

# IMPACT OF SPATIAL VARIABILITY OF STRENGTH AND STIFFNESS PROPERTIES ON THE SEISMIC BEHAVIOUR OF TIMBER-FRAME STRUCTURES

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# Introduction

- How seismic design provisions influence the robustness of multi-storey timber buildings?

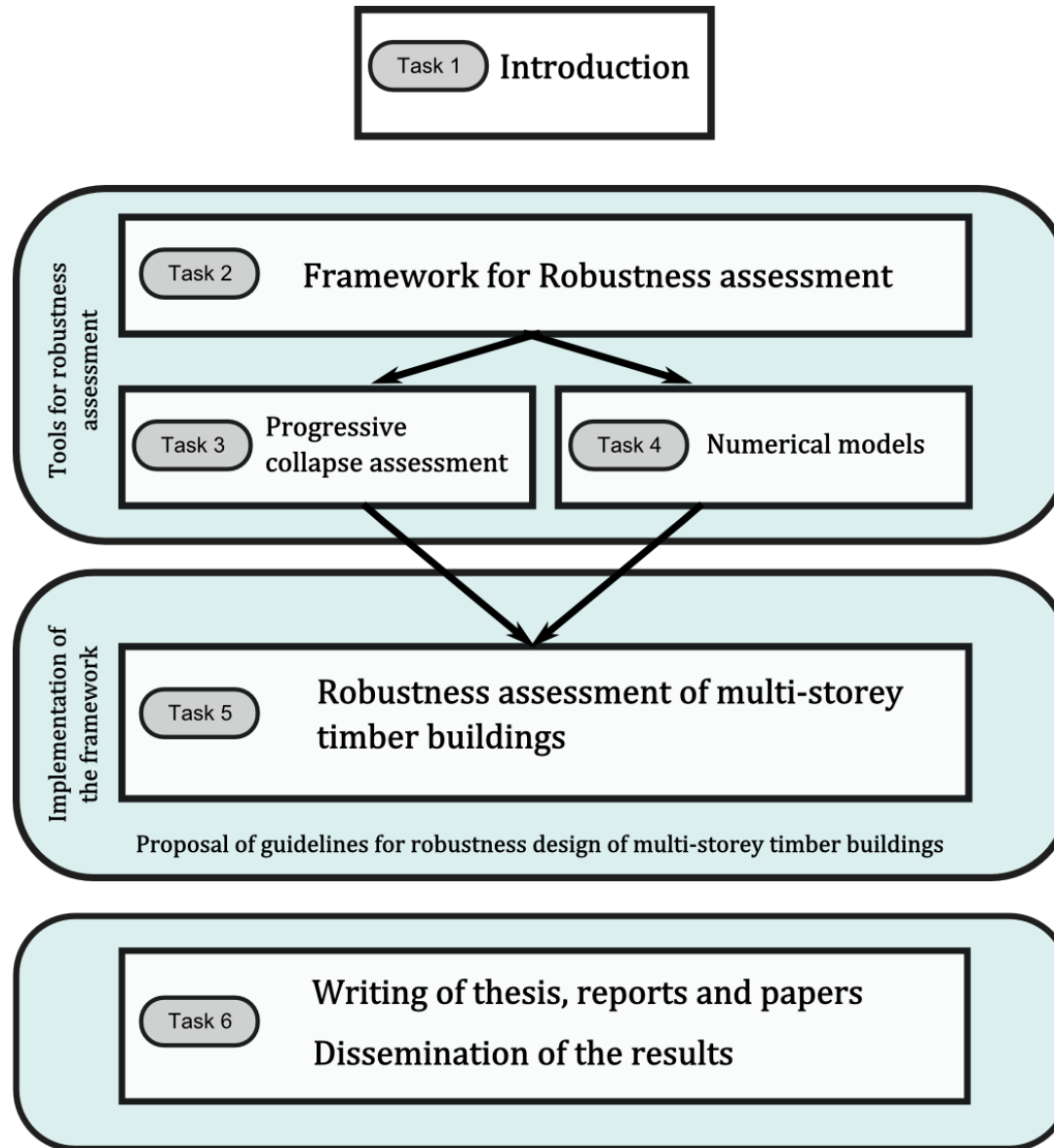
## Seismic design provisions

- Simplicity;
- Uniformity;
- Symmetry;
- Redundancy;
- Bi-directional strength and stiffness;
- Torsional resistance and stiffness;
- Diaphragmatic behavior at the storey level;
- Adequate foundations;

## Robustness design recommendations

- Alternate load paths;
- Effective horizontal ties;
- Vertical ties to ensure stability;
- Effective anchorage of suspended floors to walls;
- Ductility;
- Redundancy;
- Compartmentalization;

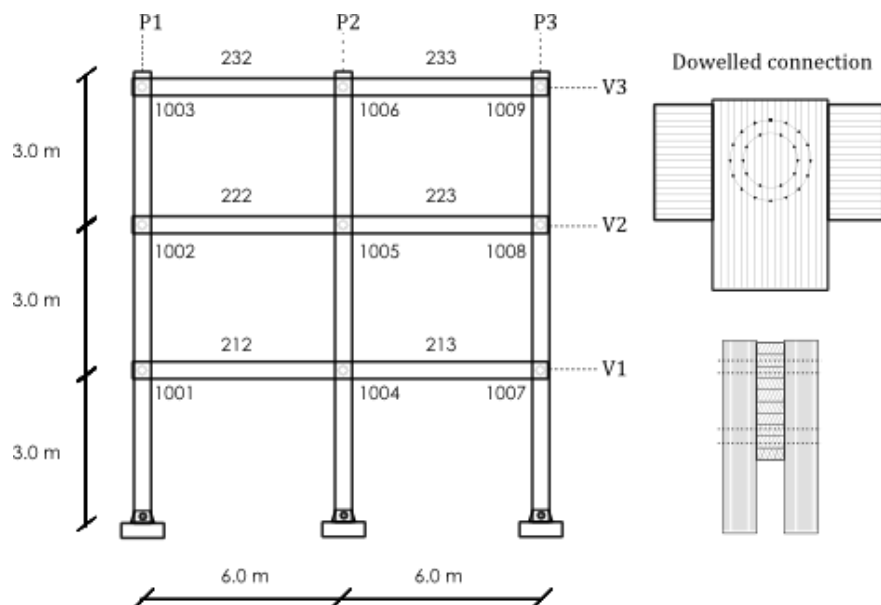
# Introduction



# Objectives

- Evaluate the impact of epistemic and aleatory uncertainties on the seismic behavior
- Evaluate the fragility of timber structures, explicitly considering uncertainty in both demand and capacity (critical in timber)
- Assess the seismic response of structures through Multi-Record Incremental Dynamic Analysis
- Evaluate probabilities of damage through fragility functions

# Numerical model



Timber elements - Linear elastic

- Continuous beams and columns

Material nonlinearities (connections)

- Zero-length elements
- Pinching4 model (hysteretic with pinching)

Geometric nonlinearities

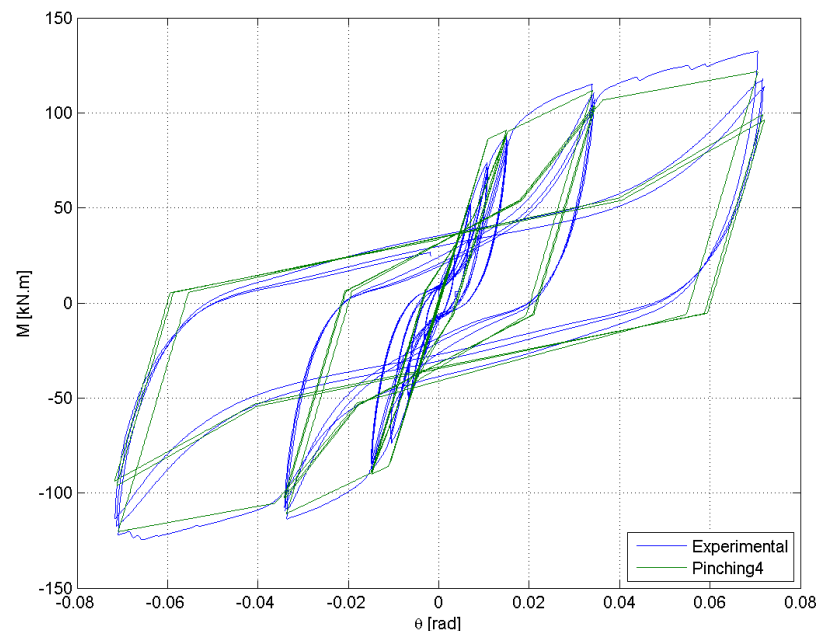
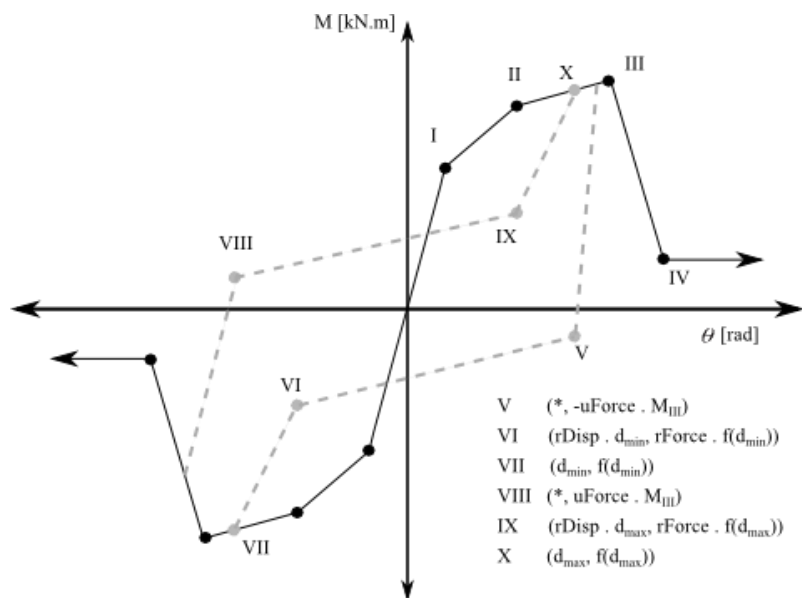
- P-Delta effects
- Corotational transformation

