

# ASD/CLAS Nonlinear Coupled Loads Analysis Capability

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## Deadbands

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# Background

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- 2005: NASA Mission Critical Risk Mitigation Initiative
  - Shuttle/payloads nonlinear transient coupled loads analyses (CLA) initiated
  - Simulate/investigate the impact of complex component interfaces involving deadbands
- 2005-2006: Initial Nonlinear CLAs
  - Executed with commercially available heritage tools
  - Resulted in unrealistic response time-histories
  - Dominated what can be best described as “numerical noise/chatter”
- 2006: ASD's Nonlinear CLA Capability was Investigated
  - Rigorous verification process performed
    - Resulting nonlinear time-histories were shown to be physically realizable and free of any numerical noise/chatter
    - Solution conformed to the physical parameters and constraints defined in the analysis

# Background – Cont'd

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- 2006: ASD's Nonlinear Solution Selected for Mission Specific Critical Risk Mitigation Analyses
  - 2006-2008: ASD performs all Orbiter/payloads nonlinear CLAs
    - STS-118, 122, 127
- 2009: ASD's Nonlinear CLA Capability Commercially Available
  - ASD/CLAS linear capability extended to include nonlinear capability
  - STS-129: Lockheed-Martin (Houston) completes the most complex Space Shuttle/payloads nonlinear CLA ever conducted for NASA
    - See ASD/CLAS Customer Success Story: Lockheed-Martin

ASD's nonlinear solver, selected by NASA and NASA's prime cargo integration contractor, is commercially available in ASD/CLAS.

# Executive Summary

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This briefing presents a summary of the capability within ASD's Coupled Loads Analysis System (ASD/CLAS) to simulate deadbands.

The ASD/CLAS capability of executing nonlinear deadband interfaces between components has enabled analysts community to simulate/investigate complex interfaces between components, the most obvious being interfaces with deadbands and/or snubber type interfaces (one direction open ended deadbands).

This briefing illustrates this capability with a Shuttle/payloads nonlinear transient CLA example.

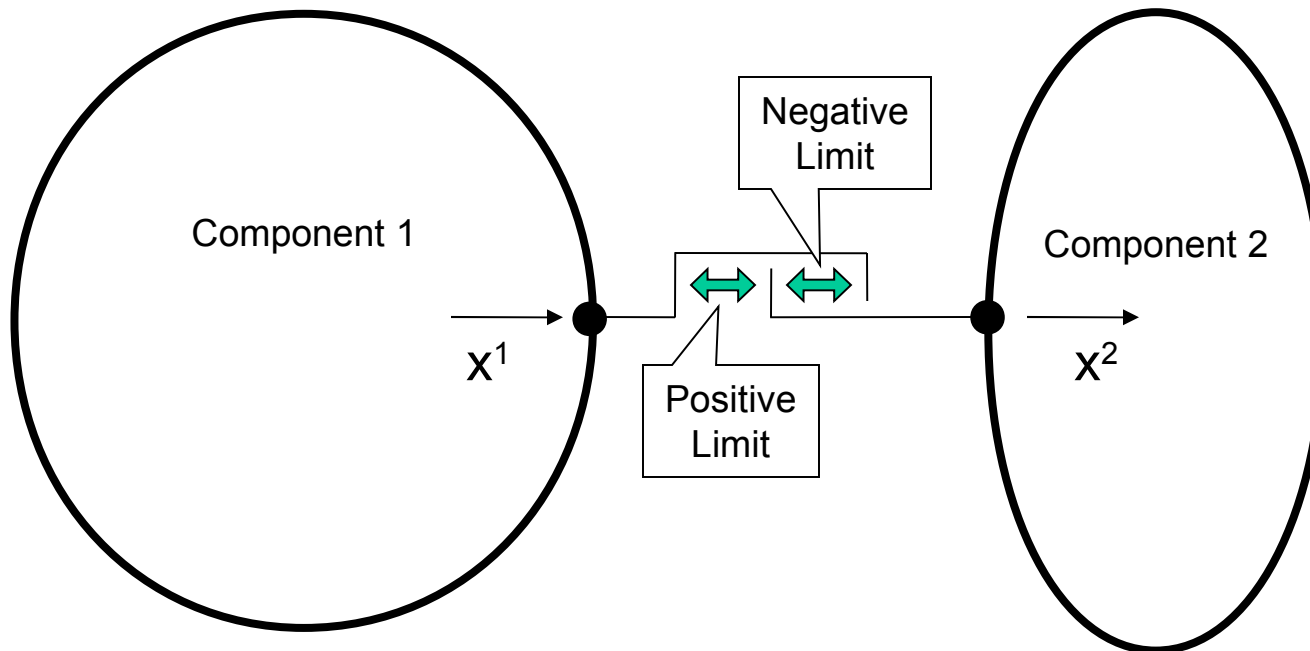
# ASD/CLAS Nonlinear Capability

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- With ASD/CLAS's nonlinear component interface capability, simulations involving deadbands and nonlinear springs are easily accomplished
  - Deadbands
    - Deadbands (two-sided)
    - Snubbers (one-sided deadbands)
  - Some nonlinear spring examples
    - Bi-linear springs
    - Tri-linear springs
    - Stiffening springs
    - Softening springs
    - Tension only springs (straps)
    - Compression only springs (snubbers, bumpers)
    - Combinations of the above
- Graphical depiction of deadbands and snubbers given in following charts

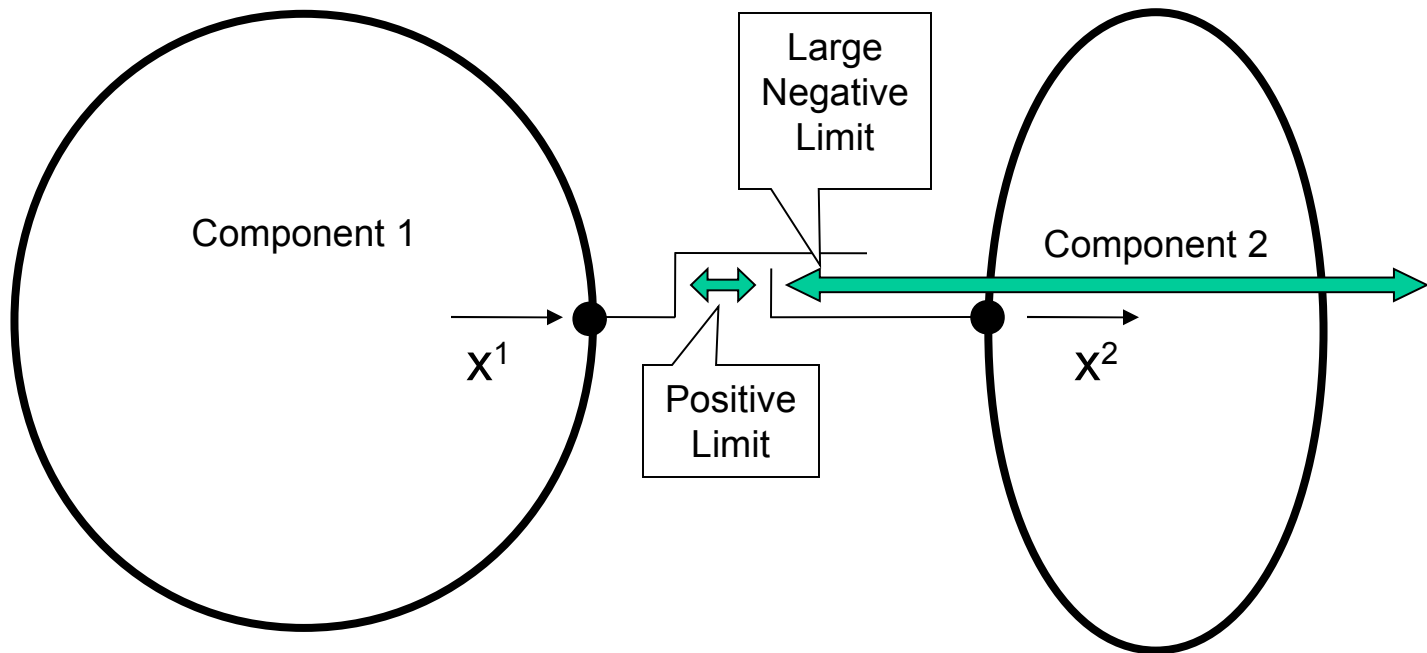
# Deadband Interfaces

- ASD/CLAS deadband interface between two components' co-linear interface Degrees of Freedom (DoFs)



# Snubber Interfaces

- ASD/CLAS snubber interface between two components' co-linear interface Degrees of Freedom (DoFs) with one open ended limit



