

A Novel Connection System for Seismic Damage Avoidance Design of Structures

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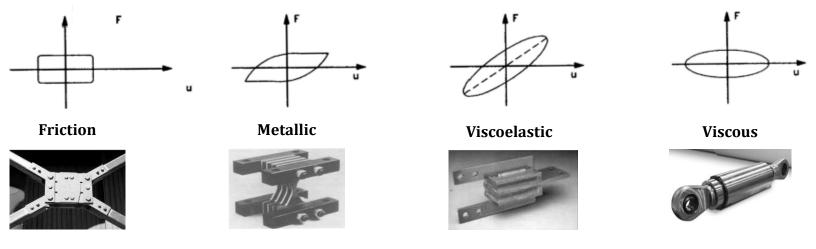
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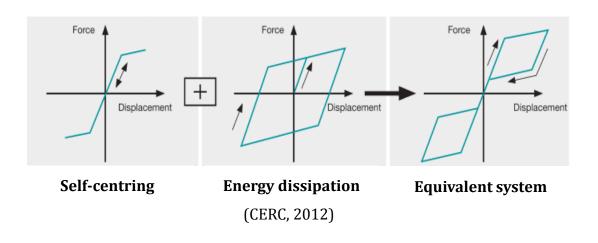




Earthquake Energy Dissipating Devices

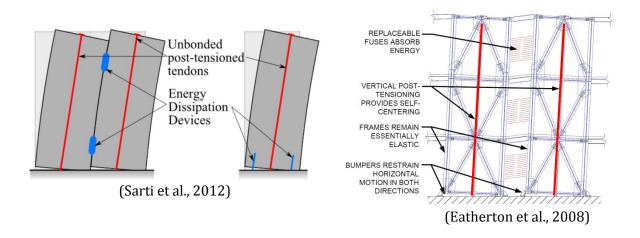


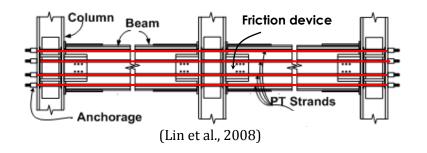
(Constantinou and Symans, 1993)



Recent Earthquake-Resistant Technologies

(use of post-tensioning cables for self-centring in addition to dampers)

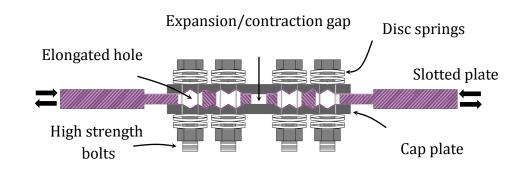






Innovative Resilient Slip Friction Joint (RSFJ)

(Energy dissipation and self-centring, all in one joint system – Patent filed)

