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Force-based vs. displacement-based design of braced steel frames



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Force-based Vs. Displacement-based design

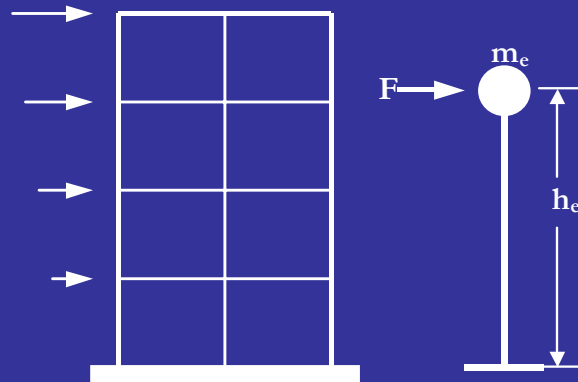
It is generally acknowledged that the structural damage due to seismic events is related to strains developed in members and, as a consequence, it is related to their displacements.

Hence, displacements and drifts are the best indicators of structural damage.

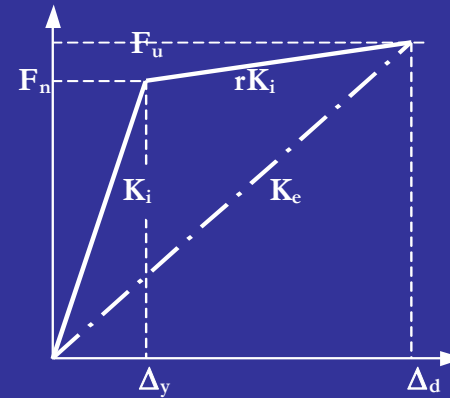
In codified force-based design procedures, displacements are considered only as an output of the design process

Contrary, in displacement-based design procedures, displacements are the input data of the design process.

Fundamentals of Direct DBD



(a) SDOF Simulation



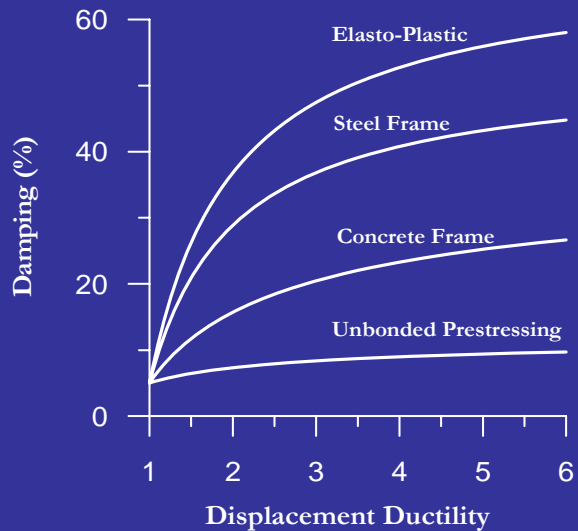
(b) Effective Stiffness K_e

$$V_b = K_e \Delta_d$$

Set: Δ_d



Get: μ

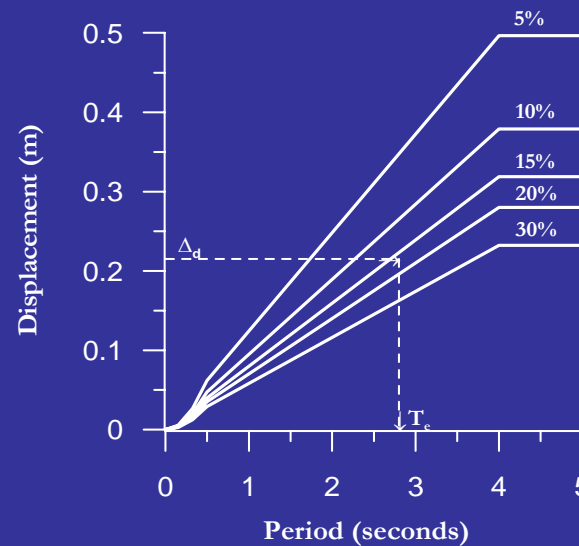


(c) Equivalent damping vs. ductility

Use: μ



Get: ξ



(d) Design Displacement Spectra

Use: Δ_d & ξ



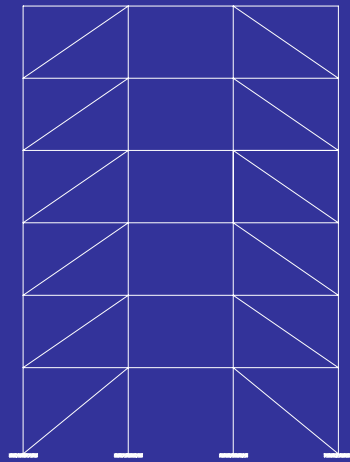
Get: T_e

Use: T_e & m_e

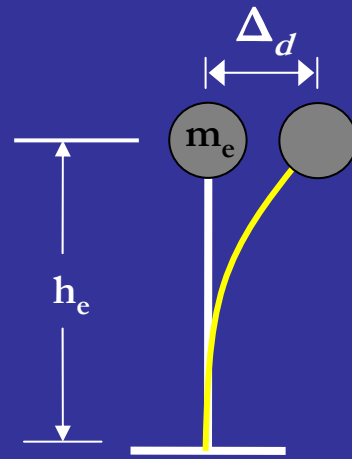


Get: K_e

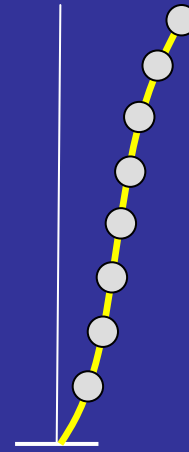
Setting the design displacement Δ_d



Complex structure

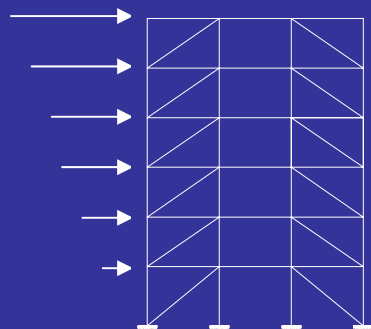


Equivalent SDOF system

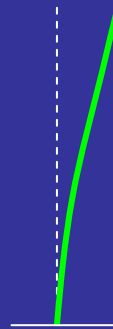


$$\Delta_d = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (m_i \Delta_i^2)}{\sum_{i=1}^n (m_i \Delta_i)}$$

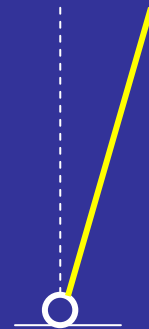
Can use displacements of masses (virtual work) to obtain design displacement.



