

Intuitive Error Correction Algorithm for Pseudodynamic Testing

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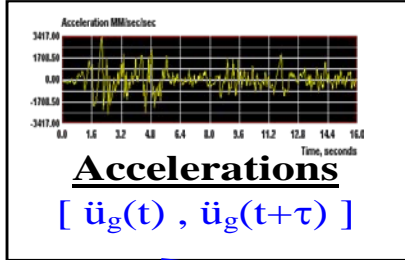
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Background

- The underlying concept is to solve the equation of motion
- According to structural dynamic theory:

$$- \mathbf{M}a_i + \mathbf{C}v_i + \mathbf{R}_i = \mathbf{F}_i$$

- Where
 - M : mass matrix
 - C : viscous damping matrix
 - R : restoring force vector
 - F : external excitation
 - subscript i denotes at time-step i



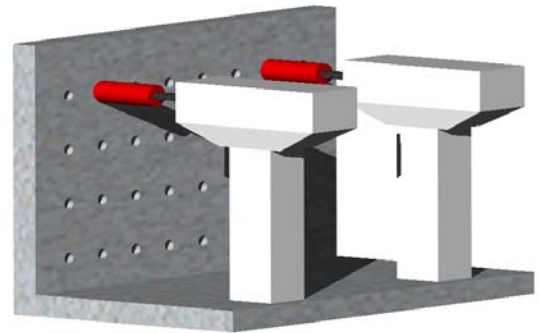
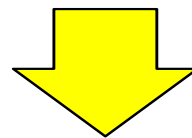
1) Input asynchronous ground accelerations & calculate displacements

2) Impose displacements from FE model



Computer FE model

$$[M] \ddot{u} + [C] \dot{u} + F(u) = [M] \ddot{u}_g$$



Physical Test Specimen

• Load cells $\rightarrow F(u)$

3) Measure restoring force and recalculate displacements

Comparison to Shake-table Test

Advantages

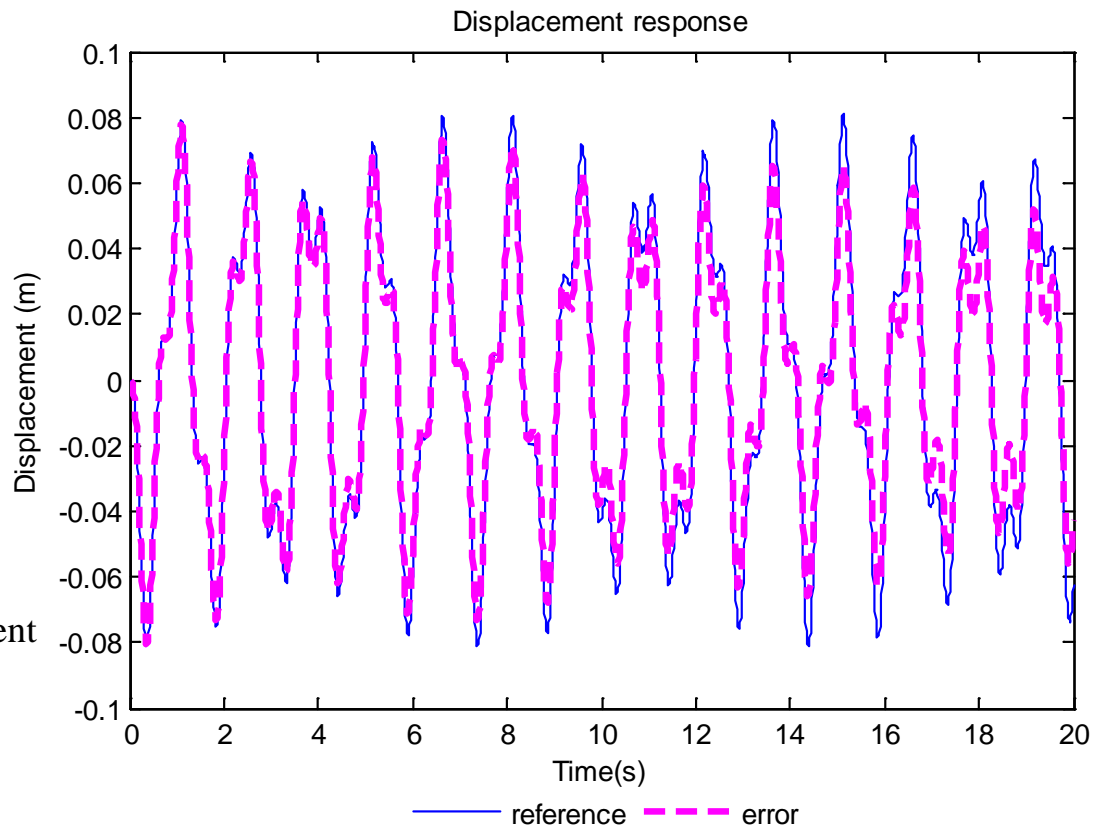
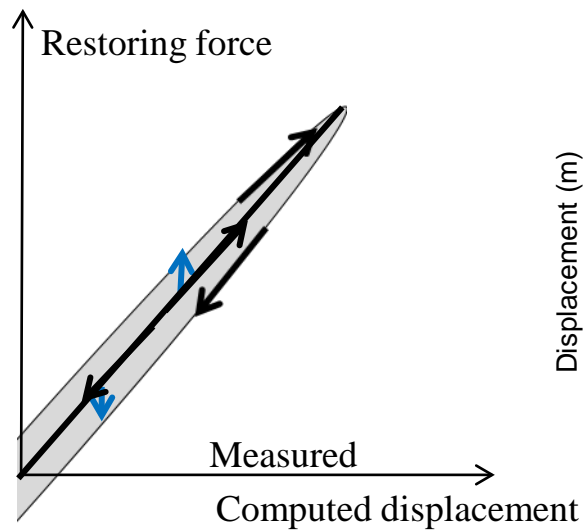
- Load can be applied slowly
- Tests on large / full scale structures