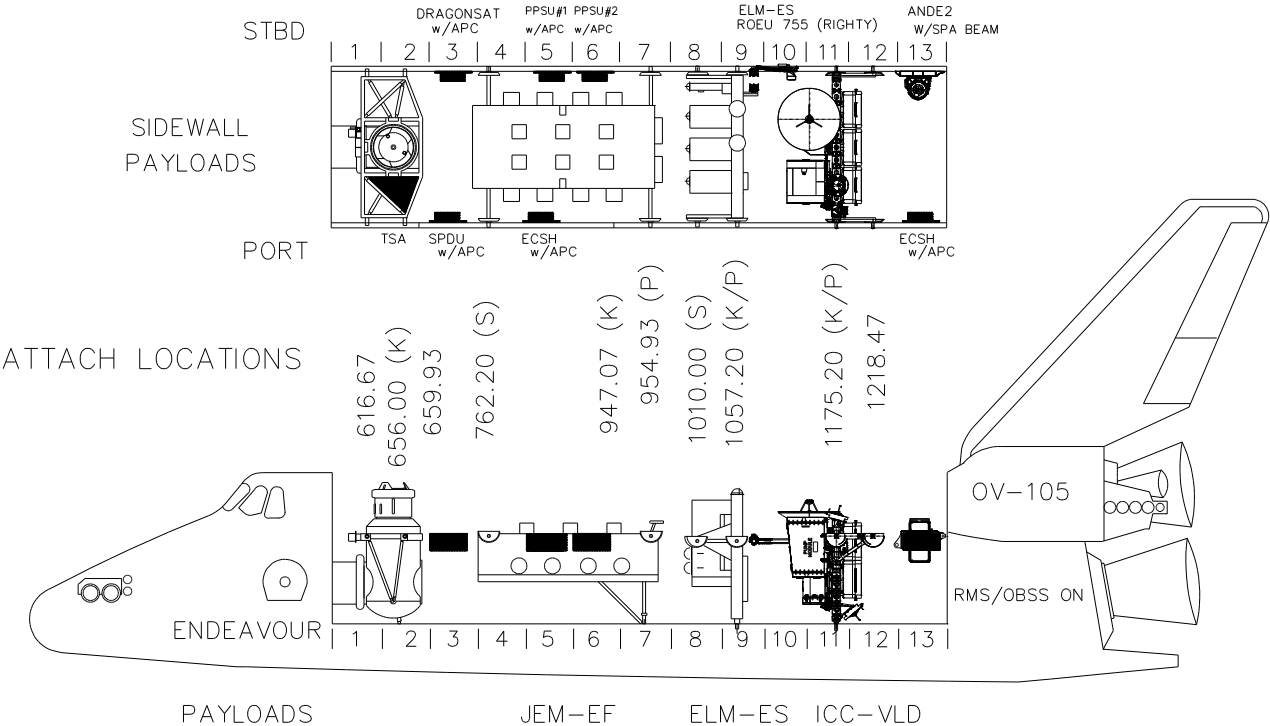
# Example Problem

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- Analysis Objective: assess the impact of the ICC-VLD cargo deadbands on response by conducting a nonlinear transient CLA
  - Three ORUs: AFRAM/PFRAM deadbands (8 each)
  - Six Batteries: Battery FSE Kinematic Mount deadbands (9 each)
  - Total of 78 deadbands in this CLA

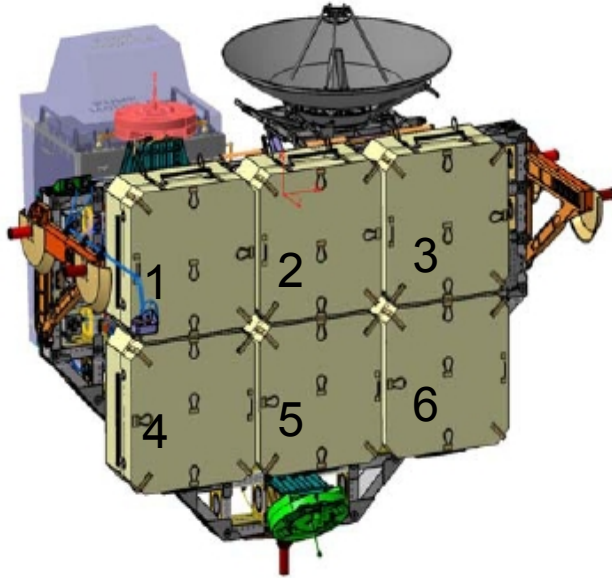


# 2J/A Cargo Bay Liftoff Configuration

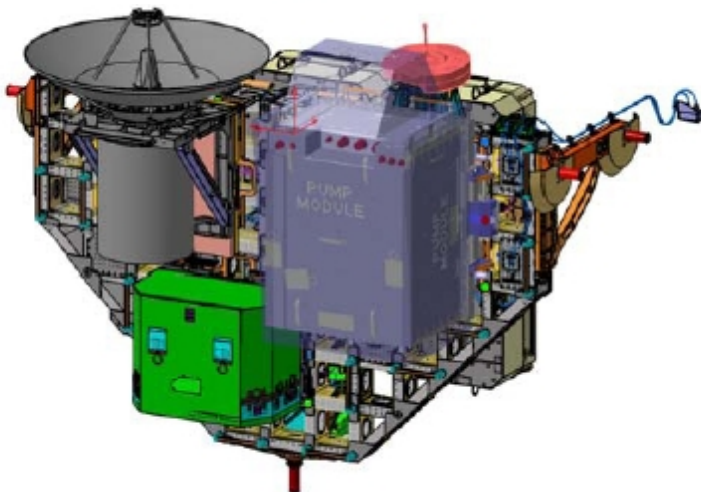


# 2J/A ICC-VLD Liftoff Configuration

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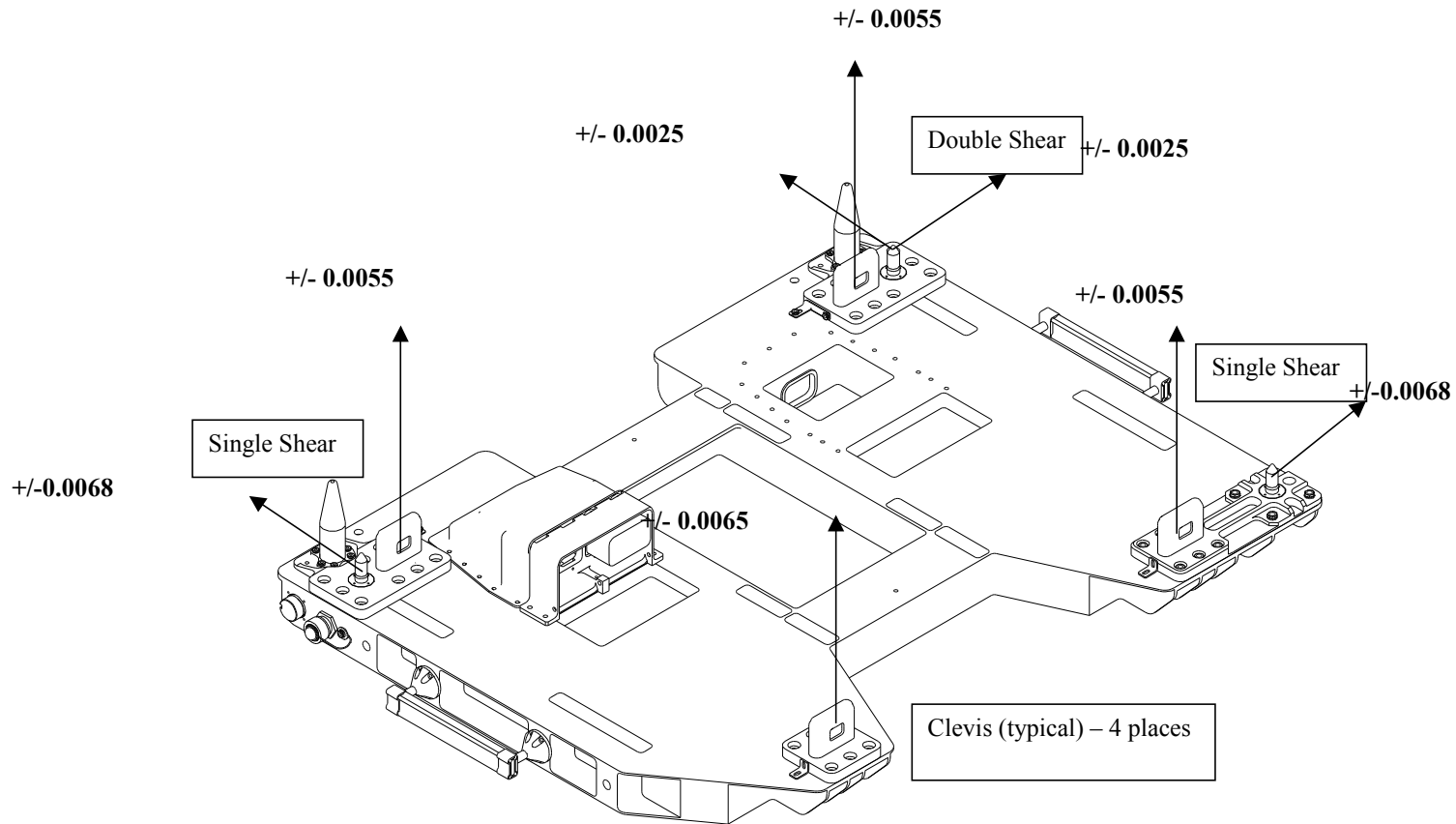
Aft View: 6 Direct Mount Batteries



