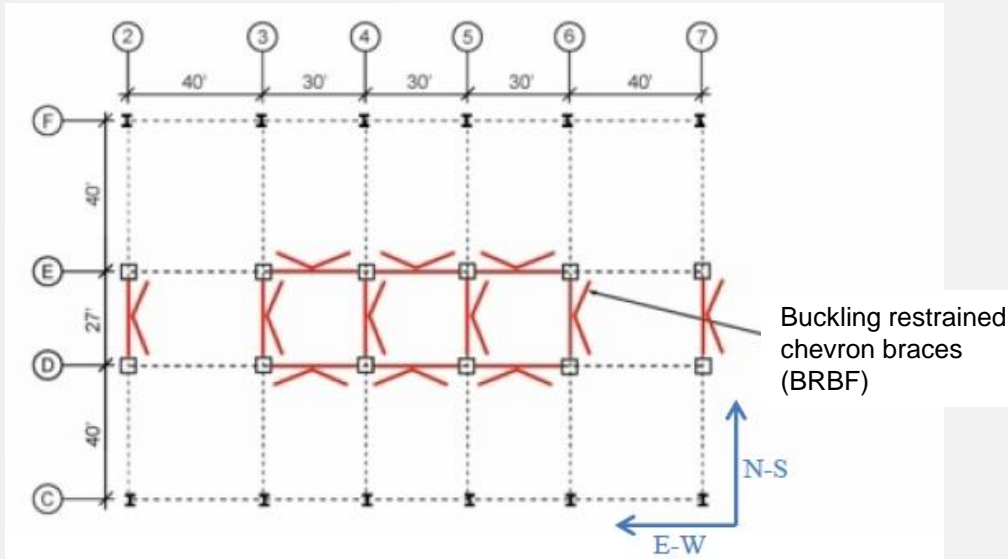
Delay Compensation

$$\tau_k^{(j)} \approx \frac{a_{1k}^{(j)}}{a_{0k}^{(j)}} = 18 \sim 75 \text{ msec}$$

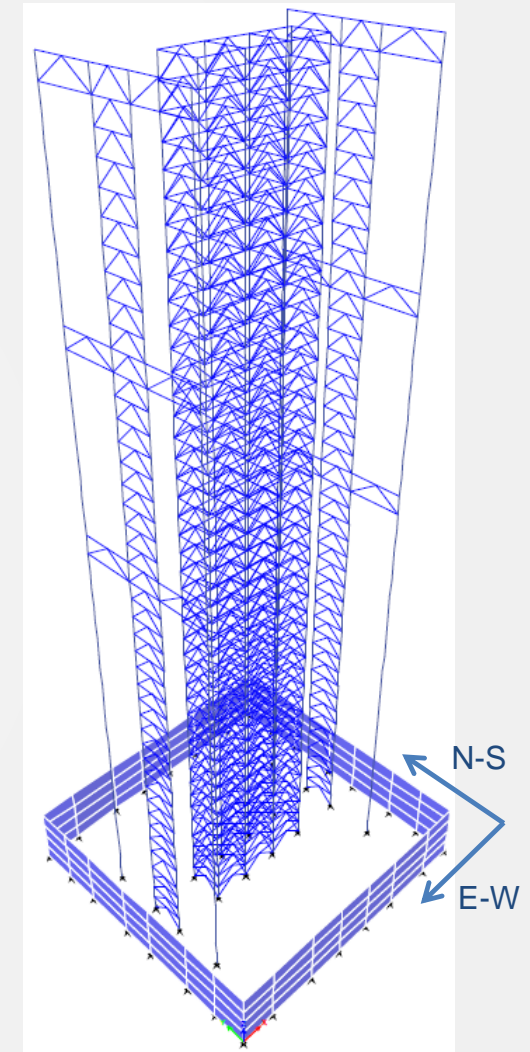


RTHS of a Tall Building

- 40-story (+4 basement) BRBF building in Los Angeles designed by SGH for PEER Tall Building Initiative case studies
- Objectives of study
 - Improve performance using nonlinear fluid viscous dampers with outriggers
 - Assess performance using RTHS
- Extend MKR- α integration algorithm and ATS actuator control to wind natural hazard



Plan for floors that do not include the outriggers. Image courtesy of Dutta and Hamburger (2010)



3-D view of the building. Image courtesy of Dutta and Hamburger (2010)

