

Developments in experimental techniques and data management at ELSA

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Outline



- New approach for control and data acquisition system
- Measuring internal forces in columns
- Data management



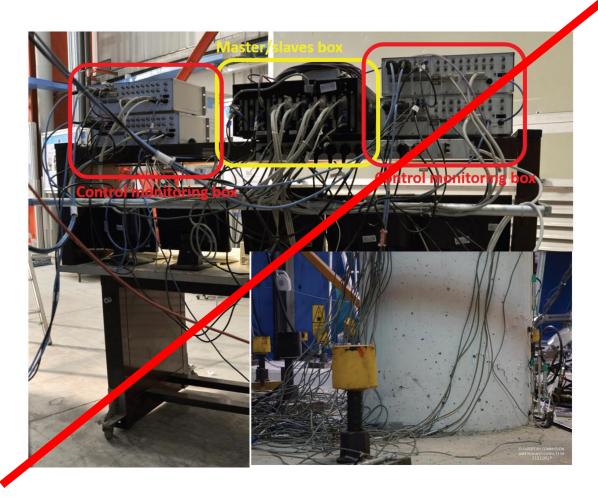


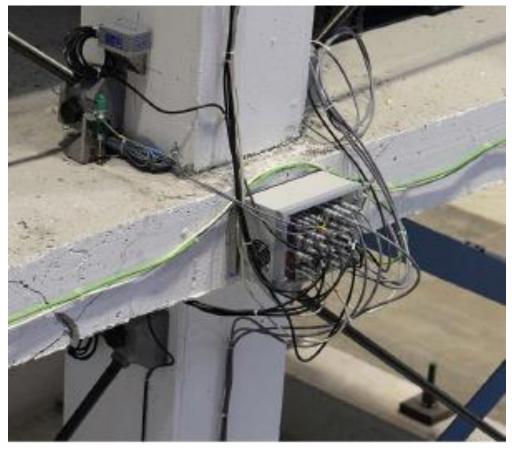
New approach: principles

- Versatility and modularity: adapting test setup to structure
- Components standardization: quality standards, interchangeable
- Robustness: temperature / humidity changes, dust
- Noise-to-signal ratio reduction: reliable hybrid tests with substructuring
- Improvement / simplification of wiring system: correctly transfer and acquire information, simpler check
- Increase number of 'slaves' simultaneously managed by a single 'master' unit



Implementation for data acquisition system







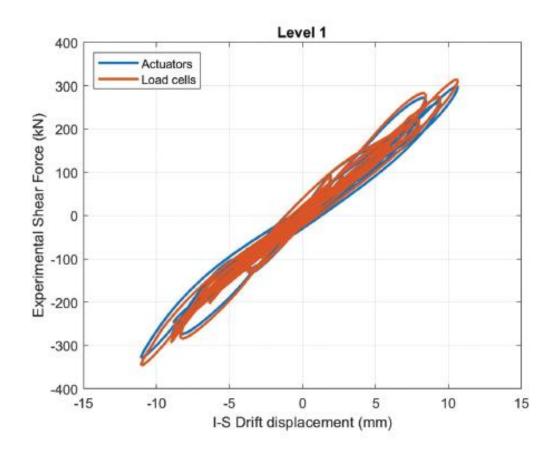
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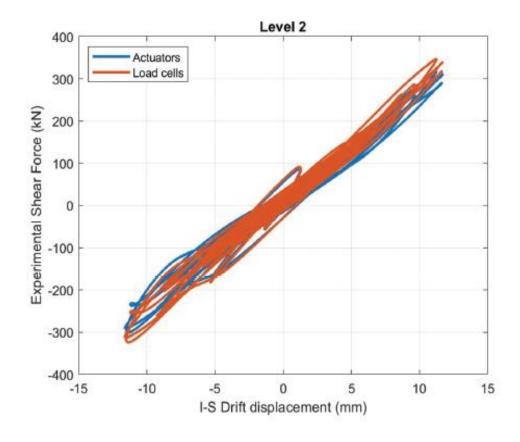