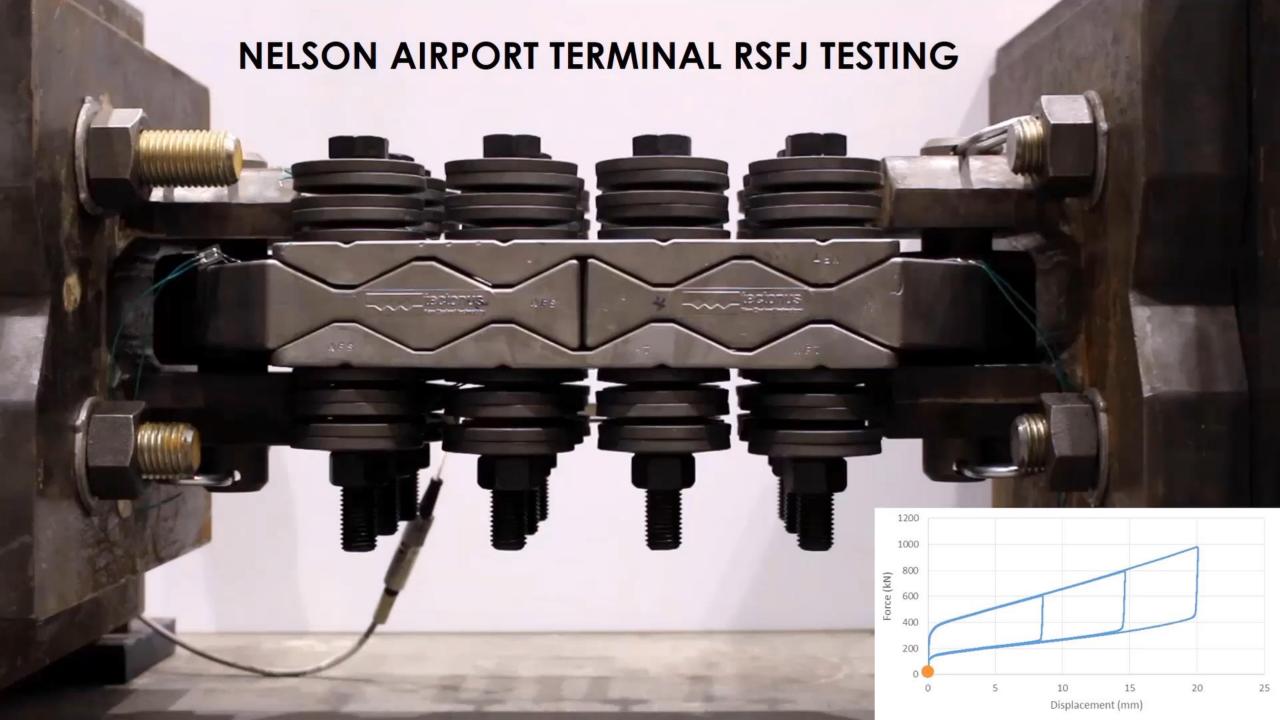








Cap and slotted plates



Design Procedure

• Slip capacity

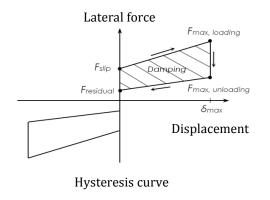
$$F_{slip} = 2n_b F_{b,pr} \left(\frac{\sin \theta + \mu_s \cos \theta}{\cos \theta - \mu_s \sin \theta} \right)$$

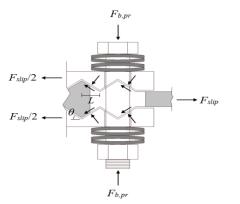
Residual capacity

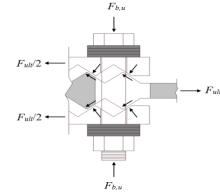
$$F_{residual} = 2n_b F_{b,pr} \left(\frac{\sin\theta - \mu_k \cos\theta}{\cos\theta + \mu_k \sin\theta} \right)$$

• Ultimate loading and unloading capacities

Replacing the μ_s , μ_k and $F_{b,pr}$ with μ_k , μ_s and $F_{b,u}$ in F_{slip} and $F_{residual}$ equations, where $F_{b,u} = F_{b,pr} + k_s \Delta_s$

