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Smart Sustainable and Resilient Building Structures

The ever-increasing global urbanization trends pose pressing demands for economically and environmentally sustainable buildings towards carbon neutral urban communities. Concurrently, modern buildings are required to be resilient (i.e. observe low lifetime risk of loss of operation) to operational and to extreme external loads.

This seminar will first outline current needs and challenges in achieving sustainable and resilient slender buildings, being adaptive to environmental stressors in response to climate change. Attention will be focused on cost-effective wireless sensing, on reduction of embodied carbon emissions, and on high structural performance to wind and earthquake loads. It will then present recent advances on compressive data acquisition and interrogation for sustainable wireless long-term structural health monitoring and post-earthquake structural damage detection. Finally, it will highlight latest developments in inerter-based motion control for the seismic protection of buildings as well as for occupant comfort, energy harvesting, and structural weight minimization in wind-excited buildings.

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