

# Effects of a random loading emulating an irregular terrain in the nonlinear dynamics of a tower sprayer

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# Section 1

## Introduction

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- } **careful pest control**



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# Orchard spraying process

One has the **dispersion of a pulverizing fluid** in the orchard.



# Orchard tower sprayer

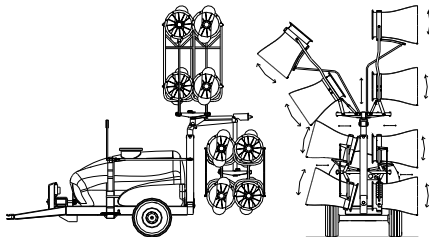


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# Research objectives

The **objectives of this research** are:

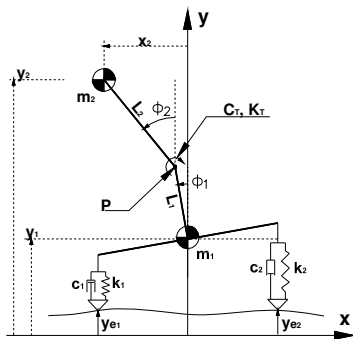
- construct a **stochastic model** for orchard sprayer dynamics;
- compute the **propagation of uncertainties** through this model;
- investigate **excitation uncertainties effect** in model response.



## Section 2

# Deterministic Modeling

# Idealized mechanical system



Degrees of Freedom:

- $y_1$  – suspension displacement
- $\phi_1$  – suspension rotation
- $\phi_2$  – tower rotation

External Excitation:

- $y_{e1}$  – left tire displacement
- $y_{e2}$  – right tire displacement

**Figure:** Inverted double pendulum over a moving base (3 DoF).



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# Modeling of tires displacements

The **tires displacements** are assumed to be

$$y_{e1}(t) = A \sin(\omega t)$$

$$y_{e2}(t) = A \sin(\omega t + \rho)$$

- periodic functions in time
- same amplitude
- single frequencial component
- out of phase



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# Derivation of the equation of motion

To obtain the equations of motion, **Lagrangian formalism** is used

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left( \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q} + \frac{\partial \mathcal{D}}{\partial \dot{q}} = 0, \quad q = \{y_1, \phi_1, \phi_2\},$$

where  $\mathcal{L} = \mathcal{T} - \mathcal{V}$ .

The **functionals of energy and dissipation** are given by

$$\mathcal{T} = \frac{1}{2} m_1 (\dot{x}_1 + \dot{y}_1) + \frac{1}{2} m_2 (\dot{x}_2 + \dot{y}_2) + \frac{1}{2} I_1 \dot{\phi}_1 + \frac{1}{2} I_2 \dot{\phi}_2$$

$$\mathcal{V} = m_1 g y_1 + m_2 g y_2 + \frac{1}{2} k_1 (y_1 - B_1 \sin \phi_1 - y_{e1})^2 + \frac{1}{2} k_2 (y_1 + B_2 \sin \phi_1 - y_{e2})^2 + \frac{1}{2} k_T (\phi_2 - \phi_1)^2$$

$$\mathcal{D} = \frac{1}{2} c_1 (\dot{y}_1 - B_1 \dot{\phi}_1 \cos \phi_1 - \dot{y}_{e1})^2 + \frac{1}{2} c_2 (\dot{y}_1 + B_2 \dot{\phi}_1 \cos \phi_1 - \dot{y}_{e2})^2 + \frac{1}{2} c_T (\dot{\phi}_2 - \dot{\phi}_1)^2$$



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# Nonlinear dynamical system

The **nonlinear dynamics** of interest evolves according to

$$[M] \begin{pmatrix} \ddot{y}_1(t) \\ \ddot{\phi}_1(t) \\ \ddot{\phi}_2(t) \end{pmatrix} + [N] \begin{pmatrix} \dot{y}_1^2(t) \\ \dot{\phi}_1^2(t) \\ \dot{\phi}_2^2(t) \end{pmatrix} + [C] \begin{pmatrix} \dot{y}_1(t) \\ \dot{\phi}_1(t) \\ \dot{\phi}_2(t) \end{pmatrix} + [K] \begin{pmatrix} y_1(t) \\ \phi_1(t) \\ \phi_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{g} - \mathbf{h},$$

supplemented by appropriate **initial conditions**.

Note that  $[M]$ ,  $[N]$ ,  $[C]$ ,  $[K]$ ,  $\mathbf{g}$ , and  $\mathbf{h}$  are **configuration dependent**.

Integration is done with **RKF45 method** of MATLAB routine ode45.



