

*Discrete Optimization of Damper Placement  
in a Shear Building via Mixed Integer Programming*

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- comparison of (\*1), (\*2), & (\*3)  
[Whittle, Williams, Karavasilis & Blakeborough '12]
  - broadly comparable performances
- **this study**: “(\*2) & discrete variables” ← **global optimization**  
(damping coefficient)  $\in \{0, \bar{c}, 2\bar{c}, 3\bar{c}, \dots\}$

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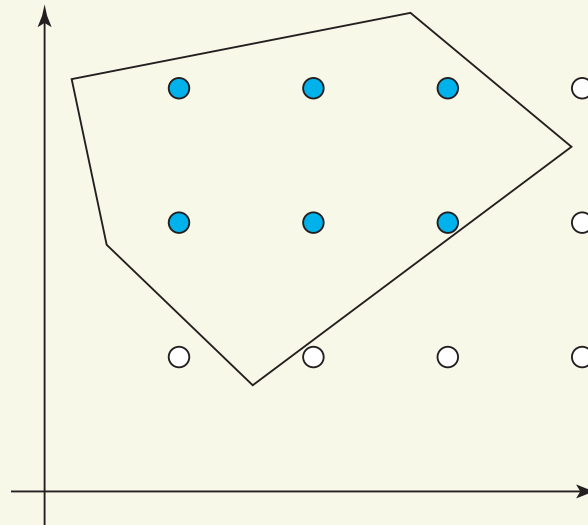
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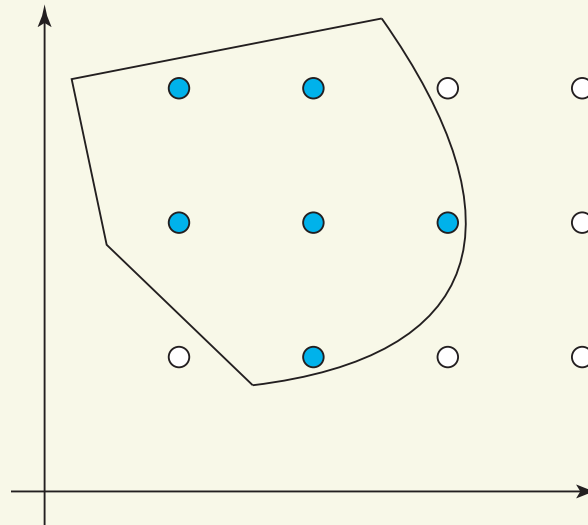


- replace  $x \in \{0, 1\}^n$  with  $\mathbf{0} \leq x \leq \mathbf{1}$  → linear prog.
- can be solved with, e.g., branch-and-bound method

# mixed-integer programming

- m-i second-order cone prog.:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \mathbf{f}^T \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{r}^T \mathbf{y} \\ \text{s. t.} \quad & \|A_l \mathbf{x} + G_l \mathbf{y} - \mathbf{b}_l\| \leq \mathbf{d}_l^T \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{e}_l^T \mathbf{y} - h_l \\ & \mathbf{x} \in \{0, 1\}^n, \quad \mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^m \end{aligned}$$

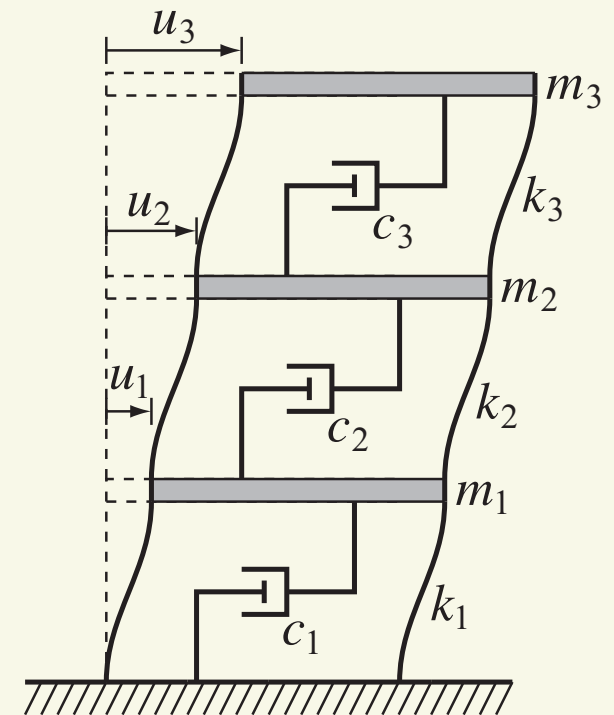


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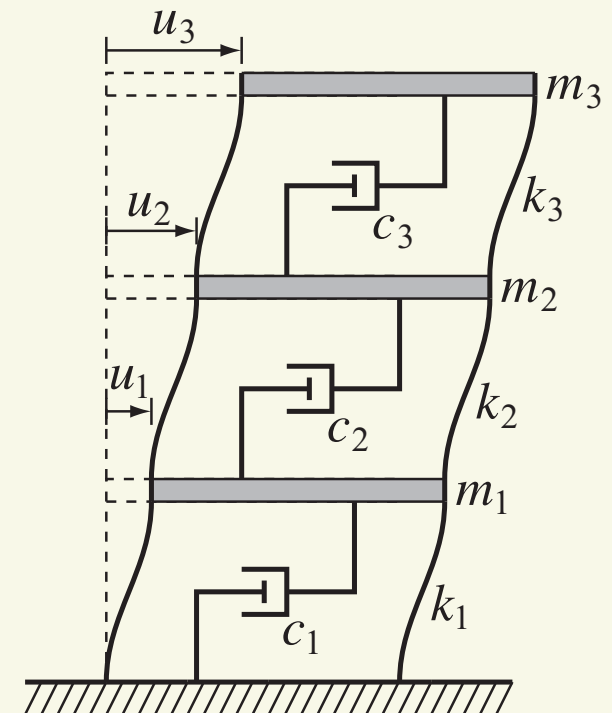


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- $C(\mathbf{c})$  : damping matrix
  - $c_i$  : damping coefficient of damper  $i$   
← design variable
  
- $M$  : mass matrix



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- eq. of motion in freq. domain:

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$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\delta}} = H^T \hat{\mathbf{v}}$$

- interstory drifts:  $\mathbf{d} = H^T \mathbf{u}$  with constant matrix  $H$

- [Takewaki '97] : Minimize  $\sum_{i=1}^n |\hat{\delta}_i|$

# optimal placement problem [Takewaki '97]

- min. of sum of transfer fcn. ampls. of interstory drifts:

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sum_{i=1}^n |\hat{\delta}_i| \\ \text{s. t.} \quad & \hat{\boldsymbol{\delta}} = H^T \hat{\boldsymbol{v}} && \text{(def. of } \hat{\delta}_i \text{)} \\ & (K + i\bar{\omega}C(\boldsymbol{c}) - \bar{\omega}^2 M)\hat{\boldsymbol{v}} = -M\mathbf{1} && \text{(eq. of m.)} \\ & \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \leq c_{\text{sum}}^{\text{max}} && \text{(upper bound)} \\ & c_i \geq 0 \quad (i = 1, \dots, n) \end{aligned}$$

- variables are

- $\boldsymbol{c} \in \mathbb{R}^n$  : damper damping coeffs.
- $\hat{\boldsymbol{v}} \in \mathbb{C}^n$  : transfer fcn. of floor disps.
- $\hat{\boldsymbol{\delta}} \in \mathbb{C}^n$  : transfer fcn. of interstory drifts

# discrete optimization

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sum_{i=1}^n |\hat{\delta}_i| \\ \text{s. t.} \quad & \hat{\boldsymbol{\delta}} = H^T \hat{\mathbf{v}} \\ & (K + i\bar{\omega}C(\mathbf{c}) - \bar{\omega}^2 M)\hat{\mathbf{v}} = -M\mathbf{1} \\ & \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \leq c_{\text{sum}}^{\max} \\ & c_i \in \{0, \bar{c}, 2\bar{c}, \dots, p\bar{c}\} \quad (i = 1, \dots, n) \end{aligned} \quad (\clubsuit)$$

- $(\clubsuit)$  : choose  $c_i$  among available candidates
  - “0” or “a multiple of  $\bar{c}$ ”
- $\rightarrow$  propose a global opt. approach
  - mixed-integer programming

# towards mixed-integer programming

- use of 0–1 variables:

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- min. of  $\sum_{i=1}^n |\hat{\delta}_i|$  :  $(\hat{\delta}_i \in \mathbb{C})$

$$\min \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \quad \text{s. t. } y_i \geq \|(\operatorname{Re} \delta_i, \operatorname{Im} \delta_i)\| \quad (\text{SOC})$$

- min. of  $\max\{|\hat{\delta}_1|, \dots, |\hat{\delta}_6|\}$  :

$$\min y \quad \text{s. t. } y \geq \|(\operatorname{Re} \delta_i, \operatorname{Im} \delta_i)\| \quad (\text{SOC})$$

# mixed-integer second-order cone programming formulation

$$\begin{aligned} \min \quad & \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \\ \text{s. t.} \quad & y_i \geq \|(\text{Re } \delta_i, \text{Im } \delta_i)\|, \quad \hat{\boldsymbol{\delta}} = H^T \hat{\mathbf{v}} \\ & (K - \bar{\omega}^2 M) \hat{\mathbf{v}} + i \bar{\omega} H \mathbf{q} = -M \mathbf{1} \quad (\text{eq. of m.}) \\ & q_i = \bar{c} \sum_{j=1}^p w_{ij} \quad (\text{t. fcn. of story shear}) \\ & |w_{ij}| \leq \mu x_{ij}, \quad |w_{ij} - \mathbf{h}_i^T \hat{\mathbf{v}}| \leq \mu(1 - x_{ij}) \\ & x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}, \quad x_{i1} \geq x_{i2} \geq \cdots \geq x_{ip} \\ & (\mu : \text{large constant}) \end{aligned}$$

- replace  $x_{ij} \in \{0, 1\}$  with  $0 \leq x_{ij} \leq 1$   $\rightarrow$  convex prog. (SOCP)
- can be solved by a branch-and-bound method
- software packages are available (e.g., Gurobi Optimizer, CPLEX)

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- $\gamma$  : upper bound for the # of damped stories

$$\sum_{i=1}^n x_{i1} \leq \gamma$$



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- $\bar{r}\bar{c}$  : lower bound for damping coefficient  
(i.e.,  $c_i \in \{0, \bar{r}\bar{c}, (\bar{r} + 1)\bar{c}, (\bar{r} + 2)\bar{c}, \dots, p\bar{c}\}$ )

$$x_{i1} \leq x_{i\bar{r}} \quad (i = 1, \dots, n)$$

- $x_{i1} = 1 \Rightarrow x_{i2} = \cdots = x_{i\bar{r}} = 1$
- $x_{i\bar{r}} = 0 \Rightarrow x_{i1} = \cdots = x_{i,\bar{r}-1} = 0$

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- at most 1 damper can be added to 2 adjacent stories:

$$x_{i1} + x_{i+1,1} \leq 1 \quad (i = 1, \dots, n - 1)$$

- at most 1 damper can be added to 3 adjacent stories:

$$x_{i1} + x_{i+1,1} + x_{i+2,1} \leq 1 \quad (i = 1, \dots, n - 2)$$

## ex. 1) uniform stiffness distribution

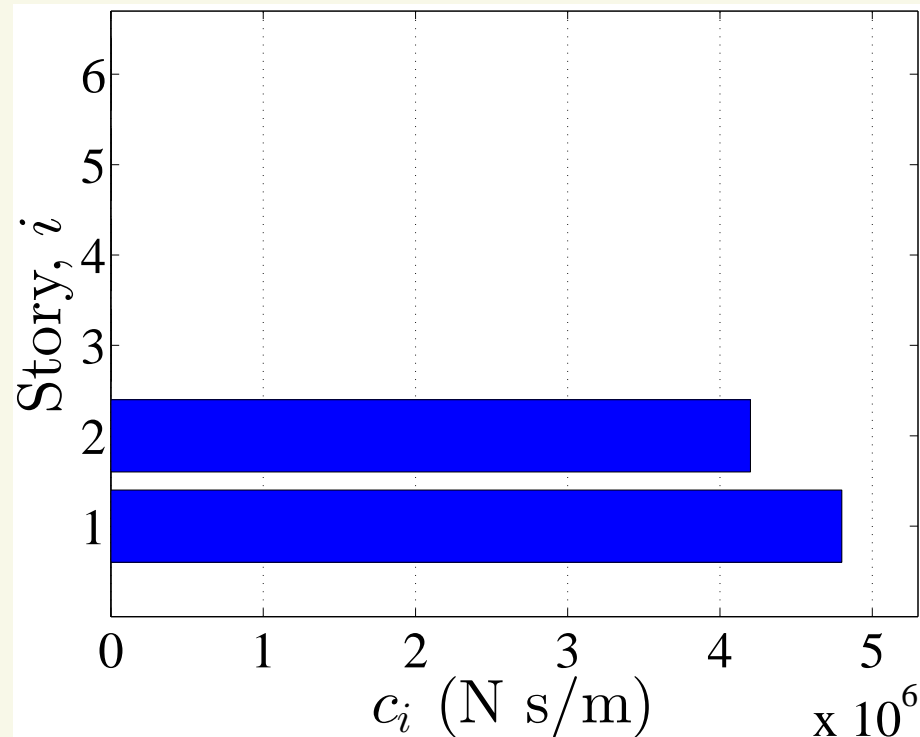
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  - candidate values:
    - $c_i \in \{0, 500, 1000, \dots, 7500\}$  kNs/m
    - $c_i \in \{0, 200, 400, \dots, 6000\}$  kNs/m
    - $c_i \in \{0, 100, 200, \dots, 6000\}$  kNs/m