## Design:

The structure under study was designed through a spectral analysis to fulfil the requirements of Eurocode 8 (EC8).

# Numerical model

## Moment – resisting joints (cyclic behavior)

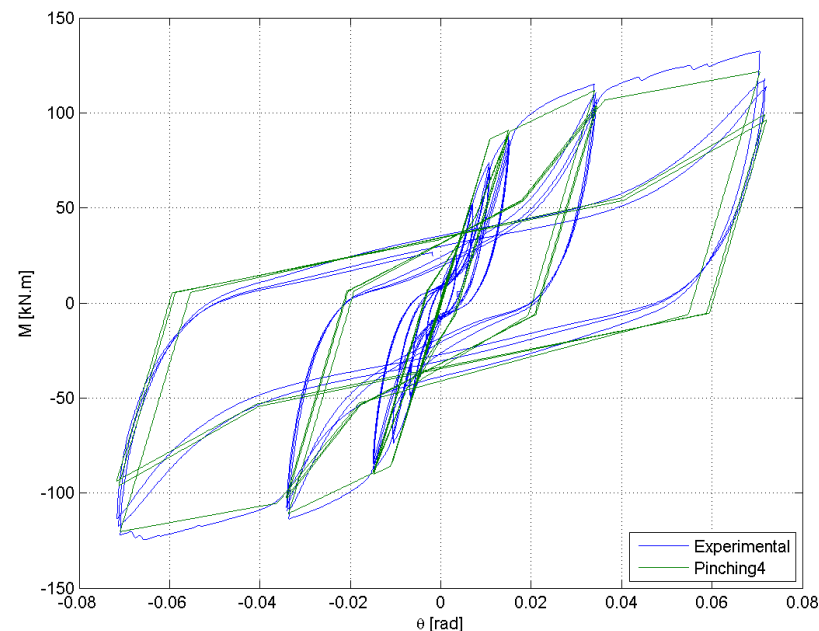
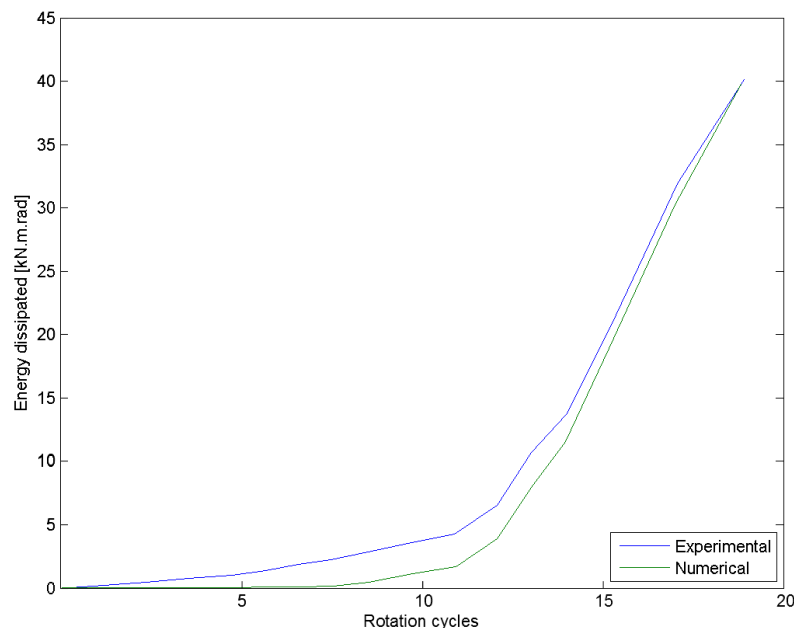


## Calibration:

Approximate the computational model to the experimental results in terms of maximum strength and dissipated energy per cycle.

# Numerical model

## Moment – resisting joints (cyclic behavior)



## Cycling degradation of strength and stiffness:

- i) unloading stiffness degradation
- ii) reloading stiffness degradation
- iii) strength degradation.



# Probabilistic framework

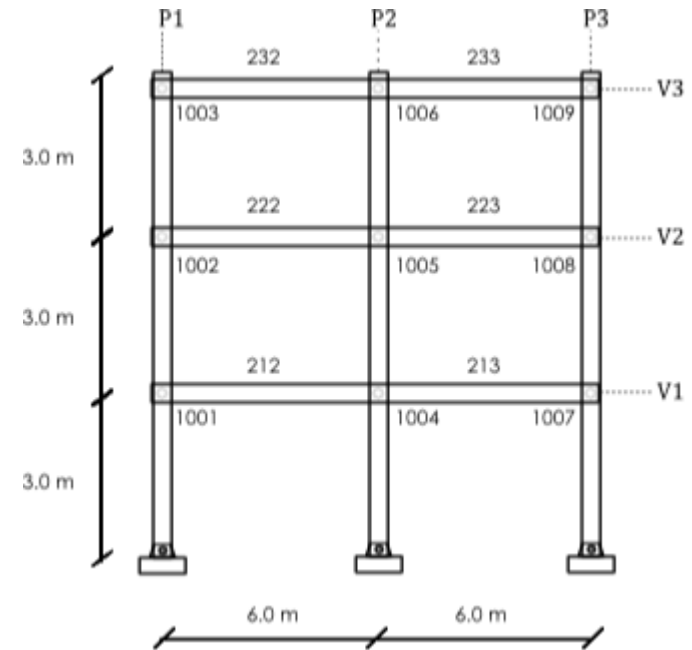
## Timber elements

### Reference material properties (PMC)

Properties	Dist.	$X_k$	$COV[X]$	$E[X]$
$R_m$	LN	24	0.15	31
$E_m$	LN	9600	0.13	11.5
$\rho_{den}$	N	385	0.1	420

### Other material properties (PMC)

Properties	Dist.	$COV[X]$	$E[X]$
$R_{t,0}$	LN	$1.2 COV[R_m]$	$0.6E[R_m]$
$R_{c,0}$	LN	$0.8 COV[R_m]$	$5E[R_m]^{0.45}$
$G_v$	LN	$COV[E_m]$	$E[E_m]/16$
$R_v$	LN	$COV[R_m]$	$0.2E[R_m]^{0.8}$

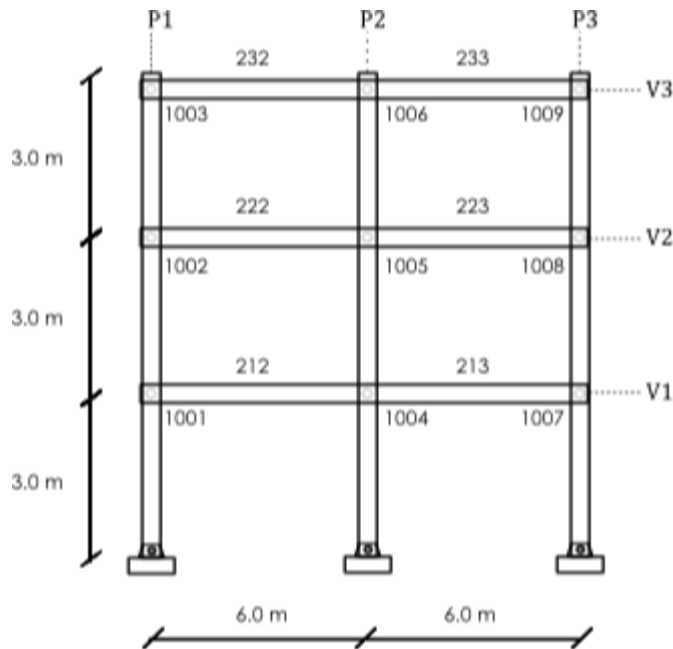


### Intra-element correlation coefficient matrix

	$E_m$	$\rho_{den}$	$R_{t,0}$	$R_{c,0}$	$G_v$	$R_v$
$R_m$	0.8	0.6	0.8	0.8	0.4	0.4
$E_m$	1	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.4
$\rho_{den}$		1	0.4	0.8	0.6	0.6
$R_{t,0}$			1	0.5	0.4	0.6
$R_{c,0}$				1	0.4	0.4
$G_v$					1	0.6

