

# Semi-active Control of a Banded Rotary Friction Device

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# Structural Damping

**Purpose:** Reliably absorb and dissipate energy from dynamic loadings, e.g., earthquakes and wind

## Passive

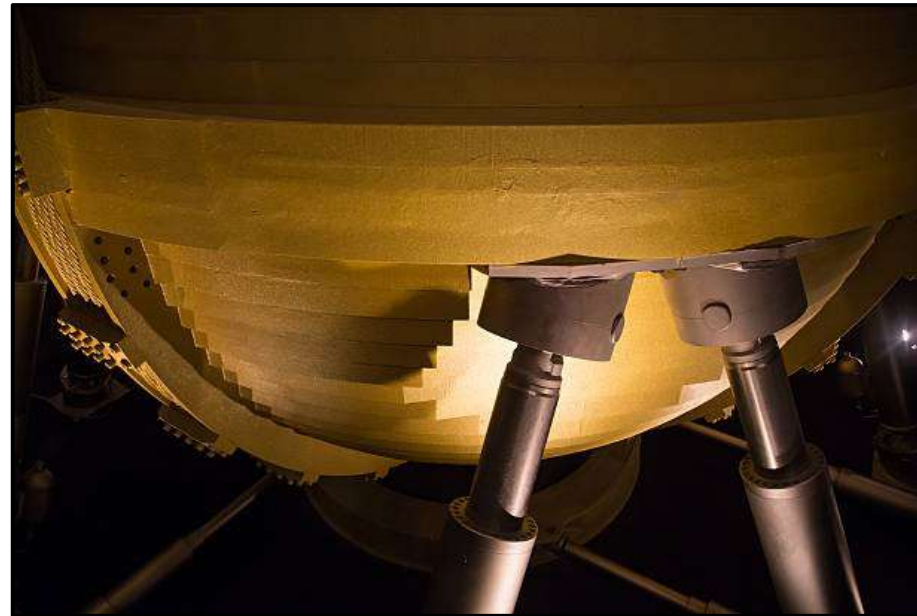
- Require no external power
- Limited functional bandwidth

## Active

- Adaptable/quick
- Require much external power

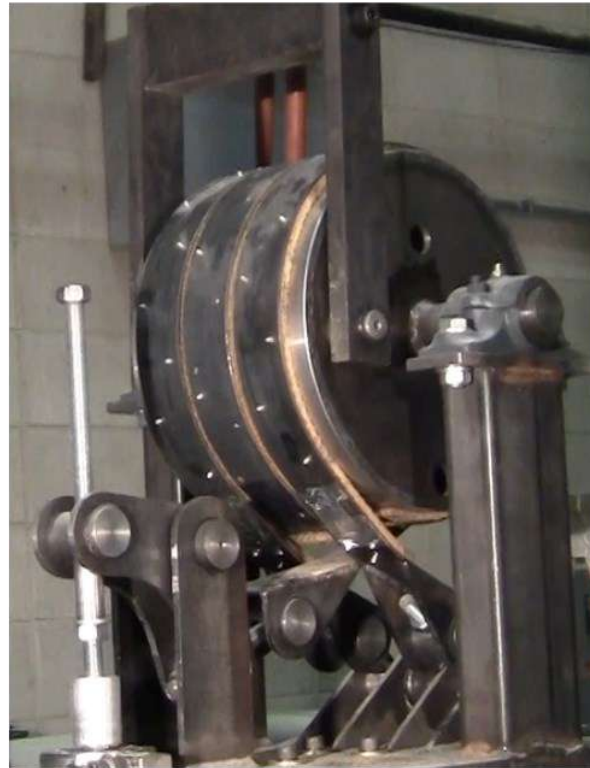
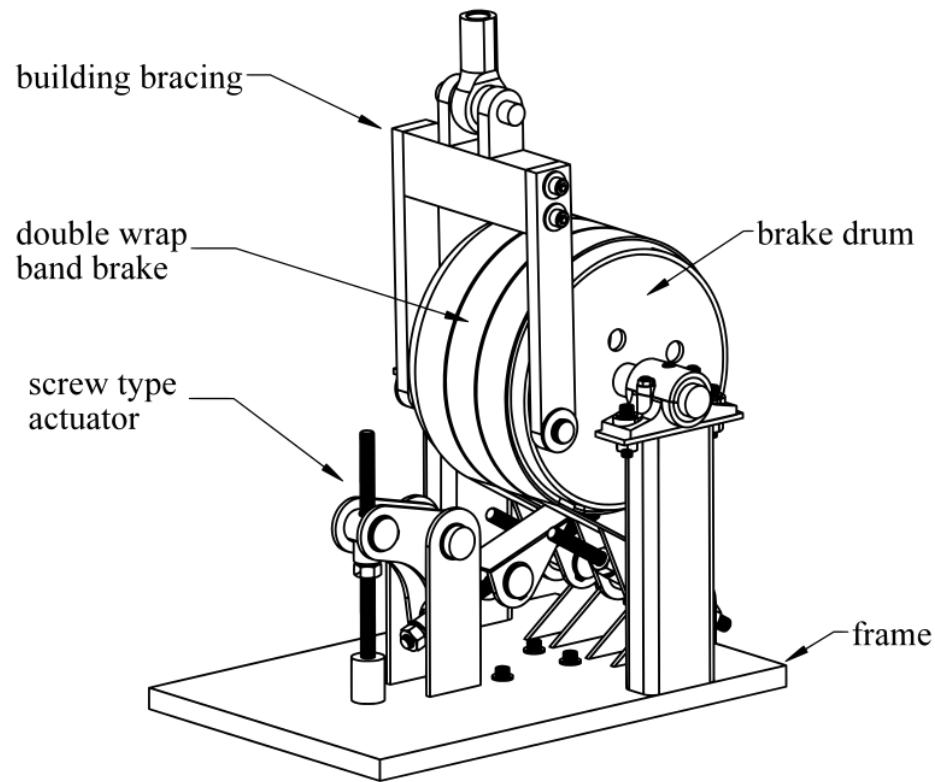
## Semi-active

