



HYBRID SIMULATIONS ON ISOLATED AND DAMPED BRIDGES

Workshop on the Seismic Isolation and Damping of Bridge Structures

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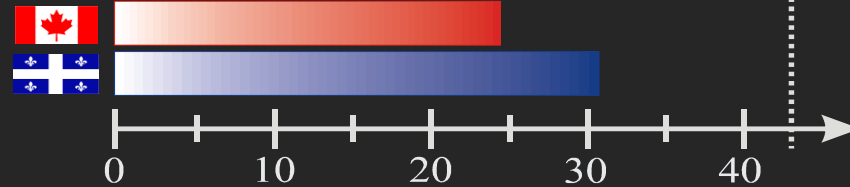
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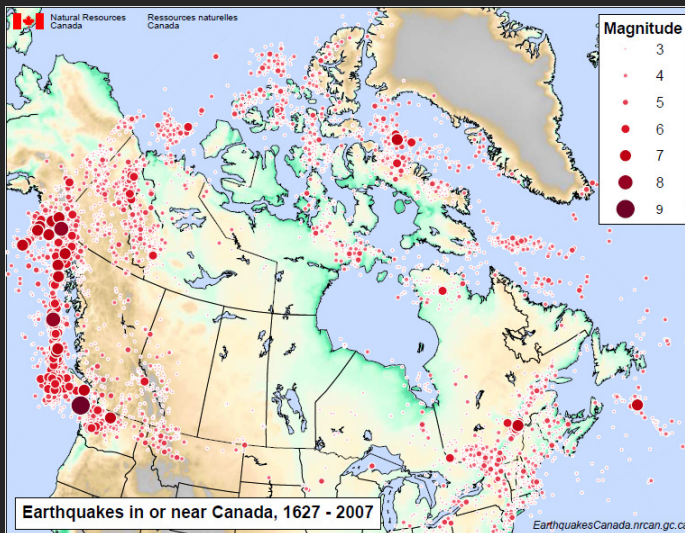
Granville Street Bridge, Vancouver, seismic retrofit : 1996

PROBLEM

- **Aging** of bridge structures



- **Seismic design requirements** were first introduced in the Canadian bridge design code (S6) in 1966, but became progressively more severe with every new edition of the S6.



- Many bridges of the transportation network in Quebec were built either before seismic design provisions were introduced in our code or with much less severe requirements than the ones prescribed in the present code.
- There is an increased need for innovative techniques to achieve **time and cost effective seismic retrofit and construction of bridges.**

SOLUTION STUDIED

Seismic protection devices :

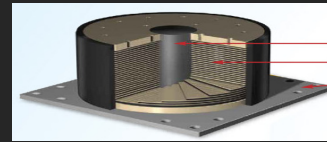
- **Isolators**
- **Dampers**
- **Shock transmission devices**

RESEARCH OBJECTIVES

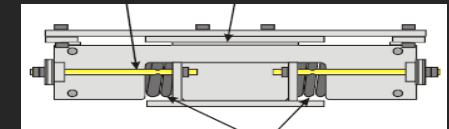
Study the performance of simple numerical models in reproducing the dynamic behaviour of bridges equipped with seismic protective devices :

- Run **non-linear time history analyses** of purely numerical models with **SAP2000**.
- Run **real-time hybrid tests** of the same bridges and **compare** the numerical results to the experimental results.