Elastic deformations

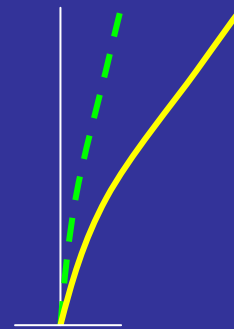


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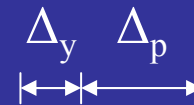


Plastic deformations

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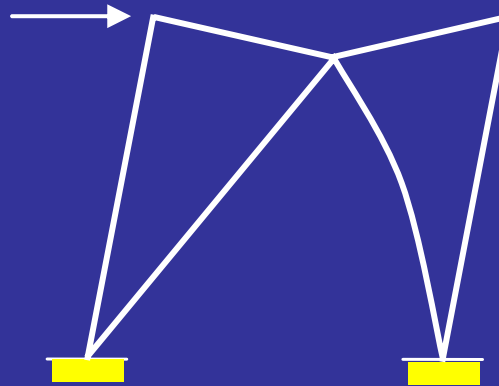
Final shape



To define Δ_d will need to know displaced shape of structure at yielding and at maximum response.

Displacement shape of inverted V CB structures

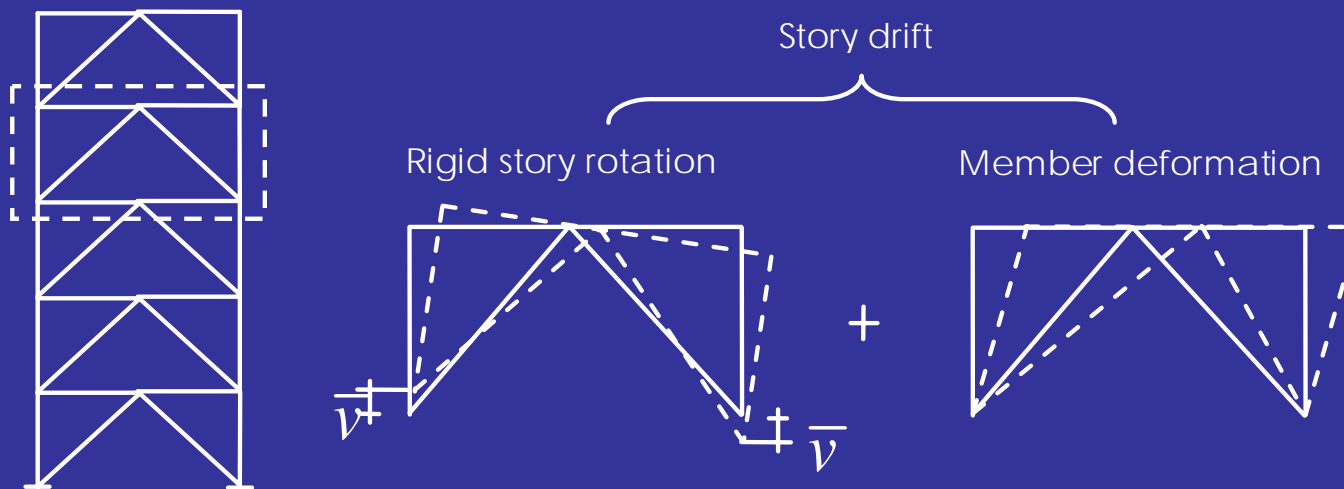
Concentrically braced structures are characterised by brace buckling, occurring with large strength degradation in the compression braces.



The pre-buckling response (elastic field) may be quite different from the post-buckling behaviour, in terms of height-wise distribution of story displacements.

Yield displacement shape of inverted V CB structures

Yield displacement correspond to the first non-linear event, i.e. the first brace buckling



$$\theta_{i,y} = \frac{2\bar{v}_{i,y}}{L} + \frac{2\varepsilon_{br,i}}{\sin 2\alpha_i} = \frac{2\bar{v}_{i,y}}{L} + \frac{2\rho_{br,i}\chi_{br,i}\varepsilon_y}{\sin 2\alpha_i}$$

The coefficient $\rho_{br,i}$ allows for selecting the floor at which braces must buckle first, where $\rho_{br} = 1 \rightarrow \rho_{br,i} = \frac{\chi_{br,N}}{\chi_{br,i}}$

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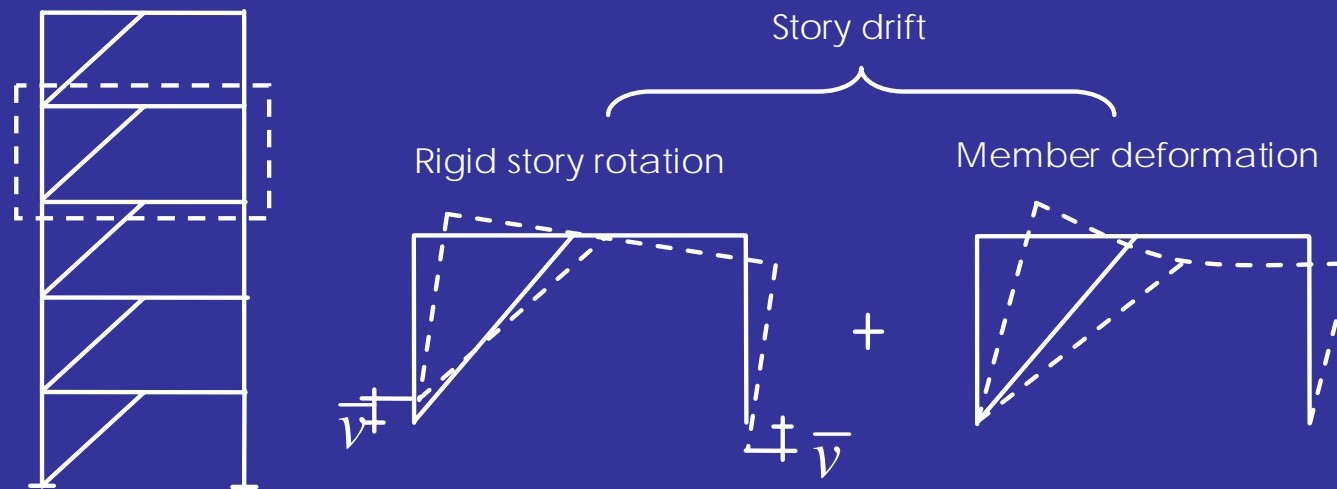
$$\bar{v}_{i,y} = \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \varepsilon_{br,j} h_j = \sum_{j=1}^{i-1} \rho_{c,j} \chi_{c,j} \varepsilon_y h_j \quad \rho_{c,i} = \frac{1}{\gamma_{ov} h_p h_f \Omega \gamma_{G,i} \gamma_s}$$

The coefficient $\rho_{c,i}$ takes into account the following phenomena:

- (i) material yield stress (and strain) larger than nominal values;
- (ii) steel hardening due to plastic deformation;
- (iii) plastic redistribution after first buckling (i.e. subsequent buckling of braces at different floors);
- (iv) axial force in the brace due to gravity loads.