## ex. 1) optimal solutions (uniform stiffness)

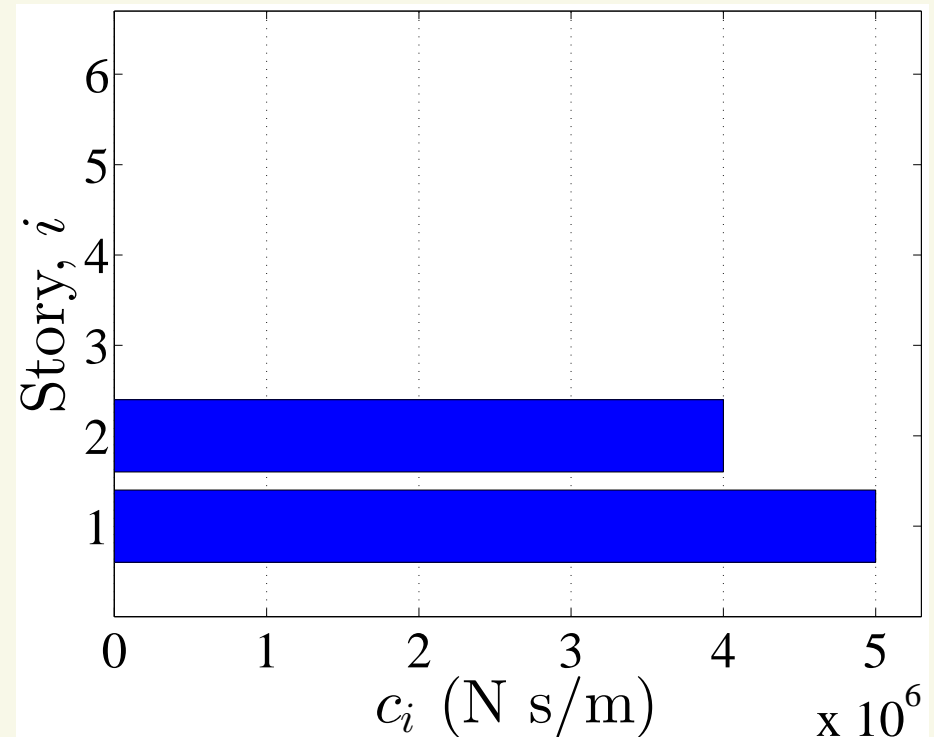
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$$\sum_{i=1}^6 |\hat{\delta}_i| = 0.135132$$



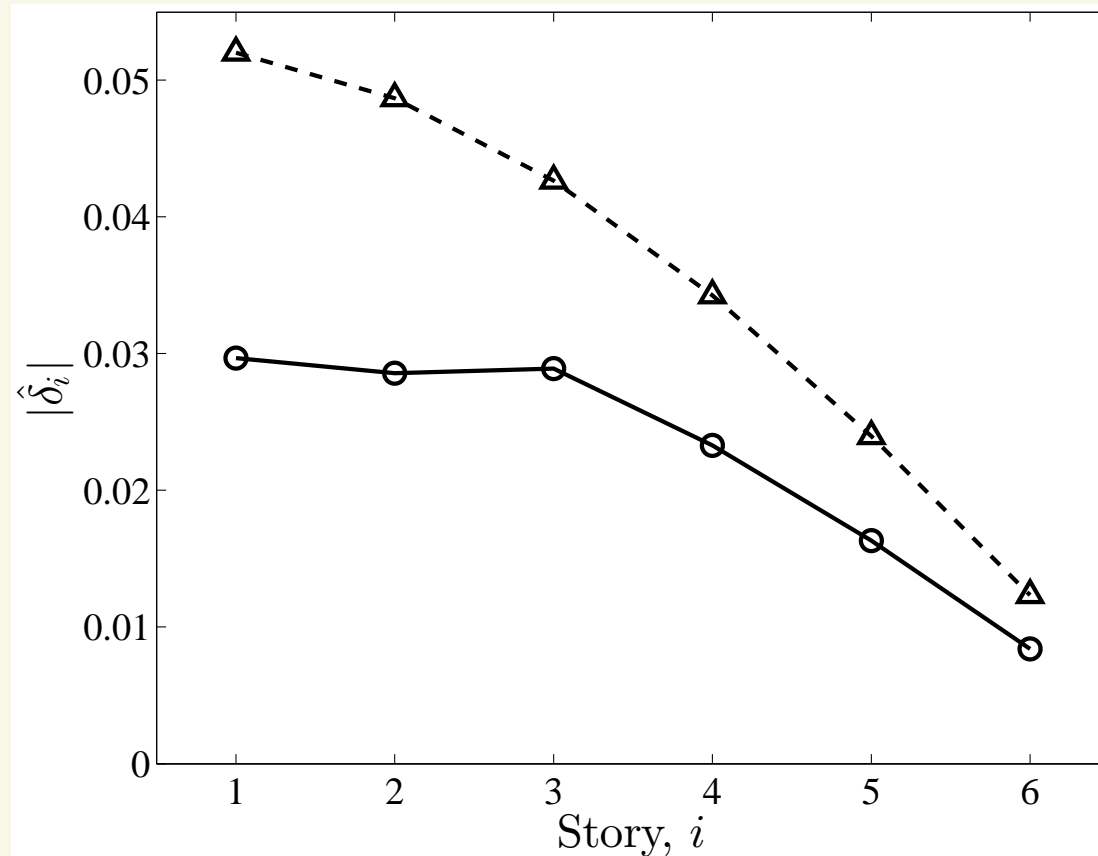
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$$\sum_{i=1}^6 |\hat{\delta}_i| = 0.1352236$$

- similar to solutions in [Takewaki '97] (continuous opt.)