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## Section 3

# Stochastic Modeling

# Uncertainties in the mechanical-mathematical model

The **mathematical model** is subjected to **uncertainties**:

- data uncertainty (**model parameters variabilites**)
- model uncertainty (**lack of knowledge of physics**)

**model uncertainty  $\implies$  ignored in a first analysis**

**data uncertainty  $\implies$  tires excitation (most pronounced)**



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# Probabilistic model for tires displacement

A **parametric probabilistic approach** is adopted:  $(\Theta, \Sigma, \mathbb{P})$

The tires displacement model has **three parameters**:

$$y_{e1}(t) = A \sin(\omega t),$$

$$y_{e2}(t) = A \sin(\omega t + \rho),$$

It is assumed that **A** and  **$\omega$**  present aleatory behavior, being modeled as (independent) **random variables**:

$$A : \Sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \text{and} \quad \omega : \Sigma \rightarrow \mathbb{R}.$$



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# Construction of the stochastic model

The **Shannon entropy** of  $p_{\mathbb{X}}$  is defined as

$$\mathbb{S}(p_{\mathbb{X}}) = - \int_{\mathbb{R}} \ln p_{\mathbb{X}}(x) p_{\mathbb{X}}(x) dx.$$

## Maximum Entropy Principle

*Among all the probability distributions, consistent with the current known information of a given random parameter, the one which best represents your knowledge about this random parameter is the one which maximizes its entropy.*



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Shannon, C. E., *A mathematical theory of communication*. **Bell System Technical Journal**, 27:379–423, 1948.



# Distribution of the loading amplitude

Maximizes

$$\mathbb{S}(p_{\mathbb{A}}) = - \int_{\mathbb{R}} \ln p_{\mathbb{A}}(a) p_{\mathbb{A}}(a) da$$

such that:

$$\text{Supp } p_{\mathbb{A}} = (0, +\infty) \implies \int_{a=0}^{+\infty} p_{\mathbb{A}}(a) da = 1$$

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## Exponential distribution

$$p_{\mathbb{A}}(a) = \mathbb{1}_{(0, +\infty)}(a) \frac{1}{\mu_{\mathbb{A}}} \exp\left(-\frac{a}{\mu_{\mathbb{A}}}\right)$$



# Distribution of the loading frequency

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$$\mathbb{S}(p_\omega) = - \int_{\mathbb{R}} \ln p_\omega(\omega) p_\omega(\omega) d\omega$$

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Uniform distribution

$$p_\omega(\omega) = \mathbb{1}_{[\omega_1, \omega_2]}(\omega) \frac{1}{\omega_2 - \omega_1}$$

# Stochastic nonlinear dynamical system

The **external excitations** become **random processes**

$$y_{e1}(t, \theta) = A \sin(\omega t)$$

$$y_{e2}(t, \theta) = A \sin(\omega t + \rho)$$

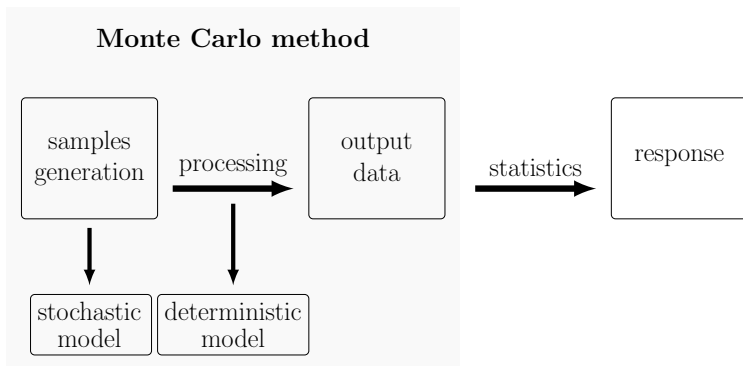
Therefore, **stochastic nonlinear dynamics** evolves according to

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# Propagation of uncertainties through the model

Propagation of uncertainties is computed via Monte Carlo method.