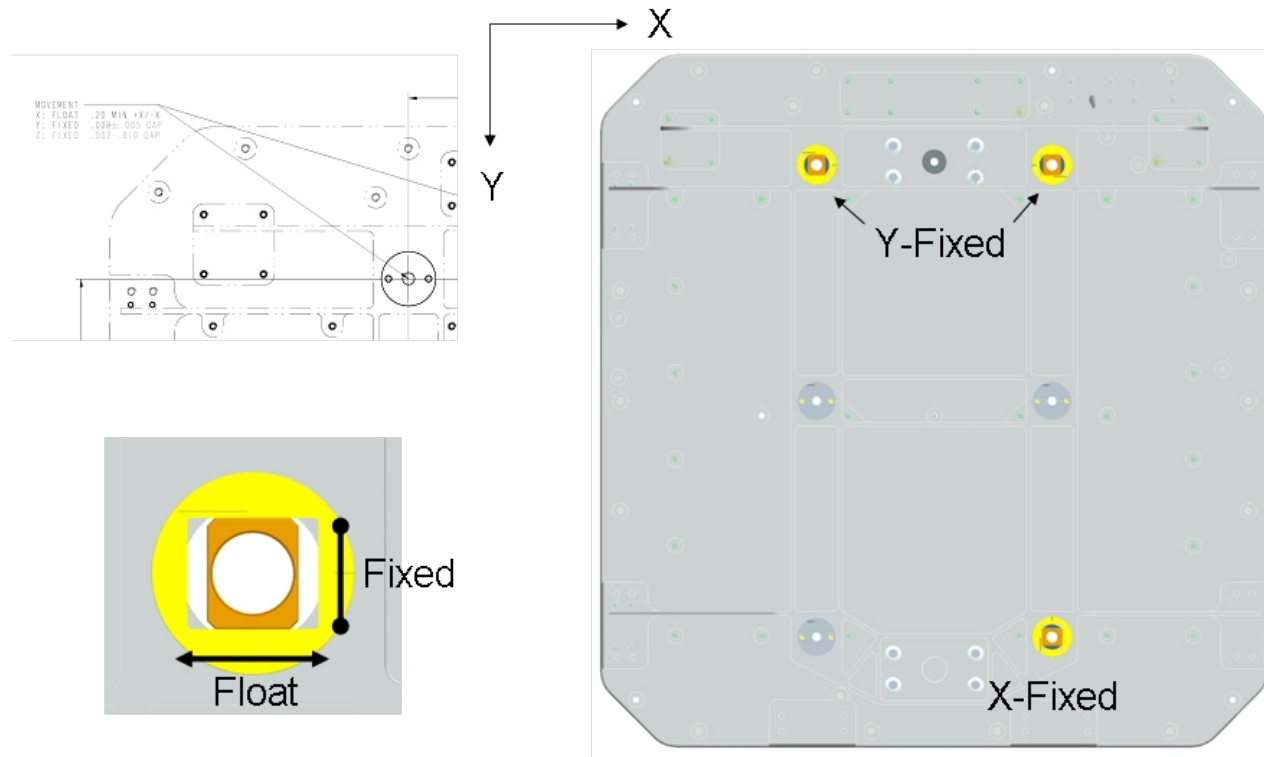
Fwd View: 3 FRAM Based ORUs

- Pump Module
- LDU
- SGANT

# FRAM Interface Deadband Limits

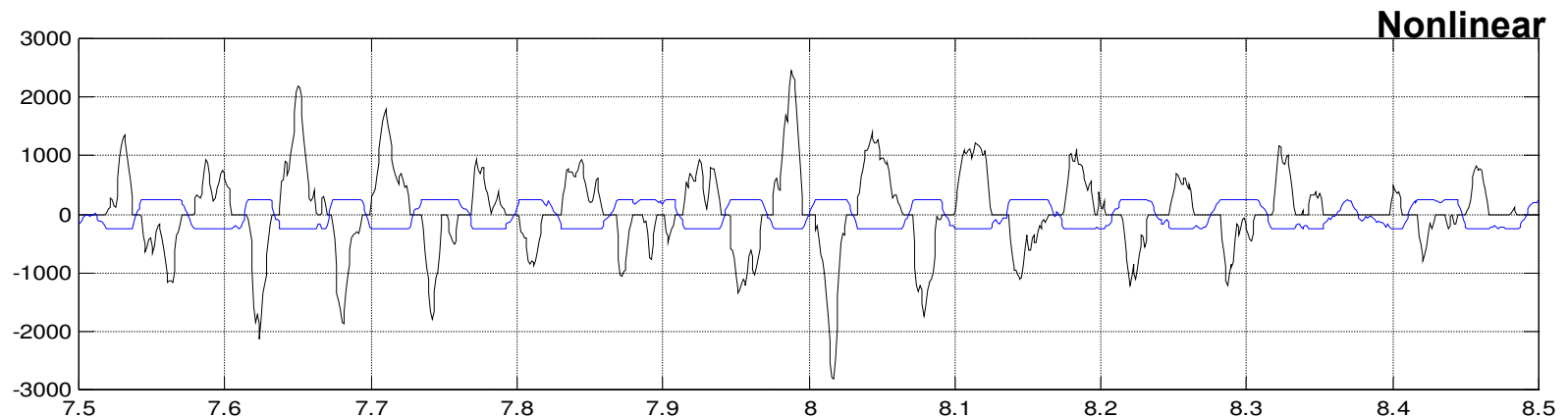
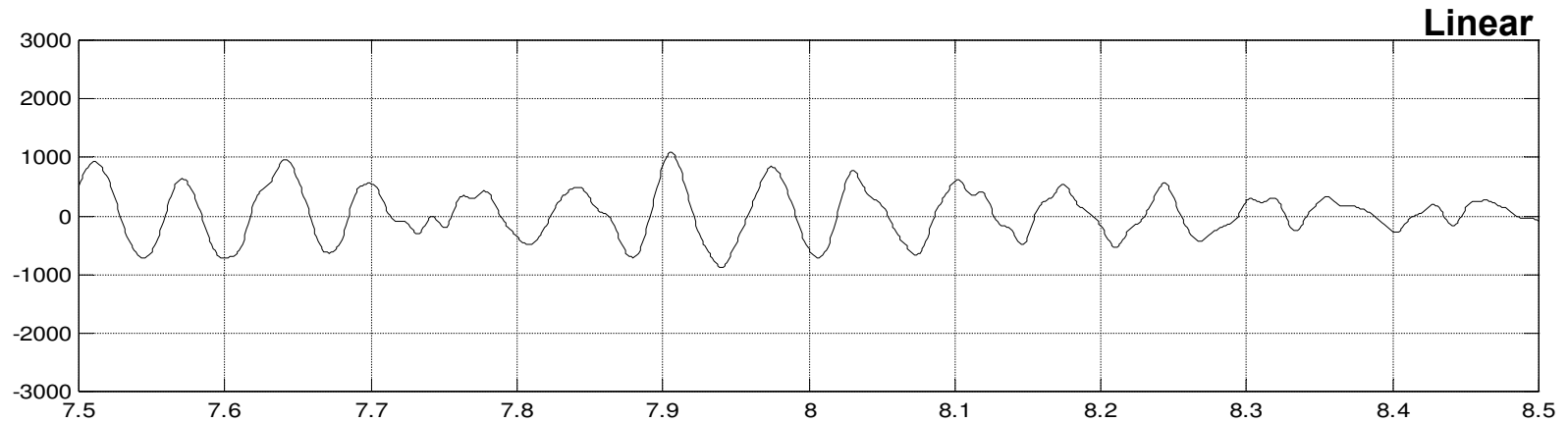


