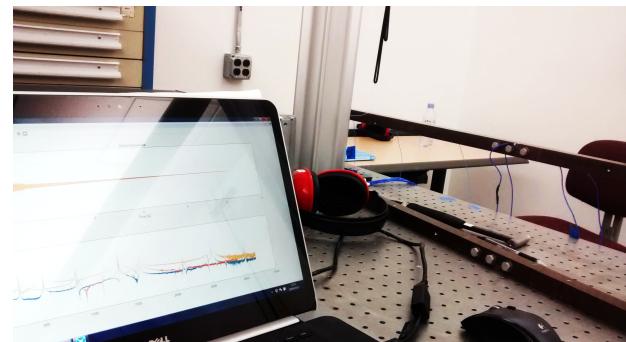


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## Effect of far-field structure on joint properties

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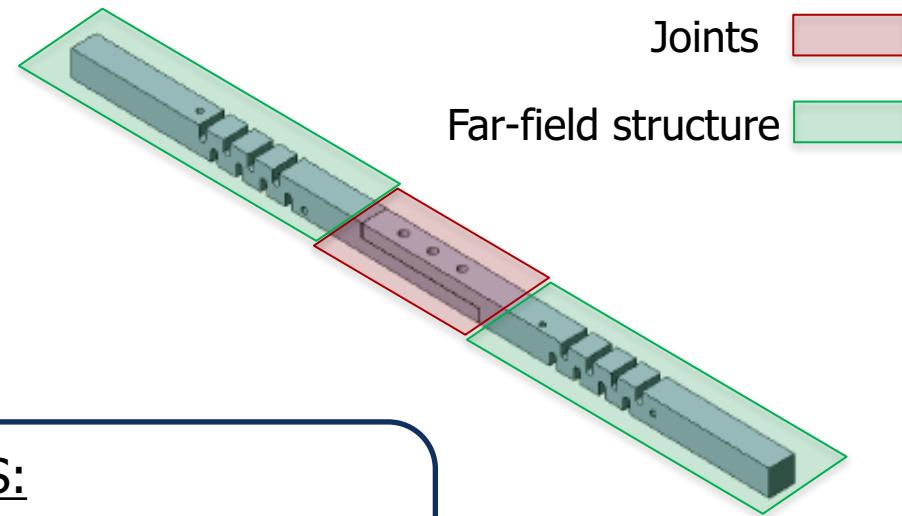
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# Outline

- Introduction
- Methods
- Experimental Study
- Numerical Investigation
- Conclusions

# Introduction

- **Goal of the project:**
  - Assess the role of the far-field structure on measurements of joints properties



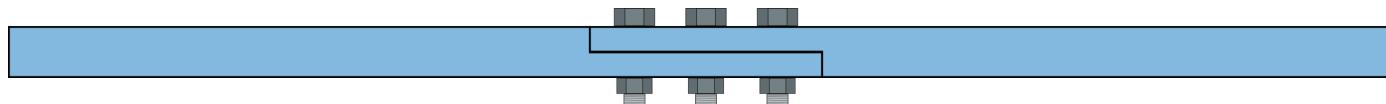
## HYPOTHESIS:

*A change in the far-field structure modifies the way in which the interface is loaded.*

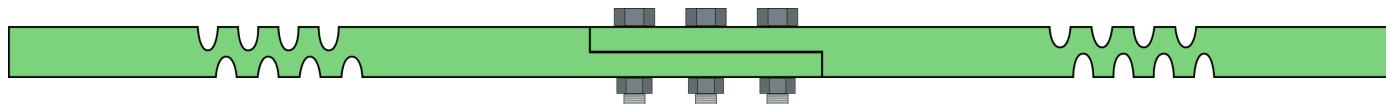
# Introduction

- Introduce structural modifications to the far-field structure of a nominal Brake-Reuss Beam (BRB)

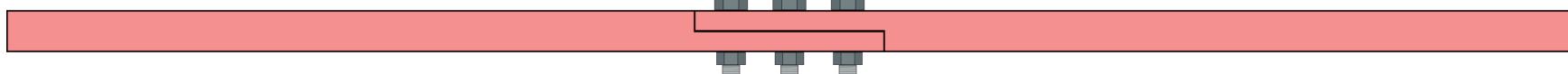
Nominal BRB



Modified Stiffness (SBRB)

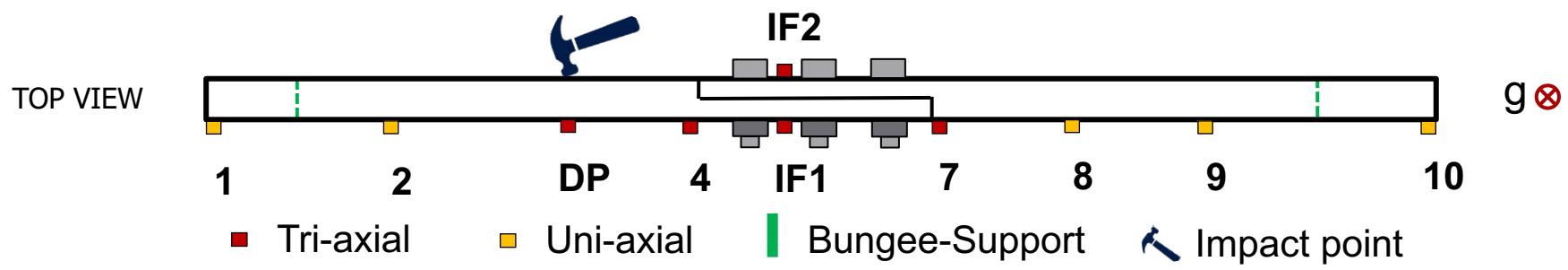
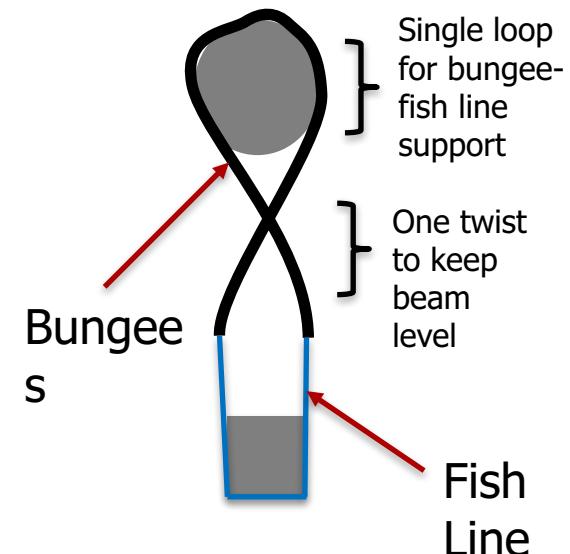
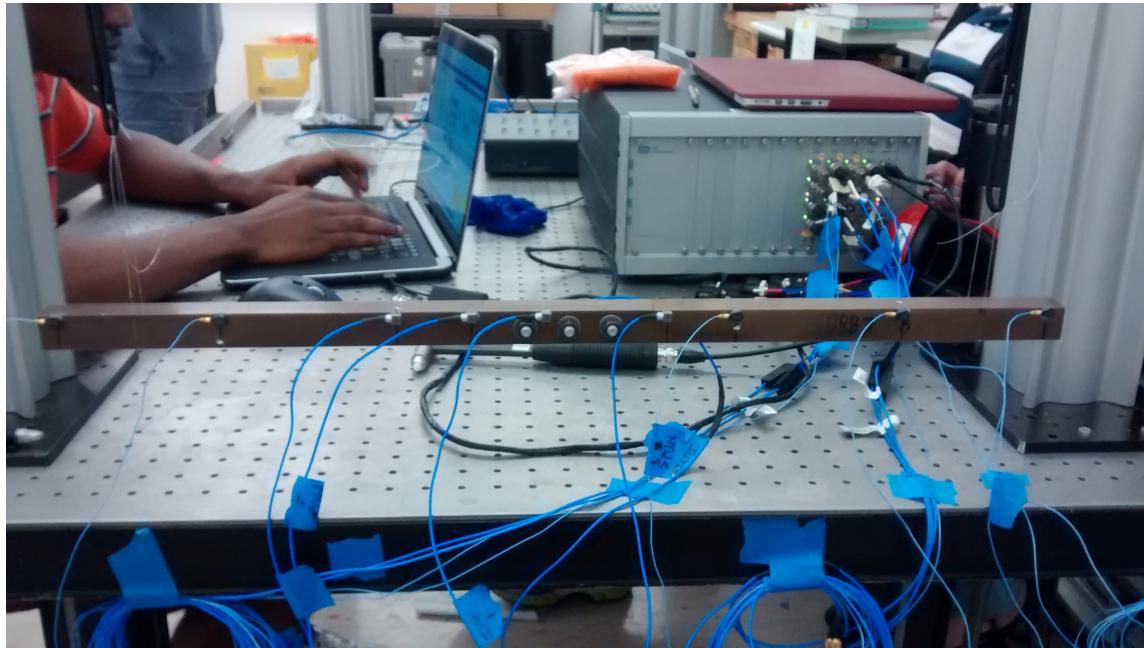