Ref.: Moehle et al., PEER 2011/05

RTHS Configuration

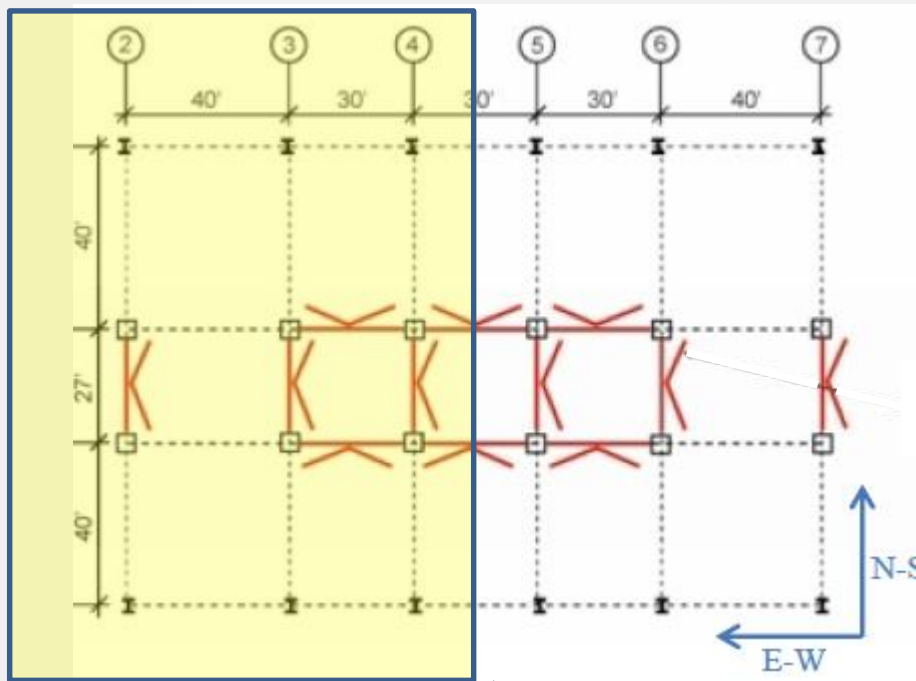
- Use of:
 - Explicit MKR- α Integration Algorithm
 - Explicit Force-based Fiber Element – Analytical Substructure
 - Adaptive Time Series Compensator for Actuator Control

MKR- α parameter and ATS coefficients

| Natural Hazard | Time Step, Δt (sec) | ρ_{∞} | ATS Coefficients | | | Comments |
|----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|------------------|----------|----------|--|
| | | | a_{0k} | a_{1k} | a_{2k} | |
| Wind | $\frac{6}{1024}$ | 0.866 | Fixed | Adaptive | Fixed | Wind: static component with dynamic gusts - 1 st mode linear response |
| EQ | $\frac{6}{1024}$ | 0.50 | Adaptive | Adaptive | Adaptive | EQ: Multi-mode non-linear response |

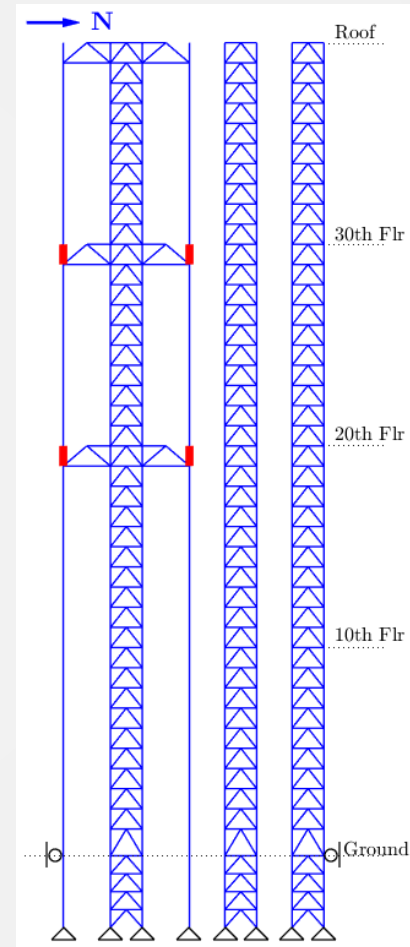
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Building Floor Plan

