

**Workshop on "Determination of the Seismic Performance of the Existing Buildings by Full Scale Tests" October 20<sup>nd</sup>, 2014, Istanbul – ISTKA Project**

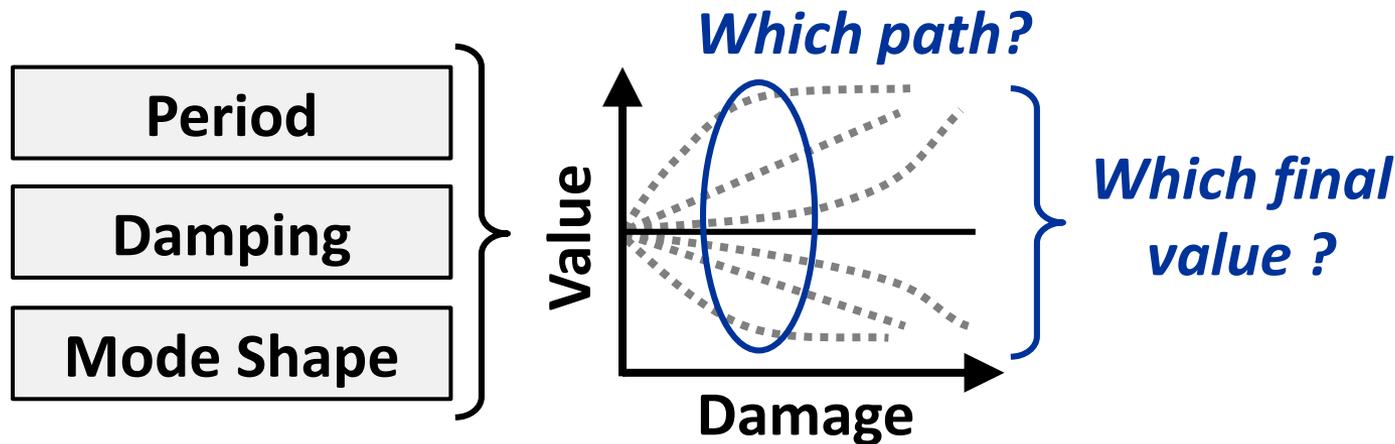


**Field testing of substandard RC buildings:  
*Ambient and forced vibration tests***

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- Dynamic characteristics of the test buildings were investigated by means of **forced and ambient vibration** measurements.
- **Changes in the dynamic characteristics** were traced for the increasing levels of damping.
- **Substandard RC buildings** representative of buildings with high seismic risk were considered.



- Reminder of the presentation on the static cyclic test results



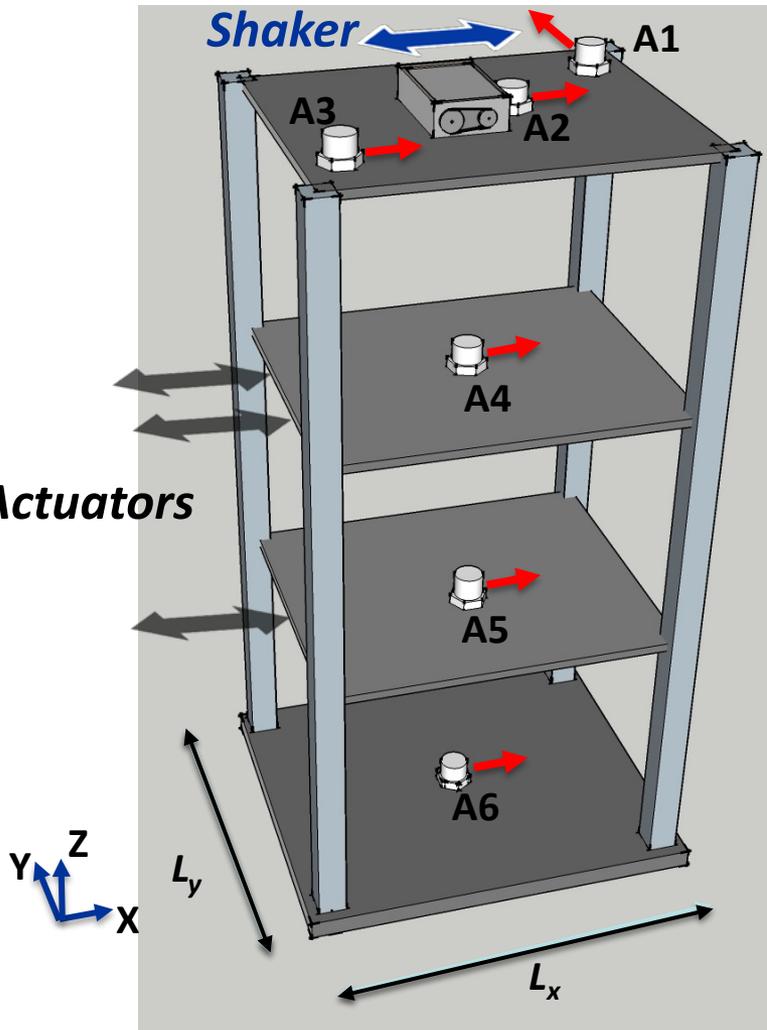
## Building 1

Strong column weak beam mechanism  
Normal axial load (i.e. 10%)  
Constructed in early 90s

## Building 2

Weak column strong beam mechanism  
High axial load (i.e. 25%)  
Representative of 70's construction

- Accelerometer locations



## Building 1:

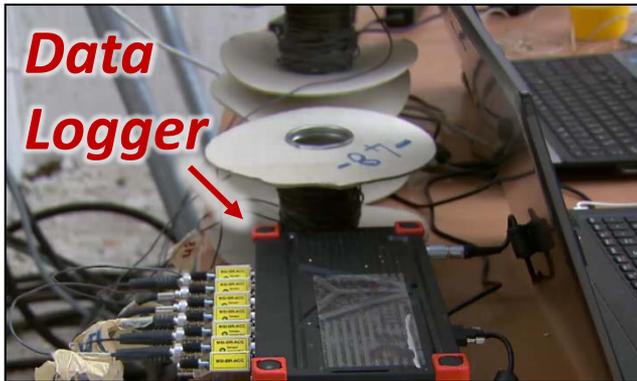
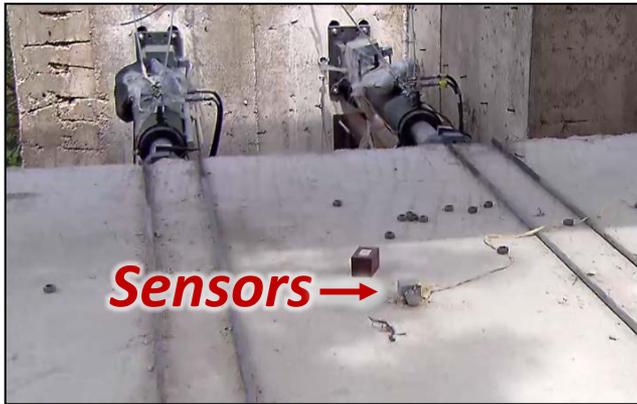
| Sensor | X (m) | Y (m) | Z (m) |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| A1     | 1.6   | 1.9   | 8.4   |
| A2     | 0     | 0     | 8.4   |
| A3     | -1.6  | -1.9  | 8.4   |
| A4     | 0     | 0     | 5.6   |
| A5     | 0     | 0     | 2.7   |
| A6     | 0     | 0     | 0     |

## Building 2:

| Sensor | X (m) | Y (m) | Z (m) |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|
| A1     | 1.85  | 2.15  | 9     |
| A2     | 0     | 0     | 9     |
| A3     | -1.85 | -2.15 | 9     |
| A4     | 0     | 0     | 6     |
| A5     | 0     | 0     | 3     |
| A6     | 0     | 0     | 0     |

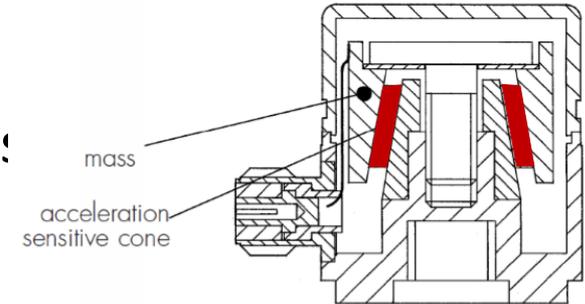
- For performing **Y-direction testing** sensors at the centers of the slabs (i.e. **A2-4-5-6**) were rotated towards Y.

- Accelerometers



## Piezoelectric accelerometers:

A/1800 IEPE  
by DJB Instruments



| Conversion Mode                       | Konic  |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Voltage sensitivity mV/g              | 10V/g  |
| Resonant frequency kHz                | ≈4   |
| Voltage sensitivity deviation re 20°C | 5% @ -50°C<br>+5% @ +125°C<br>+10% @ +185°C                        |
| Case Material                         | s/steel 303 S31  |
| Supply Voltage V                      | 15/ 35   |
| Supply Current mA                     | 2/ 20  |
| Bias Voltage V (20°C)                 | 8.5/ 9.5   |
| Cross axis error % max                | 5%   |
| Frequency Response ±5%                | 0.2Hz – 1kHz   |
| Mounting                              | Base tapped ¼ UNF x 4mm deep                                       |
| Maximum continuous g level            | 500  |
| Weight gm                             | 400/407 (TC)   |
| Connector                             | Microdot skt, 10/32 UNF thd (A/1800/V & T)<br>TNC skt. (A/1800/TC) |
| Case Seal                             | Welded,<br>hermetic connector (TNC)                                |

- Ground vibration sources around the site

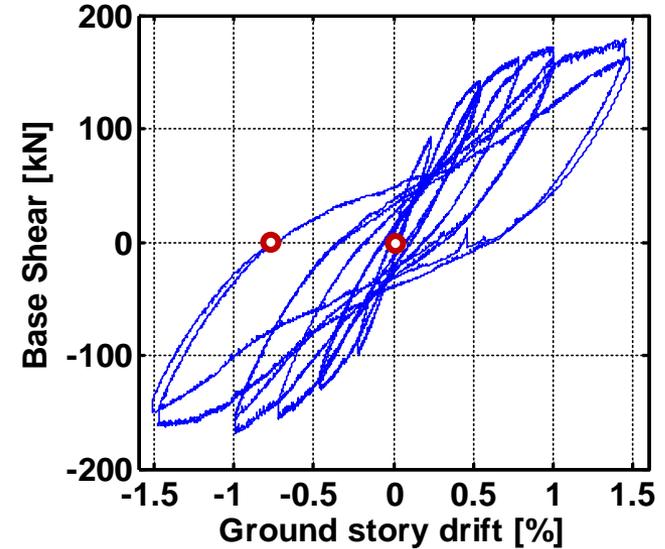
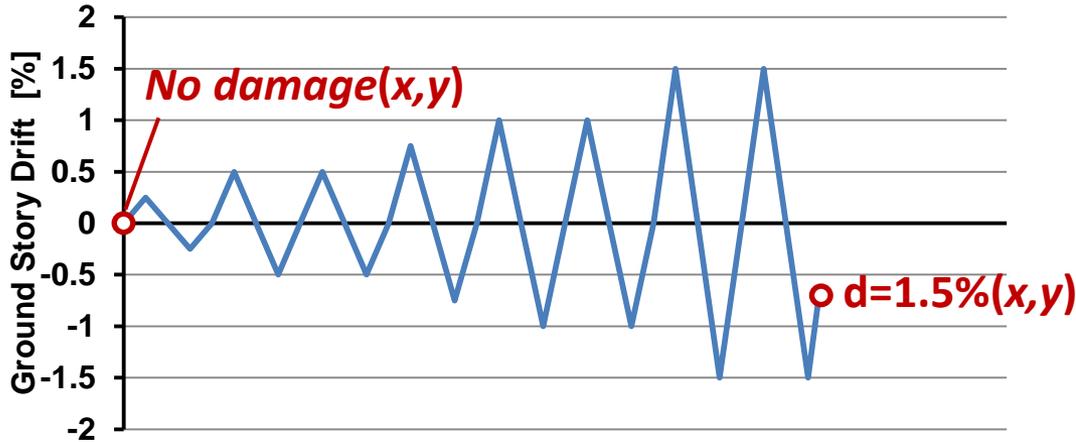


Construction sites are located around the site. Closest construction site is 50[m] away.