# Probabilistic framework

## Timber elements



## Inter-element correlation coefficient matrix

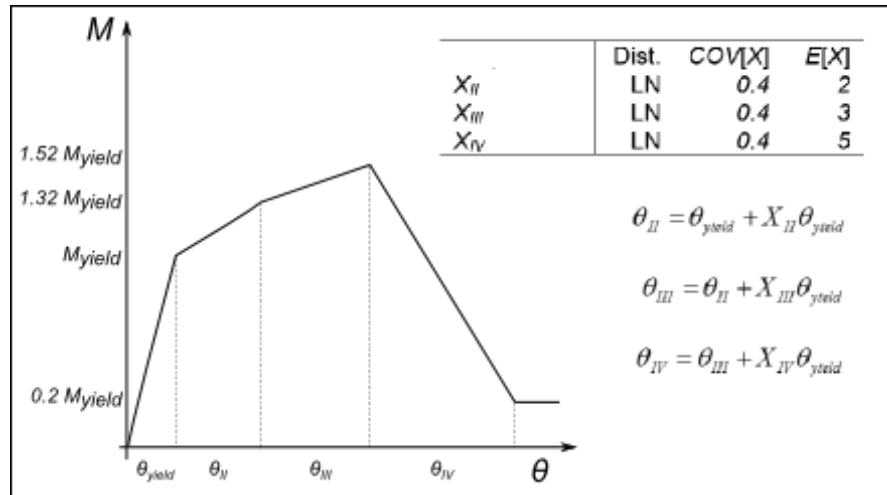
	<i>V1</i>	<i>V2</i>	<i>V3</i>	<i>P1</i>	<i>P2</i>	<i>P3</i>
<i>V1</i>	1.0	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
<i>V2</i>		1	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
<i>V3</i>			1	0.8	0.8	0.8
<i>P1</i>				1	0.8	0.8
<i>P2</i>					1	0.8
<i>P3</i>						1

## High correlation coefficients

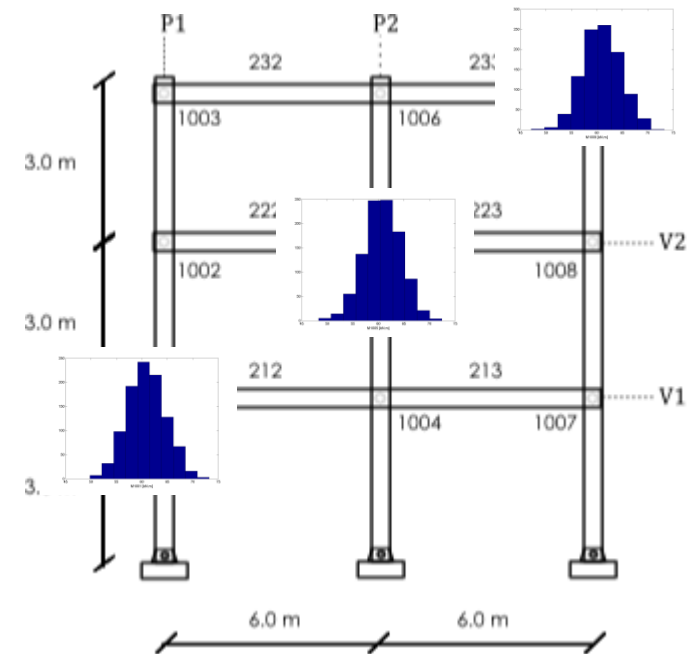
- manufacturing process of wood engineering products
- elements with similar lengths

# Probabilistic framework

## Moment – resisting joints (backbone)



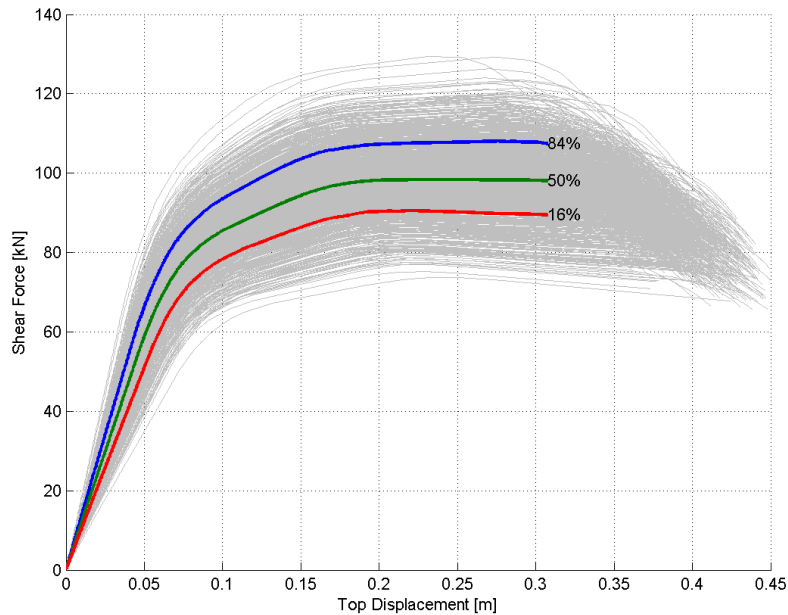
Each connection has its own properties resulting on a spatial variability



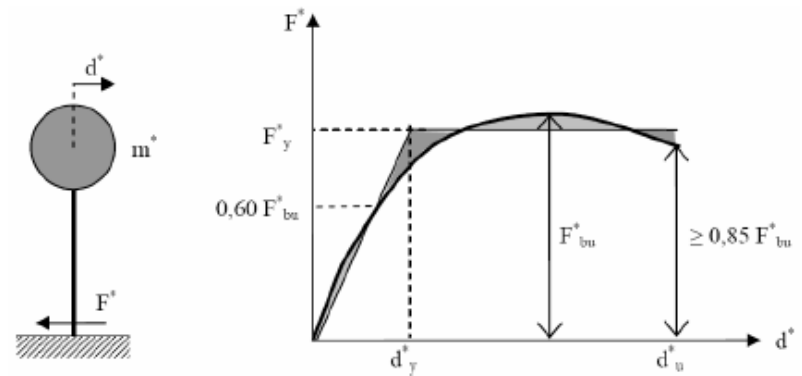
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Lateral load distribution is in agreement with the configuration of the first vibration mode.

$$\{p_i\} = \{M\}\{\phi_i\}$$



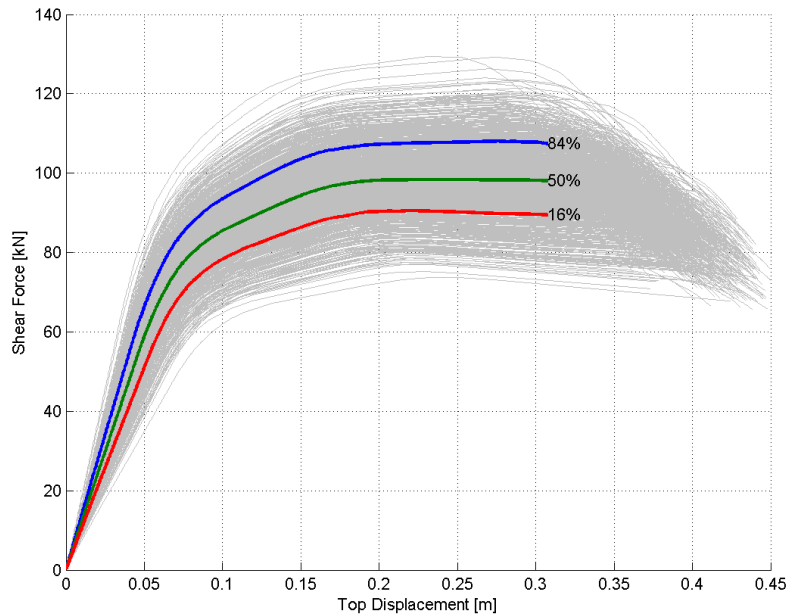
Equivalent SDOF with bilinear inelastic behaviour



