

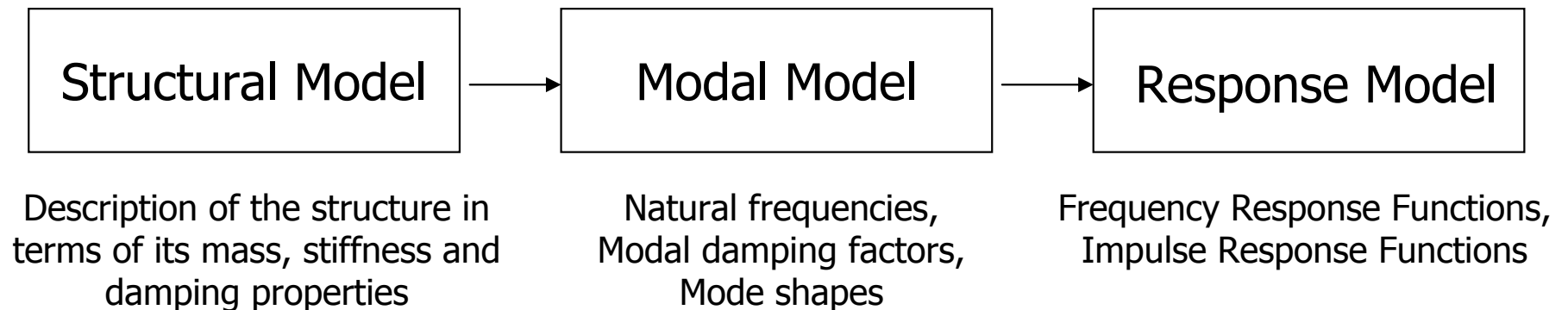
Vibration Testing & Modal Identification

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Theoretical Approach – Direct Problem



Experimental Approach – Inverse Problem



Définition

Développement d'un modèle mathématique du comportement dynamique d'une structure à partir de tests expérimentaux.

Relation fondamentale



Bref historique

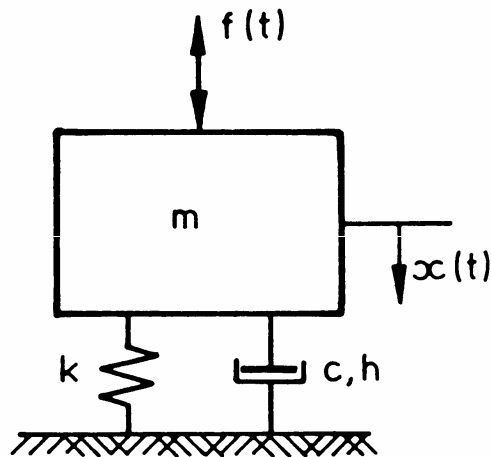
Avant 1947 : mesures de la réponse seule

1947 : mesures de la réponse et de l'excitation

Kennedy, Pancu : mesures des fréquences de résonance et de l'amortissement de structures d'avions.

1960-70 : progrès techniques des moyens de mesures (capteurs, électronique, ...) et d'acquisition (analyseurs de spectre digitaux)

1965 : algorithme FFT (Cooley et Tukey)



Governing equation of motion

$$m \ddot{x} + c \dot{x} + k x = f(t)$$

In case of no external forcing ($f(t) = 0$),

the trial solution : $x(t) = X e^{\lambda t}$

leads to the requirement that : $m \lambda^2 + c \lambda + k = 0$

Roots :

$$\lambda_{1,2} = -\frac{c}{2m} \pm \frac{\sqrt{c^2 - 4km}}{2m} = -\zeta \omega_0 \pm i \omega_0 \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}$$

where

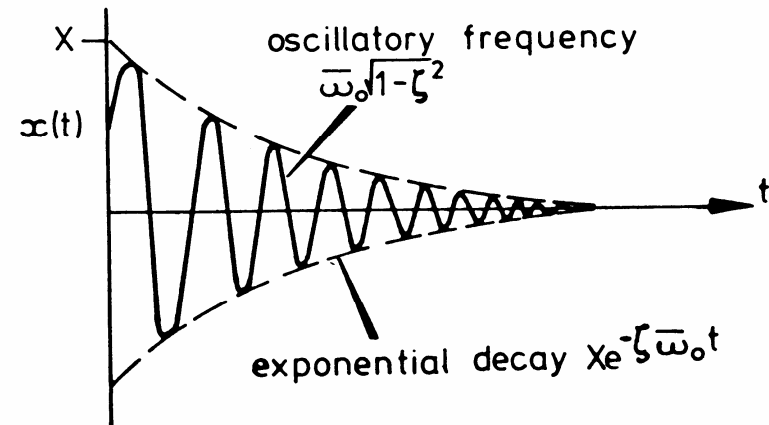
$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad \text{and} \quad \zeta = \frac{c}{2\omega_0 m}$$

Natural frequency

Viscous damping ratio

Free vibration characteristic of damped SDOF system ($\zeta < 1$)

$$x(t) = X e^{-\zeta \omega_0 t} e^{i \omega_0 \sqrt{1-\zeta^2} t}$$



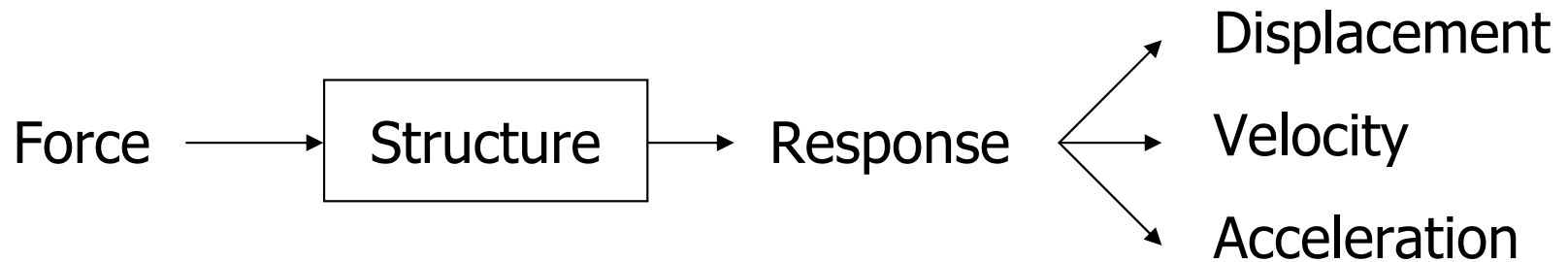
Forced response to harmonic excitation: $f(t) = F e^{i \omega t}$

$$X(\omega) = H(\omega) F(\omega)$$

$$H(\omega) = \frac{1}{(k - \omega^2 m) + i(\omega c)} = \frac{1}{k} \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_0^2}\right) + i \left(2 \zeta \frac{\omega}{\omega_0}\right)}$$

Frequency Response Function (FRF)

Alternative Forms of FRF




$$\text{FRF} = \text{Response} / \text{Force}$$

| | Standard FRF | Inverse FRF |
|--------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| Displacement | Receptance Admittance | Dynamic stiffness |
| Velocity | Mobility | Mechanical impedance |
| Acceleration | Accelerance Inertance | Apparent mass |

Graphical Displays of FRF Data

The FRF is a complex quantity.

$$H = \overbrace{\Re(H(\omega))}^{\text{Real Part}} + i \overbrace{\Im(H(\omega))}^{\text{Imaginary Part}}$$



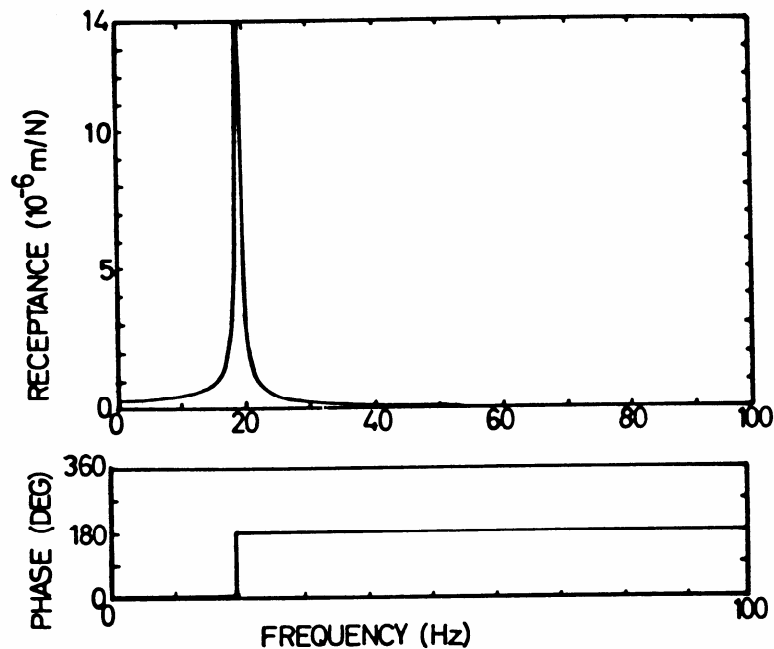
Frequency

The most common forms of presentation are:

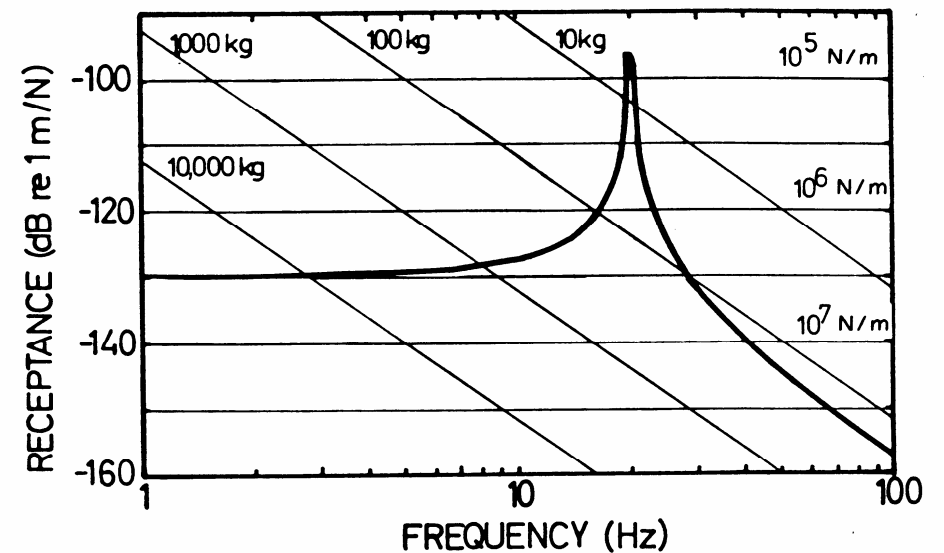
- Bode plot: Modulus and Phase of FRF vs. Frequency (2 graphs);
- Nyquist plot: Imaginary Part (of FRF) vs. Real Part (of FRF) (a single graph which does not contain frequency information explicitly);
- Cartesian plots: Real Part (of FRF) vs. Frequency and Imaginary Part (of FRF) vs. Frequency (2 graphs);

• Bode Plot

Linear scales

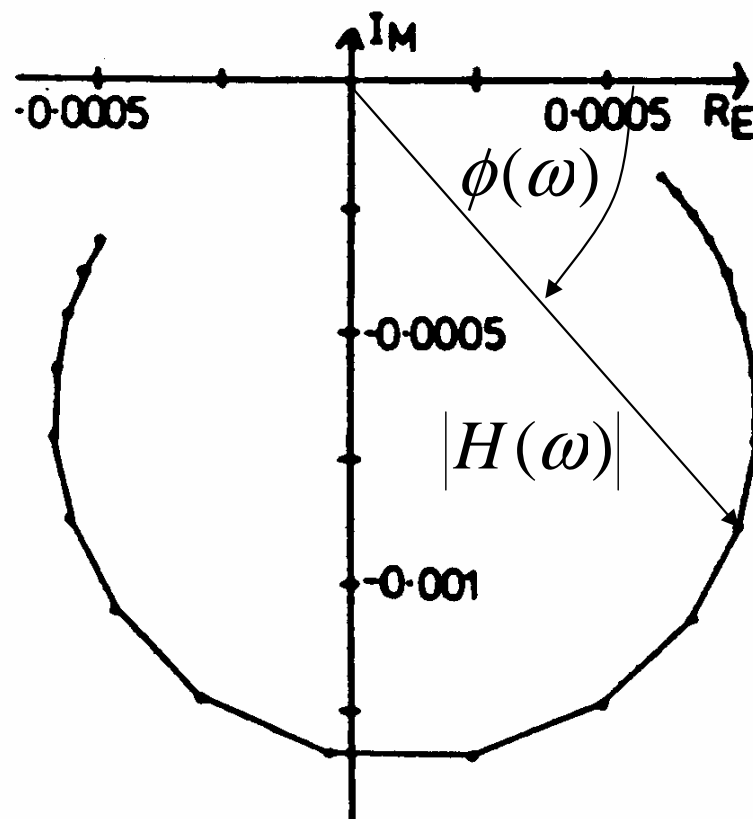


Log-Log scales

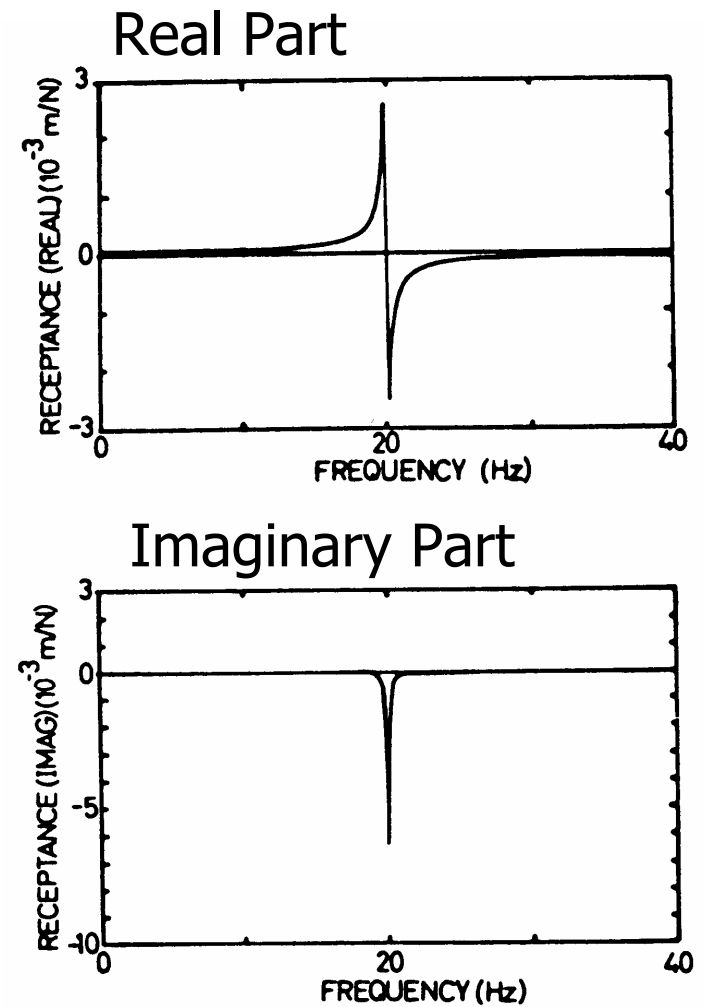


| Receptance | Mass | Stiffness |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|------------|
| $H(\omega)$ | $-1 / \omega^2 m$ | $1 / k$ |
| $\log(H(\omega))$ | $-\log(m) - 2 \log(\omega)$ | $-\log(k)$ |

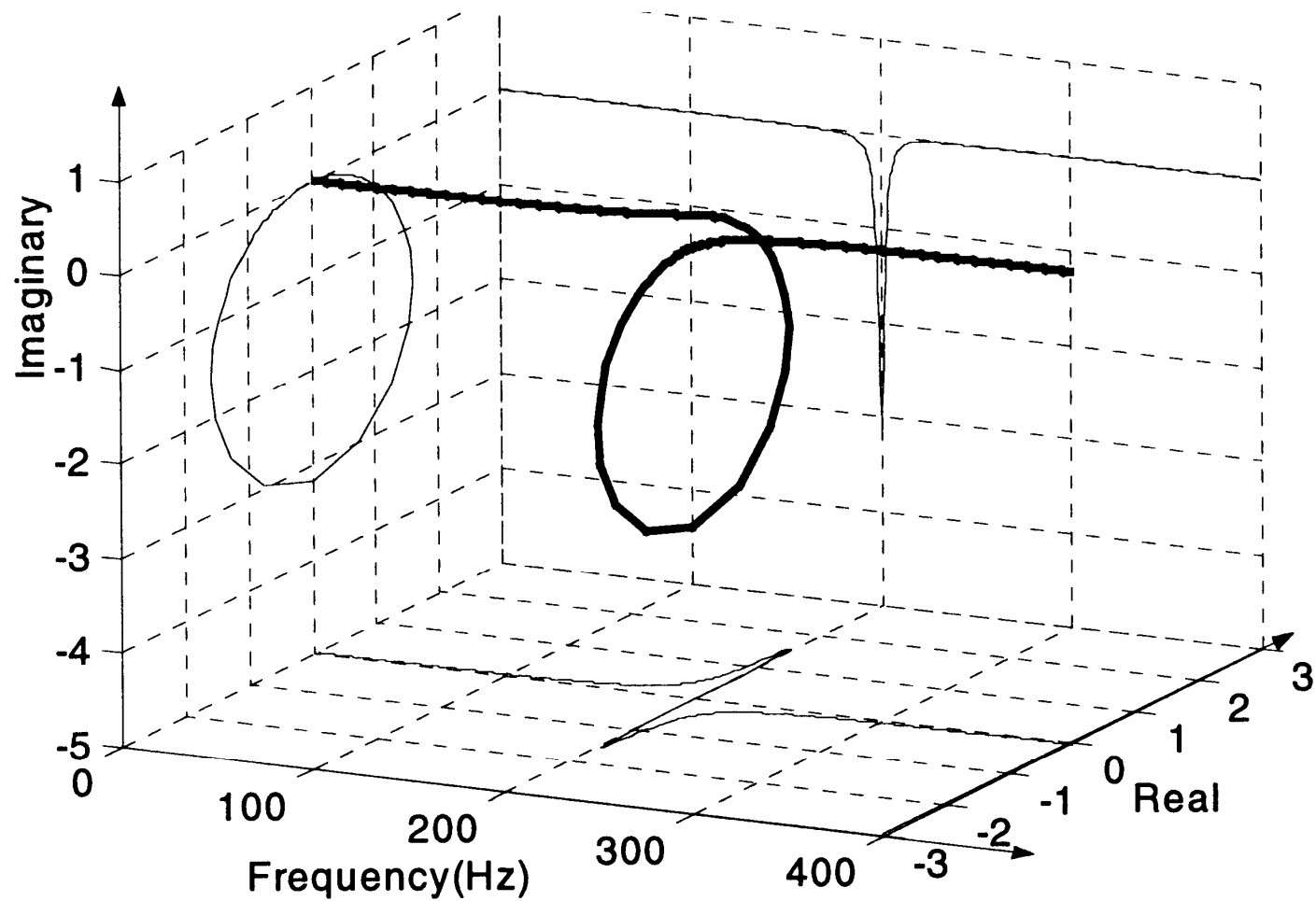
• Nyquist Plot

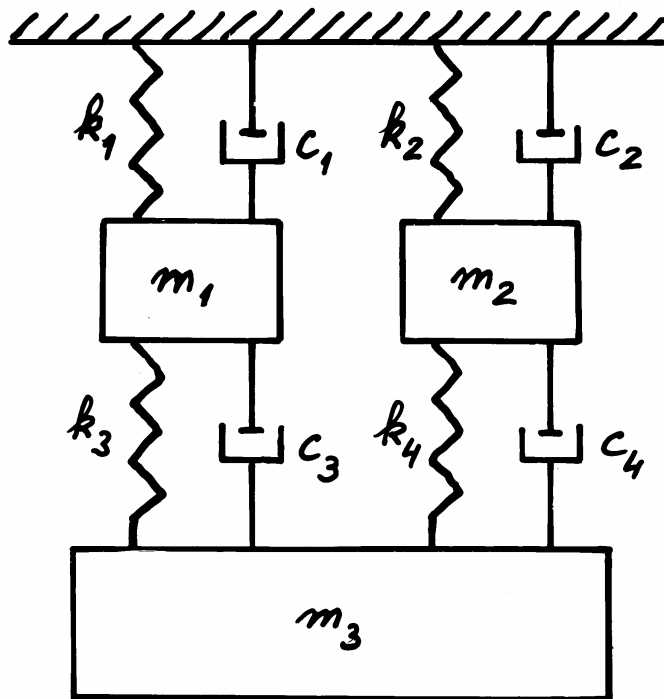


• Cartesian Plots



- Three-dimensional plot of SDOF system FRF





Governing equation of motion

$$\mathbf{M} \ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{C} \dot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{K} \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{f}(t)$$

\mathbf{q} = vector of displacements

$\mathbf{f}(t)$ = vector of forces

\mathbf{M} = mass matrix

\mathbf{K} = stiffness matrix

\mathbf{C} = damping matrix

\mathbf{M} , \mathbf{K} and \mathbf{C} constitute the **Spatial Model**.

Undamped MDOF Systems

Free Vibration Solution – The Modal Properties

$$\mathbf{M} \ddot{\mathbf{x}} + \mathbf{K} \mathbf{x} = 0$$

The undamped system's natural frequencies are the solutions of

$$\det \left| \mathbf{K} - \omega^2 \mathbf{M} \right| = 0$$

and the corresponding mode shapes are the solutions of

$$\left(\mathbf{K} - \omega_r^2 \mathbf{M} \right) \boldsymbol{\psi}_{(r)} = 0$$

⇒ N eigensolutions

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \omega_1 & \leq & \omega_2 & \leq & \dots & \leq & \omega_N \\ \boldsymbol{\psi}_{(1)} & & \boldsymbol{\psi}_{(2)} & & \dots & & \boldsymbol{\psi}_{(N)} \end{array}$$

Let us define

$$\mathbf{\Psi} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{\psi}_{(1)} & \mathbf{\psi}_{(2)} & \cdots & \mathbf{\psi}_{(N)} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Modal matrix}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \omega_r^2 \end{bmatrix} = \text{diag} \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1^2 & \omega_2^2 & \cdots & \omega_N^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Spectral matrix}$$

$\mathbf{\Psi}$ and $\begin{bmatrix} \omega_r^2 \end{bmatrix}$ constitute the **Modal Model**.

Orthogonality properties:

$$\mathbf{\Psi}^T \mathbf{M} \mathbf{\Psi} = \begin{bmatrix} m_r \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Modal mass matrix}$$

$$\mathbf{\Psi}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{\Psi} = \begin{bmatrix} k_r \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{Modal stiffness matrix}$$

And thus $\begin{bmatrix} \omega_r^2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} m_r \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} k_r \end{bmatrix}$

Remark :

Mass-normalisation is the most relevant scaling in modal testing, i.e.

$$[m_r] = [\mathbf{1}]$$

in which case, the mass-normalised eigenvectors are written as

$$\mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{x}_{(1)} \quad \mathbf{x}_{(2)} \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{x}_{(N)}] \quad \text{Mass-normalised modal matrix}$$

Orthogonality properties:

$$\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{M} \mathbf{X} = [\mathbf{1}]$$

$$\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{X} = [\omega_r^2]$$

Forced Response Solution – The FRF Characteristics

$$\mathbf{M} \ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{K} \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{f}(t) = \mathbf{F} e^{i \omega t}$$

Solution of the form: $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{Q} e^{i \omega t}$

Modal transformation: $\mathbf{Q} = \sum_{k=1}^N a_k \mathbf{x}_{(k)} = \mathbf{X} \mathbf{a}$

The equations of motion then becomes: $(\mathbf{K} - \omega^2 \mathbf{M}) \mathbf{X} \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{F}$

Premultiply both sides by \mathbf{X}^T to obtain

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} \omega_r^2 \end{bmatrix} - \omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1} \end{bmatrix} \right) \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{F}$$

which leads to $\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{X} \left(\begin{bmatrix} \omega_r^2 \end{bmatrix} - \omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{1} \end{bmatrix} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{F}$

From the definition of the FRF matrix, it follows that:

$$\mathbf{H}(\omega) = \mathbf{X} \left(\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \omega_r^2 \\ \vdots \\ \omega_r^2 \end{bmatrix} - \omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ \vdots \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}} \right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_{(1)} & \cdots & \mathbf{x}_{(N)} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddots & & \\ & \frac{1}{\omega_r^2 - \omega^2} & \\ & & \ddots \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{x}_{(1)}^T \\ \vdots \\ \mathbf{x}_{(N)}^T \end{bmatrix}$$

Hence the spectral representation of the FRF matrix:

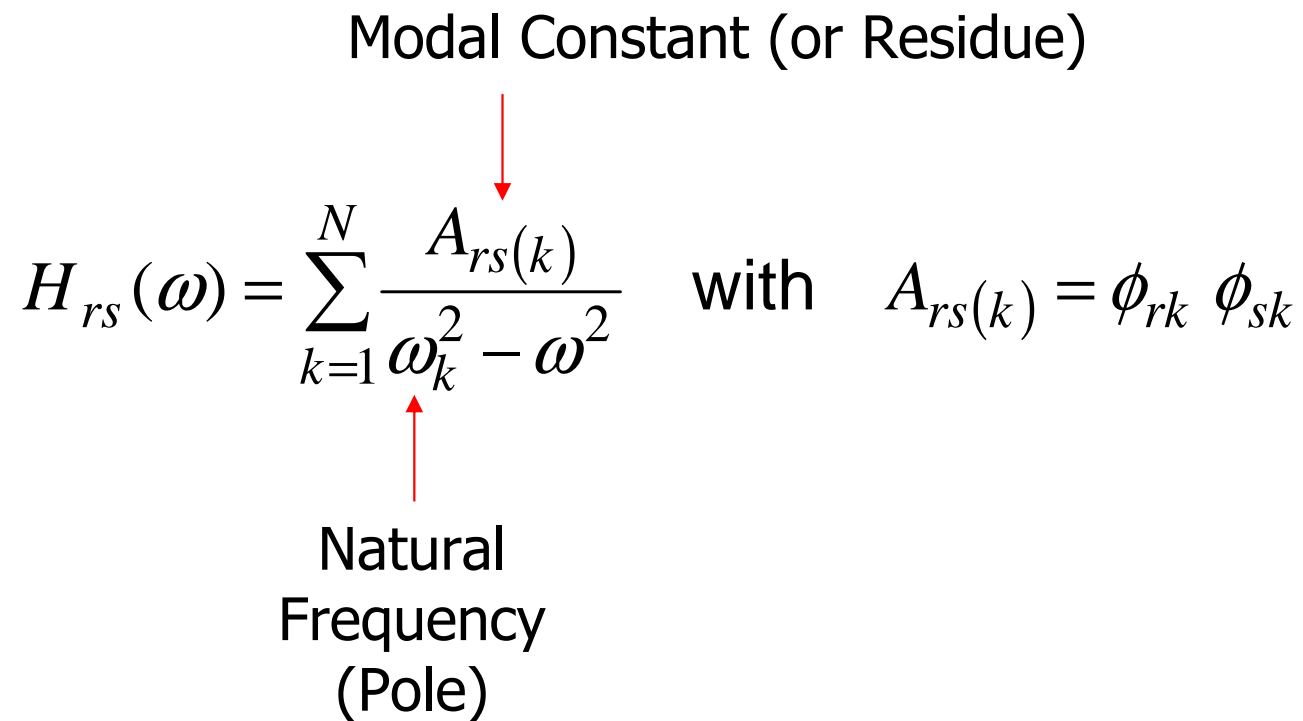
$$\mathbf{H}(\omega) = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\mathbf{x}_{(k)} \mathbf{x}_{(k)}^T}{\omega_k^2 - \omega^2}$$

Any individual FRF coefficient linking coordinates r and s (called dynamic influence coefficient) is written:

Modal Constant (or Residue)

$$H_{rs}(\omega) = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{A_{rs}(k)}{\omega_k^2 - \omega^2} \quad \text{with} \quad A_{rs}(k) = \phi_{rk} \phi_{sk}$$

Natural
Frequency
(Pole)



Damped Systems

$$\mathbf{M} \ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{C} \dot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{K} \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{f}(t)$$

Modal transformation: $\mathbf{q}(t) = \sum_{k=1}^N \eta_k \mathbf{x}_{(k)} = \mathbf{X} \boldsymbol{\eta}$

↓
Modal matrix

Pre-multiplying the equation of motion by \mathbf{X}^T

$$[m_r] \ddot{\boldsymbol{\eta}}(t) + \underbrace{\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{C} \mathbf{X}} \dot{\boldsymbol{\eta}}(t) + [k_r] \boldsymbol{\eta}(t) = \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{f}(t)$$

Modal damping matrix

Proportional Damping

In this case, the matrix $\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{C} \mathbf{X} = [c_k]$ is diagonal where $[c_k]$ = modal damping matrix.