- Purely reactive
- Require little external power



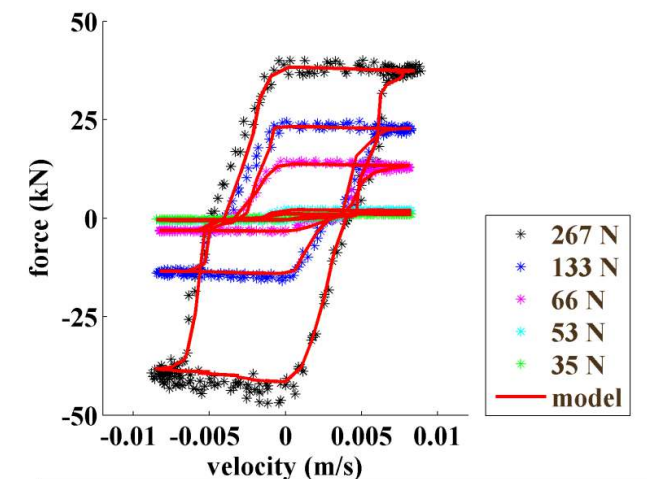
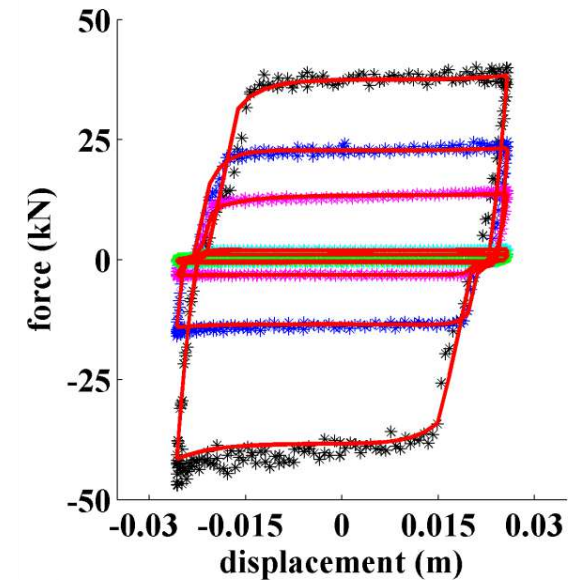
# Banded Rotary Friction Device (BRFD)

- Variable friction damper inspired by band brake technology



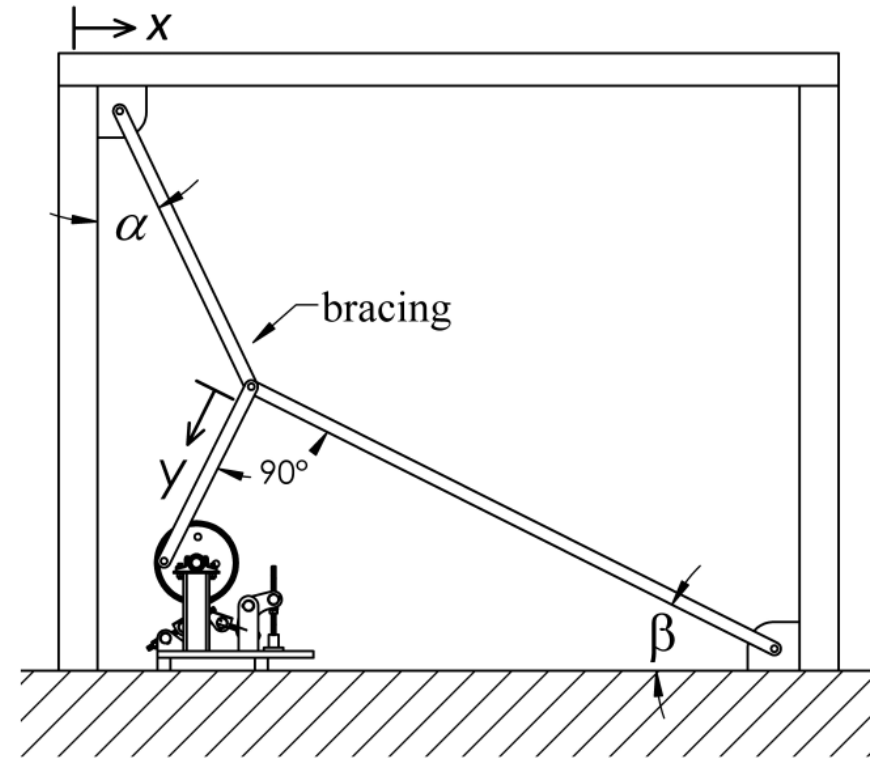
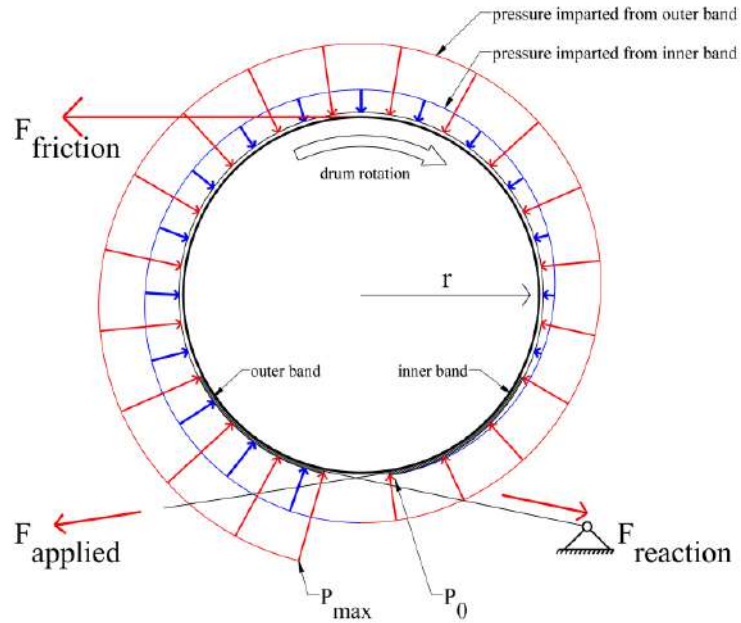
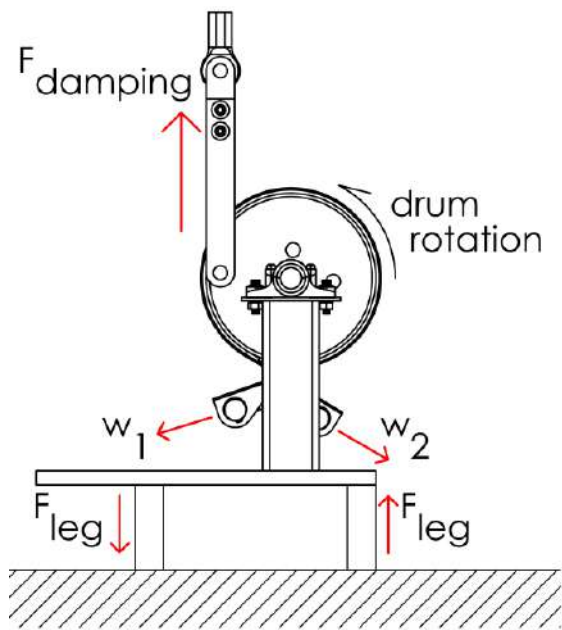
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# Banded Rotary Friction Device (BRFD)