# Battery FSE Kinematic Mount Deadband Limits



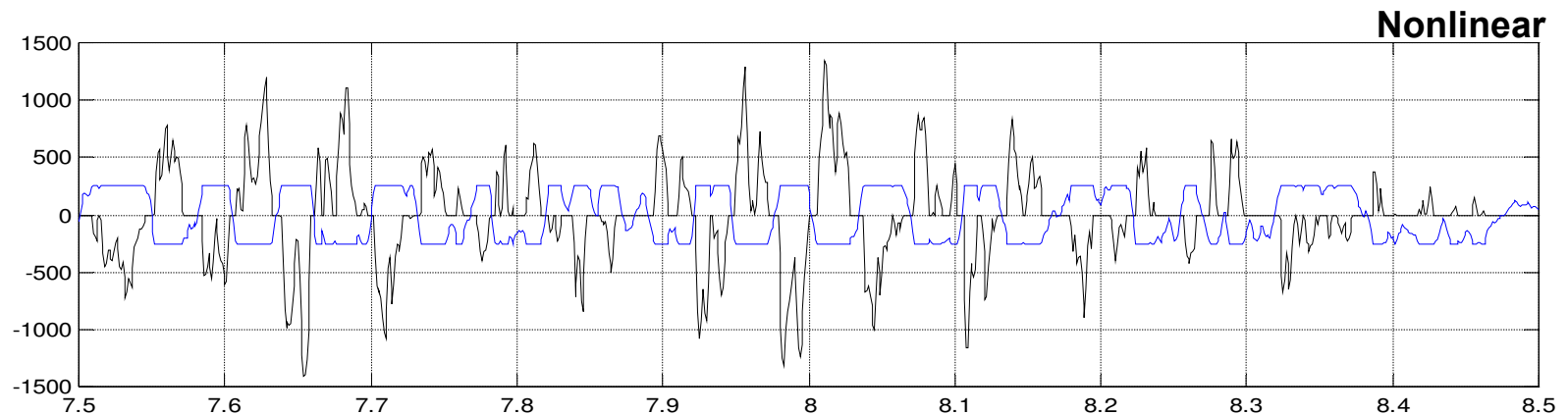
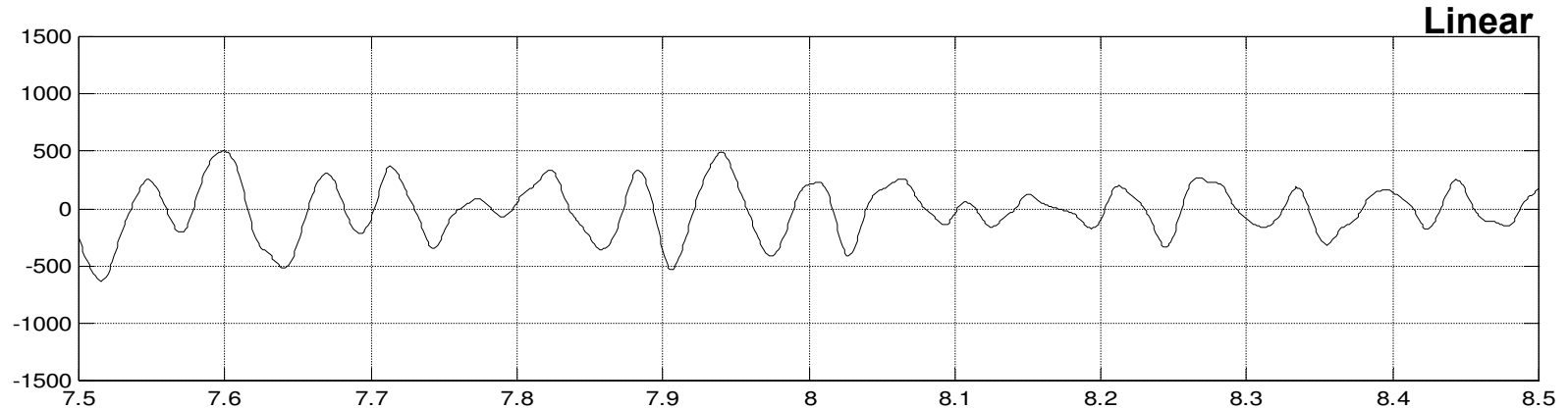
Fixed Shear directions (3 per Battery):  **$\pm 0.0064''$**   
Tension directions (6 per battery):  **$\pm 0.0025''$**

# Highly Impacted Zo Shear Force - Liftoff



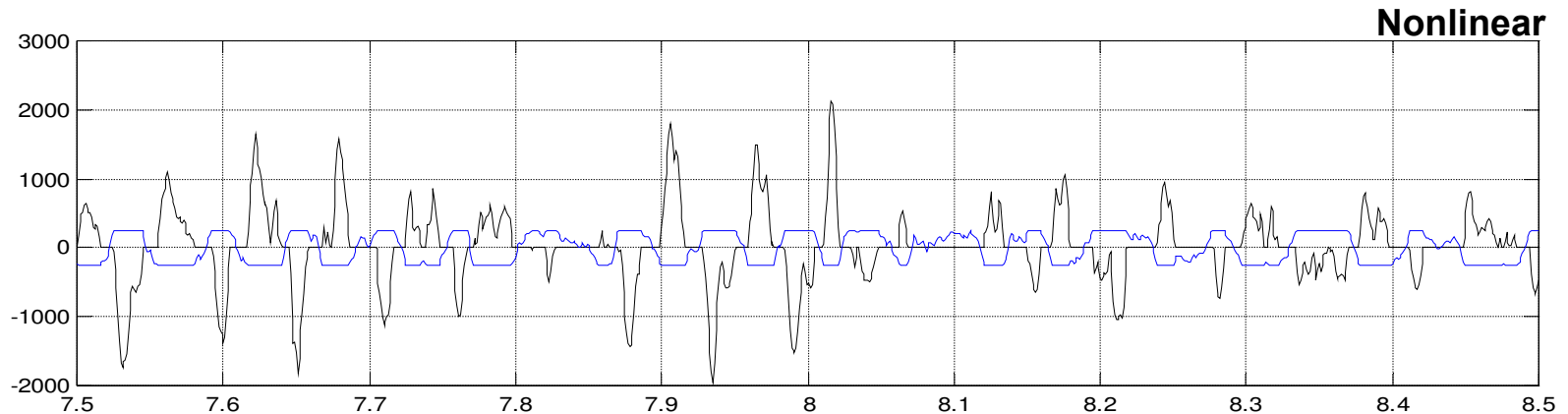
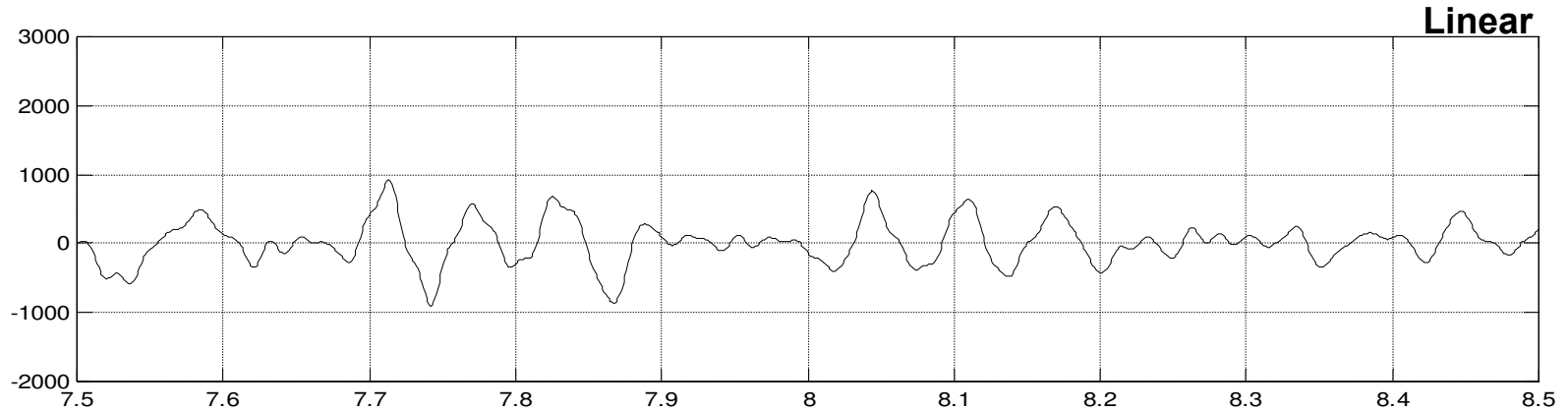
**Battery 5: Shear Force (Node 653, Zorb) and Relative Displacement – (Blue Line x 40000)**  
**Forcing Function: CLO1001; 7.5-8.5 second segment**