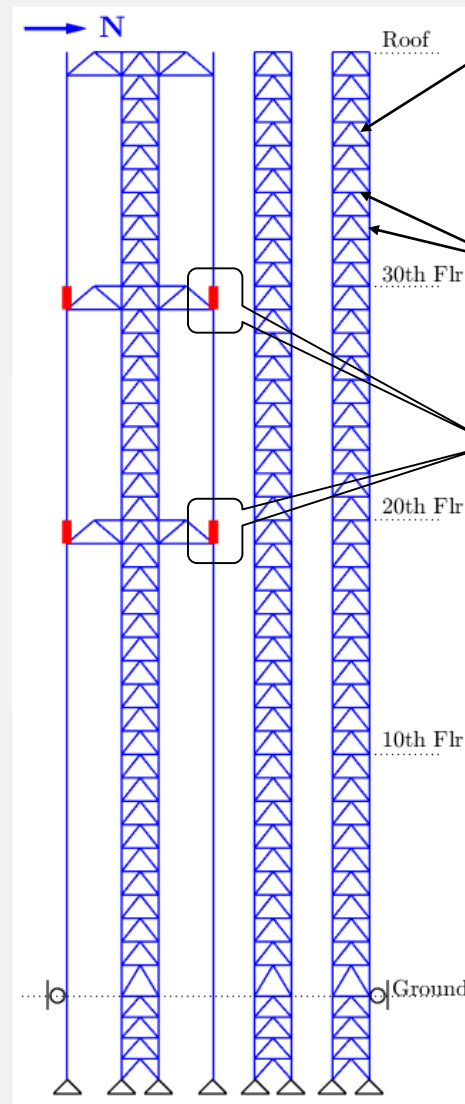


Wind or EQ

Test Structure Elevation



RTHS Test Structure



BRB: nonlinear truss element with isotropic hardening

Beams and columns: beam-column fiber element

Nonlinear fluid viscous dampers: **Modeled physically**

- Mass & inherent damping of building: modeled analytically



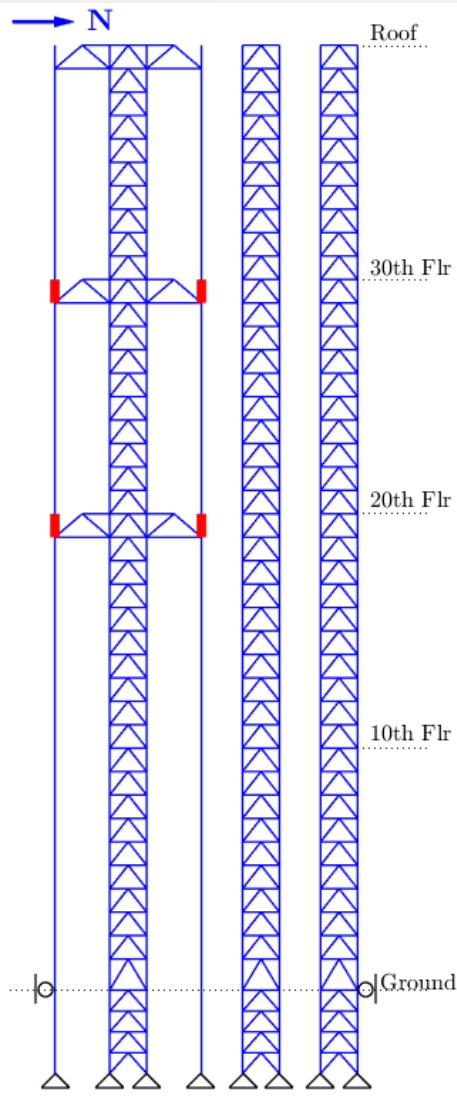
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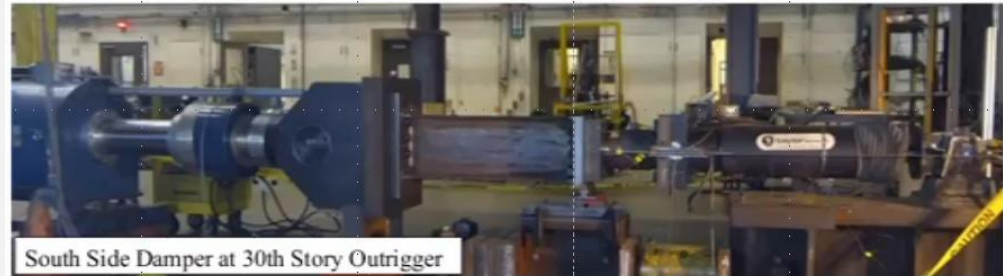
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RTHS Substructures

Analytical Substructure



Experimental Substructures



Analytical Substructure Key features:

- P- Δ effects included
- 780 Nodes
- 996 Elements
- 1590 DOFs
- Mass
- Inherent damping of building

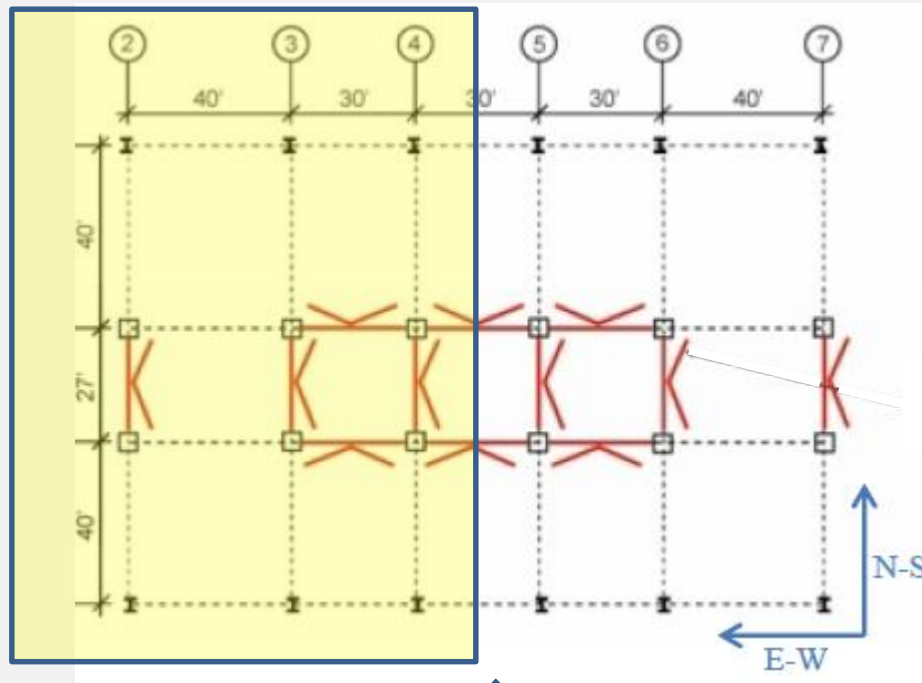


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Wind Loading



Wind load:

- Tokyo Polytechnic University Wind Tunnel Test database
- Normalized pressure coefficient time histories are converted to full scale forces corresponding to Exposure B and wind speed of 110 mph

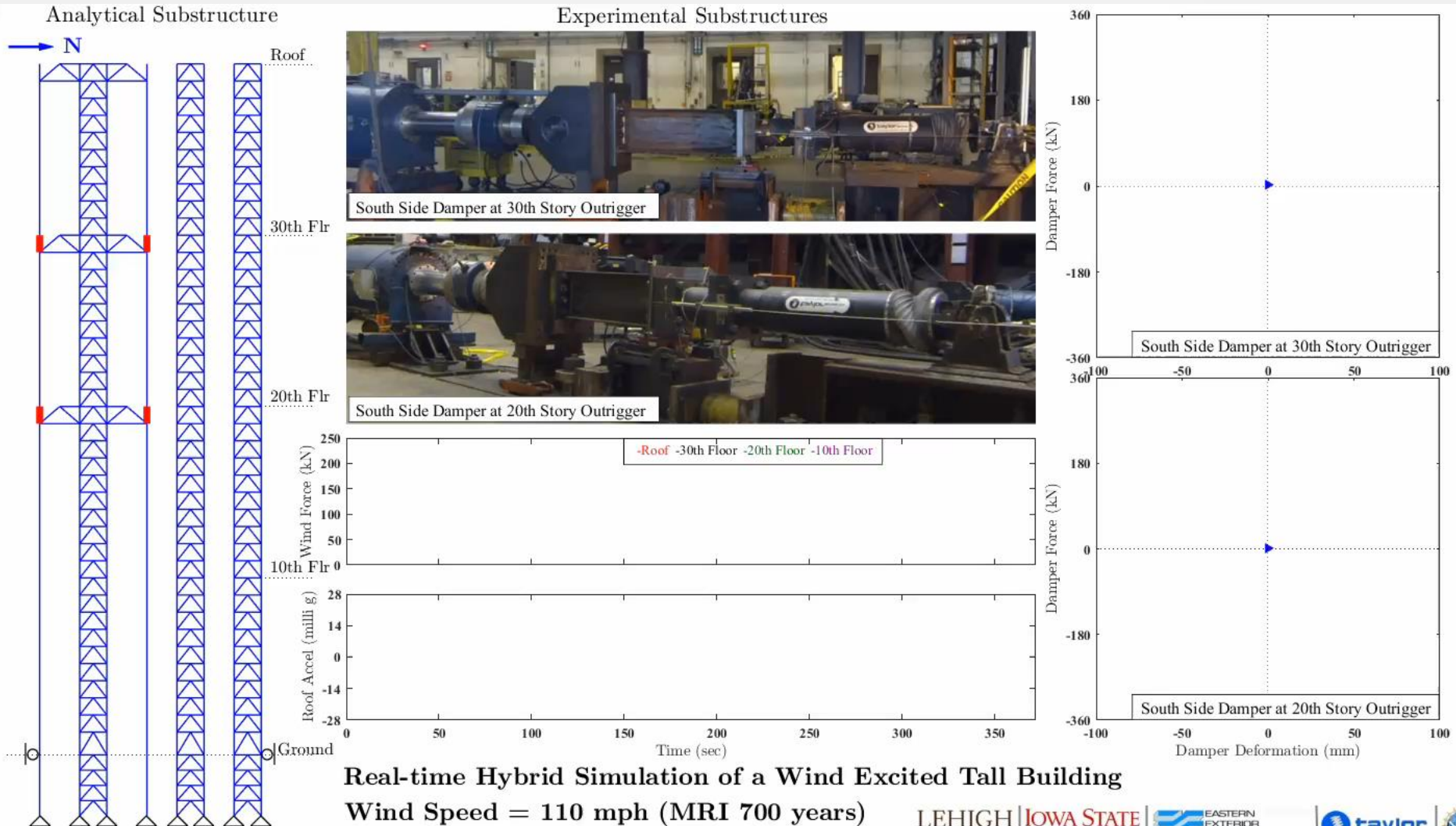


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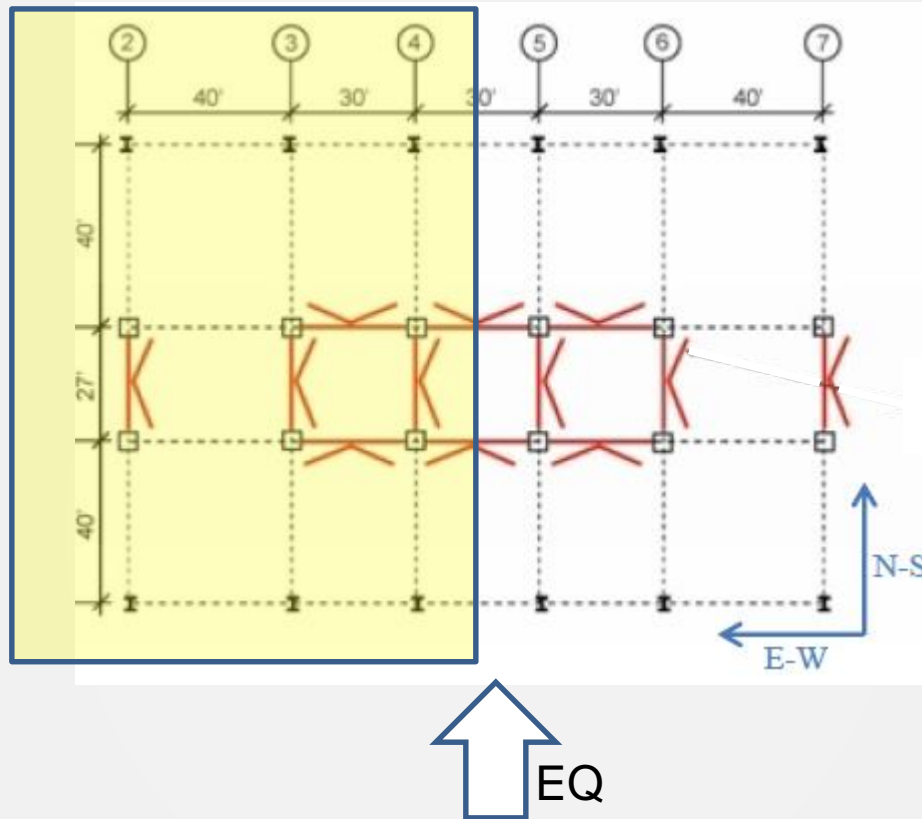


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Demonstration of a Typical Wind RTHS



Earthquake Loading



EQ load:

- 1989 Loma Prieta EQ – Saratoga Aloha Ave Station scaled to MCE (2500 year return period) hazard level

