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Workshop Program – Thursday

Day 1 (Dec 16, 2021): Facility Capabilities, Past Projects, and Best Practices for Proposal Preparation

Time (PST)	Торіс	Speaker
8:30 – 8:40 am	Welcome, Introduction & Workshop Schedule	Prof. Joel Conte Dept. of Structural Engineering, UC San Diego
8:40 – 9:45 am	NHERI@UC San Diego: Facility Description and Capabilities	Prof. Joel Conte
9:45 – 10:00 am	Education and Community Outreach	Prof. Lelli Van Den Einde Dept. of Structural Engineering, UC San Diego
10:00 – 10:30 am	DesignSafe Tools and Capabilities (Including Best Practices for Successful Upload/Organization of Data Depot)	Dr. Tim Cockerill DesignSafe Deputy Project Director, Texas Advanced Computing Center
		Prof. Gilberto Mosqueda Dept. of Structural Engineering, UC San Diego
10:30 – 10:50 am	Q&A and Open Discussion	
10:50 – 11:00 am	Break	
11:00 – 11:30 am	Preparing an NSF Proposal to Utilize NHERI@UC San Diego	Prof. Tara Hutchinson Dept. of Structural Engineering, UC San Diego
11:30 – 11:45 am	Virtual Walkthrough of LHPOST6	
11:45 – 12:15 am	Structural Systems: List of Open Issues and Scope of Problems and Example Use of Facility to Address Scientific Needs	Prof. Jose Restrepo Dept. of Structural Engineering, UC San Diego
12:15 – 12:30 am	Q&A and Open Discussion	
12:30 pm	Concluding Remarks	Prof. Joel Conte

Workshop Program – Friday

Day 2 (Dec 16, 2021): New Capabilities, Equipment, Future Projects, and Payload Opportunities

Time (PST)	Торіс	Speaker
8:30 – 8:40 am	Welcome & Workshop Schedule	Prof. Joel Conte Dept. of Structural Engineering, UC San Diego
8:40 – 9:30 am	Modular TestBed Building (MTB ²): A Reconfigurable Shared-Use Equipment Resource for Use by Researchers at LHPOST6	Prof. Tara Hutchinson Dept. of Structural Engineering, UC San Diego
		Prof. Chris Pantelides Dept. of Civil & Environmental Engineering, The University of Utah
9:30 – 10:30 am	Upcoming Project: TallWood	Prof. Shiling Pei Dept. of Civil & Environmental Engineering, Colorado School of Mines
		Prof. Keri Ryan Dept. of Civil & Environmental Engineering, University of Nevada, Reno
		Prof. Andre Barbosa Dept. of Civil & Construction Engineering, Oregon State University
10:30 – 10:45 am	Break	
10:45 – 11:15 am	NSF NHERI Facilities and Research Programs Q&A	Dr. Gianluca Cusatis National Science Foundation
11:15 – 11:45 am	Dr. Kalinina: Plans for the Shake Table Test of a Full-Scale Dry Storage System of Spent Nuclear Fuel	Dr. Elena Kalinina Sandia National Laboratories
	Mr. Klymyshyn: Preliminary Pre-Test Modeling and Simulation Results	Mr. Nicholas Klymyshyn Pacific Northwest National Laboratory
11:45 – 12:15 pm	IT Resources, Cybersecurity, and Instrumentation/DAQ	Dr. Koorosh Lotfizadeh Dept. of Structural Engineering, UC San Diego
12:15 – 12:30 pm	Concluding Remarks	Prof. Joel Conte

Workshop Objectives

- Showcase the features and capabilities of the newly upgraded (6-DOF) LHPOST6 supporting advanced earthquake engineering research.
- Highlight resources and equipment available to researchers at NHERI@UC San Diego LHPOST6.
- Explore opportunities to use the LHPOST6 for various types of NSF research proposals and provide researchers with information on best practices for competitive proposal preparation.
- Identify and formulate grand challenge research needs to advance the science, technology and practice in earthquake disaster mitigation and prevention and to improve seismic design codes and standards.
- Brainstorm on example uses of the facility to solve grand challenges in earthquake engineering.
- Promote collaborative team research interests to use the LHPOST6.