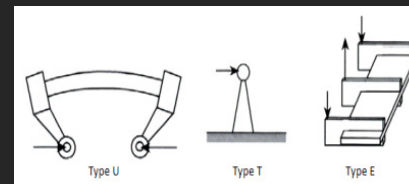
Laminated Rubber Isolator



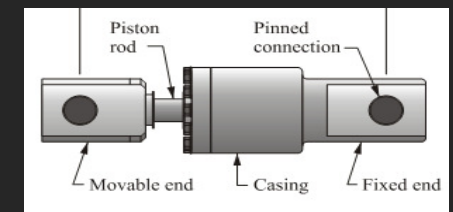
Friction Isolator



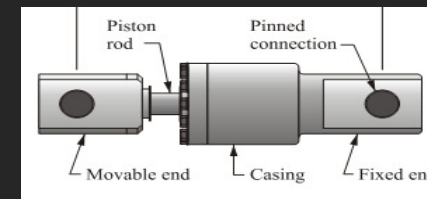
Metallic Damper



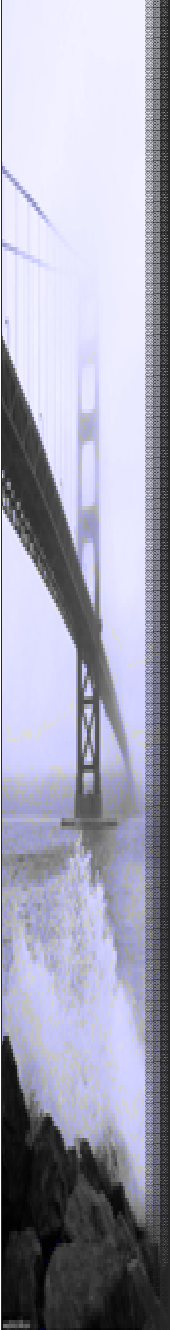
Viscous Damper

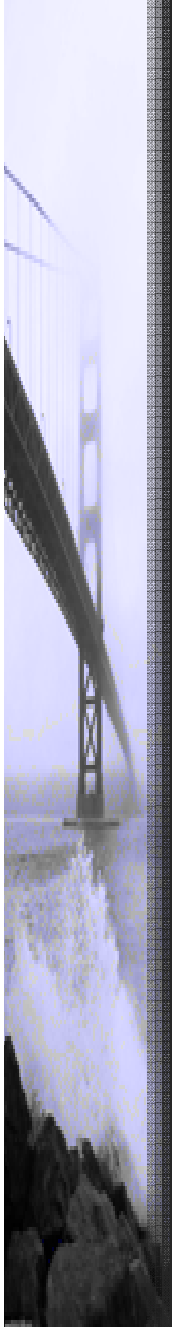


Viscous Shock Transmission Unit





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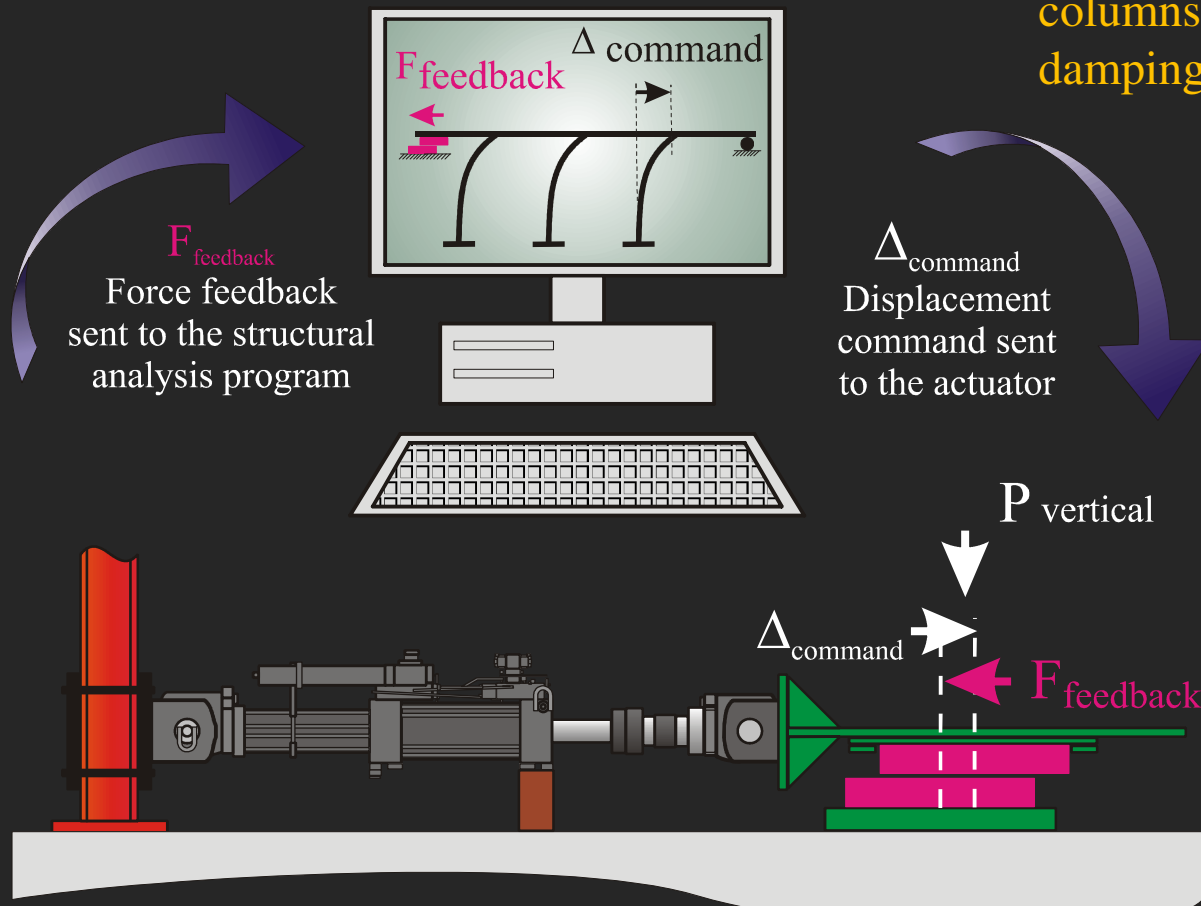
REAL TIME HYBRID SIMULATIONS

Also referred to as ...

“Real Time Dynamic Substructuring (**RTDS**)”

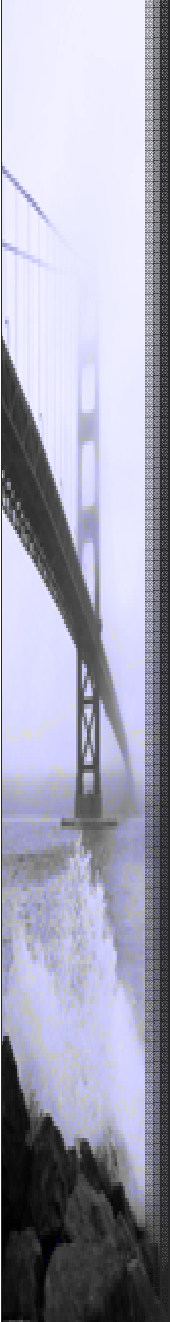
PHYSICAL substructure:
Seismic protective device

NUMERICAL substructure:
columns, deck mass, numerical
damping, other bearings, etc.

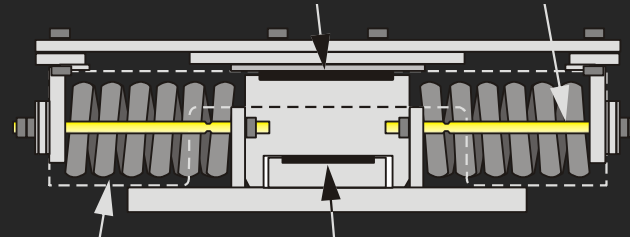


Algorithm used for
structural analysis :
Rosenbrock-W
(Lamarche et al. 2009)
implemented in
Simulink (Matlab).



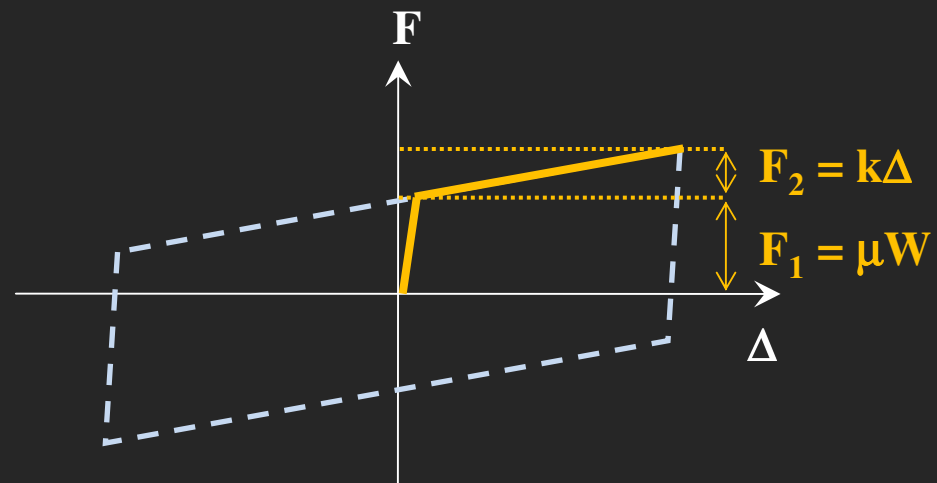
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FRICITION ISOLATOR