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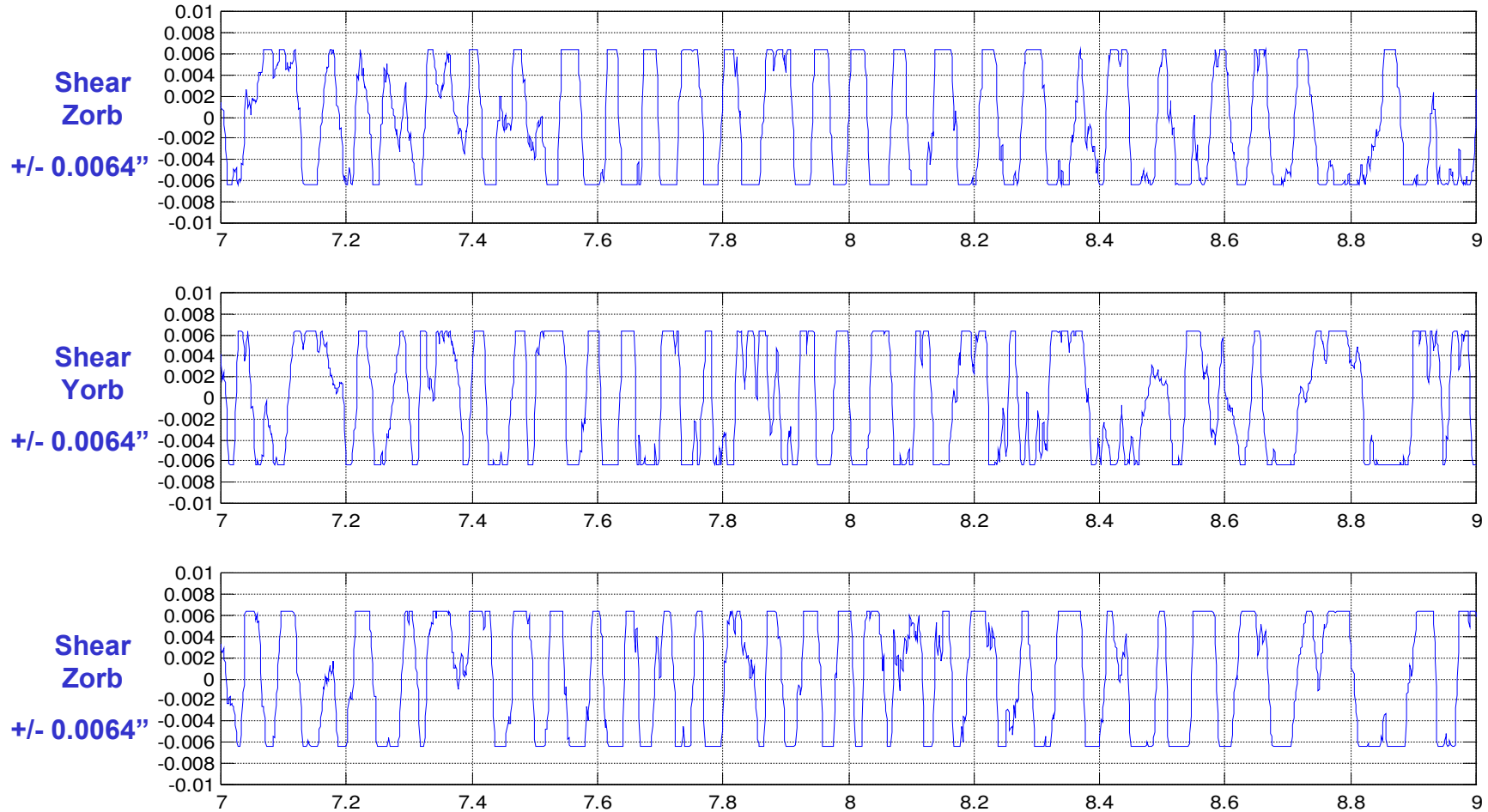
# Highly Impacted Zo Shear Force - Liftoff



**Battery 5: Shear Force (Node 2183, Zorb) and Relative Displacement – (Blue Line x 40000)**  
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# Kinematic Mounts Interface Rel. Disp. : Liftoff

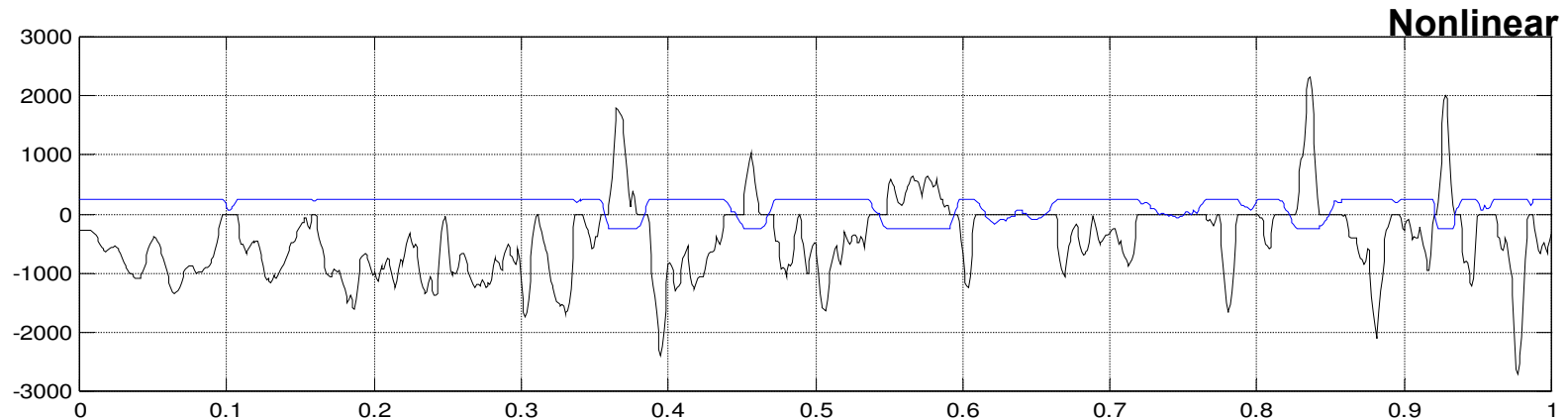
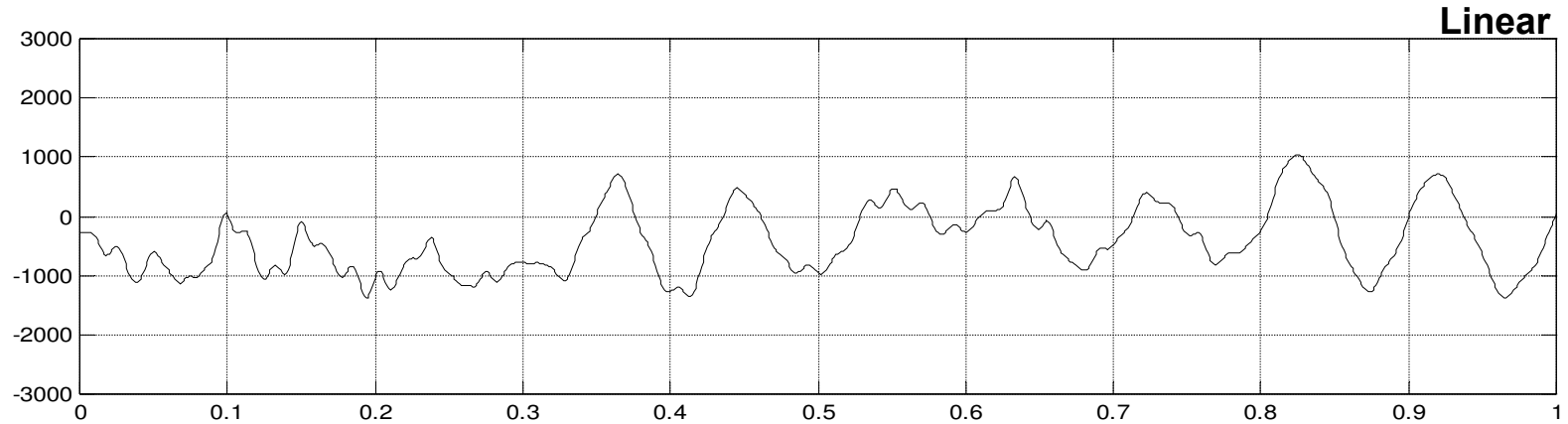
## Zero Deadband +/- Limit Penetration