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NHERI@UC San Diego: Facility Description and Capabilities

Joel Conte, Dept. of Structural Engineering, **UC San Diego**



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Outline

- Overview of Englekirk Structural Engineering Center
- Large High-Performance Outdoor Shake Table (LHPOST)
- Select Set of Shake Table Tests Performed on the NHERI@UC San Diego Shake Table
- Six Degree-of-Freedom (6-DOF) Upgrade of LHPOST into LHPOST6
- New Research Opportunities Made Possible by the LHPOST6

Overview of Englekirk Structural Engineering Center (ESEC)

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Englekirk Structural Engineering Center (ESEC)



Large High-Performance Outdoor Shake Table (LHPOST)

Soil-Foundation-Structure Interaction Facility

Bridge Abutment - Soil Interaction (Caltrans)

Pile – soil interaction (Port of Los Angeles)



IAS Accreditation of ESEC



Large High-Performance Outdoor Shake Table (LHPOST)

Objectives of the NHERI@UC San Diego Experimental Facility

- The vision for the NHERI@UC San Diego Shake Table experimental facility is rooted on three critical needs for advancing the <u>science</u>, <u>technology</u>, and <u>practice</u> in earthquake disaster mitigation and prevention:
 - (1) Fundamental knowledge for understanding the system-level behavior of buildings, critical facilities, bridges, and geo-structures during earthquakes, from the initiation of damage to the onset of collapse.
 - (2) Experimental data to support the development, calibration and validation of highfidelity physics-based computational models of structural/geotechnical/soil-foundationstructural systems that will progressively shift the current reliance on physical testing to model-based simulation for the seismic design and performance assessment of civil infrastructure systems.
 - (3) **Proof of concept, benchmark and validation/verification tests** for seismic retrofit methods, protective systems, and the use of new materials, components, systems, and construction methods that can protect civil infrastructure systems against earthquakes.

Large High-Performance Outdoor Shake Table (LHPOST)





Performance Characteristics of LHPOST in Past 1-DOF Configuration (2004 – 2019)

Designed as a 6-DOF shake table, but built as a 1-DOF system to accommodate funding available				
Stroke	±0.75m			
Platen Size	40 ft × 25 ft (12.2 m × 7.6 m)			
Peak Velocity	1.8 m/sec			
Peak Acceleration	4.7g (bare table condition); 1.2g (4.0MN/400 tonf rigid payload)			
Frequency Bandwidth	0-33 Hz			
Horizontal Actuators Force Capacity	6.8 MN (680 tonf)			
Vertical Payload Capacity	20 MN (2,000 tonf)			
Overturning Moment Capacity	50 MN-m (5,000 tonf-m)			

Large High-Performance Outdoor Shake Table (LHPOST)

- Designed to permit accurate simulation of severe earthquake ground motions and, particularly, strong near-source ground motions.
- Lack of height limitation allows testing of full- or very large-scale structural specimens.
- Table designed in 2001-2002, built in 2002-2004, and commissioned on October 1, 2004, as part of the NSF NEES Network.
- 34 major research and commercial projects were conducted in 15 years of operation (2004 – 2019):
 - Reinforced concrete buildings and bridge column
 - Precast concrete parking structure
 - Unreinforced and reinforced masonry building structures
 - Metal and light-steel building structures
 - Woodframe/timber dwellings and buildings
 - Wind turbine
 - Soil retaining walls, spillway retaining walls
 - Underground structures (deep and shallow)



Capabilities/Provisions of the NHERI@UC San Diego EF

- Simulation of near-source earthquake ground motions which involve large acceleration, velocity and displacement pulses, <u>including six ground motion components (three</u> <u>translational and three rotational)</u>.
- Seismic testing of extensively instrumented large/full-scale structural specimens under extreme earthquake loads at near real-world conditions.
- Seismic testing of extensively instrumented large-scale geotechnical and soil-foundationstructural systems by using the shake table in combination with large soil boxes.
- Education of graduate, undergraduate, and K-12 students, as well as news media, policy makers, infrastructure owners, insurance and the general public, about natural disasters and the national need to develop effective technologies and policies to prevent these natural hazard events from becoming societal disasters.

1-DOF LHPOST (2004 – 2019)



Mechanical and Servo-Hydraulic Components (1-DOF LHPOST: 2004 – 2019)



Horizontal Actuators

Horizontal Actuators Specification		
Dynamic stroke	+/- 0.75 m	
Force Capacity (Tension/Compression)	2.7 MN / 4.2 MN	
Rod diameter	0.3048 m	
Piston Diameter	0.5080 m	
Tension Area	0.1297 m ²	
Compression Area	0.2027 m ²	
Peak Extend Flow Rate	21,890 lt/min	
Peak Retract Flow Rate	14,010 lt/min	