Modified Length (LBRB)



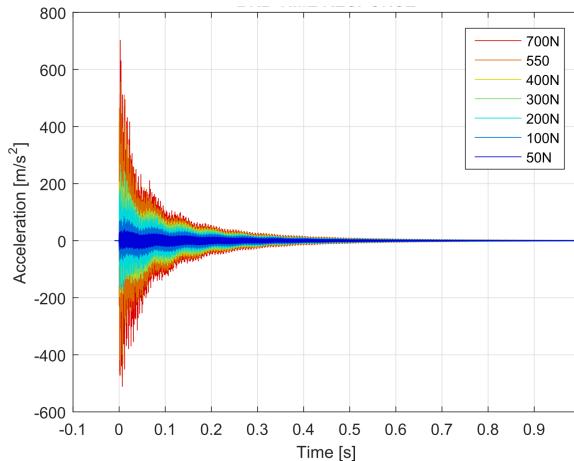
# Experimental Study

- Free-Free Conditions
- Bolts tightening torque fixed at 20Nm

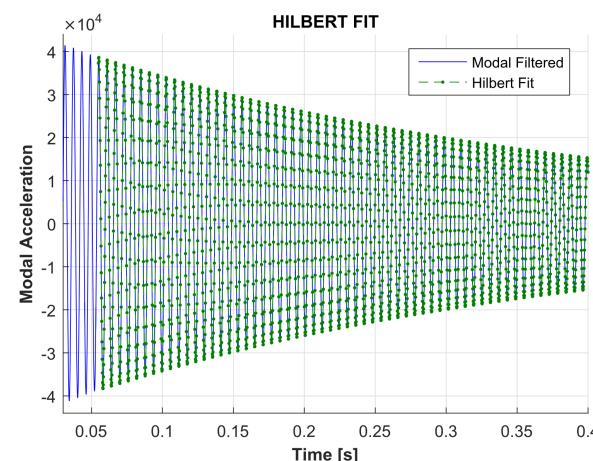


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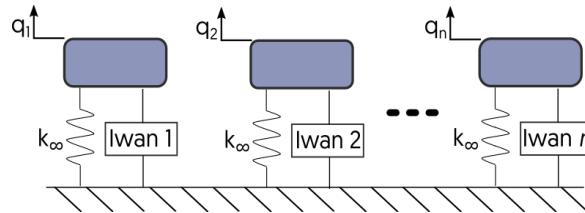
## Impact Testing



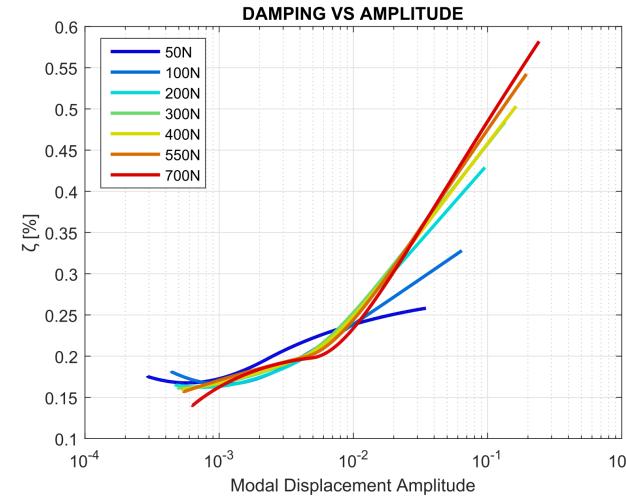
## Modal Filtering and Hilbert Transform



## Modal Iwan Model

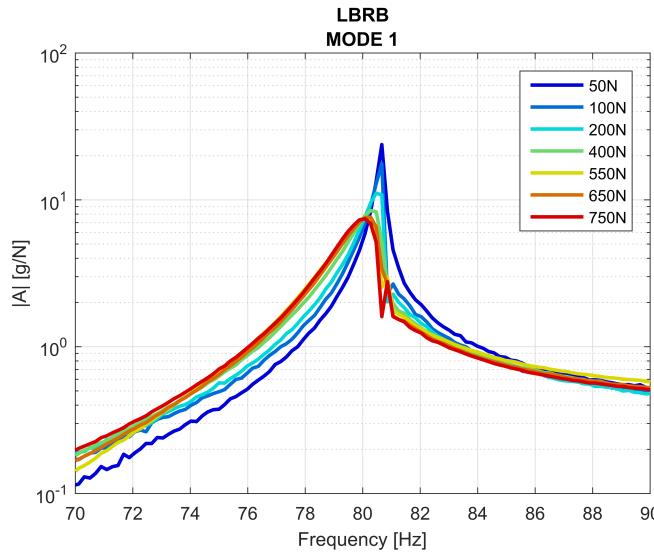
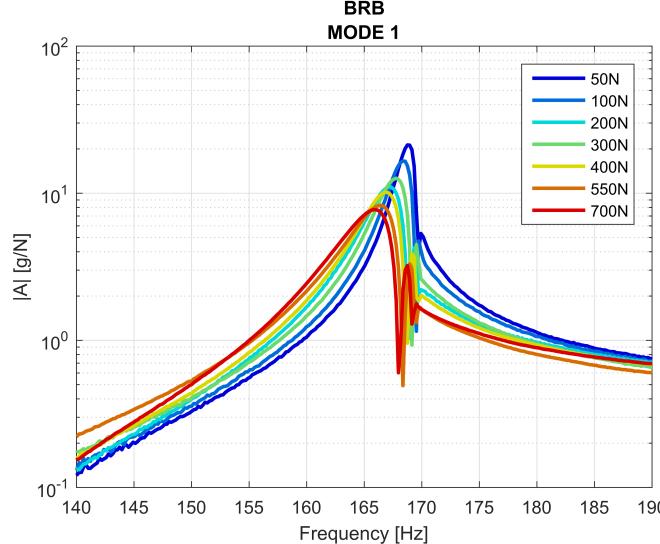