Target displacement shape of inverted V CB structures

It is assumed that braces have buckled and largely deformed into the post-buckling range



$$\theta_{i,t} = \frac{2\bar{v}_{i,t}}{L} + \frac{2\varepsilon_{br,i,t}}{\sin 2\alpha_i} + \frac{v_{b,i}}{h_i} \operatorname{tg} \alpha_i + \frac{\varepsilon_{c,i,t}^l + \varepsilon_{c,i,t}^r}{2} \operatorname{tg} \alpha_i$$

$$\varepsilon_{br,t} = \gamma_{ov} \varepsilon_y \quad \varepsilon_{c,i,t} = \varepsilon_{c,i,y} / \rho_{c,i} \quad v_{b,i} \text{ is the vertical beam deflection}$$

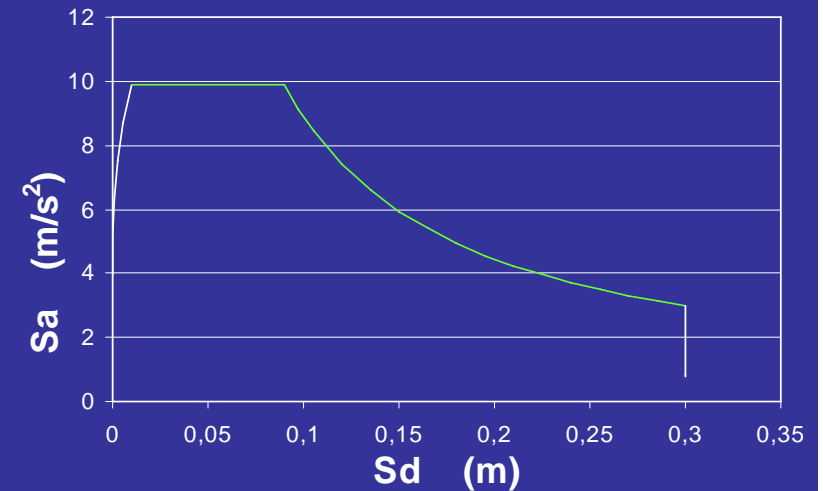
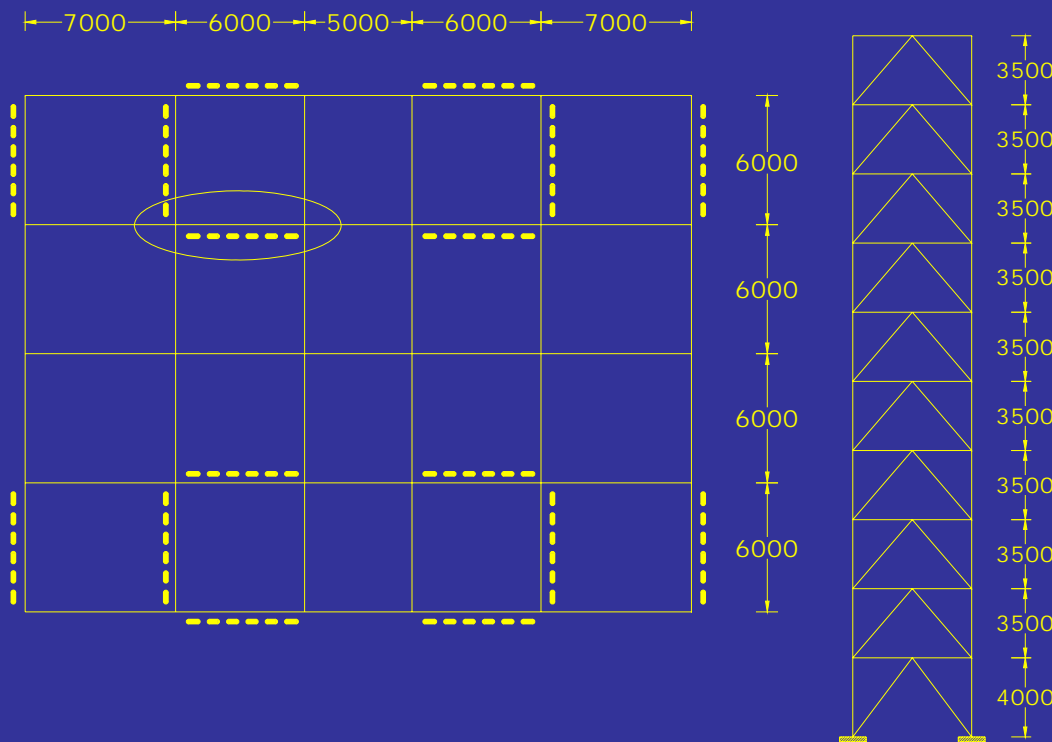
Applications: the study case