## ex. 1) transfer functions (uniform stiffness)

- interstory drifts  $|\hat{\delta}_i|$  (at fundamental freq.  $\bar{\omega}$ )



“——” optimal solution

“- - -” uniform damping ( $c_1 = \dots = c_6$ )

- $|\hat{\delta}_i|$  is drastically decreased especially in the lower stories.

## ex. 1) computational cost (uniform stiffness)

- comparison of two solvers

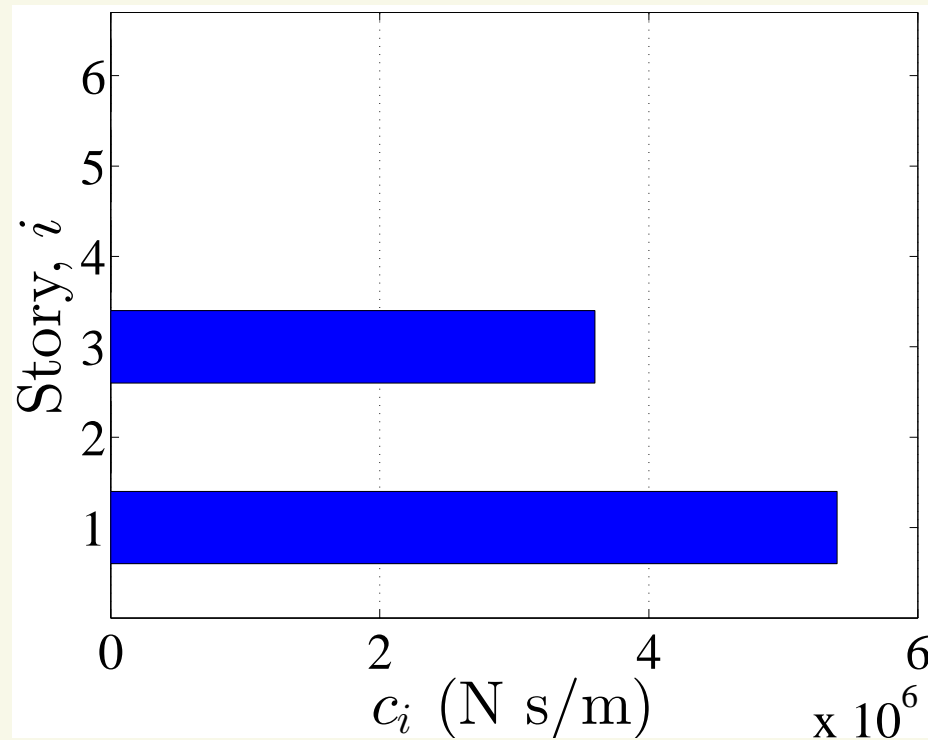
$p$	CPLEX (ver. 12.2)		Gurobi (ver. 5.0)	
	Time (s)	# of B&B nodes	Time (s)	# of B&B nodes
15	3.1	25,233	7.7	20,536
30	172.6	837,374	135.2	465,107
60	2,103.5	6,164,308	1,210.9	1,954,957

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- problem size ( $p = 60$ )
  - # of 0–1 variables: 360
  - # of continuous variables: 402
  - # of lin. ineq. constraints: 1,615
  - # of lin. eq. constraints: 36
  - # of SOC constraints: 6

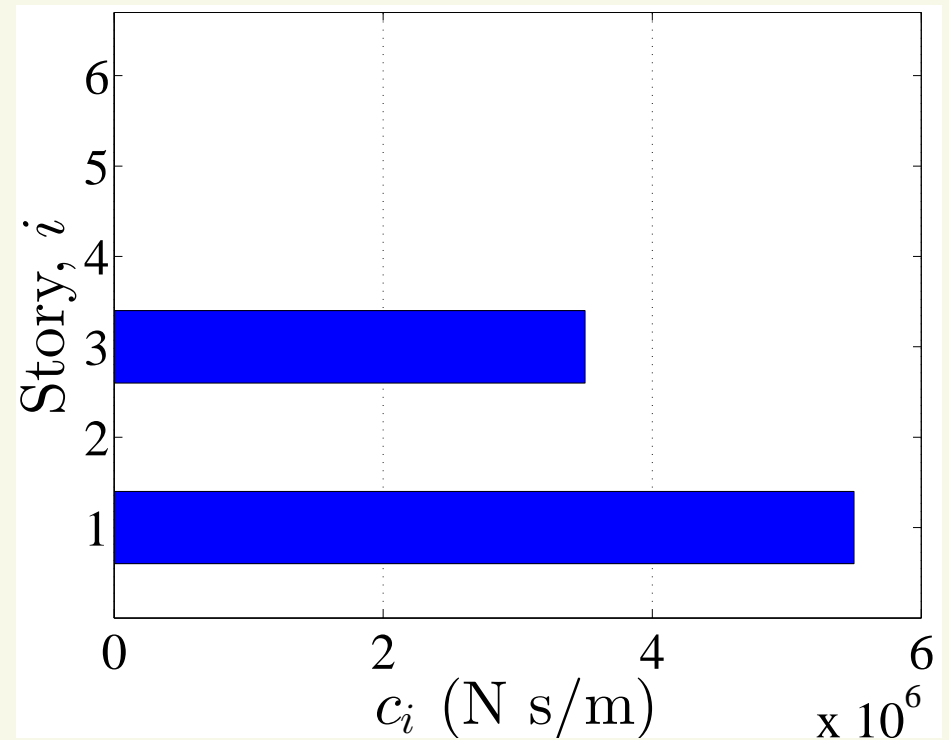
## ex. 1) more constraints (uniform stiffness)

- constraints on damper damping coeffs.
  - upr. bd. for # of dampers:  $\gamma = 3$
  - no adjacent damped stories