## Damping & Frequency VS Amplitude

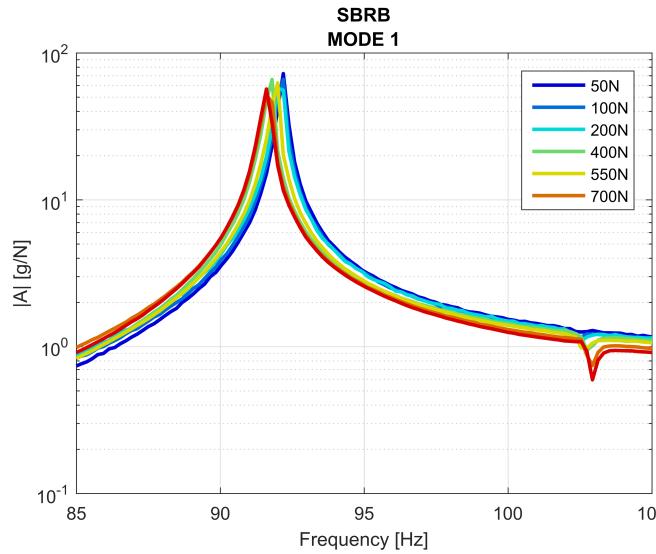


# Experimental Study

- FRFs at different impact forcing levels for Mode 1

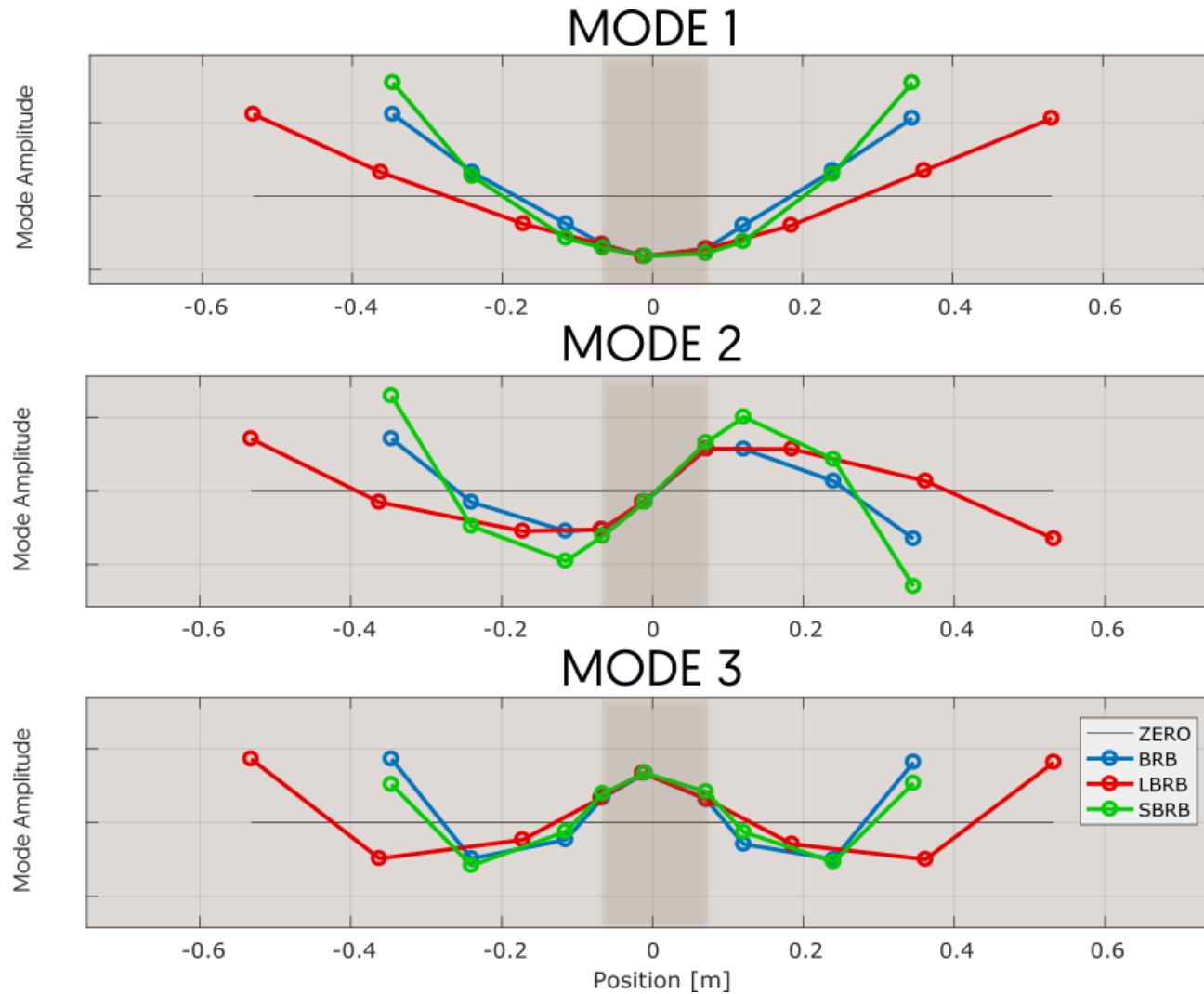


|      | Mode 1   | Mode 2   | Mode 3    |
|------|----------|----------|-----------|
| BRB  | 169,4 Hz | 585,7 Hz | 1186,1 Hz |
| LBRB | 80,7 Hz  | 291,7 Hz | 521,5 Hz  |
| SBRB | 91,5 Hz  | 194,3 Hz | 496,1 Hz  |



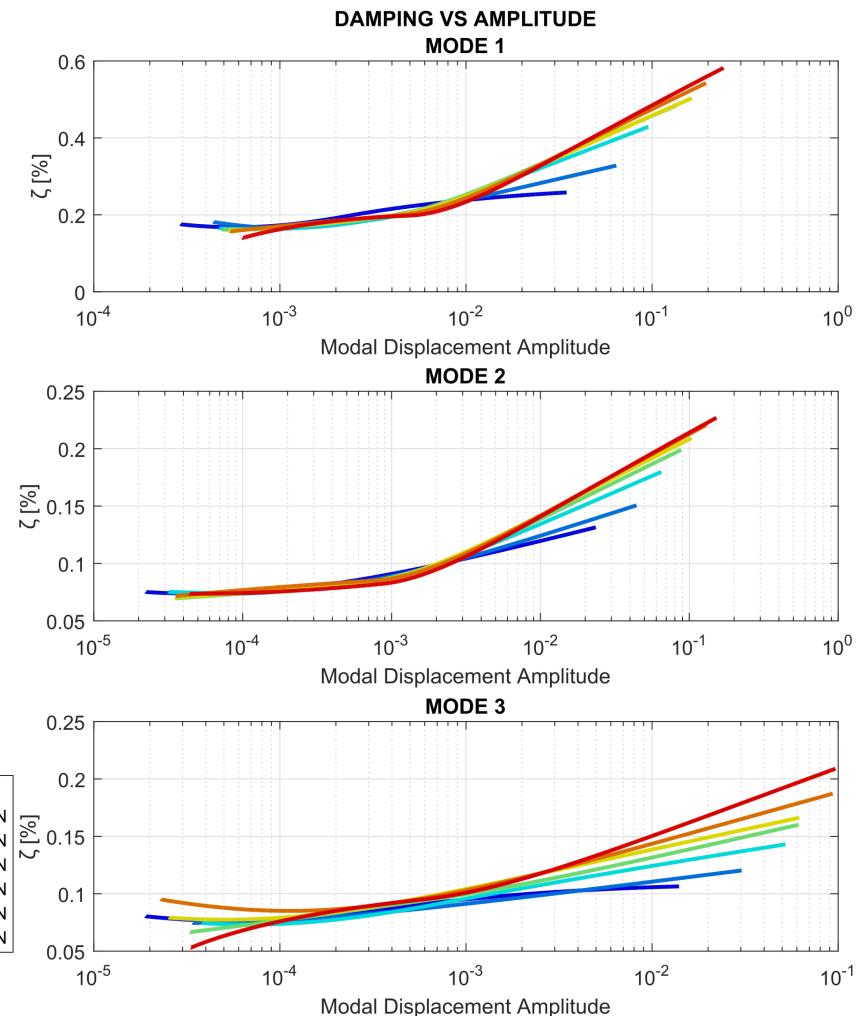
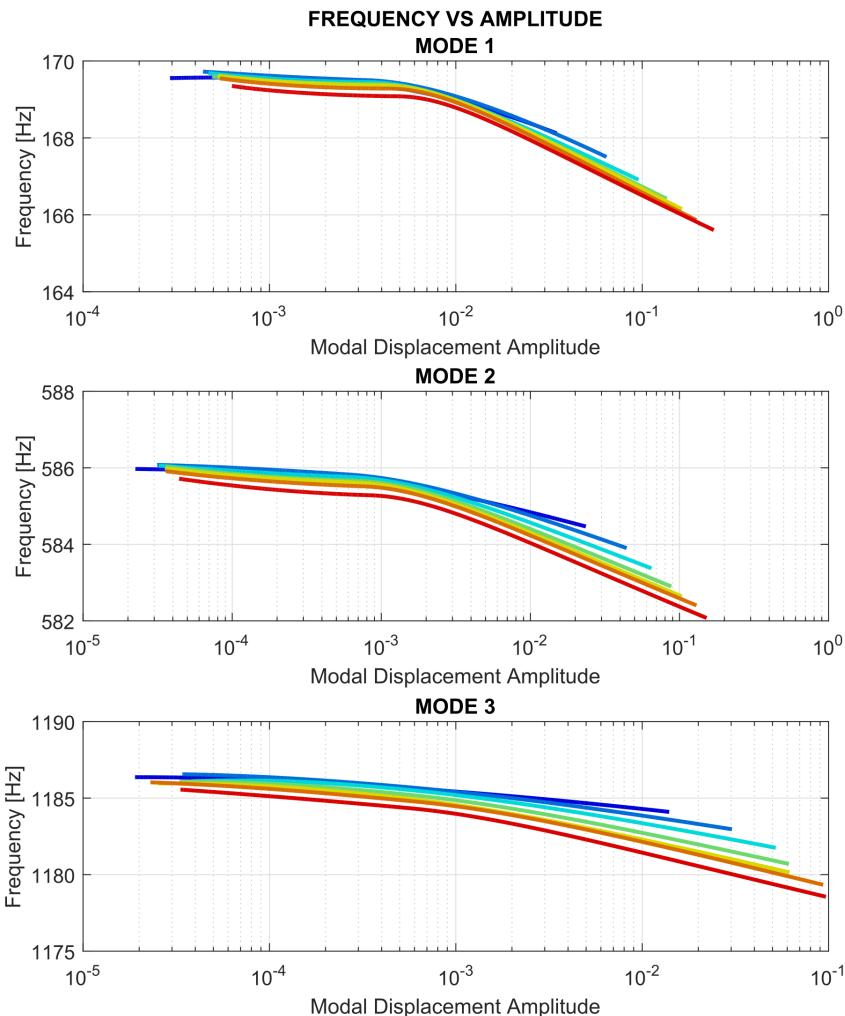
# Experimental Study