Using the notation introduced above for the SDOF analysis, the damping coefficient of mode k is written in the form:

$$c_k = 2 \zeta_k \omega_k m_k$$

The forced response to an harmonic excitation

$$\mathbf{M} \ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{C} \dot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{K} \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{F} e^{i \omega t}$$

is in the form: $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{Q} e^{i \omega t}$

Modal transformation: $\mathbf{Q} = \sum_{k=1}^N a_k \mathbf{x}_{(k)} = \mathbf{X} \mathbf{a}$

Thus, the equation of motion takes the form:

$$\left(\mathbf{K} - \omega^2 \mathbf{M} + i \omega \mathbf{C} \right) \mathbf{X} \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{F}$$

Pre-multiplying par \mathbf{X}^T , we have:

$$\left(\begin{bmatrix} \omega_k^2 \end{bmatrix} - \omega^2 [\mathbf{1}] + i \omega [2 \zeta_k \omega_k] \right) \mathbf{a} = \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{F}$$

$$\mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{X} \left(\begin{bmatrix} \omega_k^2 \end{bmatrix} - \omega^2 [\mathbf{1}] + i \omega [2 \zeta_k \omega_k] \right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{F}$$

We obtain: $\mathbf{H}(\omega) = \mathbf{X} \left(\begin{bmatrix} \omega_k^2 \end{bmatrix} - \omega^2 [\mathbf{1}] + i \omega [2 \zeta_k \omega_k] \right)^{-1} \mathbf{X}^T$

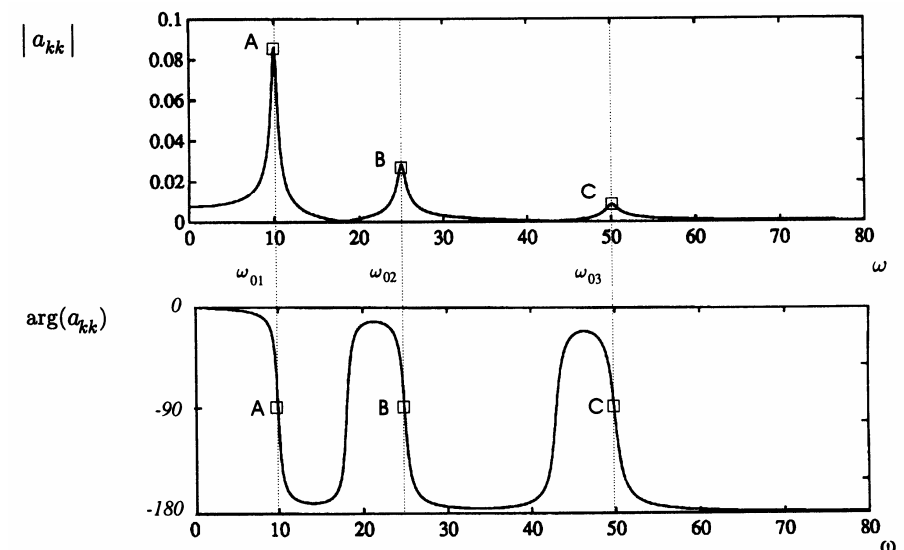
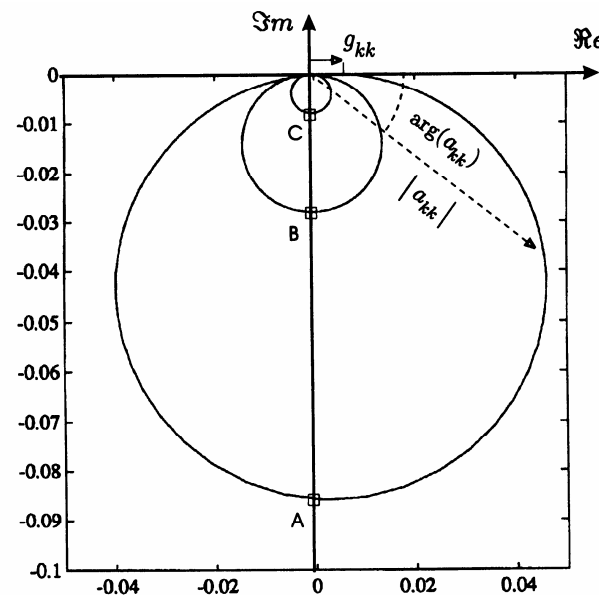
and the expression of the FRF matrix is:

$$\mathbf{H}(\omega) = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\mathbf{X}(k) \mathbf{X}(k)^T}{\omega_k^2 - \omega^2 + 2 i \zeta_k \omega \omega_k}$$

The receptance frequency response function (FRF) at coordinate r ,
resulting from a single force applied at coordinate s , is :

$$H_{rs}(\omega) = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{A_{rs}(k)}{\omega_k^2 - \omega^2 + 2i\zeta_k\omega\omega_k} \quad \text{with} \quad A_{rs}(k) = \mathbf{x}_r(k) \mathbf{x}_s(k)$$

Example:



Particular form of proportional damping

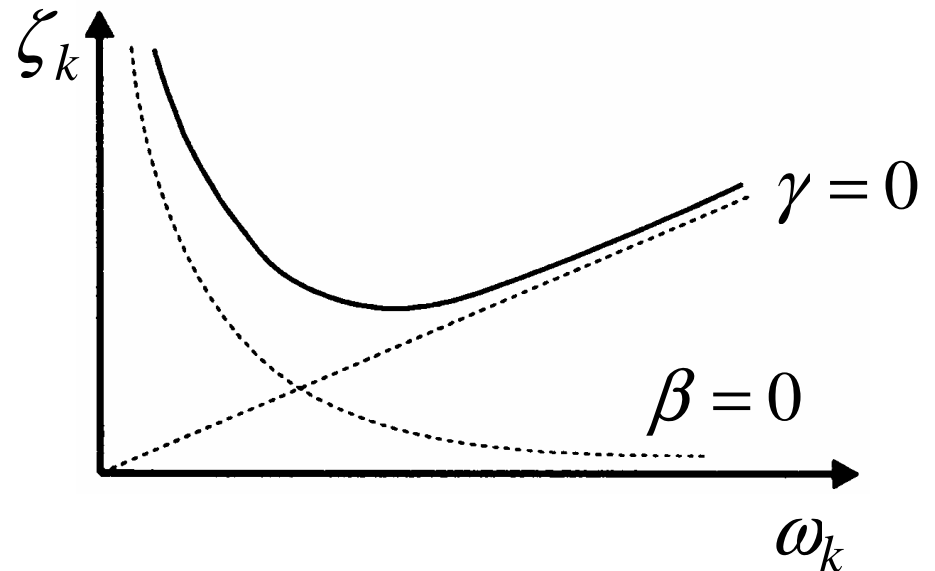
$$\mathbf{C} = \beta \mathbf{K} + \gamma \mathbf{M}$$

In this case, the eigenvalues and eigenmodes take the form:

$$\omega_k^d = \omega_k \sqrt{1 - \zeta_k^2}$$

$$\zeta_k = \frac{1}{2} \left(\beta \omega_k + \frac{\gamma}{\omega_k} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{X}_{damped} = \mathbf{X}_{undamped}$$



Viscous damping (General case)

In this case, the matrix $\mathbf{X}^T \mathbf{C} \mathbf{X}$ is not diagonal anymore.

Consider the homogeneous system:

$$\mathbf{M} \ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{C} \dot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{K} \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{0}$$

It can be shown that the eigensolutions of the appropriate equation

$$(\lambda^2 \mathbf{M} + \lambda \mathbf{C} + \mathbf{K}) \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{0}$$

occur as complex conjugates.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \lambda_k, \lambda_k^* \\ \Psi_{(k)}, \Psi_{(k)}^* \end{array} \right\} \quad k = 1, \dots, N$$

with: $\lambda_k = \omega_k \left(-\zeta_k + i \sqrt{1 - \zeta_k^2} \right)$

This approach is not particularly convenient for numerical application.

In the general case of viscous damping, it is better to recast the equations into the state-space form:

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{M} \ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{C} \dot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{K} \mathbf{q} = \mathbf{F} e^{i \omega t} \\ \mathbf{M} \dot{\mathbf{q}} - \mathbf{M} \dot{\mathbf{q}} = \mathbf{0} \end{cases}$$

or

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{C} & \mathbf{M} \\ \mathbf{M} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{A}} \underbrace{\begin{Bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{q}} \\ \ddot{\mathbf{q}} \end{Bmatrix}}_{\dot{\mathbf{u}}} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & -\mathbf{M} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{B}} \underbrace{\begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{q} \\ \dot{\mathbf{q}} \end{Bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{u}} = \underbrace{\begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{F} \\ \mathbf{0} \end{Bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{P}} e^{i \omega t}$$

A and **B** are real and symmetric matrices of dimension $2N \times 2N$.

Homogeneous equation: $\mathbf{A} \dot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$

Solution of the form: $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{U} e^{\lambda t}$

Eigenvalue problem: $(\lambda \mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B}) \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{0}$

\Rightarrow $2N$ eigenvalues λ_k and eigenvectors $\mathbf{z}_{(k)}$ verifying the orthogonality properties:

$$\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{A} \mathbf{Z} = [a_k]$$

$$\mathbf{Z}^T \mathbf{B} \mathbf{Z} = [b_k]$$

and which have the usual characteristic that

$$\lambda_k = -\frac{b_k}{a_k} \quad ; \quad (k = 1, \dots, 2N)$$

Forced response to harmonic excitation

$$\mathbf{A} \dot{\mathbf{u}} + \mathbf{B} \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{P} e^{i \omega t}$$

Development in the series of eigenmodes:

$$\mathbf{u} = \sum_{k=1}^{2N} \eta_k e^{i \omega t} \mathbf{z}_{(k)}$$

Substituting into the state-space equation and pre-multiplying by $\mathbf{z}_{(k)}^T$ we have:

$$i \omega a_k \eta_k + b_k \eta_k = \mathbf{z}_{(k)}^T \mathbf{P} \quad (k = 1, \dots, 2N)$$

$$\Rightarrow \eta_k = \frac{\mathbf{z}_{(k)}^T \mathbf{P}}{a_k (i \omega - \lambda_k)} \quad (k = 1, \dots, 2N)$$

Thus, the solution may be written as:

$$\mathbf{u} = \sum_{k=1}^{2N} \frac{\mathbf{z}_{(k)} \mathbf{z}_{(k)}^T \mathbf{P}}{a_k (i \omega - \lambda_k)} e^{i \omega t}$$

However, because the eigensolutions occur in complex conjugate pairs, the solution may be rewritten as:

$$\begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{Q} \\ \dots \\ i \omega \mathbf{Q} \end{Bmatrix} = \sum_{k=1}^N \left(\frac{\mathbf{z}_{(k)} \mathbf{z}_{(k)}^T}{a_k (i \omega - \lambda_k)} + \frac{\bar{\mathbf{z}}_{(k)} \bar{\mathbf{z}}_{(k)}^T}{\bar{a}_k (i \omega - \bar{\lambda}_k)} \right) \mathbf{P}$$

If we extract the response vector \mathbf{Q} , we obtain the expression of the FRF matrix in the form:

$$\mathbf{H} = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\mathbf{z}_{(k)} \mathbf{z}_{(k)}^T}{a_k (i \omega - \lambda_k)} + \frac{\bar{\mathbf{z}}_{(k)} \bar{\mathbf{z}}_{(k)}^T}{\bar{a}_k (i \omega - \bar{\lambda}_k)}$$

$$\mathbf{H} = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\mathbf{z}_{(k)} \mathbf{z}_{(k)}^T}{a_k (i \omega - \lambda_k)} + \frac{\bar{\mathbf{z}}_{(k)} \bar{\mathbf{z}}_{(k)}^T}{\bar{a}_k (i \omega - \bar{\lambda}_k)}$$

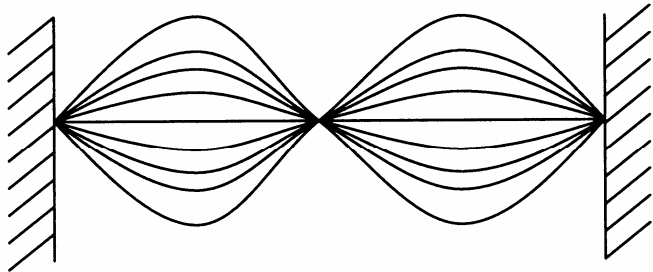
A single response parameter takes the form:

$$H_{rs}(\omega) = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\mathbf{z}_{r(k)} \mathbf{z}_{s(k)}}{a_k (i \omega - \lambda_k)} + \frac{\bar{\mathbf{z}}_{r(k)} \bar{\mathbf{z}}_{s(k)}}{\bar{a}_k (i \omega - \bar{\lambda}_k)}$$

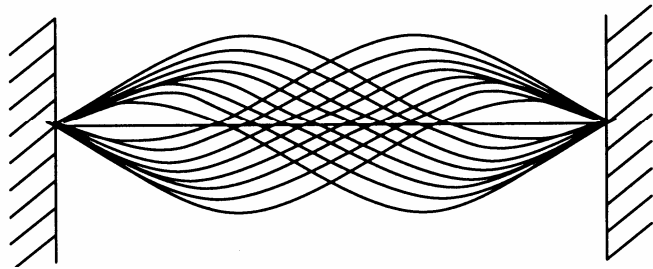
Modal constants
(Residues)

↑ Poles (complex) ↑

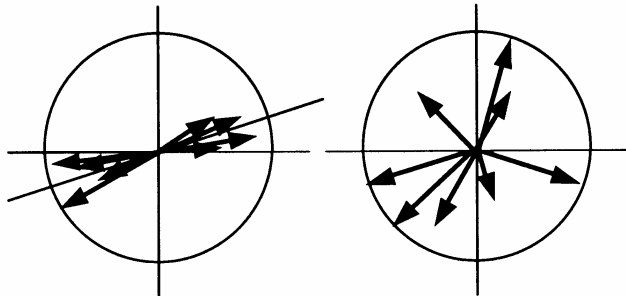
Complex Modes



Real mode: in-phase vibration,
(standing wave)

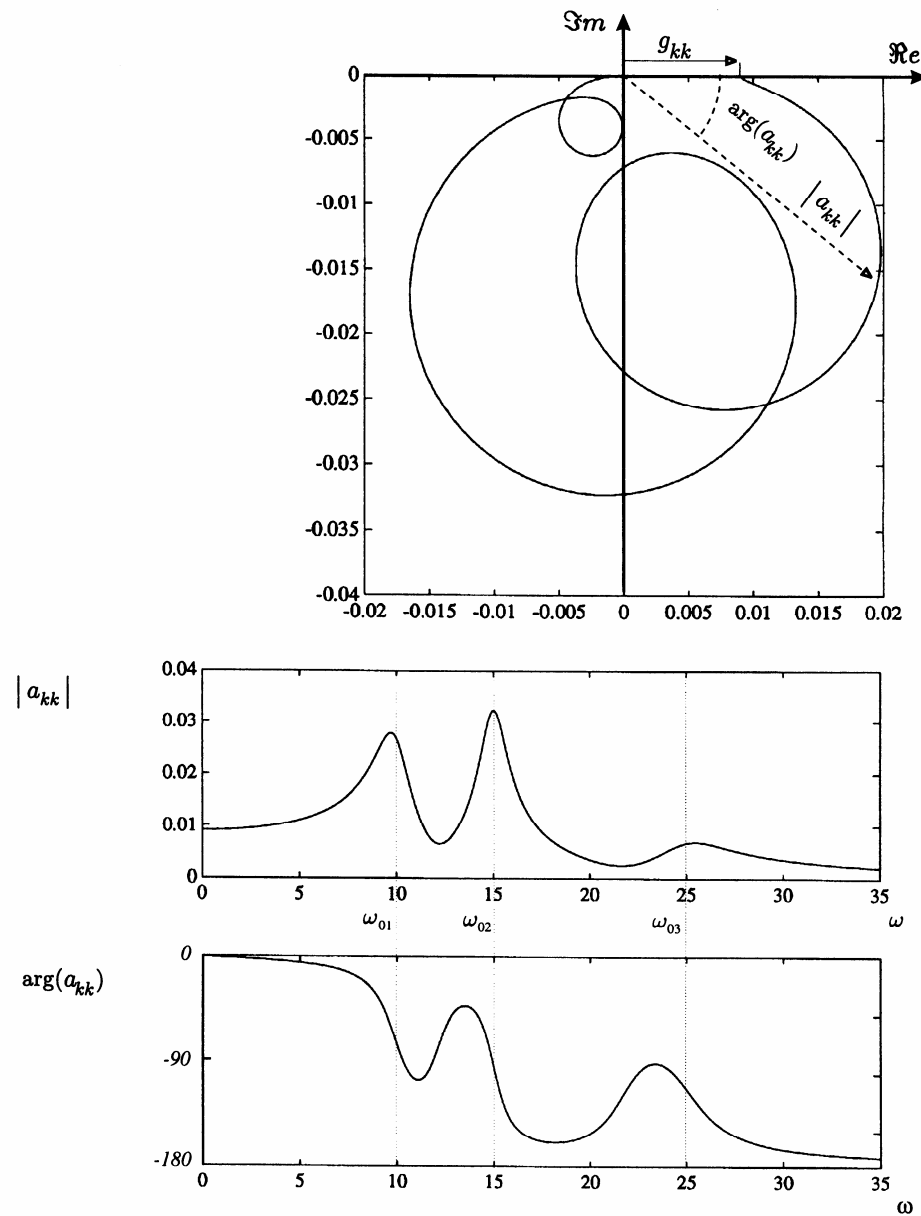


Complex mode: out-of-phase vibration
(travelling wave)



Measurement of modal complexity
(complex mode shapes plotted on
Argand diagrams)

Example:



The fundamental relations used for experimental modal analysis are:

a) Undamped systems

$$H_{rs}(\omega) = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{A_{rs}(k)}{\omega_k^2 - \omega^2} \quad \text{with} \quad A_{rs}(k) = \mathbf{x}_r(k) \mathbf{x}_s(k)$$

b) Damped systems (proportional damping)

$$H_{rs}(\omega) = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{A_{rs}(k)}{\omega_k^2 - \omega^2 + 2i\zeta_k\omega\omega_k} \quad \text{with} \quad A_{rs}(k) = \mathbf{x}_r(k) \mathbf{x}_s(k)$$

c) Damped systems (general case of viscous damping)

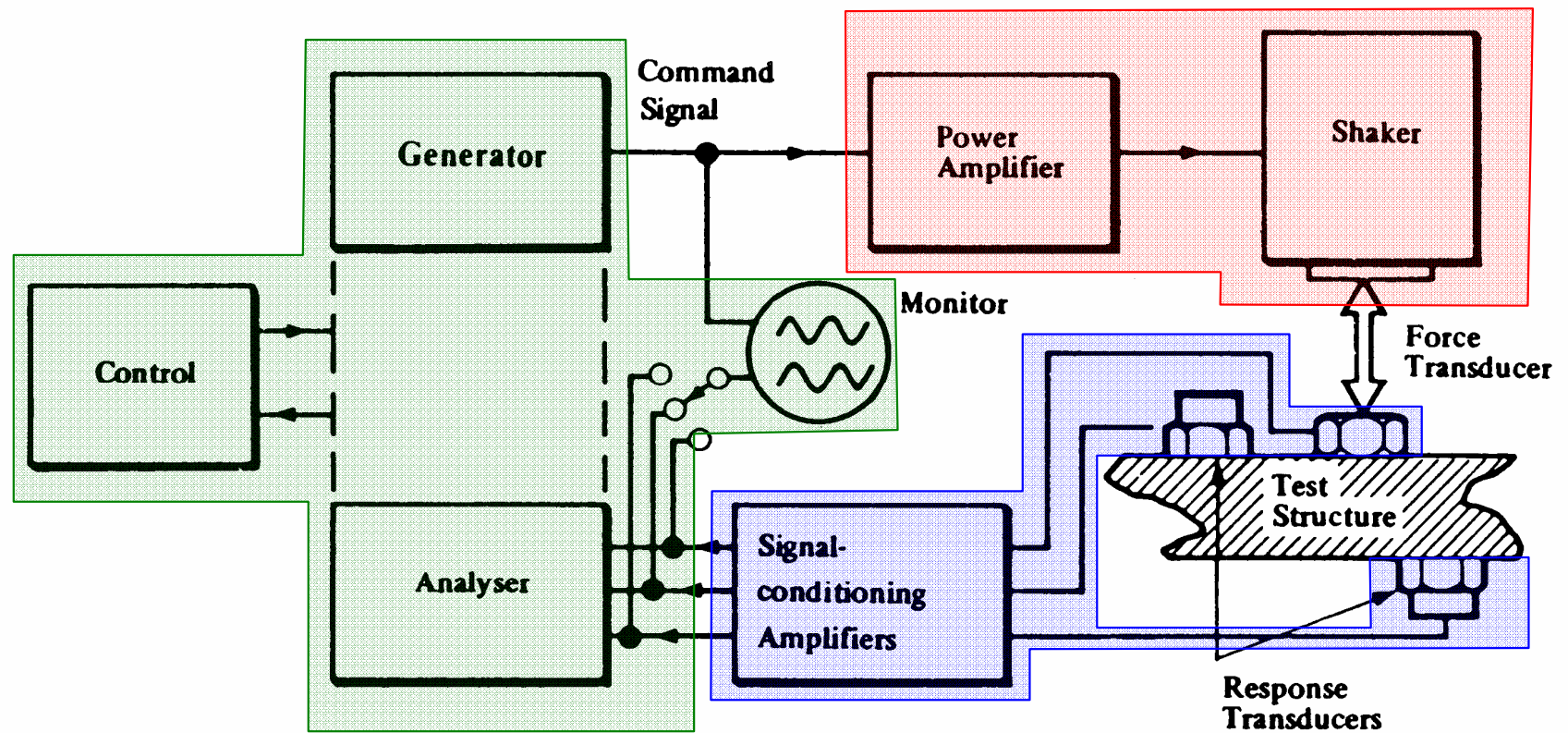
$$H_{rs}(\omega) = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{\mathbf{z}_r(k) \mathbf{z}_s(k)}{a_k (i\omega - \lambda_k)} + \frac{\bar{\mathbf{z}}_r(k) \bar{\mathbf{z}}_s(k)}{\bar{a}_k (i\omega - \bar{\lambda}_k)}$$

Test Planning

- Definition of the objectives
 - estimation of vibration amplitude levels
 - estimation of natural frequencies, mode shapes and damping factors
 - model validation
- Selection of the frequency range
- Selection of measurement and excitation coordinates
- Selection of excitation devices and transducers
- Selection of the support points (to minimise external influence)
- Checking the quality of measured data
- Measured data consistency, including reciprocity
- Measurement repeatability
- Measurement reliability

General Layout of FRF Measurement System

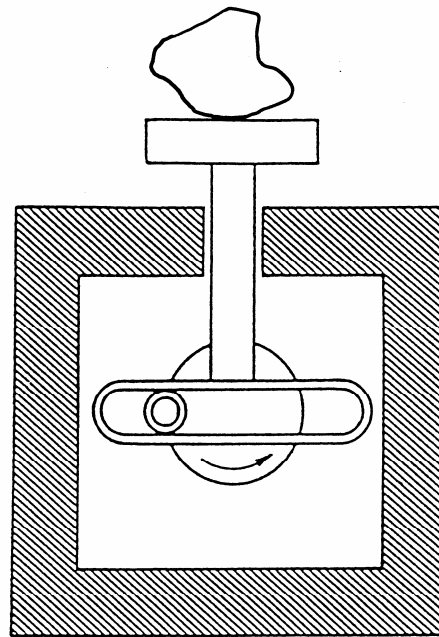
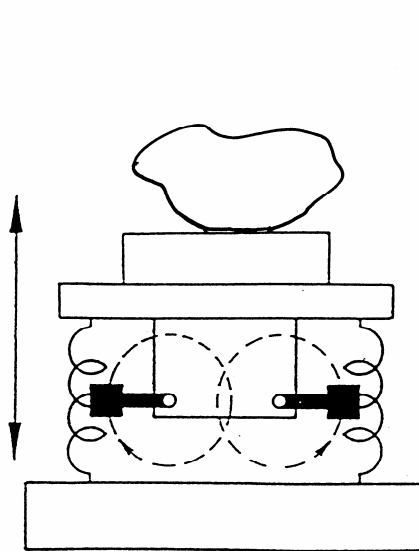
Excitation mechanism



Analyser

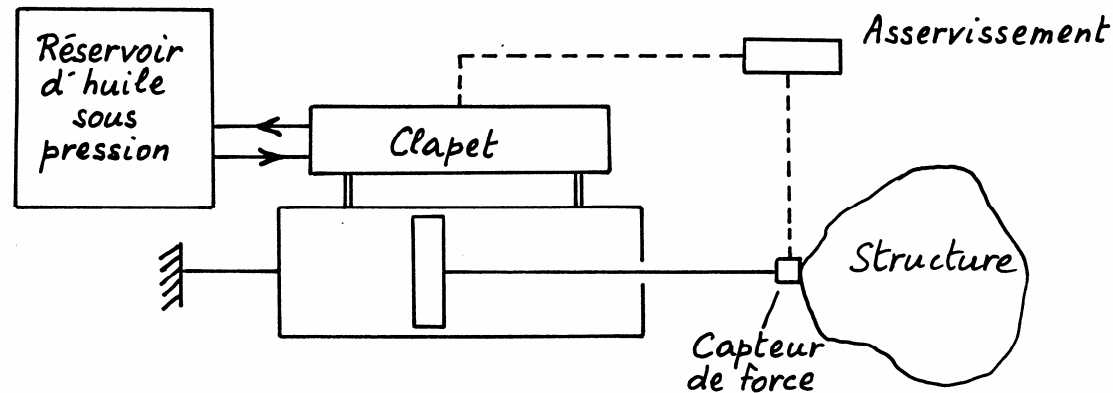
Transduction system

- Mechanical Exciters



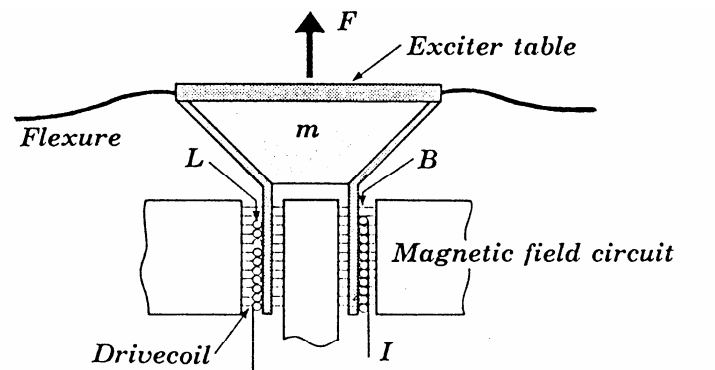
- little flexibility or control

• Electrohydraulic Exciters



- substantial forces are generated
- possibility to apply simultaneously a static load to the dynamic vibratory load
- large displacement amplitudes
- limited frequency range
- hydraulic shakers are complex and expensive

• Electrodynamic Exciters

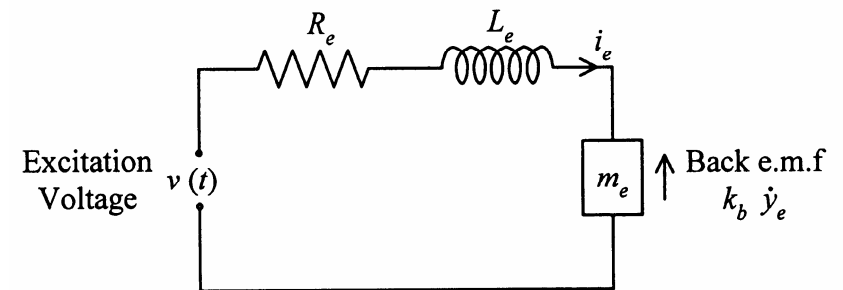
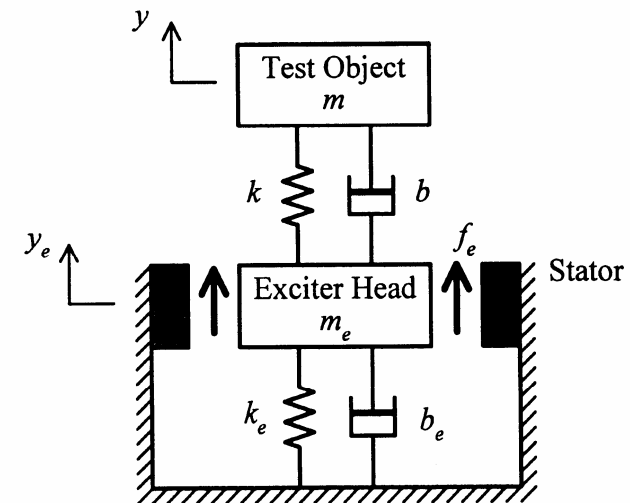
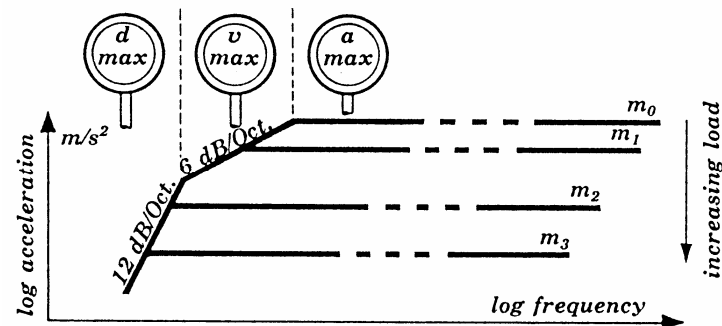


$$F = BIL$$

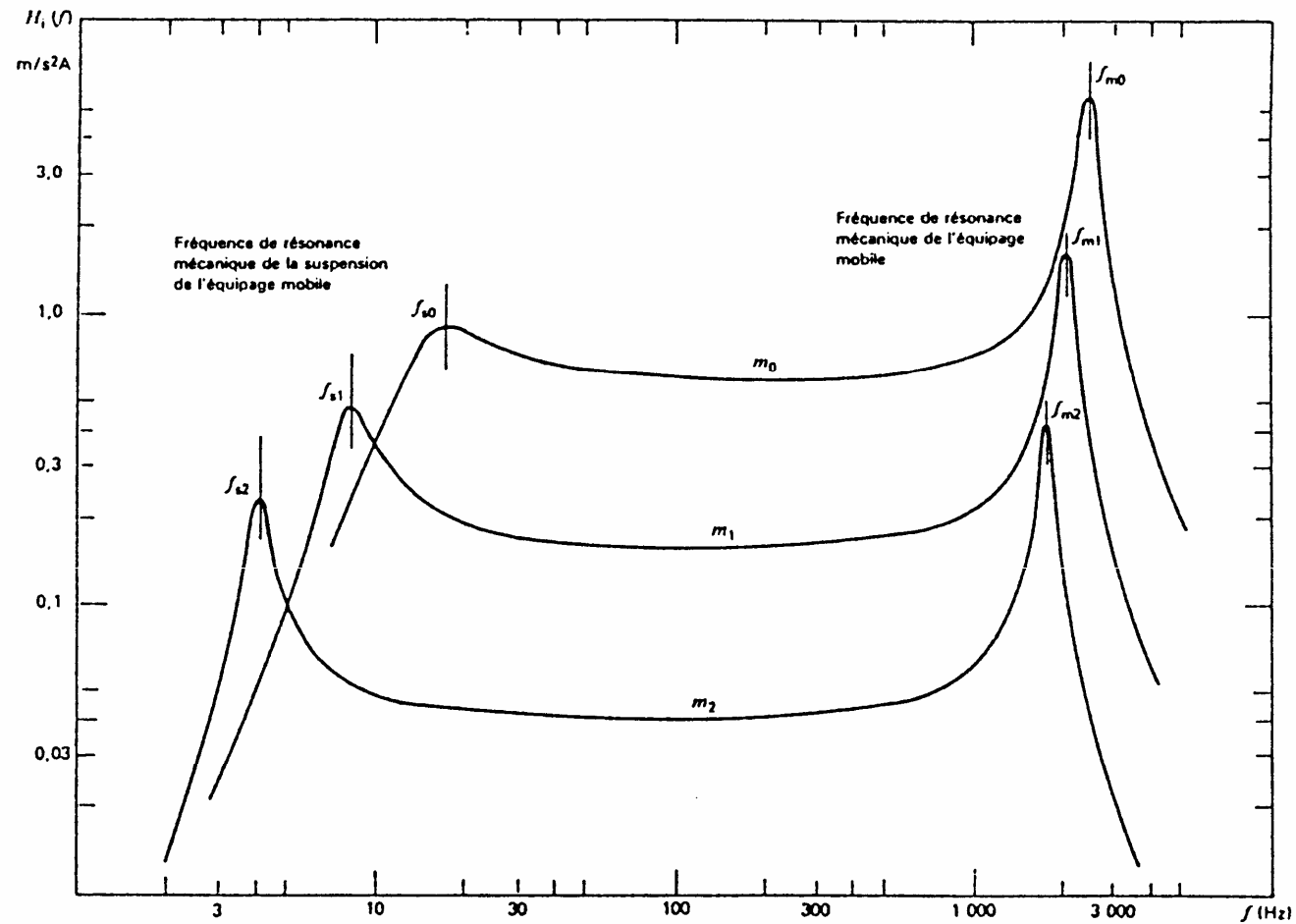
F = force [N]
 B = magnetic flux intensity [T]
 I = current [A]
 L = length [m]

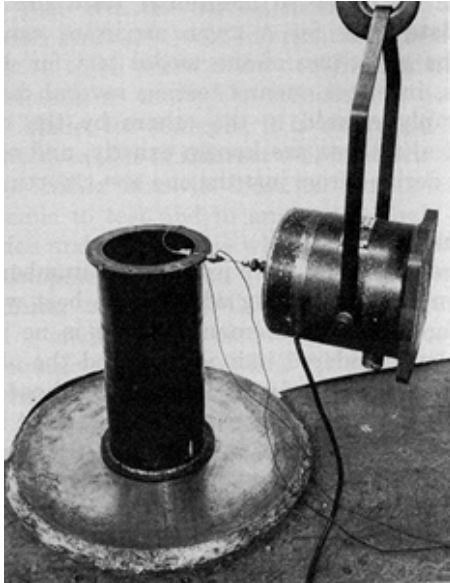
$$F = ma$$

m = mass [kg]
 a = acceleration [m/s^2]