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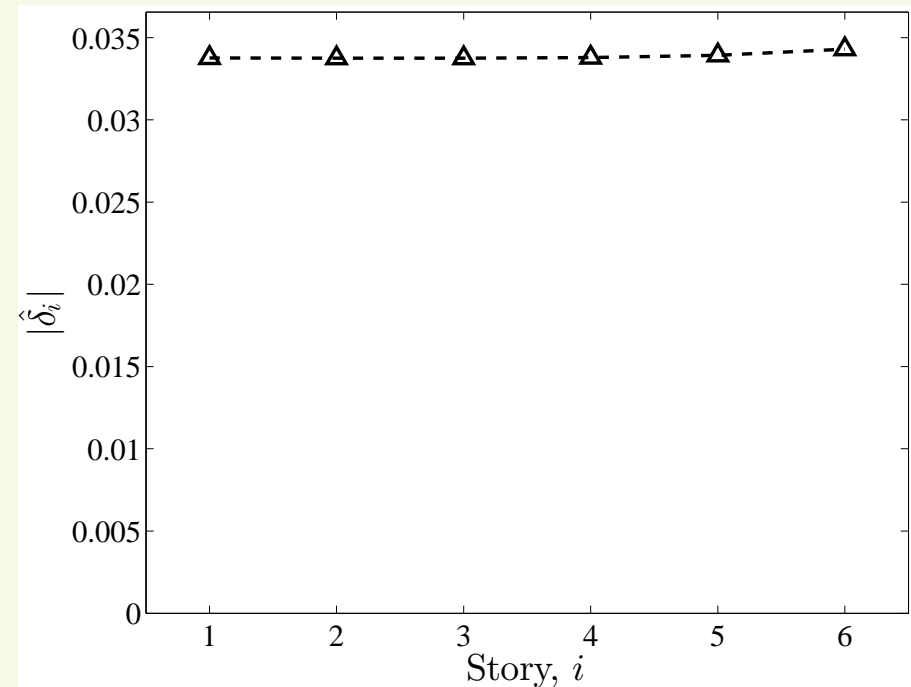
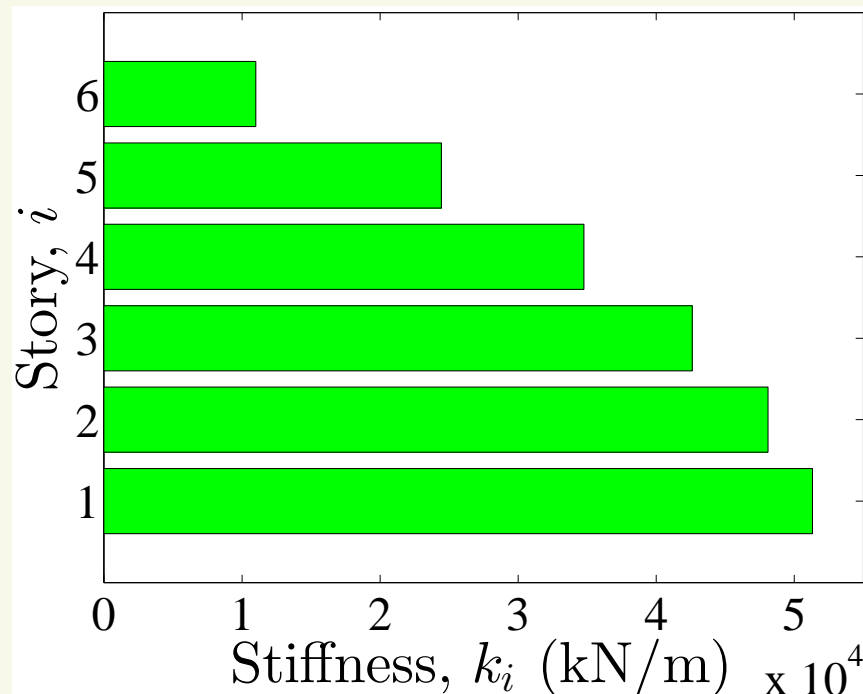


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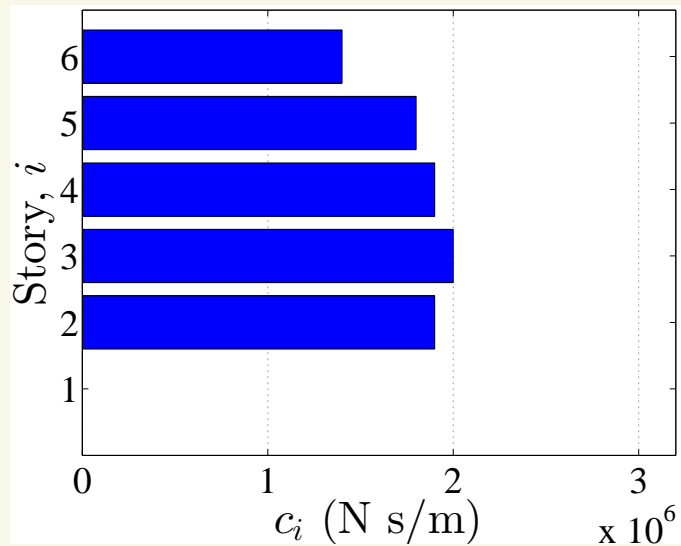
## ex. 2) uniform distribution of amplitudes of transfer functions

- masses & damper damping coeffs.: same as the previous ex.
- distribution of story stiffnesses [Takewaki '97] :

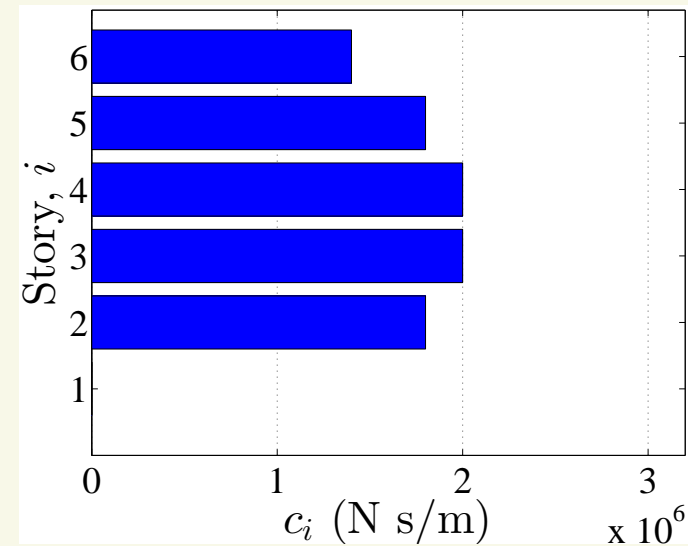


- With uniform damping ( $c_1 = \dots = c_6$ ), distribution of  $|\hat{\delta}_i|$  becomes uniform ( $|\hat{\delta}_1| = \dots = |\hat{\delta}_6|$ ).