- Mode shapes



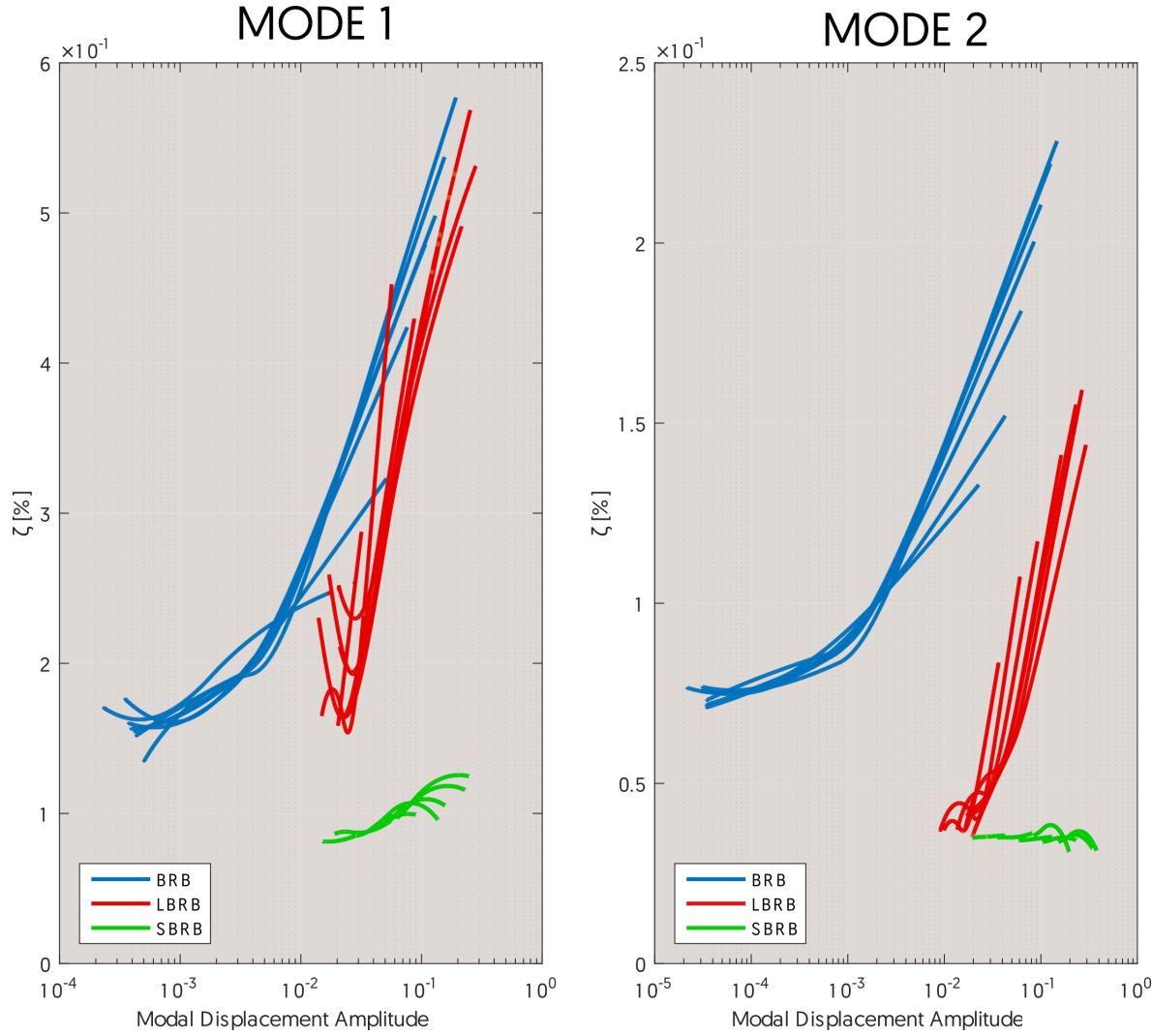
# Experimental Study

## ■ BRB Frequency and Damping VS Amplitude



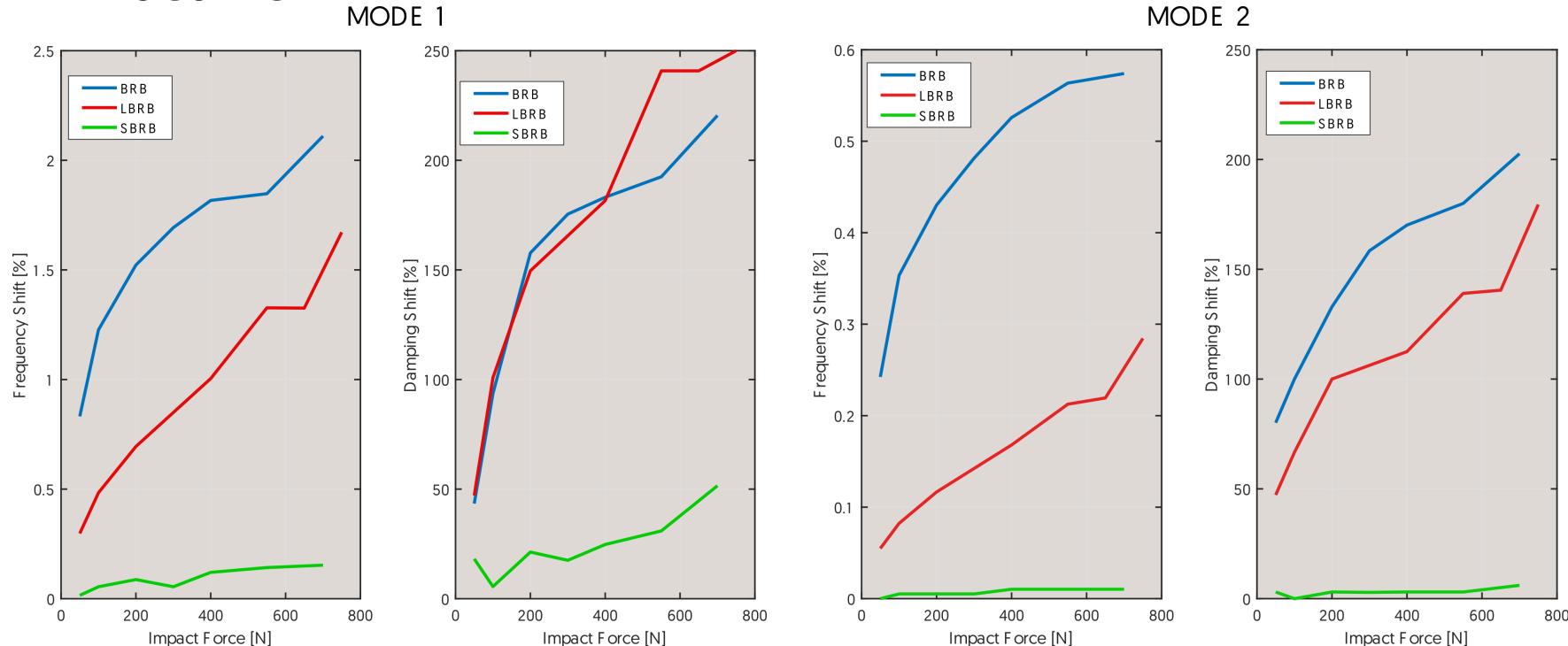
# Experimental Study

- BRB+LBRB+SBRB - Damping VS Amplitude



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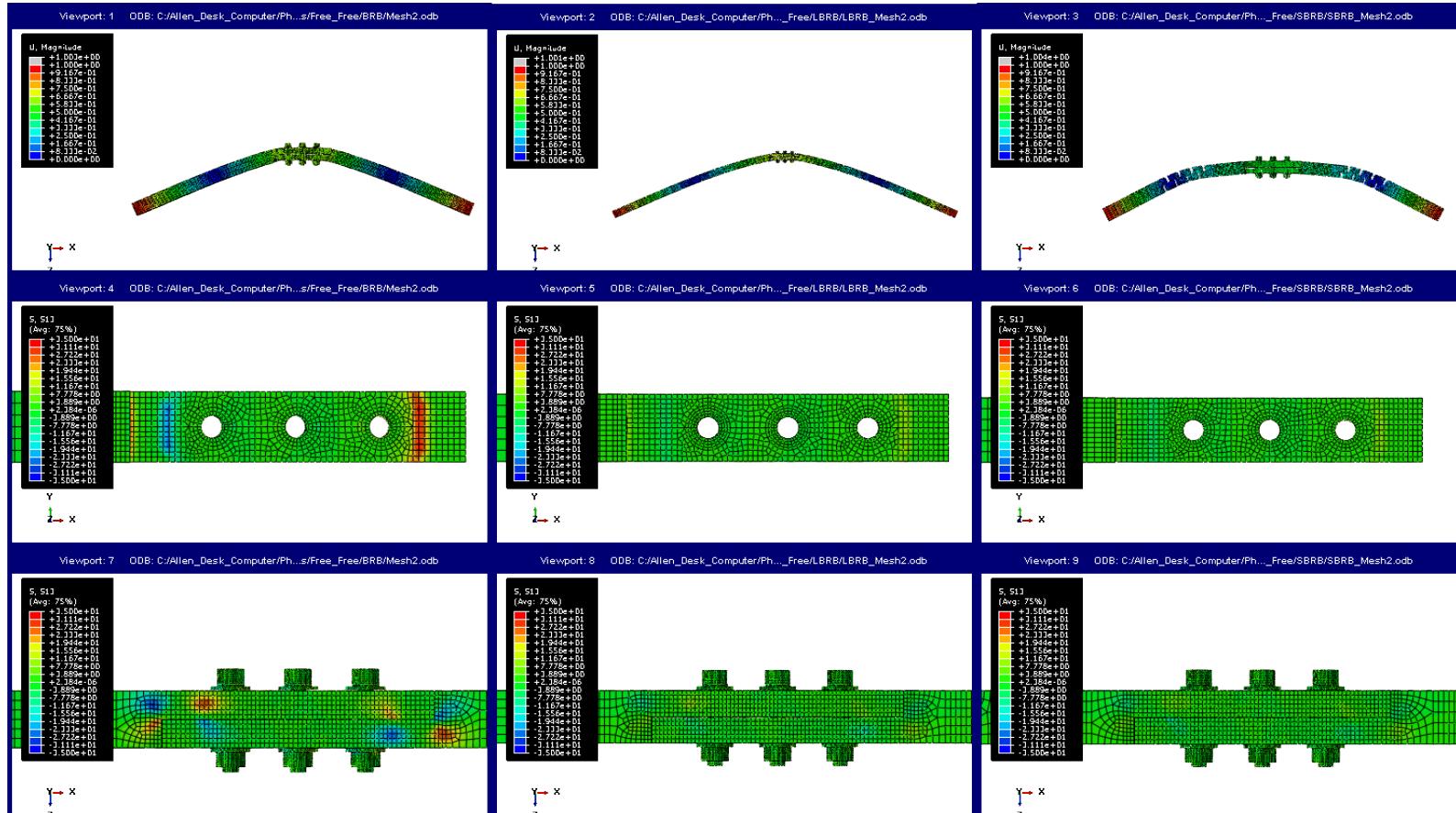