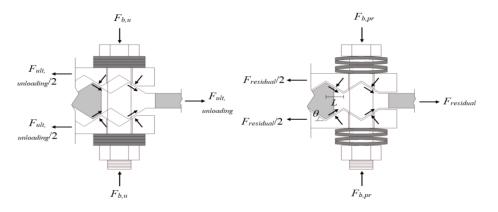






At rest before slip

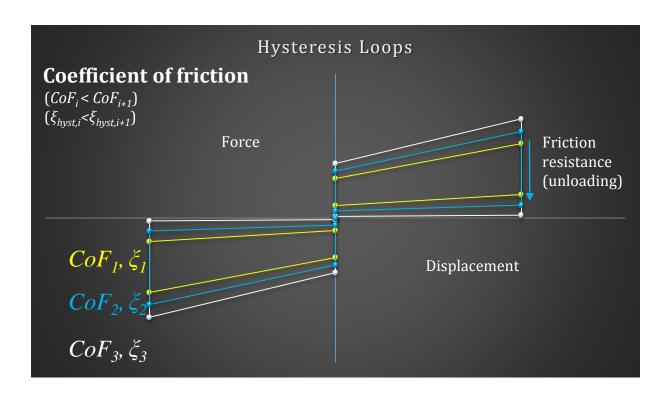
At ultimate loading

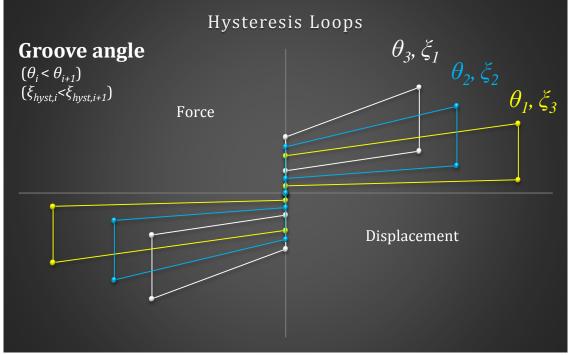


At ultimate unloading

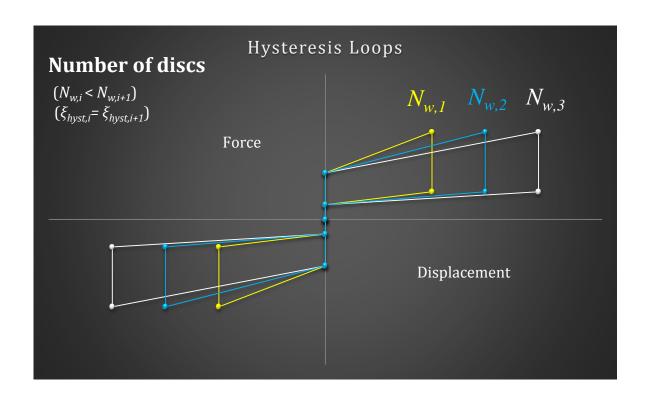
At restored position

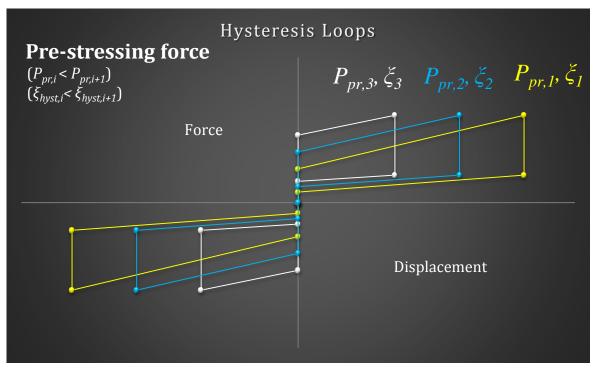
Connection Parameters Effect





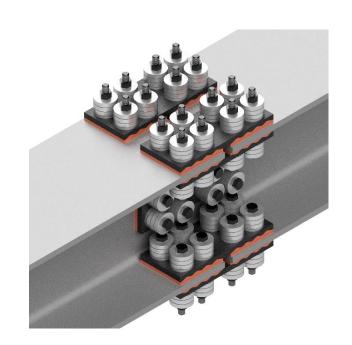
Connection Parameters Effect (Cont'd)

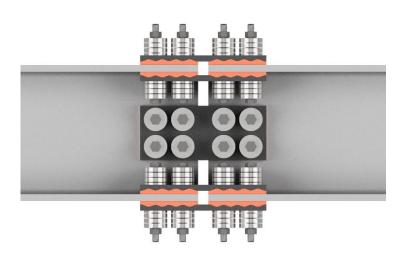




(for new structures and existing earthquake-prone buildings)



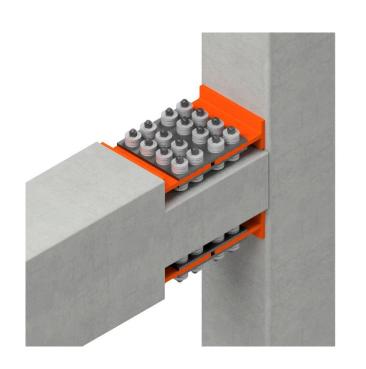


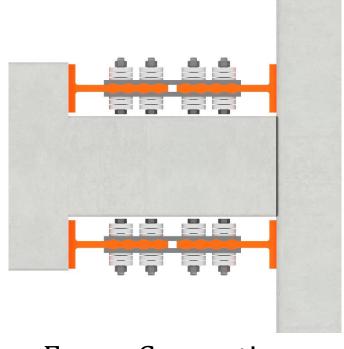


Sample of Braced Fame Connections (over 3,000 kN)

(for new structures and existing earthquake-prone buildings)





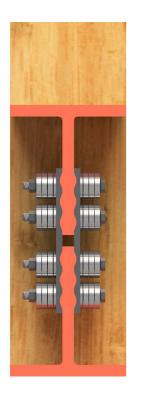


Sample of Moment Resisting Frame Connections (over 1,500 kN)

(for new structures and existing earthquake-prone buildings)







Sample of Shear Wall Connections (over 1,000 kN)