- Lateral displacement **transduced** into angular motion
- Friction develops as the drum rotates against friction bands
- Electric actuators adjust band tension  $\rightarrow$  control damping



$$F_{\text{reaction}}/F_{\text{applied}} = e^{\mu\phi}$$

$$F_{\text{applied}} = \frac{F_{\text{friction}}}{(e^{\mu\phi} - 1)}$$

$$F_{\text{damping}} = \frac{T}{r_b} = \frac{F_{\text{friction}} \cdot r}{r_b}$$

# NSF-funded Testbed at Lehigh University

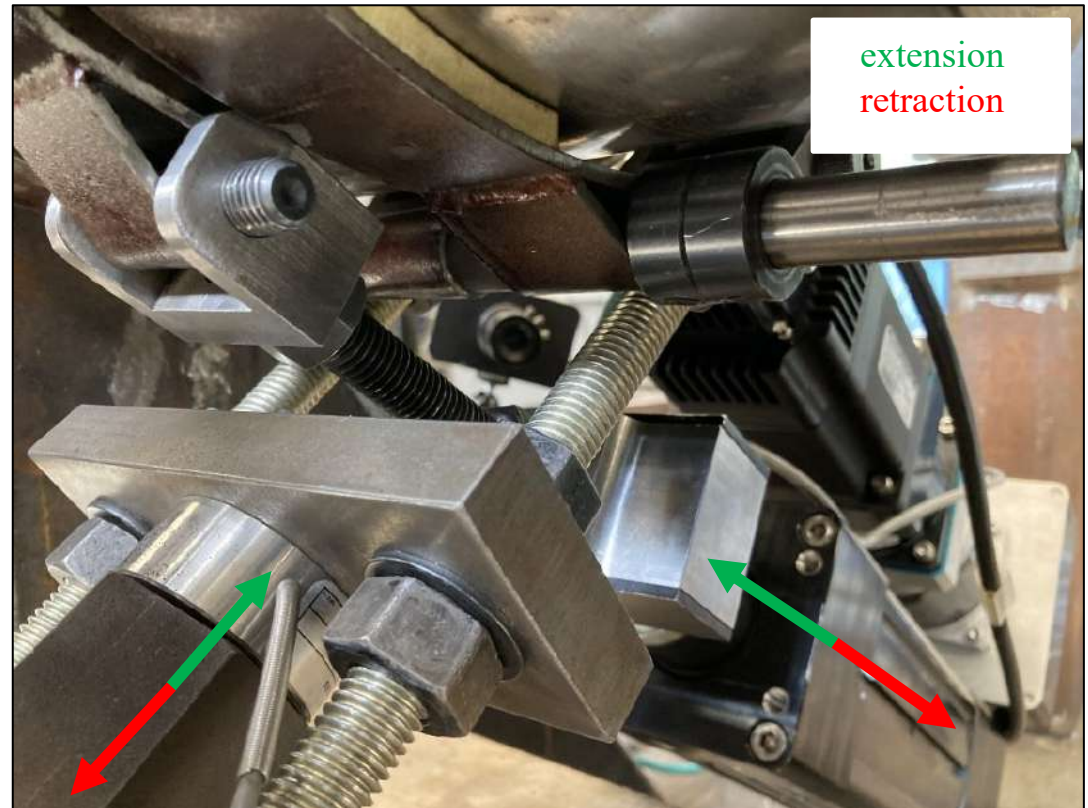
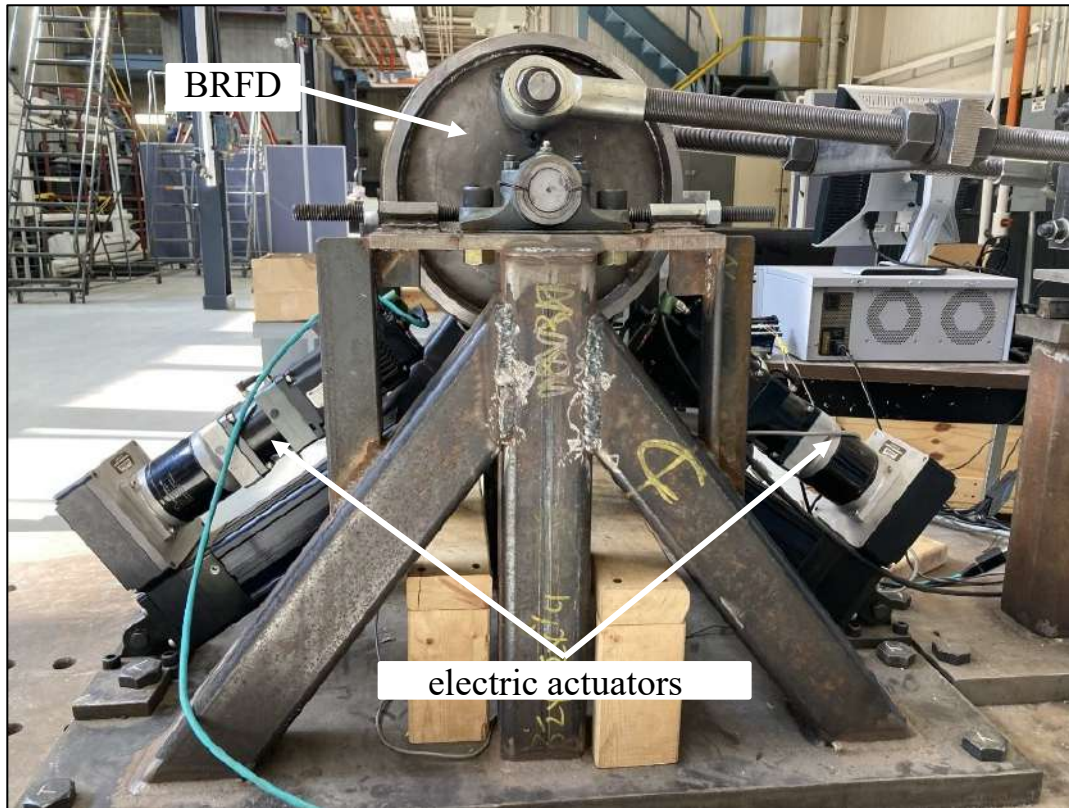
- The Device is at Lehigh University in their NSF-funded NHERI faculty.
- Open-source data will hopefully allow others to use the device for their investigations.
- Hopefully updates in the near future will move it closer to a “final” product.