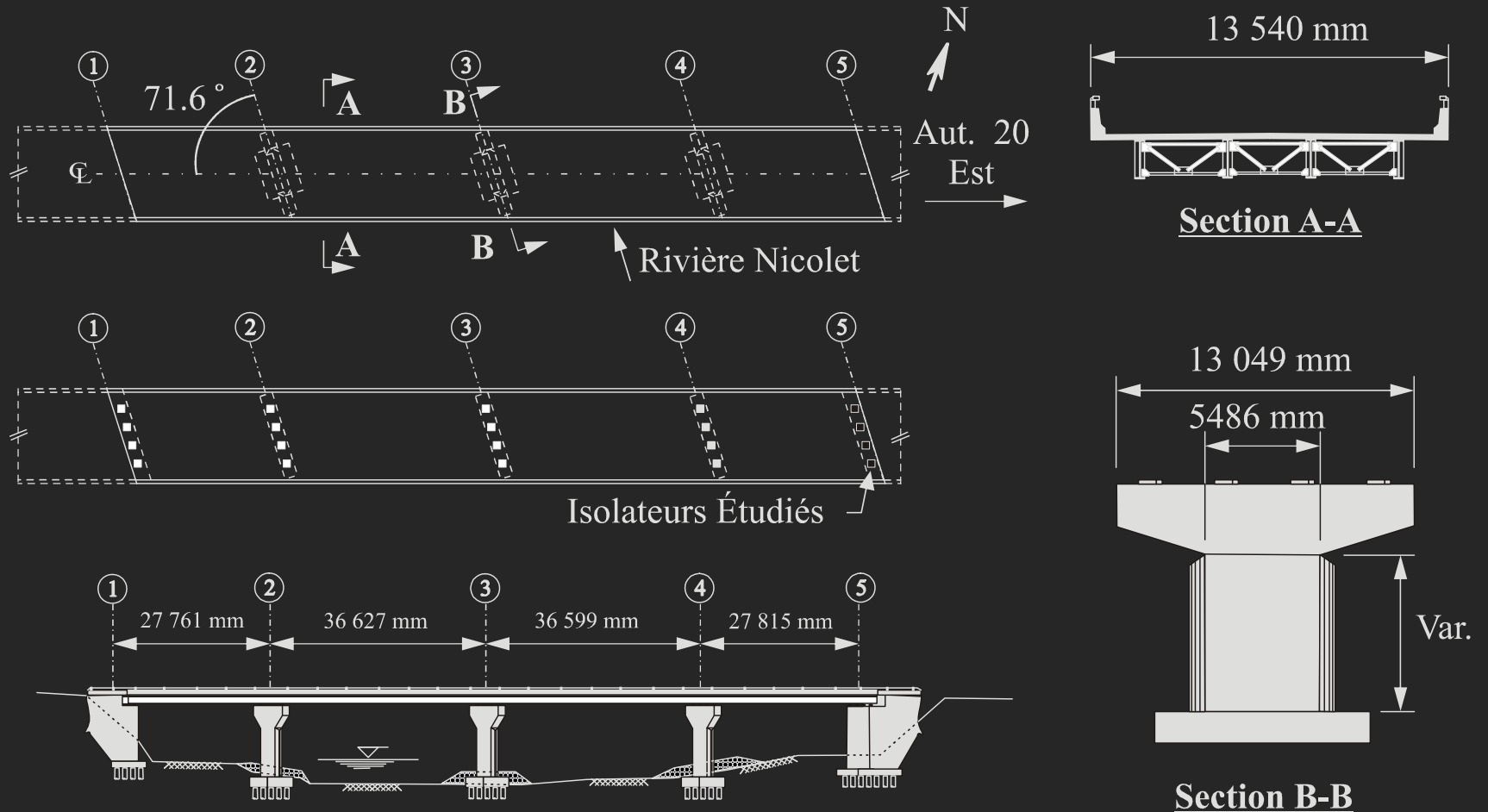
Goodco Z-Tech device :

- Stainless-steel / teflon interface : $F_1 = \mu W$
- Metallic coil springs : $F_2 = k\Delta$



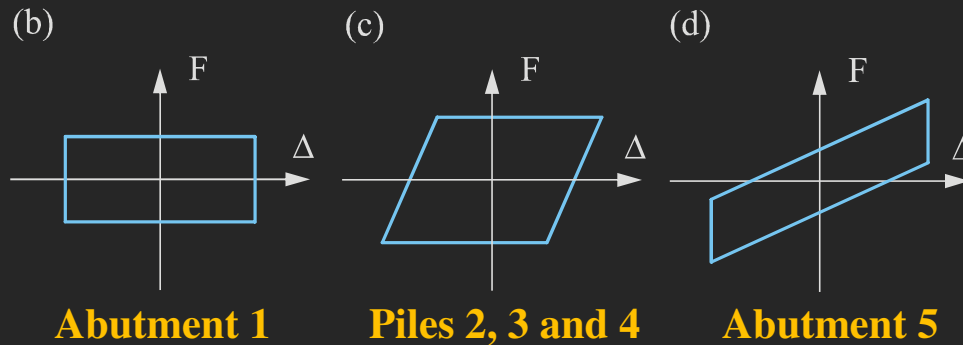
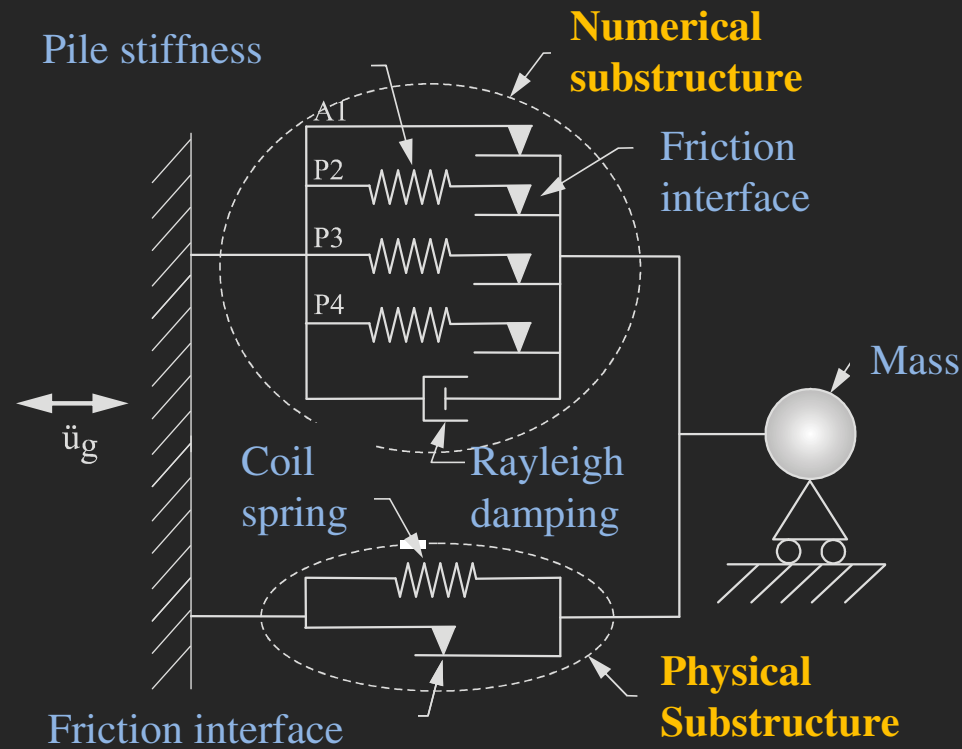


ISOLATED BRIDGE



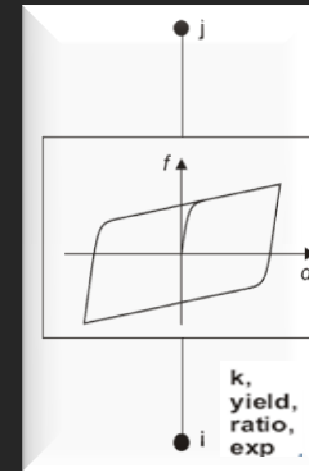
- 4 isolators at abutment 5.
- Dynamic behaviour is studied along the **longitudinal** direction on the bridge
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SDOF NUMERICAL MODEL