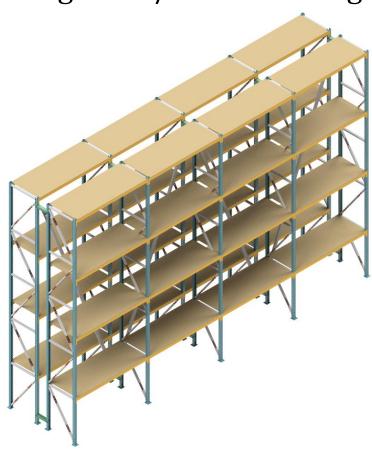
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Sample of Bridge applications: Deck-to-Pier Connection (Controlling the Unseating and Pounding); Pier-to-Foundation Connection



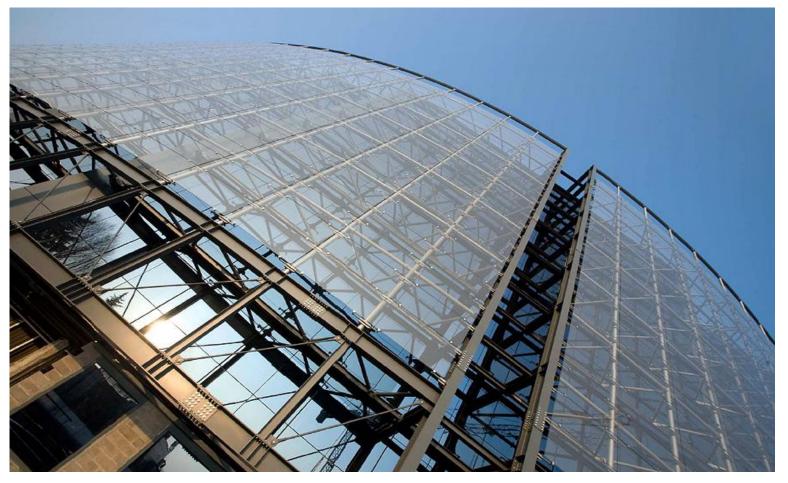
Potential Applications in Secondary Structural Elements

Sample of Storage Unit/Pallet Racking Applications (high scalability)





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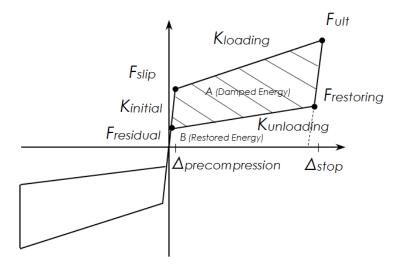


Facades

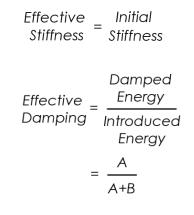
Easy Implementation for Structural Analysis and Design

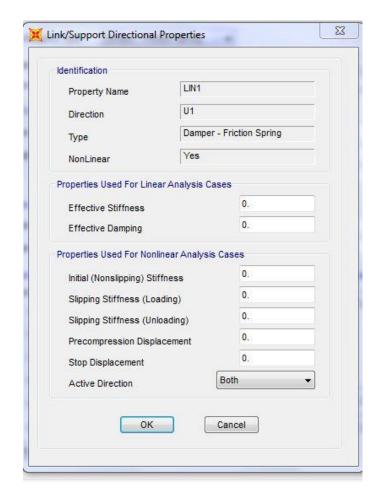


Nonlinear Analysis



Linear Analysis

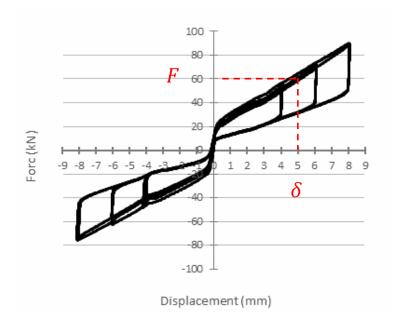




Smart RSFJ

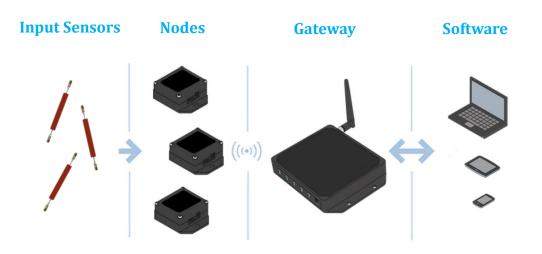
(For structural health monitoring)

- Instrumented RSFJ
- Joint displacement can be related to the force applied to it with sufficient precision, as one of RSFJ features.