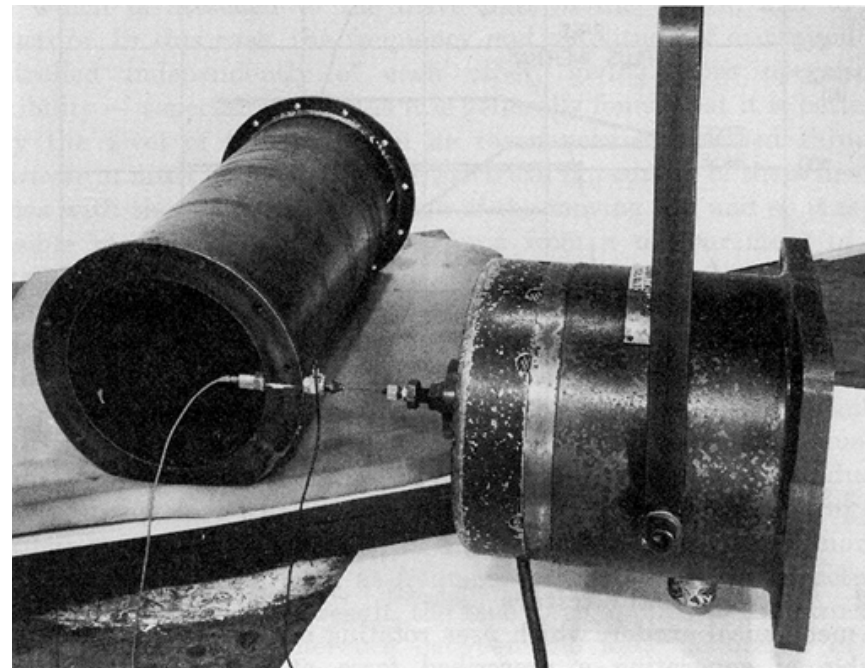
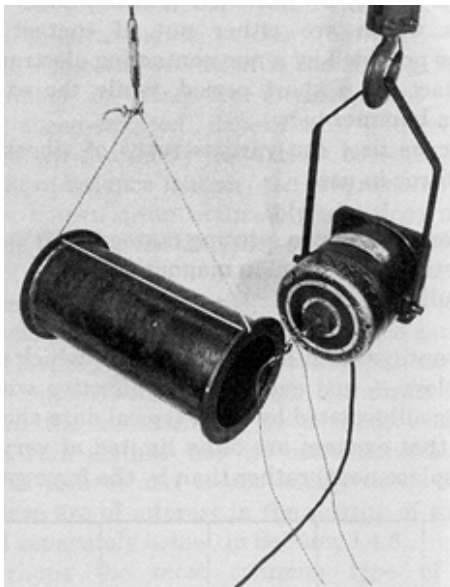
Characteristics of a shaker



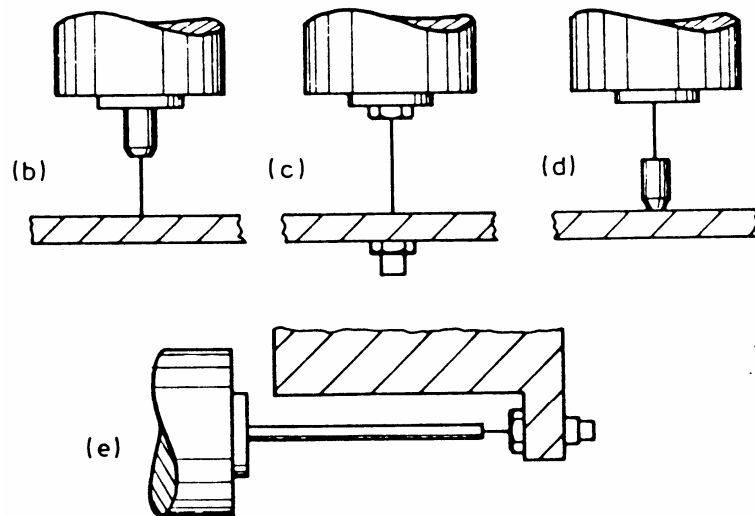


← Example of grounded structure

Examples of freely-supported structure



Exciter attachment

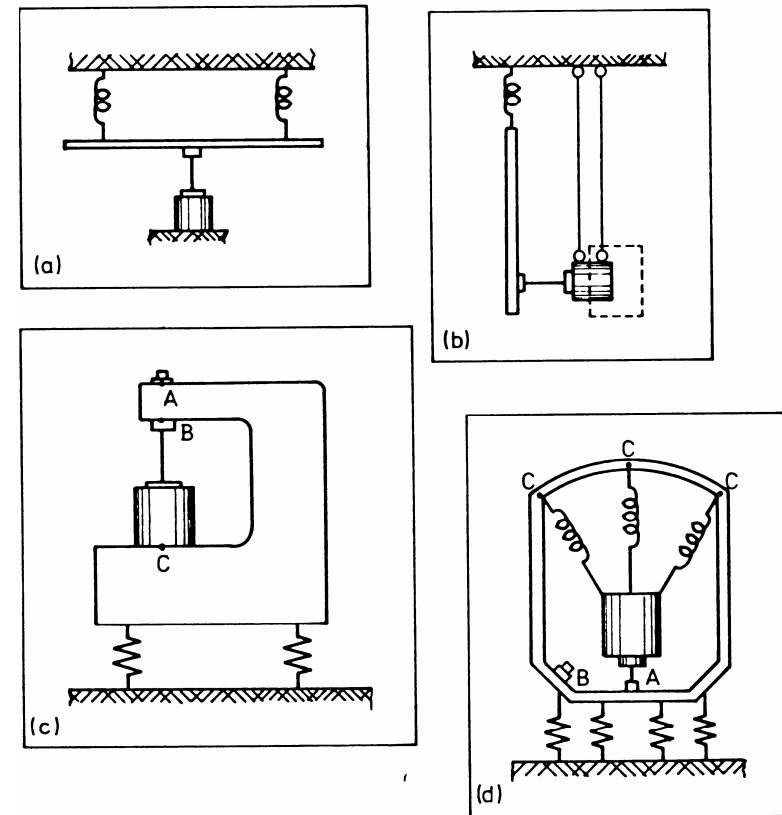


(b) Unsatisfactory assembly

(c) et (d) Acceptable assembly

(e) Use of a push rod or stinger

Various mounting arrangements for exciter



(a) Ideal configuration

(b) Suspended shaker plus inertia mass

(c) et (d) Compromise configurations

Example of electrodynamic shaker used for environmental testing (qualification, fatigue)



Gearing & Watson V2664

Max. force = 26.6 kN
(sinus et random) ;

Max. displ. = 50 mm
(peak-peak) ;

Max. velocity = 1.52 m/s.

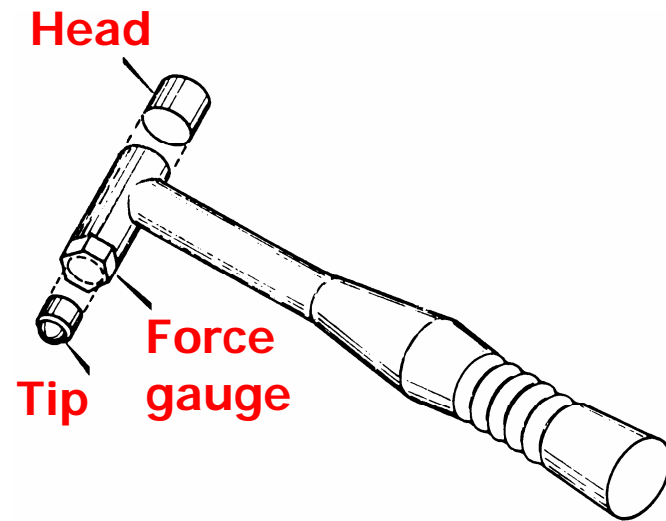
- **Piezoelectric exciters**

- Operational at high frequency range
- Low excitation amplitude

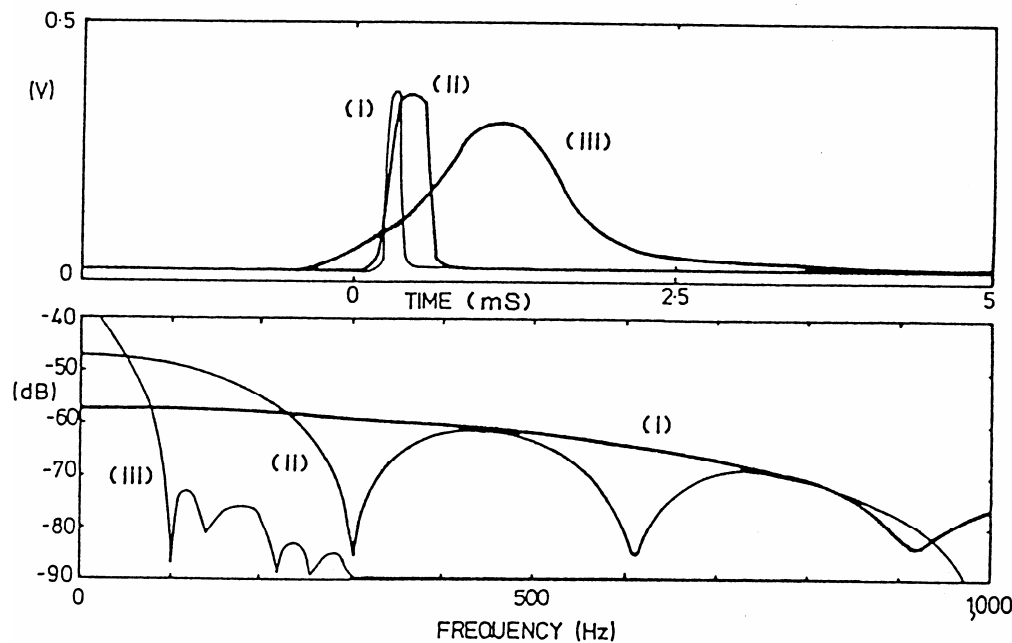
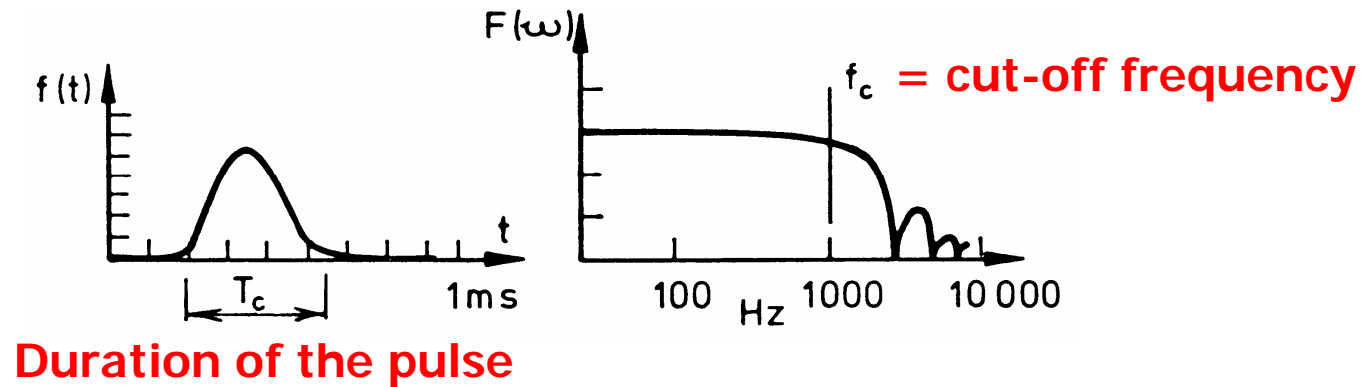
- **Non-Contact Magnetic Excitation**

- Electromagnetic force
- Measurement of the reaction force on the body of the magnet (not directly the force applied to the structure)
- Application to rotating machinery

- Hammer Excitation

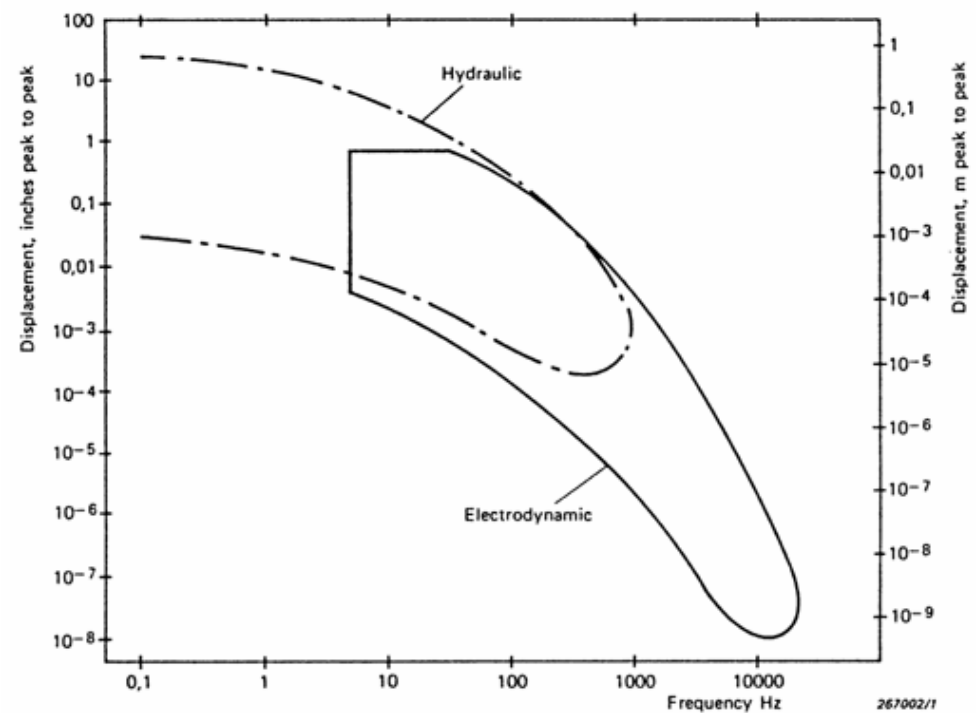
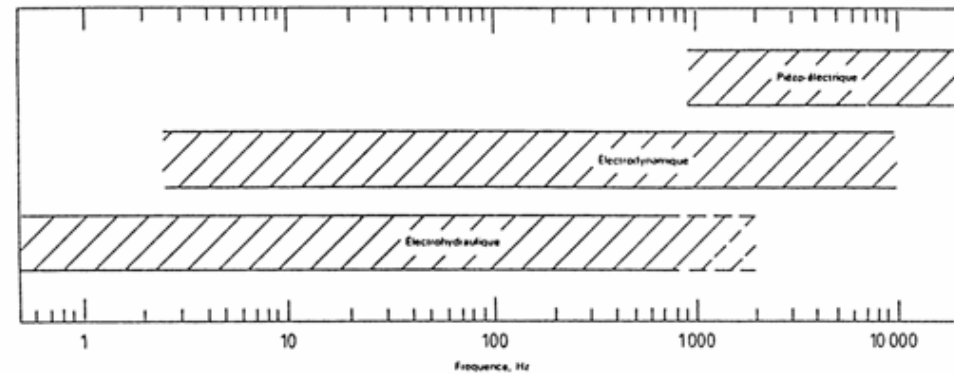


Typical impact force pulse and spectrum



- (I) Stiff tip (steel)
- (II) Medium tip (vinyl)
- (III) Soft tip (rubber)

Use of different excitation devices



Consider a sinusoidal signal

| Signal | | Response parameter |
|--|---------------|---------------------------|
| $f = F \sin \omega t$ | \Rightarrow | Force F |
| $x = X \sin \omega t$ | \Rightarrow | Displacement X |
| $\dot{x} = \omega X \sin \omega t$ | \Rightarrow | Velocity ωX |
| $\ddot{x} = -\omega^2 X \sin \omega t$ | \Rightarrow | Acceleration $\omega^2 X$ |

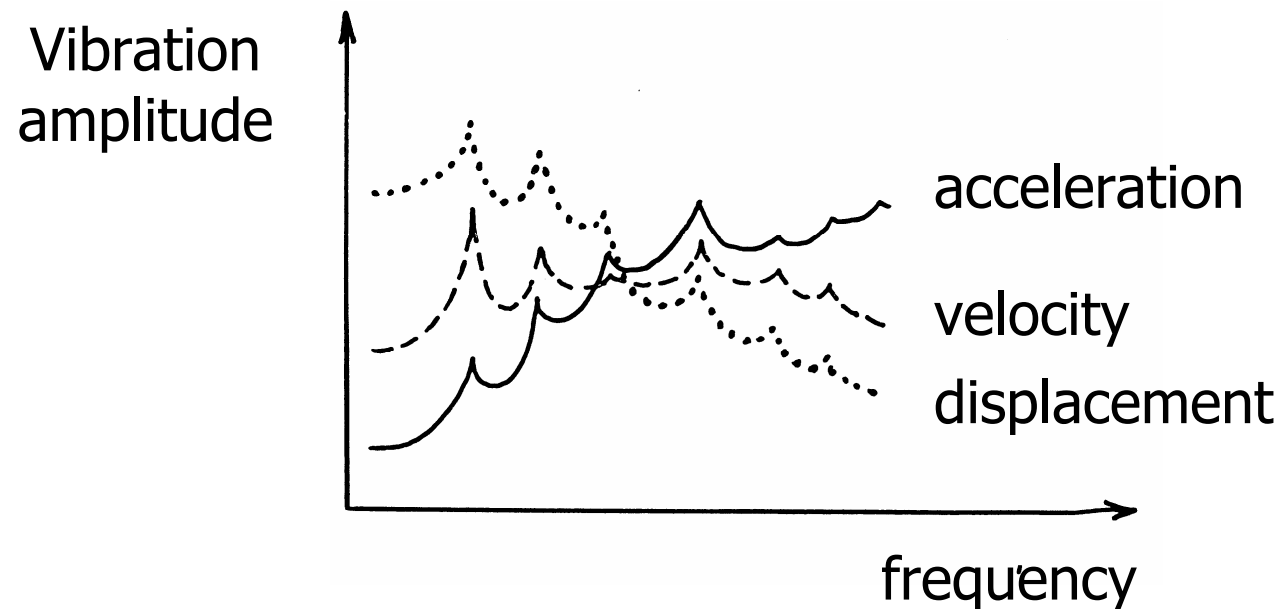
Example:

| frequency | displacement | acceleration |
|-----------|--------------|-----------------|
| 0,5 Hz | $1 \mu m$ | $10^{-5} m/s^2$ |
| 15800 Hz | $1 \mu m$ | $10^4 m/s^2$ |

Not detectable

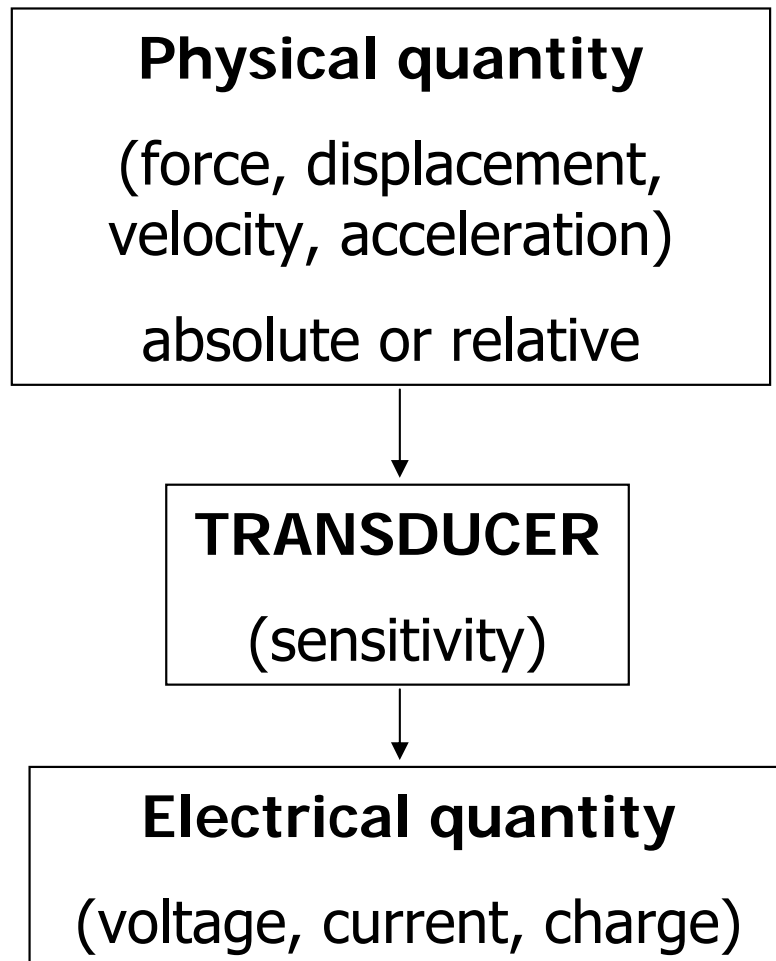
Choice of the physical quantity to be measured

- Displacement : measurement of gaps, orbits of rotor inside journals, thermal dilatations, ...
- Velocity : used in standards to characterise vibration intensity
- Acceleration : measurement of high frequency signals (shocks)



Vibration Transducers

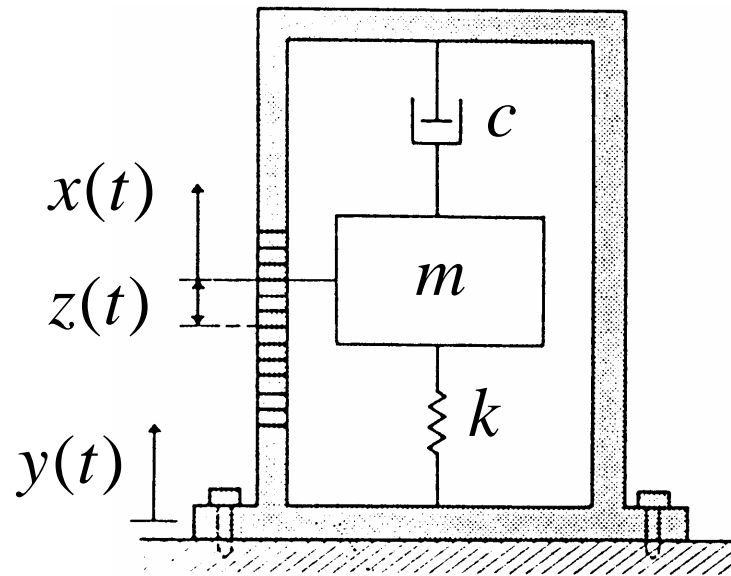
Definition



Specifications

- Measurement Range (e.g. 0 to 10 g, -1 mm to +1mm)
- Frequency Range (e.g. 1hz to 1,5 kHz)
- Sensitivity (e.g. 10 pC/g, 300 mV/(cm/s))
- Transverse Sensitivity
- Environmental:
 - Magnetic Sensitivity (e.g. 0,1 g/tesla)
 - Acoustic Sensitivity (e.g. 0,01 pC/db)
 - Temperature Transient Sensitivity
- Physical
 - Weight, Dimensions
- Mounting Techniques

Vibration Transducer Basics



Governing equation of motion

$$m \ddot{x} + c (\dot{x} - \dot{y}) + k (x - y) = f(t)$$

In terms of relative displacement

$$m \ddot{z} + c \dot{z} + k z = f(t) - m \ddot{y} = R(t)$$

The forced response to harmonic excitation $y(t) = Y e^{i \omega t}$ applied to the body (with $f(t)=0$) is written in the form

$$z(t) = \frac{m \omega^2 Y e^{i \omega t}}{k - \omega^2 m + i \omega c} = Z e^{i \omega t}$$

amplitude



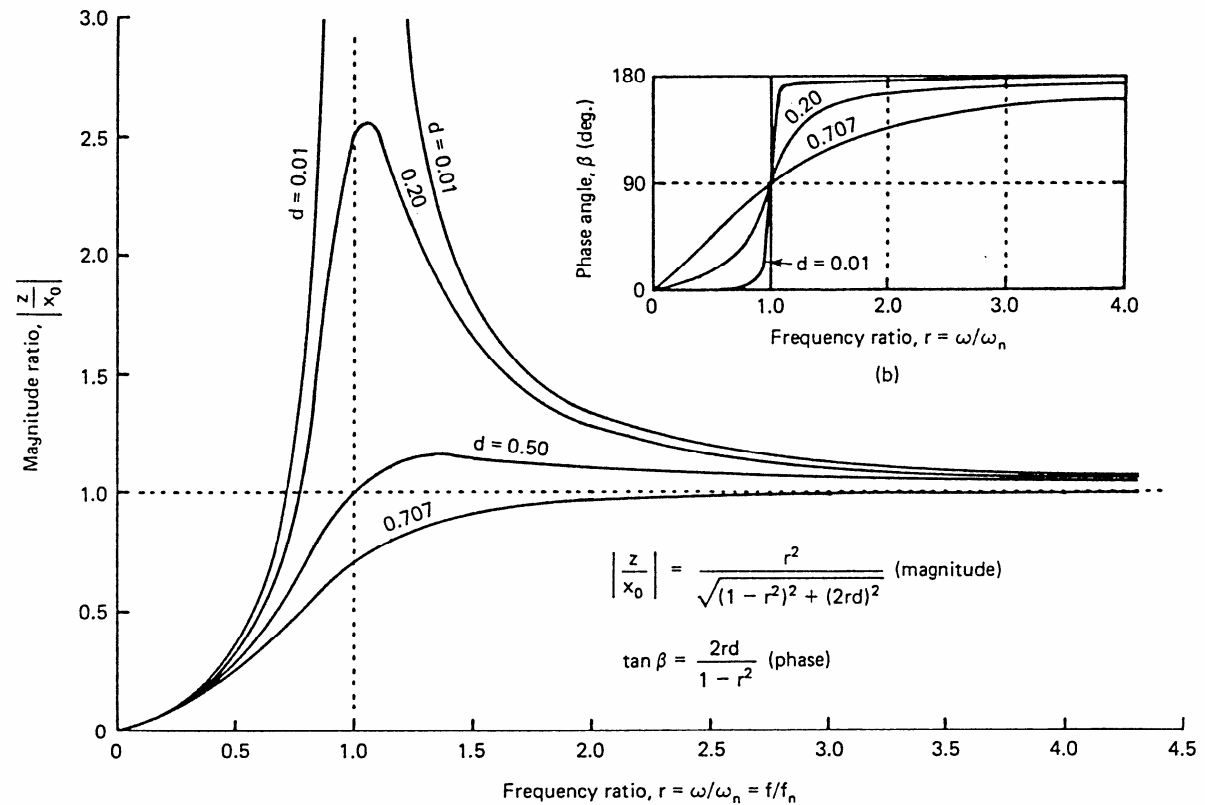
$$\left| \frac{Z}{Y} \right| = \frac{(\omega/\omega_0)^2}{\sqrt{(1 - \omega^2/\omega_0^2)^2 + (2 \zeta \omega/\omega_0)^2}}$$

phase



$$\tan \phi = \frac{2 \zeta \omega/\omega_0}{1 - \omega^2/\omega_0^2}$$

Displacement transducer (sismographs)



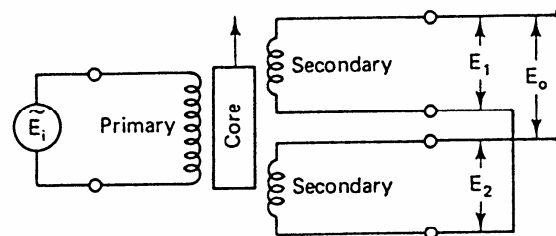
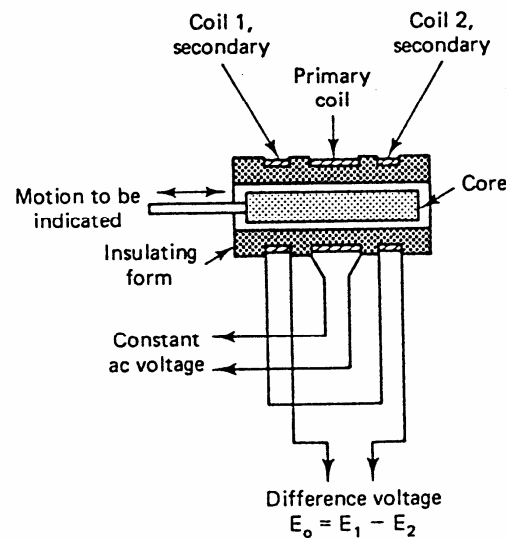
For $\frac{\omega}{\omega_0} > 4$, we have $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \left| \frac{Z}{Y} \right| \rightarrow 1 \quad \forall \zeta \\ \phi \rightarrow 180^\circ \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow z = -y$

When $\zeta = 0,707$, the amplitude peak disappears

Design requirement: $\omega_0 \ll \ll$

k low
 m high
 }
→
 Transducer is relatively large and heavy

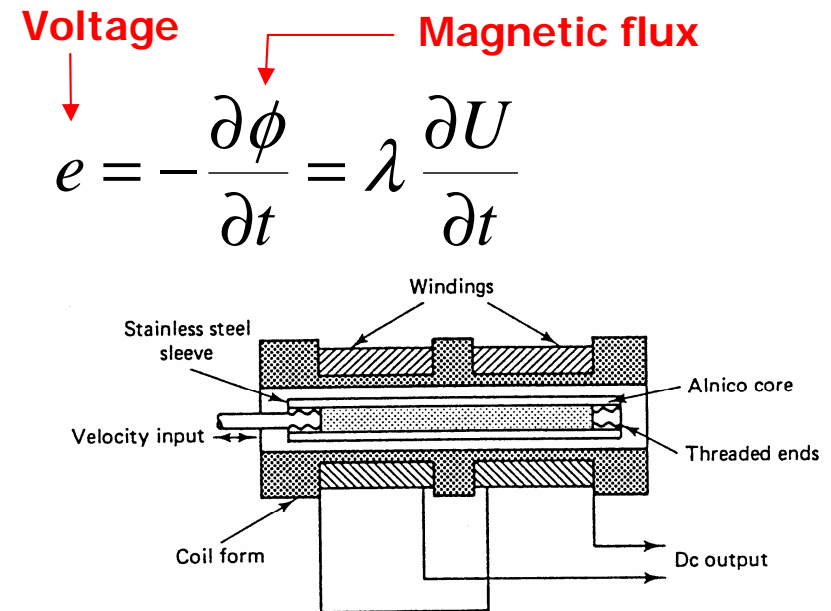
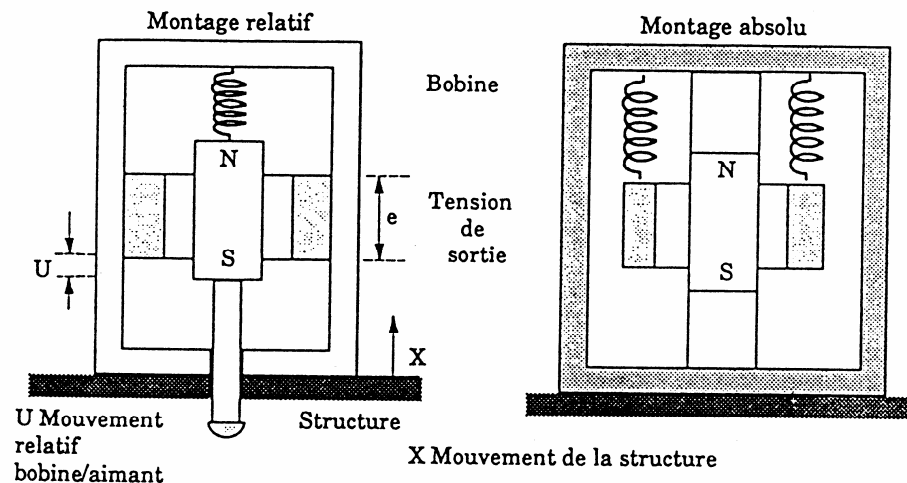
Example: LVDT (Linear Variable Differential Transformer)



Frequency Range: < 500 Hz

Velocity Transducer (same working principles as for the displacement transducer)