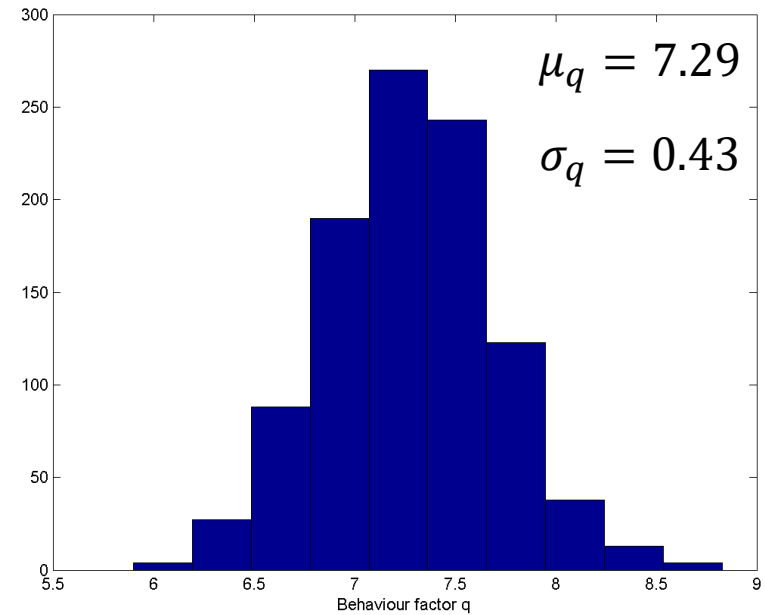
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EC8 :  $q = 4.0$

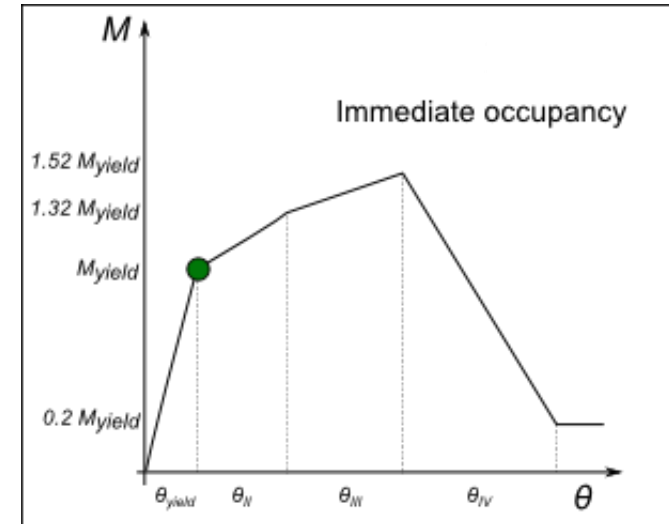
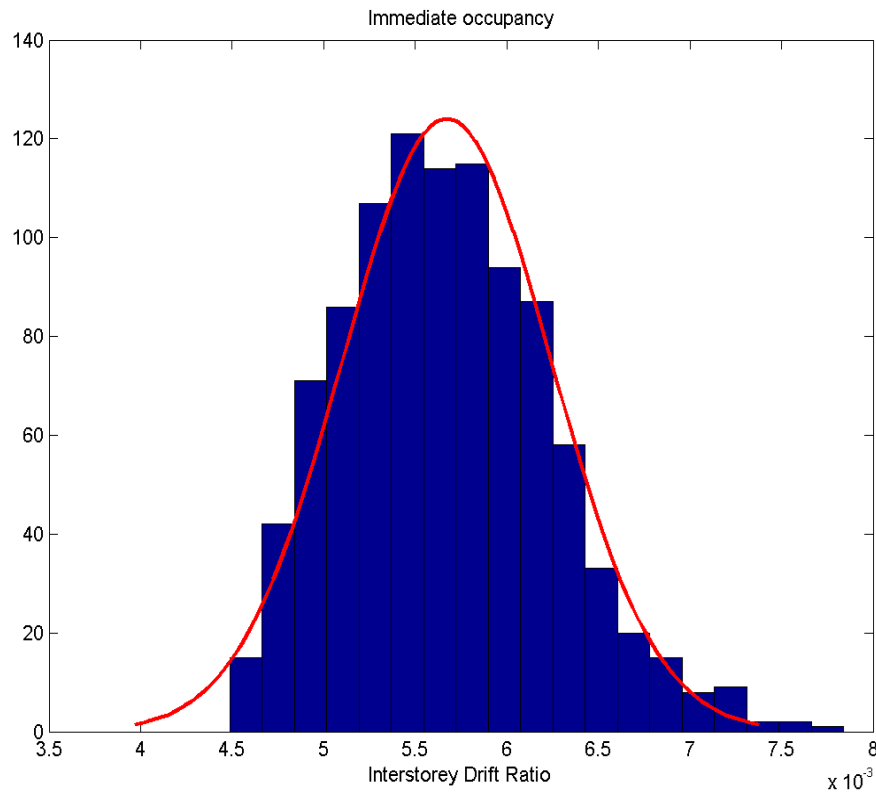


Characteristic value :  $q = 6.6$

# Pushover analysis

Useful information for Incremental Dynamic Analysis:

- Inter-storey drift ratios for the limit states considered



Immediate occupancy (LN)

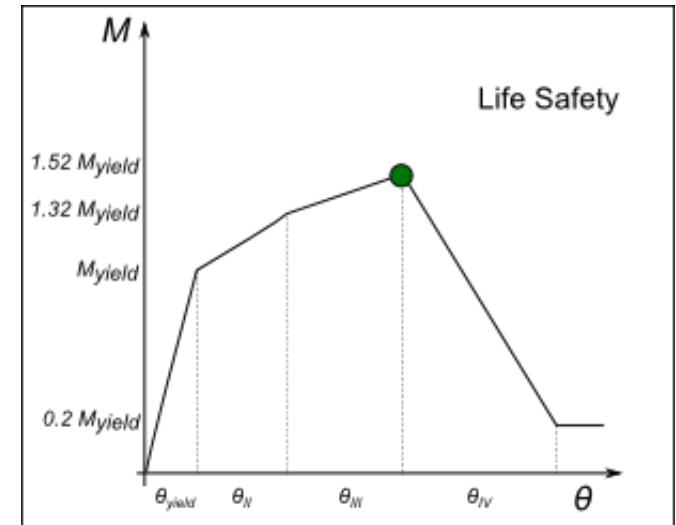
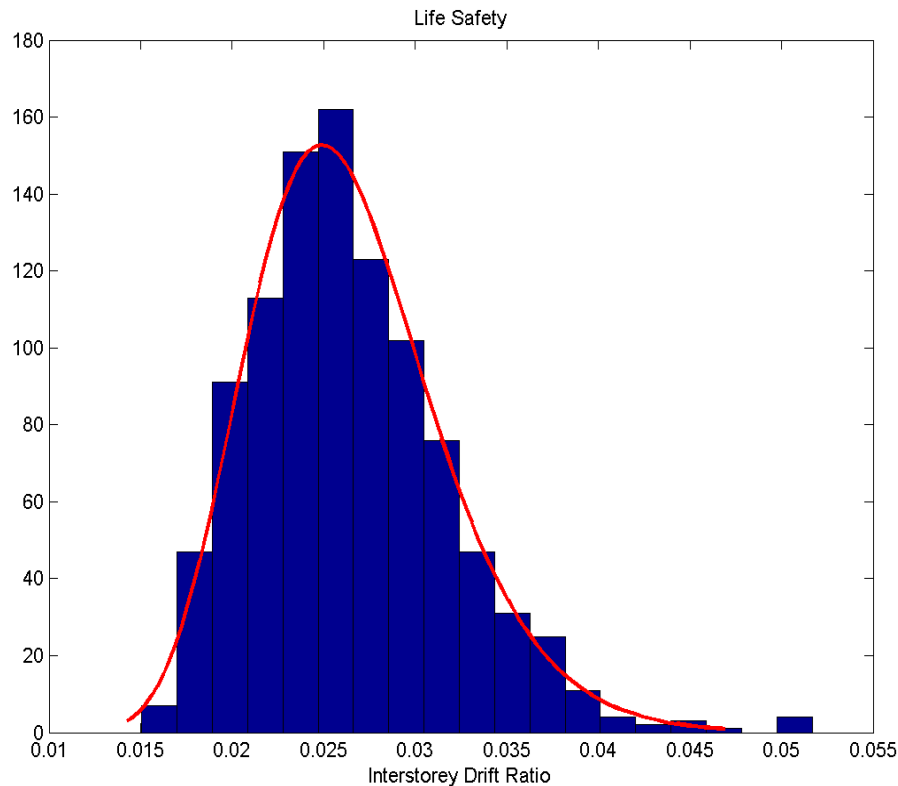
Median	Cov
0.0057	10%