Displacement Sensor(e.g., potentiometer, LVDT/DVRT, portal gage)
Could be powered by line or even self-powered
(e.g., by disc piezoelectric generator)



Completed Projects

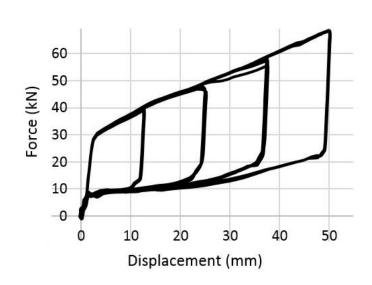
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Before slip



After slip



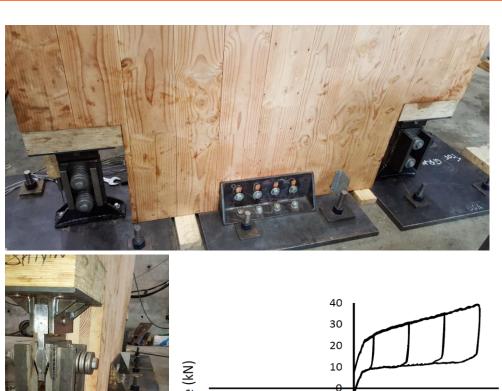
Joint Component Testing

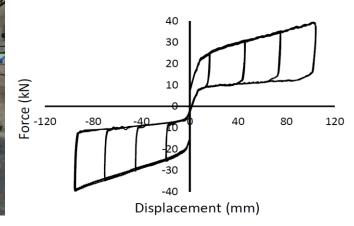
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Large-scale shear wall Testing





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(\$3.4M funding)

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BECA Group Ltd (New Zealand)

Project Description	Duration	Start	End	Oct 2016 to Sep 2020			
				Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4
MBIE Research Programme Completion	4 yrs	Oct-16	Sept-20				
Project #1: Studying and testing of a concrete moment-resisting frame using RSFJ	3 yrs	Oct-16	Sept-19				
Project #2: Studying and testing of timber shear wall to floor connection using RSFJ	3 yrs	Oct-16	Sept-19				
Project #3: Studying and testing of a steel braced frame using RSFJ	3 yrs	Oct-16	Sept-19				
Project #4: Studying and testing of a full-scale 3-storey hybrid structure using RSFJ	2 yrs	Oct-16	Sept-18				
Project #5: Studying and testing of retrofitting techniques using RSFJ	3 yrs	Oct-17	Sept-20				
Project #6: Studying and testing of potential variations of RSFJ (e.g. Rotational, 2D to 4D)	3 yrs	Oct-17	Sept-20				

Real-life projects (from theory to practice)

By Dunning Thornton Consultant Ltd:

 Nelson airport new terminal – RSFJ adopted as hold-downs (More efficient while compared to PRESSS technology)

By BECA Consulting Engineers:

• Retrofitting of a 6 storey concrete building – RSFJ to be adopted potentially in braces (More efficient while compared to viscous dampers)

By New Zealand Consulting Engineers Ltd (NZCEL):

 Hybrid steel-timber 7 storey building – RSFJ to be adopted potentially in beam-to-column connections

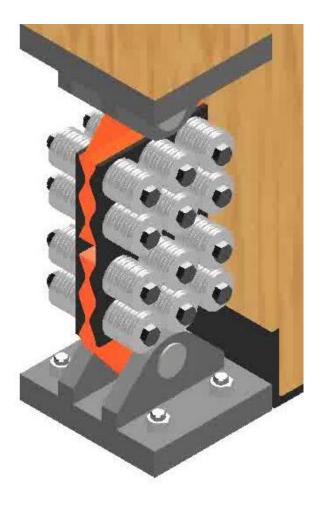
Resilient Slip Friction Joint (RSFJ) (designed for Nelson Airport Terminal)