SAP2000

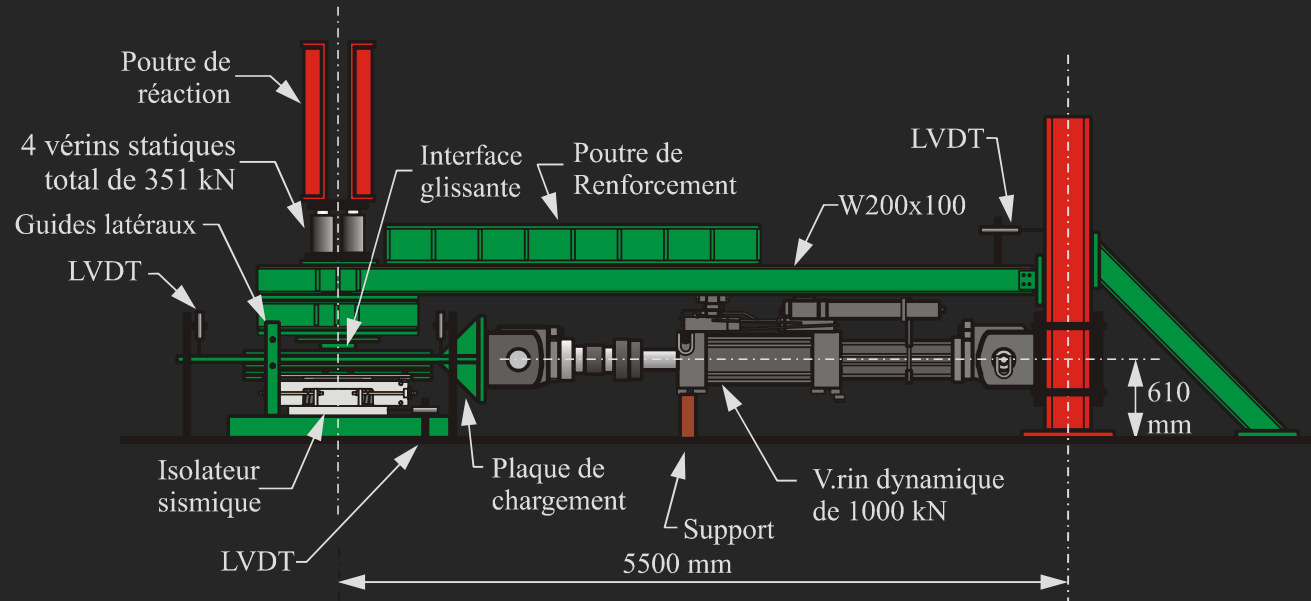
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Mass proportional Rayleigh
numerical damping

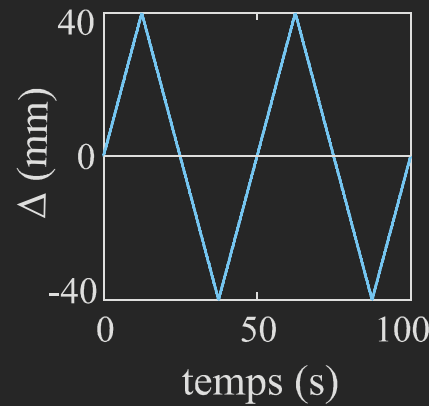
$$\xi = 5\%$$

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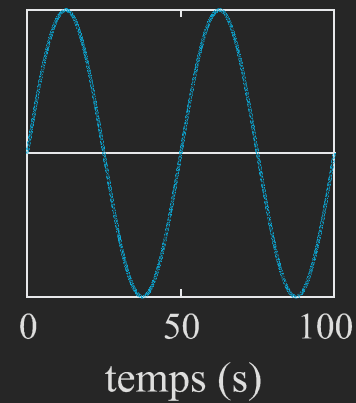


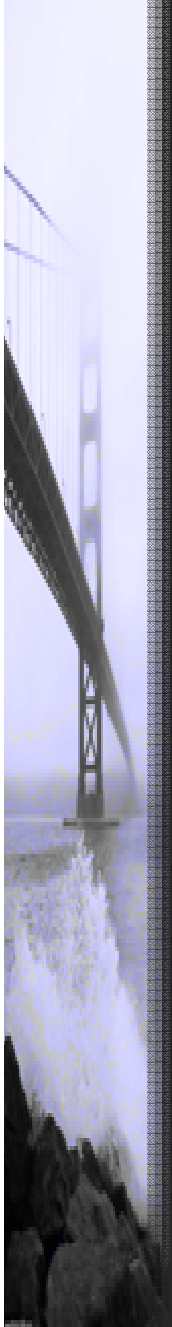
Cyclic tests for device characterization:

triangular

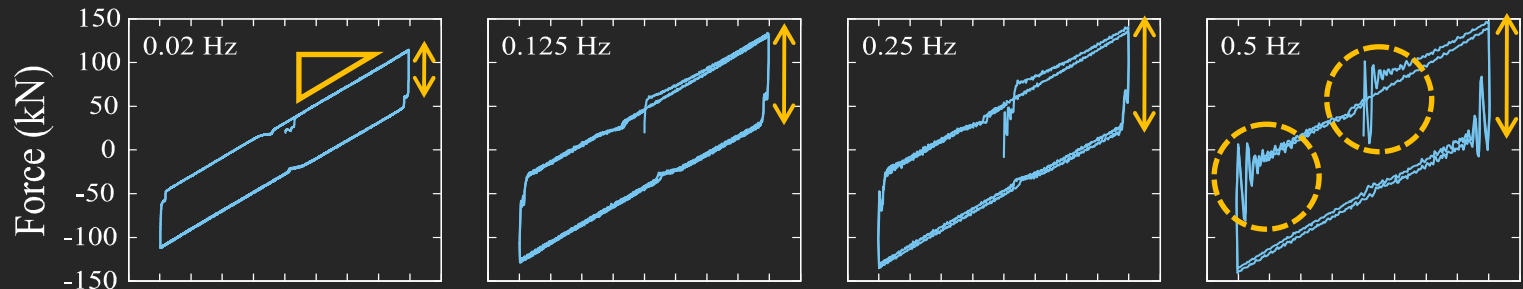


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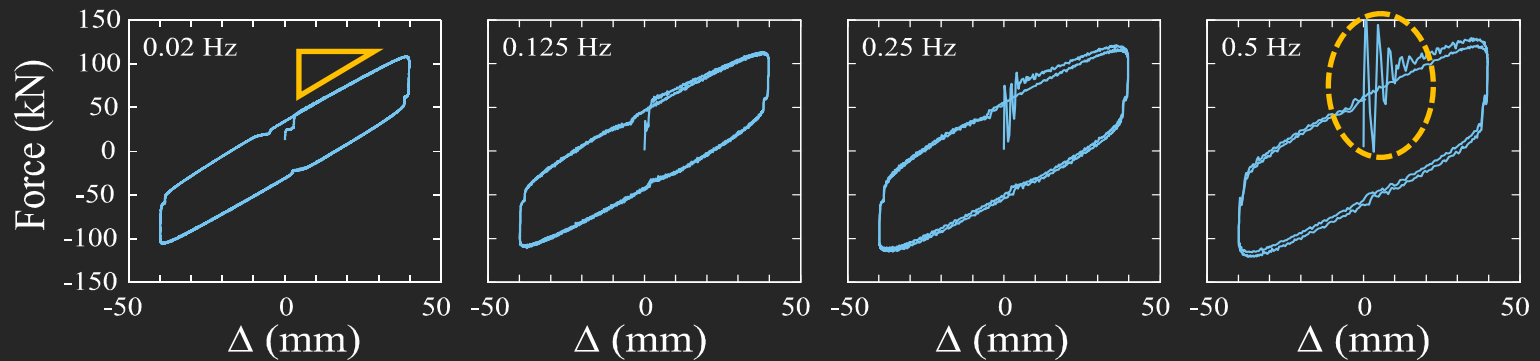




- triangular :



- sinusoidal :