16%	84%
<b>0.0051</b>	<b>0.0062</b>

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Life Safety (LN)

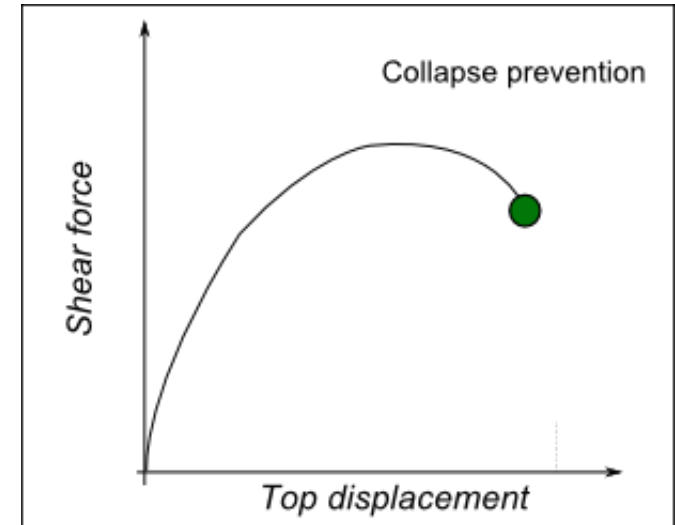
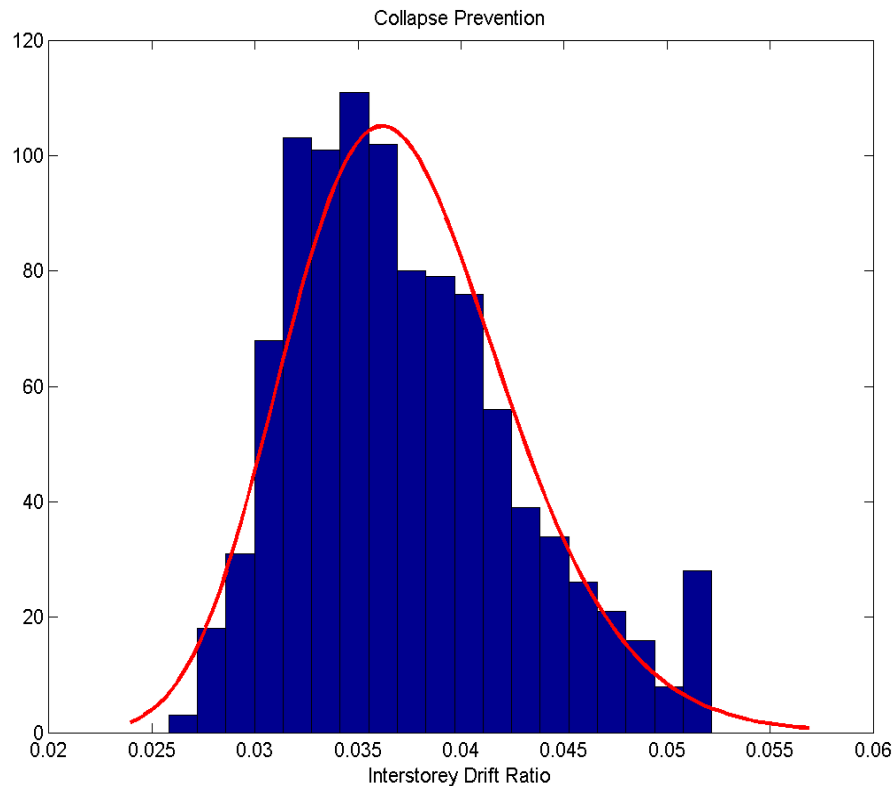
Median	Cov
0.0257	20%

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<b>0.0212</b>	<b>0.0315</b>

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Collapse prevention (LN)

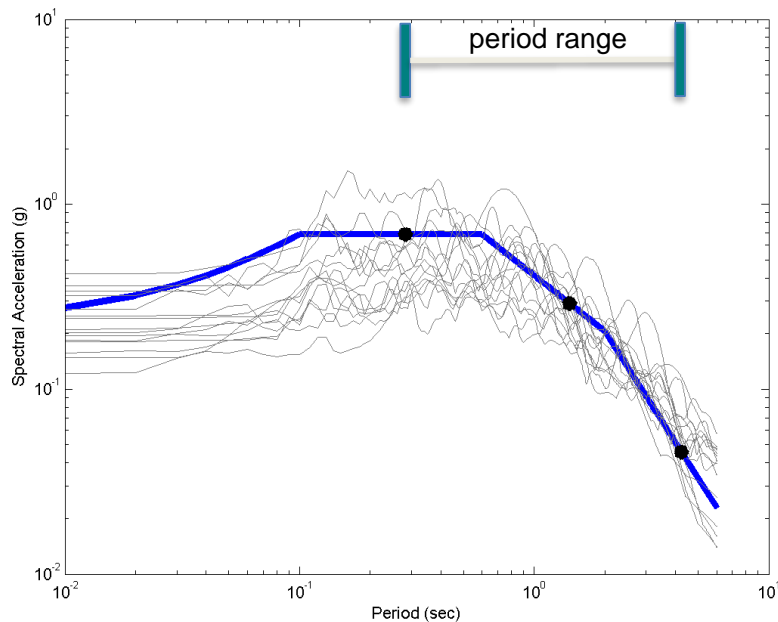
Median	Cov
0.0365	15%

16%	84%
<b>0.0320</b>	<b>0.0428</b>

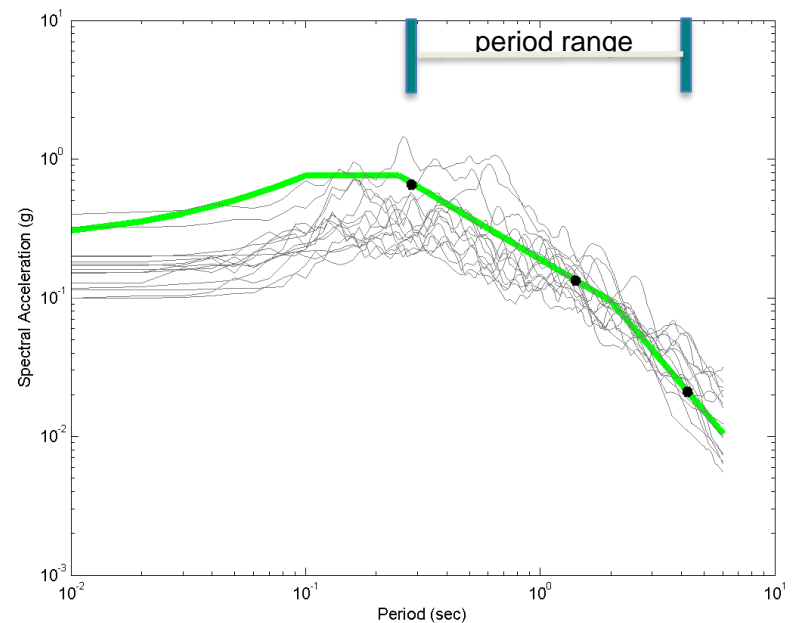


# Multi-Record Incremental Dynamic Analysis

- Plot recorded damage measurements (inter-storey drift) versus an intensity measure (“first-mode” spectral acceleration)
- Includes record-to-record variability (aleatory uncertainties)
- 30 records resulting in 15 scaled accelerograms used for each design spectrum of Lisbon
- A period range from  $0.2T_{1,median}$  to  $3T_{1,median}$  was chosen to scale  $T_{median} = 1.42s$



Design response spectrum (Type1)