A busy highway is passing approx. 350[m] away from the site

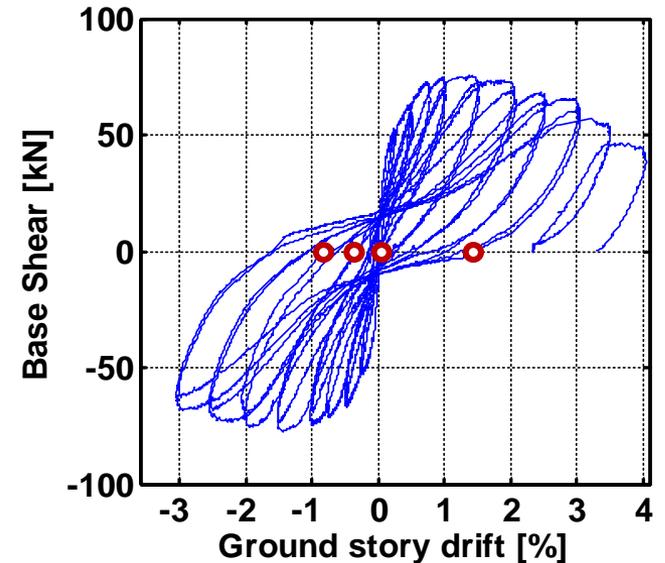
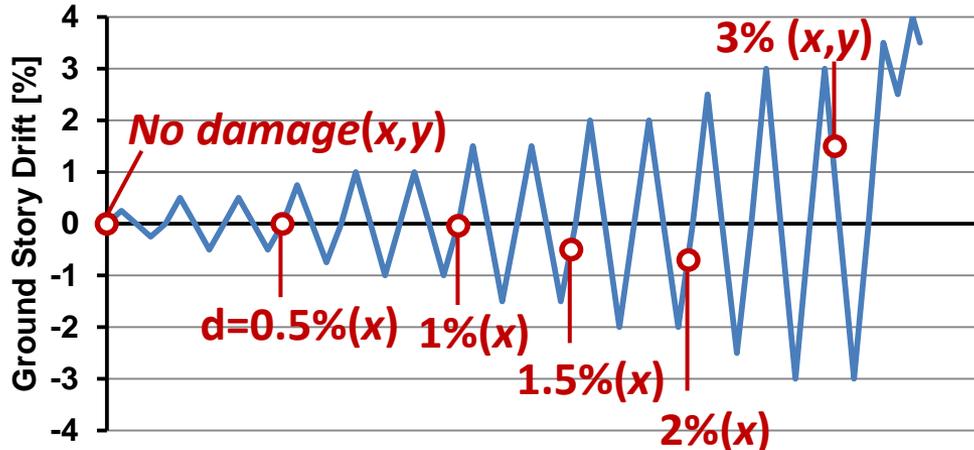
## Building 1