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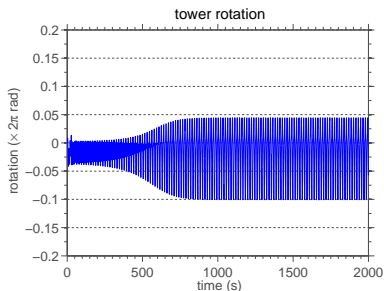




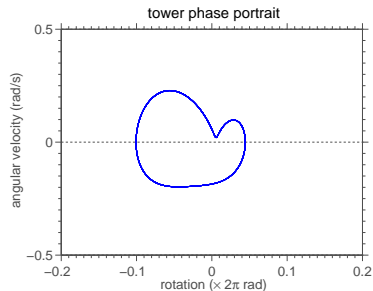
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# Numerical Experiments

# Periodicity and chaos in the deterministic dynamics



(a) tower rotation



(b) phase portrait

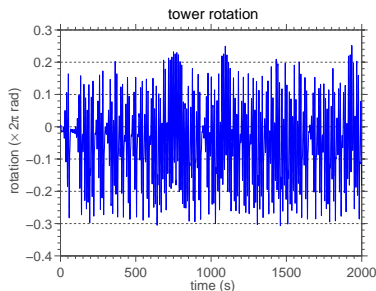
**Figure:** Tower dynamics for an excitation frequency  $\omega = 9 \text{ rad/s}$ .



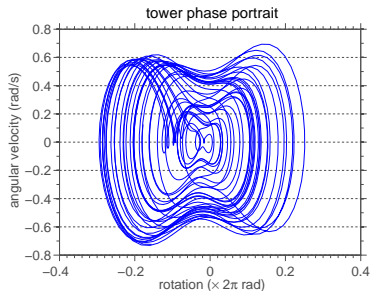
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# Periodicity and chaos in the deterministic dynamics



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(b) phase portrait

**Figure:** Tower dynamics for an excitation frequency  $\omega = 13$  rad/s.



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# Cases of study for stochastic dynamics

Three study cases are considered:

- Case 1: random amplitude  $A$
- Case 2: random frequency  $\omega$
- Case 3: random amplitude  $A$  and frequency  $\omega$



# Study of convergence for MC simulation

The **convergence of Monte Carlo** simulation is measured with the following **metric**:

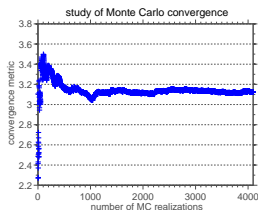
$$\text{conv}(n_s) = \left( \frac{1}{n_s} \sum_{n=1}^{n_s} \int_{t=t_0}^{t_f} \left( y_1(t, \theta_n)^2 + \phi_1(t, \theta_n)^2 + \phi_2(t, \theta_n)^2 \right) dt \right)^{1/2}$$



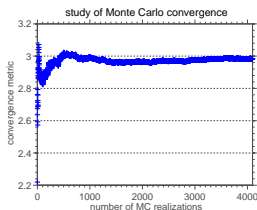
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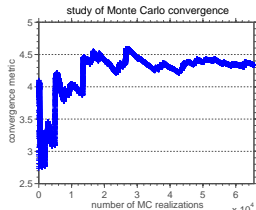
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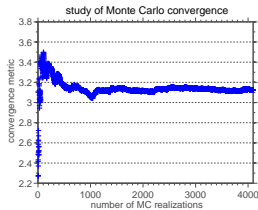
(b) case 2



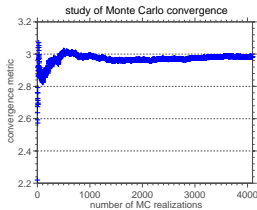
(c) case 3

**Figure:** MC convergence metric as function of the number of realizations.

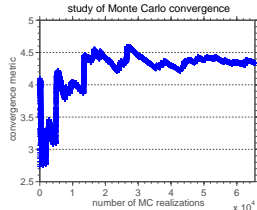
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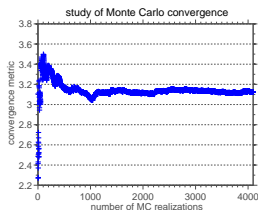


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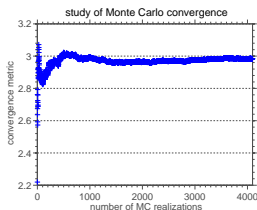
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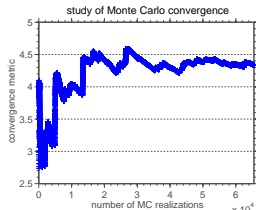
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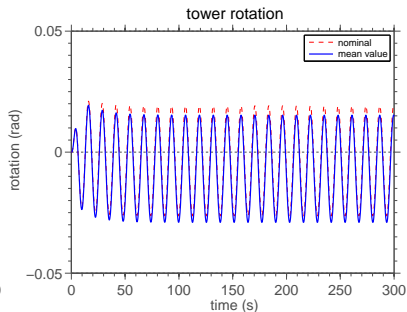
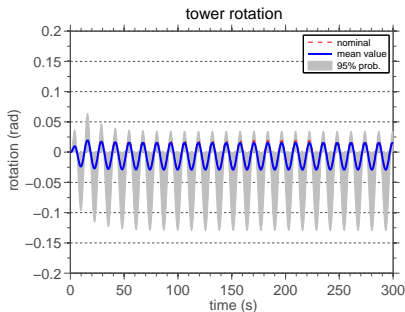
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For **case 3** sampling is done with **65536 realizations**.