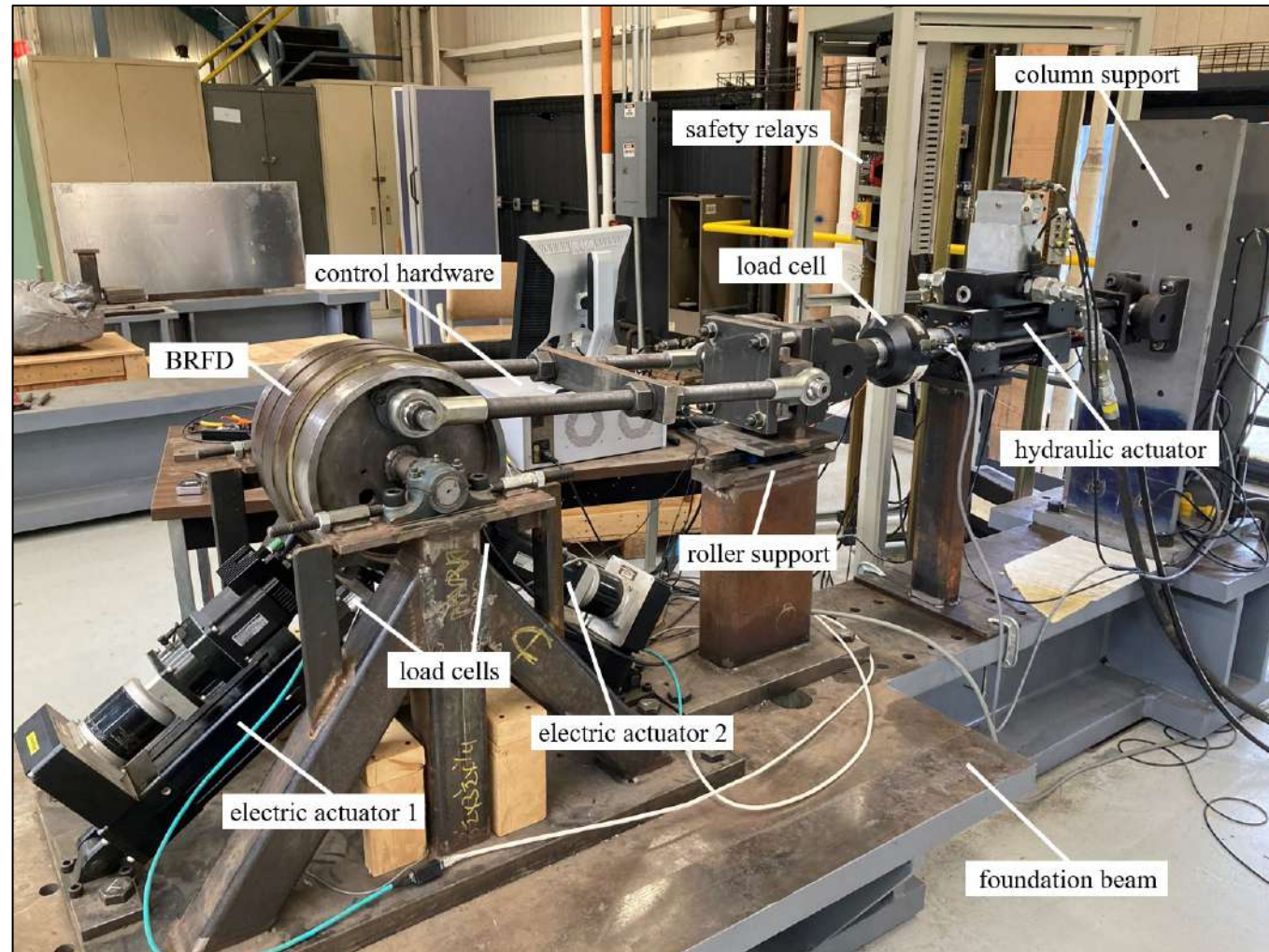
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# Banded Rotary Friction Device