Practical example



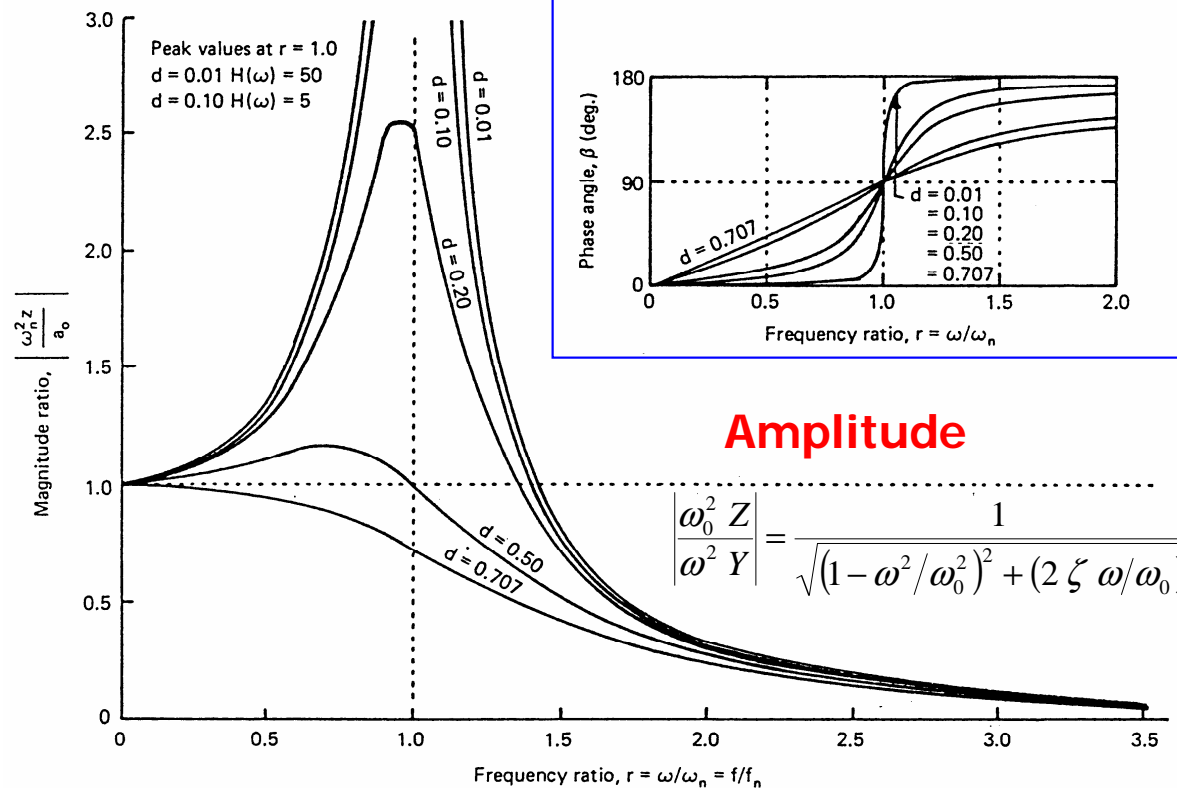
Advantages:

- reliability, robustness (no power supply needed)
- high sensitivity (e.g. 300 mV/(cm/s))
- low impedance (no conditioning amplifier needed)

Drawbacks: - heavy and large, frequency range < 2000 Hz

Accelerometers

System response:
$$z(t) = \frac{m \omega^2 Y e^{i \omega t}}{k - \omega^2 m + i \omega c} = Z e^{i \omega t}$$



Phase

$$\tan \phi = \frac{2 \zeta \omega / \omega_0}{1 - \omega^2 / \omega_0^2}$$

Amplitude

$$\left| \frac{\omega_0^2 Z}{\omega^2 Y} \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1 - \omega^2 / \omega_0^2)^2 + (2 \zeta \omega / \omega_0)^2}}$$

Amplitude: $\left| \frac{\omega_0^2 Z}{\omega^2 Y} \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(1 - \omega^2 / \omega_0^2\right)^2 + \left(2 \zeta \omega / \omega_0\right)^2}}$

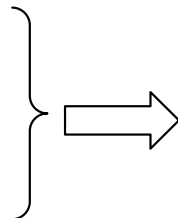
Measurement of the acceleration of the support

As $\frac{\omega}{\omega_0} \rightarrow 0$, we get $Z \rightarrow -\frac{\omega^2 Y}{\omega_0^2} = \underbrace{\frac{m}{k}}_{\text{Accelerometer sensitivity}} \underbrace{(-\omega^2 Y)}_{\text{Acceleration of the support}}$

Design requirement: $\omega_0 \gg \gg$

k high

m small

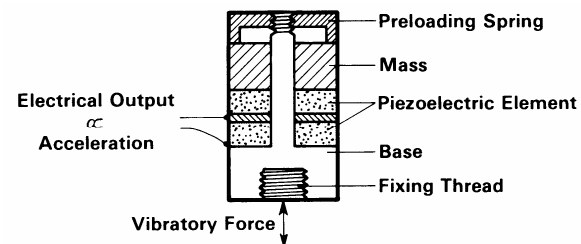
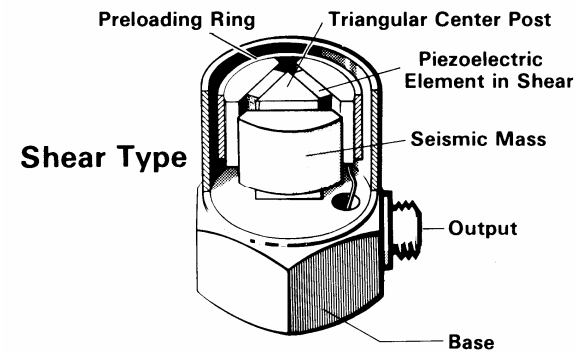
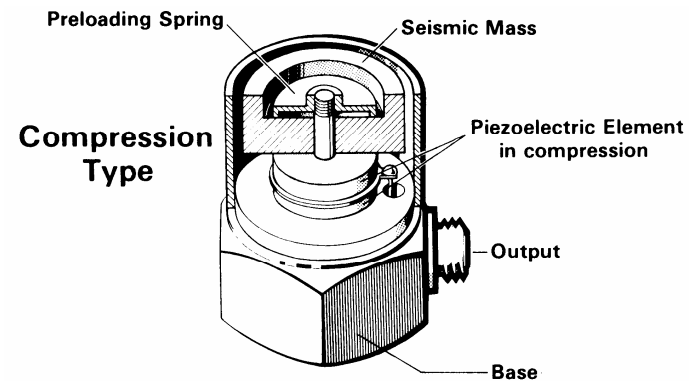


Transducer is
small and light

Optimise the
choice for any
given application

Sensitivity \div seismic mass

Typical examples of piezoelectric accelerometers



$$Q = \lambda_1 \ddot{y}$$

↑
Sensitivity in pC/g

Advantages:

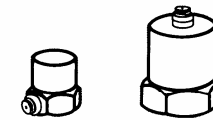
- high frequency range
- excellent linearity
- low sensitivity to environmental noises
- small size, lightness

Drawbacks:

- very high impedance
→ charge amplifier

Selection of accelerometers

General Purpose Types



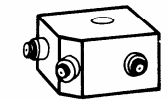
Sensitivity: 1 to 10 pC/ms⁻²
Weight: 10 to 50 grammes
Frequency Range: 0 to 12000 Hz

Miniature Types

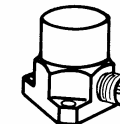


Sensitivity: 0,05 to 0,3 pC/ms⁻²
Weight: 0,4 to 2 grammes
Frequency Range: 1 to 25000 Hz

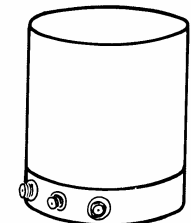
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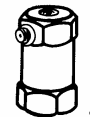
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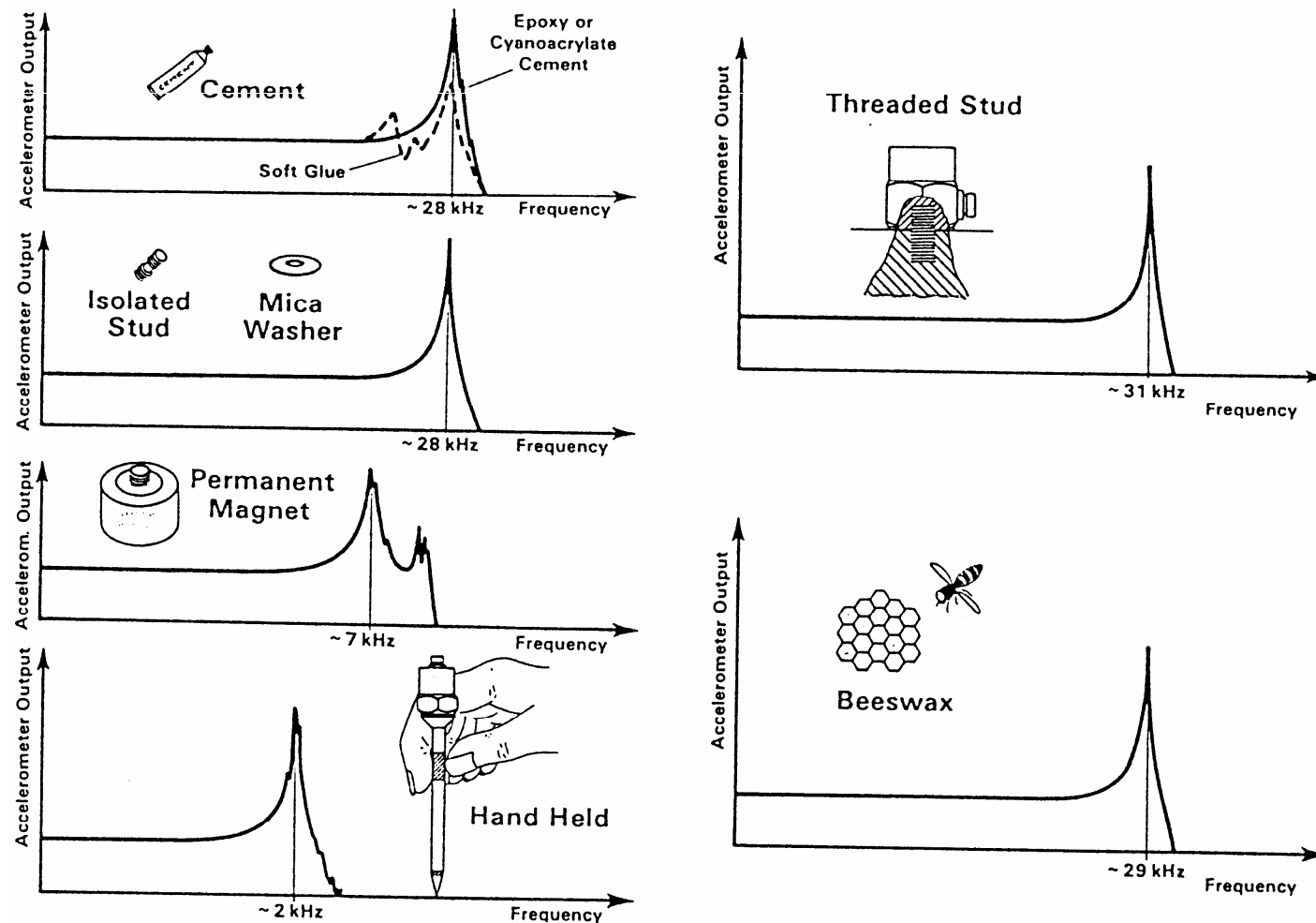
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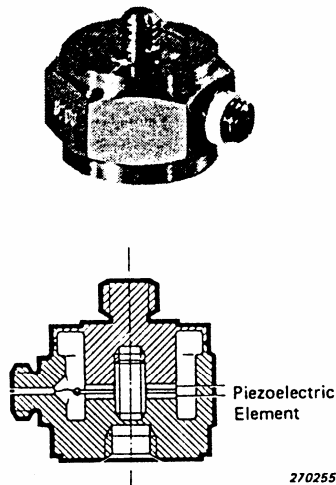
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- 1 For triaxial measurements
- 2 For permanent monitoring on industrial machines
- 2 For use in very high temperatures
- 3 For building and other structural vibration measurements
- 4 For calibration and other reference purposes
- 5 For very high shock measurements [1000 km/s² (100 000 g)]

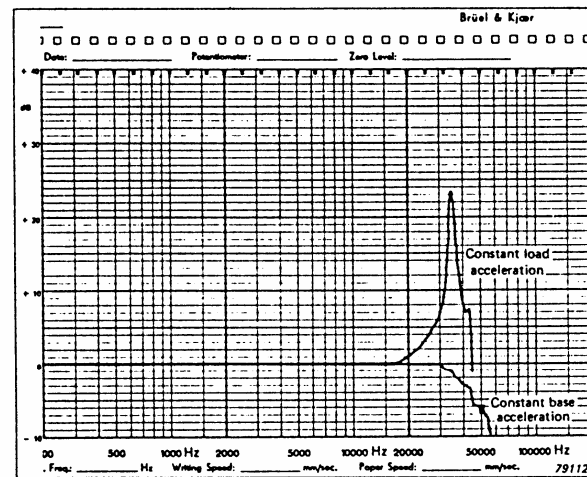
Attachment and location of accelerometers



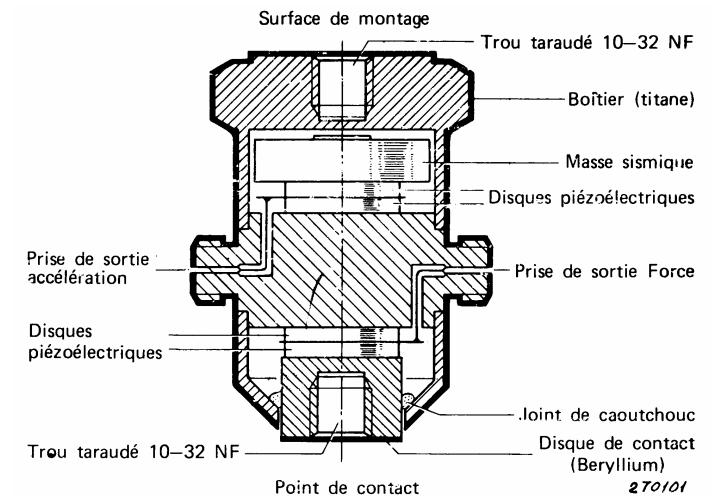
Force Transducers



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Impedance Heads

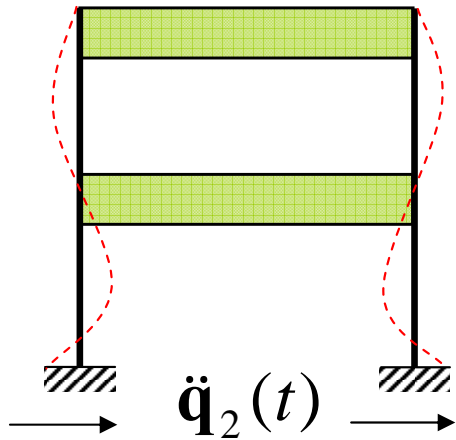


Combination of 2 transducers:
force + acceleration

Laser Transducers

- Laser Doppler velocimeter (LDV)
 - Characteristics for a typical device:
 - Frequency range: 0-250 kHz
 - Vibration velocity range: 0.01 - 20000 mm/s
 - Target distance: 0.2 - 30 m
 - Signal/noise: excellent (depends on target, type of scan and measurement range)
 - Sensitivity: 1 - 1000 mm/s/V
- Holographic interferometry (ESPI, DSPI)

General case



Partition of the DOF :

- n_1 free displacements \mathbf{q}_1
- n_2 imposed displacements \mathbf{q}_2

Equations of motion

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M}_{11} & \mathbf{M}_{12} \\ \mathbf{M}_{21} & \mathbf{M}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_1 \\ \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_2 \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{11} & \mathbf{K}_{12} \\ \mathbf{K}_{21} & \mathbf{K}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1 \\ \mathbf{q}_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{r}_2(t) \end{Bmatrix}$$

The response takes the form

$$\mathbf{q}(t) = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \boxed{-\mathbf{K}_{11}^{-1} \mathbf{K}_{12}} \\ 0 & \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{y}_1 \\ \mathbf{q}_2 \end{Bmatrix}$$

= \mathbf{S} (static condensation matrix at foundation level)

Dynamic part of the response solution of

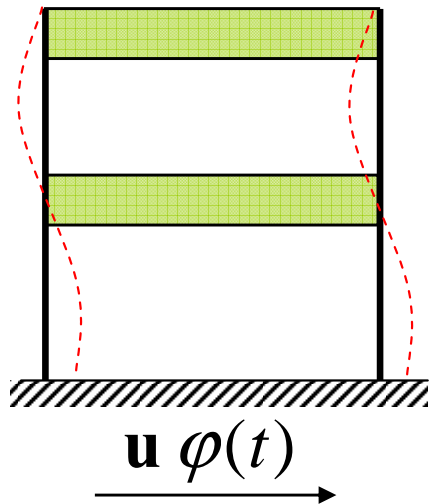
$$\mathbf{M}_{11} \ddot{\mathbf{y}}_1 + \mathbf{K}_{11} \mathbf{y}_1 = \mathbf{g}_1(t)$$

$$\downarrow$$

$$\mathbf{g}_1(t) = -(\mathbf{M}_{11} \mathbf{S} + \mathbf{M}_{12}) \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_2(t)$$

(equivalent load)

System submitted to global support acceleration



$$\Rightarrow \ddot{\mathbf{q}} = \begin{Bmatrix} \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_1 \\ \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \ddot{\mathbf{y}}_1 \\ \mathbf{0} \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{u}_2 \end{Bmatrix} \varphi(t)$$

where

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{u}_1 = -\mathbf{K}_{11}^{-1} \mathbf{K}_{12} \mathbf{u}_2 \\ \mathbf{g}_1(t) = -(\mathbf{M}_{11} \mathbf{u}_1 + \mathbf{M}_{12} \mathbf{u}_2) \varphi(t) \end{cases}$$

Method of additional masses

Modification of the equations of motion

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M}_{11} & \mathbf{M}_{12} \\ \mathbf{M}_{21} & \mathbf{M}_{22} + \mathbf{M}_{22}^0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_1 \\ \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_2 \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{11} & \mathbf{K}_{12} \\ \mathbf{K}_{21} & \mathbf{K}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_1 \\ \mathbf{q}_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{f}(t) \end{Bmatrix}$$

with \mathbf{M}_{22} of high amplitude level

$$\mathbf{f}(t) \cong \mathbf{M}_{22}^0 \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_2$$

Effective modal masses

Governing motion equation for the unrestrained DOF

$$\mathbf{M}_{11} \ddot{\mathbf{y}}_1 + \mathbf{K}_{11} \mathbf{y}_1 = \mathbf{g}_1(t) \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{g}_1(t) = -(\mathbf{M}_{11} \mathbf{S} + \mathbf{M}_{12}) \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_2(t)$$

⇒ Normal equations

$$\mathbf{\Omega}^2 \boldsymbol{\eta} + \ddot{\boldsymbol{\eta}} = -\mathbf{X}^T (\mathbf{M}_{11} \mathbf{S} + \mathbf{M}_{12}) \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_2$$

→ $\Gamma =$ modal participation matrix
of dimension $n_1 \times n_2$

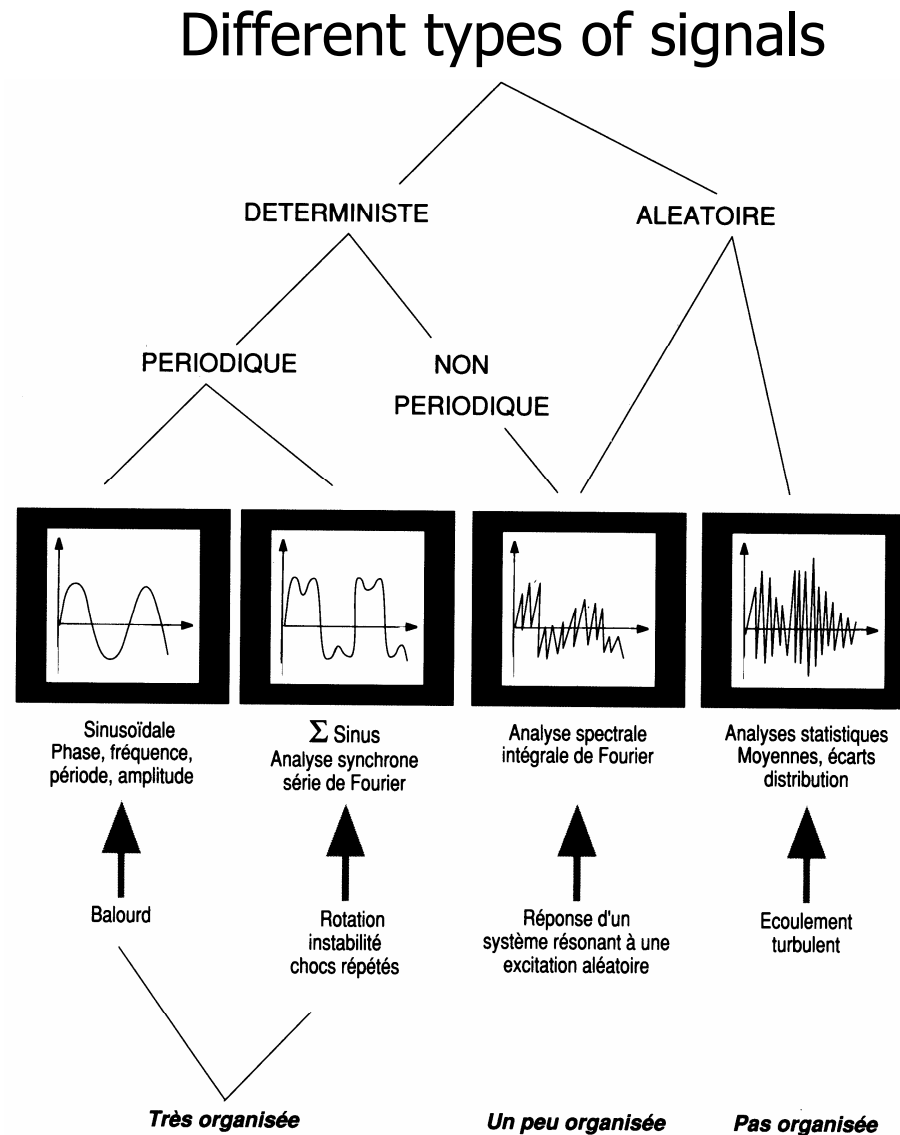
Concept of effective modal mass : $\Gamma \Gamma^T$

$$\Rightarrow m_T - m_S = \sum_{j=1}^{n_1} \frac{(\Gamma \mathbf{e}_i)_j^2}{\mu_j} \rightarrow \text{Effective mass of mode } j \text{ in direction } i$$

Total mass ←

→ Mass associated with the support

Digital Signal Processing



Basic Theory of Fourier Analysis

A function $x(t)$, **periodic** in time T , can be written in an infinite series of sinusoids:

$$x(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos(n \omega t) + b_n \sin(n \omega t)) \quad \left(\text{with } \omega = \frac{2\pi}{T}\right)$$

$$\text{where } a_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T x(t) \cos(n \omega t) dt \quad (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots)$$

$$b_n = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T x(t) \sin(n \omega t) dt \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots)$$

Alternative forms

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} X_n e^{i n \omega t} \quad \text{where } X_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x(t) e^{-i n \omega t} dt$$

The Fourier Transform

A **nonperiodic** function $x(t)$ which satisfies the condition

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x(t)| dt < \infty$$

can be represented by the integral

$$x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (A(\omega) \cos(\omega t) + B(\omega) \sin(\omega t)) d\omega$$

where $A(\omega) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \cos(\omega t) dt$

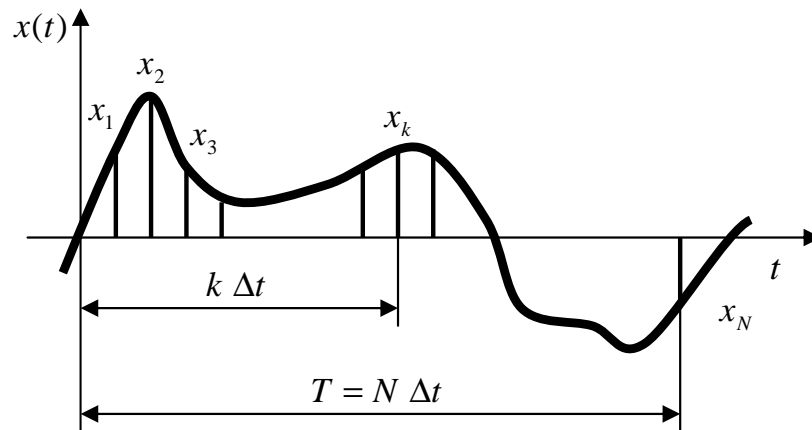
$$B(\omega) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) \sin(\omega t) dt$$

Alternative form

$$x(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} X(\omega) e^{i\omega t} d\omega \quad \text{where} \quad X(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt$$

The Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT)

Let us consider a time signal which is digitised (by an A-D converter)



Δt = time resolution

$f_s = \frac{1}{\Delta t}$ = sampling rate

$T = N \Delta t$ = sample length

$\Delta f = \frac{1}{T} = \frac{f_s}{N}$ = frequency resolution

The Fourier series of the original signal (**periodicity assumption**) can be written:

$$x(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} X_n e^{i \frac{2\pi n t}{T}} \quad \text{with} \quad X_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x(t) e^{-i \frac{2\pi n t}{T}} dt$$

If $x(t)$ is discretised at evenly spaced time intervals Δt , we can write at a particular time $t_i = k \Delta t$:

$$x(t_k) e^{-i \frac{2 \pi n t_k}{T}} = x(k \Delta t) e^{-i \frac{2 \pi n k \Delta t}{T}} = x_k e^{-i \frac{2 \pi n k}{N}}$$

In this case, the integral $X_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x(t) e^{-i \frac{2 \pi n t}{T}} dt$

is replaced by $X_n = \frac{1}{N \Delta t} \sum_{k=1}^N x_k e^{-i \frac{2 \pi n k}{N}} \Delta t$

The (complex) DFT is defined by

$$X_n = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=1}^N x_k e^{-i \frac{2 \pi n k}{N}} \quad (n = 1, \dots, N)$$

The Fast Fourier Transform (FFT)

The calculation of the DFT of a signal using the definition

$$X_n = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} x_k e^{-i \frac{2\pi n k}{N}} \quad (n = 0, \dots, N-1)$$

requires N^2 complex multiplications (and additions)

⇒ time-consuming operation.

The basis of the FFT algorithm of radix 2 ($N=2^r$ where r is an integral number) is the partitioning of the full sequence of sample values into a number of shorter sequences:

$$X_n = \frac{1}{N} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{N/2-1} x_{2k} e^{-i \frac{2\pi n 2k}{N}} + \sum_{k=0}^{N/2-1} x_{2k+1} e^{-i \frac{2\pi n (2k+1)}{N}} \right)$$

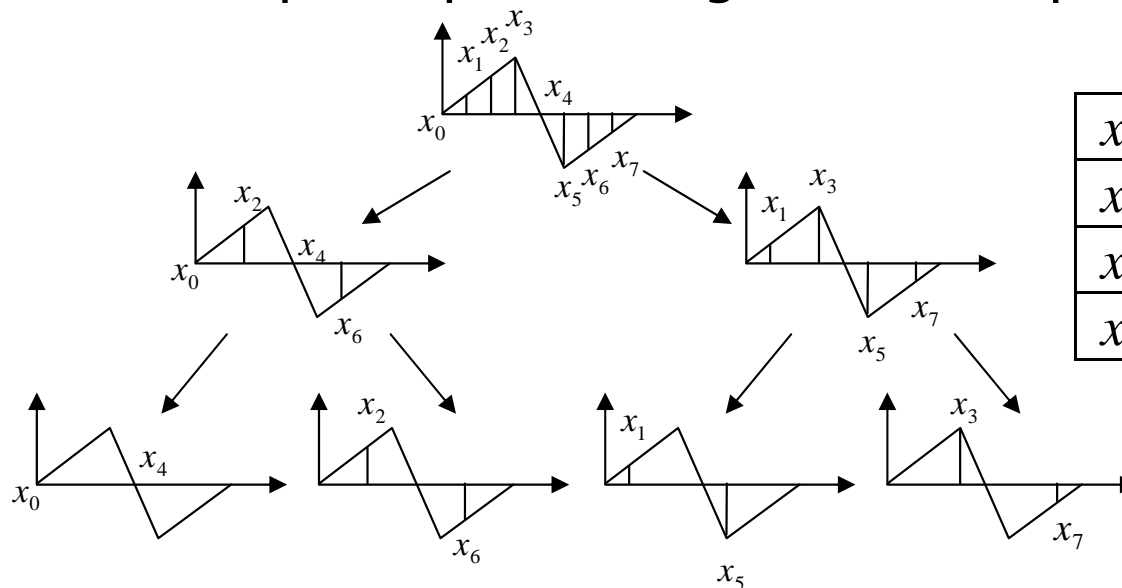
$$X_n = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{N/2} \left(\sum_{k=0}^{N/2-1} x_{2k} e^{-i \frac{2\pi n k}{N/2}} + e^{-i \frac{2\pi n}{N}} \sum_{k=0}^{N/2-1} x_{2k+1} e^{-i \frac{2\pi n k}{N/2}} \right)$$

Thus the full FFT computation scheme becomes

$$\left. \begin{aligned} X(n) &= \frac{1}{2} (X_y(n) + W^n X_z(n)) \\ X\left(n + \frac{N}{2}\right) &= \frac{1}{2} (X_y(n) - W^n X_z(n)) \end{aligned} \right\} \quad \left(n = 0, \dots, \frac{N}{2} - 1\right)$$

where $W = e^{-i \frac{2\pi}{N}}$

Example of partitioning : $N=8$ samples



| x_0 | x_1 | x_2 | x_3 | x_4 | x_5 | x_6 | x_7 |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| x_0 | x_2 | x_4 | x_6 | x_1 | x_3 | x_5 | x_7 |
| x_0 | x_4 | x_2 | x_6 | x_1 | x_5 | x_3 | x_7 |
| x_0 | x_4 | x_2 | x_6 | x_1 | x_5 | x_3 | x_7 |

Random Vibration

Consider a random process represented by an infinite set of samples

Definitions

Mean Value

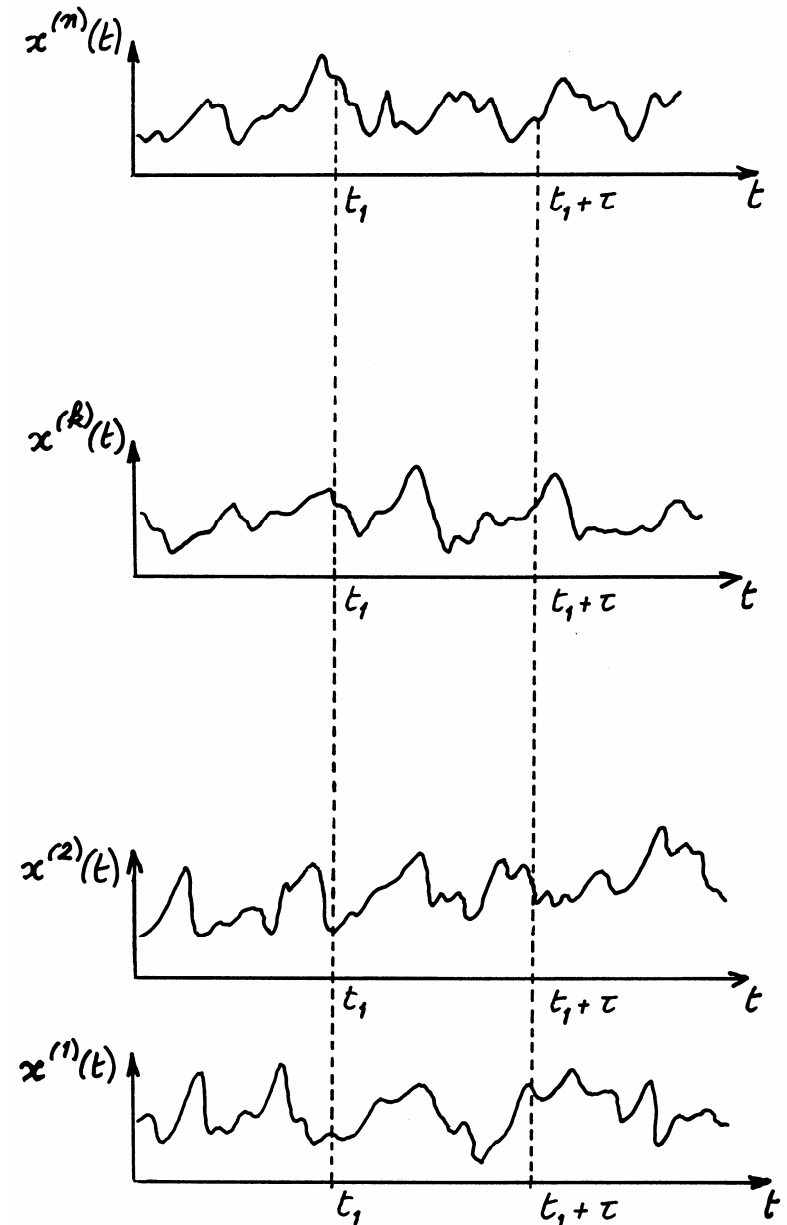
$$\mu_x(t_1) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n x^{(k)}(t_1)$$