- 4 forced vibration tests

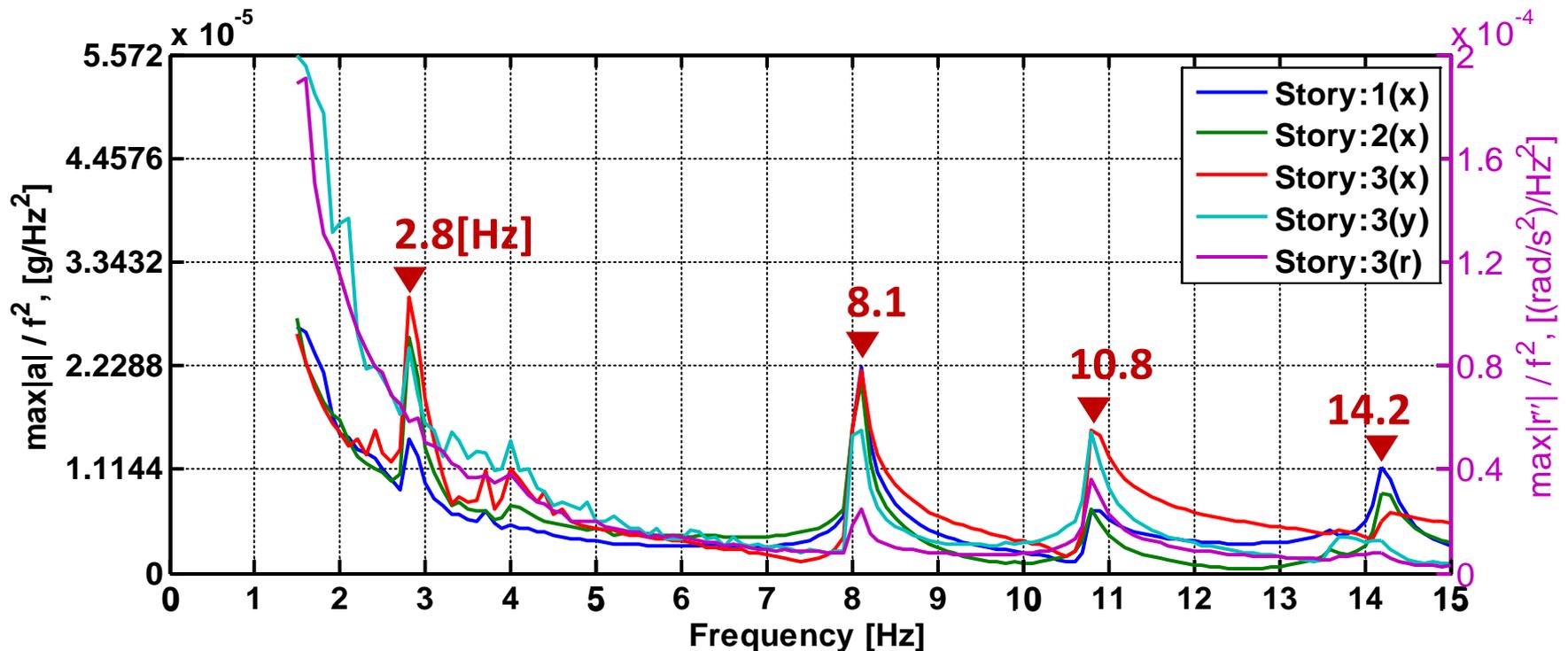


## Building 2

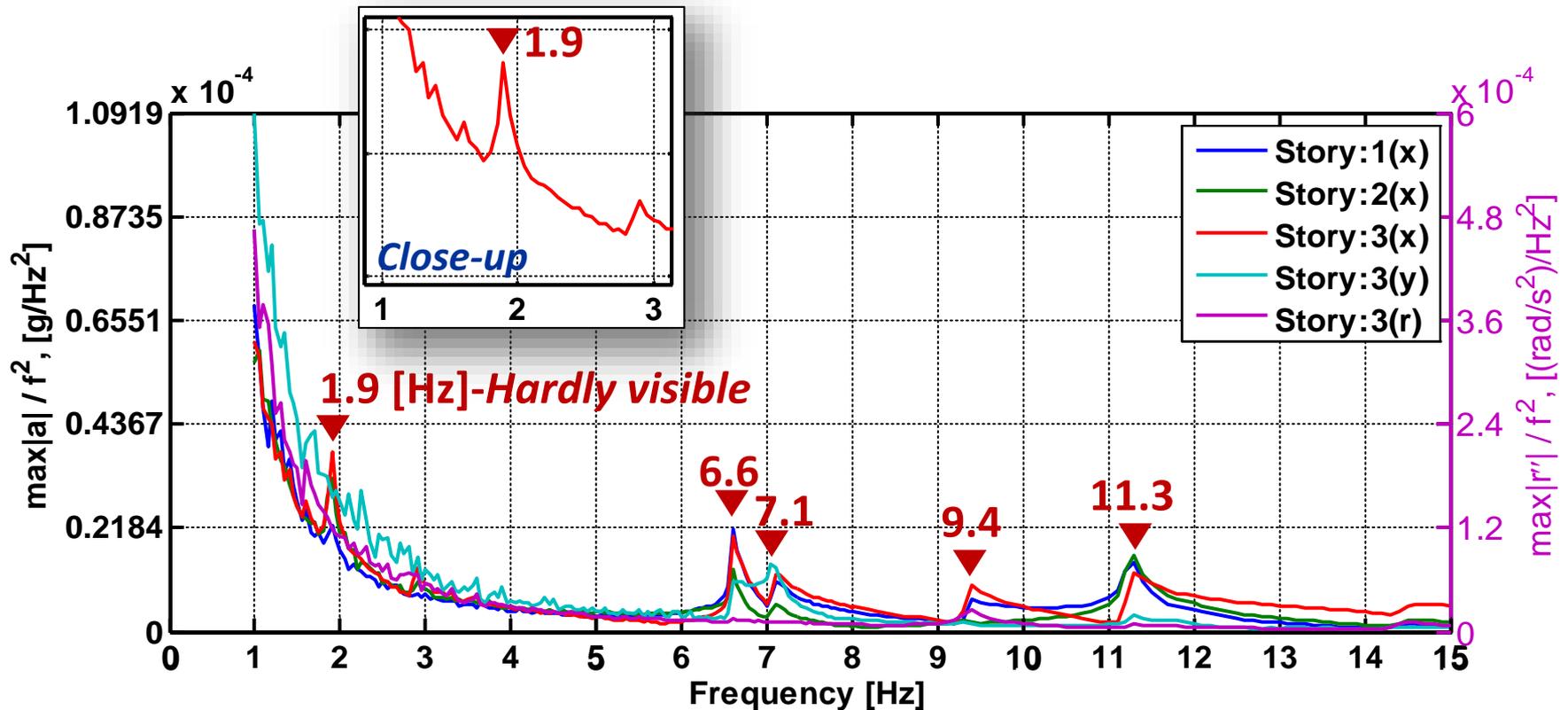
- 8 forced vibration tests



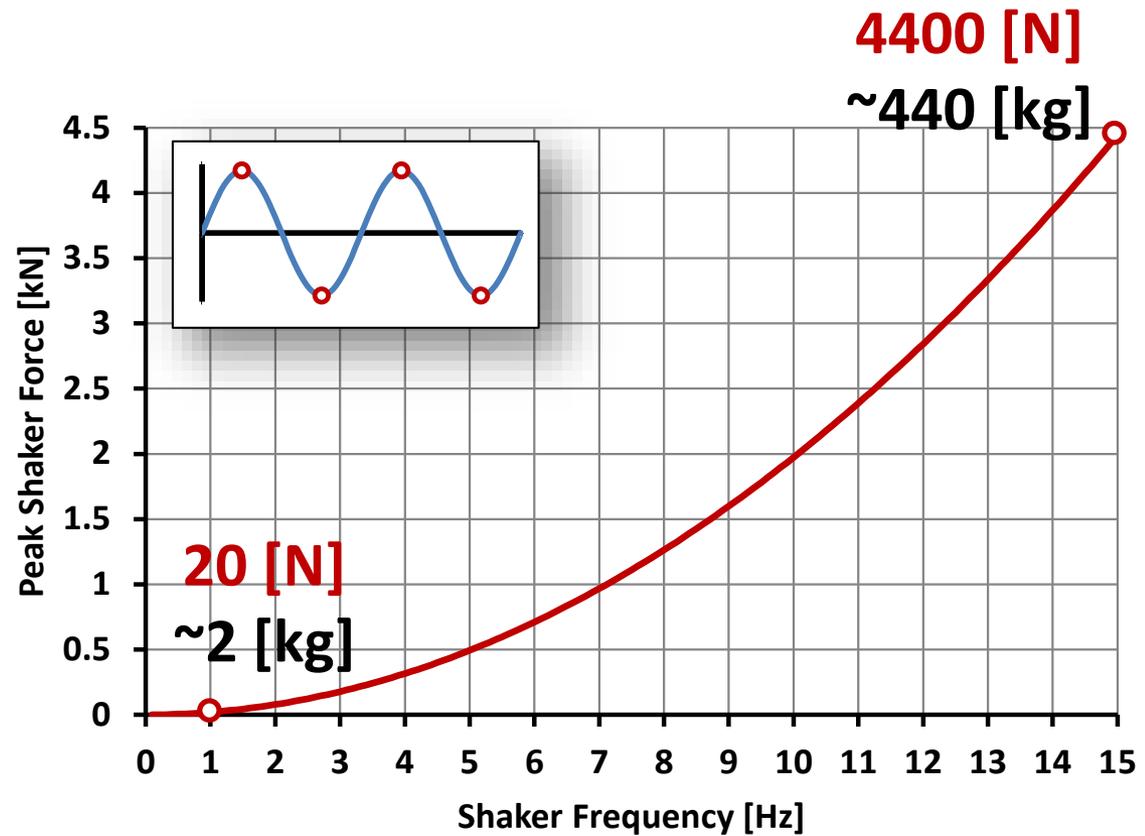
- Building 1, x-direction, no damage



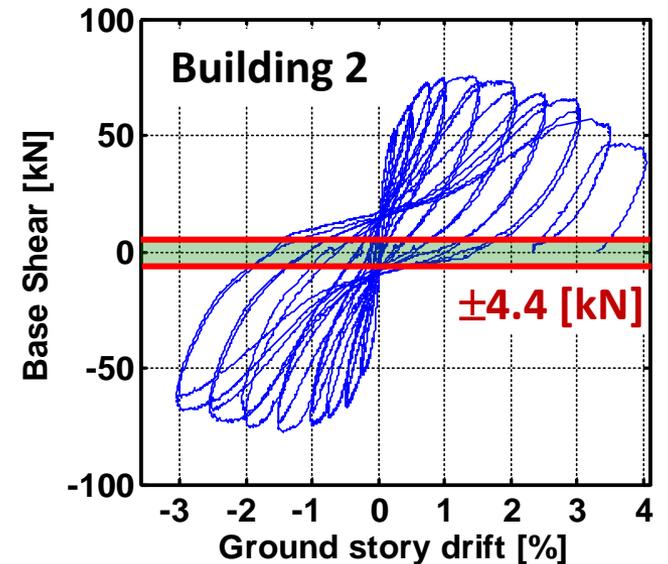
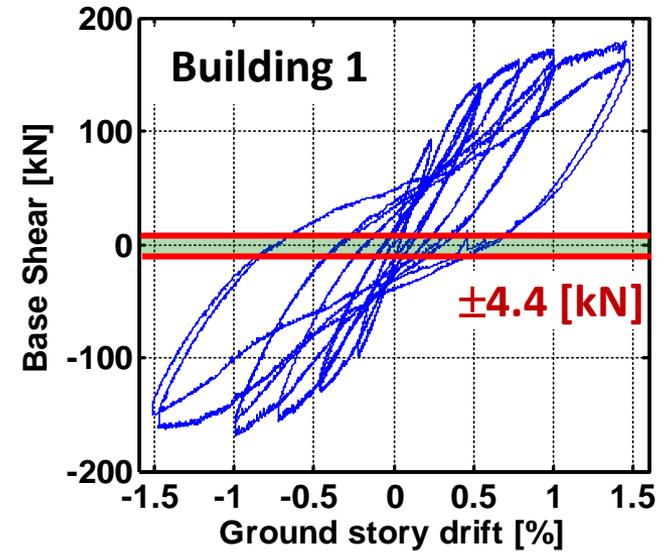
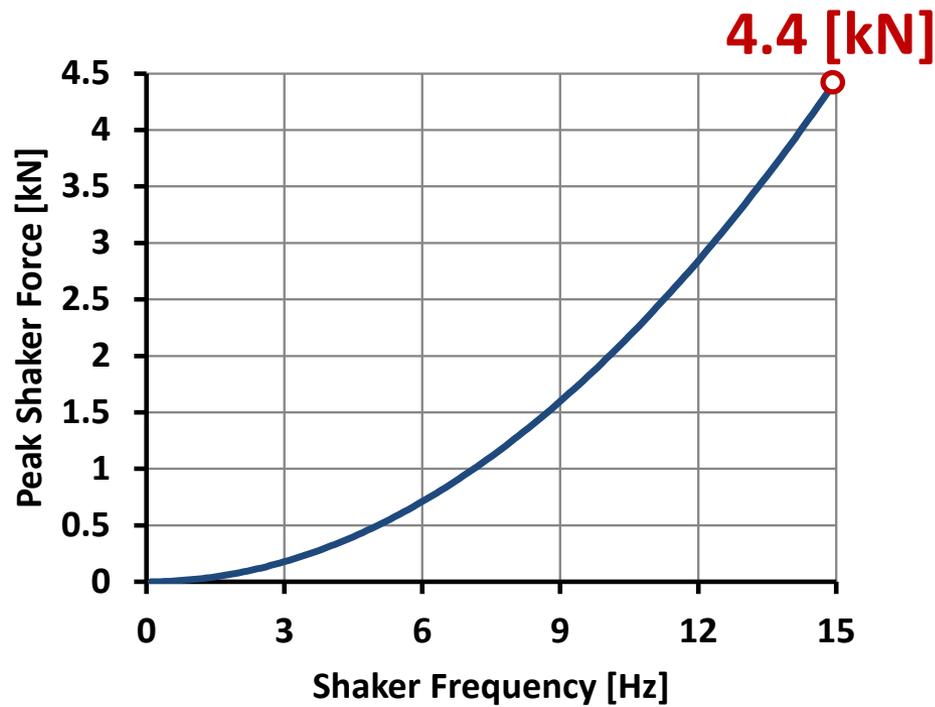
- Building 1, x-direction, d=1.5%



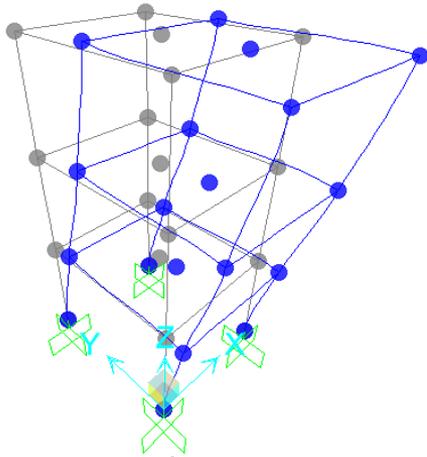
- Peak force at maximum eccentricity



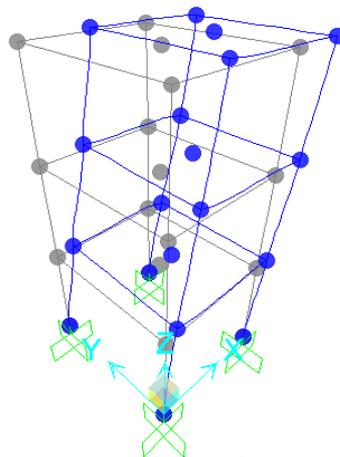
- Risk of large deformations



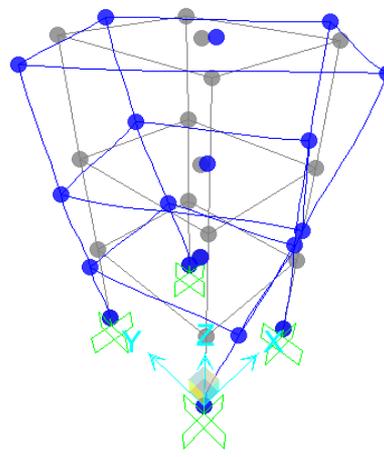
- Building 1



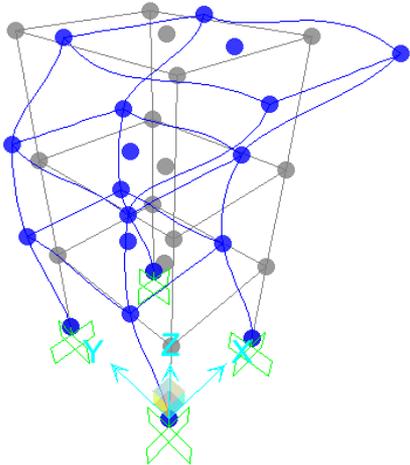
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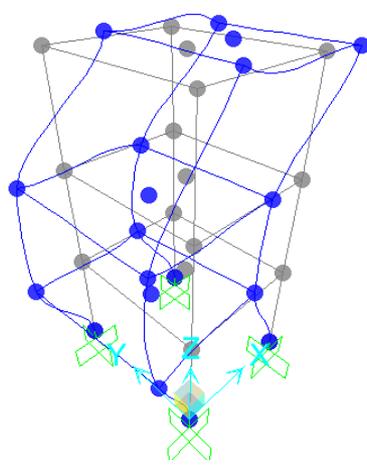
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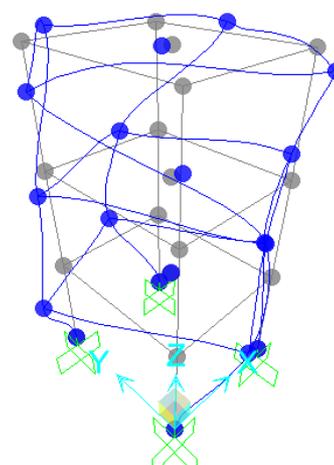
**Mode 3**



**Mode 4**



**Mode 5**



**Mode 6**

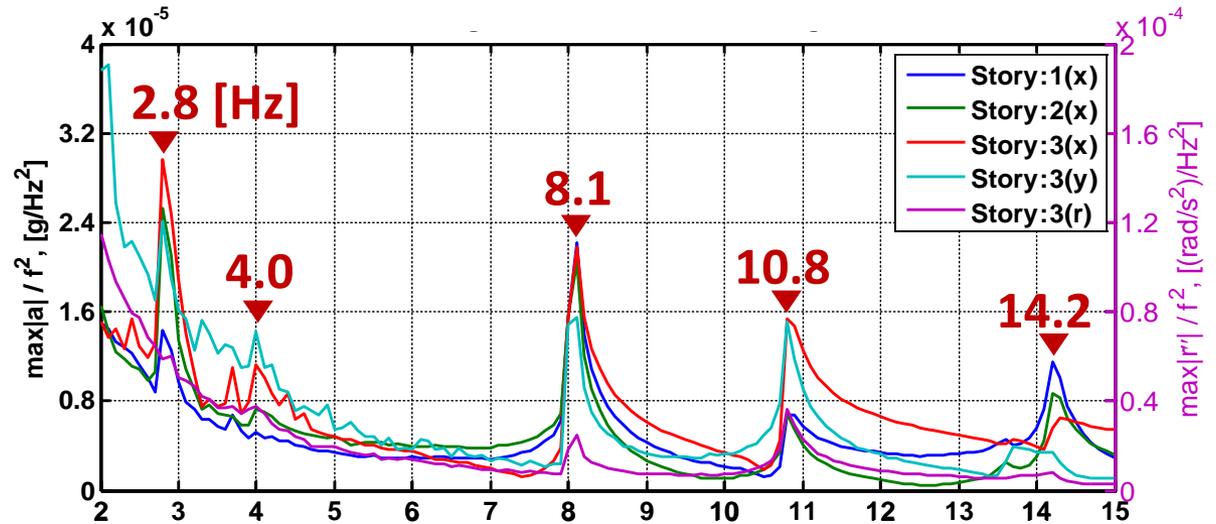
| Mode | Freq. [Hz] | Period [s] |
|------|------------|------------|
| 1    | 3.29       | 0.304      |
| 2    | 3.47       | 0.289      |
| 3    | 4.43       | 0.225      |
| 4    | 10.0       | 0.100      |
| 5    | 10.6       | 0.094      |
| 6    | 12.9       | 0.077      |
| 7    | 17.7       | 0.056      |
| 8    | 18.9       | 0.053      |
| 9    | 22.8       | 0.044      |