**Battery 5: Kinematic Mounts Interface Relative Displacements(in) Nodes 653, 655, and 2183**  
**Forcing Function: CLO1001; 7-9 second segment**

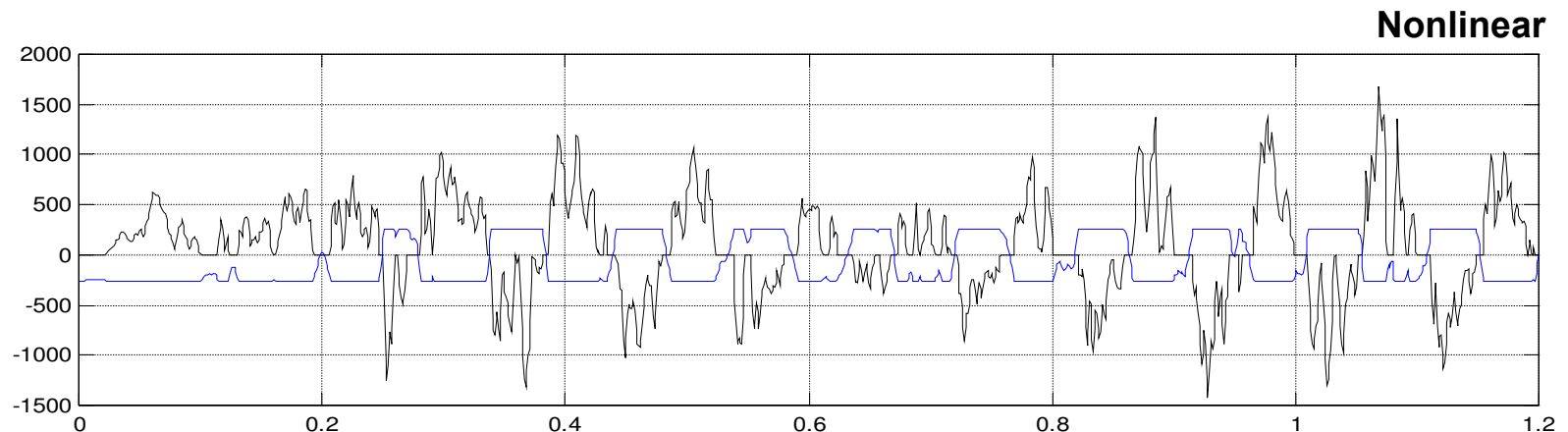
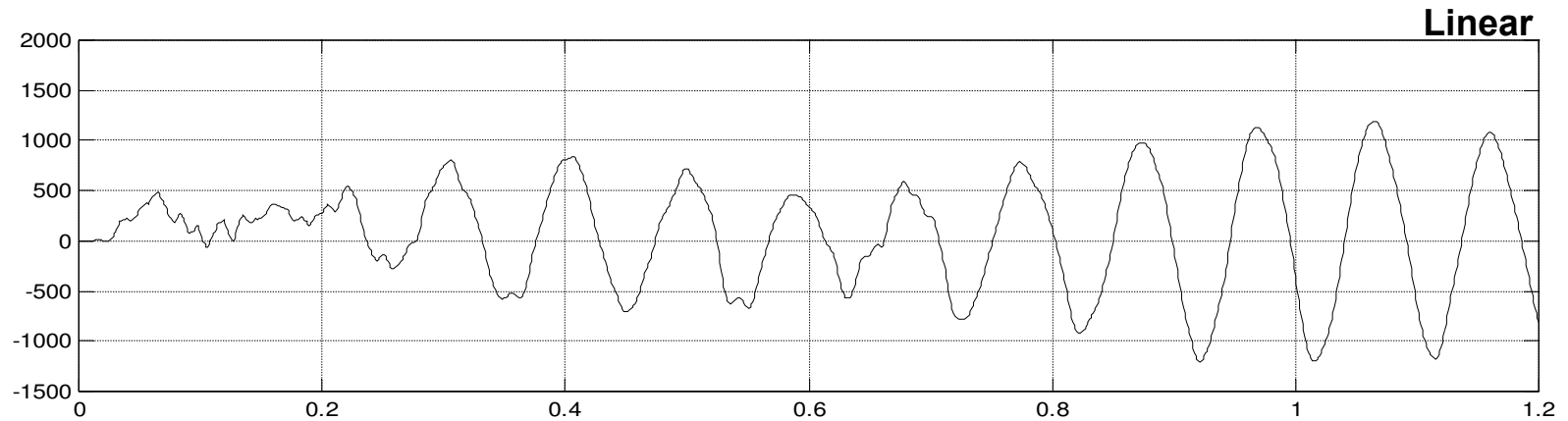