- 3-axial column load cells
- Different size for internal, corner and edge columns
- Calibration in ad-hoc bench able to produce representative loads



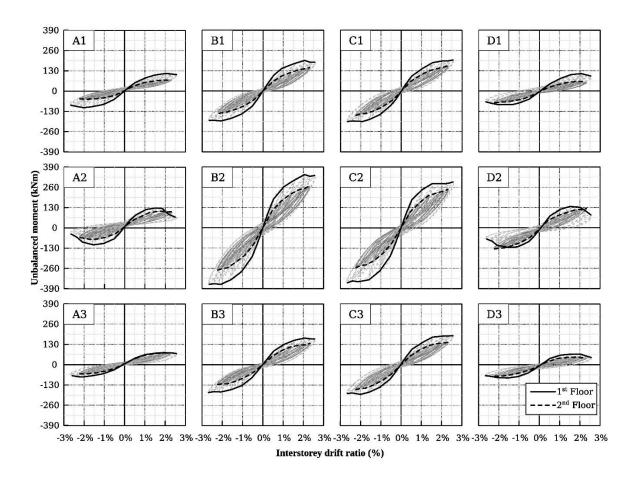
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Data management: principles

Preservation of test data and documentation

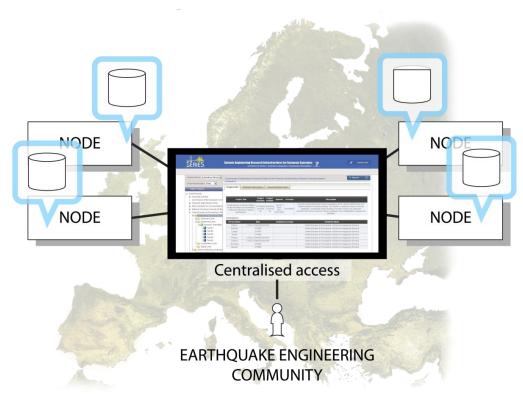
Tools for automated treatment

Tools for automated uploading in a database

Web access



Data management: distributed database

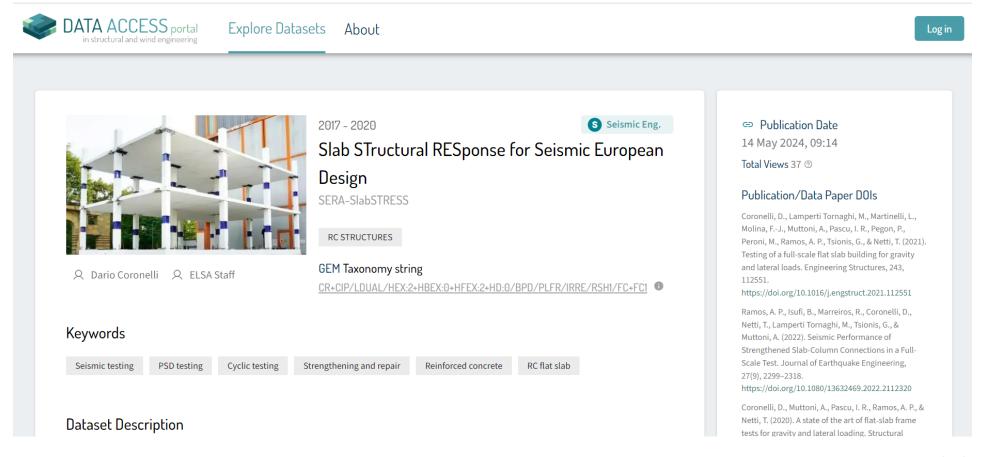


Improvements in SERA (UPAT)

- New local nodes with automatic installation
- Graphical user interface
- Automatic uploading
- Upgraded search functionality
- New plot functionality
- Interoperability with other data services



Data management: ERIES data access portal





Thank you



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