10 story building

Roof mass: 55.11 kNs²/m

1^o floor mass: 51.11 kNs²/m

ith floor mass: 51.19 kNs²/m



**Elastic design spectrum:
OPCM ground type C,
PGA on bedrock = 0.35g**

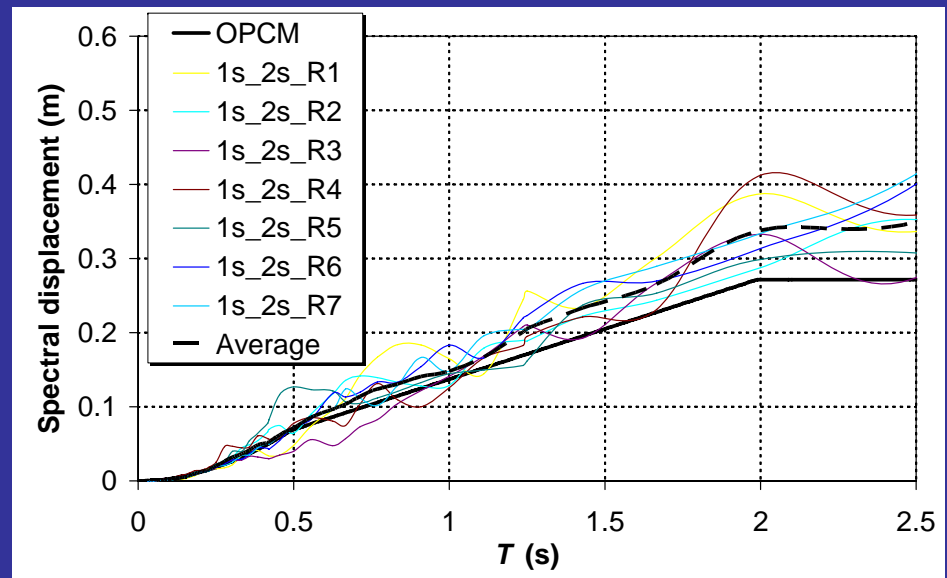
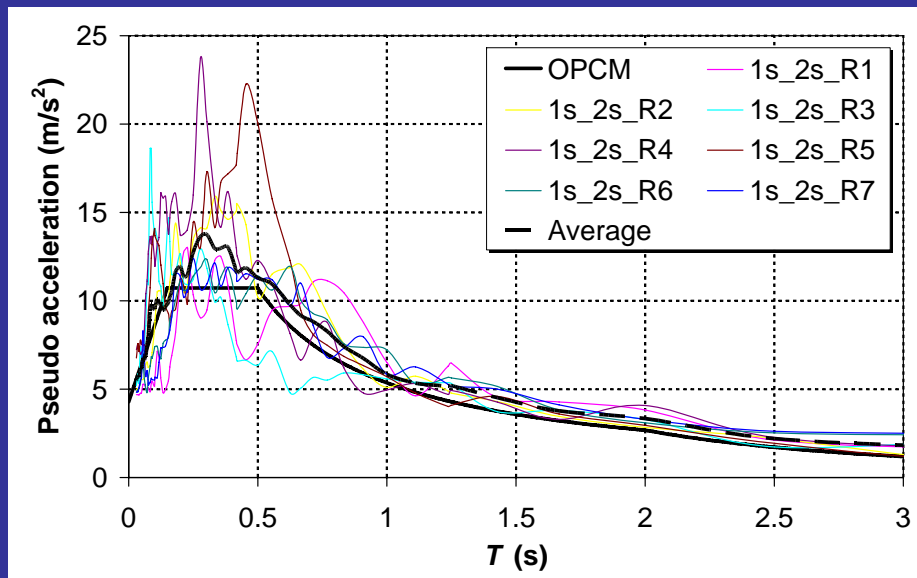
Member cross-sections: DDBD vs OPCM

Floor level	Columns		Beams			Braces
	Wide flange sections	double-T	Wide flange sections	double-T		Circular hollow sections
10	HE 160 B		HE 340 B			88.9x5
9	HE 160 B		HE 360 B			88.9x7
8	HE 240 B		HE 400 B			101.6x7
7	HE 240 B		HE 450 B			101.6x8
6	HE 320 B		HE 450 B			114.3x7
5	HE 320 B		HE 450 B			114.3x8
4	HE 600 B		HE 500 B			114.3x10
3	HE 600 B		HE 500 B			127x8
2	HE 700 M		HE 500 B			127x9
1	HE 700 M		HE 550 B			159x7

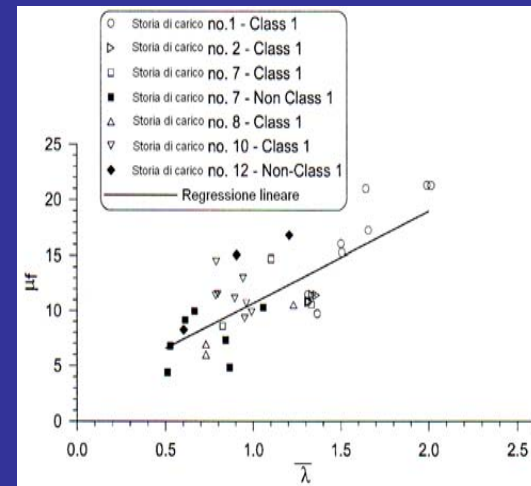
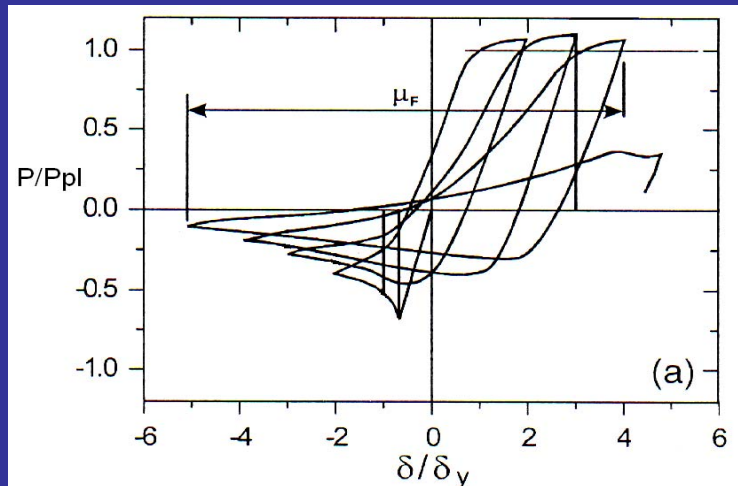
Floor level	Columns		Beams			Braces
	Wide flange sections coupled (2L)	double-T simple or	Wide flange sections	double-T		Circular hollow sections
10	HE 160 B		HE 280 M			96x7
9	HE 160 B		HE 300 M			114.3x7
8	HE 260 B		HE 300 M			114.3x9
7	HE 260 B		HE 340 M			127x9
6	HE 260 M		HE 360 M			127x10
5	HE 260 M		HE 360 M			139.7x9
4	HE 300 M		HE 400 M			139.7x9
3	HE 300 M		HE 400 M			152.4x8
2	2L HE 500 A		HE 400 M			152.4x8
1	2L HE 500 A		HE 450 M			159x9

Numerical analyses: acceleration records

The set of acceleration records used for the analyses have been developed within the Reluis research project

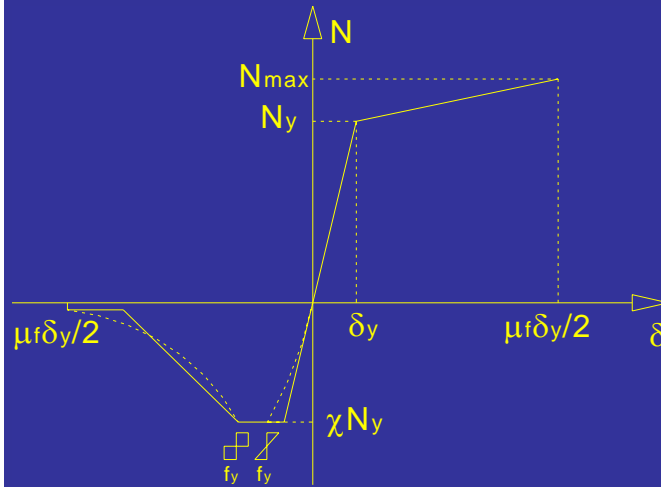
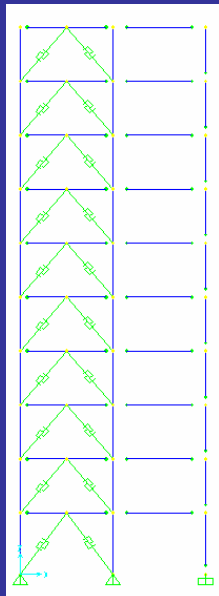