Root Mean Square Value

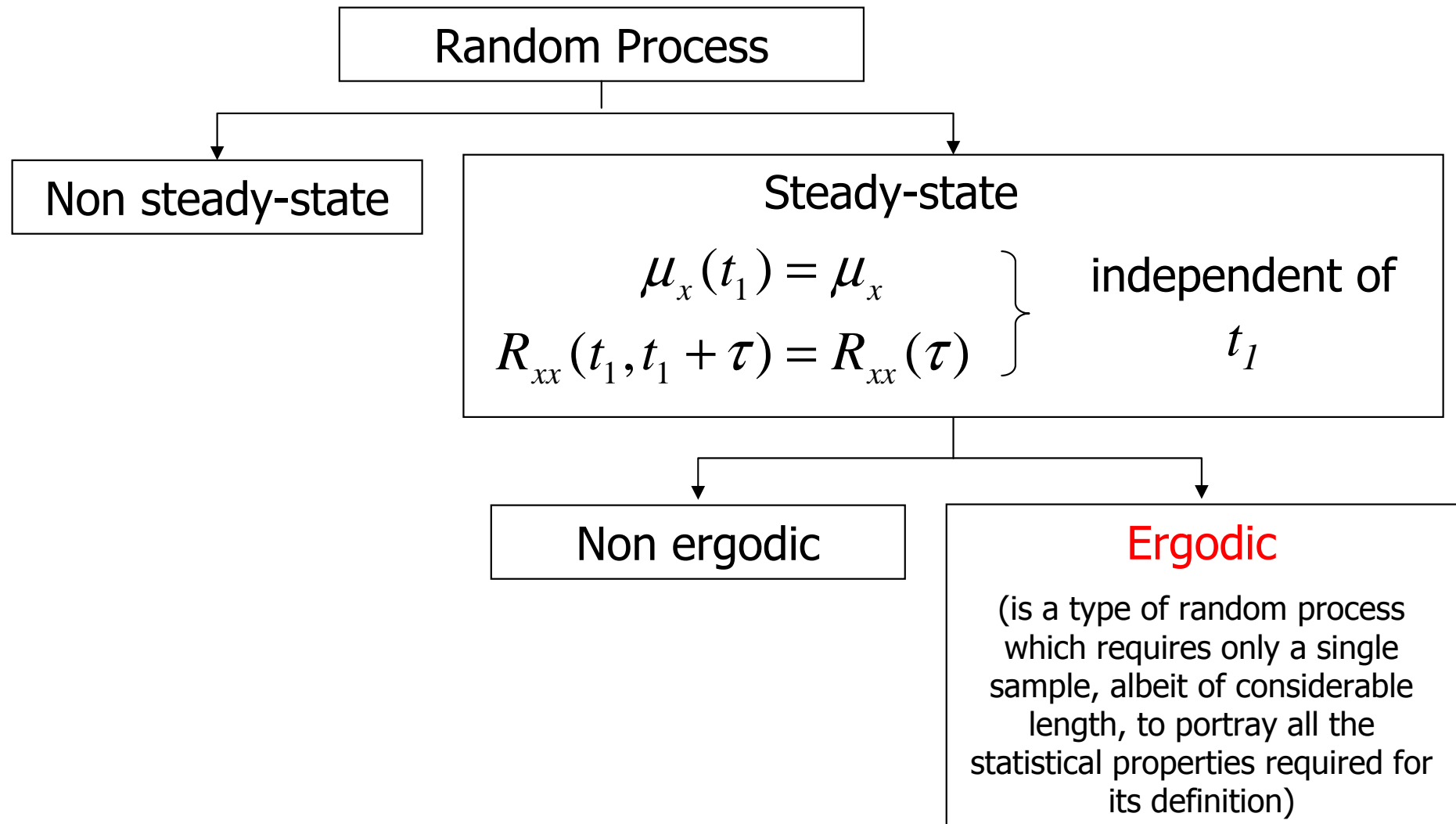
$$\bar{X}^2 = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} x^2(t) dt$$

Autocorrelation Function

$$R_{xx}(t_1, t_1 + \tau) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n x^{(k)}(t_1) x^{(k)}(t_1 + \tau)$$



Classes of random process



For an ergodic process, it follows that the Autocorrelation function is defined as the 'expected' (or average) value of the product $(x(t).x(t + \tau))$

$$R_{xx}(\tau) = E[x(t).x(t + \tau)]$$

It can be seen that:

$$R_{xx}(0) = \bar{X}^2$$

Power Spectral Density (PSD)

The Auto- or Power Spectral Density (PSD), $S_{xx}(\omega)$, of a signal $x(t)$ is defined as the Fourier Transform of the Autocorrelation Function i.e.

$$S_{xx}(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{xx}(\tau) e^{-i\omega\tau} d\tau$$

The Auto-Spectral Density is a real and even function of frequency, and does in fact provide a description of the frequency composition of the original signal. For an acceleration signal for example, it has units of $(m/s^2)^2/(rad/s)$.

The inverse transformation gives:

$$R_{xx}(\tau) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_{xx}(\omega) e^{i\omega\tau} d\omega$$

Thus, it comes: $R_{xx}(0) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} S_{xx}(\omega) d\omega = \bar{X}^2$

A similar concept can be applied to a pair of functions such as $x(t)$ and $f(t)$ to produce cross correlation and cross spectral density functions.

The cross correlation function, $R_{xf}(t)$, is defined as:

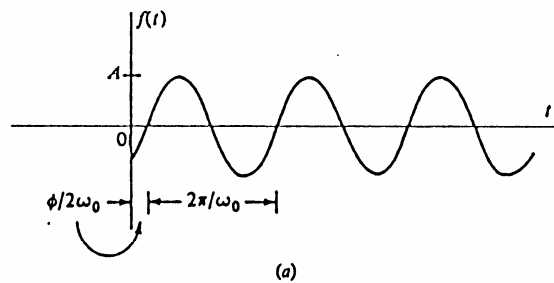
$$R_{xf}(\tau) = E[x(t) \cdot f(t + \tau)]$$

and the cross spectral density is defined as its Fourier Transform:

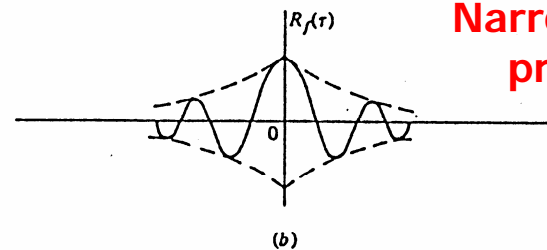
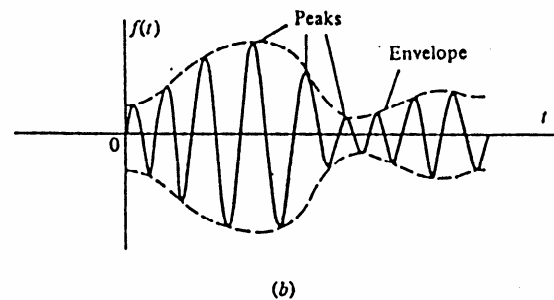
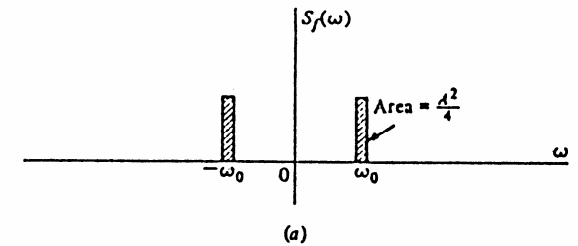
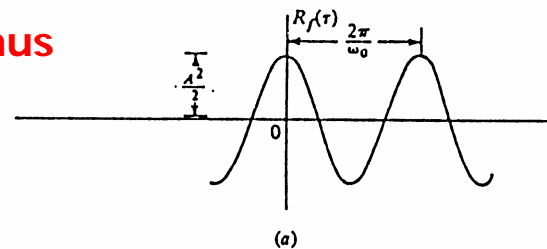
$$S_{xf}(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} R_{xf}(\tau) e^{-i\omega\tau} d\tau$$

Time Domain

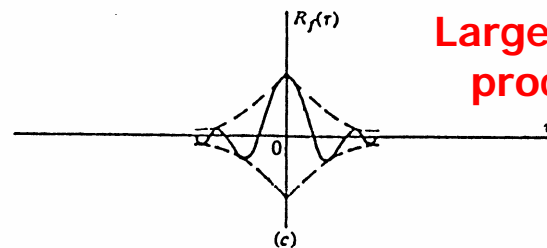
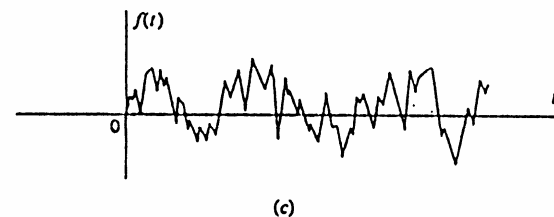
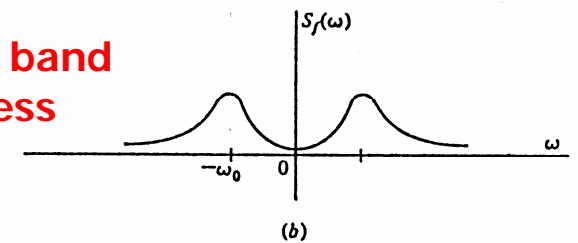
Autocorrelation function Power Spectral Density



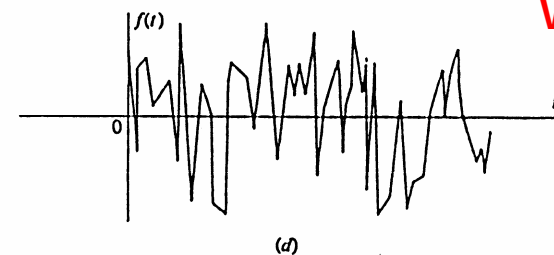
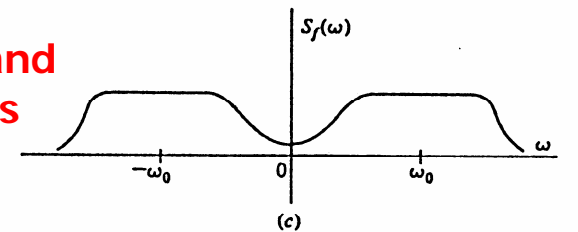
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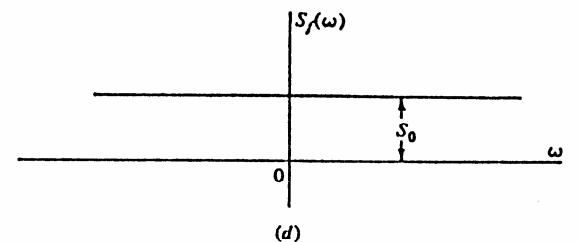
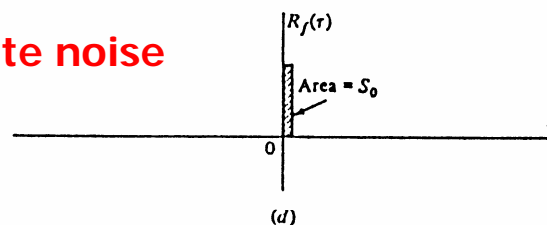
Narrow band
process



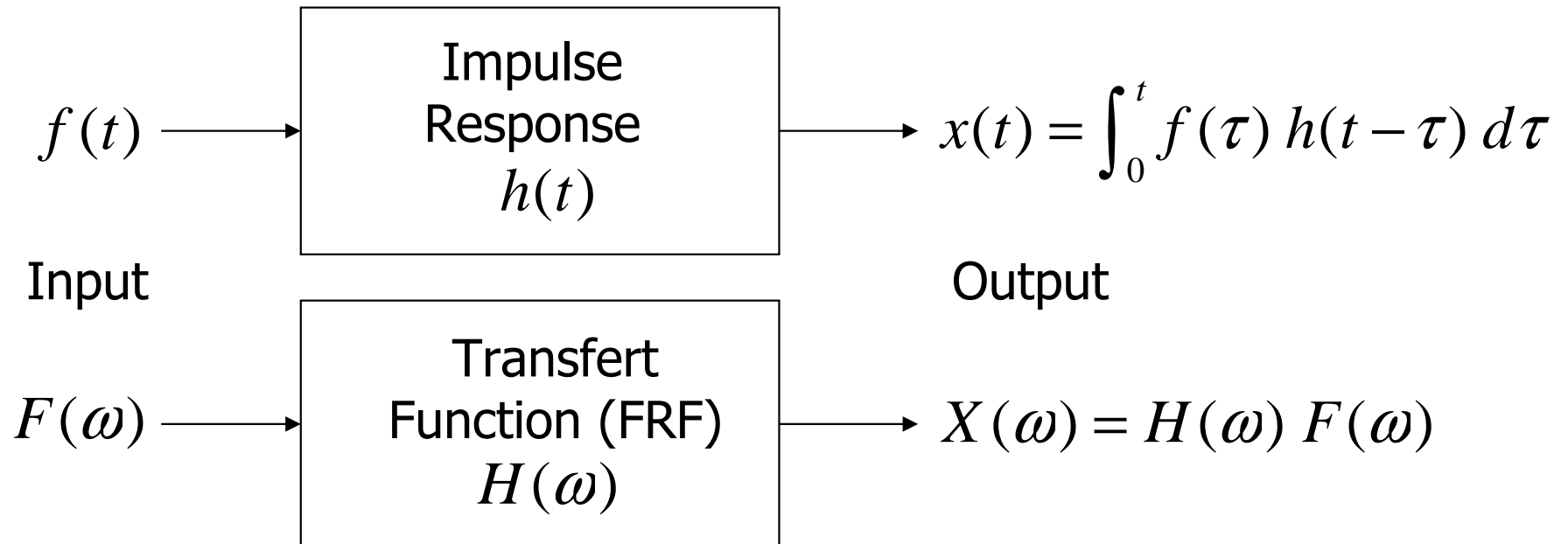
Large band
process



White noise



System Response - Time / Frequency Duality



In the frequency domain, we can establish the following relations:

$$S_{xx}(\omega) = |H(\omega)|^2 S_{ff}(\omega)$$

$$S_{fx}(\omega) = H(\omega) S_{ff}(\omega)$$

$$S_{xx}(\omega) = H(\omega) S_{xf}(\omega)$$

Property of the cross power spectral densities:

$$S_{xf}(\omega) = S_{fx}^*(\omega)$$

Some Features of Digital Fourier Analysis

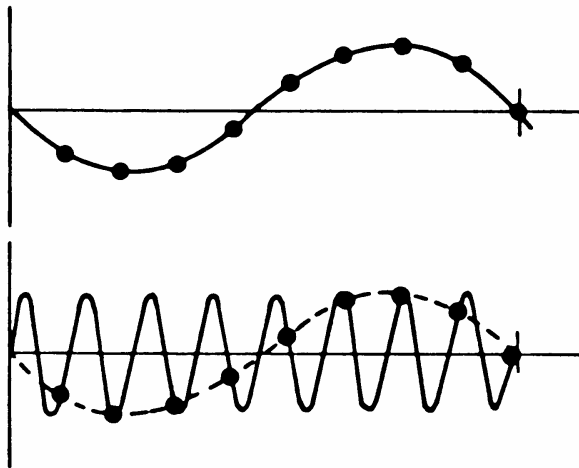
There are a number of features of digital Fourier analysis which, if not properly treated, can give rise to erroneous results. These are generally the result of the discretisation approximation and of the need to limit the length of the time history.

Specific features are:

- *aliasing,*
- *leakage,*
- *windowing,*
- *filtering,*
- *zooming,*
- *averaging.*

Aliasing

Aliasing results from the discretisation of the originally continuous time history.

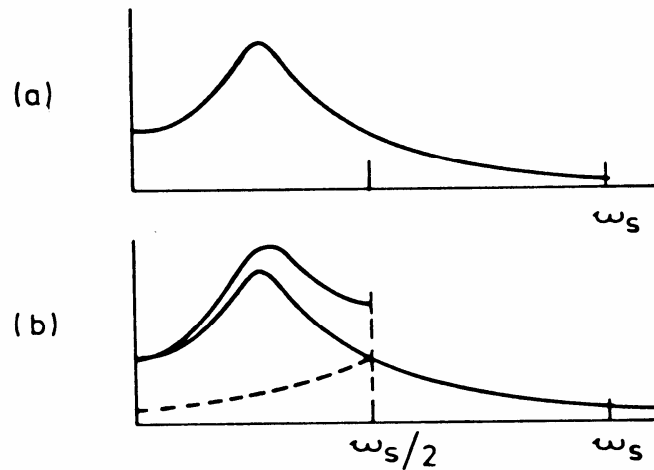


Low-frequency signal

High-frequency signal: the existence of high frequencies is misinterpreted if the sampling rate is too slow.

Thus, a signal of frequency ω and one of $(\omega_s - \omega)$ (where ω_s is the sampling frequency) are indistinguishable when represented as a discretised time history.

Alias distortion of spectrum by DFT



(a) True spectrum of signal

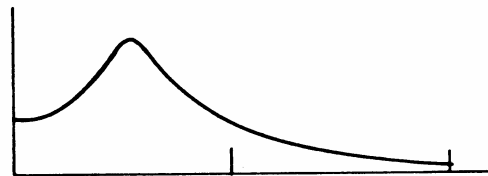
(b) Indicated spectrum from DFT:
frequencies higher than $\omega_s / 2$
are "folded back"

Nyquist sampling theorem

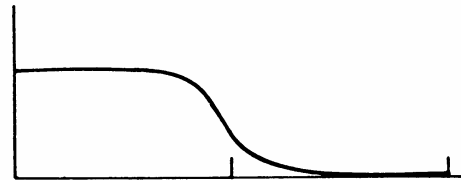
$$\boxed{\omega \leq \frac{\omega_s}{2}} \quad \omega_{\max} = \frac{\omega_s}{2} = \text{Nyquist (cut-off) frequency}$$

Practically, one often chooses : $\omega_s = 2.56 \omega$

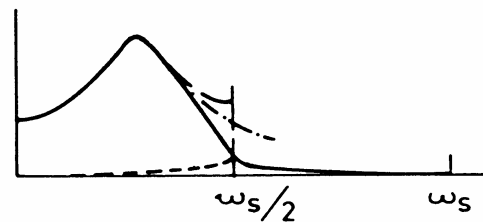
Solution : use an anti-aliasing filter which subjects the original time signal to a low-pass, sharp cut-off filter.



True spectrum of signal



Low-pass filter

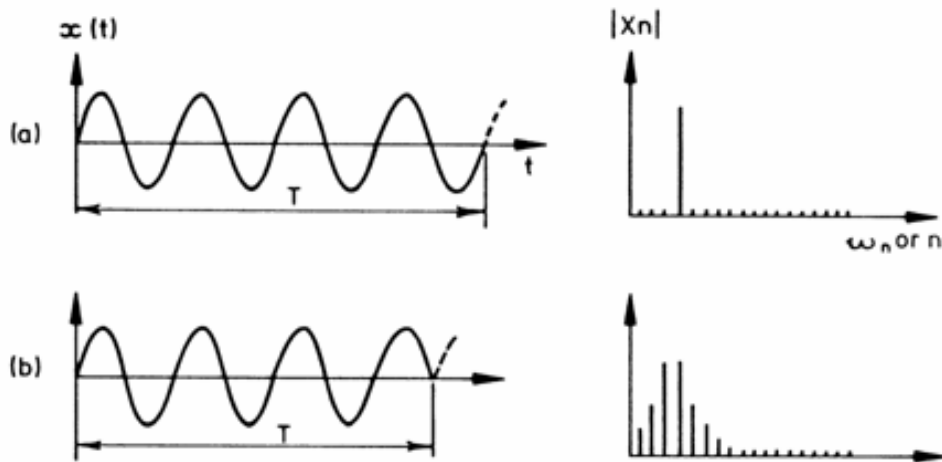


Indicated spectrum from DFT

Because the filters are not perfect, it is necessary to reject the spectral measurements in a frequency range approaching the Nyquist frequency. It is for this reason that a 1024-point transform results in a 512-line spectrum and that only the first 400 lines are given on the analyser display.

Leakage

Leakage results from the need to take only a finite length of time history coupled with the assumption of periodicity.

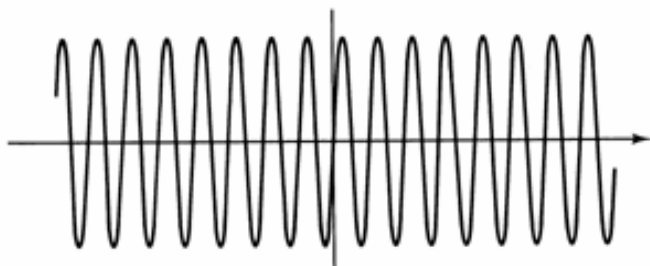


(a) Ideal signal

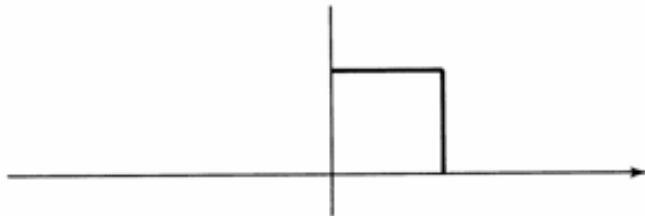
(b) 'Awkward' signal

- (a) The signal is perfectly periodic in the time window T
- (b) The periodicity assumption is not strictly valid (discontinuity at the end of the sample)

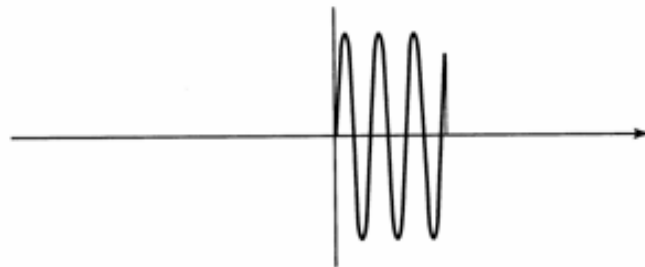
Time domain



(a)



(b)

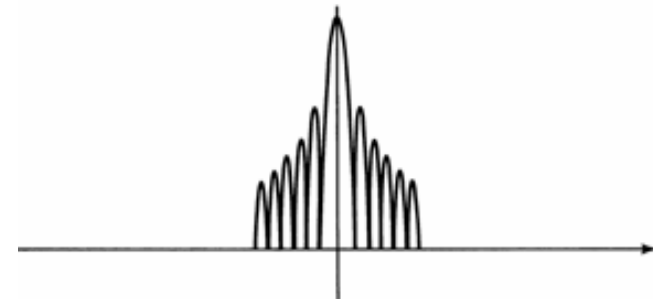


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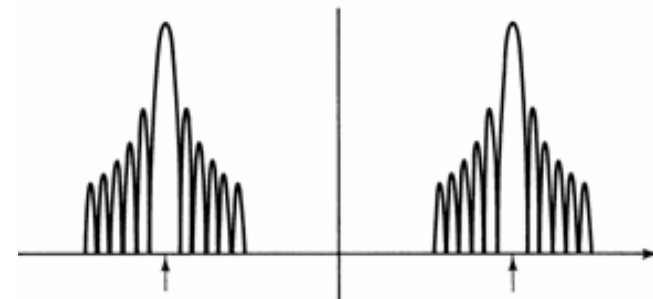
Frequency domain



(a)



(b)

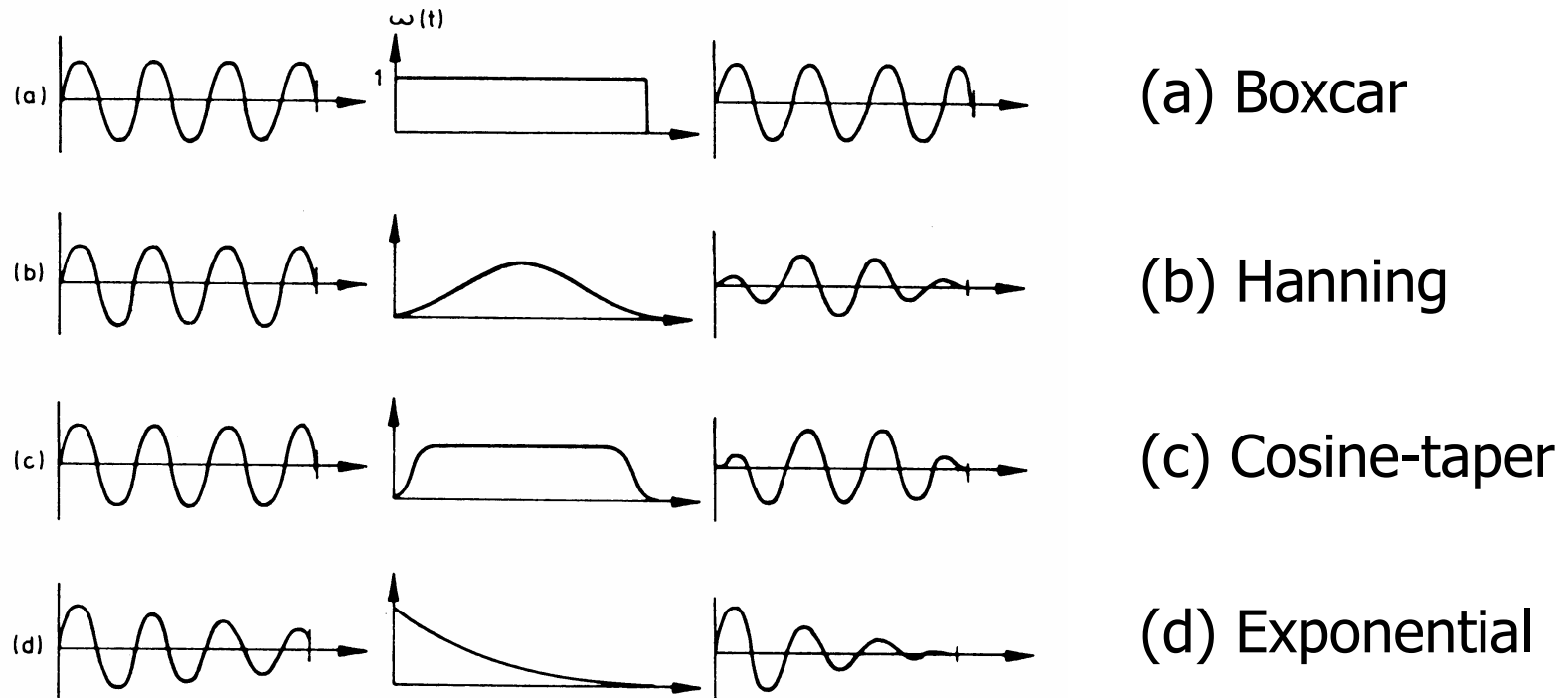


Windowing

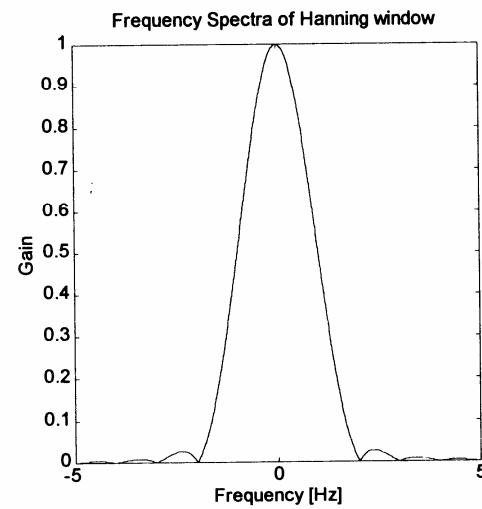
$$x'(t) = x(t) w(t) \qquad X'(\omega) = X(\omega) \otimes W(\omega)$$

Analysed signal \leftarrow \rightarrow Window \rightarrow Convolution product

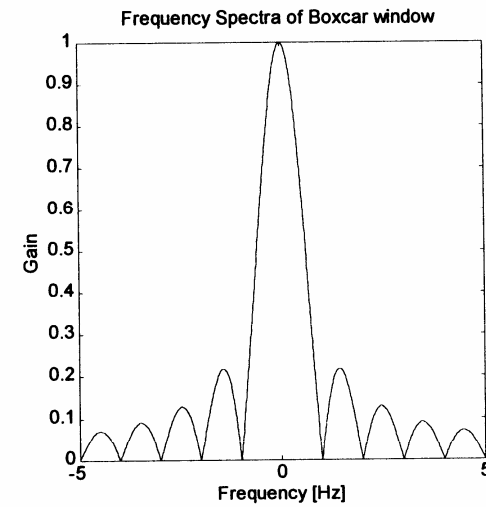
Different types of window



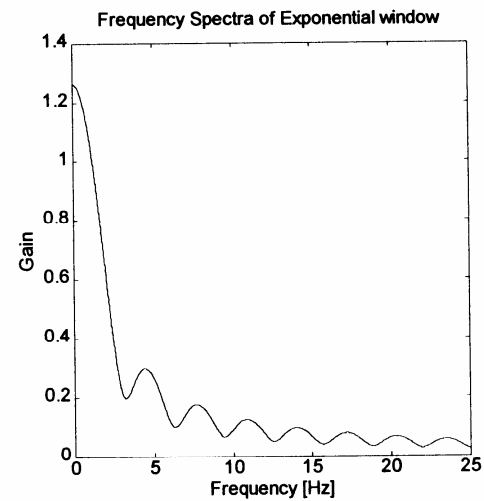
Frequency spectra of different windows



(a)



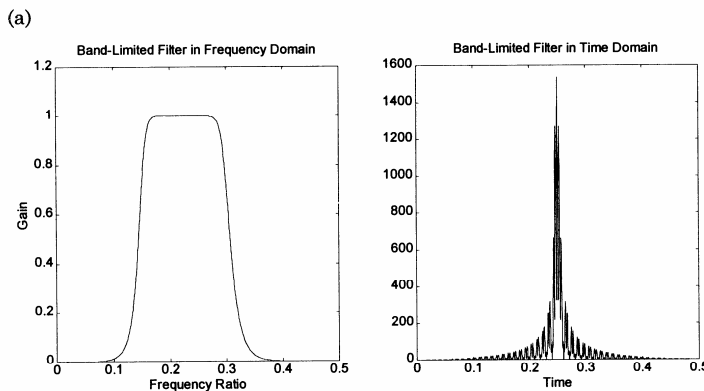
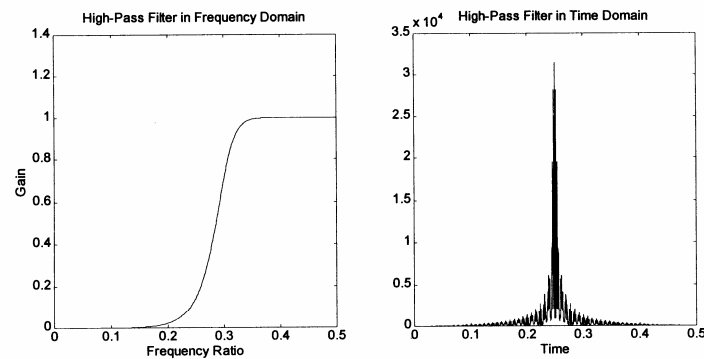
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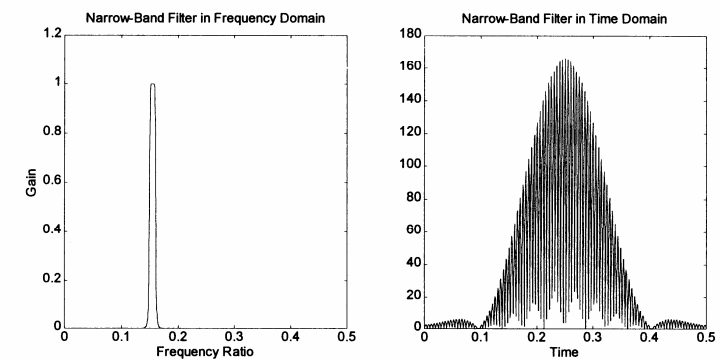
(c)

Filtering

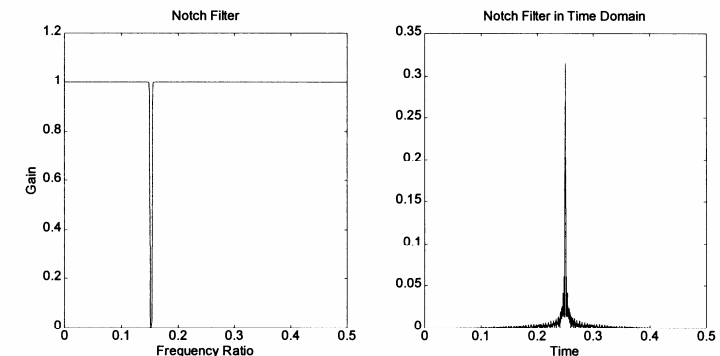
Filtering is another signal conditioning process rather like windowing, except that it is applied in the frequency domain rather than the time domain.