Disadvantages

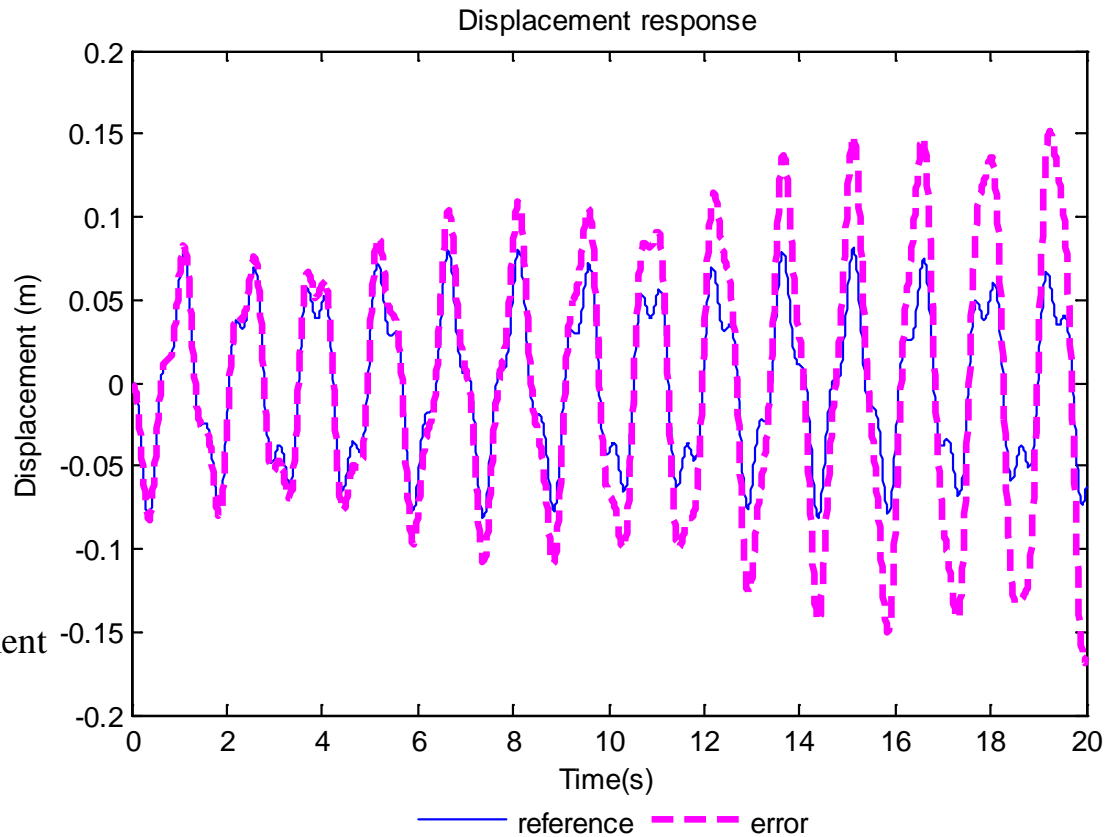
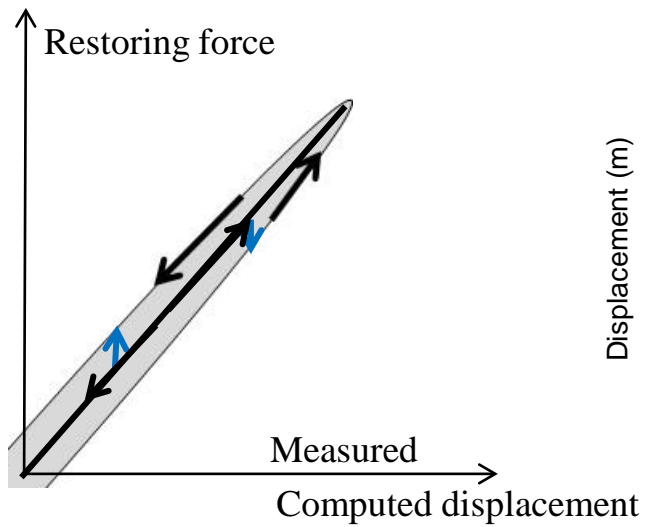
- Strain-rate effect is not represented
- Prone to errors:
 - Random error
 - Systematic error
 - Displacement control error