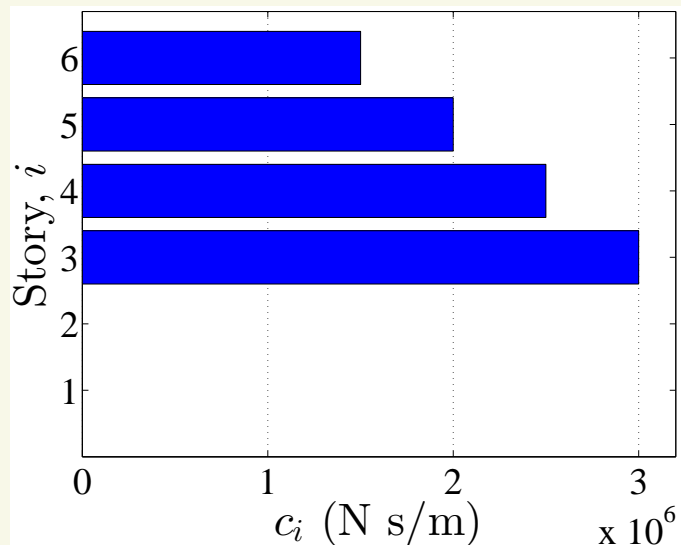
## ex. 2) optimal solutions



(a)  $c_i \in \{0, 100, \dots, 6000\}$  kNs/m



(b)  $c_i \in \{0, 200, \dots, 6000\}$  kNs/m



(c)  $c_i \in \{0, 500, \dots, 7500\}$  kNs/m

(a) obj. val. = 0.201158

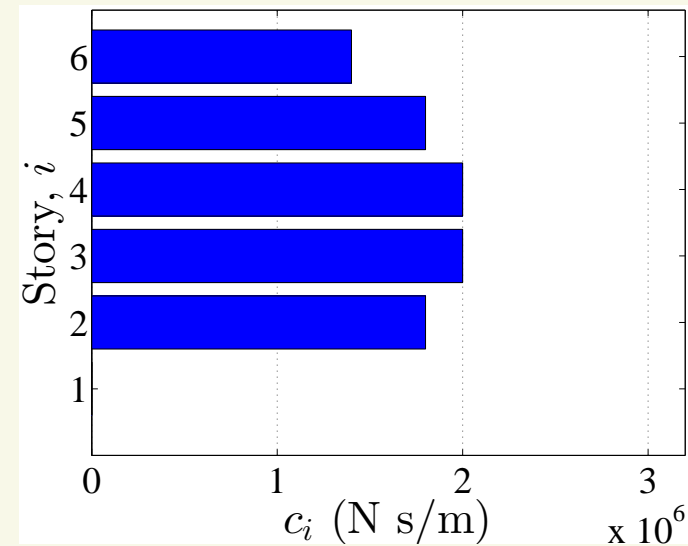
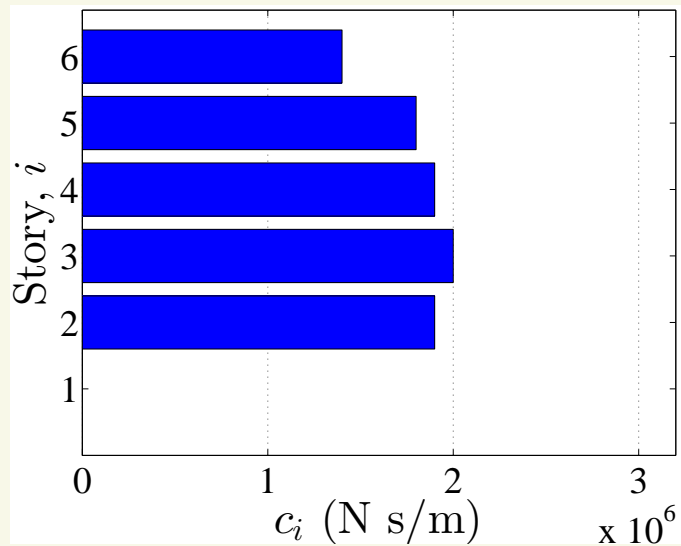
(b) obj. val. = 0.201162

(c) obj. val. = 0.201222

• In [Takewaki '97]:

obj. val. = 0.2027

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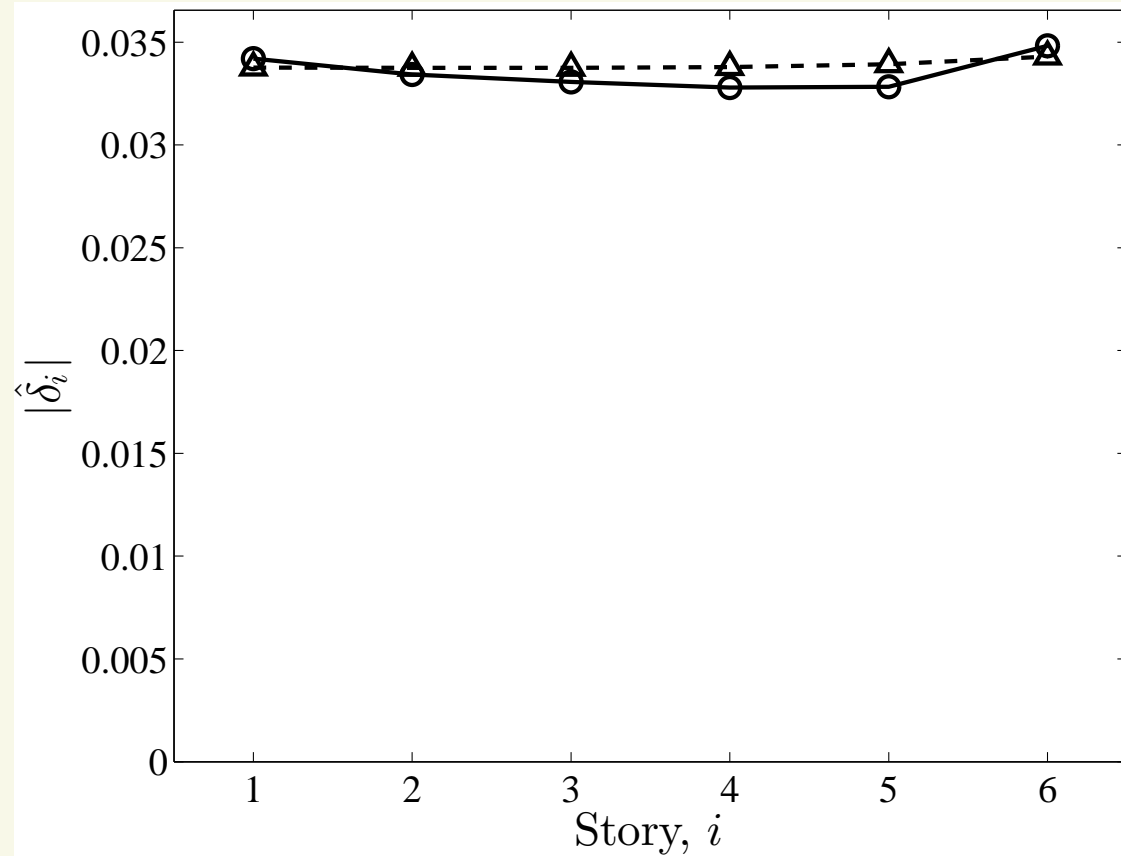
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- [Takewaki '97] solved a continuous opt. prob.
  - There, dampers were placed to all stories.
- This study finds a global opt. sol. of a discrete prob.
  - The solution is better than the one in [Takewaki '97].