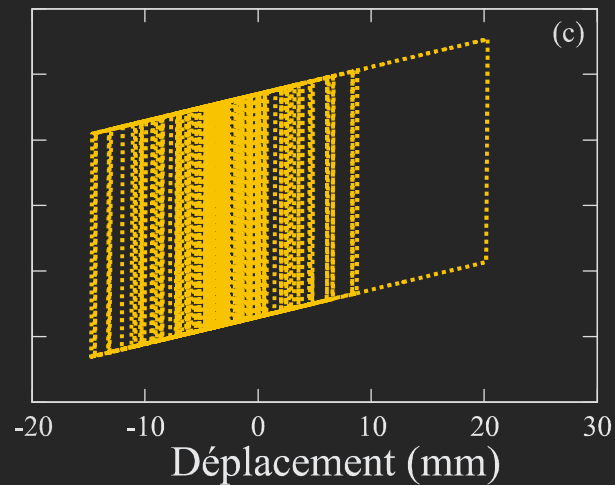
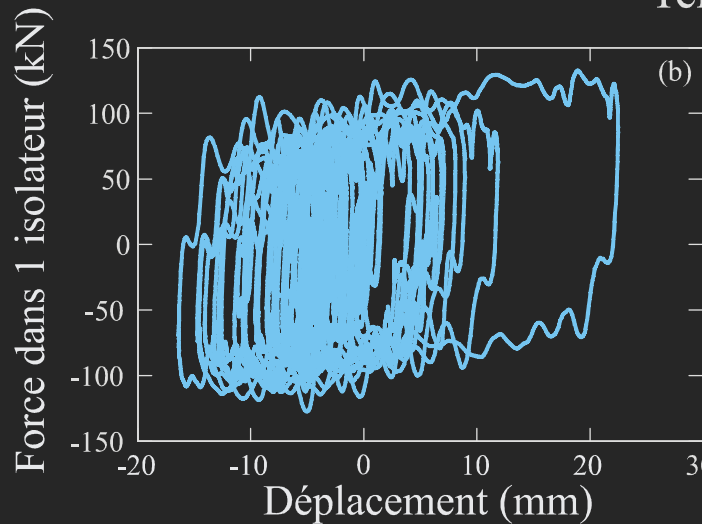
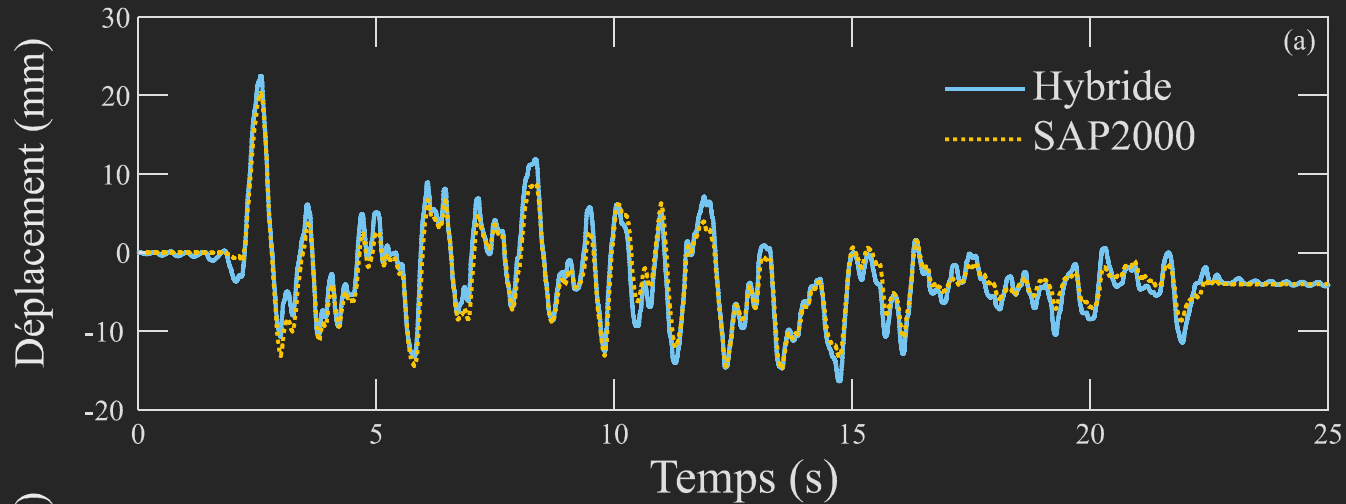


- Stiffness **K**
- Friction coefficient μ varies with velocity
- Dynamic amplification due to stick-clip action and sudden velocity change

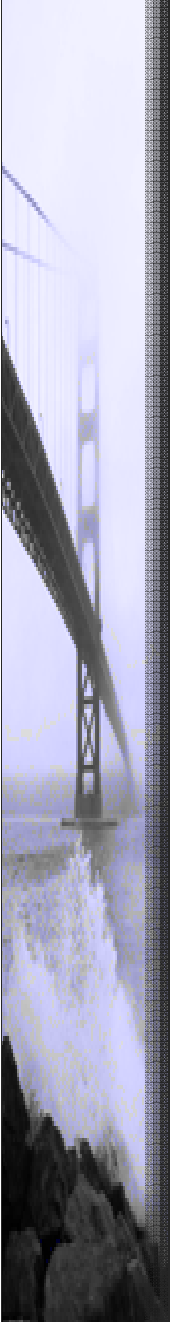


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Result example with a magnitude 7.0 synthetic accelerogram (Atkinson)

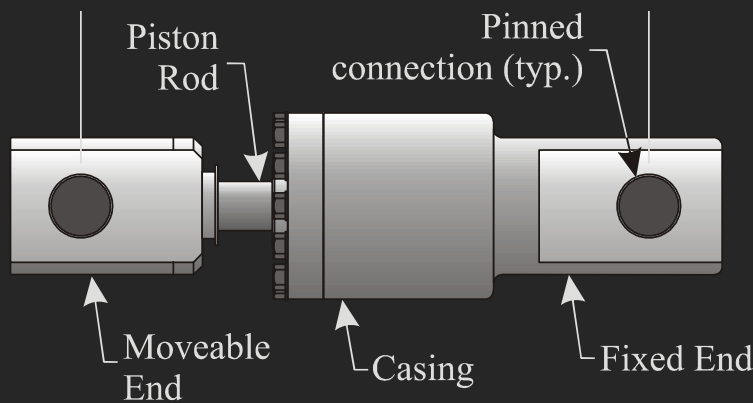
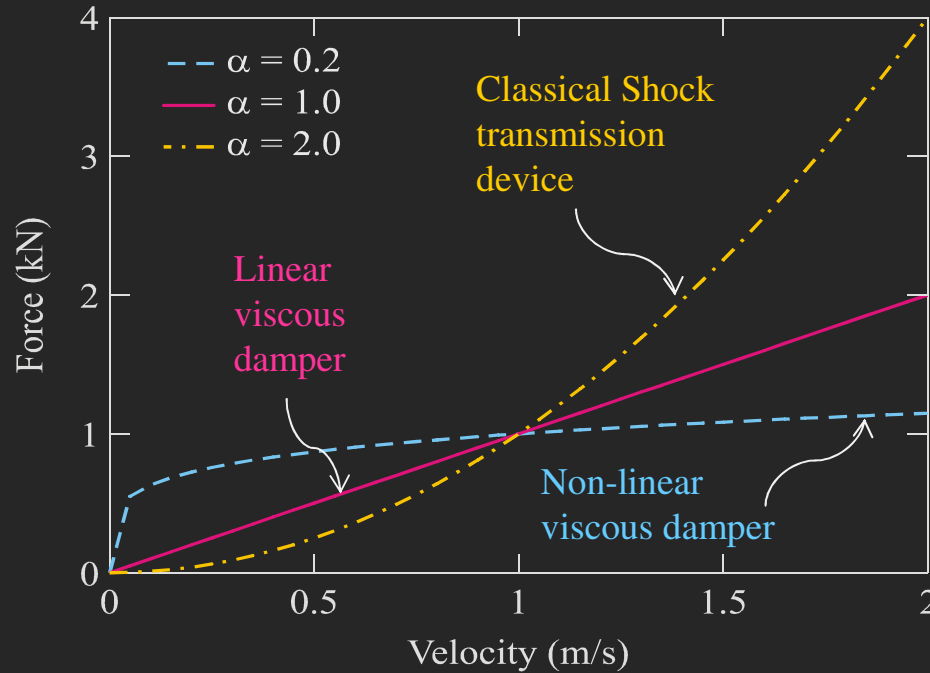