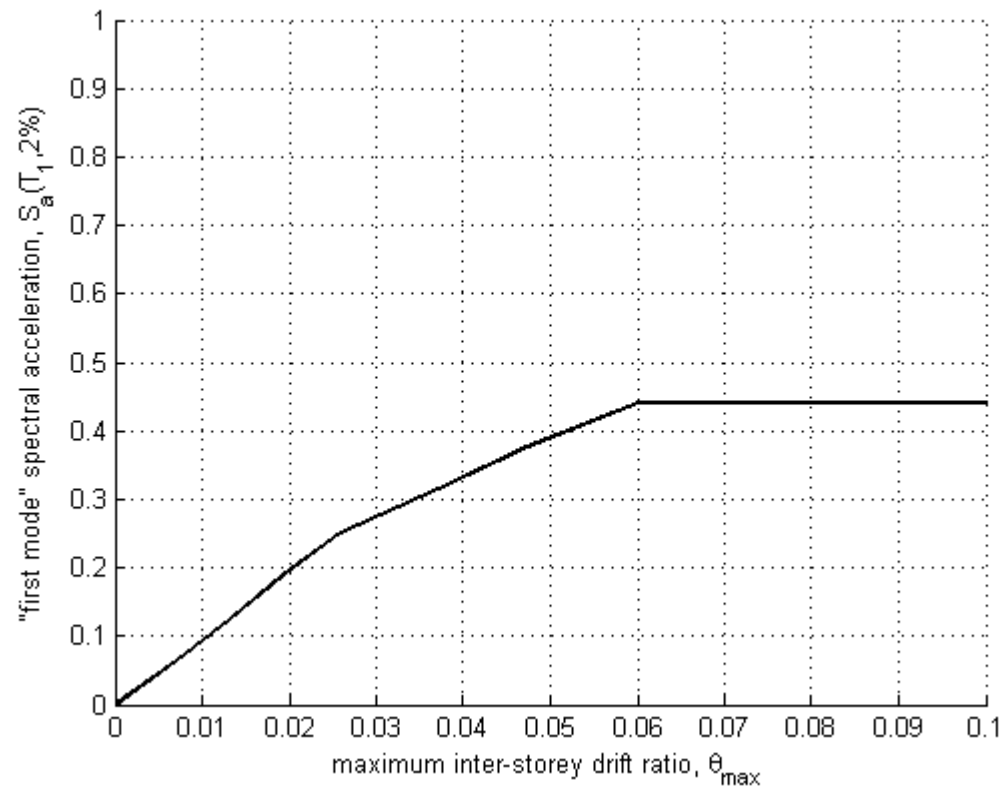


Design response spectrum (Type2)

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## 3-storey timber frame subjected to four different records

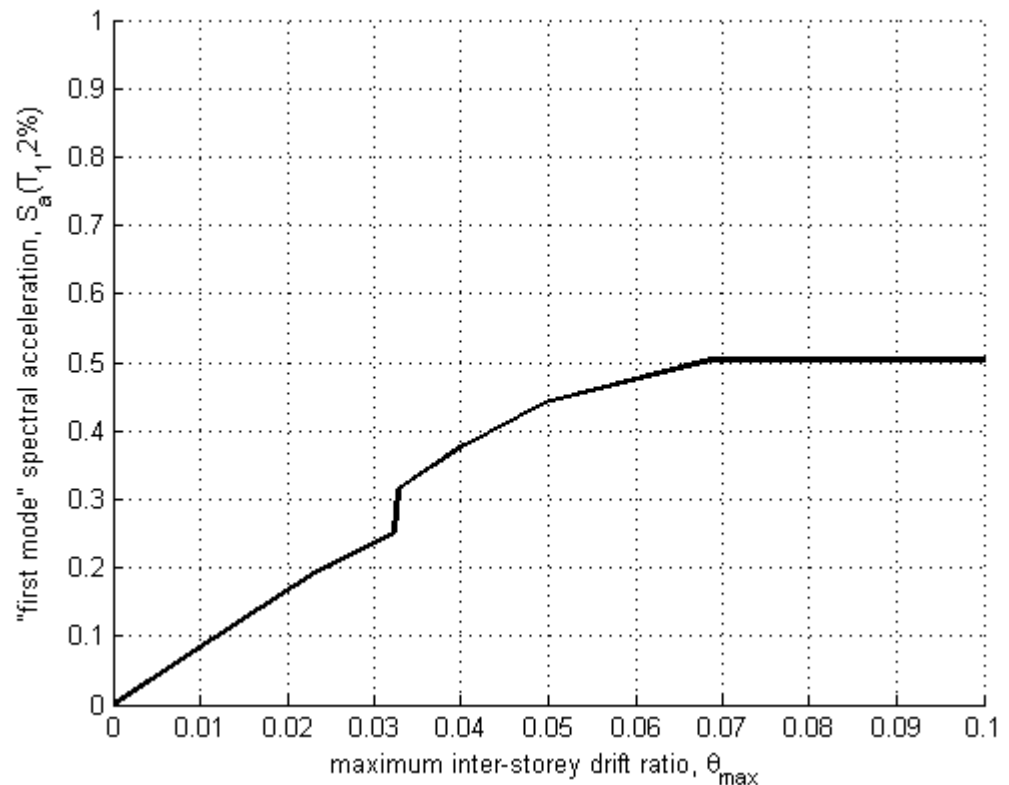
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- Local hardening
- Severe hardening
- Weaving behavior



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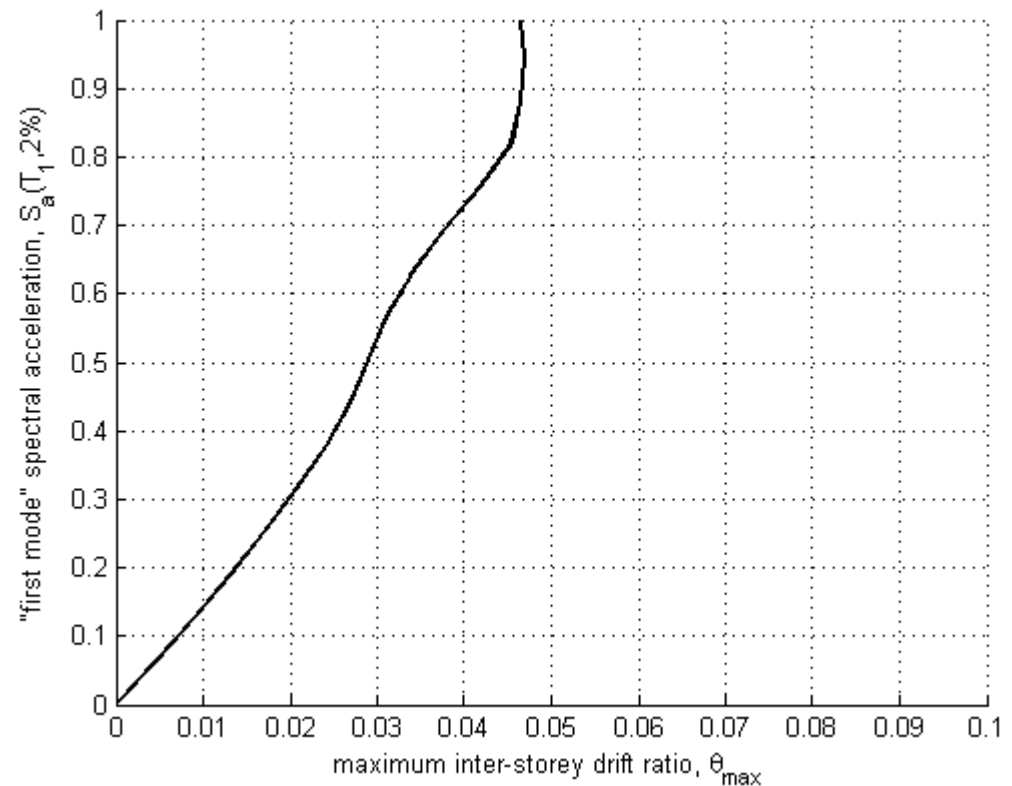
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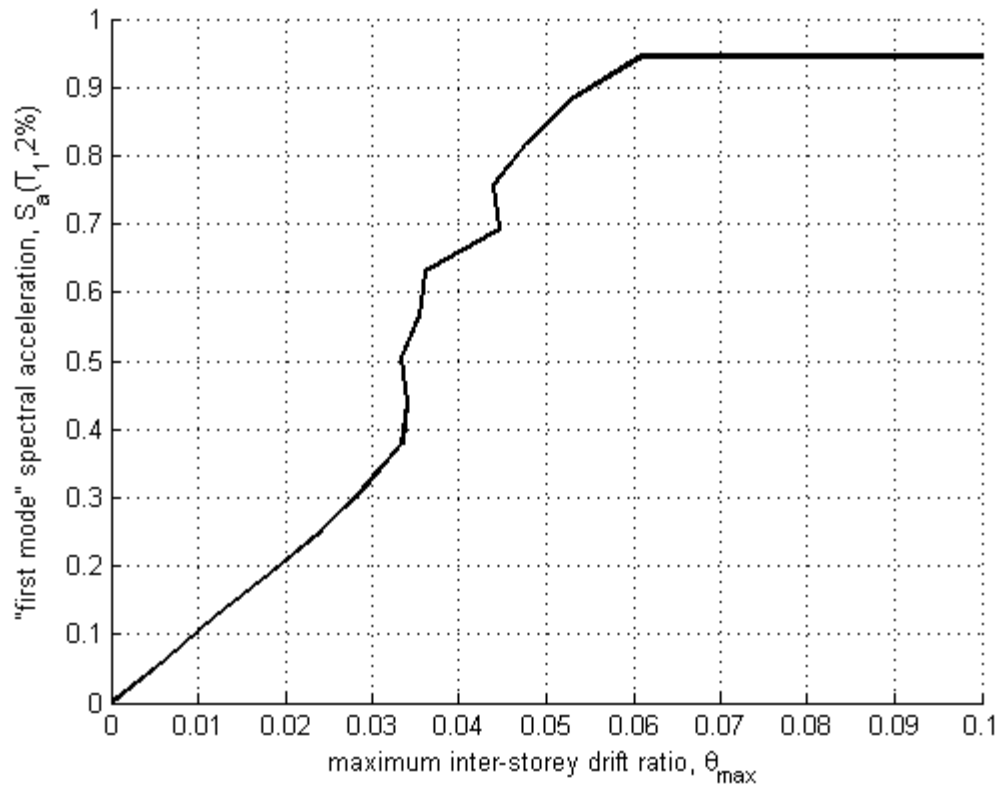
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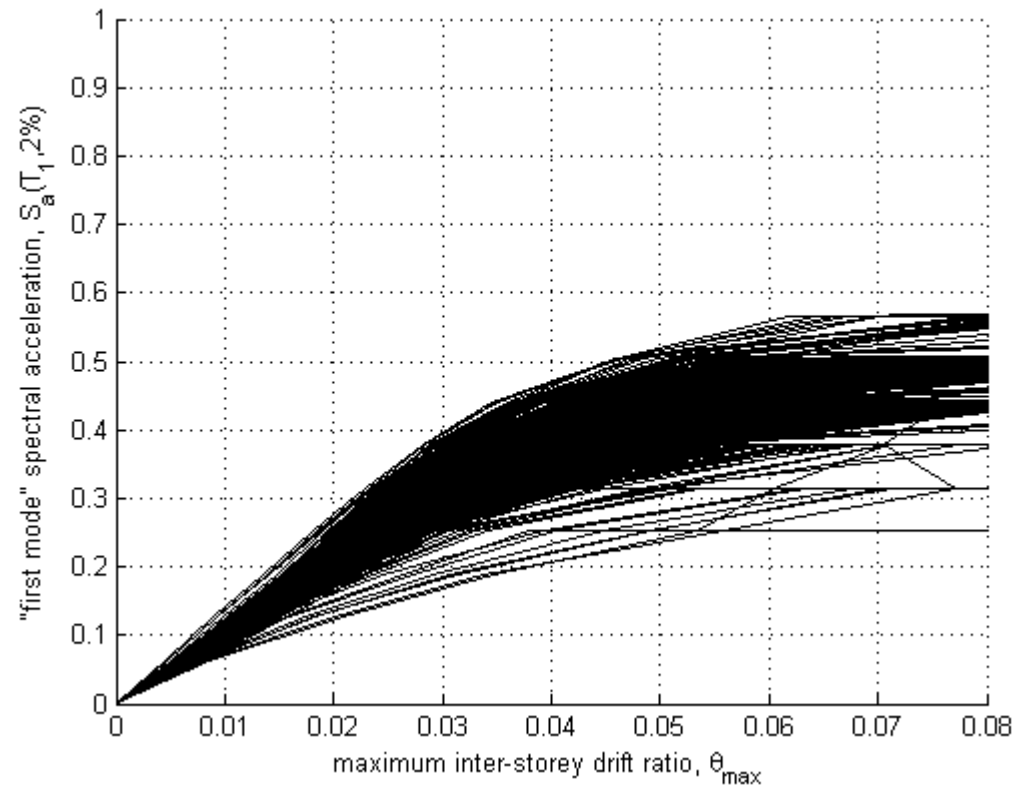
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# Multi-Record Incremental Dynamic Analysis