# Test Setup

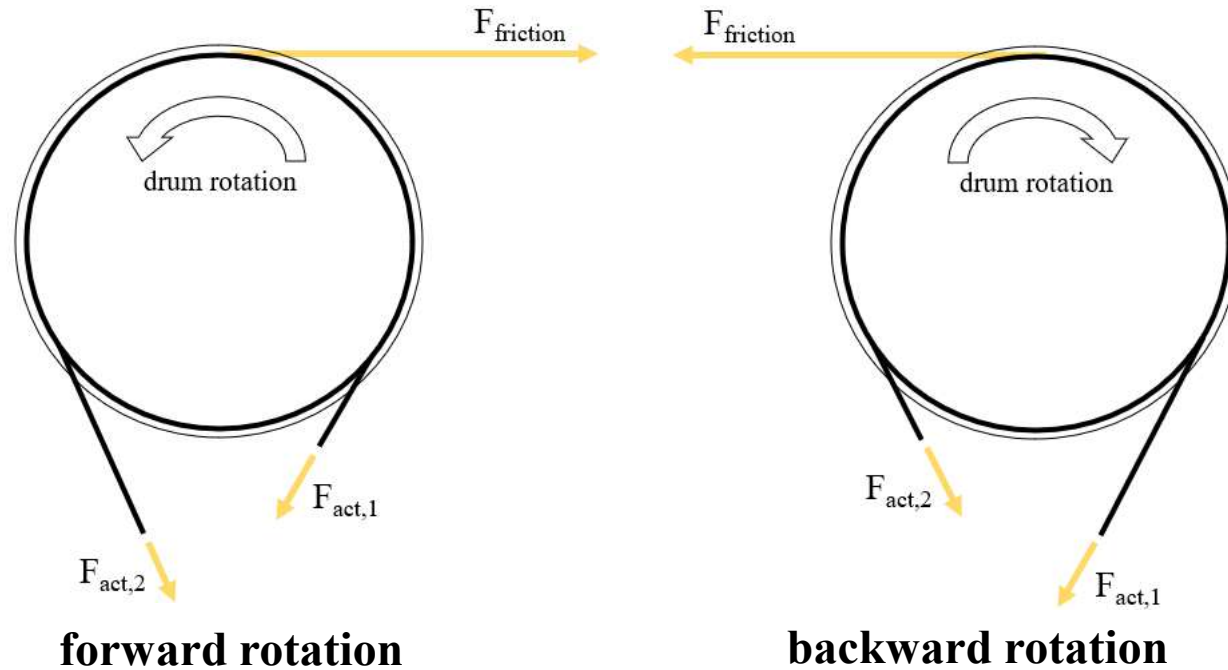


# Passive Operation

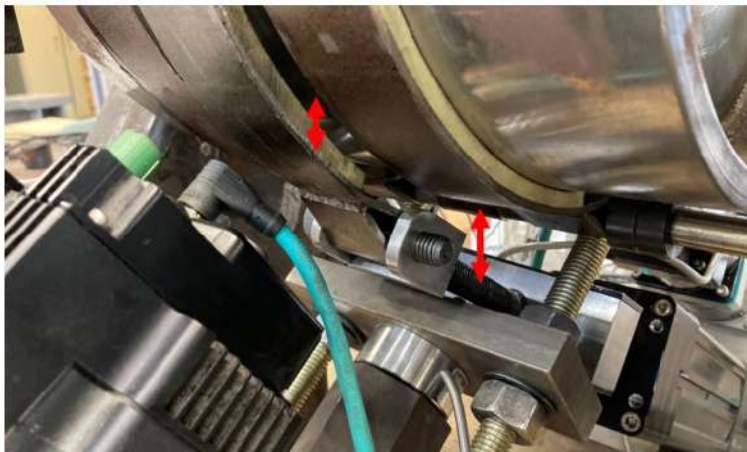




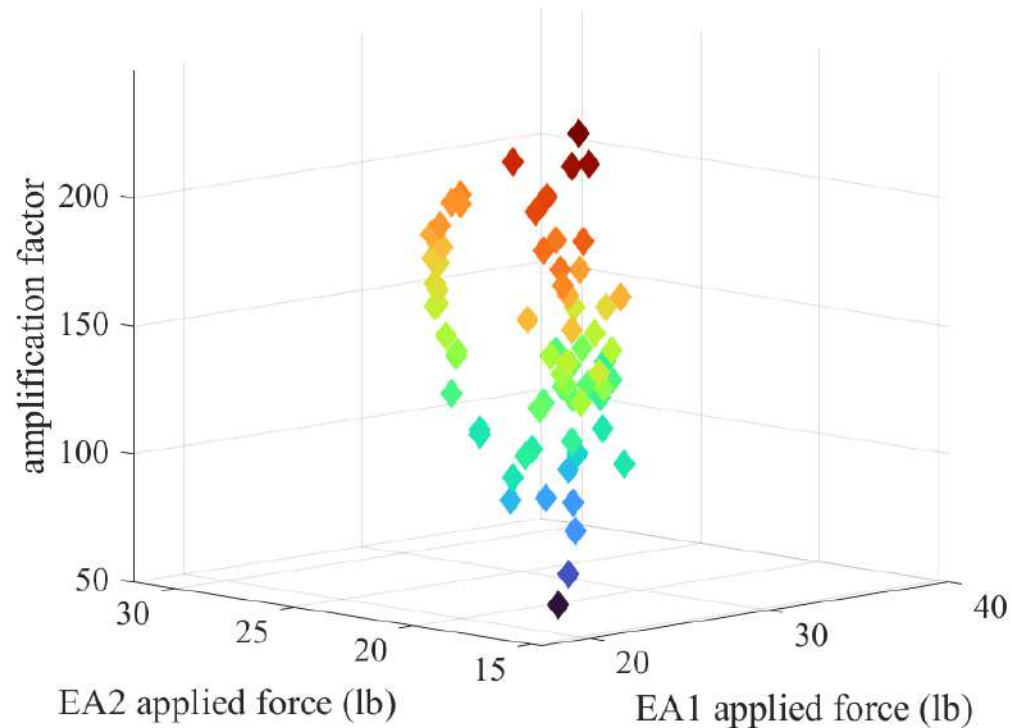
# BRFD Modeling Difficulties



- **Friction:** stiction, hysteresis, etc.
- **Deflections:** electric actuators/ friction bands
- **Sensitivity:** initial conditions



# Damper Force Amplification



- Factor by which the BRFD amplifies its input
- Ratio of damping force to slack-actuator force

**Forward rotation:**  $C_{fwd} = \frac{F_{c,fwd}}{F_{act,1}}$

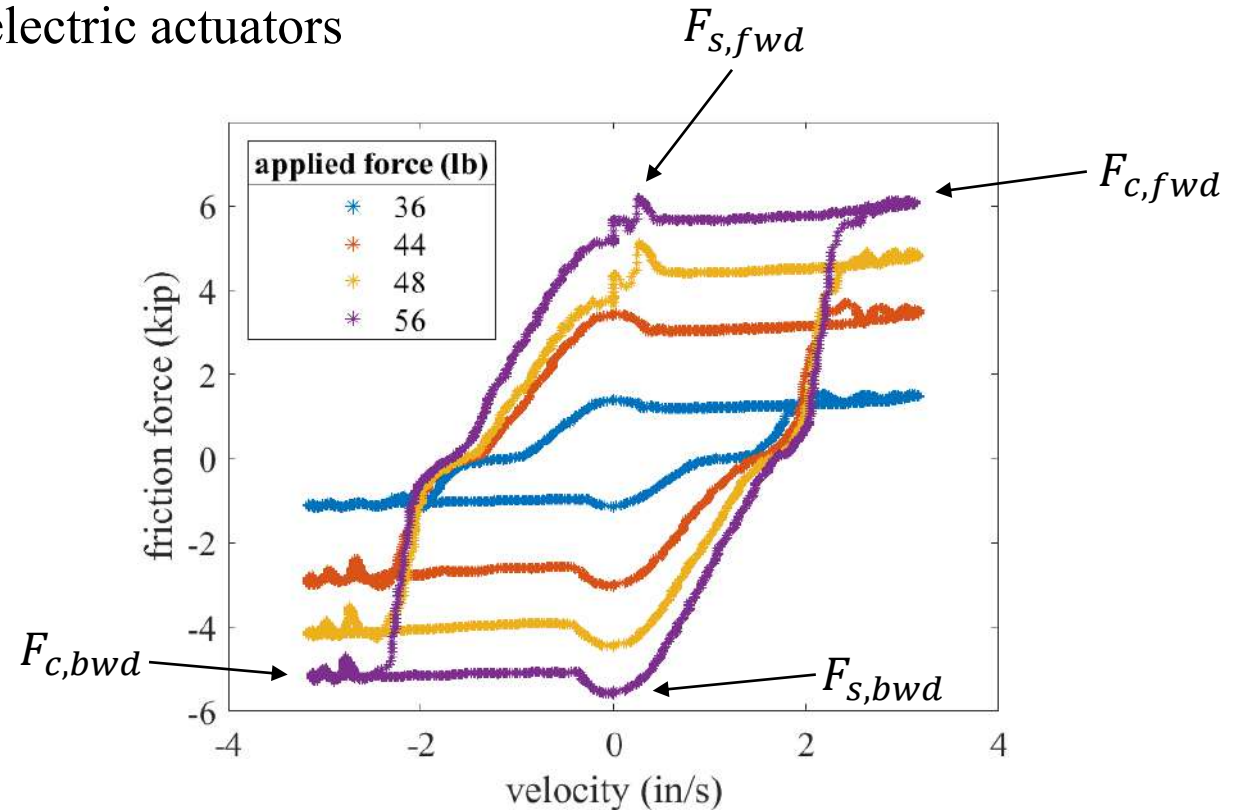
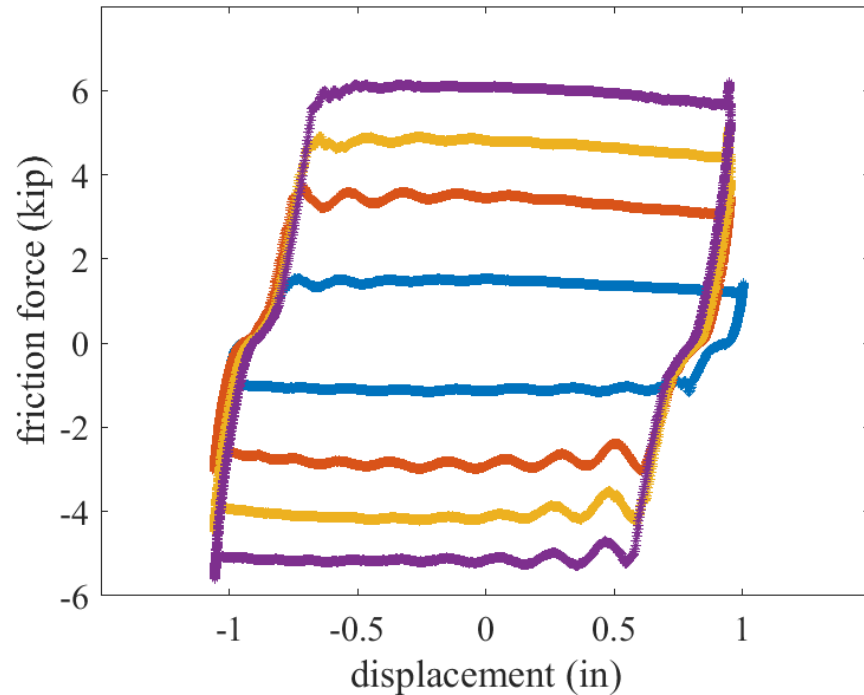
**Backward rotation:**  $C_{bwd} = \frac{F_{c,bwd}}{F_{act,2}}$