Temposonics magnetostrictive position sensor

High-Flow High-Performance Servovalves of Horizontal Actuators

Servovalves (Qty. 2E + 2W)		
Pilot 2 nd Stage Rating (Manufacturer Moog)	19 lt/min	
Pilot 3 rd Stage Rating	630 lt/min	
4 th Stage Flow Rating	10,000 lt/min (2,500 gpm)	
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	1:0.8:0.64:0.5	



Courtesy of MTS Systems Corporation

Vertical Actuators

VERTICAL ACTUATORS SPECIFICATION				
	1-DOF Configuration	6-DOF Configuration		
Piston Diameter	32 in (0.81 m)	32 in (0.81 m)		
Effective area	798.31 in ² (0.515 m ²)	798.31 in ² (0.515 m ²)		
Piston Stroke	\pm 0.25 in (\pm 0.0064 m)	± 5.0 in (± 0.127 m)		
Piston Tilt	N/A	± 2°		
Force Rating	3,000 psi (20.7 MPa)	3,000 psi (20.7 MPa)		
Compression	2,200 kips (10.0 MN)	2,200 kips (10.0 MN)		
Valve Flow	15 gpm (56.8 lit/min)	5,000 gpm (18,927 lit/min)		





Hydraulic Power Supply System for 1-DOF LHPOST (2004 – 2019)







- 2004-2009: Pressure balanced bearings
- 2009-2019: Actuators (non-ported) with pressure balanced bearing



Bare Table Motion (1-DOF LHPOST)





Forced Vibration Characterization Tests of the Reaction Mass/Block (2003)





Instrument locations on Reaction Block and adjacent foundations

Frequency Response Functions of Reaction Mass/Block



Amplitudes of the EW (a) and vertical (b) frequency response functions of the reaction block for EW excitation. The results shown are based on Test 2 and correspond to scaled displacement amplitudes for a harmonic force of constant amplitude 6.8 MN.

MTS Three-Variable Controller (TVC)

- MTS Controller Model 469D used on all large shake tables manufactured by MTS worldwide.
- TVC is a linear state variable controller. The three state variables controlled by TVC are:
 - Displacement
 - Velocity
 - Acceleration

TVC can be set to run under displacement, velocity or acceleration mode.

- TVC has special features to compensate for dynamic linear/nonlinear sources of signal distortions within the system for both harmonic and broadband command signals:
 - Amplitude/phase control (APC)
 - Adaptive harmonic cancellation (AHC)
 - Adaptive inverse control (AIC)
 - On-line iteration (OLI): Iterative signal matching technique
 - Notch filters
- Depending on the control mode, only one state variable becomes the **primary control variable** with the others serving only as compensation signals to improve the damping and stability of the system.

MTS 469D – Three-Variable Controller (TVC)

TVC = State-Variable Control + Extras



- State-variable controller
- State reference generator
- State feedback observer
- Delta-P stabilization
- Notch compensation



Tuning of LHPOST Controller (MTS 469D)

- **Tuning:** Process of adjusting multiple control parameters (e.g., feedback and feedforward gains) and of preconditioning the input motion (through OLI) to optimize signal reproduction (tracking) capability of the shake table system.
 - **Step 1:** Iterative process in which the control parameters of the controller are manually adjusted iteratively in small increments while the (bare or loaded) table is in motion, until the total table transfer function (estimated recursively) is deemed satisfactory.
 - **Step 2:** Estimation of the inverse model of the plant using the adaptive inverse controller (AIC) technique.
 - **Step 3:** Application of iterative time history matching technique called online iteration (OLI). The command input to the shake table controller (drive file) is repeatedly modified to optimize the match between the actual table motion and the desired/target motion (or reference signal).



Tracking Performance of LHPOST (1-DOF)



Instrumentation of LHPOST

- Data Acquisition
 - 12 DAQ nodes with 64 channels each sampling up to 25.6 kS/sec per channel with 24-bit A/D resolution
- 205 MEMS-based Accelerometers
- 142 Linear **Displacement Transducers**
- 119 String Potentiometer Displacement Transducers
- Strain Gages purchased per project as needed
- 4 Load Jacks
- 31 Load Cells (0 20,000 lbs)
- 32 Soil Pressure Transducers
- **GPS System** with RTD_NET Software by Geodetics with 3 Receivers Operating at **50 Hz**
- High-Speed Cameras
 - DJI Phantom 4 Pro Drone, 15 GoPros 4K, 4 Axis 240Q/241Q video servers streaming, 3 IQeye streaming/time lapse video (all at 30 fps)
- Fully Configured, End-to-End, Live Video Streaming Production System
 - NHERI@UC San Diego is on social media (youtube, facebook, twitter)
- **Calibration Equipment** for Data Acquisition Systems and Sensors