## Fixed earthquake record (Type 1)

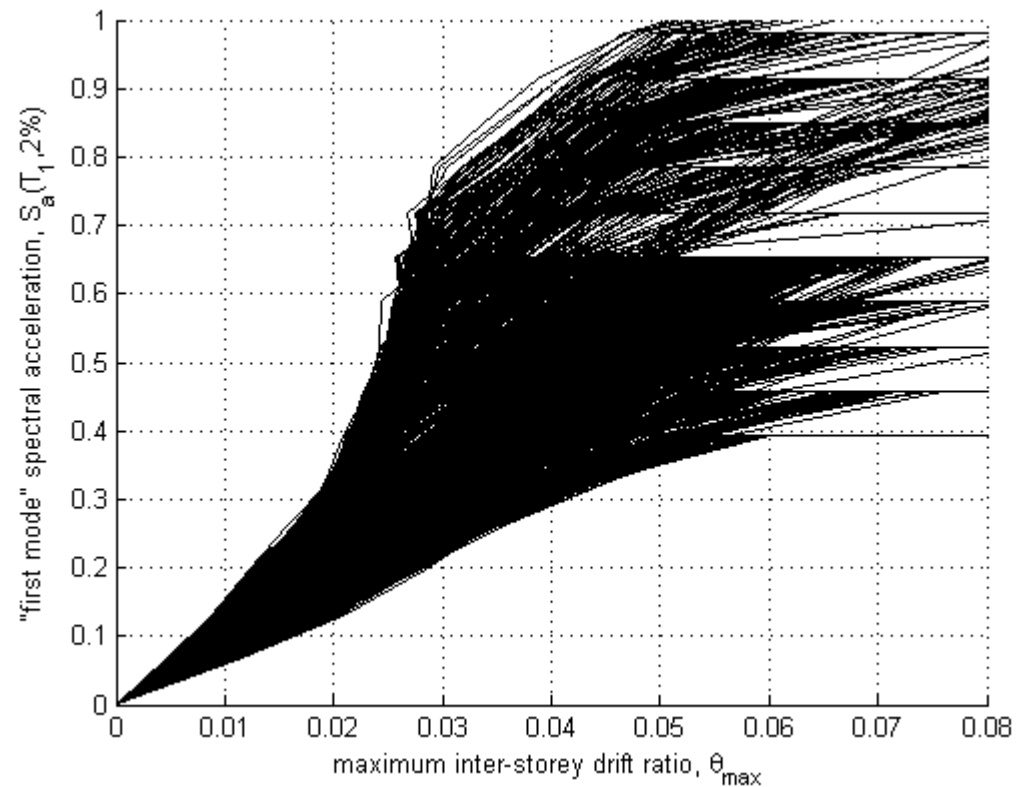
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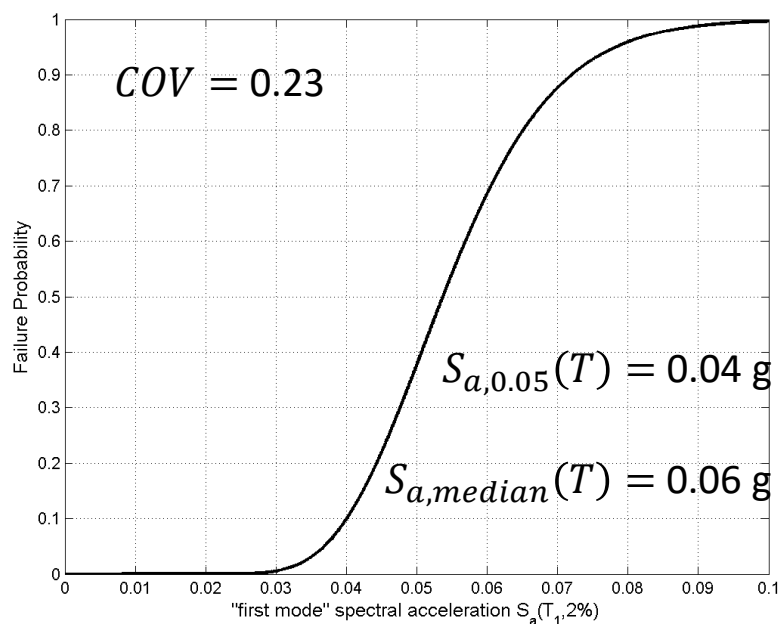
## Fixed earthquake record (Type 2)

