



# NHERI Lehigh Facility User Experience Seismic Hazard Mitigation with Pressurized Sand Dampers and their Response in Extreme Temperatures

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# Quest for velocity-independent (hysteretic) dissipation







# Widely used response-modification devices

### Response modification devices to serve sustainable infrastructure



Retrofit of Benicia-Martinez Bridge, California



Seismic Retrofit of Richmond-San Rafael Bridge, California

# Widely used response-modification devices: Fluid dampers



San Diego Coronado Bridge, California



### 91/5 overcrossing, southern California





Rion-Antirion cable-stayed bridge, Western Greece San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, Northern California

### Widely used response-modification devices: BRB & ADAS



Kaiser Santa Clara Medical, California



Hildebrand Hall -- UC Berkeley, California



Salt Lake City, Utah

### Dalian University of technology, China





### **Bay Bridge (San Francisco) retrofitting scheme**



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### **Prototype Pressurized Sand Damper**





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### **Pressurized Sand Damper — Experimental campaign**



- Tubes with different diameters and lengths
- Spheres with different diameters
- Subjected to different stroke amplitudes, pressure levels, cyclic frequencies

### **Pressurized Sand Damper — Experimental set up**



### **Behavior of the PSD**



# Normalized loops to the strength of the PSD, $F_{SD}(u = 0) = \Pi_S pr^2 + \mu k p \pi d_{rod} L_{net}$

### Master Curves



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### Nonlinear RTHS of rocking systems with PSDs: Input motions









#### Real-time Hybrid Simulation of a CLT Rocking Wall System equipped with Pressurized Sand Dampers (PSD) subject to **DBE Level Kocaeli Earthquake**



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6 °C = 43 °F: reached after approximately 5 hours

40 °C = 104 °F: reached after approximately 1 hour and 42 minutes

60 °C = 140 °F: reached after approximately 2 hours and 20 minutes







# **REU Experience**



# Future Steps – CLT rocking wall with supplemental damping

- 5/8-scale cross-laminated timber (CLT) rocking wall
- Allow for a drift ratio,  $\frac{u}{2h}$ , of 3%  $\Rightarrow$  rocking wall maximum rotation:

 $\theta_{max} \approx \tan \theta_{max} = \frac{u}{2h} = 0.03 \ rad$ 

• Maximum damper elongation:

 $e_{1,max} = (2b + d) \tan \theta_{max} \approx$ 2 in



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# Thank you for your attention!

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