Numerical analyses: Diagonal brace modelling



$$\mu_f = 2,4 + 8,3\bar{\lambda}$$

Tremblay (2001)



Link/Support Directional Properties

Edit

Identification

Property Name: D-1

Direction: U1

Type: MultiLinear Plastic

NonLinear: Yes

Hysteresis Type And Parameters

Hysteresis Type: Pivot

α_1 : 1000000 β_1 : 0.15 γ : 0.15

α_2 : 0.299907581 β_2 : 1

Properties Used For Linear Analysis Cases

Effective Stiffness: 140406

Effective Damping: 0

Hysteresis Definition Sketch

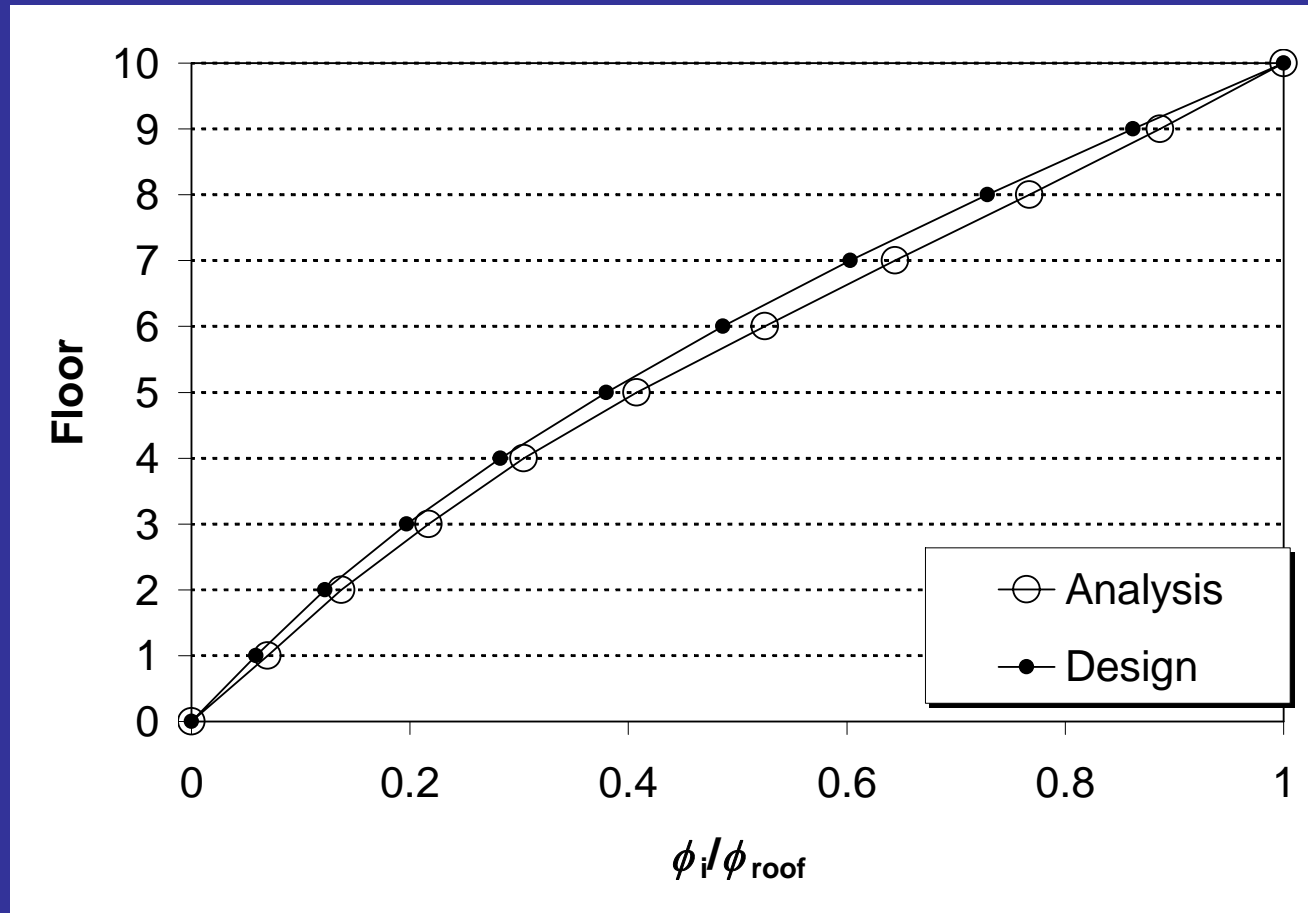
MultiLinear Plastic - Pivot

Multi-Linear Force-Deformation Definition

	Displ	Force
1	-0.0425	-159.55
2	-0.0192	-159.55
3	-4.999E-03	-528.7748
4	-3.766E-03	-528.7748
5	0.	0.

The brace was modelled in SAP2000 with a non-linear MultiLinear plastic link

Results of static and dynamic analyses: DDBD vs OPCM



The vibration mode assumed at the design stage is very close to the one predicted by back-analysis of the final design solution.

Results of static and dynamic analyses: **DDBD** vs **OPCM**



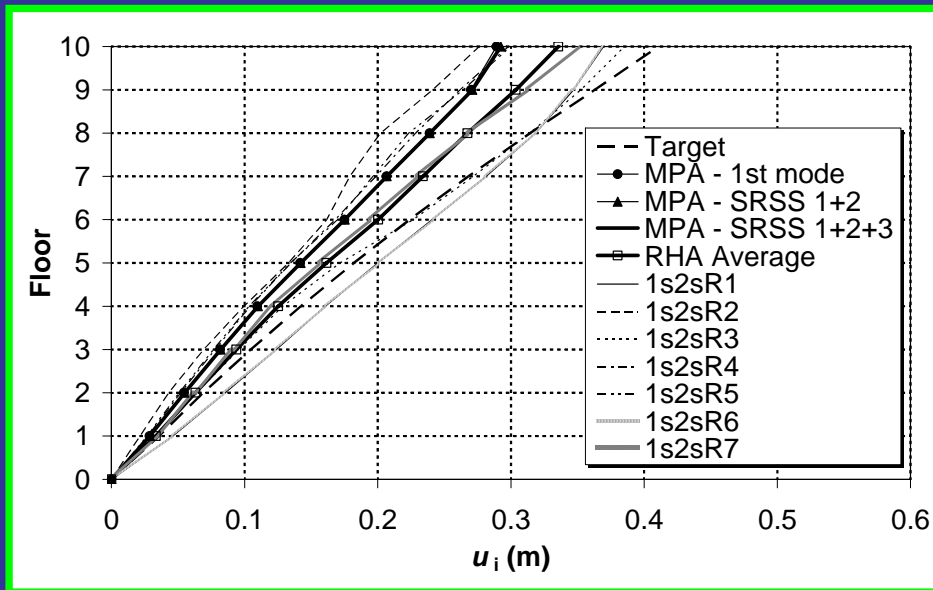
Lateral displacements
under 1s_2s_7R accelerogram
(DBD structure)