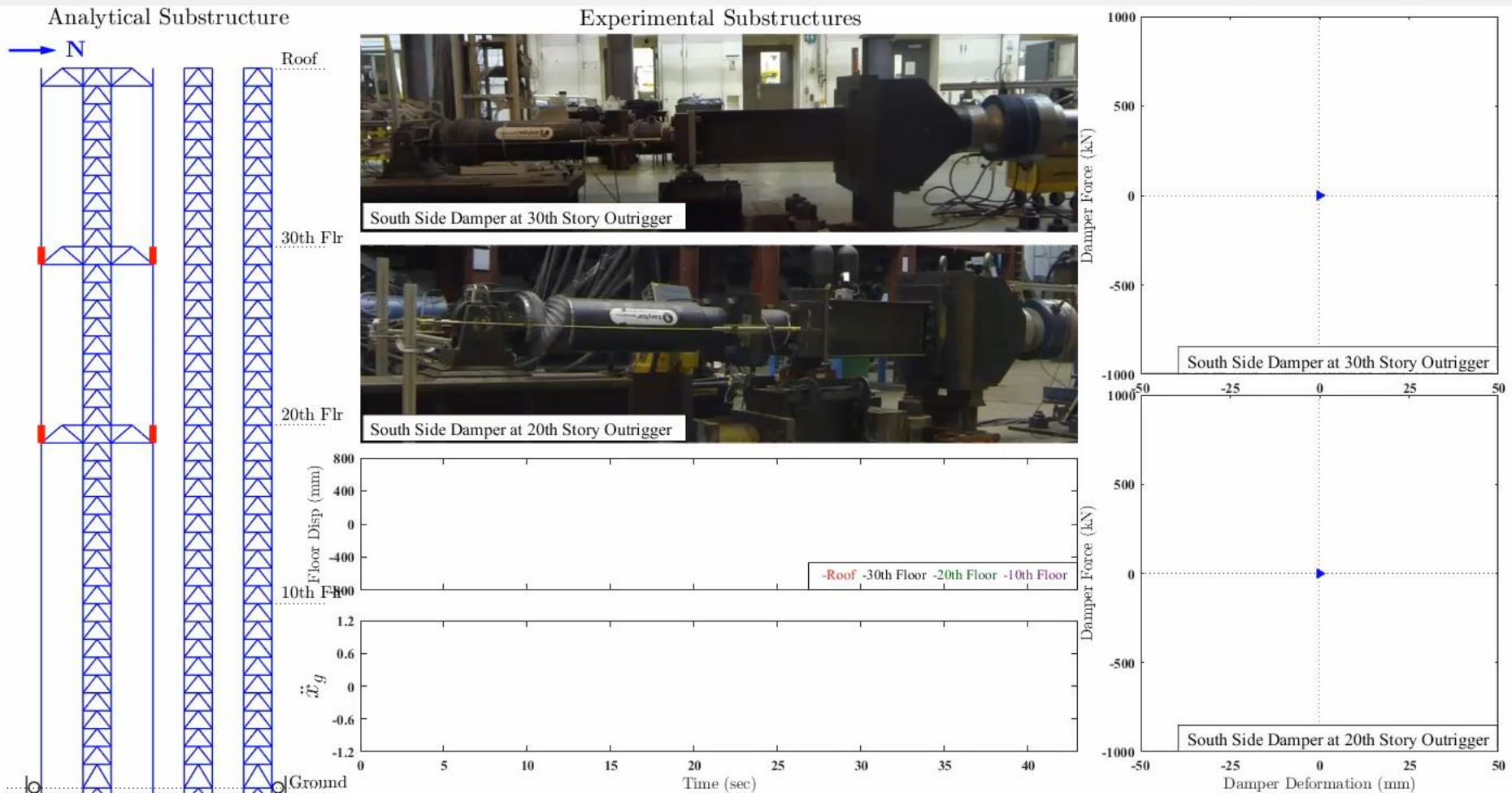


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Demonstration of a Typical EQ RTHS



Real-time Hybrid Simulation of a Seismically Excited Tall Building

1989 Loma Prieta EQ Scaled to MCE Level