Displacement Control Error

- Systematic overshooting



- Systematic Undershooting/Lag



Proposed actuator delay compensation

- HSEM (Mosqueda et al. 2007): monitoring the accumulation of energy error against a specified threshold
- New intuitive algorithm: convert energy error into viscous damping coefficient
- Specimen energy:

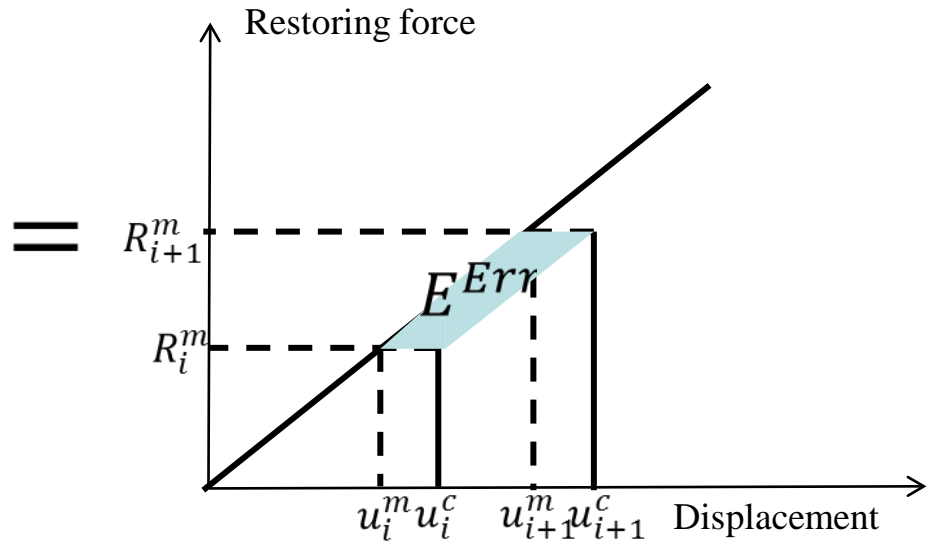
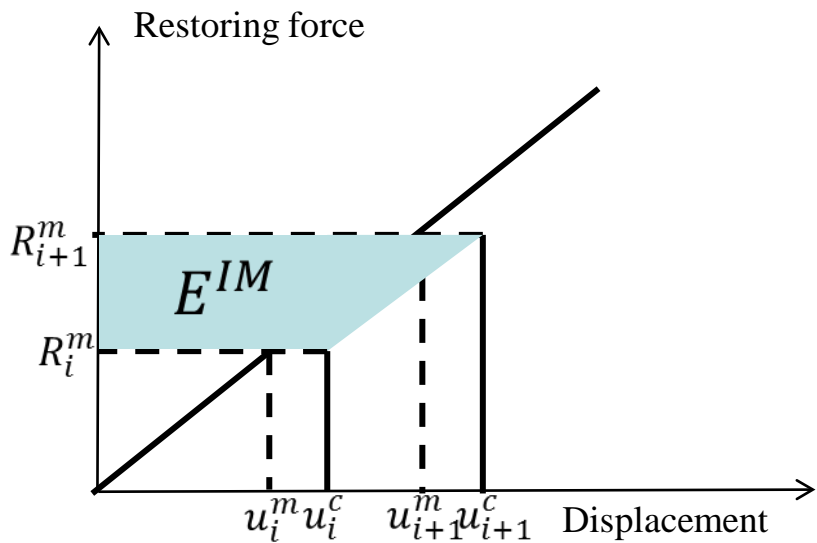
