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Deep Learning-based Friction Modeling of Dry Interfaces for Structural Dampers

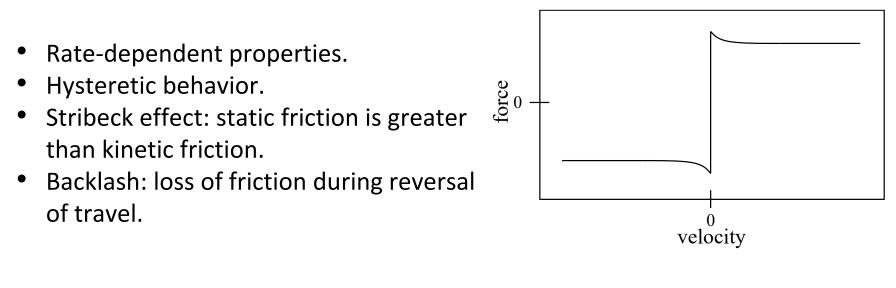
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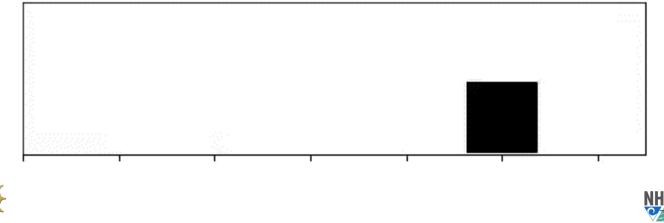
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Why model friction?







The Banded Rotary Friction Device

- A friction-based structural damper designed for high performance and mechanical simplicity.
- An internal drum rotates against stationary friction bands.
- Semi-active control possible with actuators connected to both ends of the band.

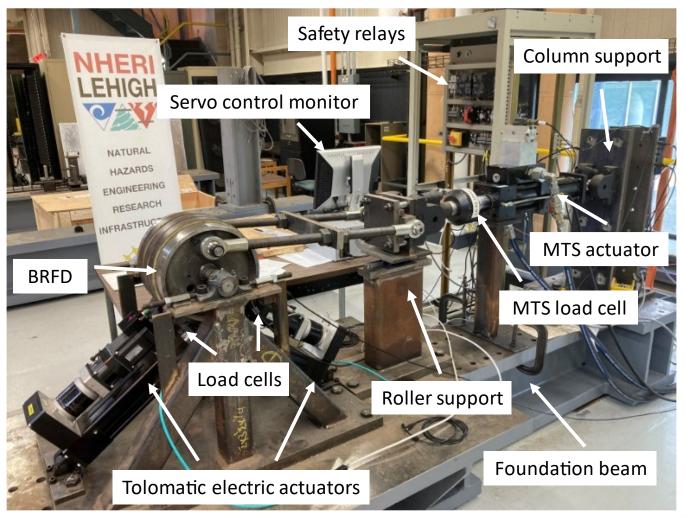








The Banded Rotary Friction Device







Device Characterization

- The BRFD produces a large amplification of friction force compared to applied force.
- Self-energizing effect: contact pressure increases along the surface of the drum.
- The backlash effect: self-energizing effect depletes during reversal of travel.

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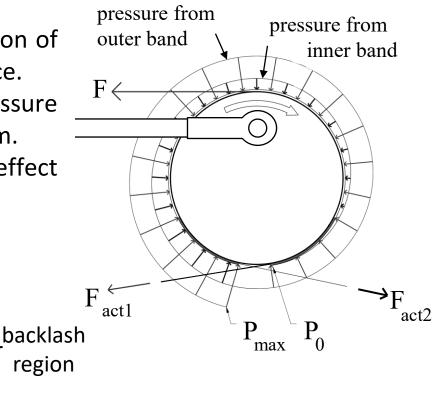
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force (kip)





Device Characterization

- Characterization tests were run under a sinusoidal displacement profile.
- Frequency of sinusoid, tension of the friction band were altered to produce 24 datasets.
- Validation data collected from five hybrid simulations under wind loading.