(b)



(c)



(d)

$$X'(\omega) = X(\omega) W(\omega)$$

$$x'(t) = x(t) \otimes w(t)$$

Improving Resolution

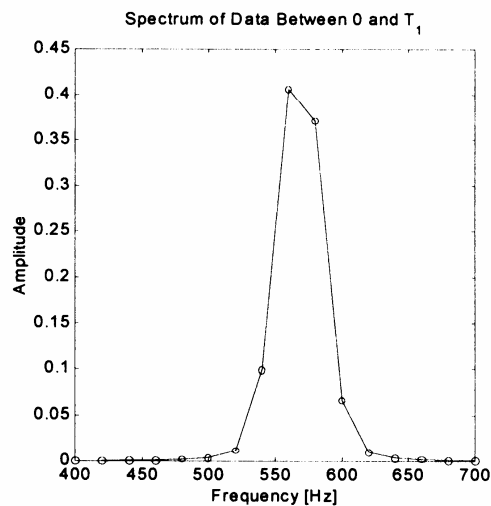
Inadequate frequency resolution (e.g. especially for lightly-damped systems) arises because of the constraints imposed by the DFT process i.e.

- the limited number of discrete points available (N);
- the maximum frequency range to be covered ($\omega_s/2$) and/or the length of time sample available.

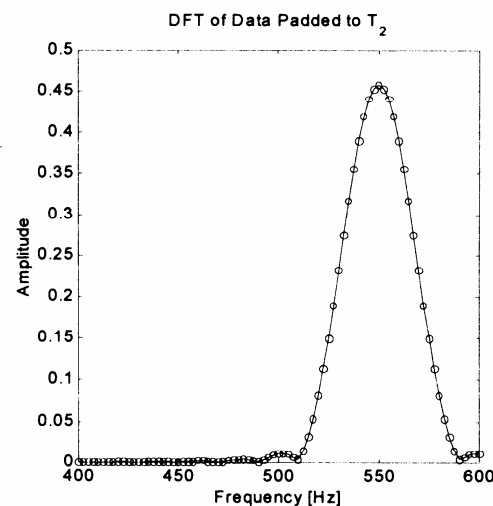
Solutions to this problem are:

- Increasing transform size (but it may be counterproductive to increase the fineness of the spectrum overall)
- Zero padding
- Zoom

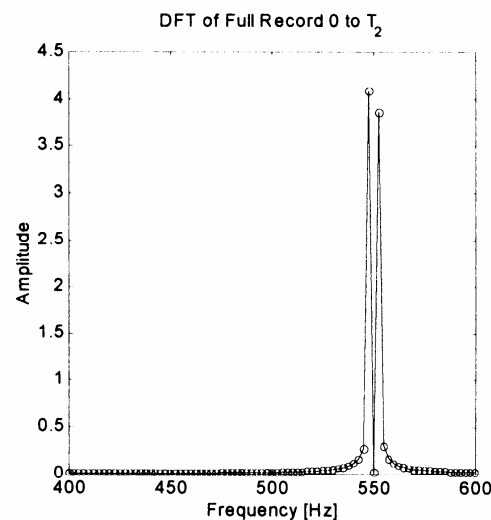
Zero padding: It consists in adding a series of zeroes to the short sample of actual data, to increase artificially the length of the sample.



(a)



(b)



(c)

Results of using zero-padding

(a) DFT of data between 0 and T_1

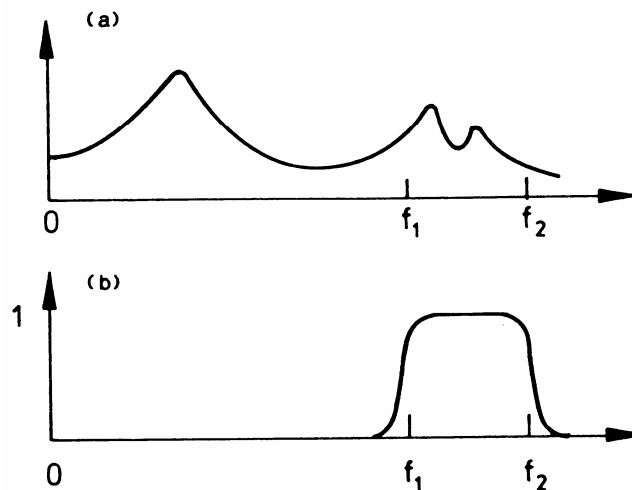
(b) DFT of data padded to T_2

(c) DFT of full record 0 to T_2 .

It reveals the presence of 2 frequency components in the signal !

Zoom

The objective is to obtain a finer frequency resolution by concentrating all the spectral lines (400, 800, ...) on the frequency range of interest (between f_1 and f_2 rather than between 0 and f_2).



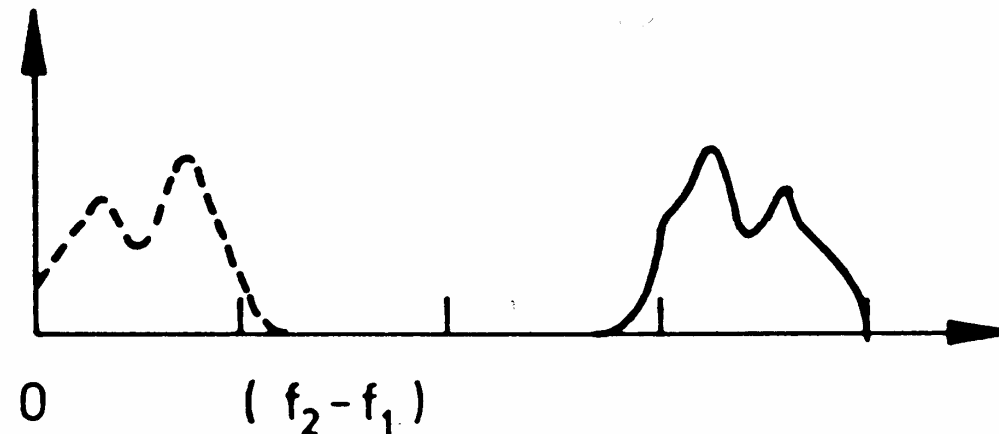
(a) Spectrum of the signal to be analysed

(b) Band-pass filter

A method consists to apply a band-pass filter to the signal and to perform a DFT between 0 and $(\omega_2 - \omega_1)$

Then because of the aliasing phenomenon, the frequency components between f_1 and f_2 will appear aliased in the analysis range 0 to $(f_2 - f_1)$ with the advantage of a finer resolution.

Effective frequency translation for zoom



In this example, the resolution is 4 times finer than in the original baseband analysis.

Other methods to achieve a zoom measurement are based on effectively shifting the frequency origin by multiplying the original time history by a $\cos(\omega_1 t)$ function and then filtering the higher of the two components thus produced.

Example : suppose the signal to be analysed is:

$$x(t) = A \sin(\omega t)$$

Multiplying this by $\cos(\omega_1 t)$ yields:

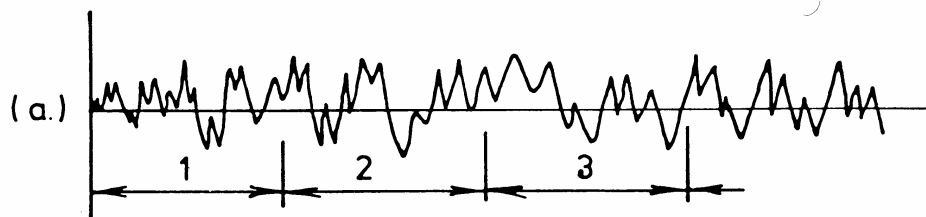
$$x'(t) = A \sin(\omega t) \cos(\omega_1 t) = \frac{A}{2} (\sin(\omega - \omega_1) t + \sin(\omega + \omega_1) t)$$

If we filter out the second component, we are left with the original signal translated down the frequency range by ω_1 . In this method, it is clear that sample times are multiplied by the zoom magnification factor.

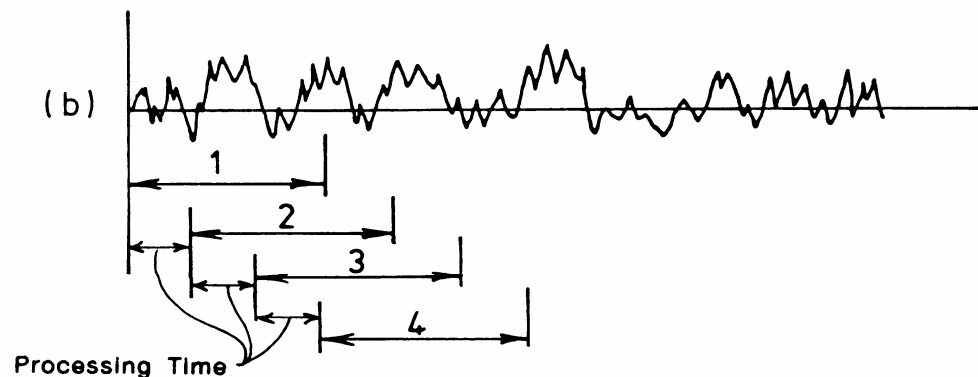
Averaging

Need to enhance the quality of the measurements in terms of reliability and accuracy. A high number of samples allows to remove spurious random noise from the signals.

There are several options which can be selected when setting an analyser into average mode (exponential, linear).



Different interpretations
of multi-sample averaging



(a) Sequential

(b) Overlap

Classes of signal used for modal testing

Periodic excitation

- stepped sine
- slow sine sweep
- periodic
- pseudo-random
- periodic random

Random excitation

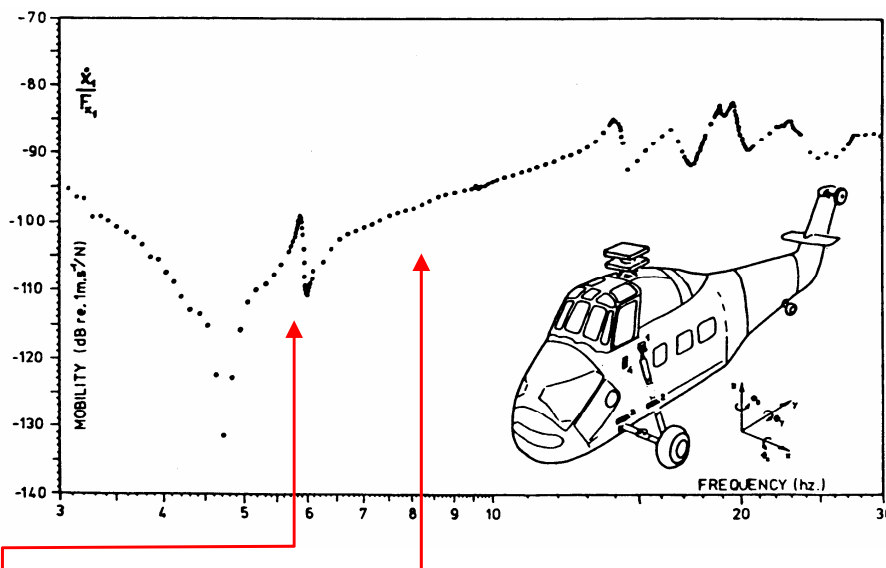
- (true) random
- white noise
- narrow-band random

Transient excitation

- burst sine
- burst random
- chirp
- impulse

Periodic Excitation

• Stepped-sine Testing



Example of rapid coarse sweep with a large frequency increment, followed by a set of small fine sweeps localised around the resonances of interest.

Features :

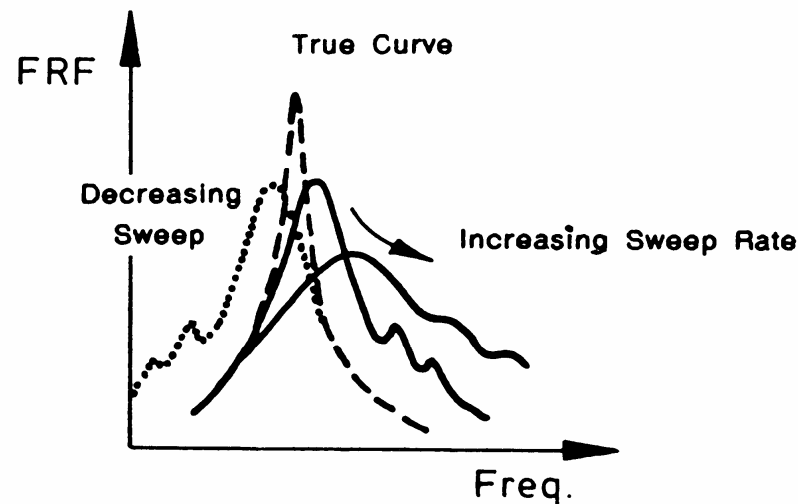
- Step-by-step variation of the frequency of the excitation signal;
- Need to ensure steady-state conditions before the measurements are made;
- The extent of the unwanted transient response will depend on:

- the proximity of a natural frequency,
- the lightness of the damping,
- the abruptness of the changeover.

⇒ long measurement time.

• Slow Sine Sweep Testing

(= *the traditional method of FRF measurement*)



Distorting effect
of sweep rate

Features :

- Slow and continuous variation of the excitation frequency;
- Slow sweep rate to achieve steady-state conditions;

Prescriptions of the ISO Standard:

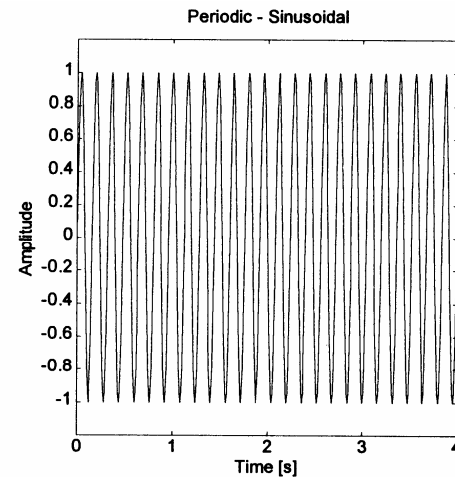
- Linear sweep:

$$S_{\max} < 216 \omega_r^2 \zeta_r^2 \quad \text{Hz/min}$$

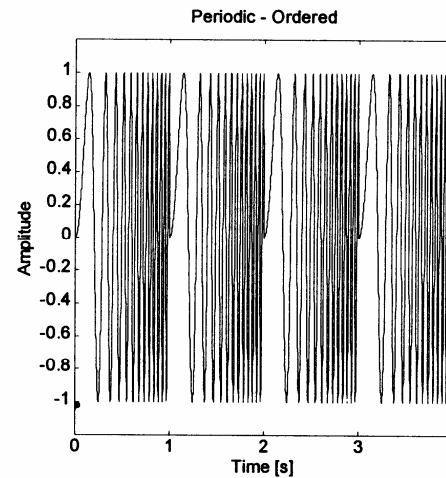
- Logarithmic sweep:

$$S_{\max} < 310 \omega_r^2 \zeta_r^2 \quad \text{Hz/min}$$

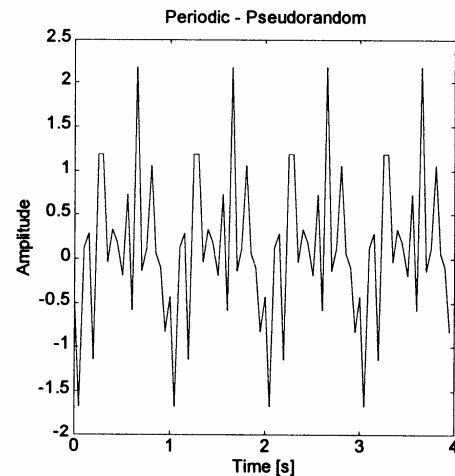
• Periodic, Pseudo-Random and Periodic Random Excitation



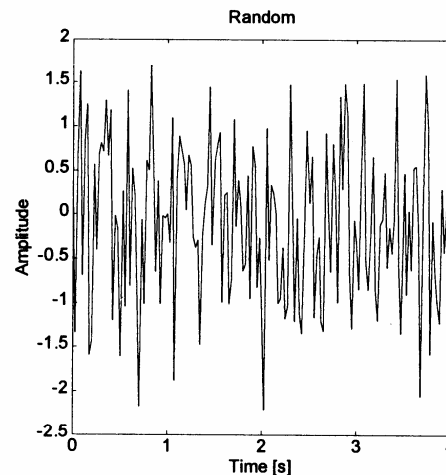
(a)



(b)



(c)



(d)

Features :

- Superposition of sinusoids;

or

- Generation of a random mixture of amplitudes and phases for the various frequency components and repetition of this sequence for several successive cycles.

⇒ Optimisation of the energy in the frequency range of interest.

Advantage:

- Exact periodicity of the excitation resulting in zero leakage errors
→ no need to use a window.

Random Excitation

FRF estimates using random excitation

The principle upon which the FRF is determined using random excitation relies on the following relations:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} S_{xx}(\omega) = |H(\omega)|^2 S_{ff}(\omega) \\ S_{fx}(\omega) = H(\omega) S_{ff}(\omega) \\ S_{xx}(\omega) = H(\omega) S_{xf}(\omega) \end{array} \right. \quad \text{rather than} \quad X(\omega) = H(\omega) F(\omega)$$

where $S_{xx}(\omega)$, $S_{ff}(\omega)$, $S_{xf}(\omega)$ are the autospectra of the response and excitation signals and the cross spectrum between these two signals, respectively.

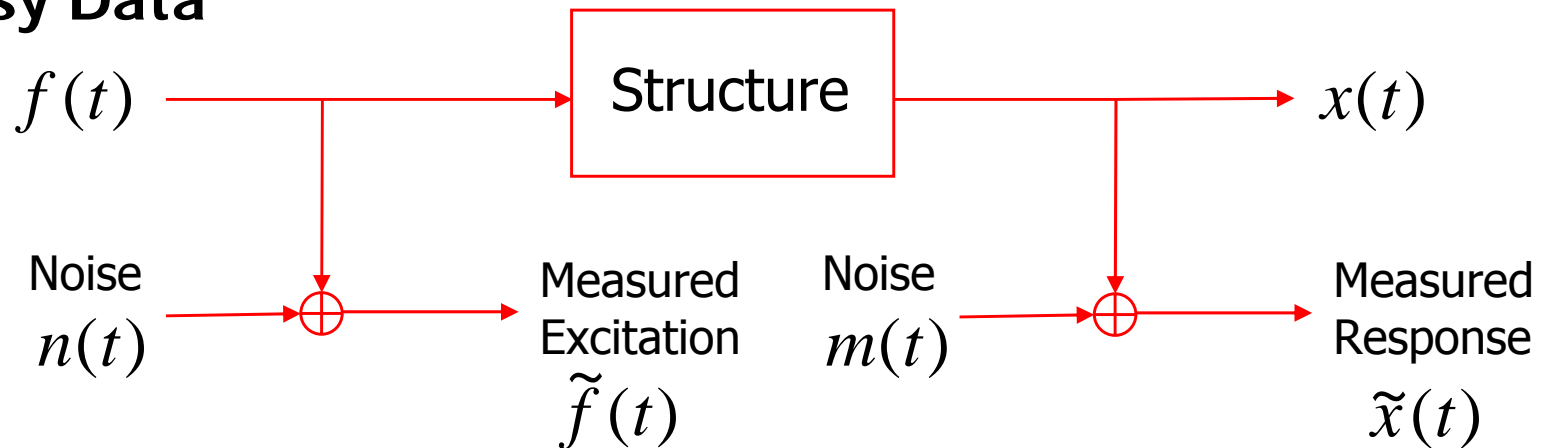
The spectrum analyser has the facility to **estimate** these various Power Spectral Densities (PSD). Two estimates for the FRF can be computed using these equations. We shall denote them:

$$H_1(\omega) = \frac{S_{fx}(\omega)}{S_{ff}(\omega)} \quad \text{and} \quad H_2(\omega) = \frac{S_{xx}(\omega)}{S_{xf}(\omega)}$$

Because we have used different quantities for these two estimates, we must be prepared for the eventuality that they are not identical (as, according to theory, they should be) and to this end we shall introduce the coherence function which is defined by:

$$\gamma^2 = \frac{H_1(\omega)}{H_2(\omega)} \quad \text{which can be shown to be always less or equal to 1.}$$

Noisy Data



Measured excitation and response signals:

$$\tilde{f}(t) = f(t) + n(t)$$

$$\tilde{x}(t) = x(t) + m(t)$$

Assumption: $m(t)$ and $n(t)$ are not correlated with $x(t)$ and $f(t)$.

$$\Rightarrow S_{nm}(\omega) = S_{fn}(\omega) = S_{xm}(\omega) = 0$$

Thus, it follows:

$$S_{\tilde{f}\tilde{f}}(\omega) = S_{ff}(\omega) + S_{nn}(\omega)$$

$$S_{\tilde{x}\tilde{x}}(\omega) = S_{xx}(\omega) + S_{mm}(\omega)$$

$$\text{and } S_{\tilde{f}\tilde{x}}(\omega) = S_{fx}(\omega)$$

FRF estimates:

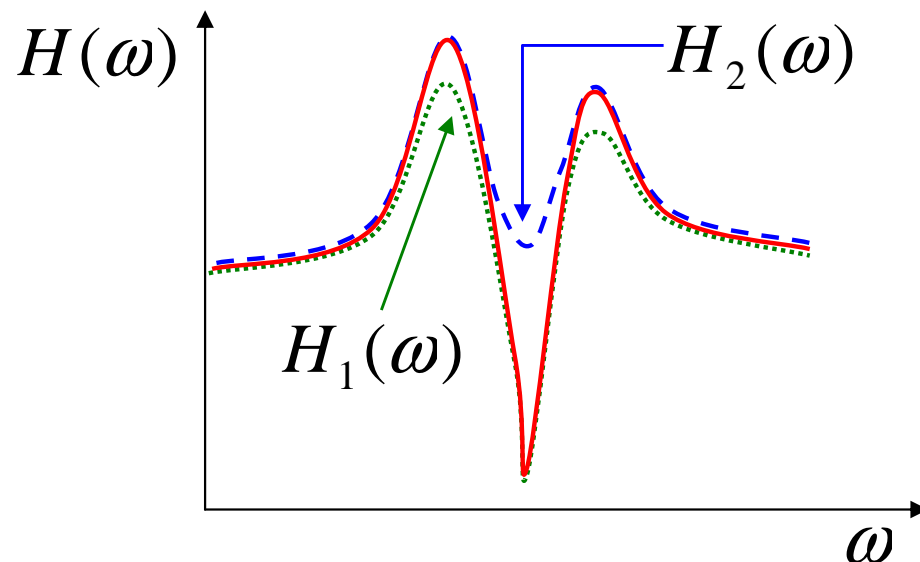
$$H_1(\omega) = \frac{S_{fx}(\omega)}{S_{ff}(\omega) + S_{nn}(\omega)}$$

is used when noise degrades the response signal (better indicator near antiresonance)

$$H_2(\omega) = \frac{S_{xx}(\omega) + S_{mm}(\omega)}{S_{xf}(\omega)}$$

is used when noise degrades the force signal (better indicator near resonance)

General Case: $H_1(\omega) \leq H(\omega) \leq H_2(\omega)$



Alternative:

$$H_v(\omega) = \sqrt{H_1(\omega) H_2(\omega)}$$

Coherence estimation:

$$\gamma^2 = \frac{H_1(\omega)}{H_2(\omega)} \Rightarrow \gamma_{\tilde{f}\tilde{x}}^2 = \frac{S_{fx}(\omega)}{(S_{ff}(\omega) + S_{nn}(\omega))} \frac{S_{xf}(\omega)}{(S_{xx}(\omega) + S_{mm}(\omega))}$$

$$= \frac{\gamma_{fx}^2(\omega)}{\left(1 + \frac{S_{nn}(\omega)}{S_{ff}(\omega)}\right) \left(1 + \frac{S_{mm}(\omega)}{S_{xx}(\omega)}\right)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \gamma_{\tilde{f}\tilde{x}}^2 \leq 1$$

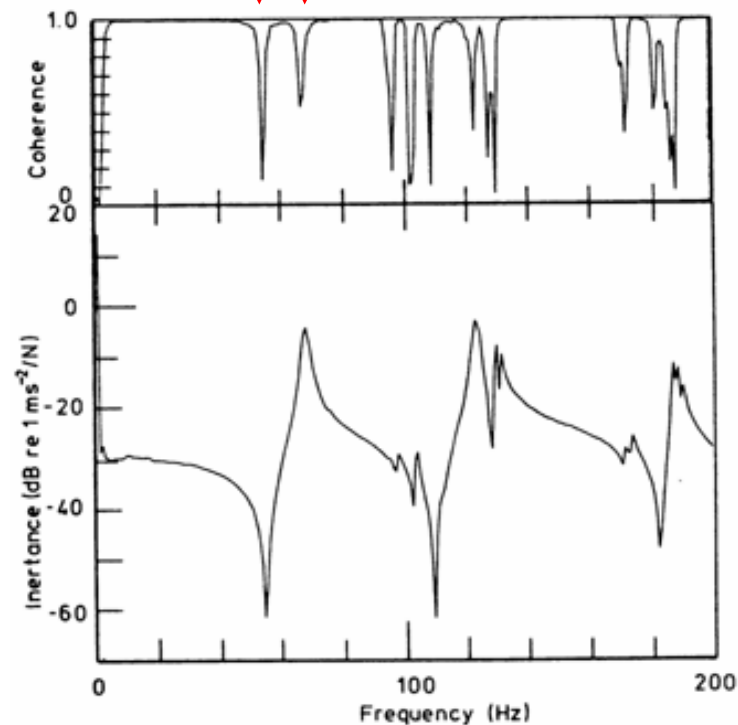
Cases when $\gamma_{\tilde{f}\tilde{x}}^2 \leq 1$

- There may be noise on one or other of the signals;
- The dynamic behaviour of the structure is nonlinear;
- The structure is excited by a non-recorded source of excitation (e.g. lateral coupling between the structure and the shaker).

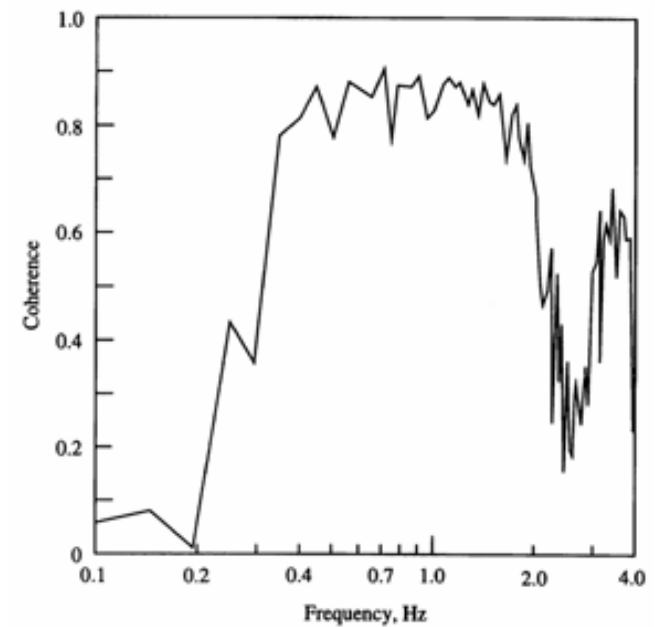
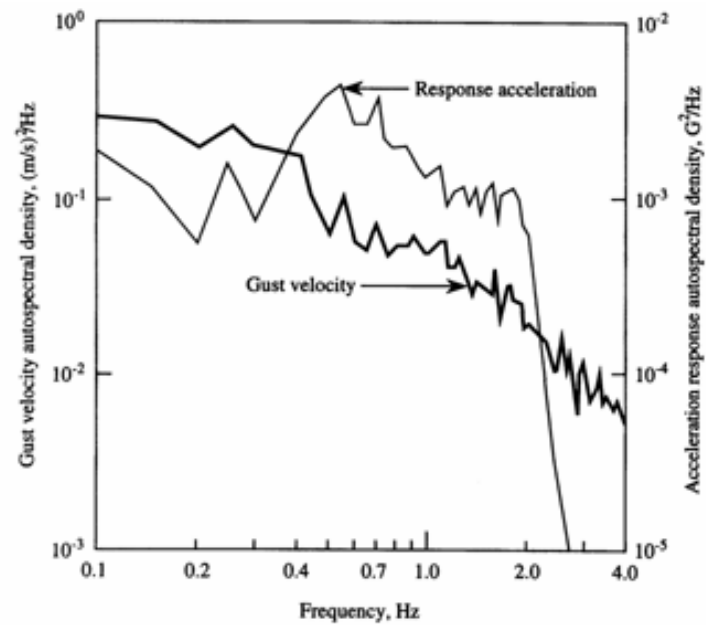
Example of FRF measurement using random excitation

Coherence drop
due to noise in the
response signal

Coherence drop
due to noise in the
excitation signal



Example of application

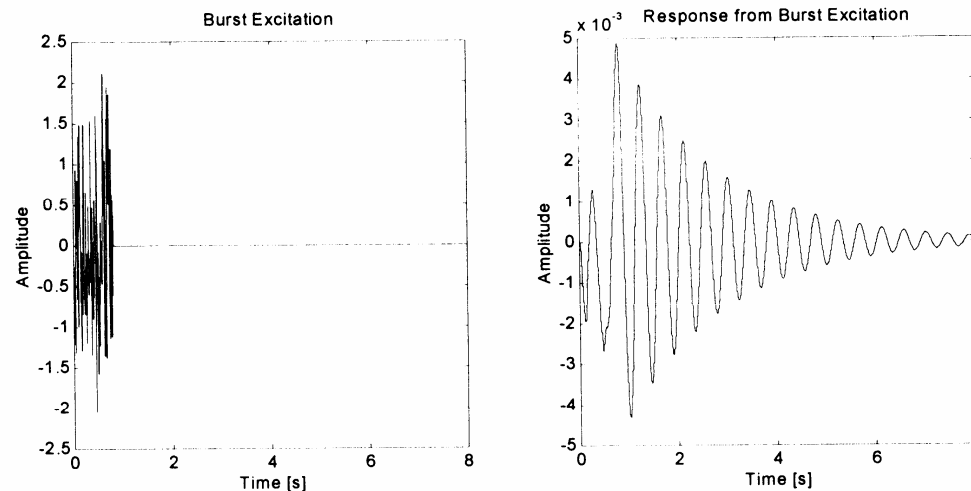


Transient Excitation

There are 3 types of transient excitation signals.