Lateral displacements
under 1s_2s_7R accelerogram
(OPCM structure)

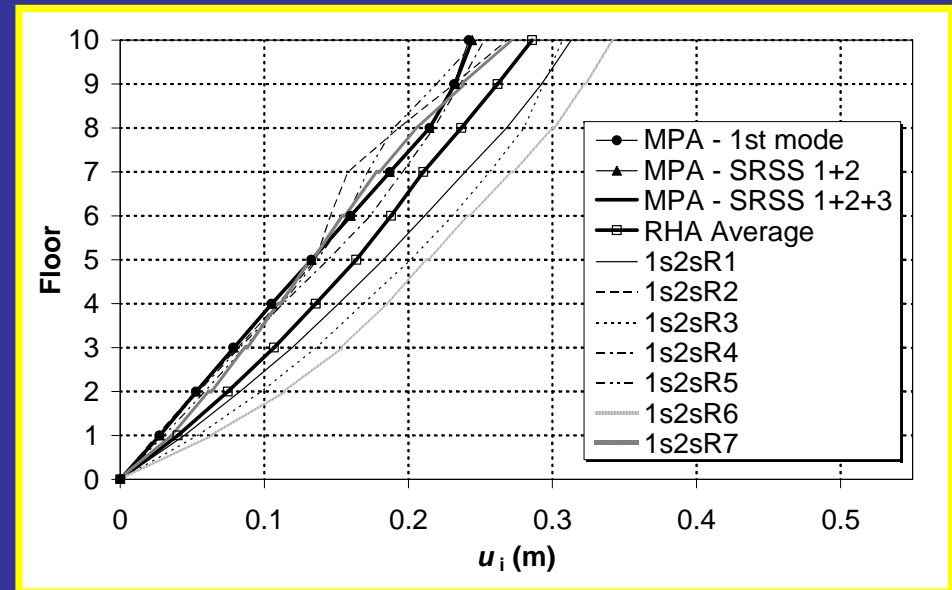


Results of static and dynamic analyses: DDBD vs OPCM

The average response over accelerograms (RHA) is also shown and compared with both the results of multi-modal pushover analysis (MPA, Chopra, 2004) and the target displacements



displacement profiles (DDBD)

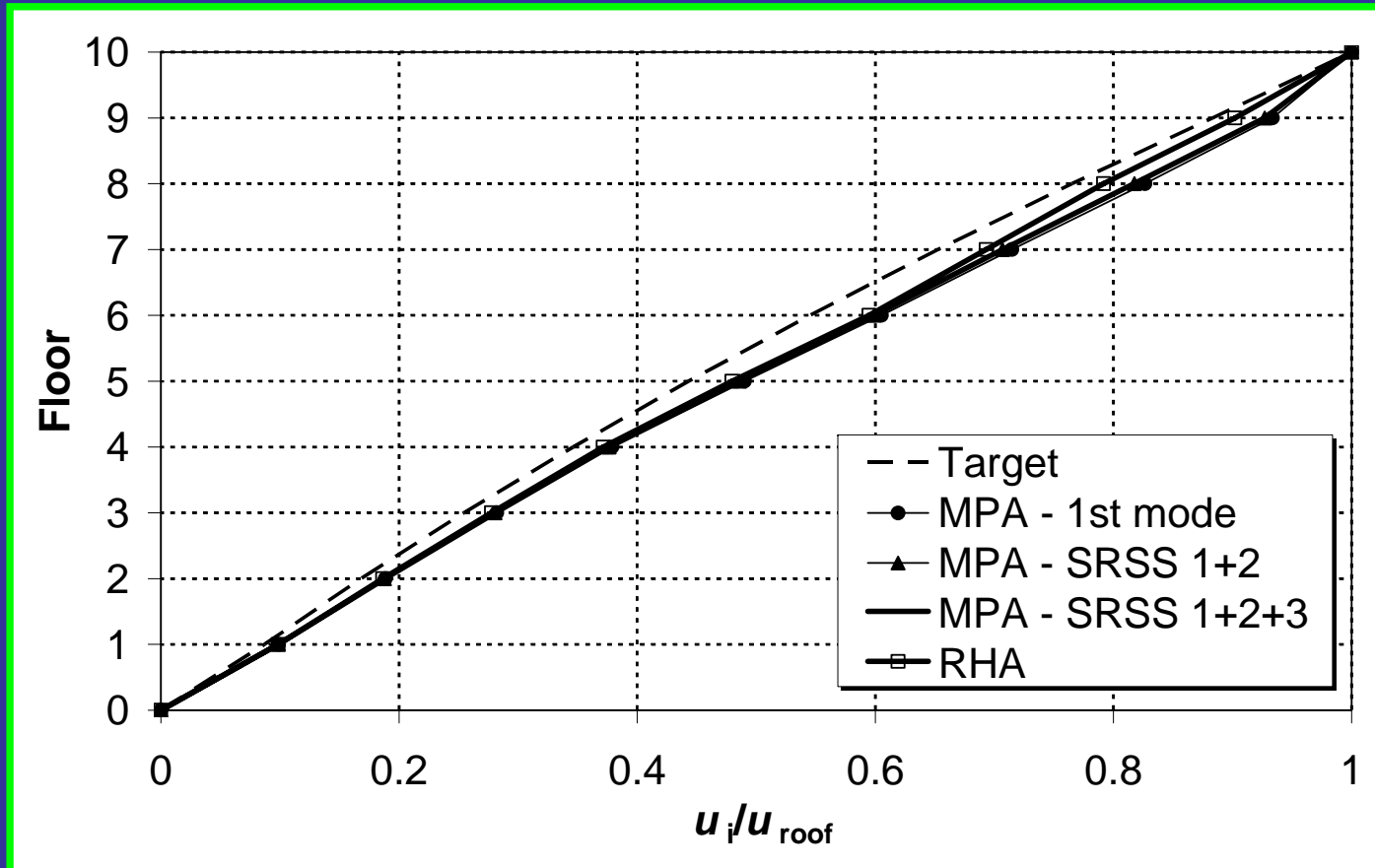


displacement profiles (OPCM)