- Frequency and Damping shifts compared between beams



- The shift in damping between BRB and LBRB is comparable
- SBRB doesn't show a nonlinear behavior.

# Numerical Modeling

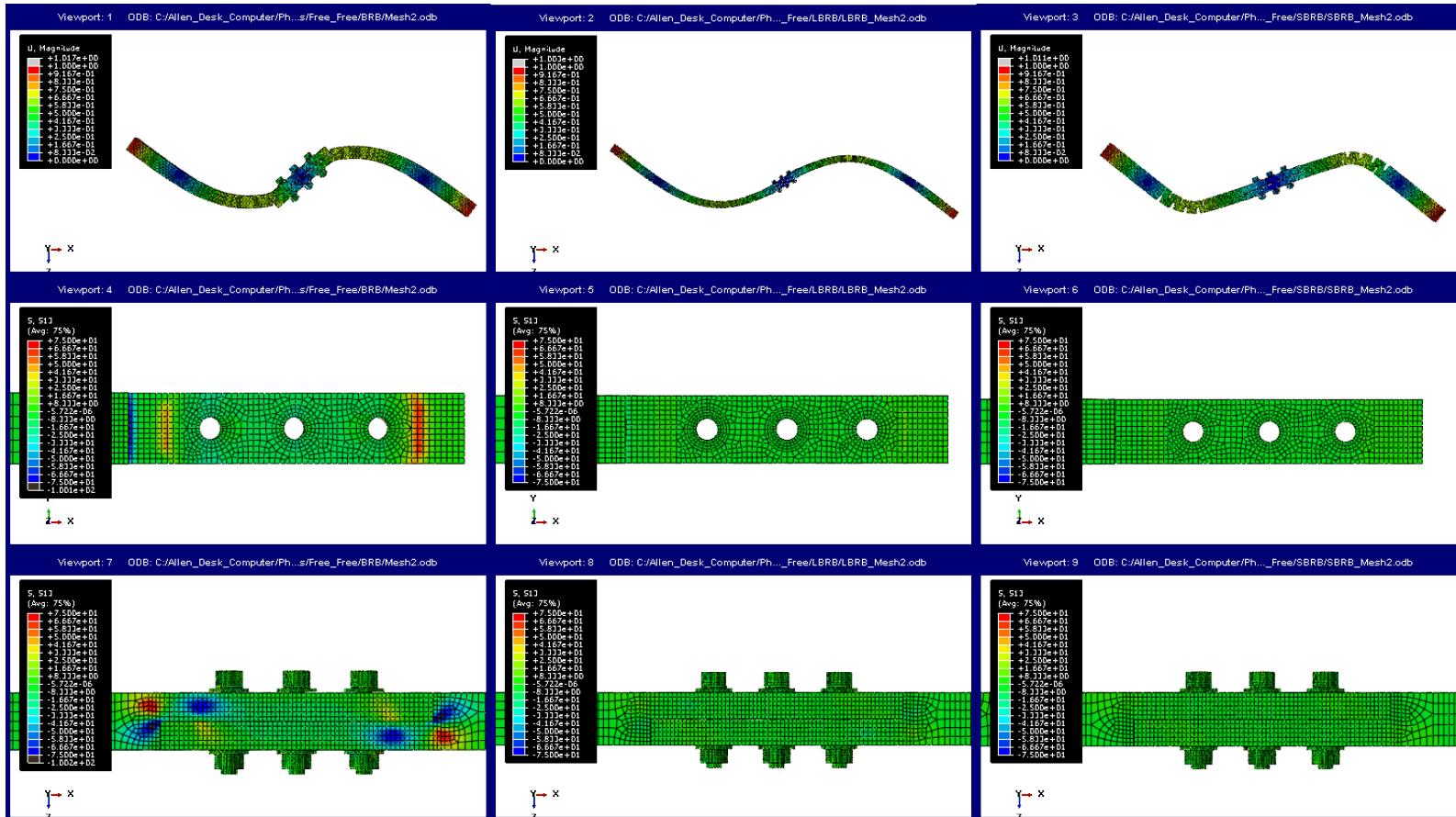
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**1st MODE**