Selected Shake Table Tests Performed on the LHPOST (1-DOF)

Select Set of Specimens Tested on the LHPOST (1-DOF)































Integrated Experimental-Analytical Approach


Development of a Seismic Design Methodology for Precast Building Diaphragms

PI – Prof. Robert B. Fleischman, University of Arizona







Inertial Force – Limiting Anchorage Systems for Seismic Resistant Building Structures

PI - Prof. Robert B. Fleischman, University of Arizona











Large Scale Validation of Seismic Performance of Bridge Columns

PI - Prof. Jose I. Restrepo, UC San Diego





Use of LHPOST in Combination with Large Soil Boxes



Laminar soil shear box: 6.7m (L) × 3.0m (W) × 4.7m (H) Stiff soil confinement box: 10.0m (L) \times 4.6 or 5.8m (W) \times 7.6m (H)

- To investigate the seismic response of soil-foundation-structural systems.
- To complement centrifuge tests in order to validate computational models.
- To study the performance of bridge abutments, earth retaining walls, slope stability in hillside construction, and underground structures.
- To investigate **soil liquefaction** and its effect on the seismic response of soil-foundation-structural systems.

Experimental Program to Investigate Soil-Pile Interaction in Soil Strata

PI – Prof. Ahmed Elgamal, UC San Diego







Liquefaction-Induced Lateral Spread Displacements and Soil-Pile Interaction in Multi-Layer Soil Strata

PI – Prof. Ahmed Elgamal, UC San Diego





Seismic Performance Tests of Full-Scale Retaining Walls PI – Prof. Patrick Fox, UC San Diego







22 ft Above Table Elevation

Seismic Performance Tests of Full-Scale Retaining Walls PI – Prof. Patrick Fox, UC San Diego



Soil-Foundation-Structure Interaction Test

PI – Prof. Marios Panagiotou, UC Berkeley



Staging Facility



Broad Public Dissemination

La estructura incluini aisladores sismicos chilenos:

Recrearán en EE.UU. el terremoto del 27-F en un edificio experimental de cinco pisos

La actividad forma parte de un ciclo de simulación de siemos que te próxima semana en la Universidad de California, en Sun Diego.

Así es la mesa vibradora que replica sismos

- Jacobs School of Engineering Communications and Media Relations



Six Degree-of-Freedom (6-DOF) Upgrade of LHPOST into LHPOST6

Upgrade to 6-DOF Capability Planned from the Start



Horizontal and Vertical Actuators of LHPOST6



High-Flow Servovalves for Vertical Actuators





Third Nitrogen-filled Hold-down Strut



Displacement Limit in the Transverse (N-S) Direction



Crash Protection System





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Hydraulic Power System for LHPOST6



Accumulator Bank of LHPOST6



August 2020

Oil Colum Frequency	Oil Column Mode	
$f_1 = 7.40 \text{ Hz}$	Y/N-S/Transverse Direction	
$f_2 = 8.87 \text{ Hz}$	Yaw	
$f_3 = 9.33 \text{ Hz}$	X/E-W/Longitudinal Direction	
$f_4 = 40.66 \text{ Hz}$	Coupled Longitudinal (X) - Pitch (R_Y)	
$f_5 = 44.07 \text{ Hz}$	Z/Vertical Direction	
$f_6 = 53.03 \text{ Hz}$	Coupled Transverse (Y) - Roll (R_X)	

As for the 1-DOF LHPOST, the resonant peaks of the oil column modes will be damped out numerically by the shake table controller using the delta-pressure feedback gains and notch filters, if necessary.

Cover Plate System



- High-speed castor wheels allows movement in any direction.
- Interaction with tubes allows free movement at the corner

Telescopic tubes elongate and pivot freely at ends to allow movement of the plates