The average displacement of OPCM structure tends to a parabolic shape, while the one of DBD is linear. This implies that in case of DBD there is a more uniform plastic engagement

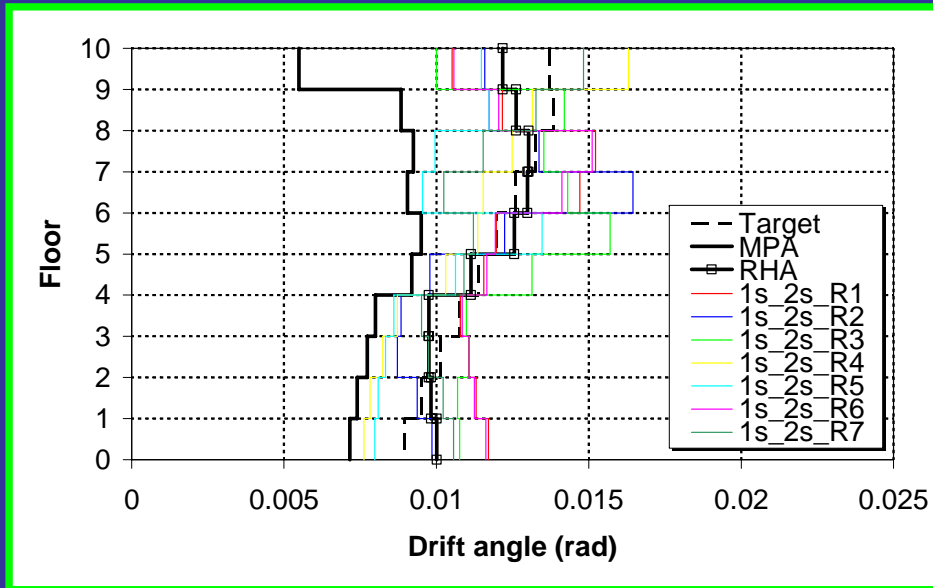
Results of static and dynamic analyses: **DDBD** vs **OPCM**

normalised displacement profiles (DBD structure)

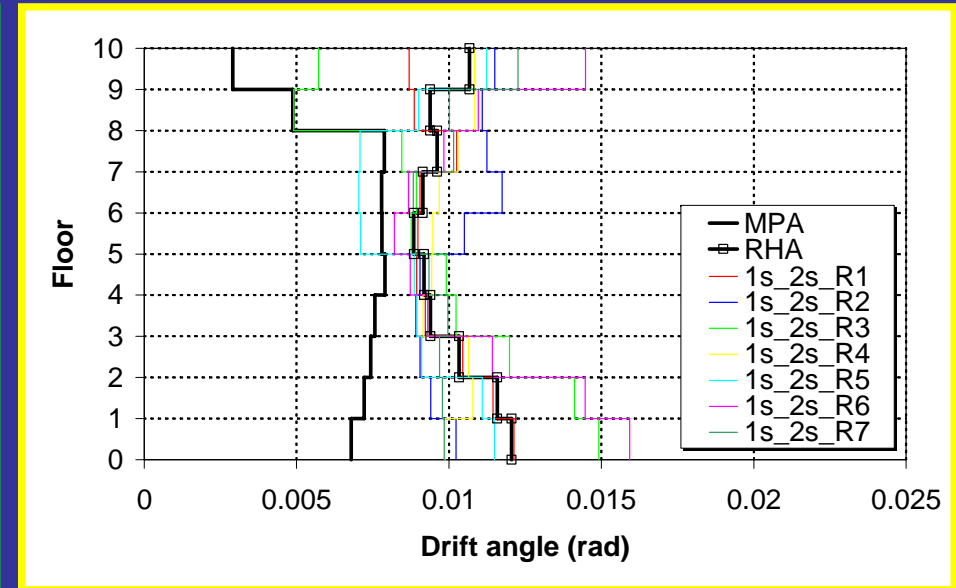


The average response over accelerograms (RHA) is well matched by MPA in case of DBD.

Results of static and dynamic analyses: **DDBD** vs **OPCM**



Inter-story drift angles
(DDBD structure)