*$E_c$  estimated simply using TS500 (Eq.3.2) to obtain a preliminary value.*

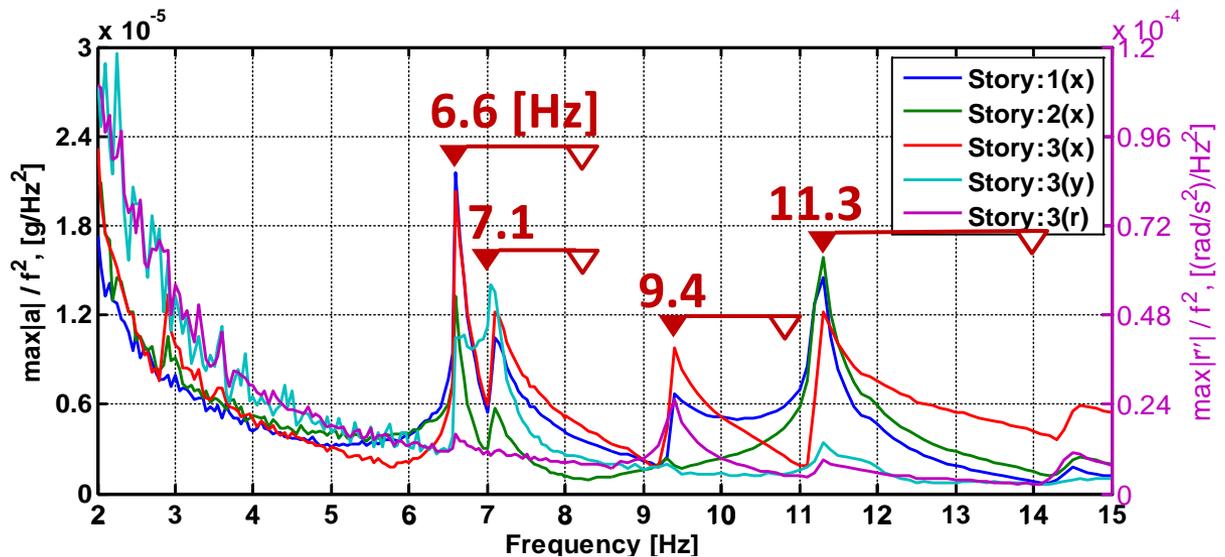


- Building 1, X-direction

No damage

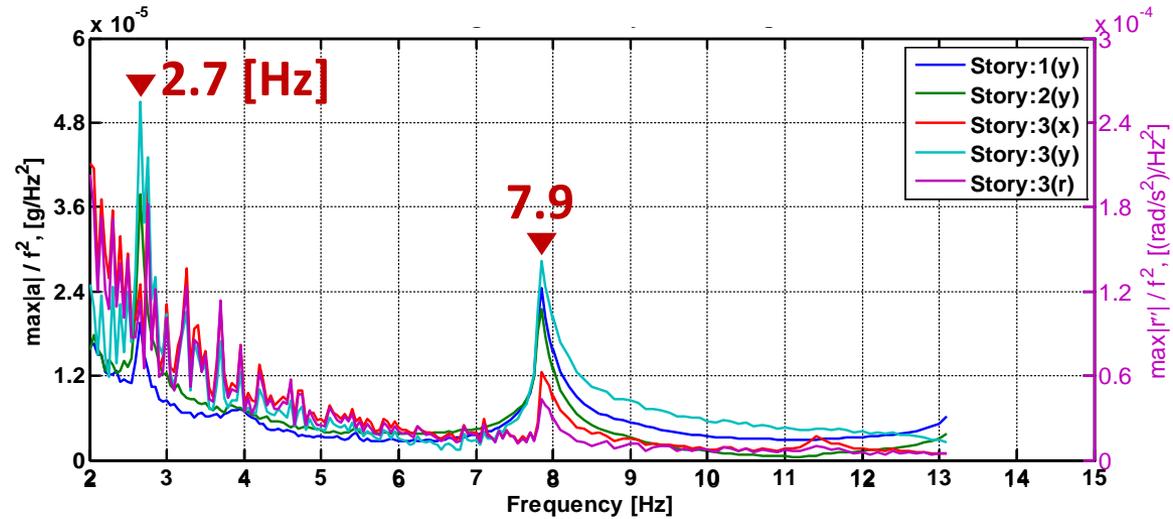


After 1.5% drift

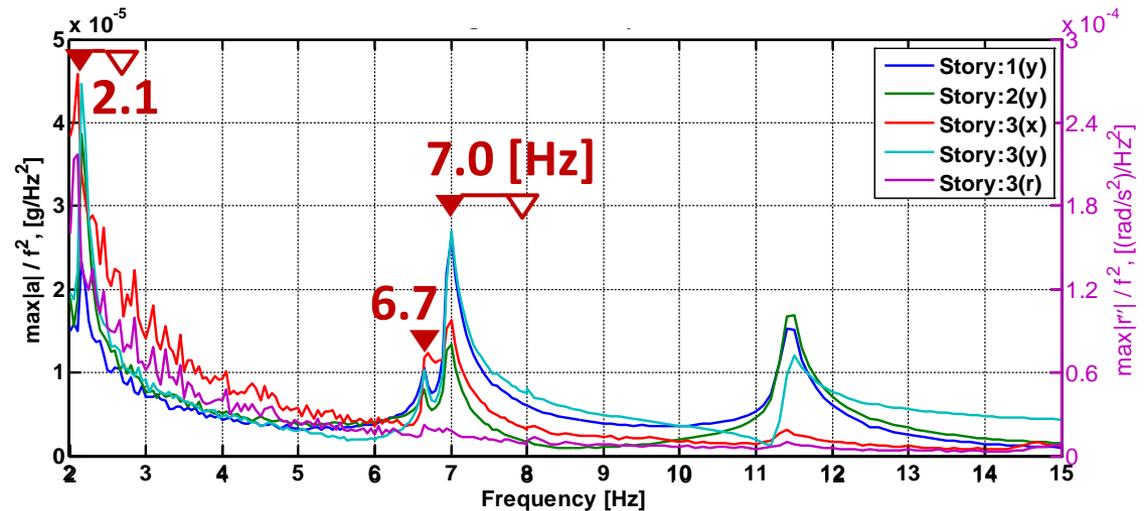


- Building 1, Y-direction

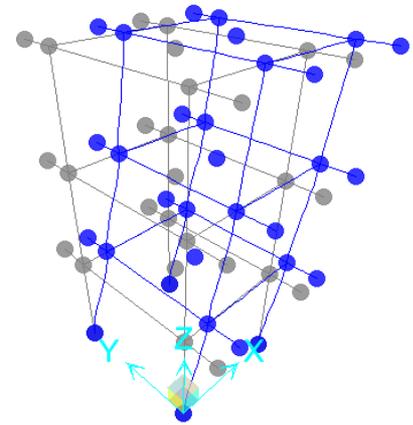
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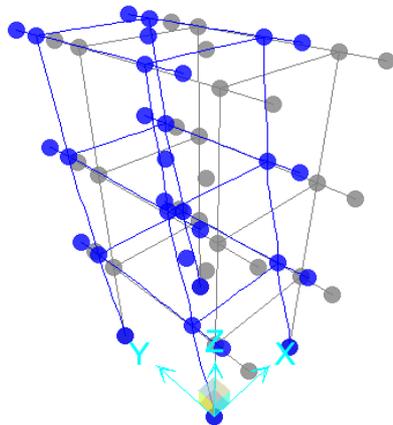
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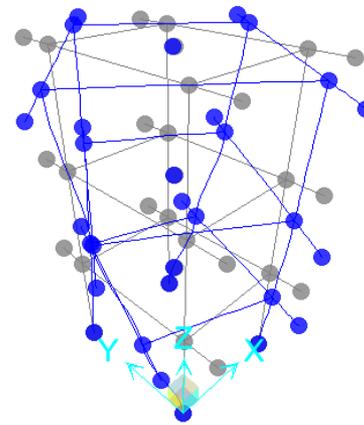
- Estimated Modal Characteristics of Building 2



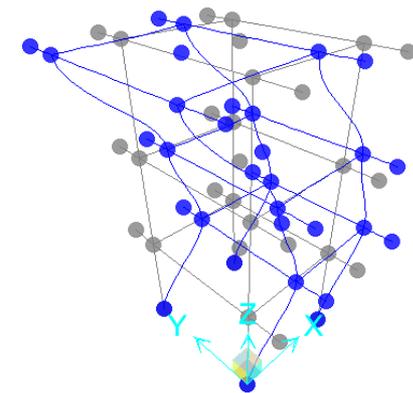
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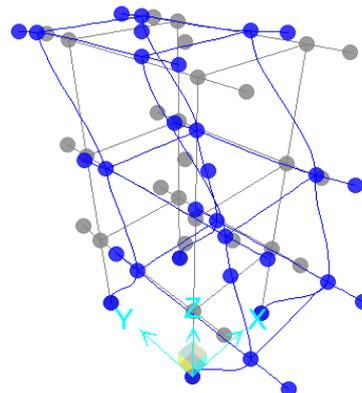
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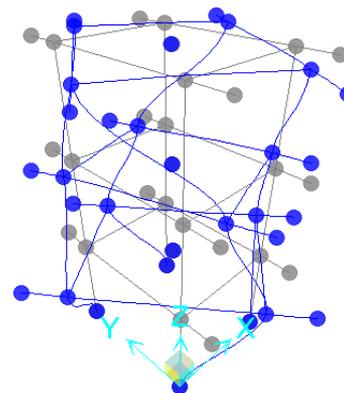
**Mode 3**



**Mode 4**



**Mode 5**



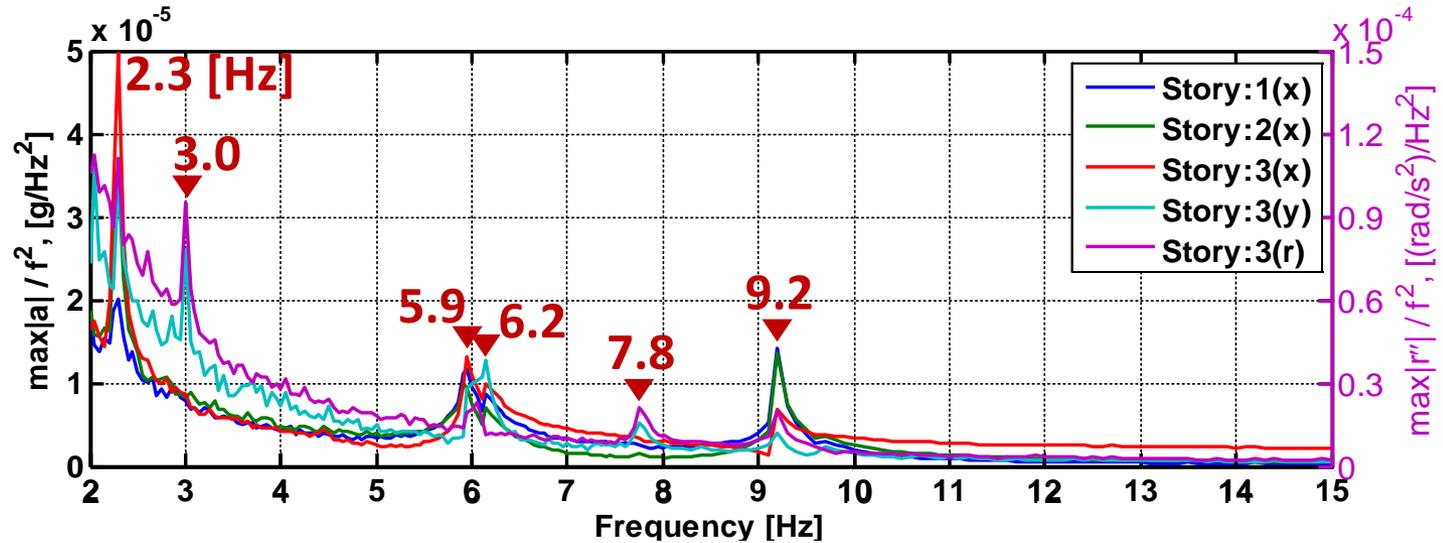
**Mode 6**

| Mode | Freq. [Hz] | Period [s] |
|------|------------|------------|
| 1    | 2.11       | 0.473      |
| 2    | 2.12       | 0.473      |
| 3    | 2.79       | 0.358      |
| 4    | 6.00       | 0.166      |
| 5    | 6.02       | 0.166      |
| 6    | 7.86       | 0.127      |
| 7    | 8.89       | 0.112      |
| 8    | 8.89       | 0.112      |
| 9    | 11.4       | 0.0873     |