Cover Plate System Kinematics



Performance Characteristics of LHPOST6

Platen size	12.2 m × 7.6 m (40 ft	12.2 m × 7.6 m (40 ft × 25 ft)		
Frequency Bandwidth	0 – 33 Hz	0 – 33 Hz		
Vertical Payload Capacity	20 MN (4,500 kip)	20 MN (4,500 kip)		
	Horizontal X	Horizontal Y	Vertical Z	
Peak Translational Displacement	±0.89 m (±35 in)	±0.38 m (±15 in)	±0.127 m (±5 in)	
Peak Translational Velocity	2.5 m/sec (100 in/sec)	2.0 m/sec (80 in/sec)	0.6 m/sec (25 in/sec)	
Peak Translational Force*	10.6 MN → 6.8MN (2,380 kip)	8.38 MN → 3.4MN (1,890 kip)	54.8 MN** (12,300 kip)	
Peak Rotation*	2.2 deg	1.5 deg	4.0 deg → 3.8 deg	
Peak Rotational Velocity*	21.0 deg/sec	12.4 deg/sec	40.5 deg/sec	
Peak Moment*	37.2 MN-m (27,400 kip-ft)	49.0 MN-m (36,200 kip-ft)	47.0 MN-m (34,600 kip-ft)	
Overturning Moment Capacity	45.1 MN-m (33,200 kip-ft)	50.0 MN-m (36,900 kip-ft)	Table load	

* peak demand obtained during sinusoidal motions

** peak compressive force in the compression-only vertical actuators

Table loaded with rigid payload of 1,100 kips (5 MN)

Target vs. Achieved Tri-Axial Ground Motion 1999 M7.6 Chi-Chi, Taiwan, TCU065 Station, X Component



Target vs. Achieved Tri-Axial Ground Motion 1999 M7.6 Chi-Chi, Taiwan, TCU065 Station, Y Component



Target vs. Achieved Tri-Axial Ground Motion 1999 M7.6 Chi-Chi, Taiwan, TCU065 Station, Z Component



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1978, M7.4 Tabas, Iran, Tri-Axial Ground Motion


AC-156 Compatible Earthquake, Tri-Axial Ground Motion



Synthetic Six-Axial Ground Motion



Safety Towers

- > New safety towers:
 - Provide additional protection to the specimens tested on the shake table
 - Are easier to handle than previous towers



New Research Opportunities Made Possible by the LHPOST6

- > Investigate many important aspects of the seismic response behavior of civil infrastructure systems:
 - Effects of three-directional translational ground motions
 - Effects of rotational ground motion components
 - Effects of six-degree-of-freedom earthquake ground motions
- Investigate in full 3D and at large- or full-scale the combined effect of realistic near-field translational and rotational ground motions applied as dynamic excitation to a structural, geotechnical, or soil-foundation-structural system, including the effects of SSI (both kinematic and inertial), nonlinear soil and structural behavior, and soil liquefaction.



Geometric interpretation of how horizontal translation and rocking can contribute to the total drift in a simple building during passage of a Rayleigh wave [Trifunac, 2009]

- Understanding inherent damping in structures to settle the issue of which is the best damping model to be used in linear and nonlinear time history analyses.
 - Shake table experiments with 6-DOF seismic base excitation on large-scale building specimens with and without non-structural components and systems and large-scale bridge sub-structures (e.g., bridge bents) will guide in the selection of appropriate inherent damping models.
- Experimental study of Dynamic Soil-Structure Interaction
 - Kinematic interaction of the foundation with the soil (in the absence of the superstructure)
 - Inertial interaction (resulting in additional rocking and torsional components of motion of the foundation)
- > Two general types of experimental SSI studies become possible:
 - Verification studies under three-axial or six-axial excitation
 - Large soil box studies under tri-axial or six-axial excitation

- > Seismic safety of unreinforced masonry buildings
 - URM walls subjected to uni-axial in-plane forces tend to exhibit a much better performance than under bi-axial seismic loading conditions (out-of-plane collapse).
 - Vertical ground acceleration could also play an important role on the strength capacity (arching mechanism) and stability of URM walls.
- > Seismic performance of reinforced concrete and reinforced masonry wall structures
 - Design provisions for RC and reinforced masonry shear walls are primarily based on in-plane horizontal loading tests of wall components.
 - Effects of simultaneous bi-horizontal and vertical ground excitation could play a significant role on the seismic performance of a building with RC or reinforced masonry walls.
 - Multi-axial shake table tests are needed to investigate this problem and to improve current design codes.

- Non-structural components and systems (NSCs).
 - Architectural, mechanical, electrical and plumbing, or building contents.
 - Improve our understanding of the seismic response of NCSs under multi-directional earthquake excitation.
 - Advance the development of a reliable, unified design methodology accounting for multidirectional earthquake excitation.
- Low-damage, damage-free, maintenance-free earthquake protective systems (e.g., rocking, self-centering systems), accelerated bridge construction.
 - Investigate the response behavior of these high-performance systems (with complex kinematics) under multi-directional earthquake input excitation.

Collaborative Research: A Resilience-based Seismic Design Methodology for Tall Wood Buildings





For More Information About NHERI@UC San Diego Experimental Facility

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