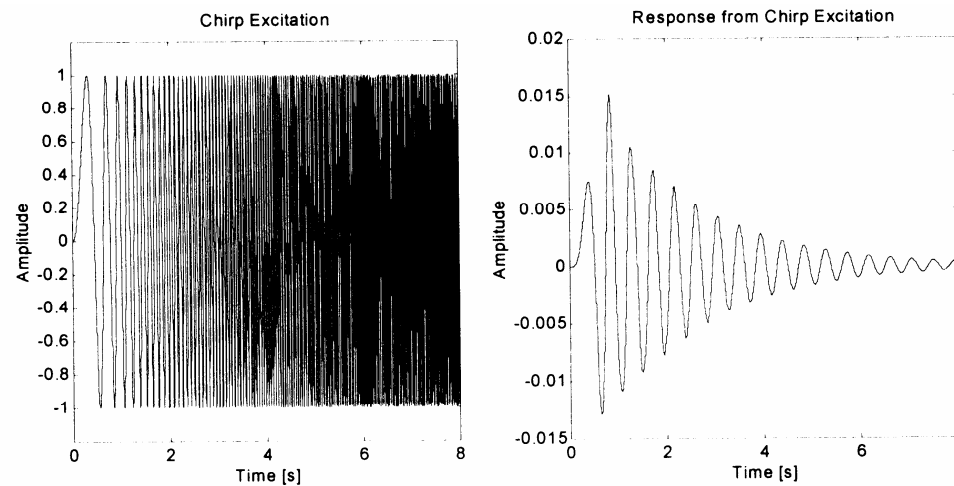
- **Burst excitation signals**

It consists of short sections of an underlying continuous signal (which may be a sine wave, a sine sweep or a random signal) followed by a period of zero input.



The duration of the burst is selected to allow the damping out of the response by the end of the measurement period (to avoid leakage errors).

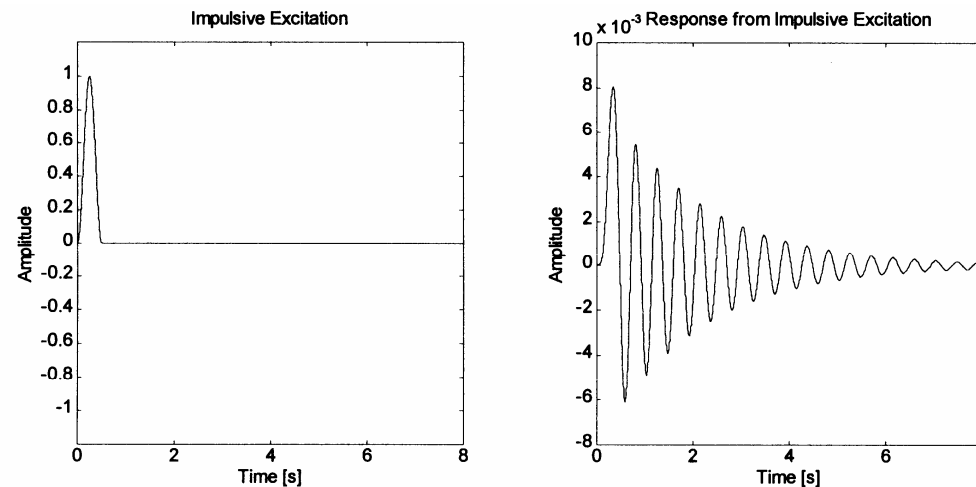
- **Rapid sine sweep or 'chirp'**
(short duration signal)



Good control of both the amplitude and the frequency content of the signal.

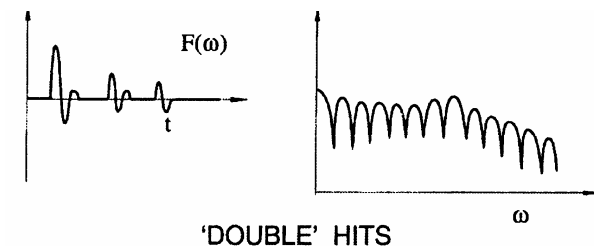
- **Impulsive excitation**

- Impact controlled by a shaker attached to the structure

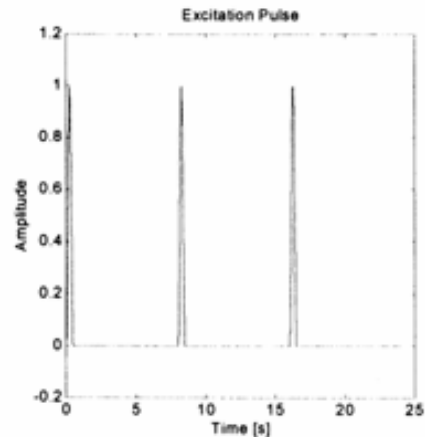


- Impact from a hammer blow

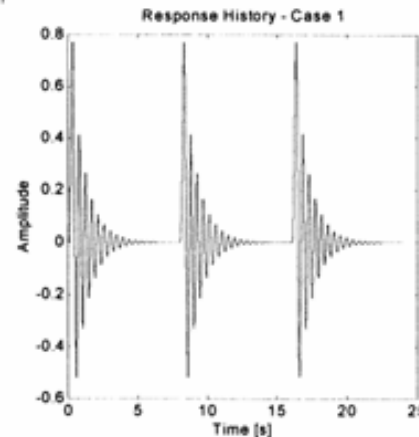
One practical difficulty encountered when using the hammer excitation is that of the double-hit (rebound).



Periodicity assumption



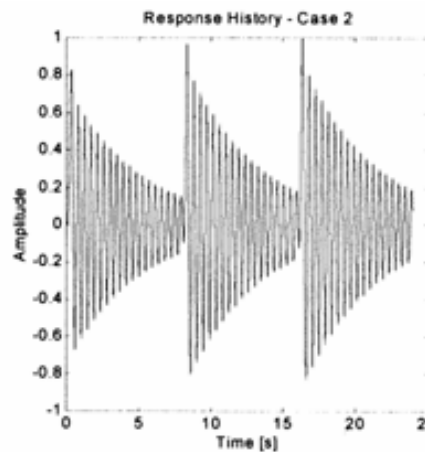
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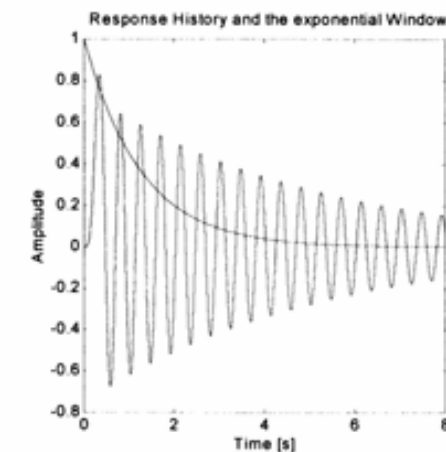
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(a) Excitation pulse clearly satisfies the assumption

(b) The response history also satisfies the assumption



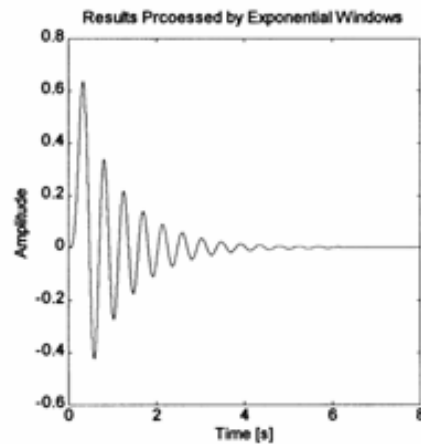
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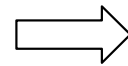
(c) The response history does not satisfy the assumption (for the period T selected)

(d) Exponential window



(e)

(e) Results processed by
exponential window

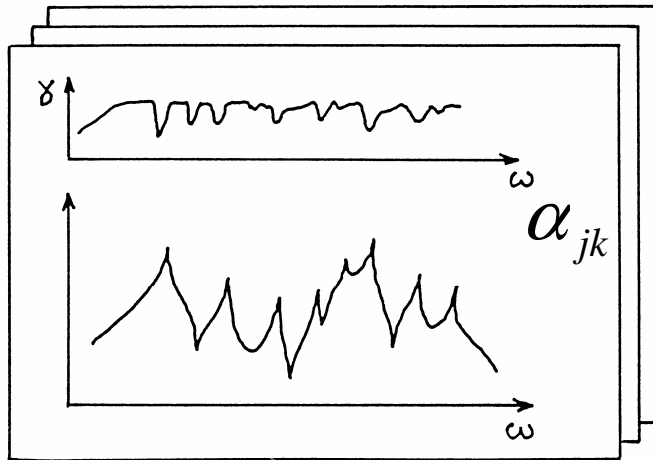


Impulsive excitation as
pseudo-periodic function

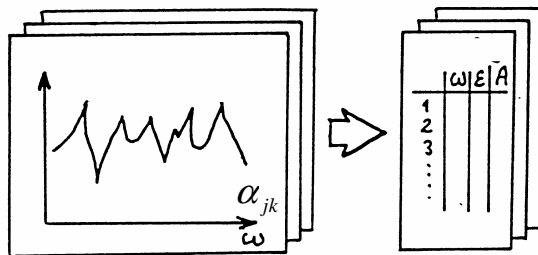
Types of excitation

No single method is the 'best' and it is probably worth making use of several types in order to optimise time, effort and accuracy.

| SIGNAL | CARACTERISTIQUES DE LA STRUCTURE | | | | | | EXCITATION | | MOYENS | |
|--------------|----------------------------------|-----|-------------|-----|---------------|-----|------------|-----|-------------|-----|
| | LINEAIRE | | PEU AMORTIE | | MODES PROCHES | | LONGUE | | IMPORTANTES | |
| | OUI | NON | OUI | NON | OUI | NON | OUI | NON | OUI | NON |
| SINUS | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | | | * |
| CHIRP | * | * | * | | | * | | * | | * |
| PSEUDO-RD | * | * | * | * | | * | | * | | * |
| RANDOM | * | * | * | * | * | * | | * | | * |
| TRANSIENT-RD | * | * | * | * | * | * | * | | * | |
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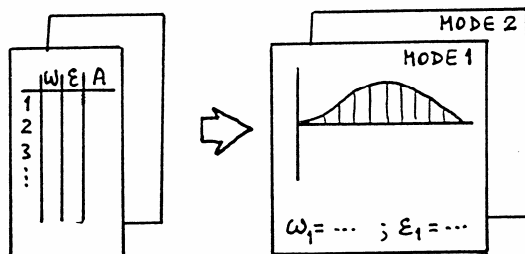
1. FRF measurements
(e.g. 800 lines / spectrum)



2. Modal parameter extraction

➡ data reduction

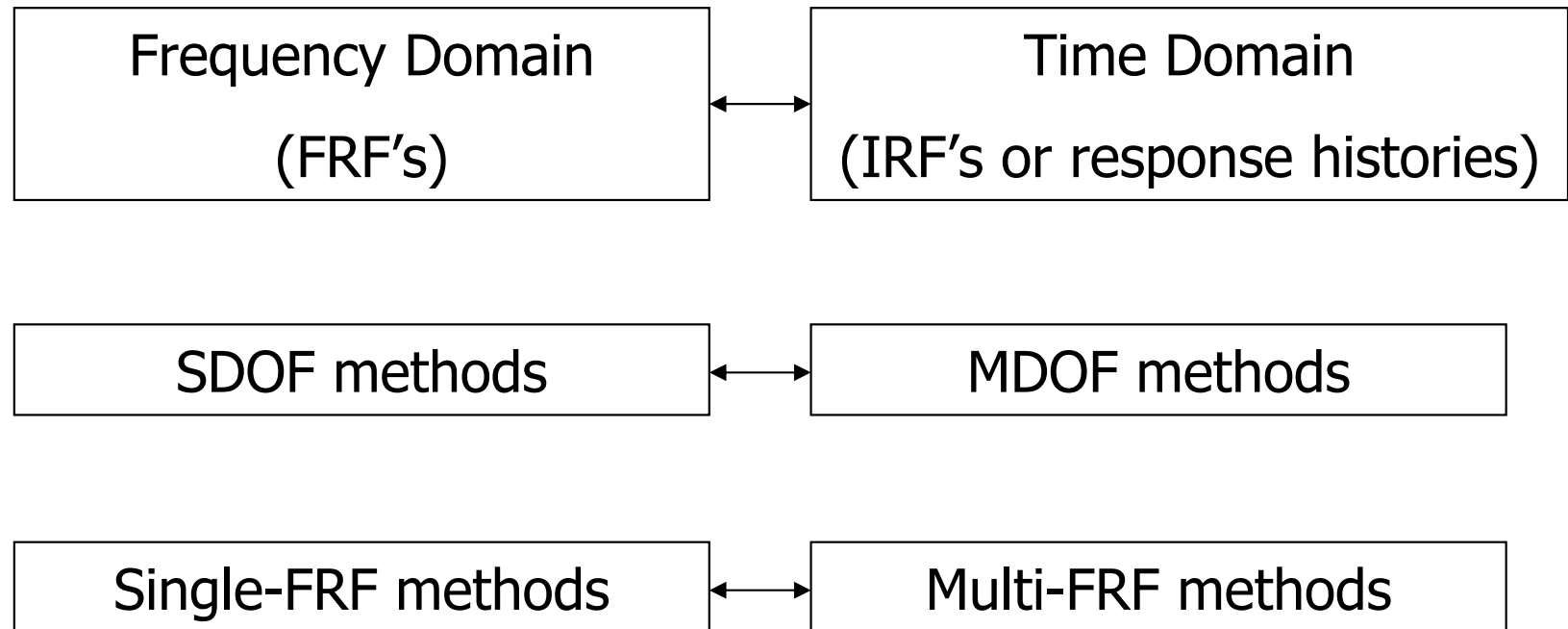
(e.g. 6 modes x 4 values = 24 values/spectrum)



3. Derivation of a mathematical model
(Spatial model, Modal Model)

$$H_{rs}(\omega) = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{A_{rs}(k)}{\omega_k^2 - \omega^2 + 2i\zeta_k\omega\omega_k}$$

Classification of modal identification methods



- Difficulties :
- modelling of damping effects,
 - model order.

SDOF Modal Identification Methods

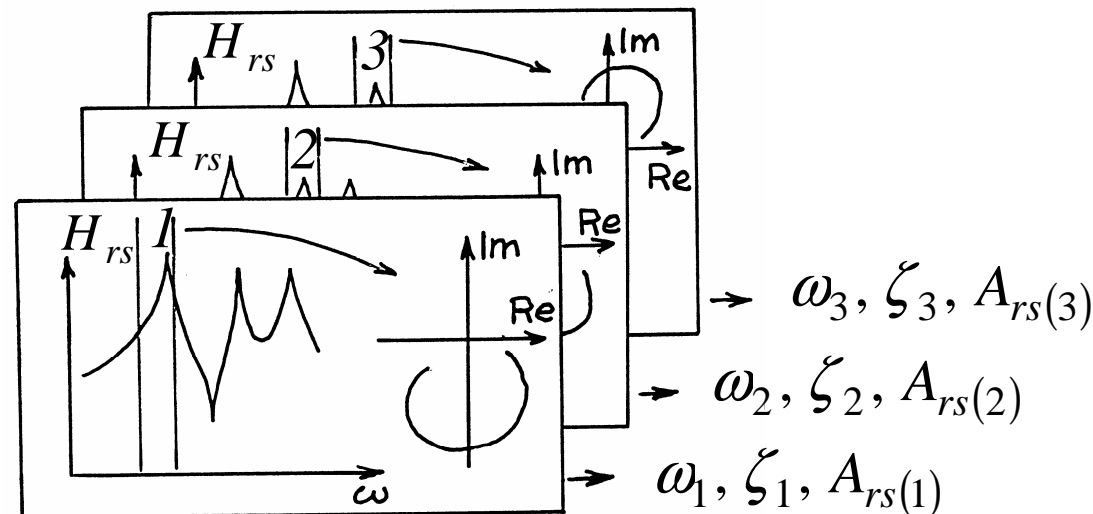


SDOF means that just one resonance is considered at a time

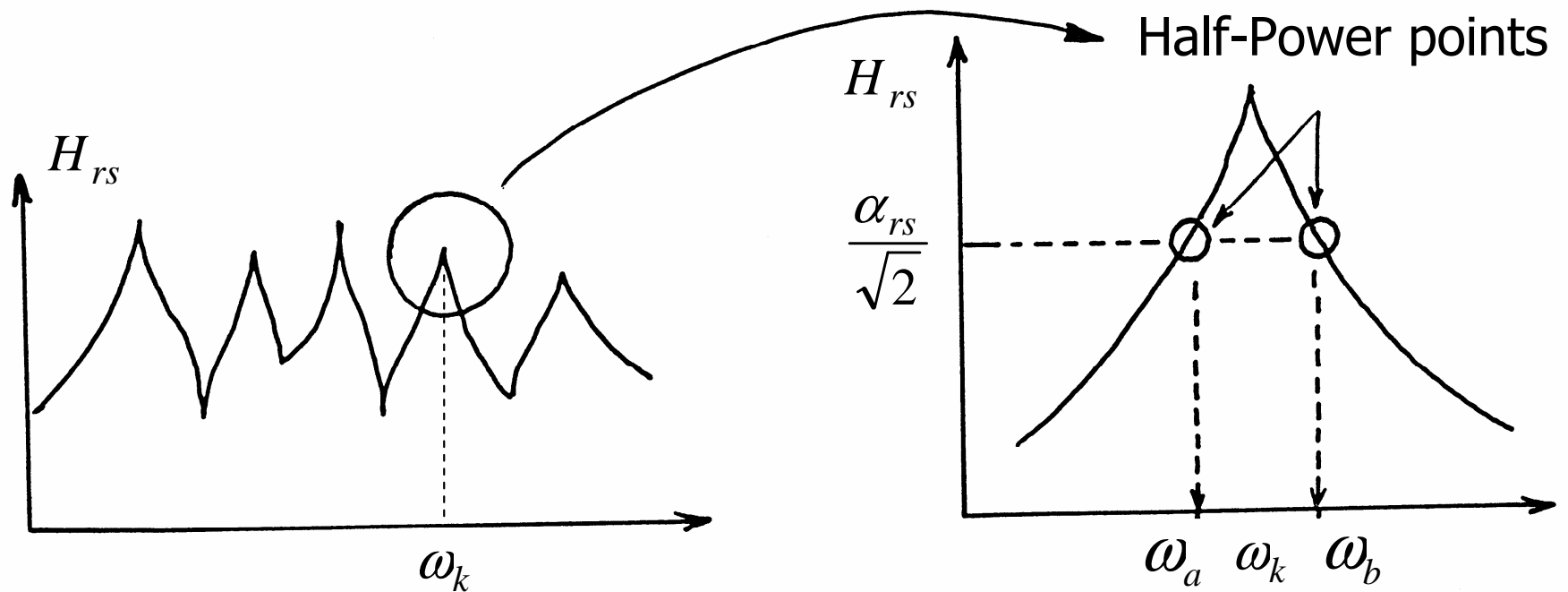
Assumption: the modes must appear clearly separated so that they can be analysed sequentially, one after the other.

$$H_{rs}(\omega) = \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{A_{rs(k)}}{\omega_k^2 - \omega^2 + 2i\zeta_k \omega \omega_k} = \frac{A_{rs(k)}}{\omega_k^2 - \omega^2 + 2i\zeta_k \omega \omega_k} + \underbrace{\sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq k}}^N \frac{A_{rs(j)}}{\omega_j^2 - \omega^2 + 2i\zeta_j \omega \omega_j}}_{B_{rs(k)}}$$

$$\Rightarrow H_{rs}(\omega) \cong \frac{A_{rs(k)}}{\omega_k^2 - \omega^2 + 2i\zeta_k \omega \omega_k} + B_{rs(k)}$$



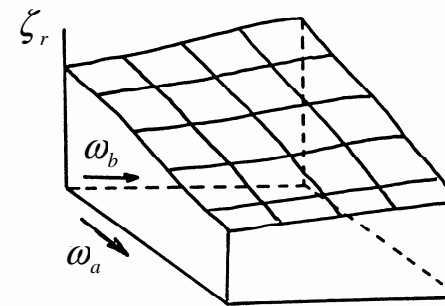
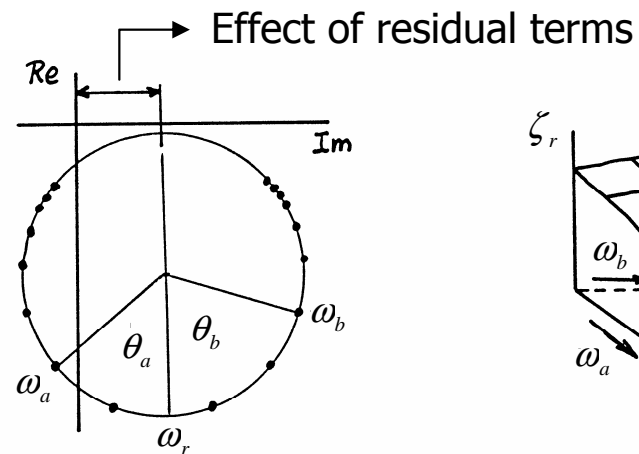
a) Peak-Amplitude Method (Peak-Picking)



Estimation of the damping ratio using the quality factor:

$$Q = \frac{\omega_k}{\omega_a - \omega_b} = \frac{1}{2 \zeta_k}$$

b) Circle-Fit Method



detection of
nonlinear behaviour

Circle-fitting FRF plot in the vicinity of resonance

$$\zeta_k = \frac{\omega_a^2 - \omega_b^2}{\omega_k^2 (\tan(\theta_a / 2) + \tan(\theta_b / 2))}$$

Concept of residual terms

To take into account the influence of modes which exist outside the frequency range of measurement and/or analysis, any FRF coefficient may be rewritten as:

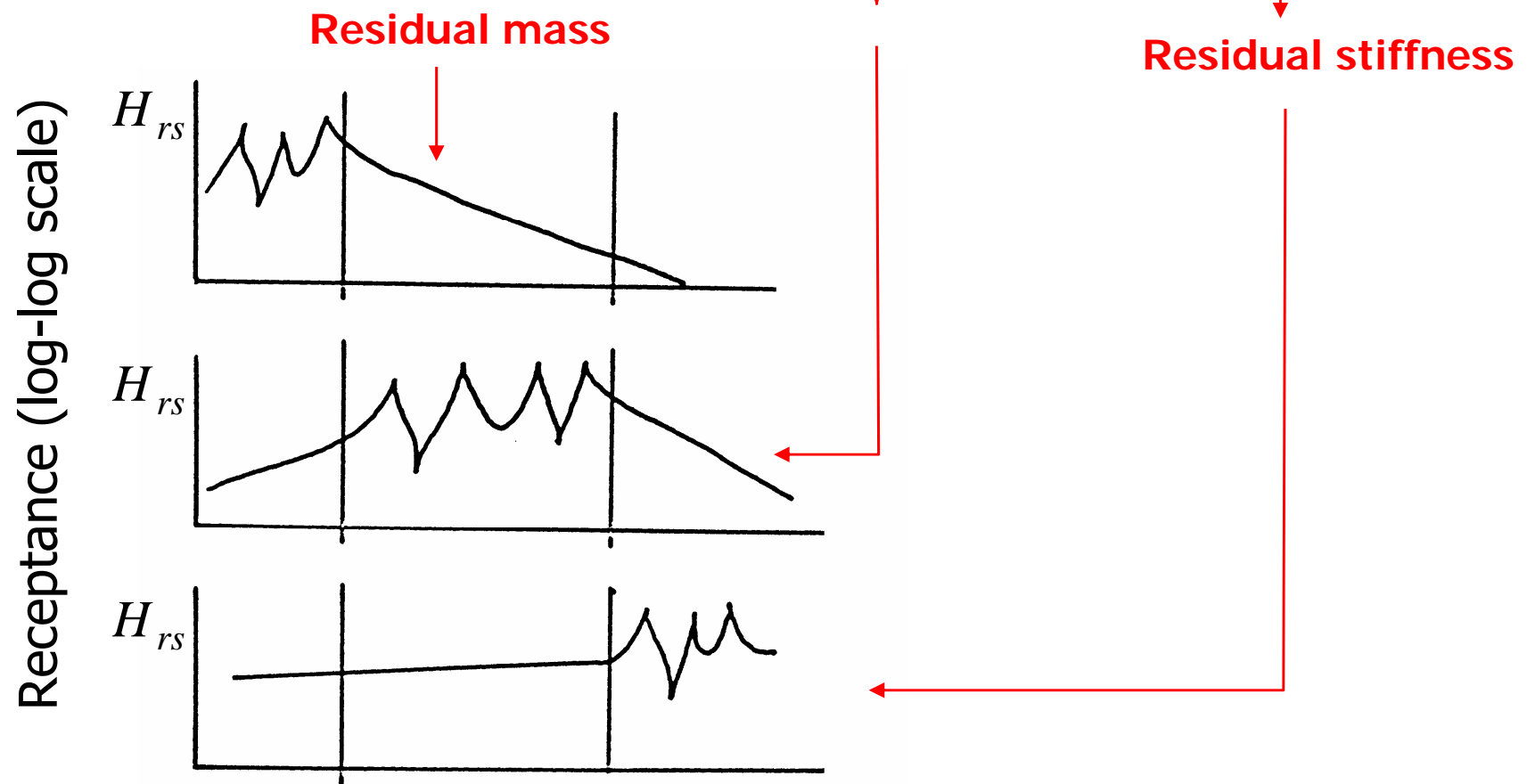
$$\alpha_{jk}(\omega) = \sum_{r=1}^N \frac{{}_r A_{jk}}{\omega_r^2 - \omega^2 + 2i \zeta_r \omega \omega_r}$$

$$= \left(\sum_{r=1}^{m_1-1} + \sum_{r=m_1}^{m_2} + \sum_{r=m_2+1}^N \right) \frac{{}_r A_{jk}}{\omega_r^2 - \omega^2 + 2i \zeta_r \omega \omega_r}$$

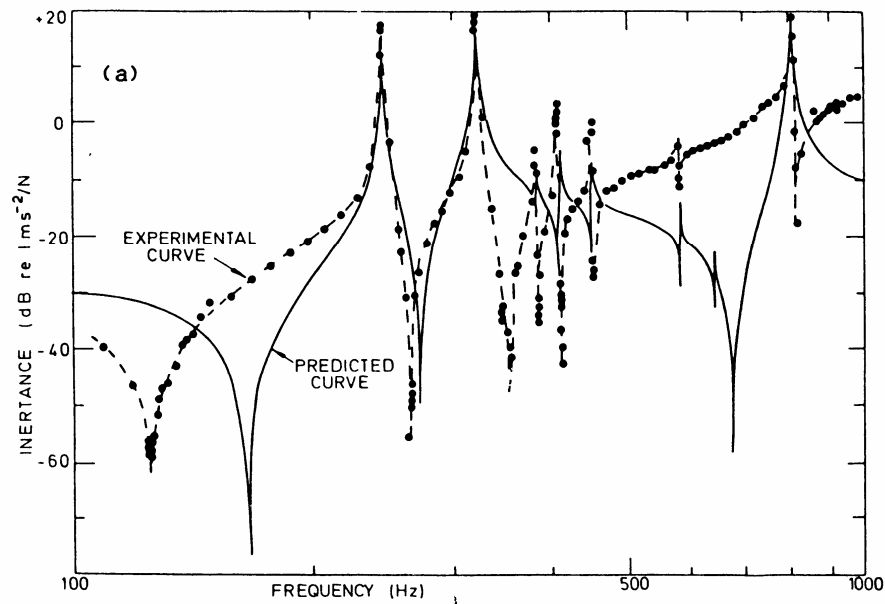
→ Low-frequency modes
→ Modes actually identified
→ High-frequency modes

Contributions of low-, medium- and high frequency modes

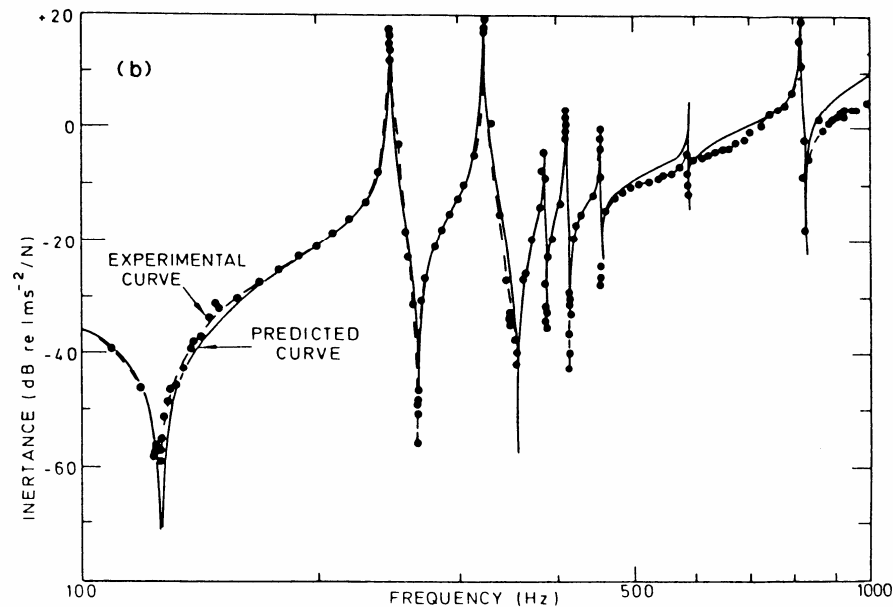
$$H_{rs}(\omega) = -\frac{1}{\omega^2 M_{rs}^R} + \underbrace{\sum_{k=m_1}^{m_2} \frac{A_{rs}(k)}{\omega_k^2 - \omega^2 + 2i\zeta_k \omega \omega_k}}_{\text{Residual mass}} + \frac{1}{K_{rs}^R}$$



Examples of regenerated FRF's



← without residuals



← with residuals

MDOF Modal Identification Methods

a) Least Squares Complex Exponential (LSCE)

Features:

- Time-domain technique
- Global estimation of natural frequency and damping of several modes simultaneously

Theoretical basis:

The general expression used for the FRF of a damped system in terms of modal parameters is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 H_{rs}(\omega) &= \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{z_{r(k)} z_{s(k)}}{\rho_k (i \omega - \lambda_k)} + \frac{z_{r(k)}^* z_{s(k)}^*}{\rho_k^* (i \omega - \lambda_k^*)} \\
 &= \sum_{k=1}^N \frac{A_{rs(k)}}{(i \omega - \lambda_k)} + \frac{A_{rs(k)}^*}{(i \omega - \lambda_k^*)}
 \end{aligned}$$

Taking the inverse Fourier Transform, the expression for an Impulse Response Function (IRF) in terms of modal parameters writes:

$$h_{rs}(t) = \sum_{k=1}^N A_{rs(k)} e^{\lambda_k t} + A_{rs(k)}^* e^{\lambda_k^* t} = 2 \operatorname{Re} \left(\sum_{k=1}^N A_{rs(k)} e^{\lambda_k t} \right)$$

Time sampling: $t = j \Delta t$

$$h_{rs}(j \Delta t) = 2 \operatorname{Re} \left(\sum_{k=1}^N A_{rs(k)} Z_k^j \right)$$

$Z_k = e^{\lambda_k \Delta t}$ defines the natural frequency and damping ratio of mode k (= global estimate)

$A_{rs(k)}$ defines the displacement of point r in mode k (= local estimate)

The unknowns Z_k may be considered as the roots of a polynomial of order $2N$:

$$P(Z) = \prod_{\substack{k=-N \\ k \neq 0}}^N (Z - Z_k) = \sum_{p=0}^{2N} \alpha_p Z^p$$

where the coefficients α_p have to be estimated using data measured on the system.