Actuator Control: Typical Wind RTHS

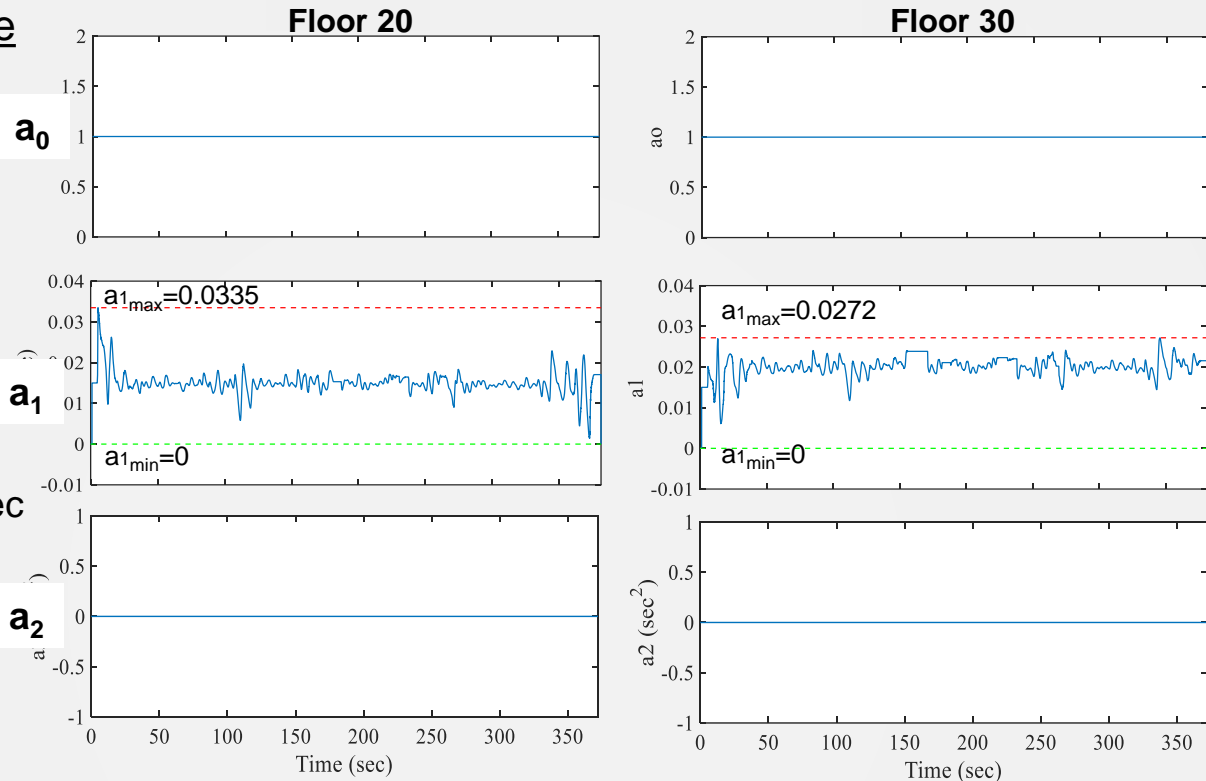
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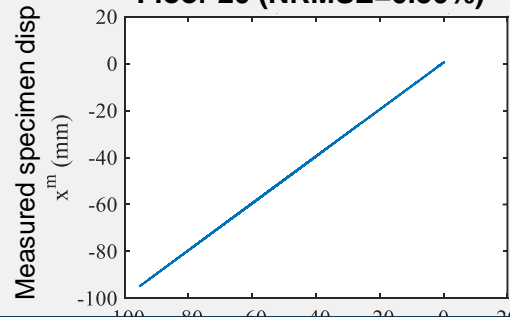
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Delay Compensation