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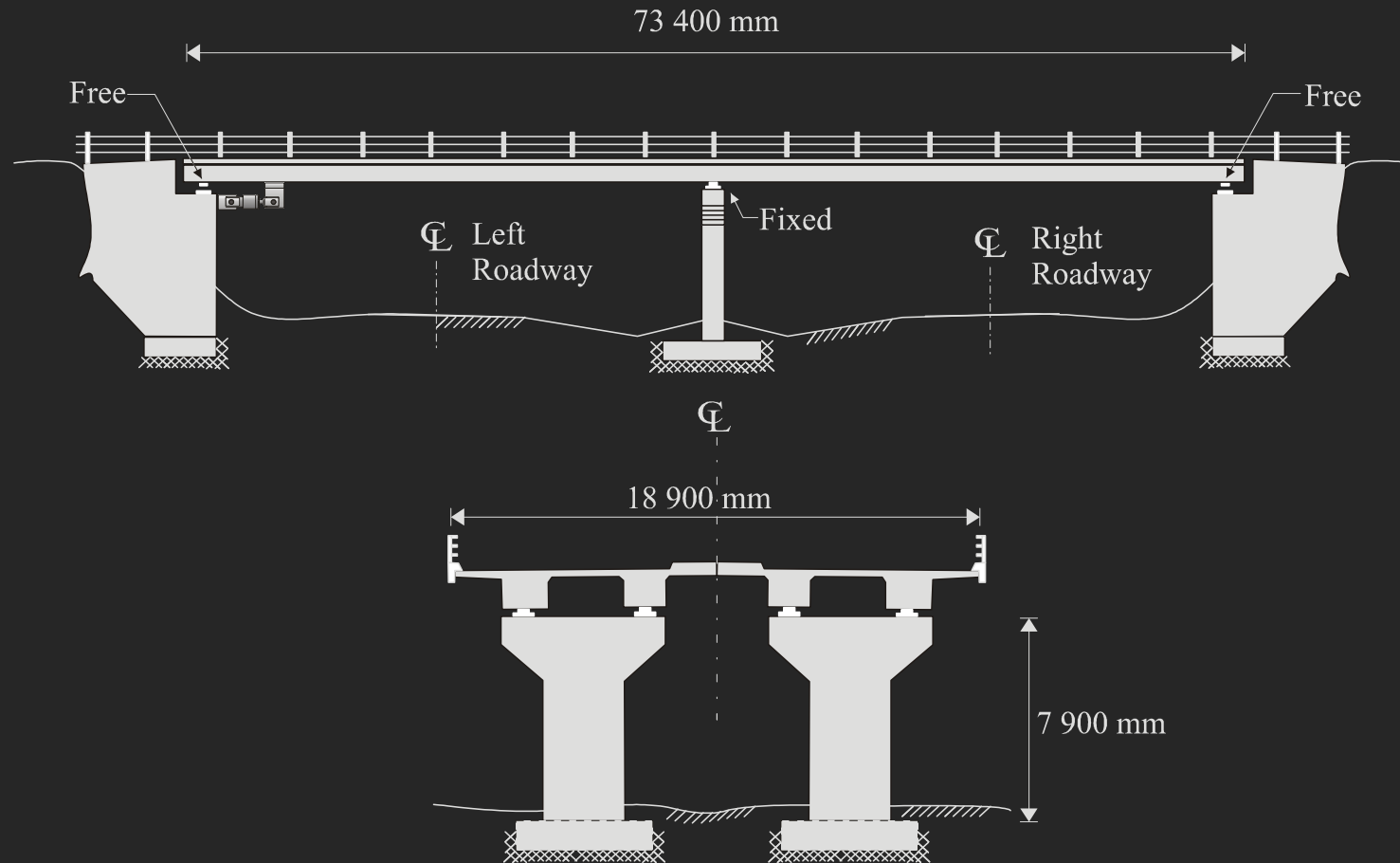
DAMPER AND SHOCK TRANSMISSION UNIT

❖ Force-velocity function: $F = CV^\alpha$



- Seismic Damping Unit (SDU) from *LCL-Bridge Products Technology*
- Double action piston
- Allowable movement 100 mm
- Resisting force created by fluid shear

BRIDGE STRUCTURE STUDIED

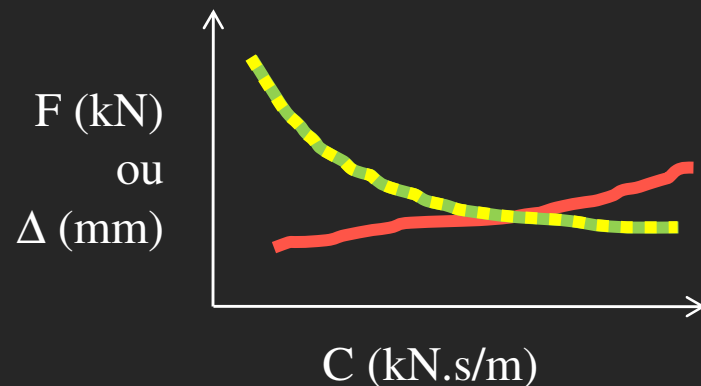


- Fictitious bridge located in **Montreal**, QC
- $W = 25\ 100\ \text{kN}$
- Dynamic behaviour is studied along the **longitudinal** direction on the bridge
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DESIGN : CHOICE OF DAMPER VISCOUS PARAMETERS

• Design Objectives : obtain linear-elastic behaviour in columns, minimize displacements, distribute forces equally between columns and abutment