# Numerical Modeling

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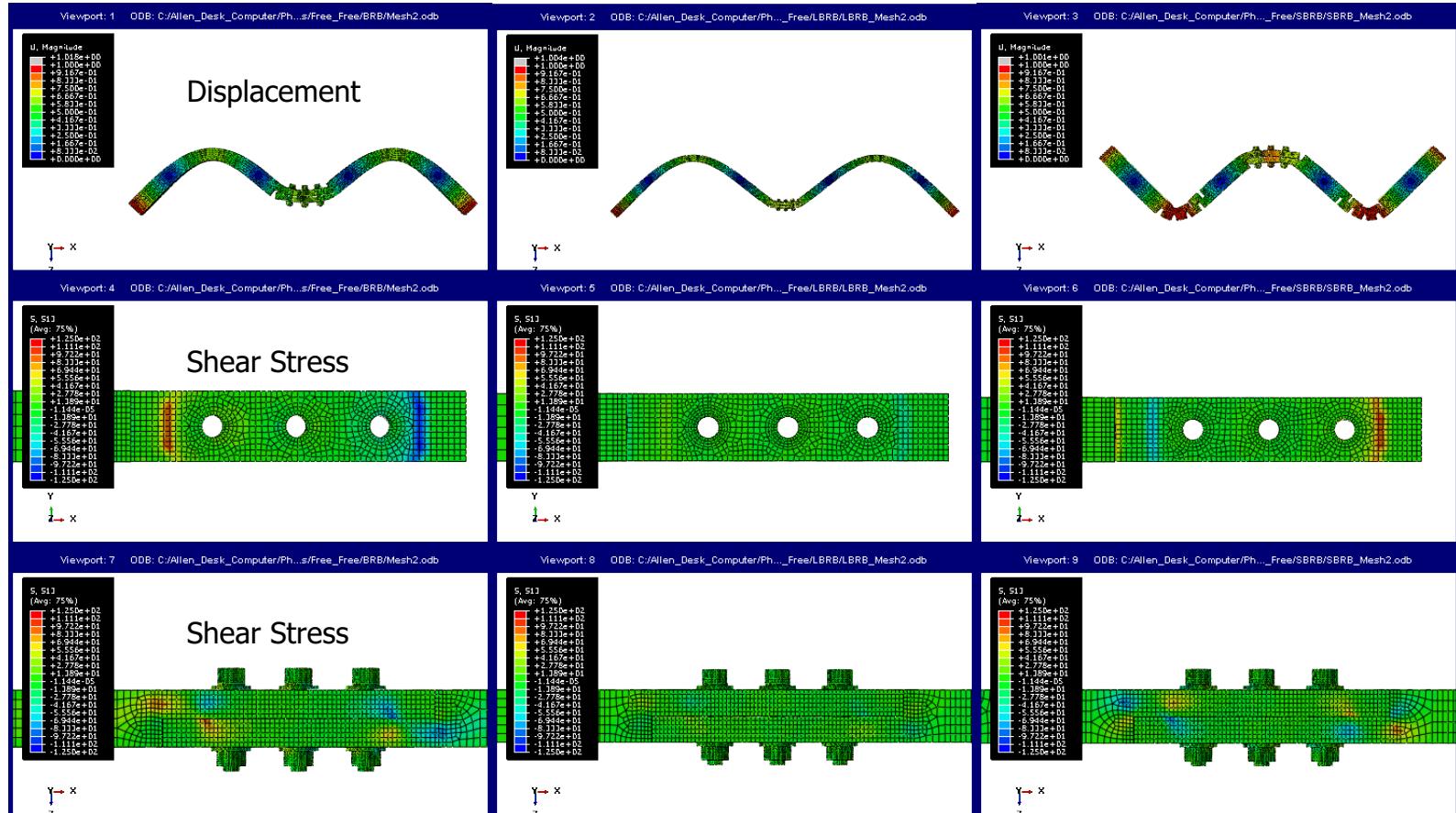
**2nd MODE**



# Numerical Modeling

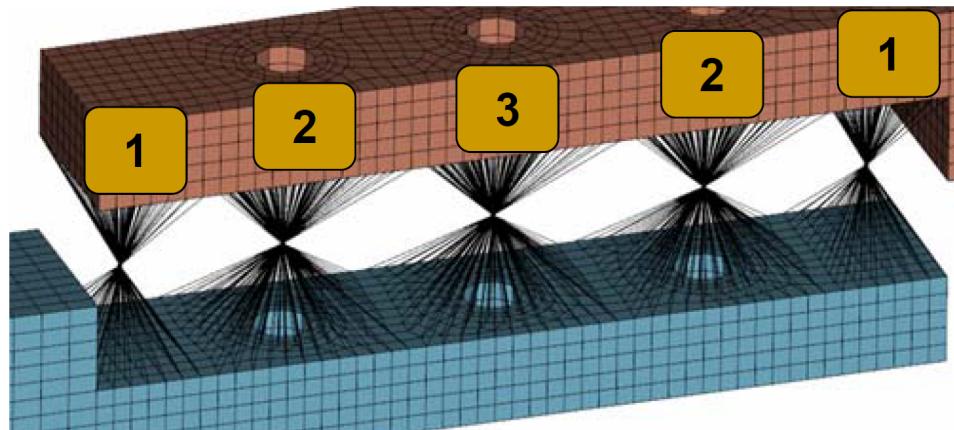
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**3rd MODE**



# Numerical Modeling

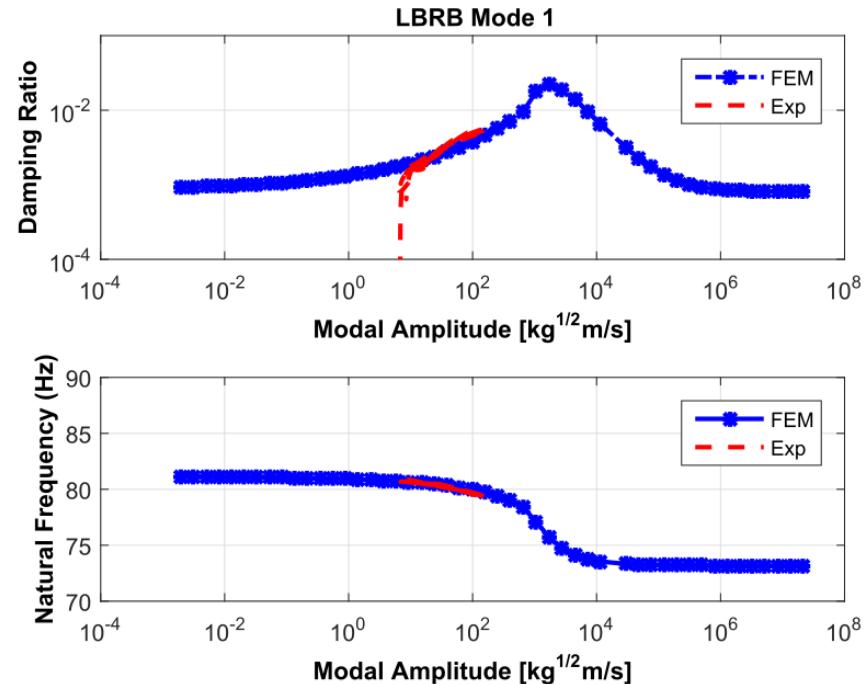
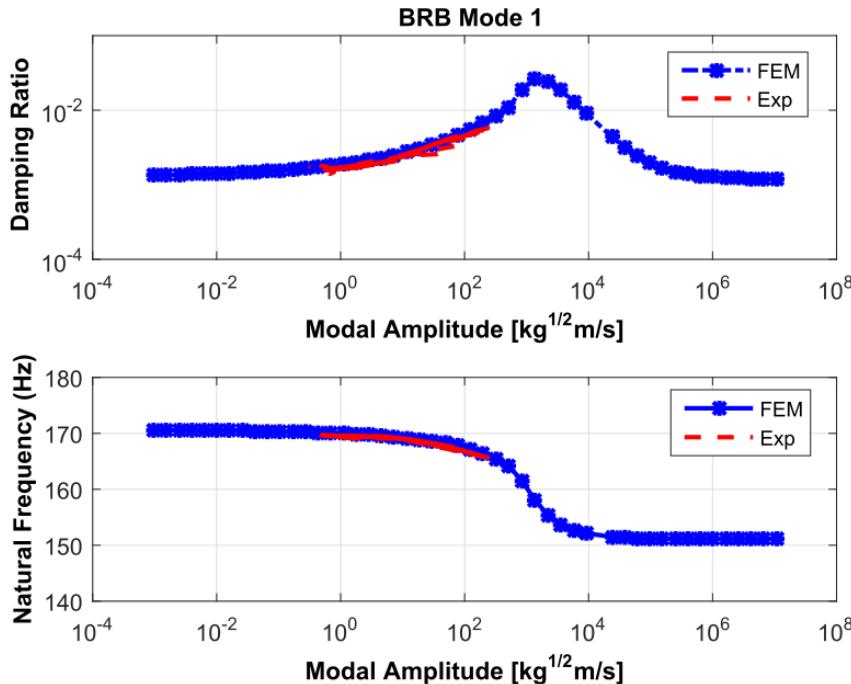
- FEM – Quasi-static Iwan Element Analysis
  - 5 spider elements connecting the joint interface containing an Iwan element
  - Tune the discrete Iwan parameters to reproduce BRB experimental data
  - Use the same set of parameters for the LBRB



| El. ID | Fs        | Kt    | $\chi$ | $\beta$ |
|--------|-----------|-------|--------|---------|
| 1      | 3500<br>0 | 1,5e5 | -0,6   | 0,25    |
| 2      | 3500<br>0 | 2,2e5 | -0,9   | 0,35    |
| 3      | 1750      | 2,2e5 | -0,15  | 0,05    |