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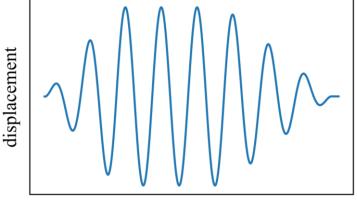
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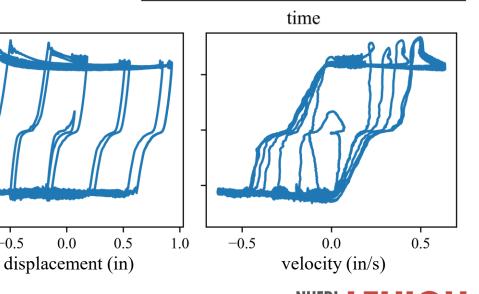
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force (kip)

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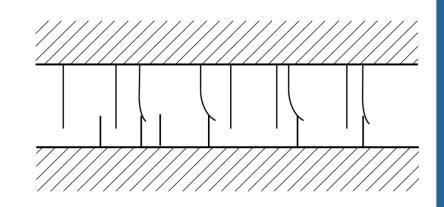
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Model Development

- The LuGre model: a 'rate and state' model commonly used to describe dry friction systems.
- Physical interpretation of parameters.
 - Static parameters: F_c , F_s , v_s .
 - Dynamic parameters: σ_0 , σ_1 , σ_2 .

 $\dot{z} = v - \sigma_0 \frac{|v|}{g(v)} z$ $F = \sigma_0 z + \sigma_1 \dot{z} + \sigma_2 v$ $g(v) = F_c + (F_s - F_c)e^{\left(\frac{v}{v_s}\right)}$

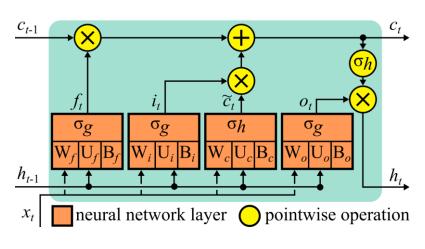




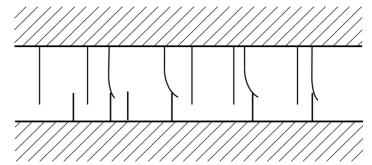


Model Development

- The LuGre model cannot capture changing normal force or backlash effect.
- Real-time parameter updating for F_c , F_s , σ_0 using machine learning.
- Long short-term memory cells: RNNs propagate a cell state and produce time-series output.
- Input: band tension.



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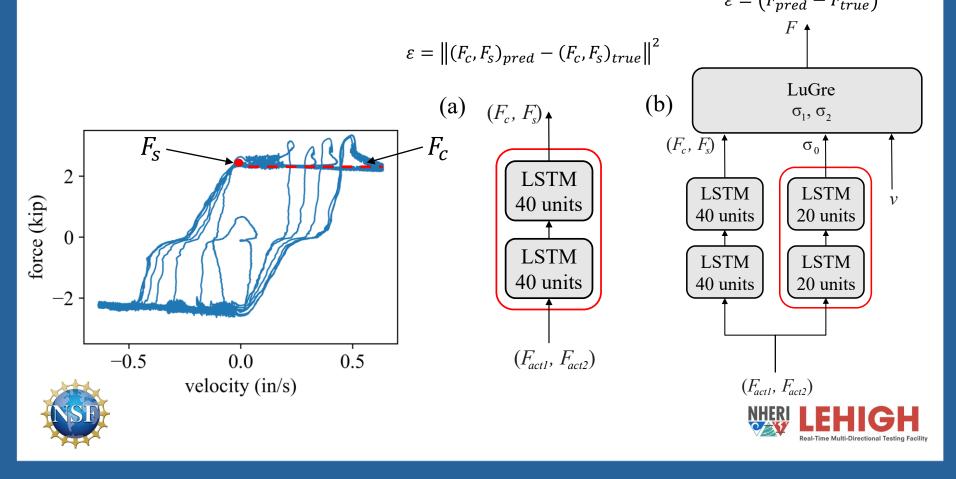






Model Training

- F_c , F_s can be easily extracted from force data, but σ_0 cannot.
- Two-step training process for static and dynamic parameters. $\varepsilon = (F_{pred} - F_{true})^2$