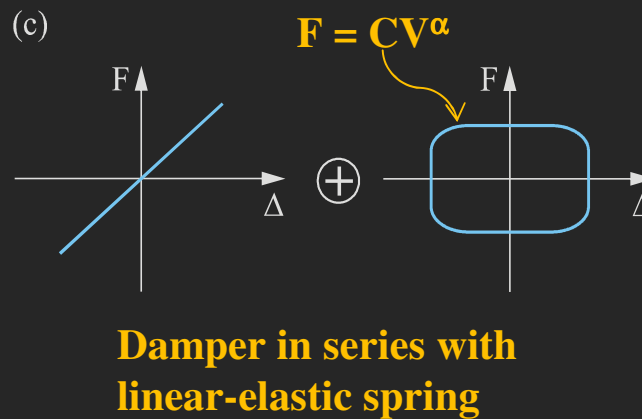
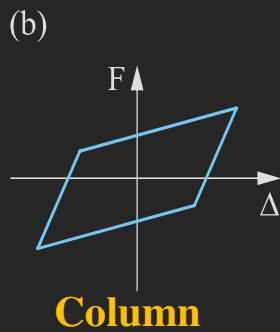
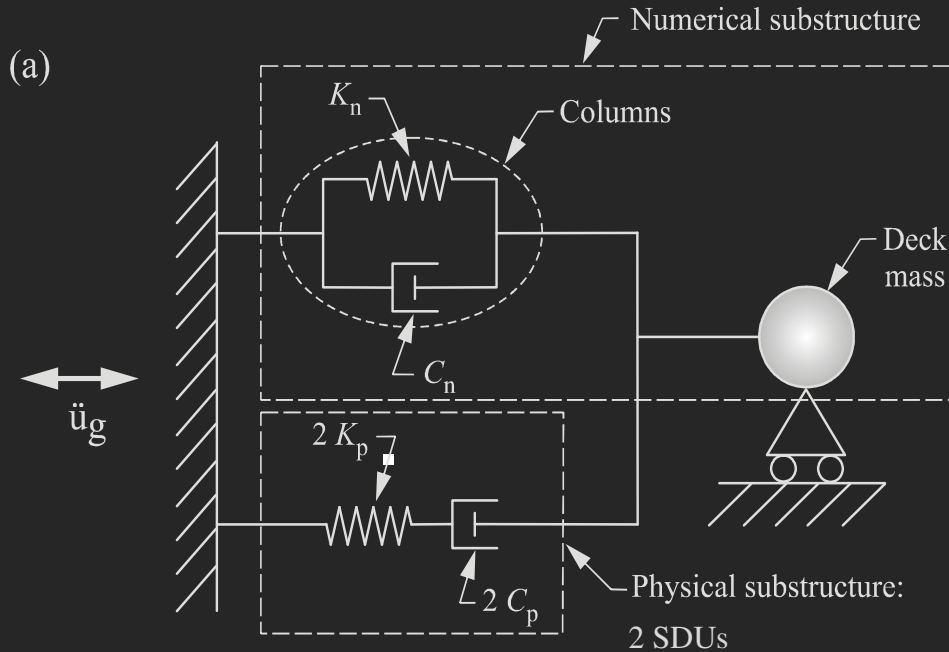
➤ Parametric study on C and α :



- Force in 2 SDUs (= abutment) $F = CV^\alpha$
- Force in columns
- Displacement (deck)

➤ Choice : $C = 600 - 900 \text{ kN.s/m}$, $\alpha = 0.14 - 0.22$ -> limit the forces in abutment and columns to **1200 kN**, and displacement to **25 mm**.

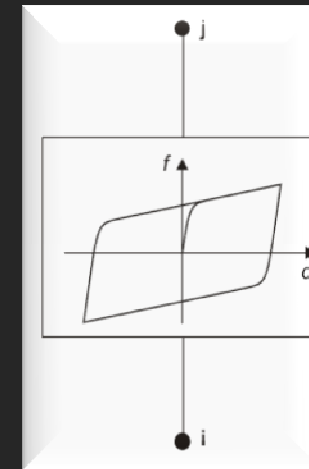
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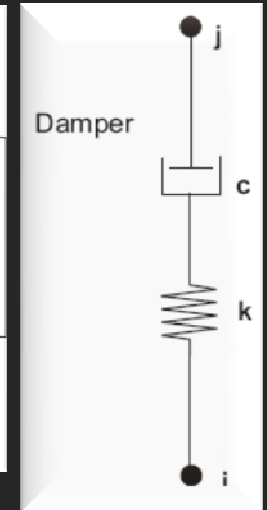
SAP2000

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Columns



SDU

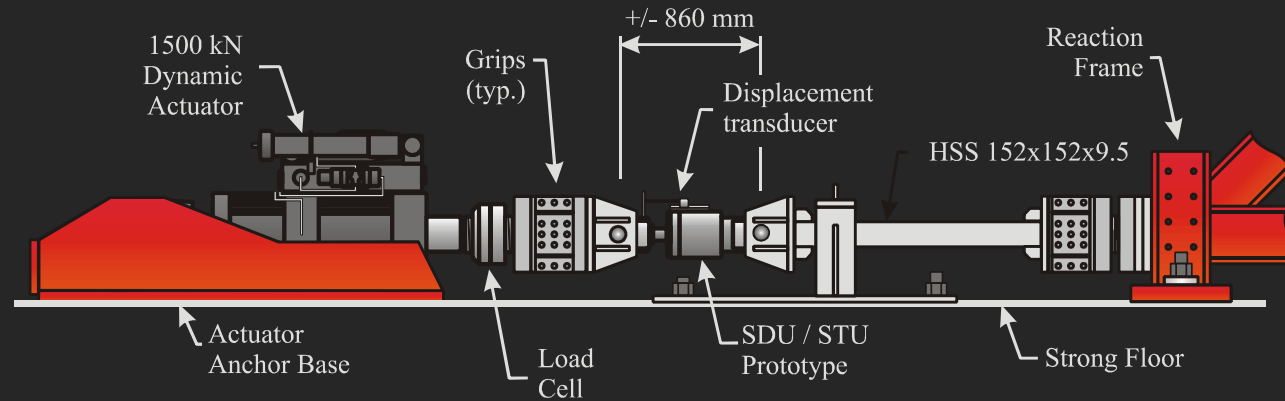


Mass proportional Rayleigh numerical damping

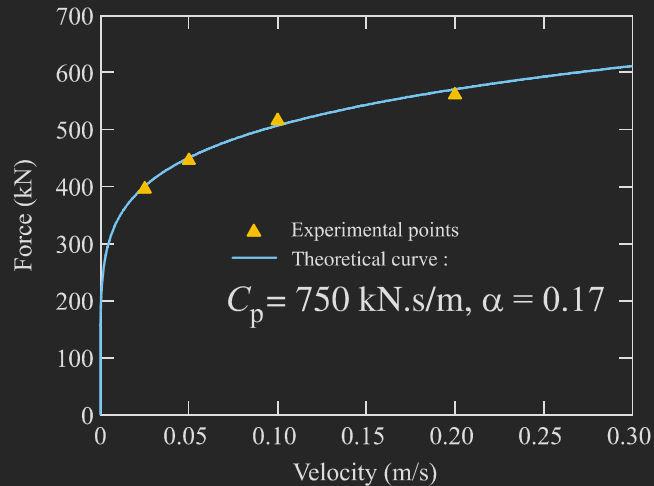
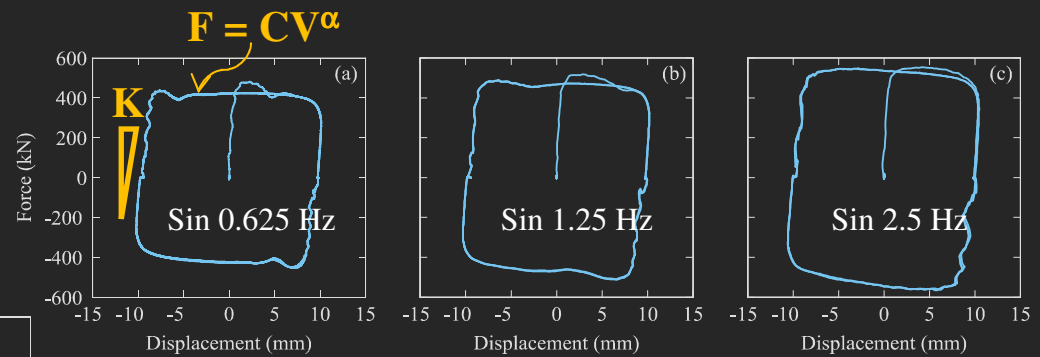
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VISCOUS DAMPER CHARACTERIZATION TESTS