# Numerical Modeling

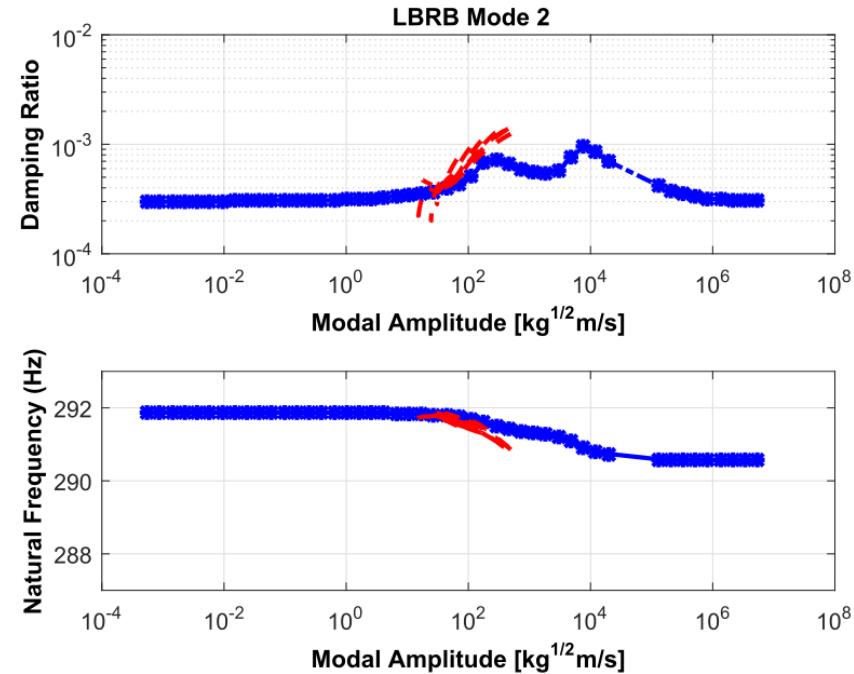
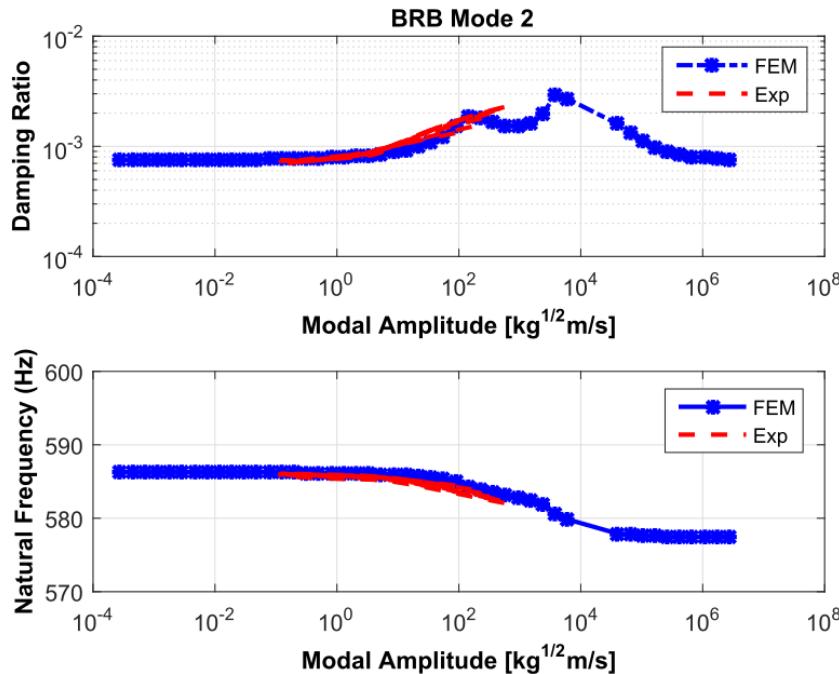
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- Good correspondence between BRB and LBRB for MODE 1
- The same physical Iwan joints models are good for both beams
- Missing information about macro-slip

# Numerical Modeling

- FEM – Quasi-static Iwan Element Analysis



- Results for mode 2 are less good than for mode 1

# Conclusions

- Experimental:
  - The far-field structure modifications have significant effects on the beams modal nonlinear properties.
  - It was **impossible** to fit the data of the three beams with a unique modal Iwan model.
- FEM:
  - It was **possible** to find a set of **physical** Iwan models capable of reproducing the nonlinear behavior of the BRB and LRB
- Overall:
  - The far-field structure changes the way in which the interface is loaded and affects the nonlinear behavior of the structure itself.

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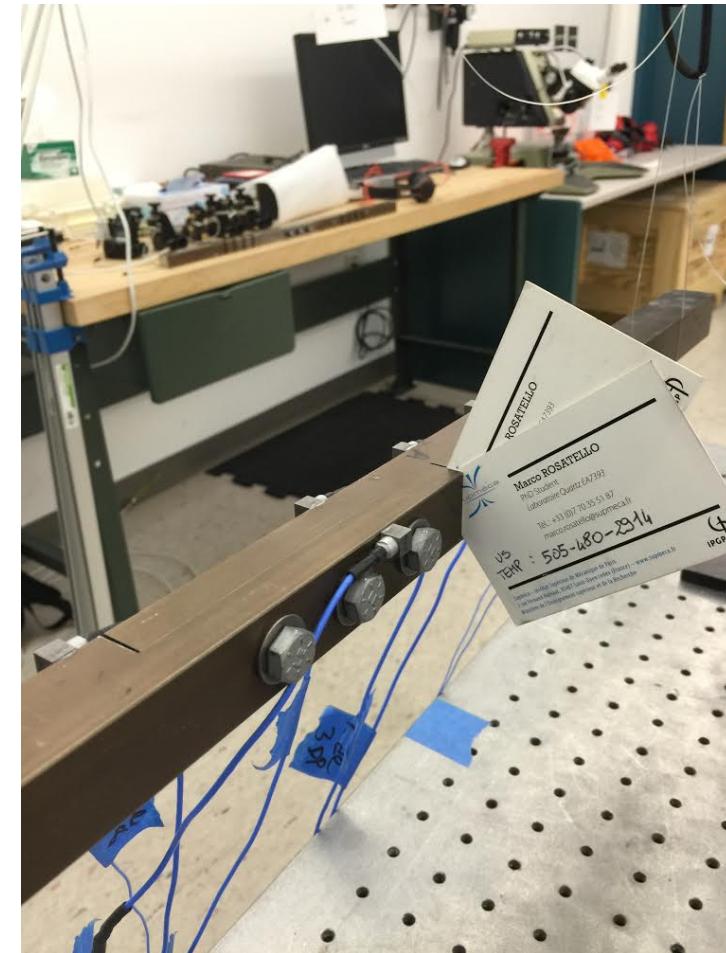
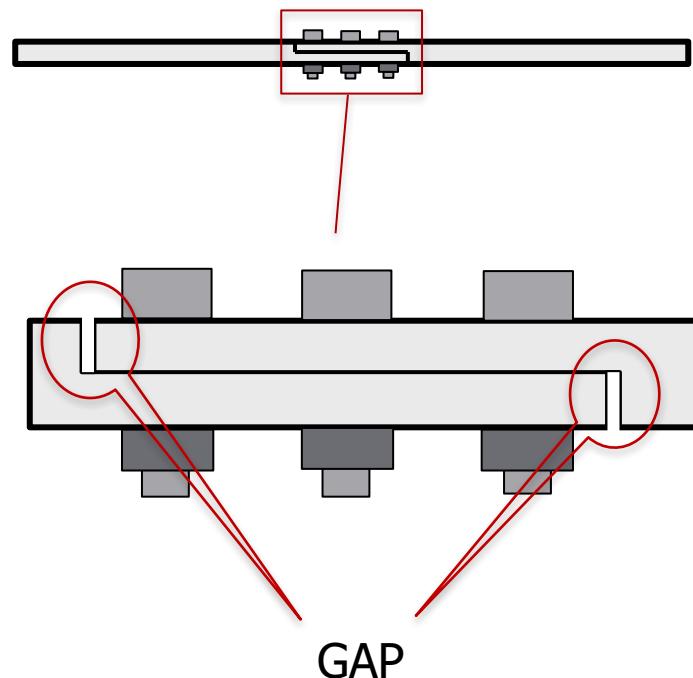
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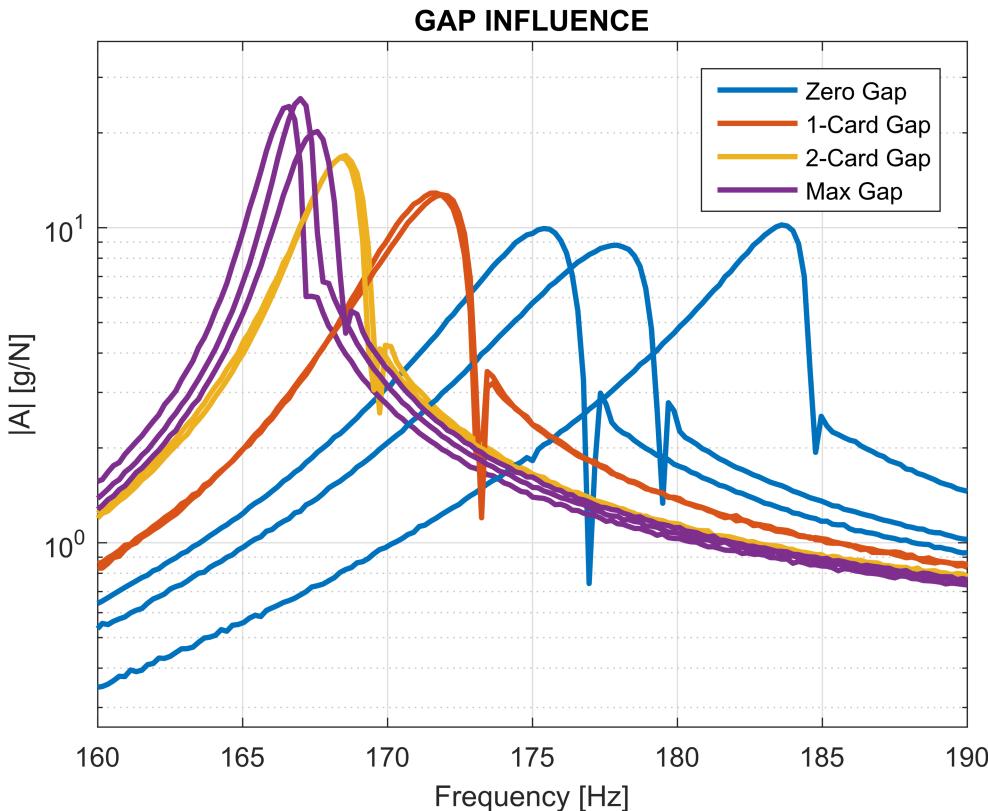
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- Gap Influence