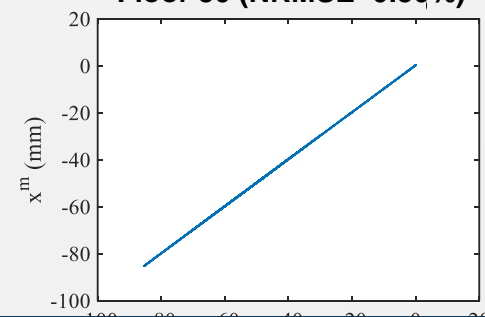
$$\tau_k^{(j)} \approx \frac{a_{1k}^{(j)}}{a_{0k}^{(j)}} = 27 \sim 34 \text{ msec}$$



Floor 20 (NRMSE=0.50%)



Floor 30 (NRMSE=0.30%)



Actuator Control: Typical EQ RTHS

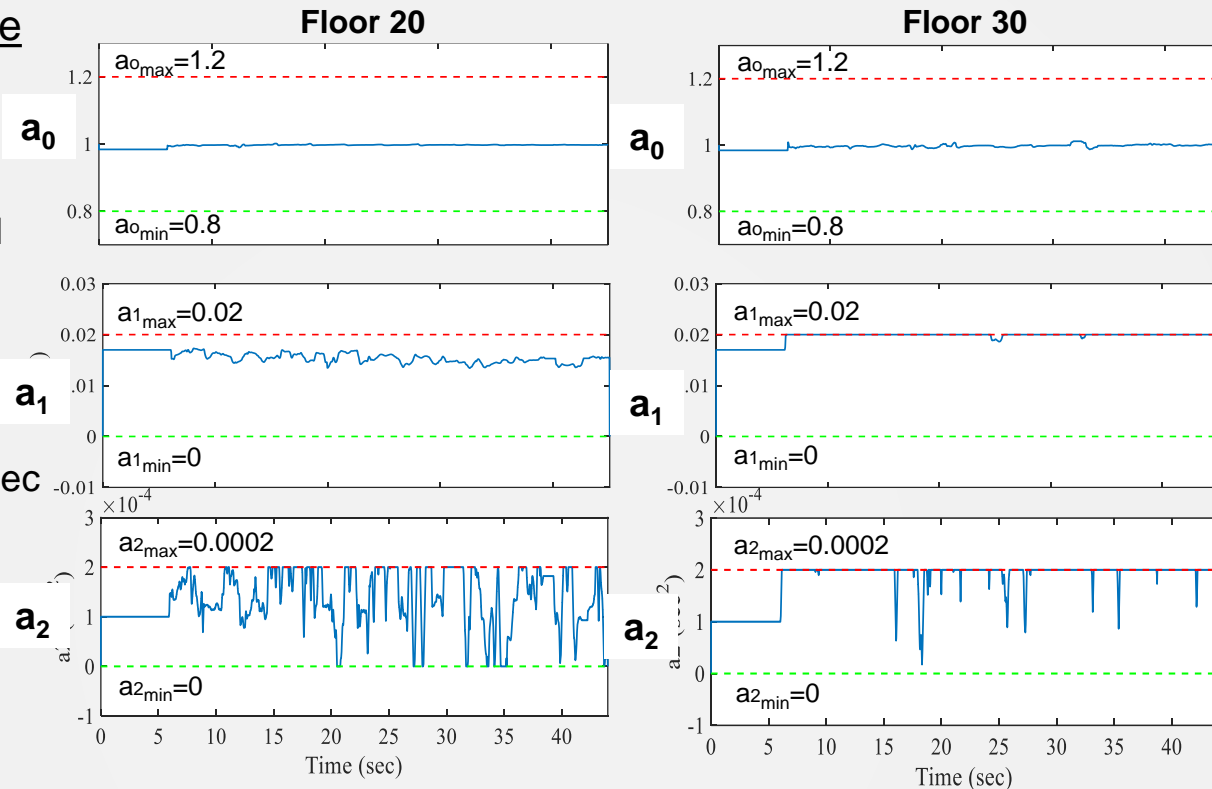
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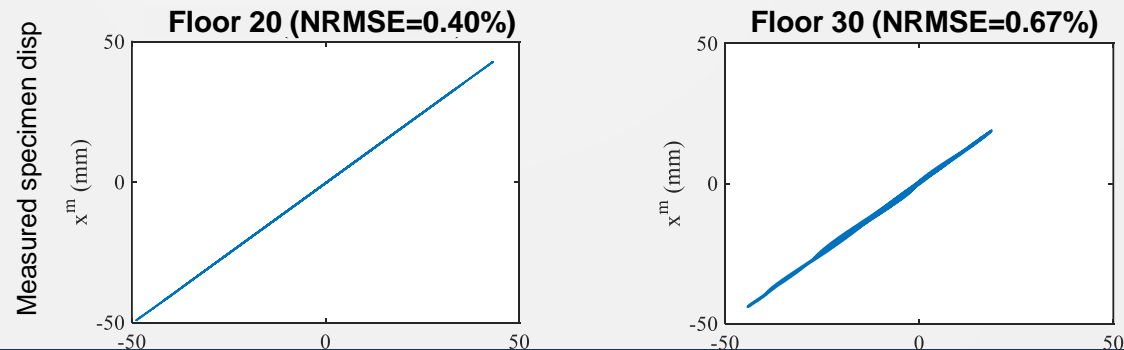
$$A_k^{(j)} \approx \frac{1}{a_{0k}^{(j)}} = 0.99 \sim 1.01$$