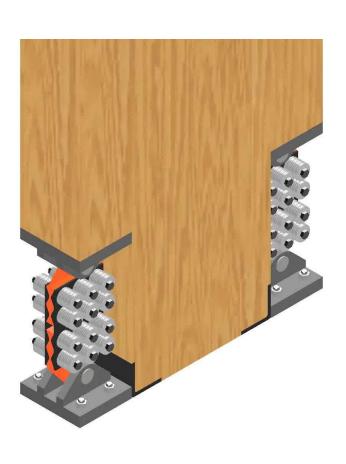




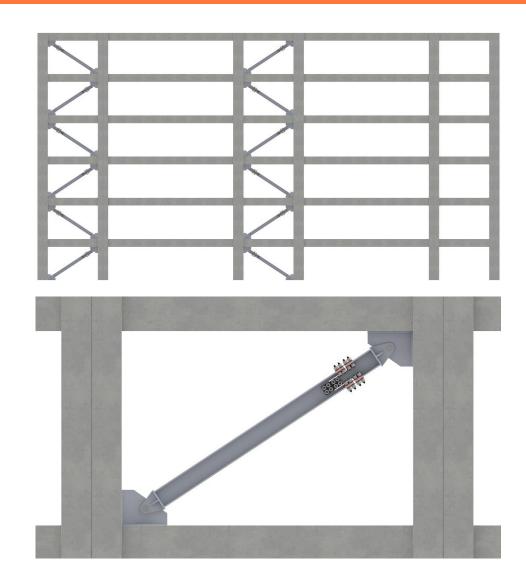
Connection detailing and performance (designed for Nelson Airport Terminal)

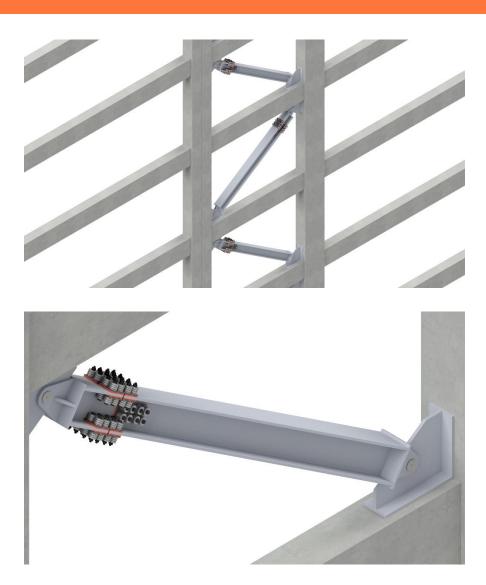
In-plane rocking (joint, connection and column performance)





Preliminary design for BECA brace project (Retrofitting of a concrete building)





Preliminary design for BECA brace project



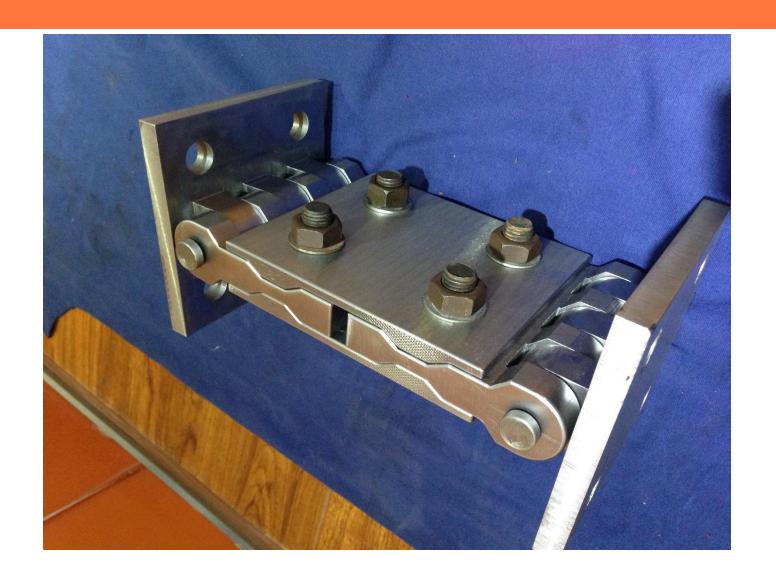
Resilient Slip Friction Brace (RSFB) Over 3000kN capacity

Preliminary design for NZCEL project



Steel moment resisting frame

Preliminary design for NZCEL project



Summary

"High Damage" Concepts (1st generation) (Traditional Seismic Solutions)

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"Low Damage" Concepts (2nd generation)

(State-of-the-practice)



Dissipating energy



Self-centring

RSFJ as "Damage Avoidance" Concept (new 3rd generation)
(Checking all the boxes)



(All in one compact joint)

Self-centering capacity



Protecting occupants and building in following aftershocks (over 40 strong aftershocks within 24 hrs as high as M6.3 after Kaikoura earthquake M7.8)

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