# Highly Impacted Zo Shear Force – Landing



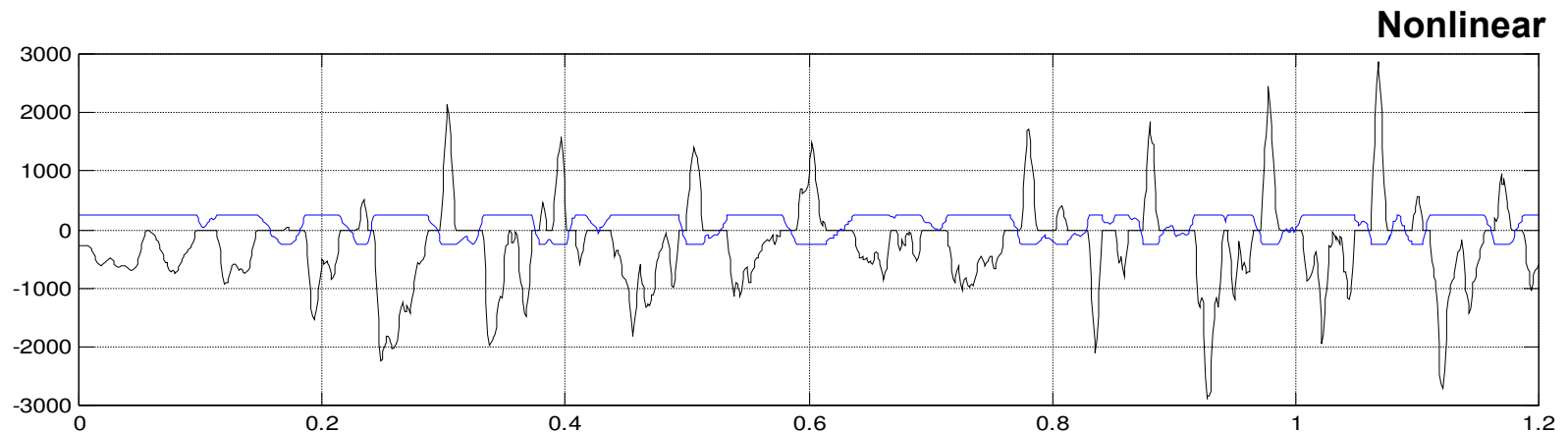
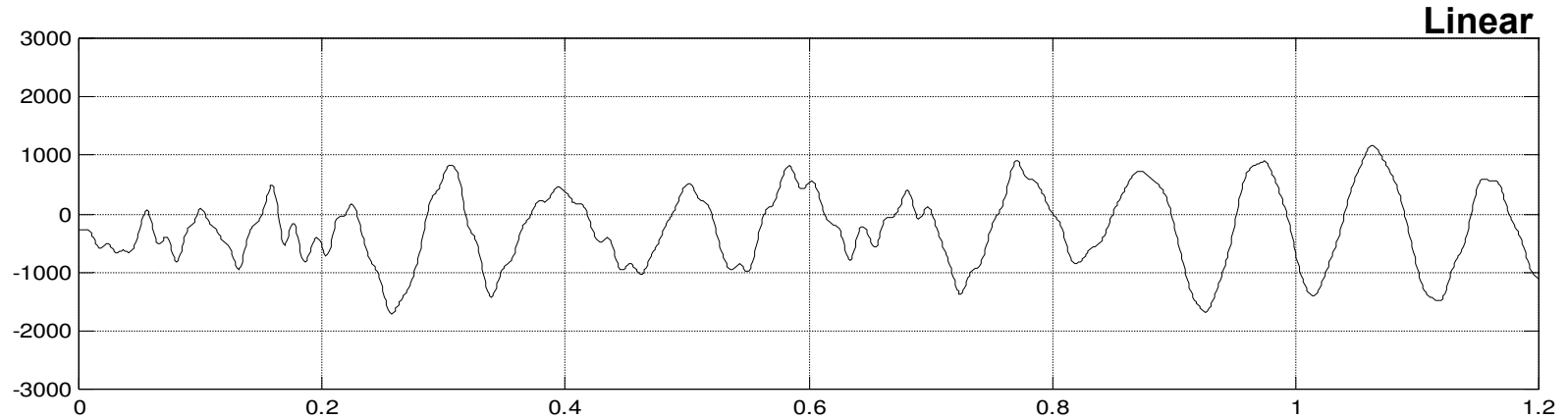
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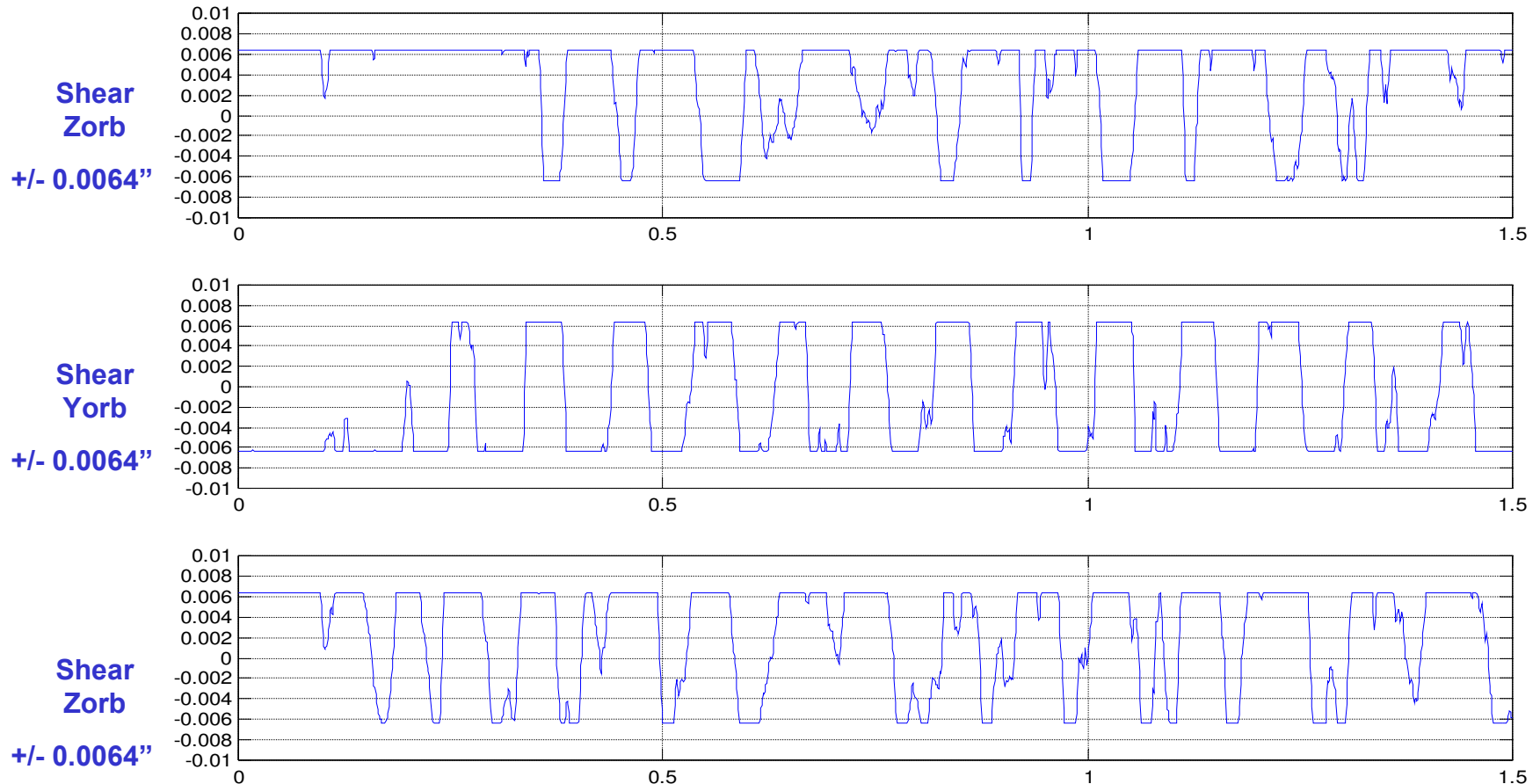
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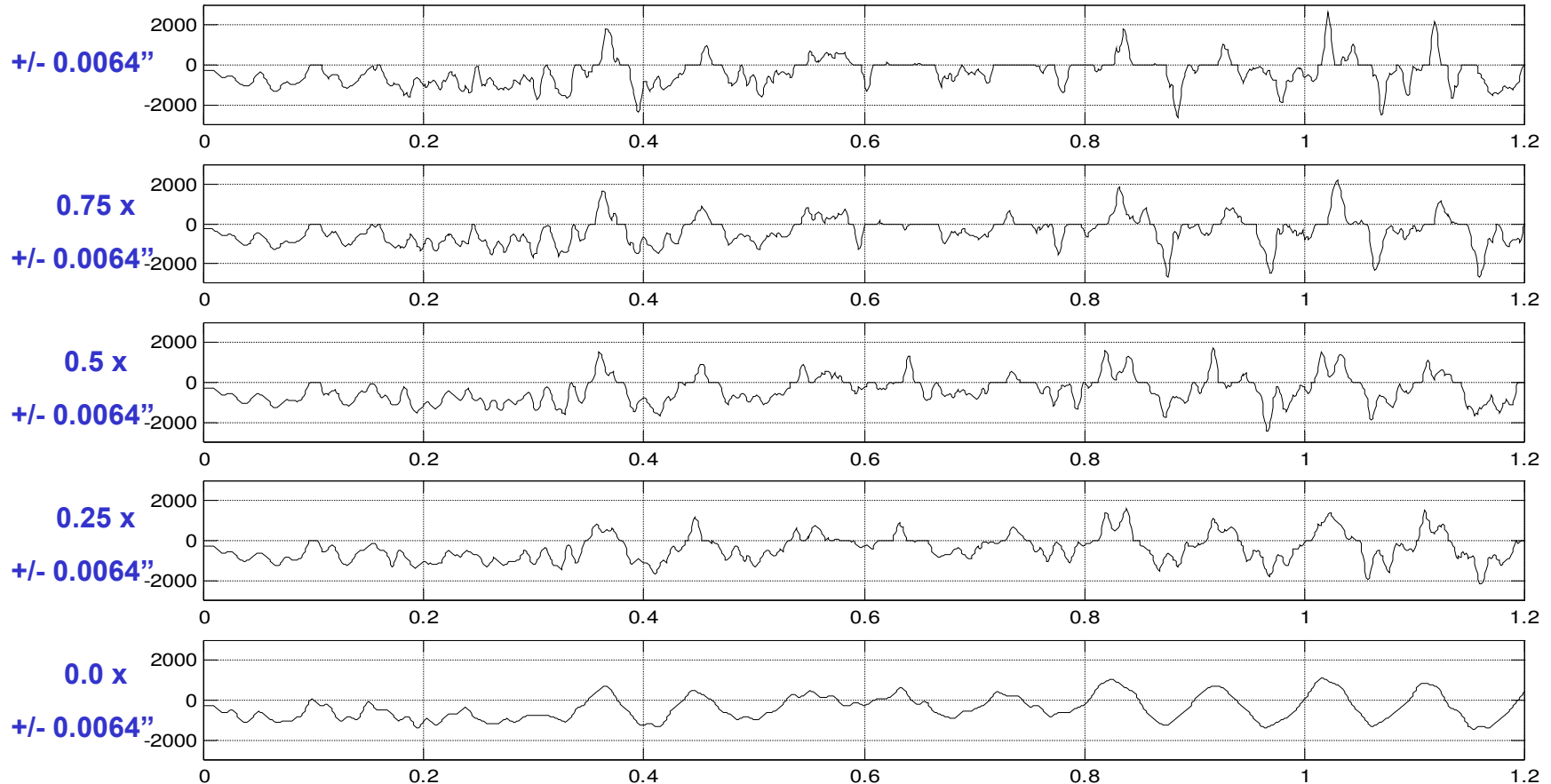
# Kinematic Mounts Interface Rel. Disp.: Landing