Delay Compensation

$$\tau_k^{(j)} \approx \frac{a_{1k}^{(j)}}{a_{0k}^{(j)}} = 15 \sim 20 \text{ msec}$$



Time variation of ATS parameters

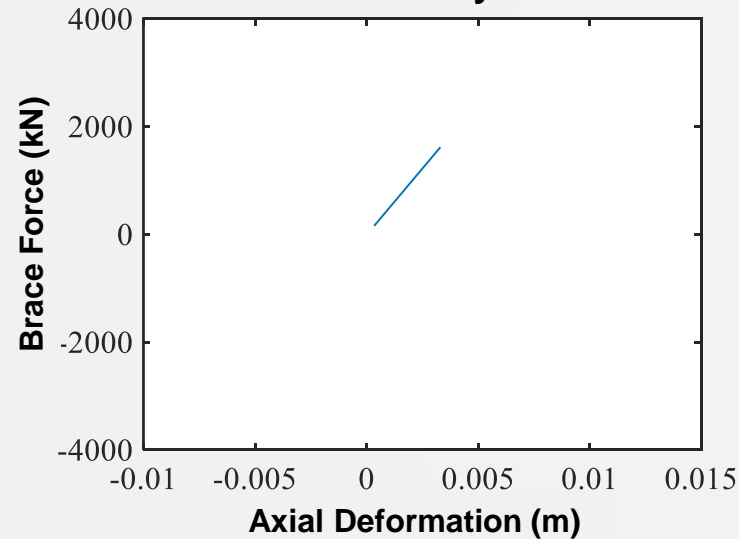


RTHS Analytical Substructure

Buckling Restrained Brace Response

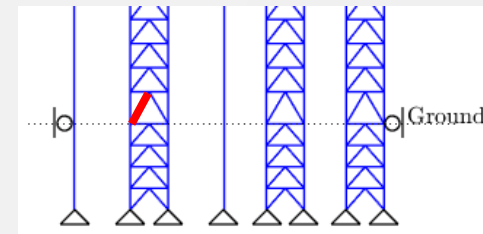
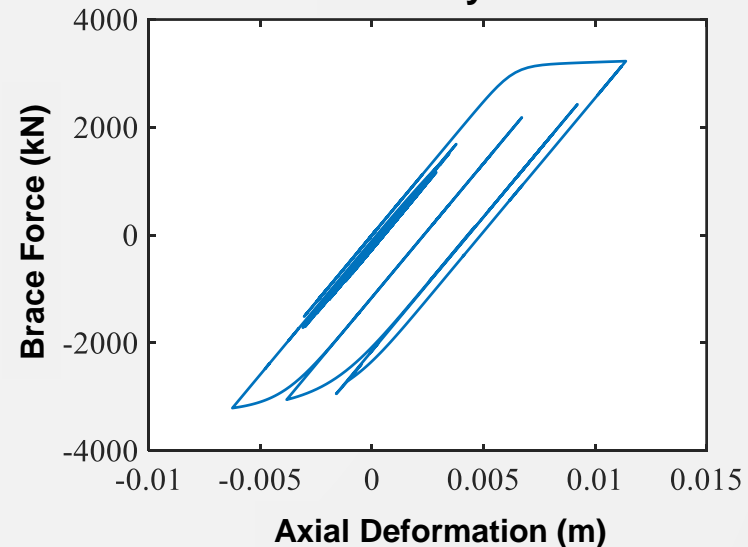
Wind

1st Story



Earthquake

1st Story



Summary

- Reviewed the concept of RTHS
- NHERI Lehigh Capabilities for conducting RTHS
 - ❑ RTMD integrated control architecture
 - ❑ Various model-based explicit unconditionally stable algorithms with controllable numerical dissipation
 - ❑ Nonlinear computational modeling program: HybridFEM
 - ❑ Multigrid hybrid simulation capabilities
 - ❑ Large capacity hydraulic systems and dynamic actuators
 - ❑ Advanced actuator control: Adaptive Time Series (ATS) Compensator
 - ❑ Example Projects
- ❑ Ongoing developments
 - ❑ Real-time hybrid simulation including soil-structure interaction
 - ❑ Shake table real-time hybrid simulation

Thank you



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