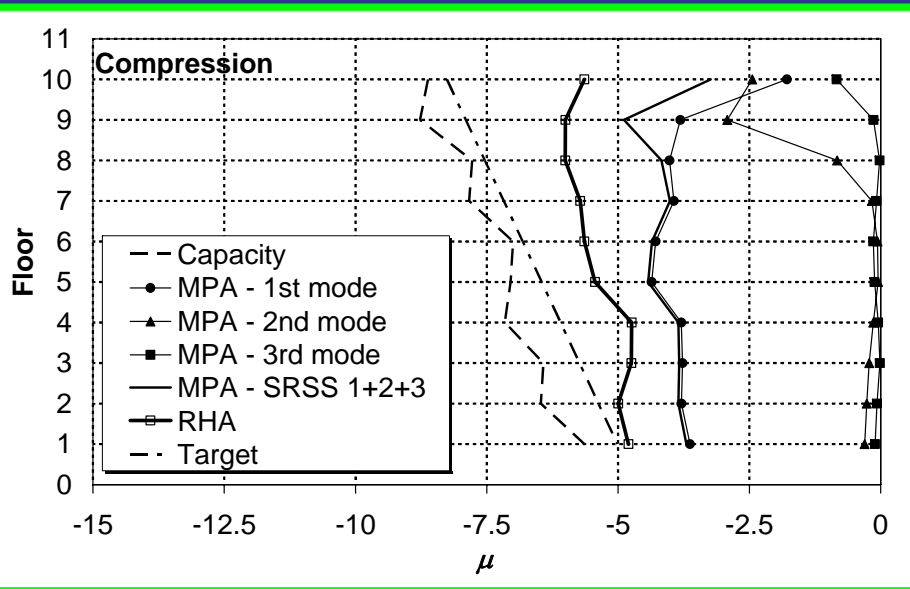


Inter-story drift angles
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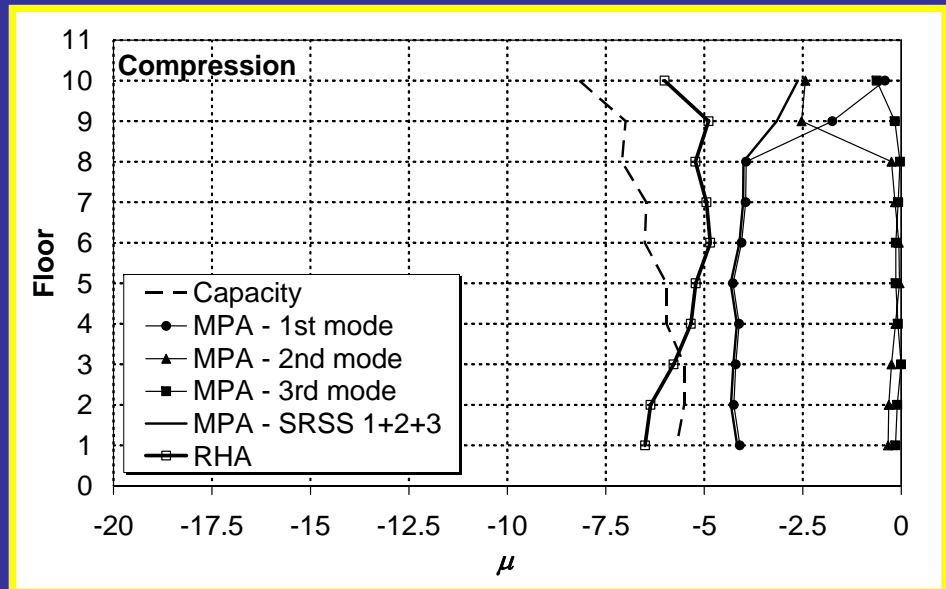
Results of static and dynamic analyses: **DDBD vs OPCM**

The peak ductility demand in the braces is compared with both the ductility capacity (Tremblay, 2002) and the target ductility.

In case of OPCM, the ductility capacity has been exceeded at lower floors. In fact, because of the structure parabolic displacement shape the displacement demand is greater at lower floor.



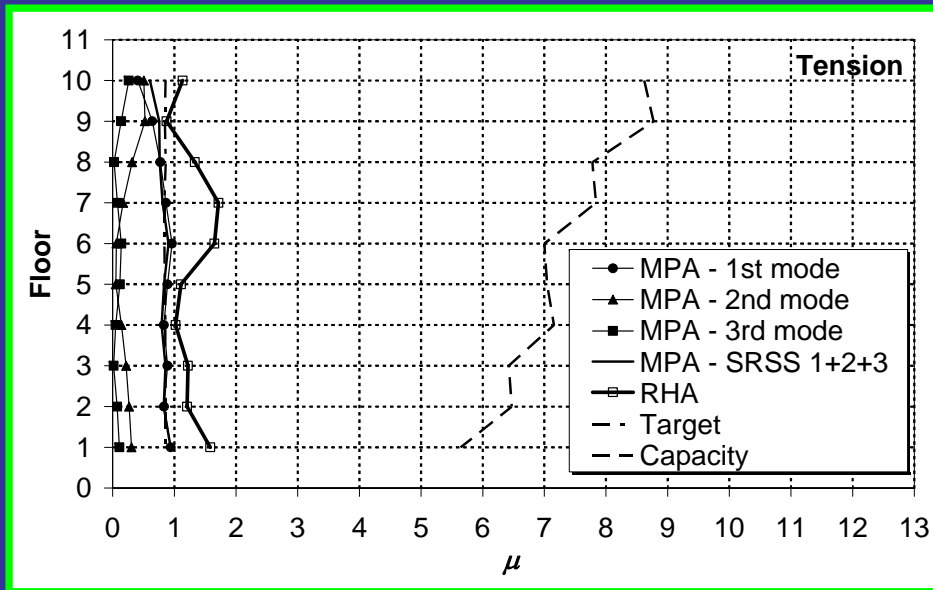
ductility demand to
compression braces
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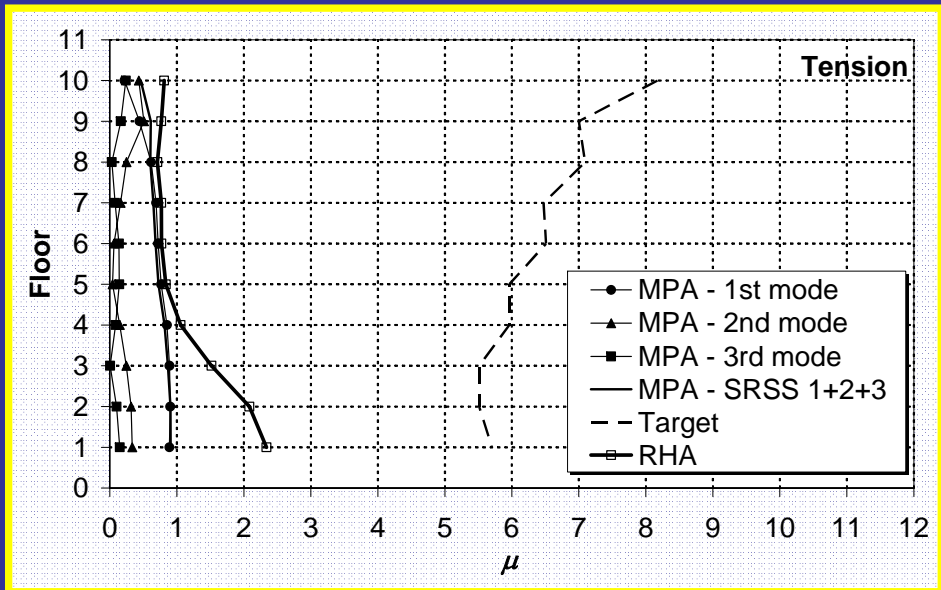
ductility demand to
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Results of static and dynamic analyses: **DDBD** vs **OPCM**

In case of DDBD, the ductility demand is uniform and involves all braces. While, in case of OPCM, the damage is only concentrated at lower floors. This is mainly due to the different displacement shape of the structure under examination.



ductility demand to
tension braces
(DDBD structure)



ductility demand to
tension braces
(OPCM structure)

Conclusions

- The non-linear response of the DBD structure was satisfactory, matching quite well the design target.
- **The OPCM structure exhibited ductility demand exceeding the capacity at the lowest stories.**
- The better behaviour of DBD structure is due to the fact that the lateral displacement shape of structure has been imposed to the structure a-priori in such a way to avoid an exceeding ductility demand in brace members. The correct choice of displacement shape implies a more uniform engagement in dissipative members.
- **The main advantage of DBD is the fact that the strength demand depends on the required performance, as a consequence the strength reduction factor depends on the performance. In case of Force-based approaches (as in OPCM) the reduction factor is a-priori fixed, hence the performance is implicitly imposed a-priori.**