- A softening case
- Local hardening
- Severe hardening
- Weaving behavior

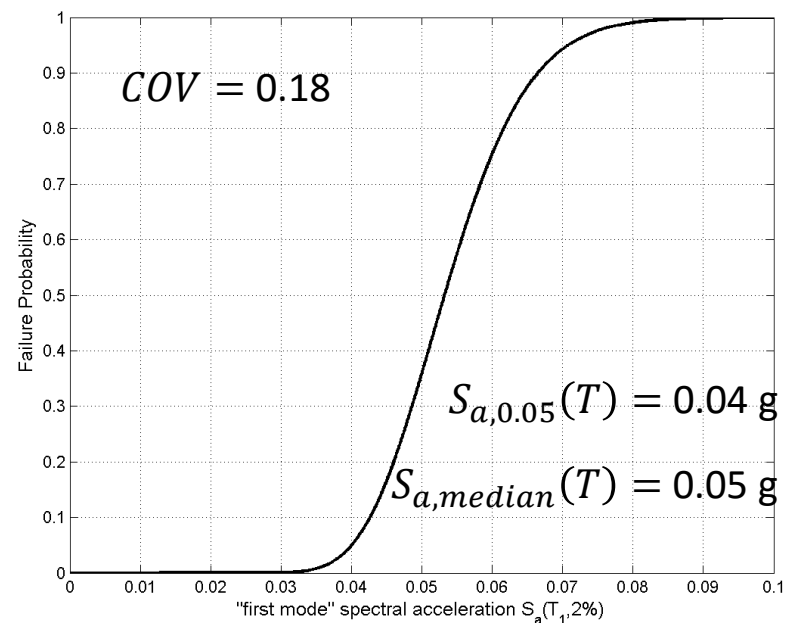


# Fragility curves

- Probability of occurrence of a given damage state for a given seismic intensity
- Damage state : Immediate occupancy



Fragility curve (Type1)



Fragility curve (Type2)



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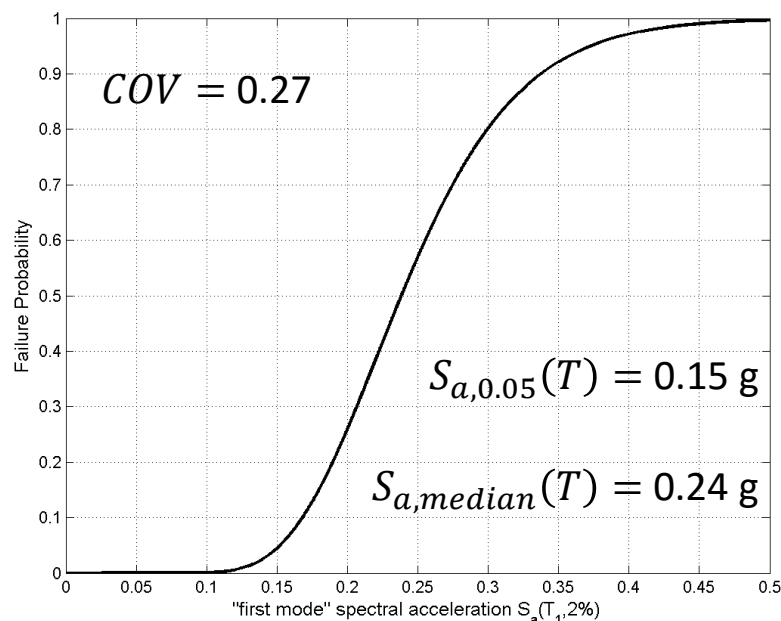
- Damage state : Life safety

Type 1

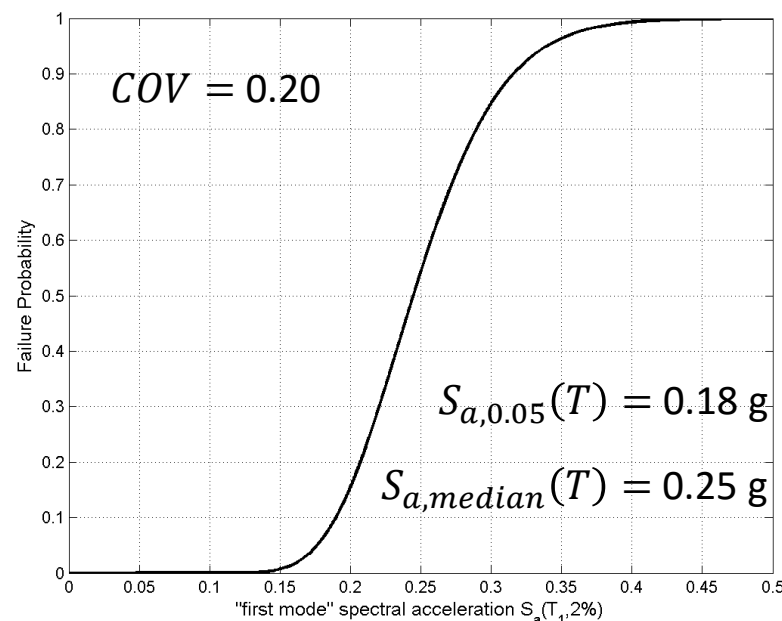
$$S_d(T) = 0.05 \text{ g}$$

Type 2

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Fragility curve (Type1)



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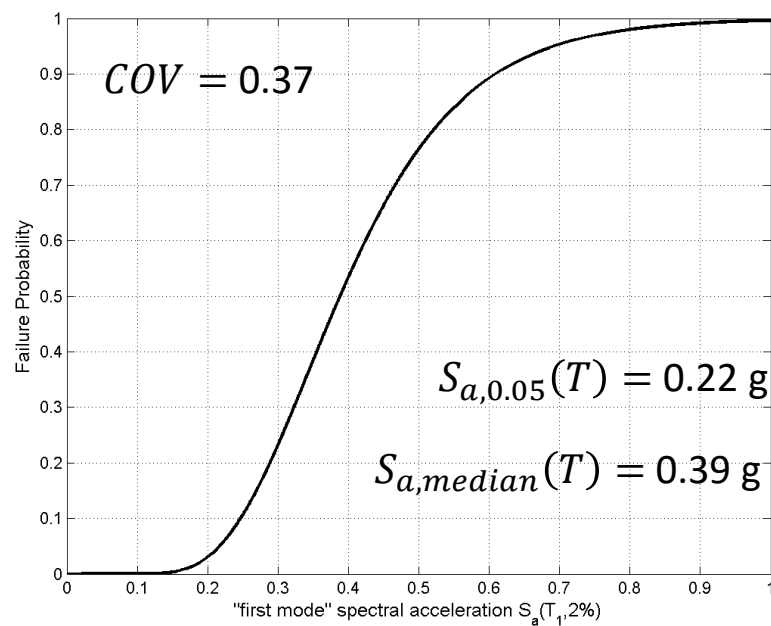
- Damage state : Collapse prevention

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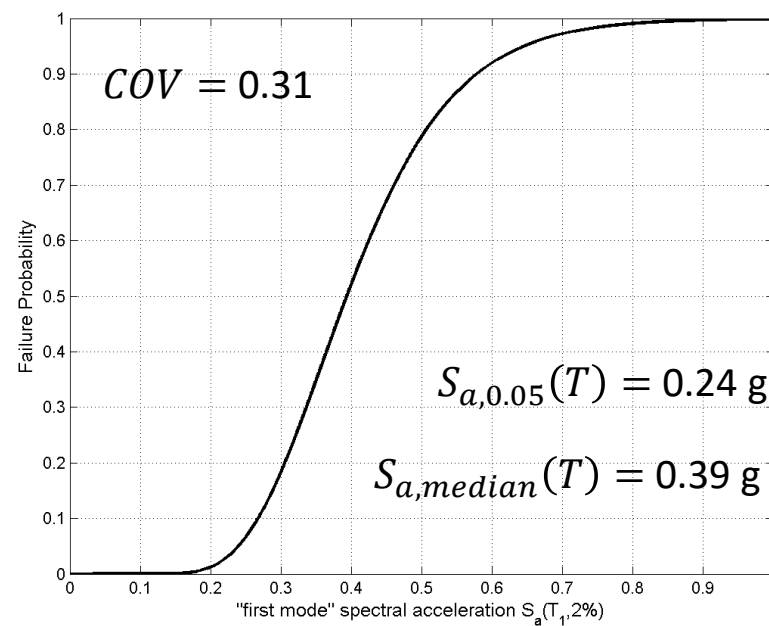
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# Conclusions

- Pushover analysis showed the seismic response variability due to model uncertainties
- Behavior factor reached was higher than the admitted in the Eurocode 8 for Hyperstatic portal frame with doveled and bolted joints ( $q = 4.0$ )
- Multi-Record Incremental Dynamic Analysis showed how the structural response can differ for different acceleration records (aleatory uncertainties) and mechanical properties (epistemic uncertainties)
- From fragility functions it was possible to conclude that the structure is safe for the damage scenarios considered

# Future developments

- Evaluate correlations between seismic responses and ductility properties
- Compare results with other structures in order to study different levels of ductility properties (global and local)
- Study the ground motion duration effects
- Evaluate the propensity to collapse of these structures through robustness assessment framework performing progressive collapse analysis of damaged structures
- Assess relationships between seismic capacity and robustness measurements

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