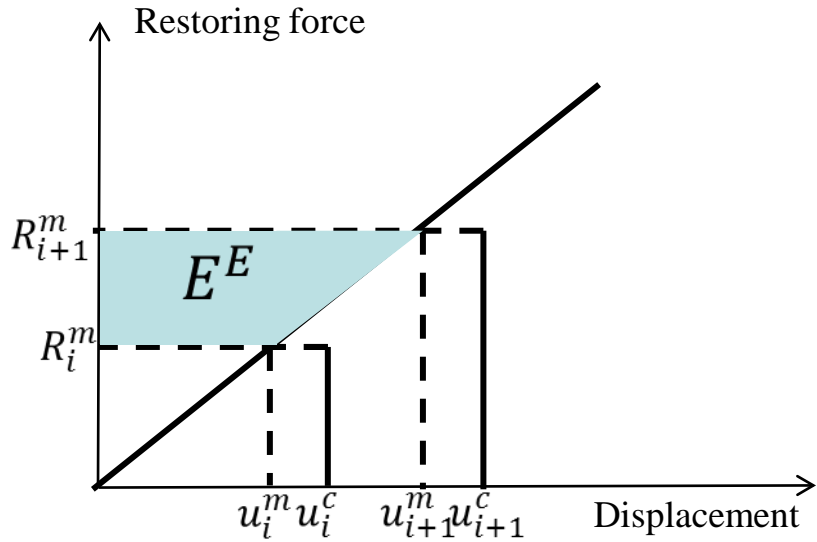
$$E_{i+1}^E = \frac{1}{2} (u_i^m + u_{i+1}^m) (r_{i+1}^m - r_i^m)$$

- Integration energy:

$$E_{i+1}^{IM} = \frac{1}{2} (u_i^c + u_{i+1}^c) (r_{i+1}^m - r_i^m)$$

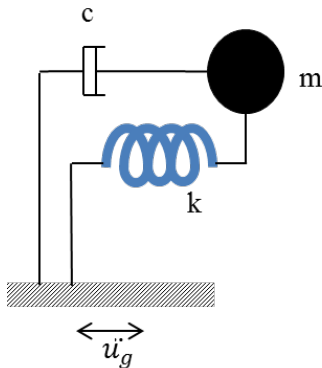
- Energy error:

$$E_{i+1}^{Error} = E_{i+1}^E - E_{i+1}^{IM}$$



Numerical Simulation

- Linear-elastic SDOF structure



Structural properties

m (KNs²/m)

50

k (KN/m)

1000

ζ (critical damping ratio)