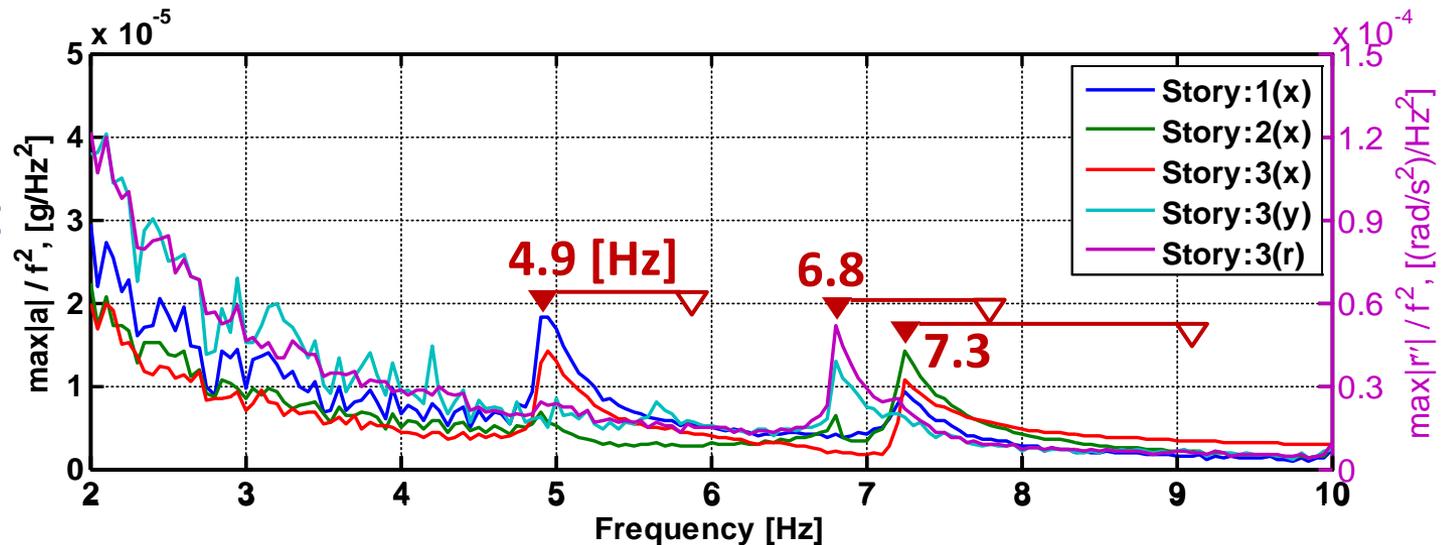


- Building 2, X-direction

No damage

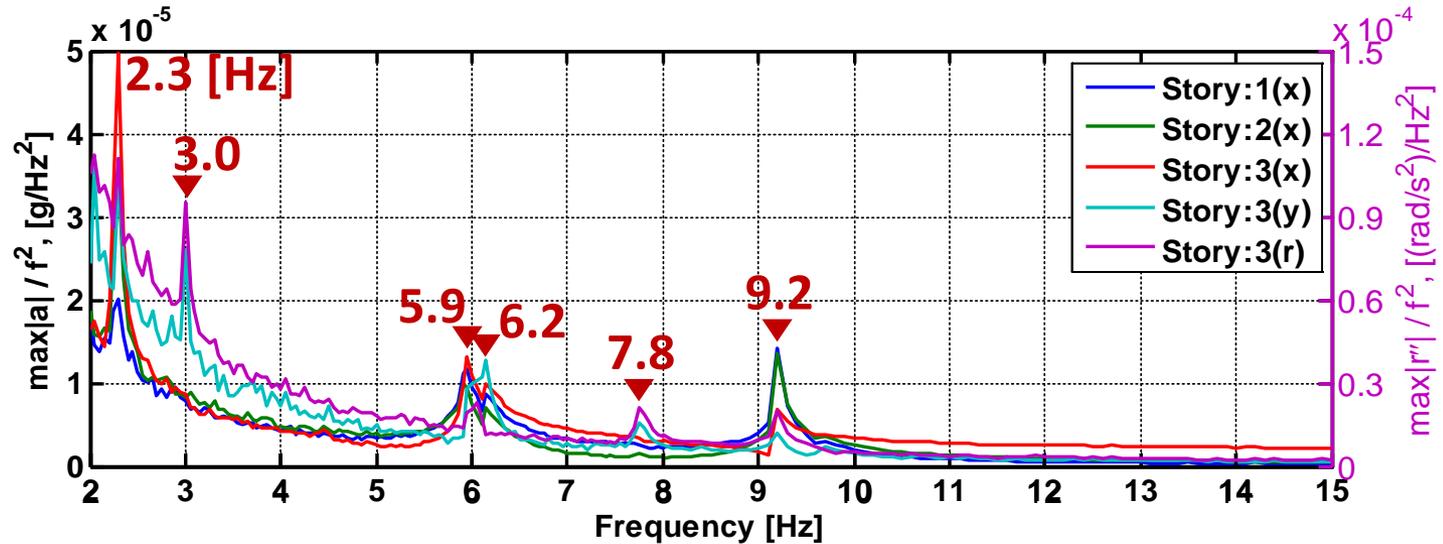


After 0.5% drift

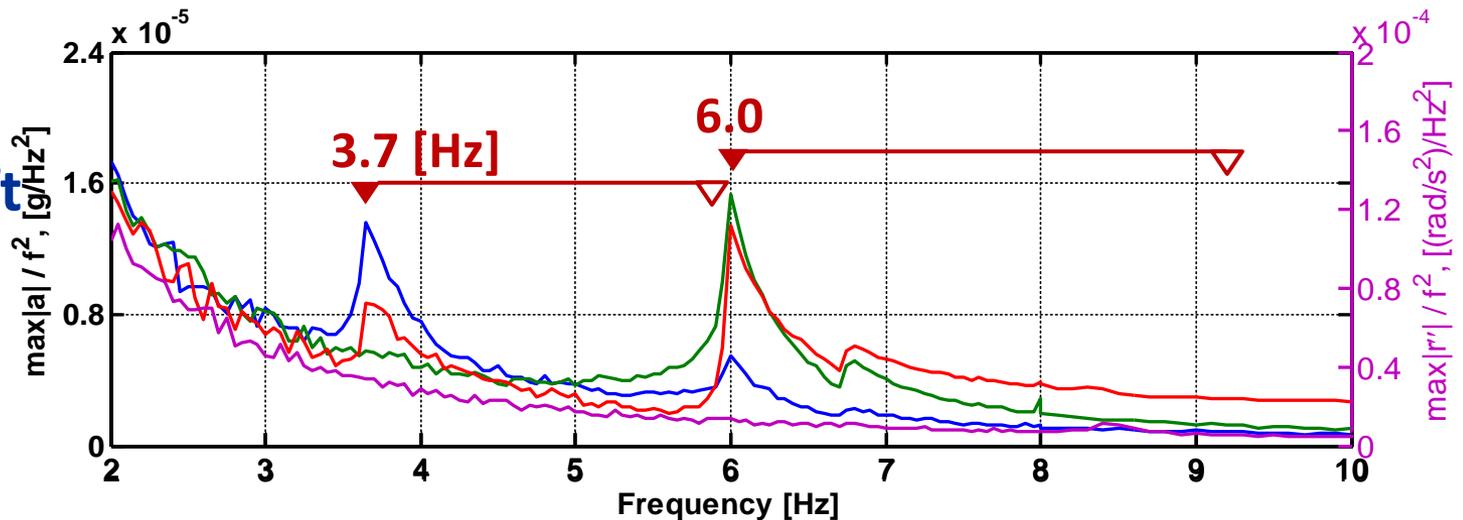


- Building 2, X-direction

No damage

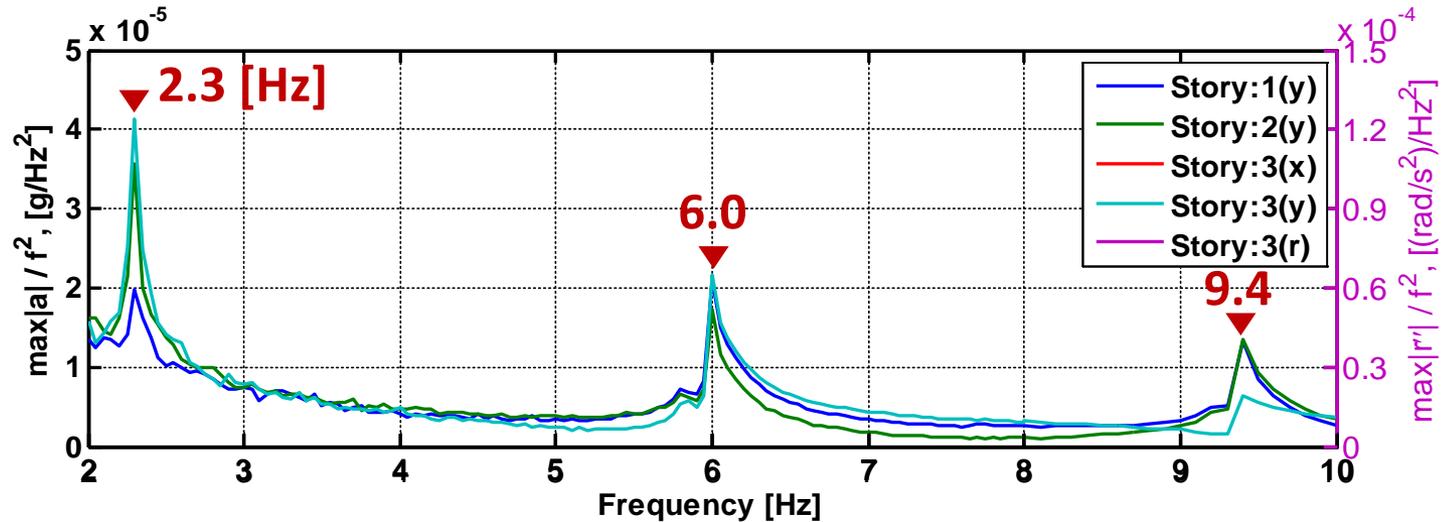


After 3.0% drift

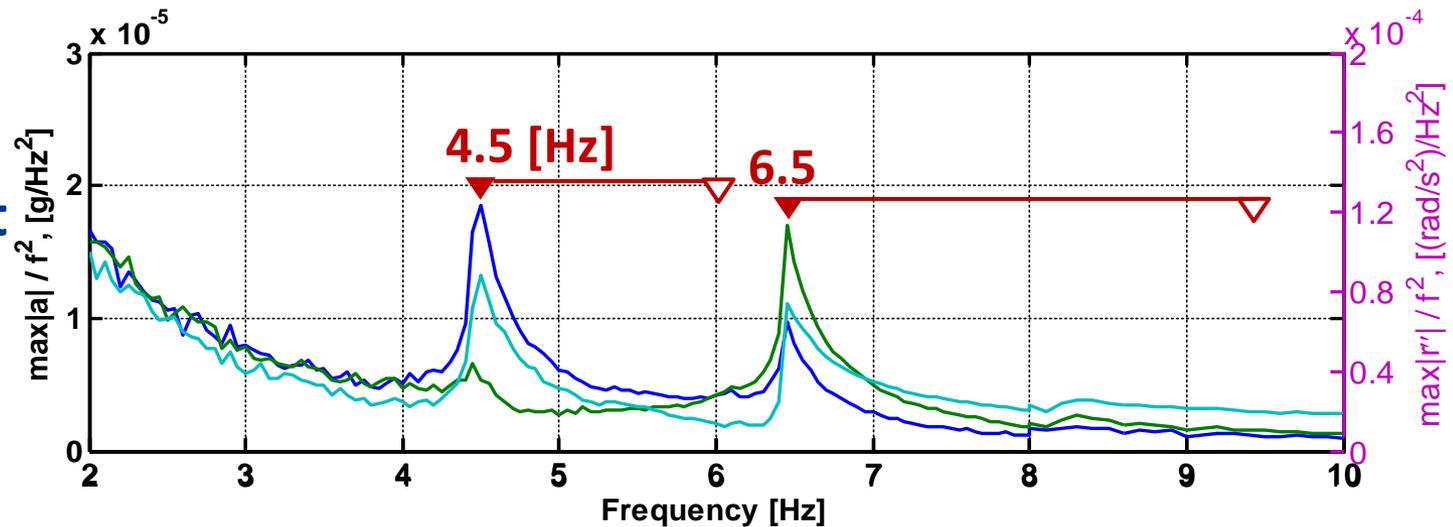


- Building 2, Y-direction

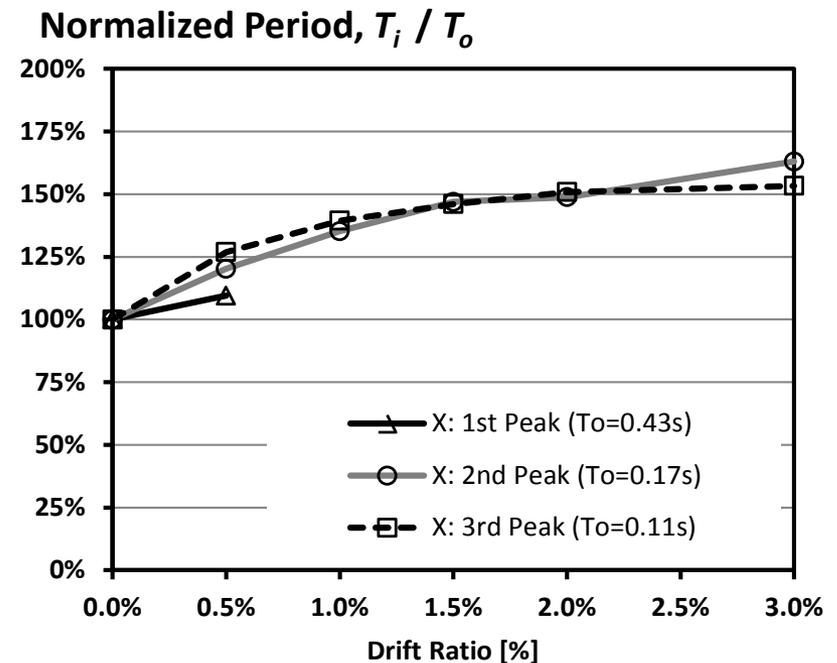
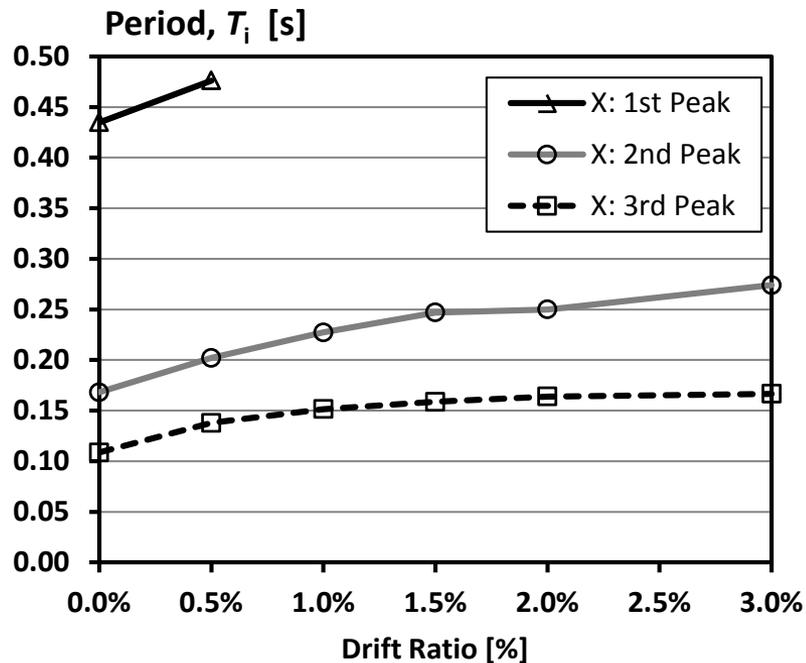
No damage