## ex. 2) transfer functions

- interstory drifts  $|\hat{\delta}_i|$  (at fundamental freq.  $\bar{\omega}$ )



“——” optimal solution for  $c_i \in \{0, 500, \dots, 7500\}$  kNs/m

“- - -” uniform damping ( $c_1 = \dots = c_6 = 1,500$  kNs/m)

- $|\hat{\delta}_i|$ 's are not decreased drastically.

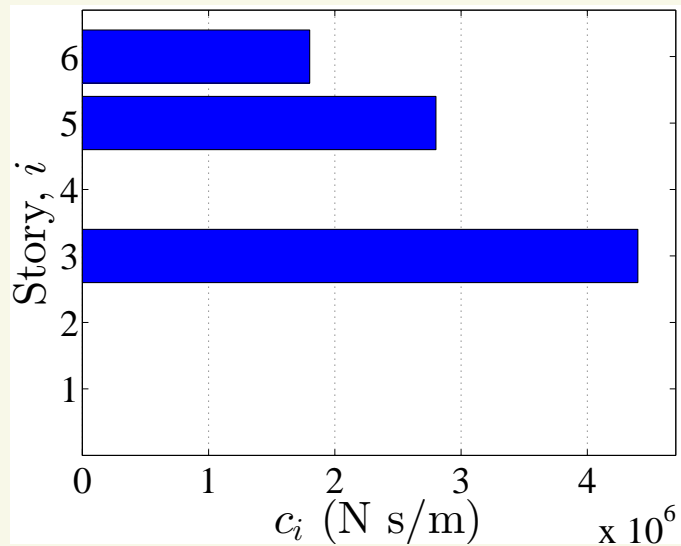
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15	26.3	146,817	16.6	100,999
30	1,455.6	6,158,001	880.6	4,623,129
60	62,021.6 ( $\approx 17.2$ h)	128,500,335	33,917.6 ( $\approx 9.4$ h)	88,934,141

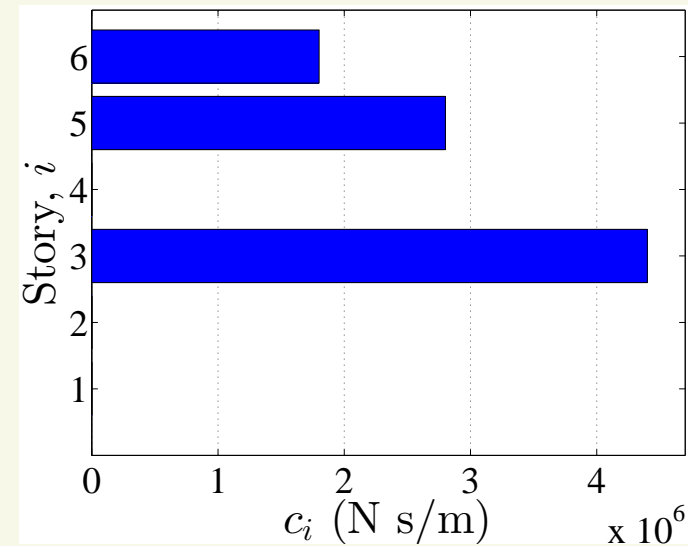
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- probably a hard MIP problem
  - probably, very many “quite good” solutions & few “bad” solutions
    - uniform damping: **obj. val. = 0.203292**
    - optimal solution: **obj. val. = 0.201158**