0.02

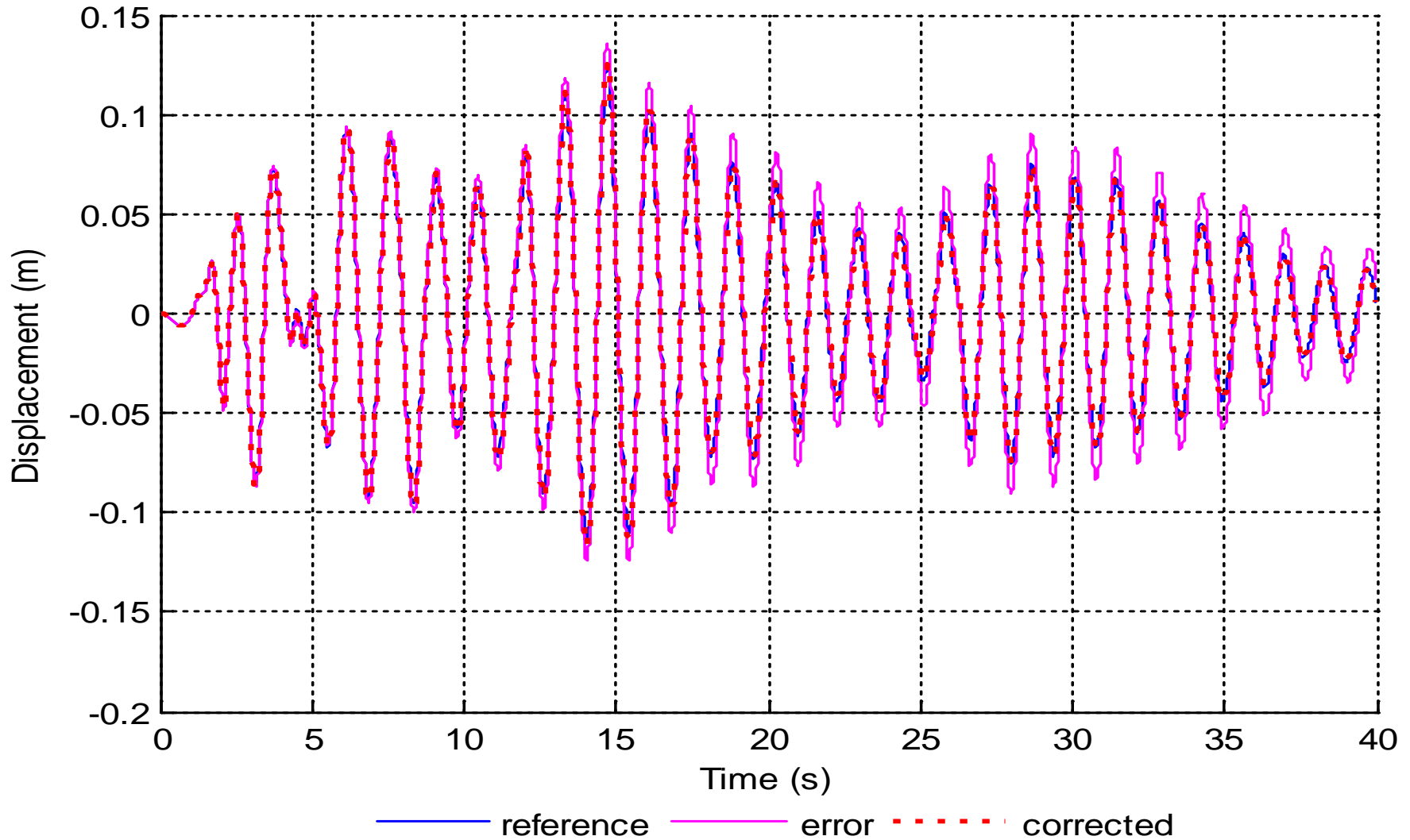
T (seconds)

1.4

- Excitation properties
 - 1940 El Centro earthquake
 - Variable actuator delay

Simulation Result

Displacement response



Conclusion & Immediate Future Work

- The validity of the method has been confirmed through numerical simulation
- Easy to implement
- Confirmation of validity in MDOF system
- Application in slow pseudodynamic test using optimally and non optimally tuned actuator

Thank You!

- Questions?