For this purpose, let us consider the expression of the IRF

$$h_{rs}(j \Delta t) = 2 \operatorname{Re} \left(\sum_{k=1}^N A_{rs(k)} Z_k^j \right)$$

The IRF at a series of $2N$ equally spaced time intervals is:

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha_0 \times \left\{ \begin{aligned} h_{rs}(0) &= 2 \operatorname{Re} \left(\sum_{k=1}^N A_{rs(k)} Z_k^0 \right) \end{aligned} \right\} \\ &\vdots \\ \alpha_p \times \left\{ \begin{aligned} h_{rs}(p \Delta t) &= 2 \operatorname{Re} \left(\sum_{k=1}^N A_{rs(k)} Z_k^p \right) \end{aligned} \right\} \\ &\vdots \\ \alpha_{2N} \times \left\{ \begin{aligned} h_{rs}(2N \Delta t) &= 2 \operatorname{Re} \left(\sum_{k=1}^N A_{rs(k)} Z_k^{2N} \right) \end{aligned} \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sum_{p=0}^{2N} \alpha_p h_{rs}(p \Delta t) = 2 \operatorname{Re} \left(\underbrace{\sum_{k=1}^N A_{rs(k)} \sum_{p=0}^{2N} \alpha_p Z_k^p}_{= 0 \text{ from the definition}} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{p=0}^{2N} \alpha_p h_{rs}(p \Delta t) = 0$$

It follows that:

$$\sum_{p=0}^{2N-1} \alpha_p h_{rs}(p \Delta t) = -h_{rs}(2N \Delta t)$$

To estimate the coefficients α_p in a least squares sense, let express this equation:

- for all possible time points: $(2N + \ell) \Delta t \quad (\ell = 0, 1, \dots, n_t)$
- for all possible measured responses: $(r = 1, \dots, n_o)$
- for all possible excitation points: $(s = 1, \dots, n_i)$

$$\sum_{p=0}^{2N-1} \alpha_p h_{rs}((p + \ell) \Delta t) = -h_{rs}((2N + \ell) \Delta t)$$

Thus the matrix:

$$\begin{bmatrix}
 h_{11}(0) & h_{11}(\Delta t) & \cdots & h_{11}((2N-1)\Delta t) \\
 h_{11}(\Delta t) & h_{11}(2\Delta t) & \cdots & h_{11}(2N\Delta t) \\
 \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\
 h_{11}(n_t\Delta t) & h_{11}((n_t+1)\Delta t) & \cdots & h_{11}((n_t+2N-1)\Delta t) \\
 \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\
 h_{rs}(\ell\Delta t) & h_{rs}((1+\ell)\Delta t) & \cdots & h_{rs}((2N-1+\ell)\Delta t) \\
 \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\
 h_{n_on_i}(n_t\Delta t) & h_{n_on_i}((n_t+1)\Delta t) & \cdots & h_{n_on_i}((n_t+2N-1)\Delta t)
 \end{bmatrix}
 \begin{Bmatrix}
 \alpha_0 \\
 \alpha_1 \\
 \vdots \\
 \alpha_{2N-1}
 \end{Bmatrix}
 =
 \begin{Bmatrix}
 -h_{11}(2N\Delta t) \\
 -h_{11}((2N+1)\Delta t) \\
 \vdots \\
 -h_{11}((2N+n_t)\Delta t) \\
 \vdots \\
 -h_{rs}((2N+\ell)\Delta t) \\
 \vdots \\
 -h_{n_on_i}((2N+n_t)\Delta t)
 \end{Bmatrix}$$

Overdetermined system:

A

x =

b

which has the solution: $\mathbf{x} = (\mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{A})^{-1} \mathbf{A}^T \mathbf{b}$

The solution: $\mathbf{x}^T = \{\alpha_0 \quad \alpha_1 \quad \cdots \quad \alpha_{2N-1}\}$

allows to reconstruct the polynomial: $P(Z) = \sum_{p=0}^{2N} \alpha_p Z^p$

and the roots: $Z_k = e^{\lambda_k \Delta t}$

gives the complex eigenvalues: $\lambda_k \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots, N)$

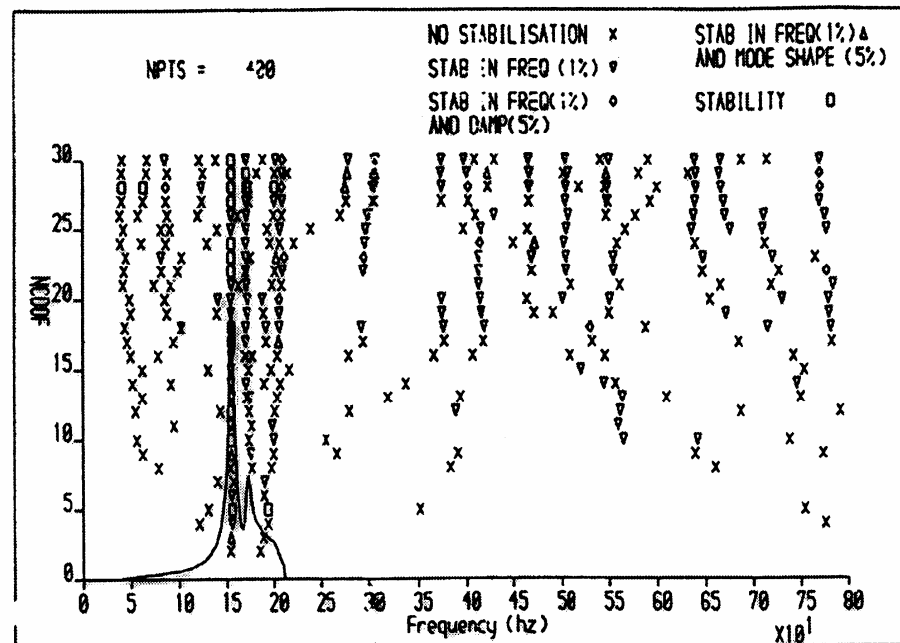
If the eigenvalues may be further expressed as follows:

$$\lambda_k = \omega_k \left(-\zeta_k + i \sqrt{1 - \zeta_k^2} \right)$$

we obtain the values of the natural frequency ω_k and the damping ratio ζ_k (in the assumption of proportional damping).

Selection of the model order

By using a different number of poles ($2N$) and comparing the error between the regenerated FRF's and the original measured data, it is possible to draw a so-called 'stabilisation diagram':



As the number of poles increases, a number of computational modes are created in addition to the genuine physical modes which are of interest.

b) Least Squares Frequency Domain (LSFD)

Features:

- Frequency domain technique
- Global estimation of residues (--> complex modes)

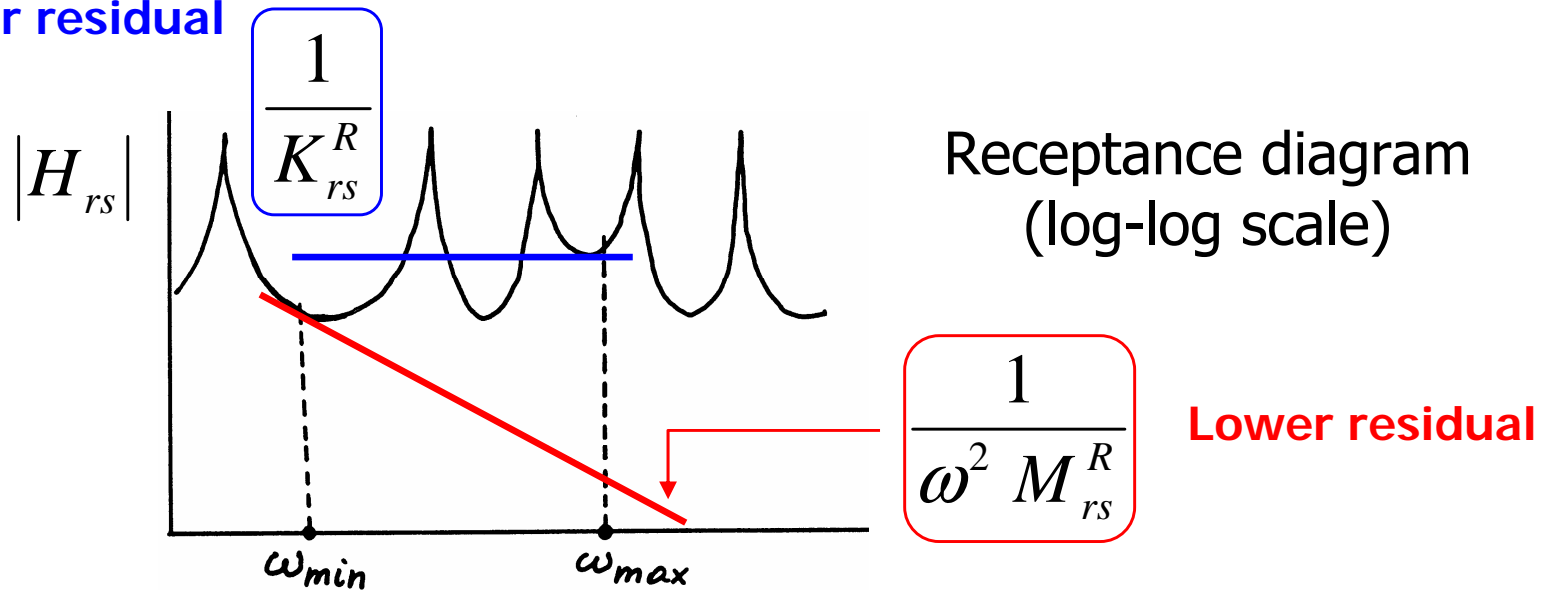
Theoretical basis:

FRF of a damped system in the frequency band $[\omega_{min}, \omega_{max}]$:

$$H_{rs}(\omega) = -\frac{1}{\omega^2 M_{rs}^R} + \left(\sum_{k=m_1}^{m_2} \frac{A_{rs(k)}}{(i\omega - \lambda_k)} + \frac{A_{rs(k)}^*}{(i\omega - \lambda_k^*)} \right) + \frac{1}{K_{rs}^R}$$

$$H_{rs}(\omega) = -\frac{1}{\omega^2 M_{rs}^R} + \left(\sum_{k=m_1}^{m_2} \frac{A_{rs(k)}}{(i\omega - \lambda_k)} + \frac{A_{rs(k)}^*}{(i\omega - \lambda_k^*)} \right) + \frac{1}{K_{rs}^R}$$

Upper residual




$\left. \begin{matrix} A_{rs(k)}, A_{rs(k)}^* \\ K_{rs}^R, M_{rs}^R \end{matrix} \right\}$ are local estimates (which depend on the locations
of the measurement point (r) and of the excitation
point (s))

Calculation of the residues $A_{rs(k)}$ and $A_{rs(k)}^*$

Assumption: the poles λ_k have been identified (LSCE method).

Writing:
$$\begin{cases} A_{rs(k)} = U_{rs(k)} + i V_{rs(k)} \\ A_{rs(k)}^* = U_{rs(k)} - i V_{rs(k)} \end{cases}$$

the FRF takes the form:

$$H_{rs}(\omega) = -\frac{1}{\omega^2 M_{rs}^R} + \left(\sum_{k=m_1}^{m_2} U_{rs(k)} P_k(\omega) + V_{rs(k)} Q_k(\omega) \right) + \frac{1}{K_{rs}^R}$$


(2 m+2) unknowns with $m = m_2 - m_1$

We define the error as:
$$E = \sum_{\omega=\omega_{\min}}^{\omega_{\max}} \left| \underbrace{H_{rs}(\omega)}_{\text{Theoretical value}} - \underbrace{H_{rs}^{EXP}(\omega)}_{\text{Measured data}} \right|^2$$

Theoretical value Measured data

The error is minimised by differentiating its expression with respect to each unknowns in turn,

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial U_{rs(k)}} = 0 ; \frac{\partial E}{\partial V_{rs(k)}} = 0 ; \quad (k = m_1, \dots, m_2)$$

$$\frac{\partial E}{\partial K_{rs}} = 0 ; \frac{\partial E}{\partial M_{rs}} = 0$$

thus generating a set of $(2\ m+2)$ equations with $(2\ m+2)$ unknowns $(m = m_2 - m_1)$.

Extraction of the (complex) eigenmodes.

For each identified pole k ($k = 1, \dots, m$), we have:

$$\lambda_k, \quad A_{1s(k)} = z_{1(k)} z_{s(k)}$$

$$A_{2s(k)} = z_{2(k)} z_{s(k)}$$

$$\vdots = \vdots \vdots$$

$$A_{ss(k)} = z_{s(k)} z_{s(k)} = z_{s(k)}^2 \rightarrow z_{s(k)} = \sqrt{A_{ss(k)}}$$

$$\vdots = \vdots \vdots$$

and thus:

$$A_{n_os(k)} = z_{n_or} z_{s(k)} \quad z_{r(k)} = \frac{A_{rs(k)}}{z_{s(k)}} \quad (r = 1, \dots, n_o, r \neq s)$$

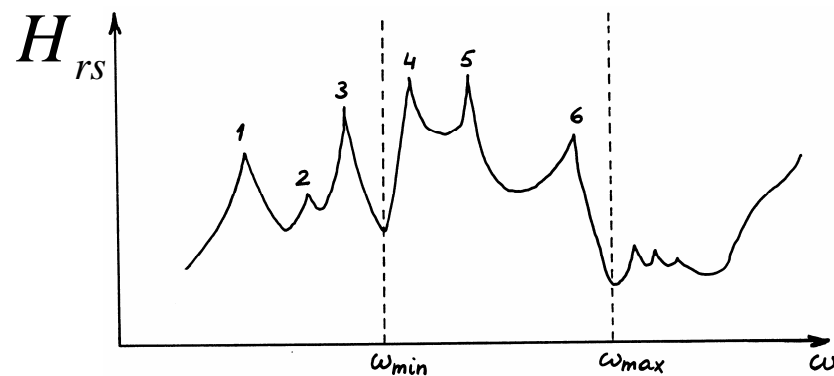
⇒ A transducer should not be located where $z_{s(k)} = 0$
(on a vibration node)

In practice:

$$\mathbf{H}(\omega) = \begin{bmatrix} H_{11} & \cdots & H_{1s} & \cdots & H_{1n_i} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ H_{r1} & \cdots & H_{rs} & \cdots & H_{rn_i} \\ \vdots & & \vdots & & \vdots \\ H_{n_o1} & \cdots & H_{n_os} & \cdots & H_{n_on_i} \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \text{« roving hammer »}$$

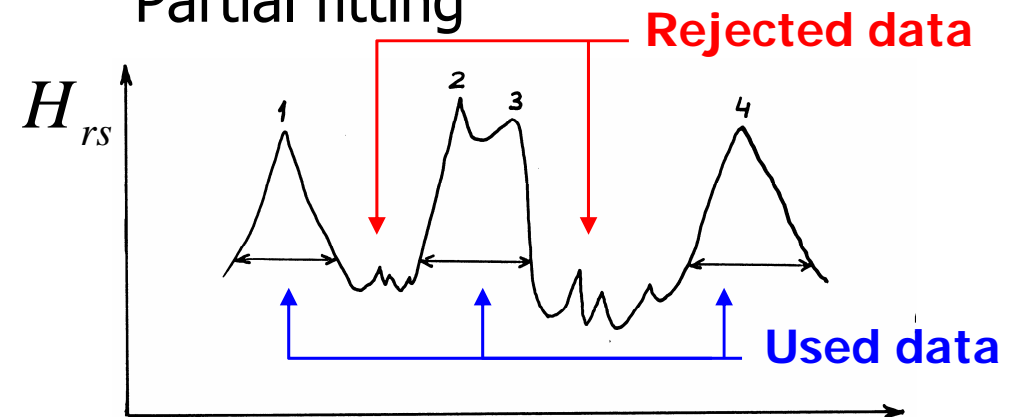
Remarks

Frequency band



As modes 1, 2, 3 have been identified (poles and residues), their participation in the frequency range $[\omega_{min}, \omega_{max}]$ can be subtracted mathematically before identifying modes 4, 5 et 6.

Partial fitting



FRF data associated with a bad coherence are not considered for identification

c) Ibrahim Time Domain Method (ITD, 1973-77)

Features :

- Time-domain method
- Global estimation of poles and residues

Theoretical basis:

The free response of a viscously-damped system is given by:

$$\mathbf{q}(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \mathbf{z}_{(k)} e^{\lambda_k t}$$

Diagram illustrating the components of the free response vector $\mathbf{q}(t)$:

- Free response vector**: Points to the entire equation $\mathbf{q}(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \mathbf{z}_{(k)} e^{\lambda_k t}$.
- Number of modes in the response**: Points to the upper limit $2n$ of the summation.
- complex eigenvector $\mathbf{z}_{(k)}$ (unscaled mode)**: Points to the term $\mathbf{z}_{(k)}$ in the summation.

Considering $2n$ time instants, the free response matrix is given by:

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}(t_1) & \dots & \mathbf{q}(t_{2n}) \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{Q}_{n \times 2n}} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{z}_{(1)} & \dots & \mathbf{z}_{(2n)} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{Z}_{n \times 2n}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t_1} & \dots & e^{\lambda_1 t_{2n}} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ e^{\lambda_{2n} t_1} & \dots & e^{\lambda_{2n} t_{2n}} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{\Lambda}_{2n \times 2n}}$$

Considering a second set of samples shifted by an interval of time Δt with respect to the first set:

$$\mathbf{q}(t_j + \Delta t) = \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \mathbf{z}_{(k)} e^{\lambda_k (t_j + \Delta t)} = \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \underbrace{\mathbf{z}_{(k)} e^{\lambda_k \Delta t}}_{\text{row of } \hat{\mathbf{Z}}} e^{\lambda_k t_j}$$

$$\underbrace{[\mathbf{q}(t_1 + \Delta t) \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{q}(t_{2n} + \Delta t)]}_{\mathbf{Q}_{\Delta t}} = \underbrace{[\hat{\mathbf{z}}_{(1)} \quad \dots \quad \hat{\mathbf{z}}_{(2n)}]}_{\hat{\mathbf{Z}}} \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t_1} & \dots & e^{\lambda_1 t_{2n}} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ e^{\lambda_{2n} t_1} & \dots & e^{\lambda_{2n} t_{2n}} \end{bmatrix}}_{\mathbf{\Lambda}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{Q}_{\Delta t} = \hat{\mathbf{Z}} \mathbf{\Lambda}$$

In the same way, for a time shift of $2 \Delta t$

$$[\mathbf{q}(t_1 + 2\Delta t) \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{q}(t_{2n} + 2\Delta t)] = [\hat{\hat{\mathbf{z}}}_{(1)} \quad \dots \quad \hat{\hat{\mathbf{z}}}_{(2n)}] \begin{bmatrix} e^{\lambda_1 t_1} & \dots & e^{\lambda_1 t_{2n}} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ e^{\lambda_{2n} t_1} & \dots & e^{\lambda_{2n} t_{2n}} \end{bmatrix}$$

with $\hat{\hat{\mathbf{z}}}_{(i)} = \mathbf{z}_{(i)} e^{2 \lambda_i \Delta t}$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{Q}_{2 \Delta t} = \hat{\hat{\mathbf{Z}}} \mathbf{\Lambda}$$

Thus, we have:
$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q} \\ \mathbf{Q}_{\Delta t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Z} \\ \hat{\mathbf{Z}} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{\Lambda} \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{\Phi} = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{\Lambda}$$

and
$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Q}_{\Delta t} \\ \mathbf{Q}_{2\Delta t} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{Z}} \\ \hat{\hat{\mathbf{Z}}} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{\Lambda} \quad \text{or} \quad \hat{\mathbf{\Phi}} = \hat{\mathbf{A}} \mathbf{\Lambda}$$

Eliminating $\mathbf{\Lambda}$ gives:
$$\hat{\mathbf{\Phi}} \mathbf{\Phi}^{-1} \mathbf{A} = \hat{\mathbf{A}}$$

If we define: $\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{a}_1 \quad \dots \quad \mathbf{a}_n]$ and $\hat{\mathbf{A}} = [\hat{\mathbf{a}}_1 \quad \dots \quad \hat{\mathbf{a}}_n]$

We have:
$$\hat{\mathbf{\Phi}} \mathbf{\Phi}^{-1} \mathbf{a}_i = \hat{\mathbf{a}}_i \quad \Rightarrow \quad \underbrace{\hat{\mathbf{\Phi}} \mathbf{\Phi}^{-1} \mathbf{a}_i}_{\text{Eigenvalue problem}} = e^{\lambda_i \Delta t} \mathbf{a}_i$$

Eigenvalue problem

The eigenvectors \mathbf{a}_i have their first n co-ordinates equal to the eigenmodes of the structure and λ_i are the complex eigenvalues.

If the number of time samples is greater than the number of modes excited, then matrices Φ are rectangular and the eigenvalue problem is transformed into:

$$\left(\hat{\Phi} \Phi^T \right) \left[\Phi \Phi^T \right]^{-1} \mathbf{a}_i = e^{\lambda_i \Delta t} \mathbf{a}_i$$

Modal Confidence Factor

Since the order of matrix $\left(\hat{\Phi} \Phi^T \right) \left[\Phi \Phi^T \right]^{-1}$ may exceed the number of modes excited, it remains to separate the structural modes from the numerical modes.

For this purpose, let us write the response of the real stations delayed by a time-interval $\Delta\tau$: $\mathbf{q}(t + \Delta\tau) = \mathbf{q}'(t)$ i.e.

$$\mathbf{q}'(t) = \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \mathbf{z}_{(k)} e^{\lambda_k (t + \Delta\tau)} = \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \mathbf{z}_{(k)} e^{\lambda_k \Delta\tau} e^{\lambda_k t} = \sum_{k=1}^{2n} \mathbf{z}'_{(k)} e^{\lambda_k t}$$

If $\mathbf{z}_{i(k)}$ is the i^{th} deflection of the k^{th} mode at the real station, then the value at the assumed station delayed by $\Delta\tau$ is expected to be:

$$\mathbf{z}_{i(k),\text{expected}} = \mathbf{z}_{i(k)} e^{\lambda_k \Delta\tau}$$

The Modal Confidence Factor (MCF) is defined as:

$$\text{MCF} = \left| \frac{\mathbf{z}_{i(k), \text{expected}}}{\mathbf{z}'_{i(k)}} \right| \quad \text{and should be near 1.}$$

d) Stochastic Subspace Identification Method

Features:

- Time-domain method
- Global estimation of poles and residues

Theoretical background: Stochastic model in the state-space.

Given a n -dimensional time series $\mathbf{q}[k] = \mathbf{q}(t_k)$, the dynamic behavior of the system may be described by the state space model

$$\begin{array}{lcl}
 \text{State vector} & \leftarrow & \mathbf{r}[k+1] = \mathbf{A} \mathbf{r}[k] + \mathbf{w}[k] \\
 & & \text{State matrix} \rightarrow \mathbf{A} \\
 & & \text{Process noise} \rightarrow \mathbf{w}[k] \\
 \mathbf{q}[k] = \mathbf{B} \mathbf{x}[k] + \mathbf{v}[k] & & \text{Measurement noise} \rightarrow \mathbf{v}[k] \\
 & \searrow & \text{Output matrix} \rightarrow \mathbf{B}
 \end{array}$$

Assumption: \mathbf{w} and \mathbf{v} are zero-mean Gaussian white noise.

The covariance matrices of \mathbf{w} and \mathbf{v} are:

$$E \left[\begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{w}[k] \\ \mathbf{v}[k] \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{w}[k+t]^T & \mathbf{v}[k+t]^T \end{pmatrix} \right] = \begin{pmatrix} \mathbf{Q} & \mathbf{S} \\ \mathbf{S} & \mathbf{R} \end{pmatrix} \delta(t)$$

Covariance matrices

Expectation

The output covariance matrices are defined as

$$\mathbf{\Lambda}_0 = E \left[\mathbf{q}[k] \mathbf{q}[k]^T \right]$$

$$\mathbf{\Lambda}_i = E \left[\mathbf{q}[k+i] \mathbf{q}[k]^T \right]$$

As $\mathbf{w}[k]$ and $\mathbf{v}[k]$ are independent of the state vector $\mathbf{r}[k]$, the following properties can be established:

$$E\left[\mathbf{r}[k] \mathbf{r}[k]^T\right] = \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_0 \mathbf{A}^T + \mathbf{Q}$$

$$E\left[\mathbf{r}[k+1] \mathbf{r}[k]^T\right] = \mathbf{G} = \mathbf{A} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_0 \mathbf{B}^T + \mathbf{S}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_0 = \mathbf{B} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}_0 \mathbf{B}^T + \mathbf{R}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\Lambda}_i = \mathbf{B} \mathbf{A}^{i-1} \mathbf{G}$$

where $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}_0$ is the state covariance matrix and \mathbf{G} is referred as the next state-output covariance matrix.

Covariance-Driven Stochastic Subspace Method

Let us construct the Hankel matrix with p block rows and q block columns of the output covariance matrix Λ_i

$$\mathbf{H}_{p,q} = \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda_1 & \Lambda_2 & \dots & \dots & \Lambda_q \\ \Lambda_2 & \Lambda_3 & \dots & \dots & \Lambda_{q+1} \\ \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots & \dots \\ \Lambda_p & \Lambda_{p+1} & \dots & \dots & \Lambda_{p+q+1} \end{bmatrix} \quad (q \geq p)$$

The p th-order observability and controllability matrices are respectively:

$$\mathbf{O}_p = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B} & \mathbf{B} \mathbf{A} & \dots & \mathbf{B} \mathbf{A}^{p-1} \end{bmatrix}^T$$

$$\mathbf{C}_q = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{G} & \mathbf{A} \mathbf{G} & \dots & \mathbf{A}^{q-1} \mathbf{G} \end{bmatrix}$$

The previous relationship $\Lambda_i = \mathbf{B} \mathbf{A}^{i-1} \mathbf{G}$

leads to the following factorisation property

$$\mathbf{H}_{p,q} = \mathbf{O}_p \mathbf{C}_q$$

Let \mathbf{W}_1 and \mathbf{W}_2 be two user-defined invertible weighting matrices of dimension $p \times m$ and $q \times m$ respectively. Performing the following singular value decomposition gives:

$$\mathbf{W}_1 \mathbf{H}_{p,q} \mathbf{W}_2 = [\mathbf{U}_1 \quad \mathbf{U}_2] \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{S}_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} [\mathbf{V}_1 \quad \mathbf{V}_2]^T = \mathbf{U}_1 \mathbf{S}_1 \mathbf{V}_1^T$$

\mathbf{S}_1 contains $2 N_m$ non-zero singular values where N_m is the number of system modes.

It follows that the observability and controllability matrices can be recovered as

$$\mathbf{O}_p = \mathbf{U}_1 \mathbf{S}_1^{1/2}$$

$$\mathbf{C}_q = \mathbf{S}_1^{1/2} \mathbf{V}_1^T$$

Let us write

$$\mathbf{O}_p^\uparrow = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B} \mathbf{A} & \mathbf{B} \mathbf{A}^2 & \dots & \mathbf{B} \mathbf{A}^{p-1} \end{bmatrix}^T = \mathbf{O}_{p-1} \mathbf{A}$$

may be determined by
making use of \mathbf{O}_p matrix

Matrices \mathbf{A} and \mathbf{B} then the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the system may be easily computed.

Comparison and Correlation Techniques

- Visual inspection experimental / calculated mode-shapes.
- Visual inspection of regenerated / predicted FRFs.
- Use of mathematical tools.

Let us note:

x_X an experimental (complex) eigenvector;

x_A an analytical eigenvector (predicted by a model);

$$MSF = \frac{\mathbf{x}_X^T \mathbf{x}_A}{\mathbf{x}_A^T \mathbf{x}_A} \quad \text{or} \quad MSF = \frac{\mathbf{x}_X^T \mathbf{x}_A}{\mathbf{x}_X^T \mathbf{x}_X}$$

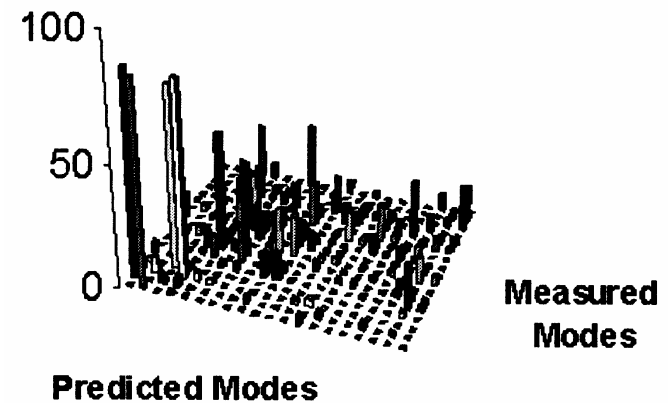
depending upon which mode-shape is taken as the reference one.

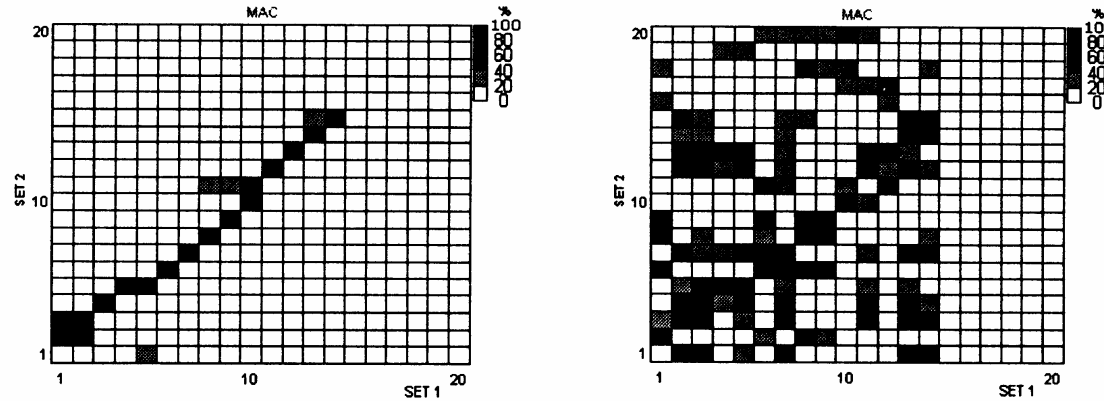
$$MAC = \frac{|\mathbf{x}_X^T \mathbf{x}_A|^2}{(\mathbf{x}_X^T \mathbf{x}_X)(\mathbf{x}_A^T \mathbf{x}_A)} \quad (0 \leq MAC \leq 1)$$

Graphical representations

| Analytical mode number | Experimental mode number | | | | | | | | | |
|------------------------------|--------------------------|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 |
| 1 | 100 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2 | 0 | 100 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 3 | 0 | 1 | 94 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 4 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 92 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 86 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 81 | 9 | 5 | 0 | 0 |
| 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 75 | 10 | 5 | 0 |
| 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 71 | 11 | 5 |
| 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 68 | 11 |
| 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 65 |

MODAL ASSURANCE CRITERION (MAC) %





Causes of bad correlation:

- presence of non-linearities, noisy data
- bad modal identification
- inappropriate choice of measurement coordinates
- modelling uncertainties (physical parameters, geometry)
- modelling errors (FEM)