- BRFD capable of achieving amplification factors  $\gg 1$
- Amplification **increases** with pretension forces

# Passive to Semi-active

- Applied forces determine damper output level
- Area of force-displacement curves  $\equiv$  energy dissipated by the damper

**Goal:** Control static/kinetic friction with the electric actuators



# Approach

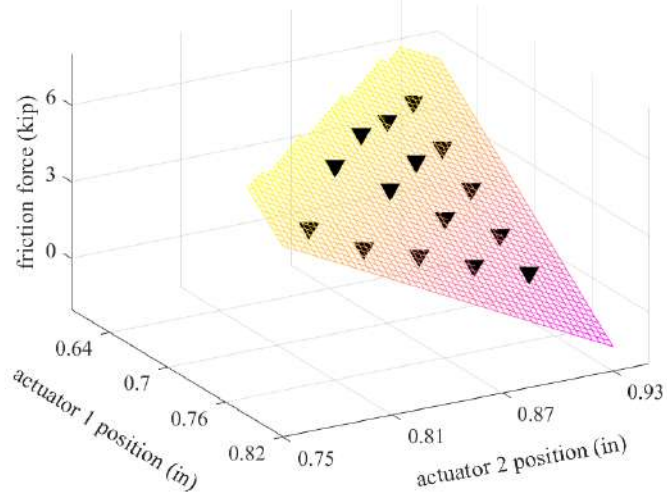
- Sets of passive characterization tests conducted for analysis
- Used sinusoidal input with amplitude **1 in** and frequency **0.5 Hz**
- Electric actuators incrementally retracted between tests
- Data from **90** tests collected in total

		Actuator 1 position (in)								
		0.715	0.73	0.745	0.76	0.775	0.79	0.805	0.82	0.835
Actuator 2 position (in)	0.81									
	0.825						x	x		
	0.84					x	x	x	x	
	0.855				x	x	x	x	x	
	0.87			x	x	x	x	x	x	
	0.885		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
	0.9	x	x	x	x	x	x*	x	x	
	0.915		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
	0.93		x	x	x	x	x	x	x	
	0.945									

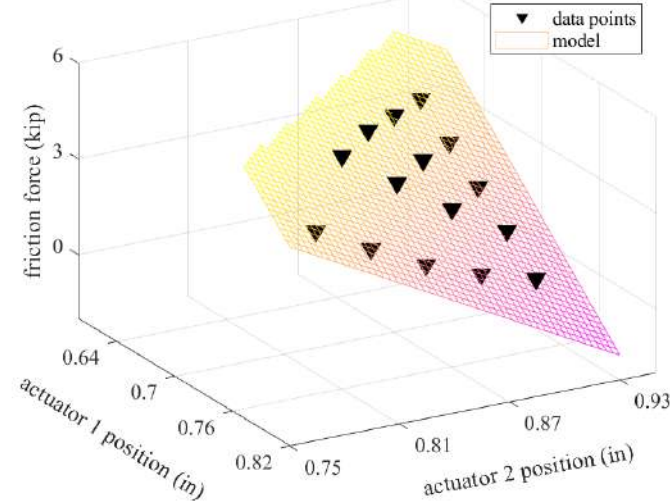
Full Test	
Safety Limit	
*conducted twice	

# Regression Analysis

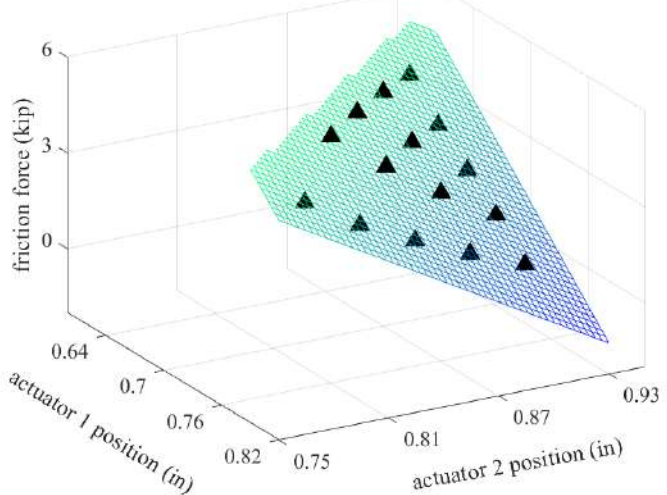
static friction forward rotations



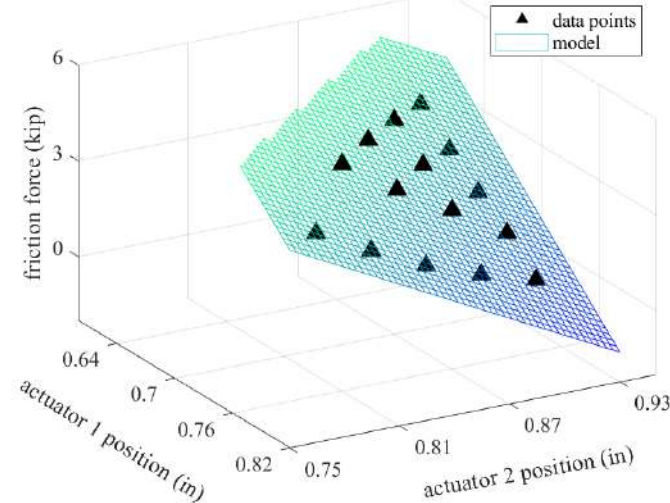
static friction backward rotations



kinetic friction forward rotations



kinetic friction backward rotations



- Actuator initial positions vs. static/kinetic friction
- Slopes  $\rightarrow$  rates at which damping changes with actuator **displacements**
- Linear models ignore potential for actuator coupling

# LuGre Model

- Dynamic friction model with state variable  $z$
- Introduced for the control of dry friction interfaces

$$\dot{z} = v - \sigma_0 \frac{|v|}{g(v)} z \quad \text{Eq. 1}$$

$$g(v) = F_c + (F_s - F_c) e^{-\left(\frac{v}{v_s}\right)^2} \quad \text{Eq. 2}$$

$$F = \sigma_0 z + \sigma_1 \dot{z} + \sigma_2 v \quad \text{Eq. 3}$$

- Model is passive  $\rightarrow F_s$  and  $F_c$  are constants

# Semi-active Model

- Standard LuGre model serves as a baseline
- $F_s$  and  $F_c$  modified to be functions of electric actuator positions/drum velocity