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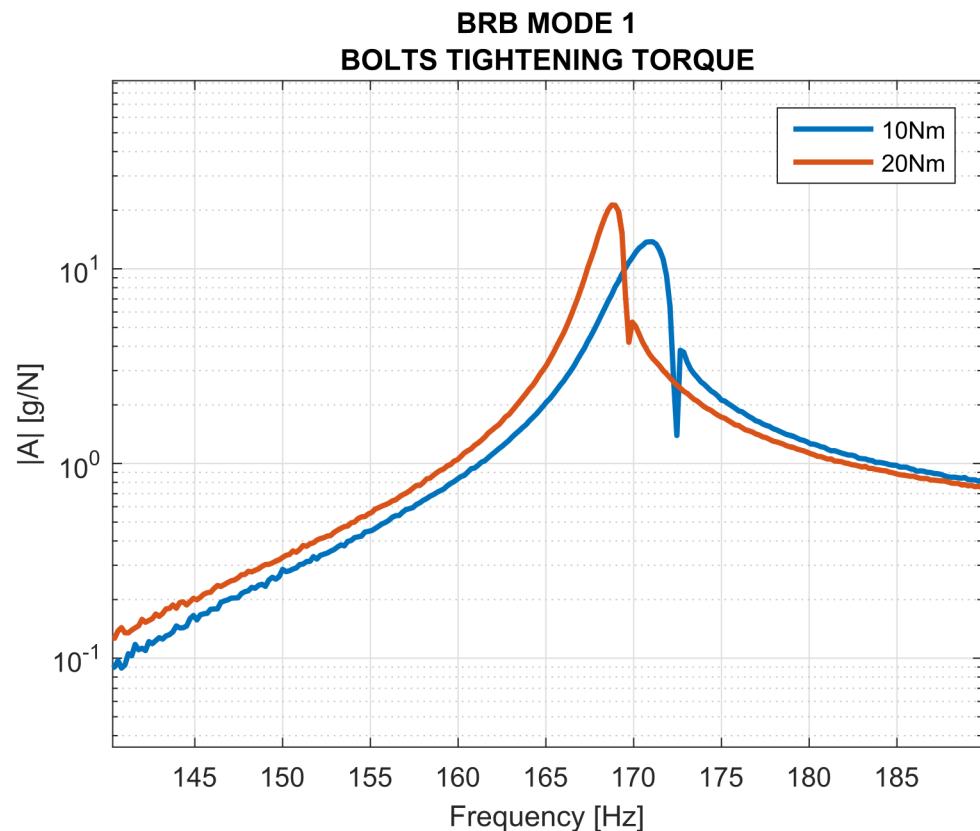


- Zero Gap tests are non-repeatable → Probably due to the additional contact
- 1-Card and 2-Cards gap tests are repeatable but there is still a difference of 5 Hz between them
- Max Gap tests shows less repeatability than the medium gap test → probably due to contact between bolts and walls.

The gap size has a **strong** influence on the measured damping and natural frequencies!

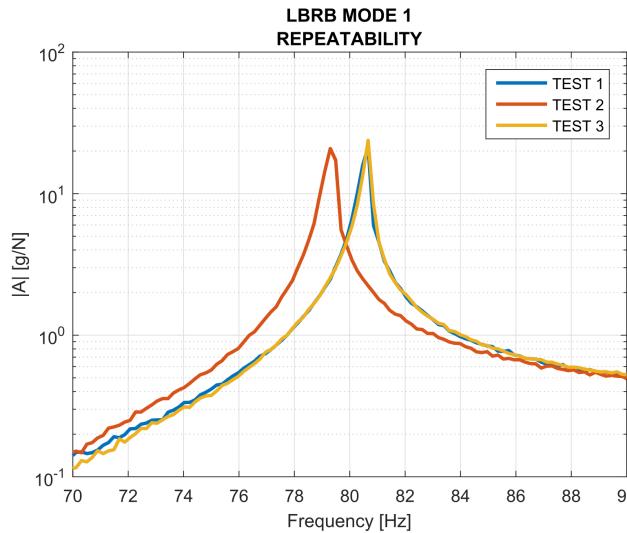
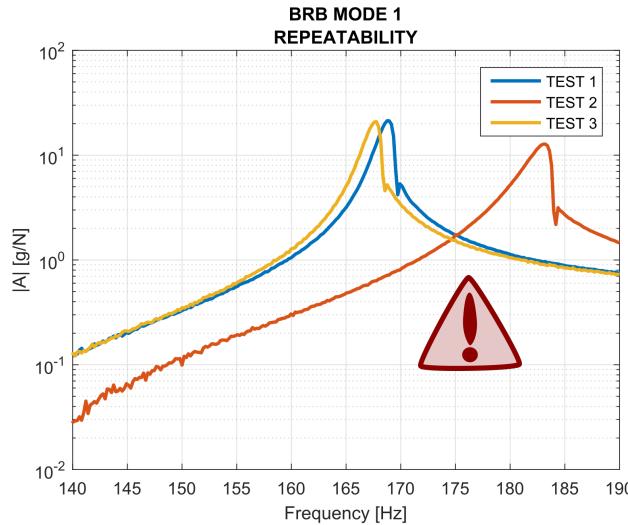
# Related studies

- Tightening torque
  - The stiffness and the damping decreases by increasing the tightening torque
  - The data were not thoroughly analyzed because the effect of the tightening torque was not a priority

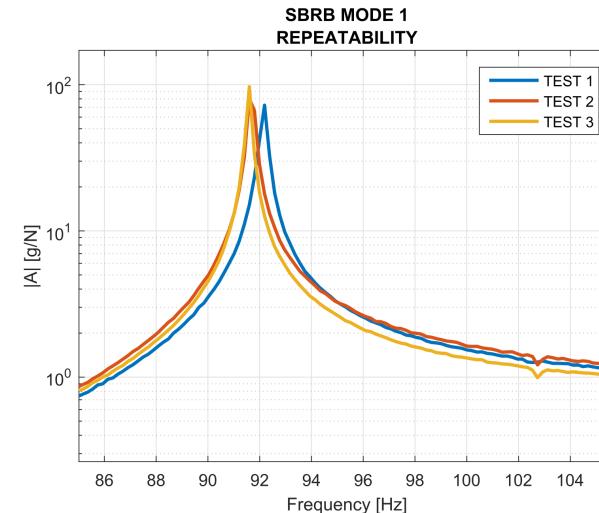


# Related studies

- Repeatability



- Every beam was disassembled and reassembled 3 times
- Variability between the test is due to the gap influence
- Sadly the gap influence was studied only after 3 weeks...
- It can be really important!



# Results

- Frequency and Damping shifts for each beam