Zero Deadband +/- Limit Penetration



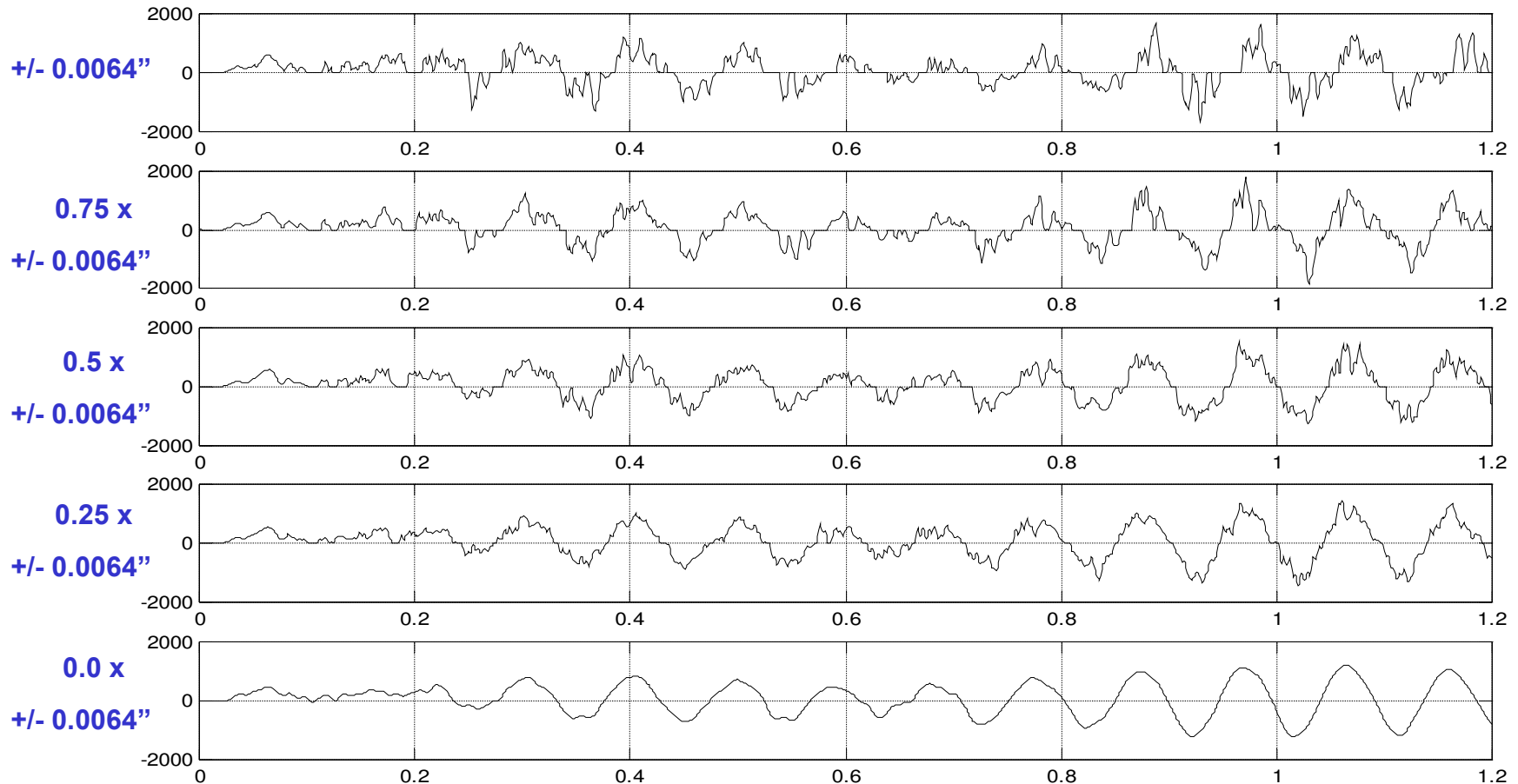
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# Convergence: Highly Impacted Zo Shear Force: Landing



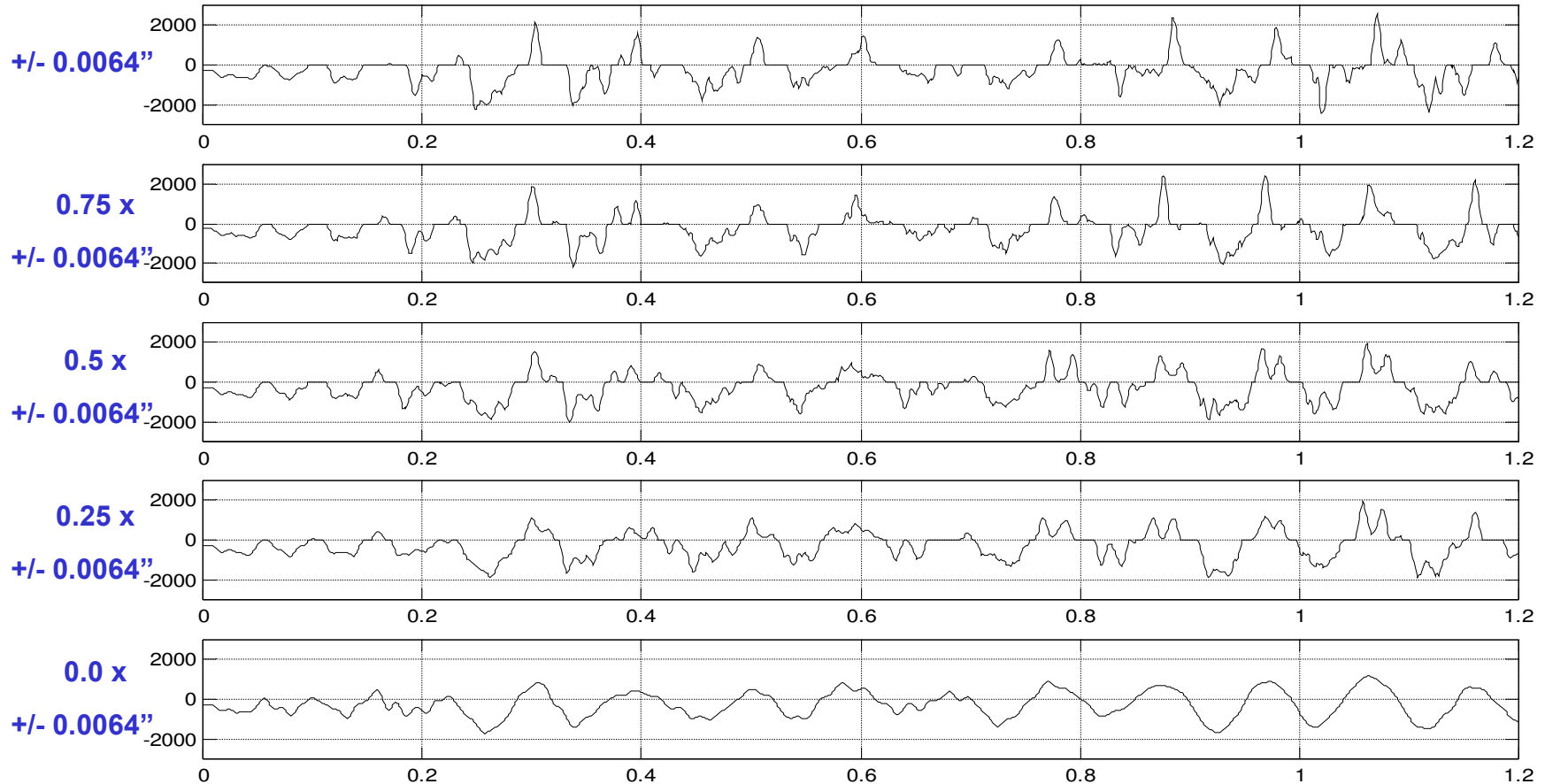
**Battery 5: Shear Force Node 653 Zorb**  
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# Convergence: Highly Impacted Yo Shear Force: Landing



**Battery 5: Shear Force Node 655 Yorb**  
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# Convergence: Highly Impacted Zo Shear Force: Landing



**Battery 5: Shear Force Node 2183 Zorb**  
**Forcing Function: LG7525**

# Concluding Remarks

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- Nonlinear time-histories and associated relative displacements investigated
  - Nonlinear time-histories display all reasonable characteristics
    - No numerical “chatter/noise” in nonlinear time-histories
    - Zero deadband limit penetration
    - Proper phasing of nonlinear force/relative displacement
- With ASD/CLAS, simulations of joint deadbands is executed with unprecedented accuracy
- ASD/CLAS - A significant value added tool for our technical community
  - Significantly reduce risk, schedule, and cost
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