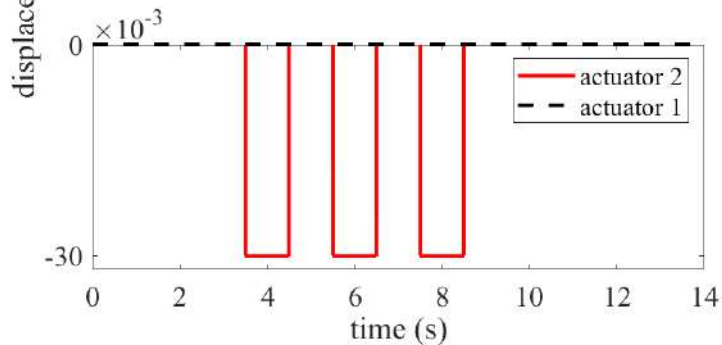
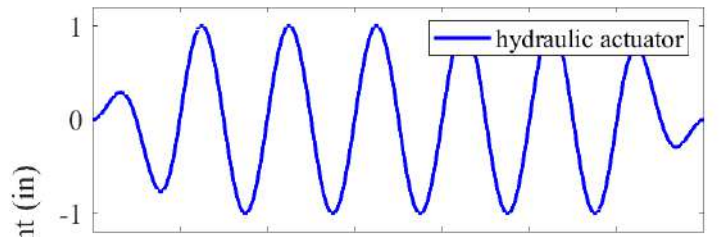
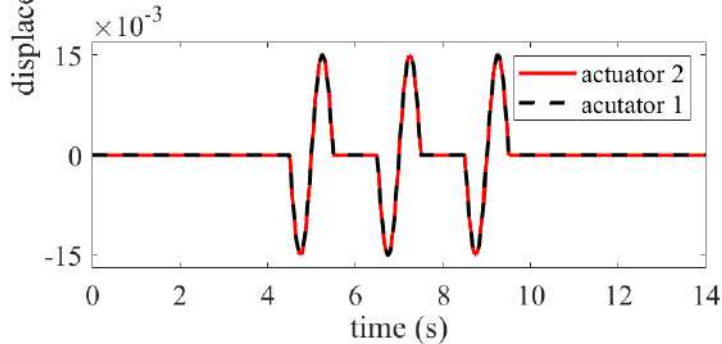
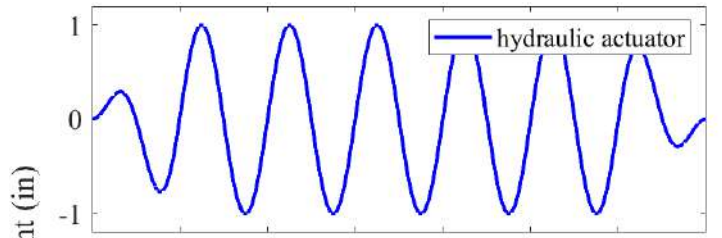
$$F_s(x_1, x_2, v) = \begin{cases} s + S_1(x_1 - x'_1) + S_2(x_2 - x'_2), & v \geq 0 \\ s + S_3(x_1 - x'_1) + S_4(x_2 - x'_2), & v < 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{Eq. 4}$$

$$F_c(x_1, x_2, v) = \begin{cases} c + C_1(x_1 - x'_1) + C_2(x_2 - x'_2), & v \geq 0 \\ c + C_3(x_1 - x'_1) + C_4(x_2 - x'_2), & v < 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{Eq. 5}$$

- Actuator displacements are computed using knowledge of current and initial positions, i.e.,  $(x_1 - x'_1)$  and  $(x_2 - x'_2)$

# Validation Tests

- Semi-active validation tests devised that run hydraulic/electric actuators simultaneously
- **12** validation tests conducted in total
- **6** used sinusoidal electric actuator displacements
- **6** used step electric actuator displacements

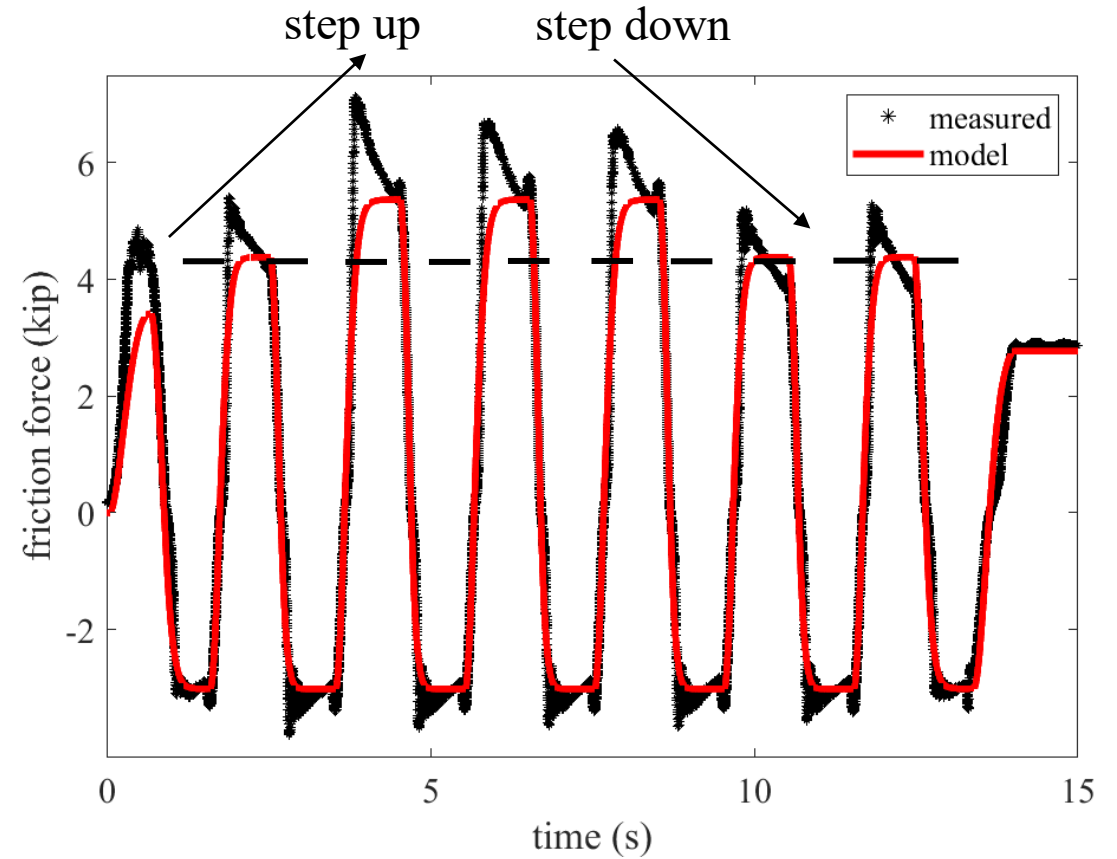
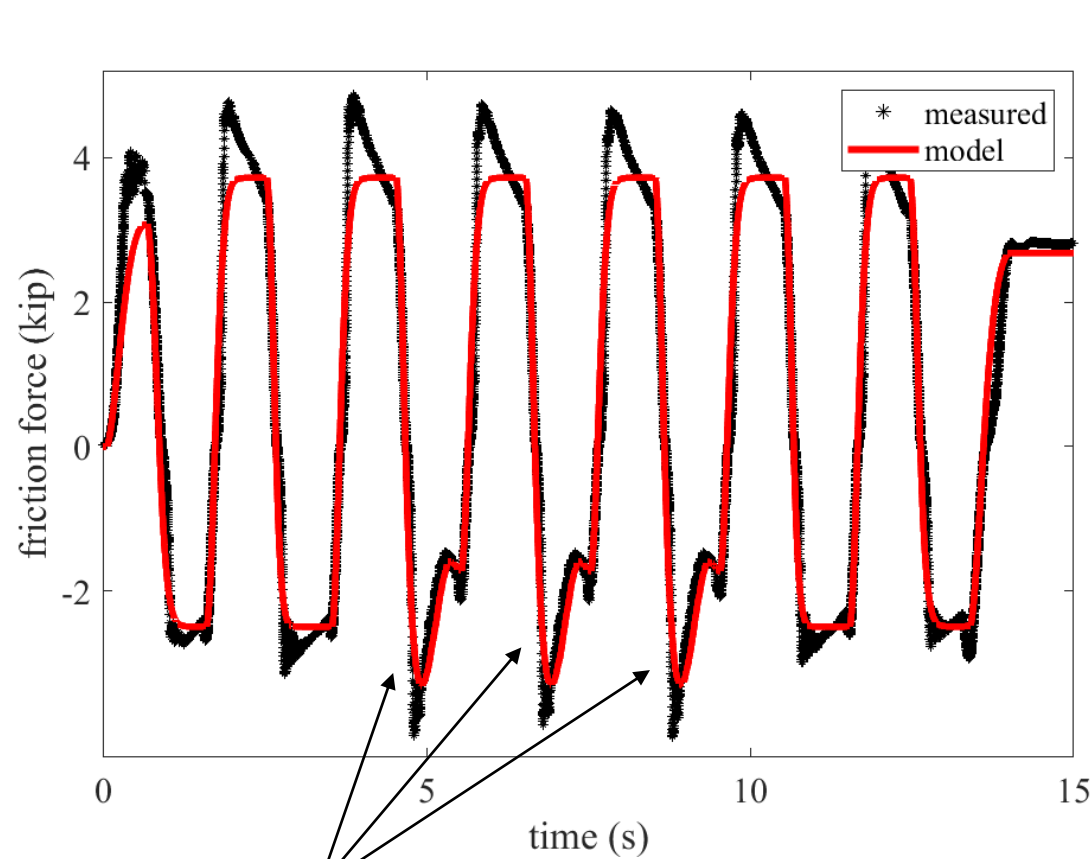