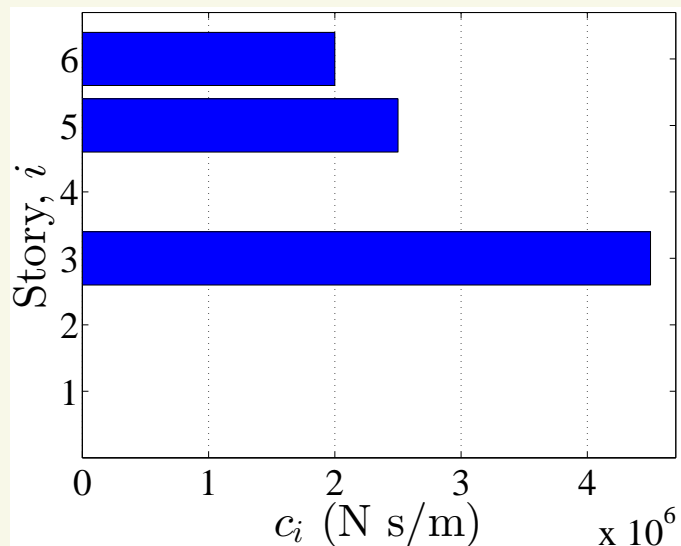
## ex. 2) with more constraints



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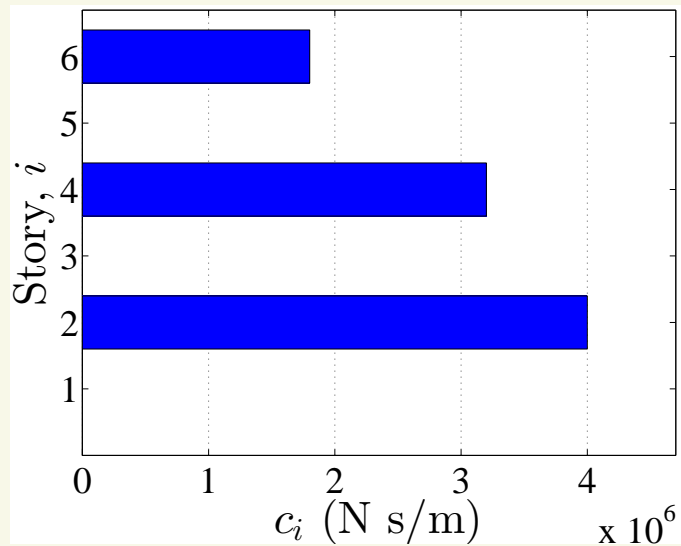
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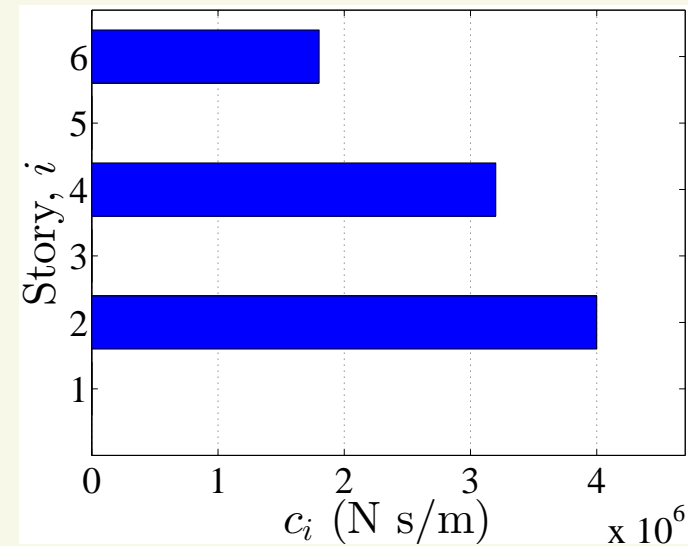
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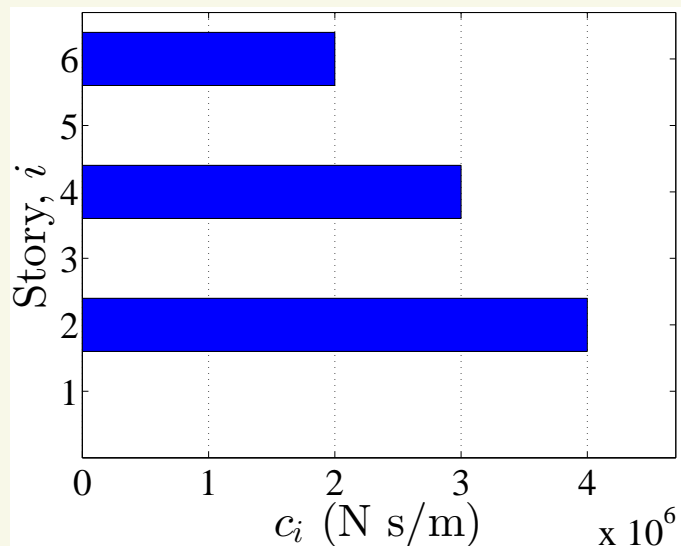
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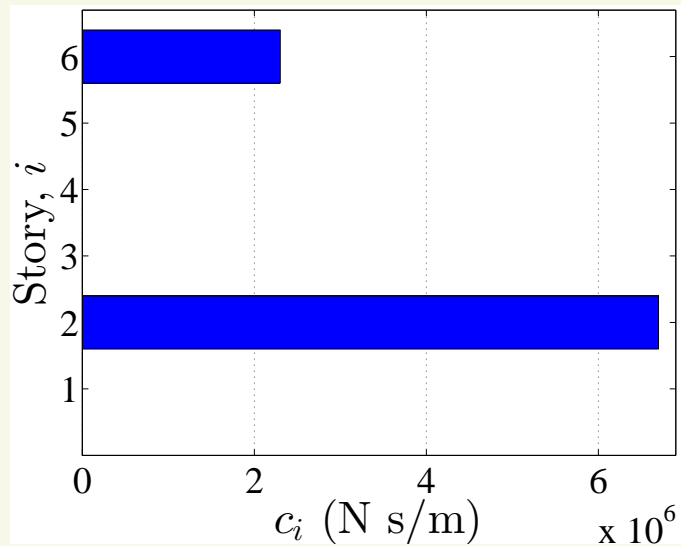
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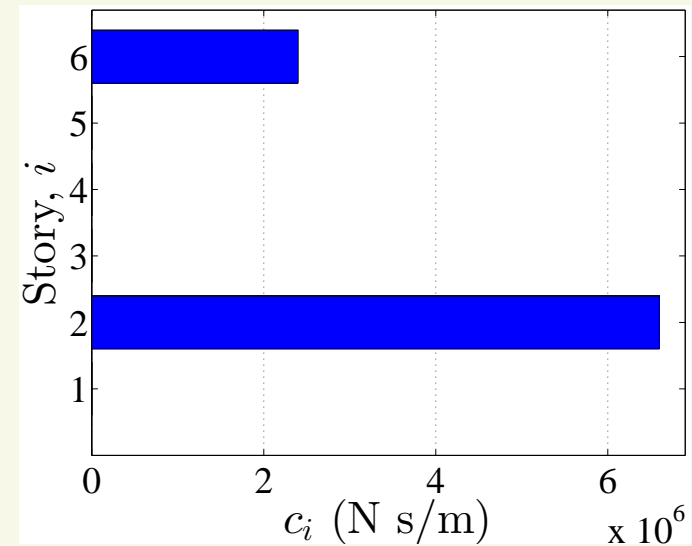
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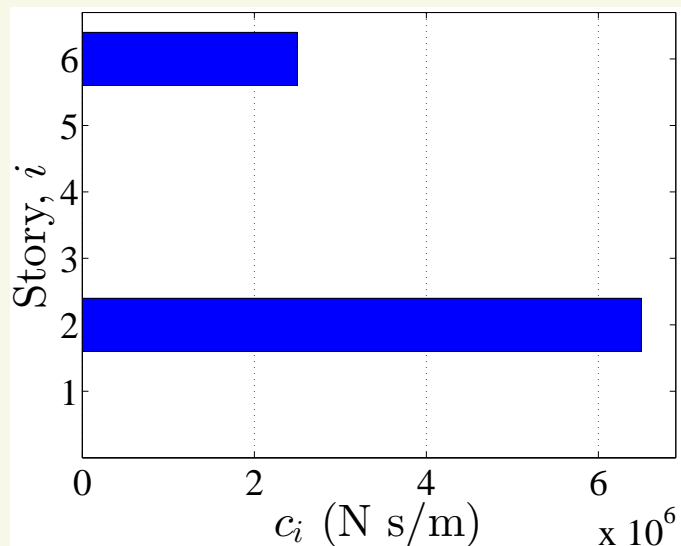
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(c)  $c_i \in \{0, 500, \dots, 7500\}$  kNs/m

- upr. bd. for # of dampers:  $\gamma = 2$
- no adjacent damped stories



# conclusions

- optimal damper placement
  - supplemental viscous dampers
  - in a shear building model
- min. of transfer fcn. of interstory drifts
  - Minimize  $\sum_{i=1}^n |\hat{\delta}_i|$  / Minimize  $\max\{|\hat{\delta}_1|, \dots, |\hat{\delta}_n|\}$
- damper damping coeffs.: discrete design variables
  - chosen among available candidates
    - manufacturing and commercial convenience
    - combinatorial constraints on damper placement
- global optimization
  - mixed integer programming with second-order cone constraints