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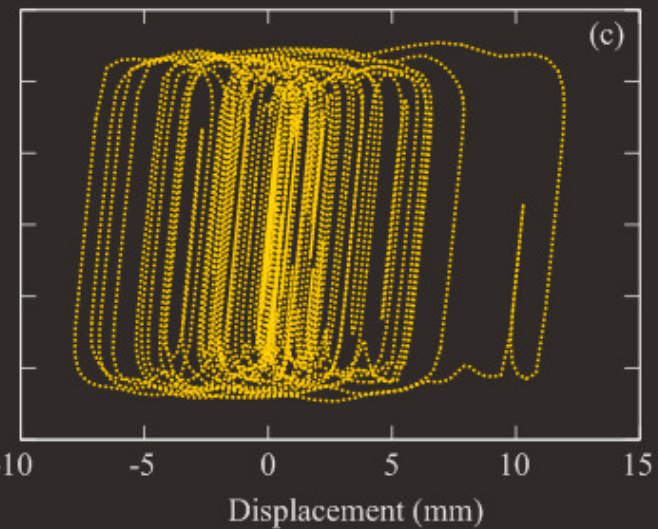
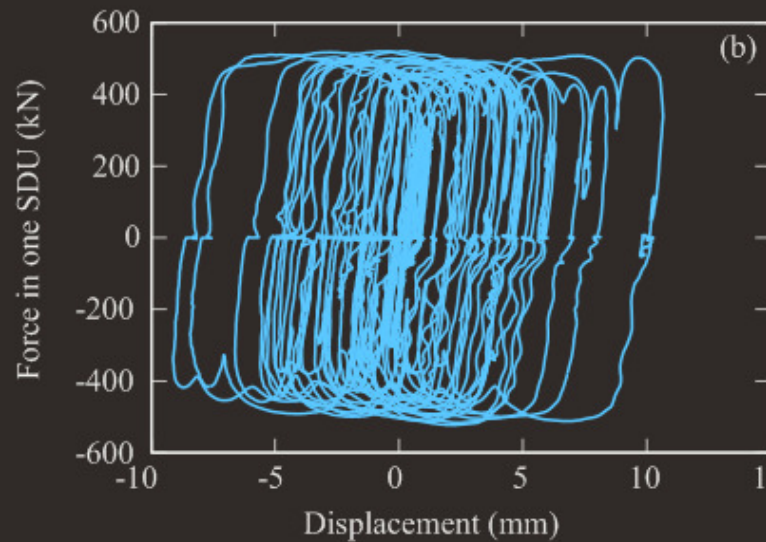
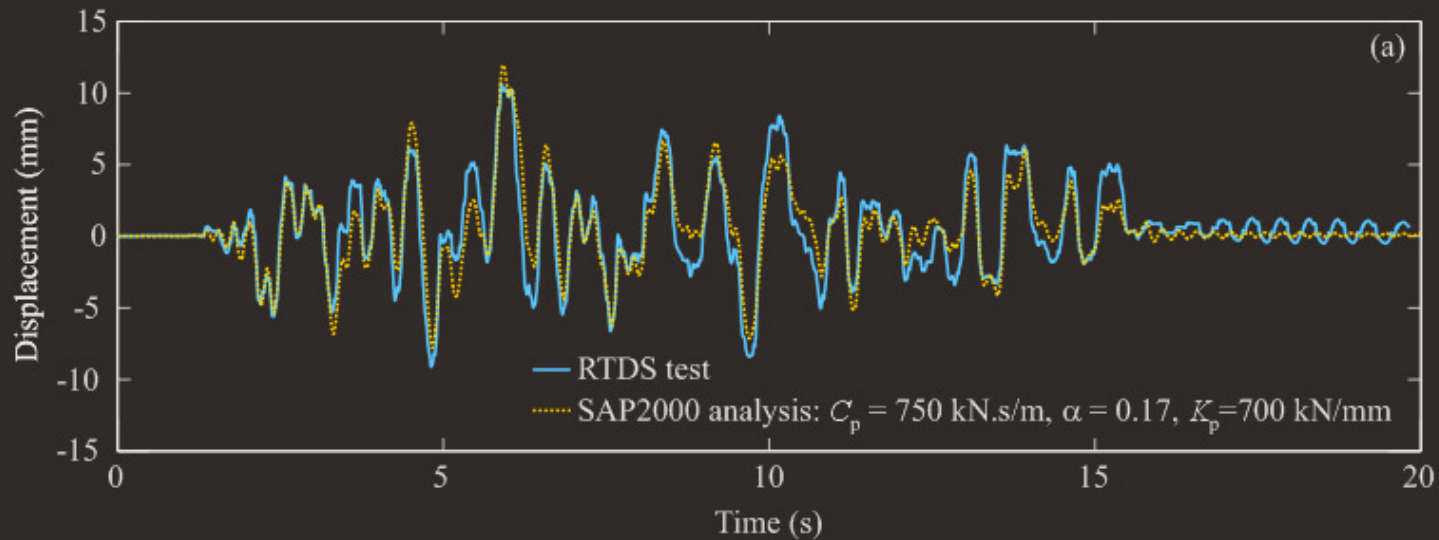


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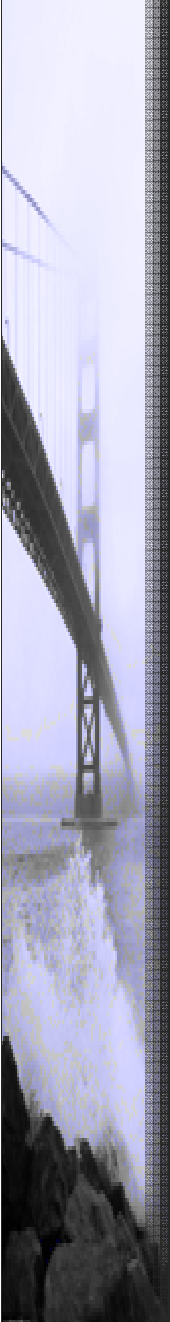


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1. The **hybrid testing program** was successfully completed.
2. **Simplified numerical models capable** of adequately predicting the displacement response of seismically protected bridges.
3. It is imperative to **accurately characterize the devices** in order to properly predict their behaviour.
4. No simplified **design method** for bridges equipped with supplemental damping devices is available in CSA S6-06.

Note :

$$B = \Delta_0 / \Delta_{\text{damped}}$$

or

$$B = F_0 / F_{\text{damped}}$$



Tableau 4.8
Coefficient d'amortissement B
(voir les articles 4.10.6.2.1 et 4.10.11.2)

Amortissement visqueux équivalent, β (% de l'amortissement critique)	Coefficient d'amortissement, B
≤ 2	0,8
5	1
10	1,2
20	1,5
30	1,7
40	1,9
50	2



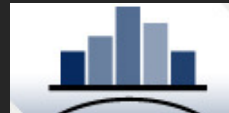
$$C = \beta * 2\sqrt{(km)}$$



$$\frac{C_{NL}}{C} \cong \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} (\omega X_0)^{1-\alpha}$$



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