Test #	Controlled Actuator(s)	Displacement Amplitude (in)	Drum Rotation
1	one	0.03	forward
2	one	0.03	backward
3	two	0.03	forward
4	two	0.03	backward
5	one & two	0.015	forward
6	one & two	0.015	backward



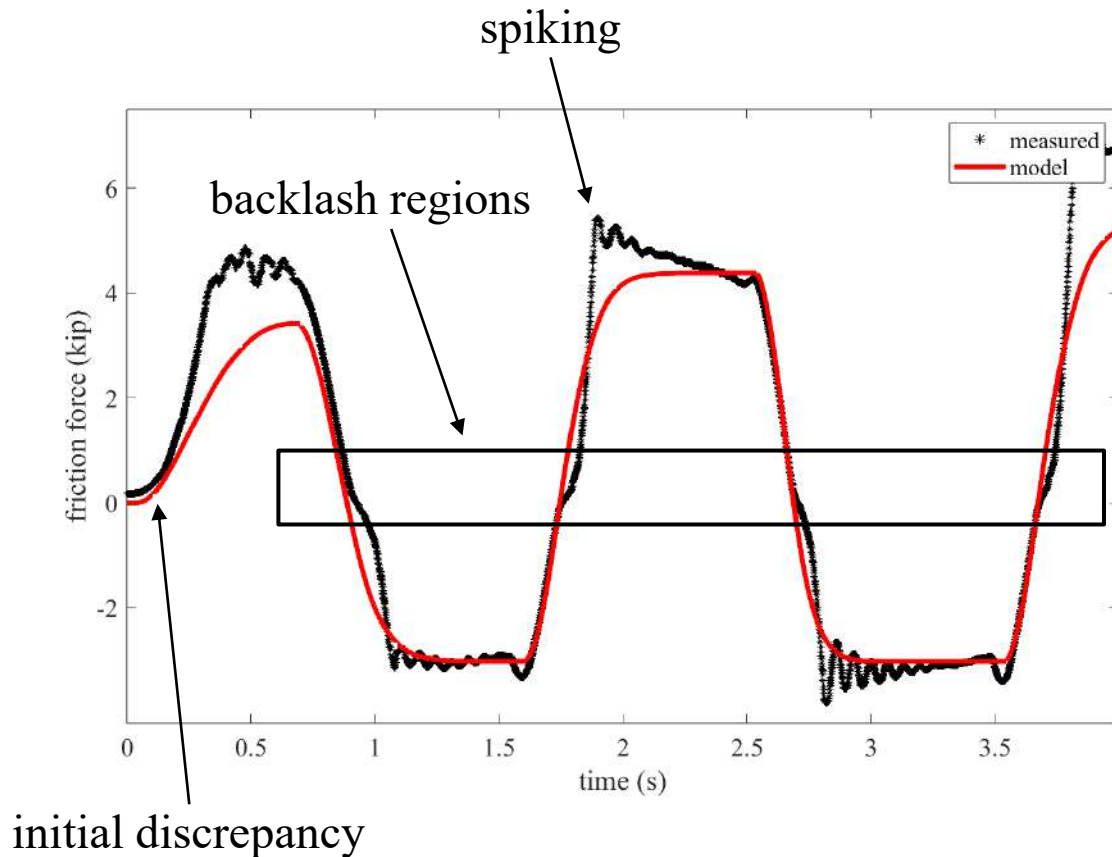
# Results

- Model able to predict changes in damping induced by electric actuator displacements



dynamic  $F_S$  and  $F_C$

# Discussion



- With just **0.03 in** actuator displacements, damping increased as much as **1 kip**
- Much of model error stems from the following:
  1. Residual static force causing initial prediction discrepancies
  2. Fitting LuGre model parameters to semi-active data
  3. Spikes in damping observed upon reversal of drum rotation
  4. Backlash effect

# Conclusion

- Using passive characterization data, a semi-active model for a rotary friction damper was developed
- A modified LuGre model consisting of dynamic static/kinetic friction parameters was proposed
- The model was validated using designed semi-active displacement profiles
- Future work may now focus on the development of internal control algorithms

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# Your Turn!



<https://github.com/ARTS-Laboratory/Dataset-Friction-Damper-with-Backlash>