Passive mode LuGre models

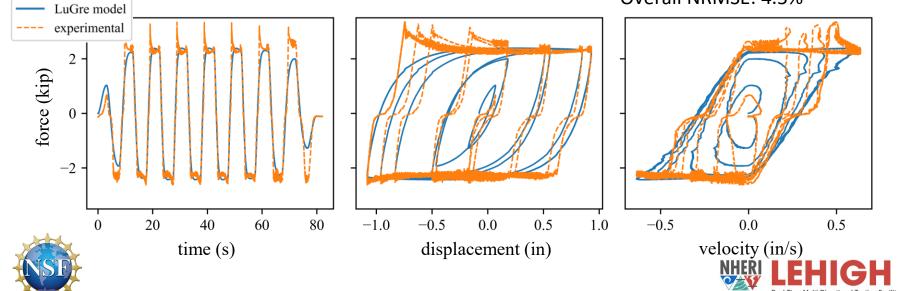
Normalized root mean squared error

displacement signal frequency

- To provide comparison, a LuGre model was parameterized to each characterization dataset.
- Loss of meaning for model parameters ۲ such as σ_0 .

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uator tens	20 lb	5.0%	5.2%	5.6%	6.6%
	22 lb	5.6%	4.9%	5.0%	8.0%
	25 lb	5.2%	5.5%	5.7%	5.8%
	35 lb	5.0%	5.2%	5.1%	6.4%
	70 lb	4.8%	4.9%	5.3%	5.9%
	80 lb	4.2%	4.4%	5.0%	6.3%

Overall NRMSE: 4.5%



Deep learning-based model

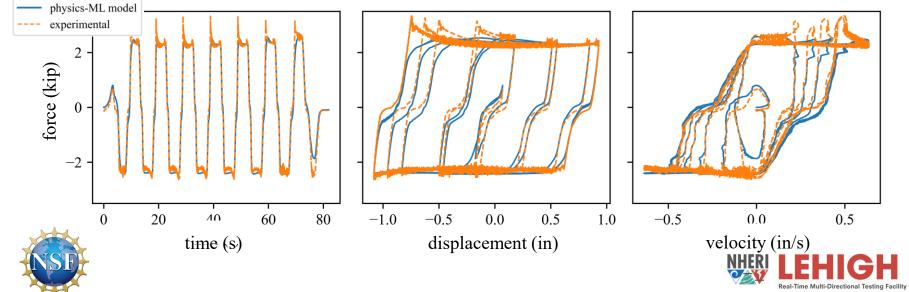
- NRMSE decreased from 4.5% to 2.8%, a reduction of 37%.
- Most of the error reduction comes from the ability to reproduce the backlash effect.
- Single model compared to 24 different models.

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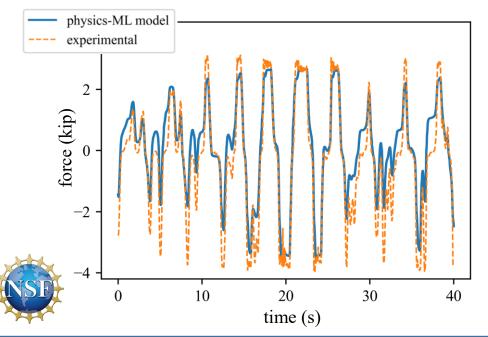
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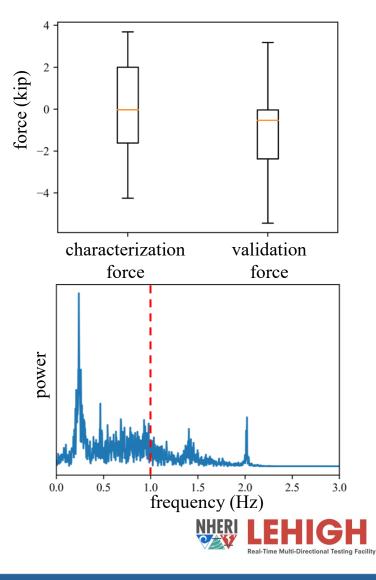
Overall NRMSE: 2.8%



Validation on a wind event profile

- Overall NRMSE for the wind loading hybrid simulation was 14.7%, showing limited ability to generalize outside the dataset.
- Expanding the frequency sweep and tension range could result in better fits to the wind profiles.





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