After 3.0% drift

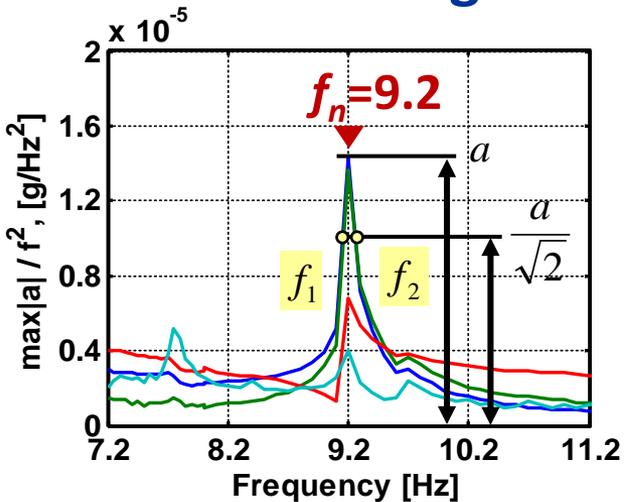


- Building 2: Elongation of modal periods with increasing damage

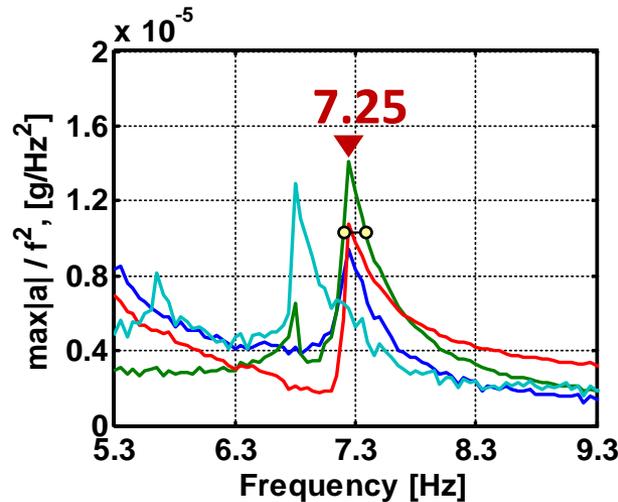


- Identification of Damping using Half Power Bandwidth Method

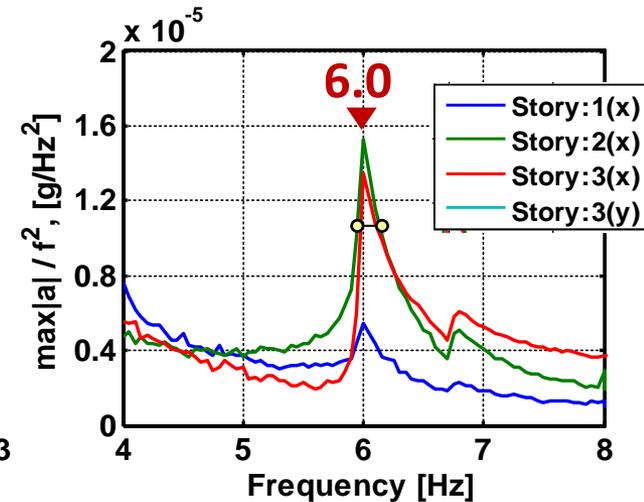
### No damage



### After 0.5% drift



### After 3.0% drift



$$\zeta = \frac{f_2 - f_1}{2f_n} *$$

$\zeta = 0.6\%$

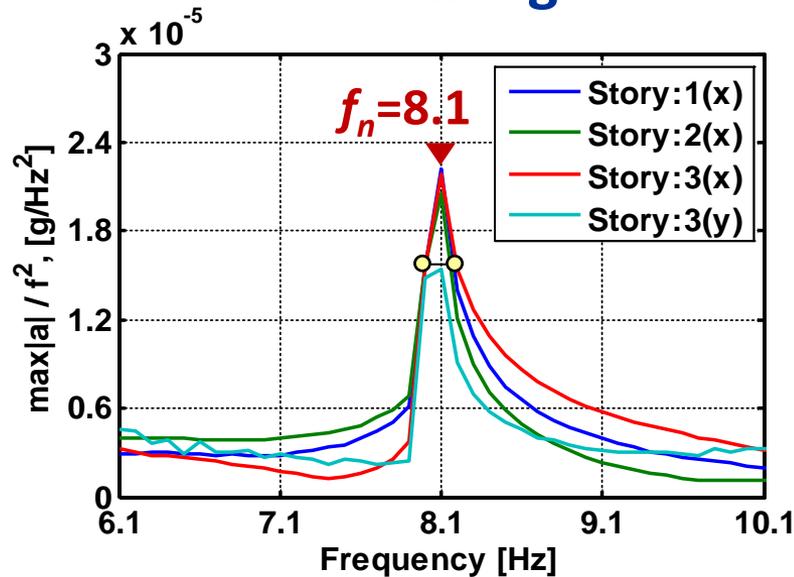
$\zeta = 1.4\%$

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\*Chopra (2012)

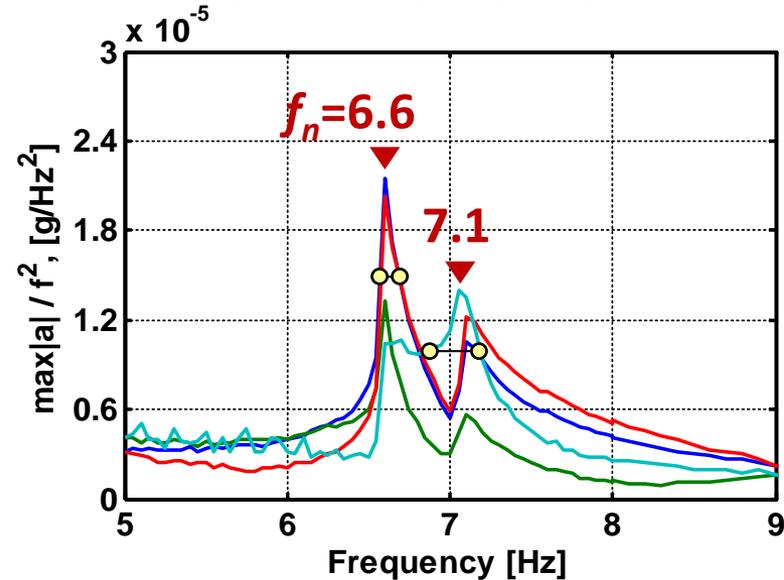
- Issues related to damping when the peaks are coincident:  
(Building 1)

No damage



$\zeta = 1.3\%$

After 1.5% drift

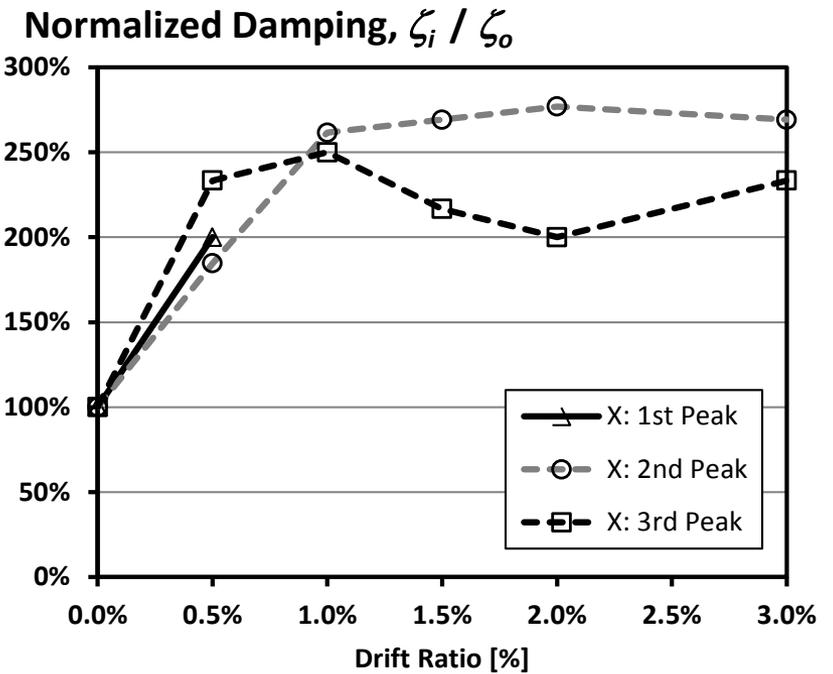
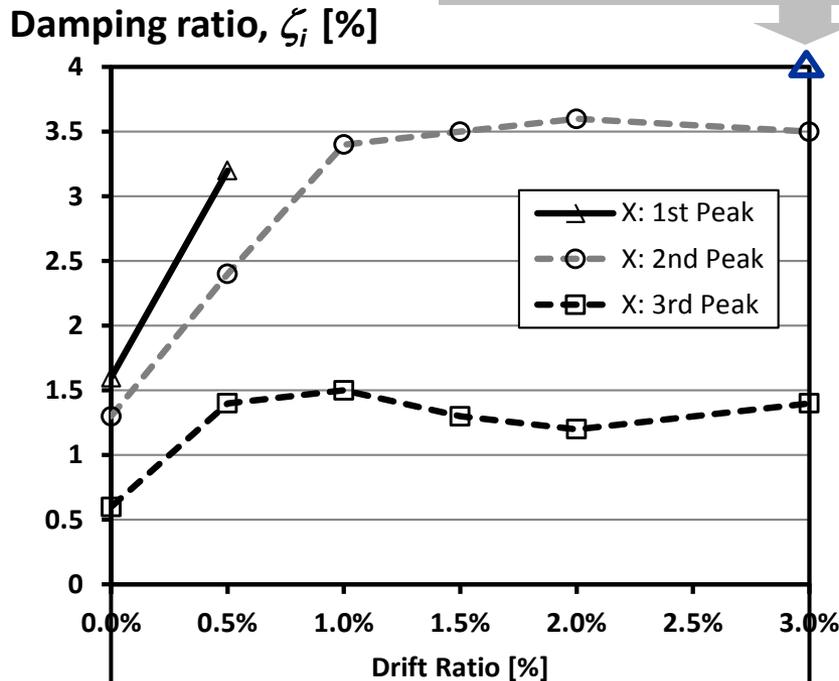


$\zeta = 1.1\%$

$\zeta = 2.6\%$

- Building 2, X-Direction

Extrapolated:  
 $2.5 \times (1.6\%) = 4\%$

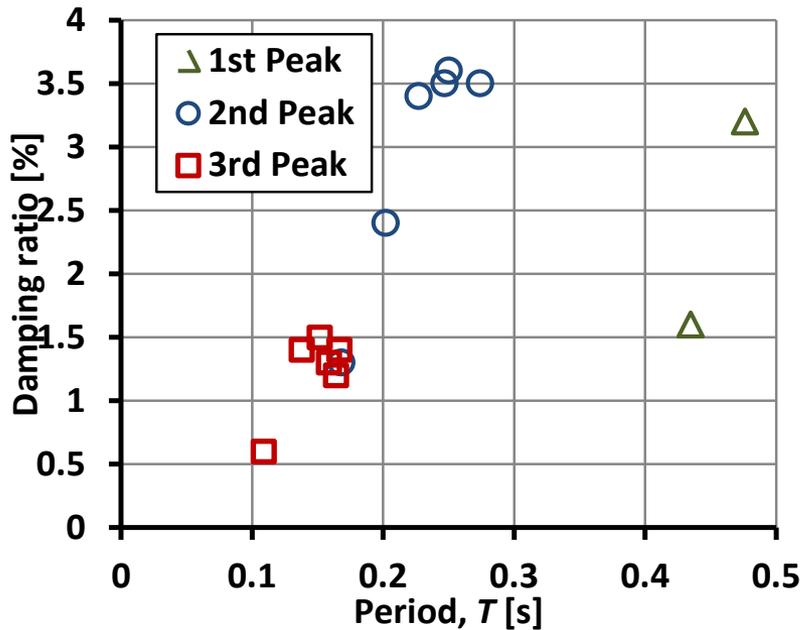


Operational  
 Im. Occupa.  
 Life safety  
 Near collapse



- Building 2, X-Direction

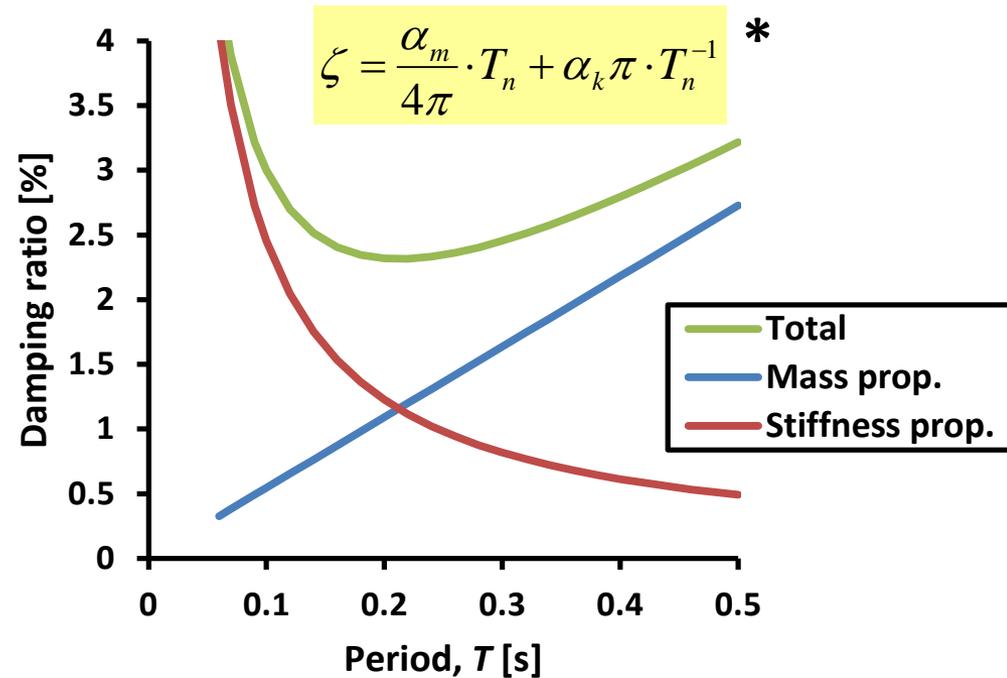
## Observed Response



- *Very limited observation set*
- *No soil flexibility*
- *No non-structural elements*

## Conventional Model

Rayleigh Damping:  $[C] = \alpha_m [M] + \alpha_k [K]$

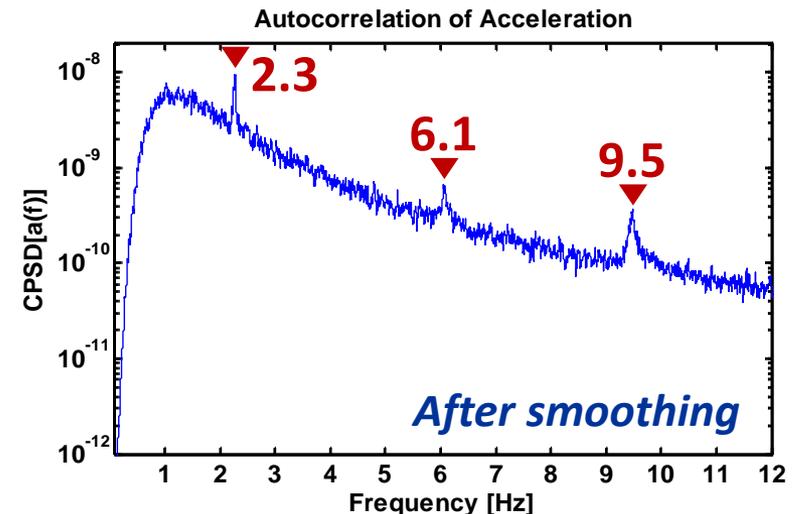
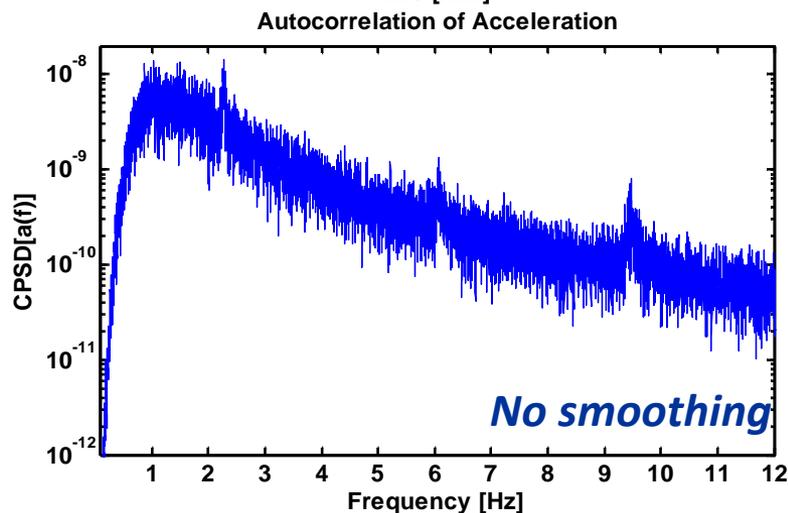
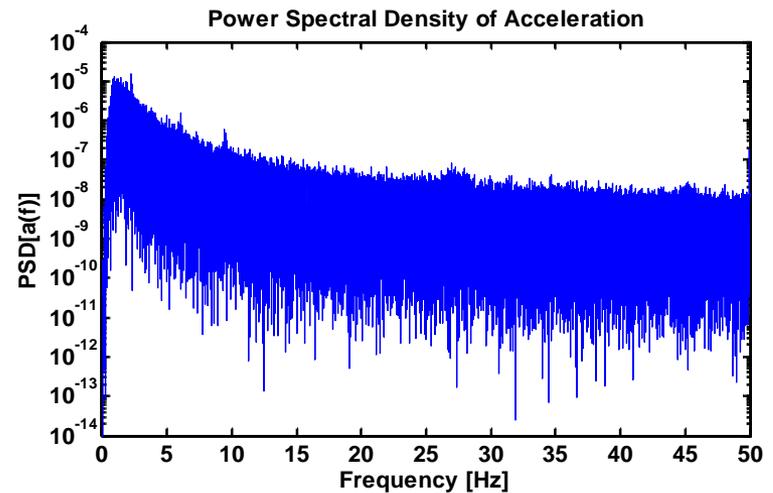
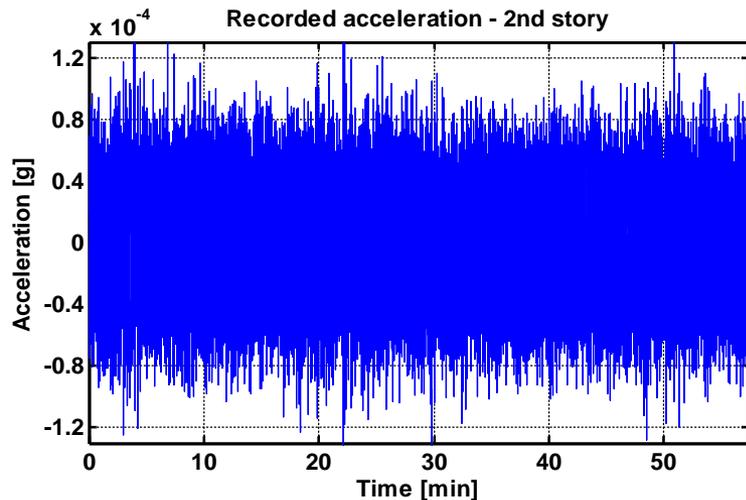


*"Extended Rayleigh Damping (with multiple constraints)" or similar models may be more suitable.*

\*Clough & Penzien (1995)

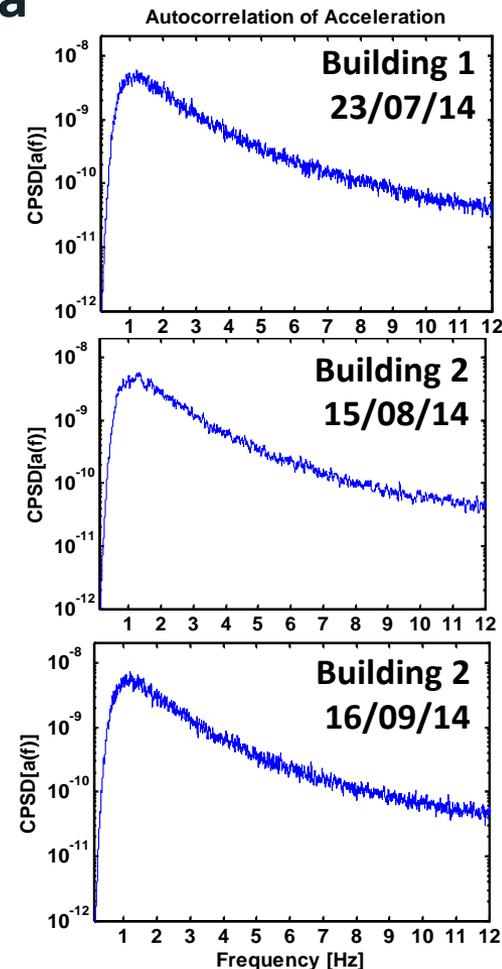
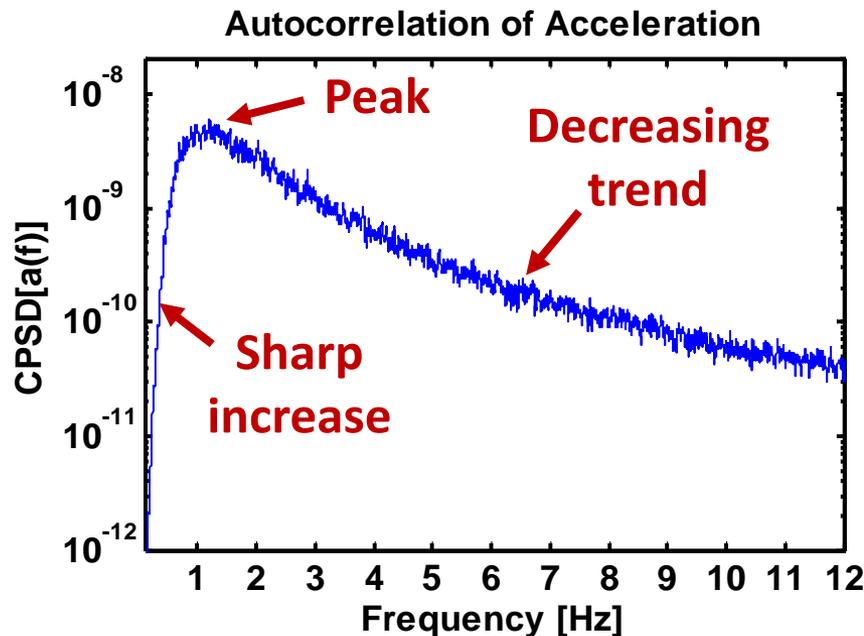
- Ambient vibrations were measured (when the time allowed)

## Example: Building 2, X-Direction, No Damage



- Issues related to the shape of resulting spectra

Example: Case for sensor at the foundation (which is expected to provide a flat spectrum).



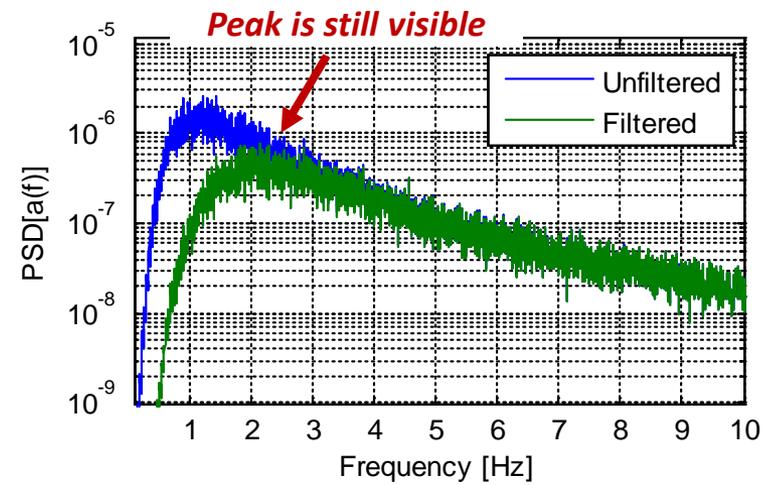
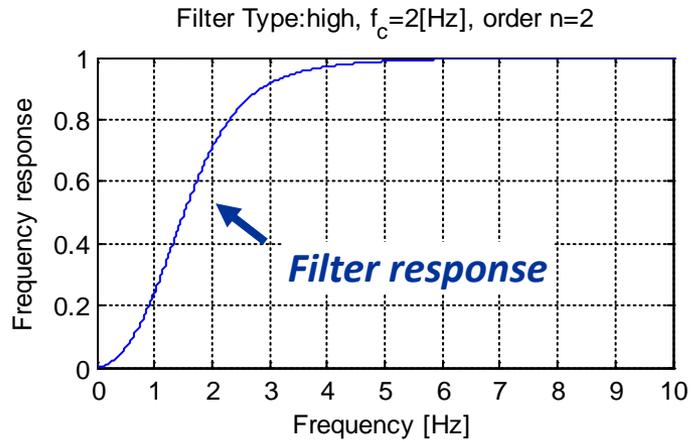
Considered causes:

- Sensor limitation
- Cabling limitation
- Connection to data logger
- *Other?*

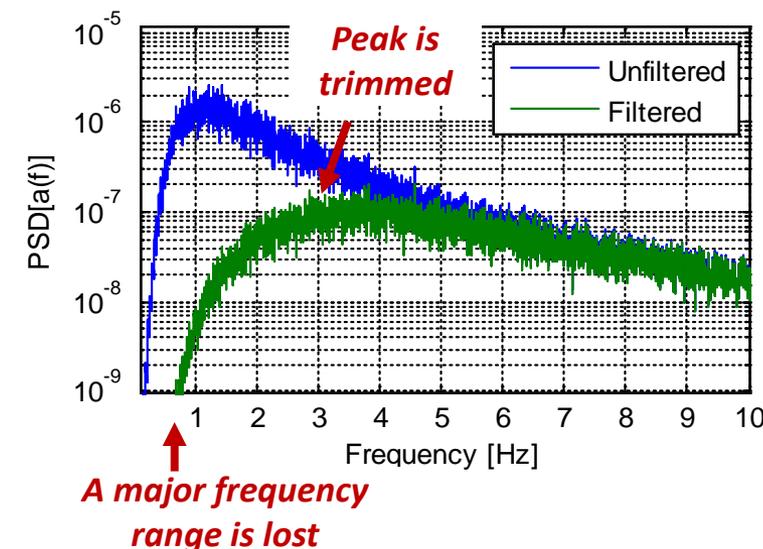
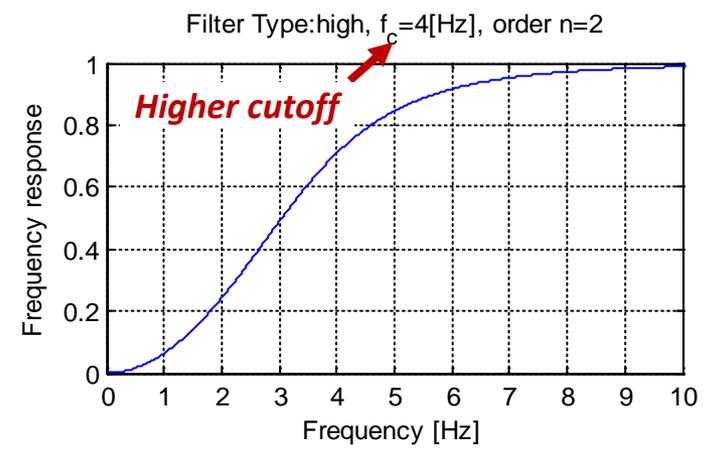
● *All have the same trend*

- Simple filtering did not solve the issue

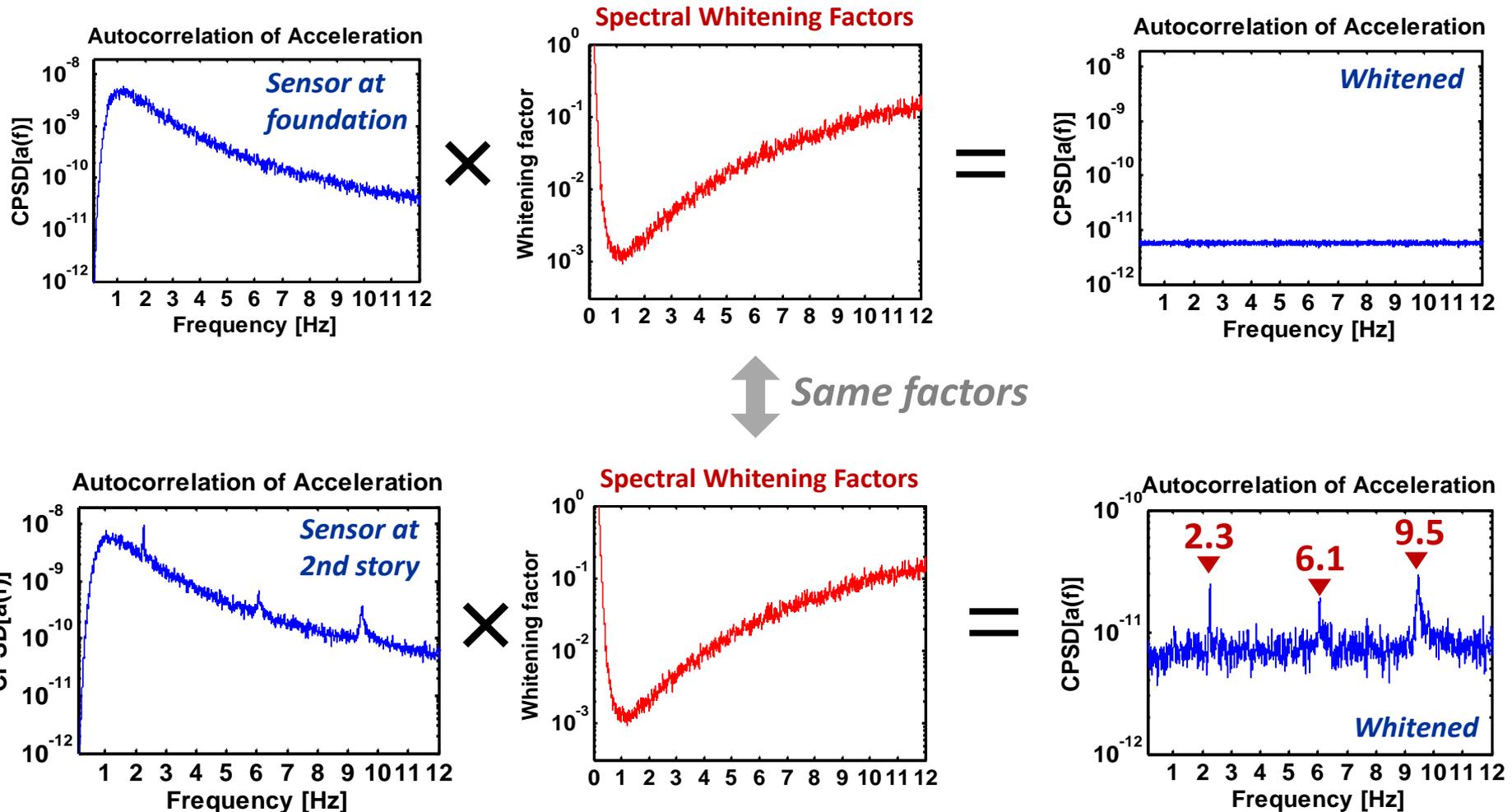
**Trial 1**



**Trial 2**

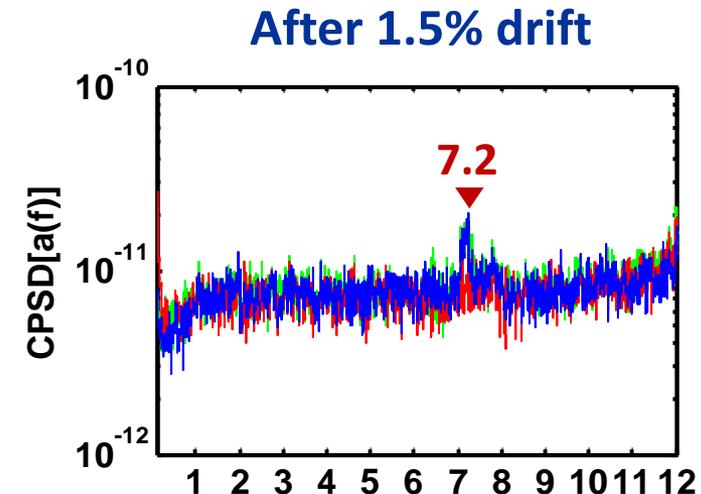
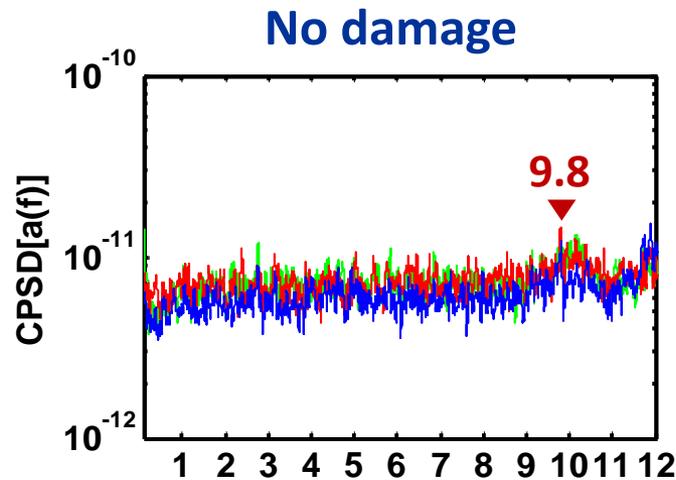


- Application of "spectral whitening"

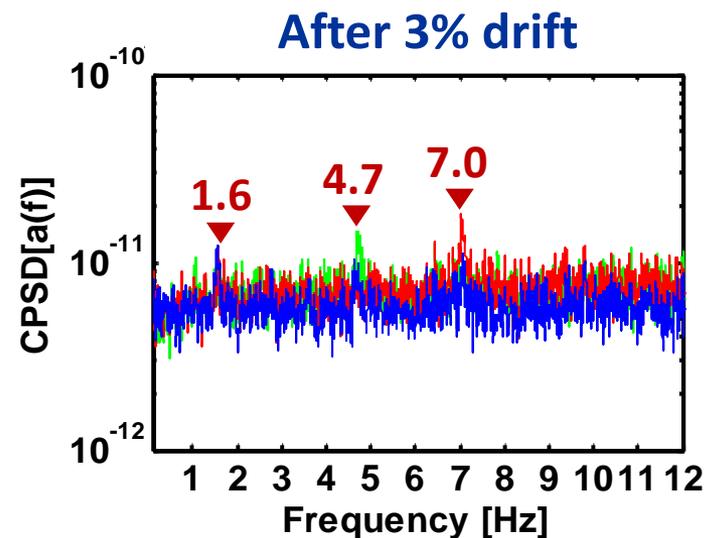
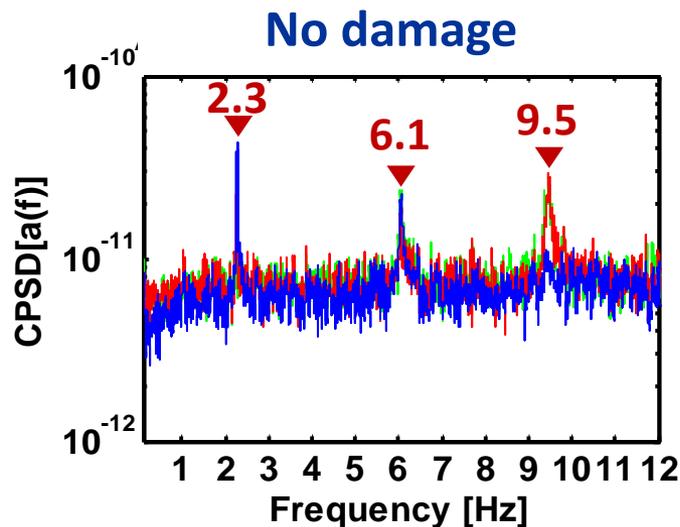


- Resulting "whitened" ambient vibration spectra

Building  
1



Building  
2



- **Stiffness evaluation:**

Forced vibration  $\rightarrow K_F$  , Undamaged v.s. damaged

Ambient vibration  $\rightarrow K_A$  " " " "

Measured static cyclic  $\rightarrow K_S$  " " " "

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- **Mode shape identification**

Forced vibration  $\rightarrow (\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots)$ , Undamaged v.s. damaged

Ambient vibration  $\rightarrow (\phi_1, \phi_2, \dots)$  " " " "

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- **Wavelet analysis of the data (together with Prof.Kusunoki)**

- **Application of FE model updating and system identification methods**

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**Preliminary conclusions of the study are, as follows:**

- **Damping was observed to increase rapidly as the buildings deformed beyond their yield limit.**
- **Observed damping behaviour is different than that is assumed in the conventional models.**
- **There are critical issues related to identification of damping in the case for closely spaced modes.**
- **Ambient vibration measurements required special processing.**

***Other conclusions are expected to be drawn as the ongoing investigations progress.***

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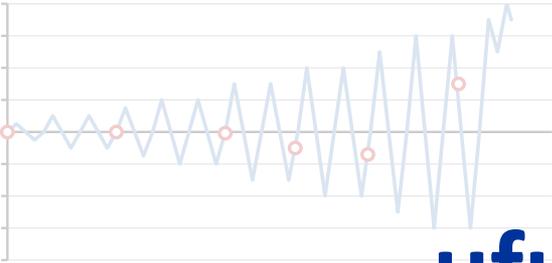
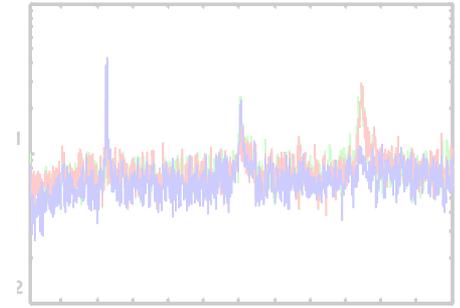
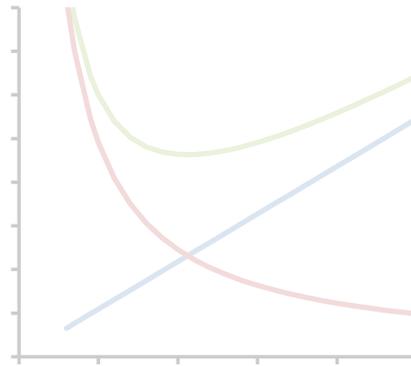
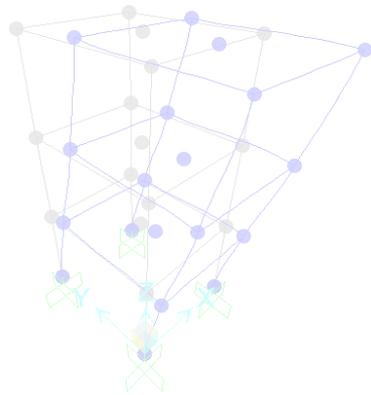
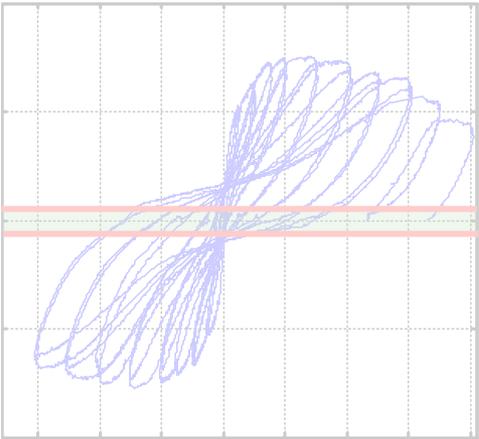
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