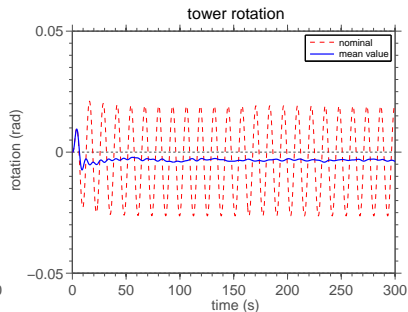
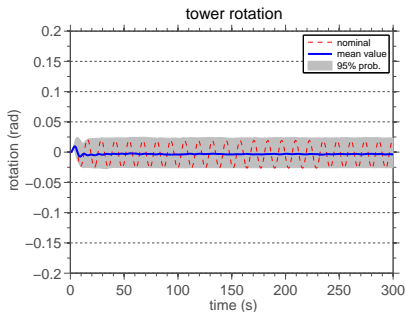


# Evolution of tower rotational dynamics



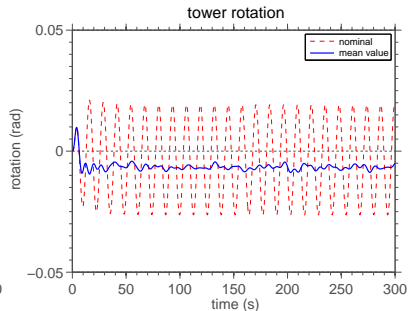
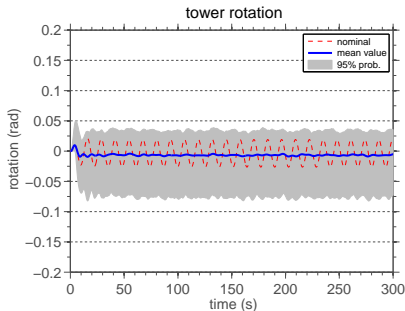
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Case 2 (random  $\omega$ )

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Case 3 (random  $\Delta$  and  $\omega$ )

# Temporal average of degrees of freedom

The tower rotation is a **random field**

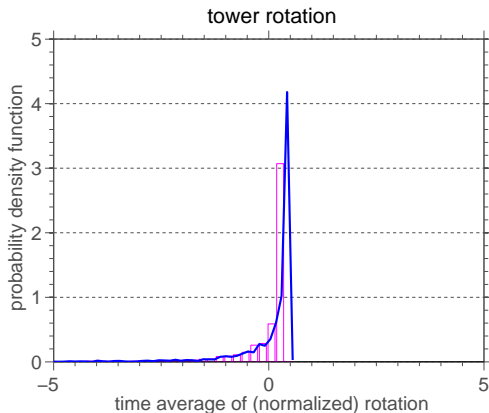
$$(t, \theta) \in [t_0, t_f] \times \Theta \longmapsto \phi_2(t, \theta) \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Its **time average** is defined as

$$\langle \phi_2 \rangle := \frac{1}{\tau} \int_t^{t+\tau} \phi_2(t', \theta) dt'$$

which is a **random variable**.

# Distribution of tower rotational dynamics



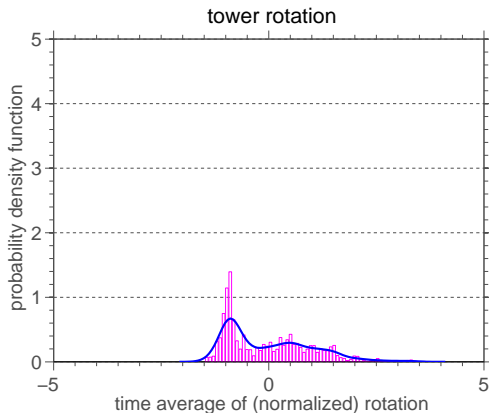
Case 1 (random  $\mathbb{A}$ )

## Statistics of $\langle \phi_2 \rangle$

mean	=	- 0.01
std. dev.	=	0.01
skewness	=	- 4.60
kurtosis	=	28.82

$$\mathbb{P}(\langle \phi_2 \rangle > \text{mean}) = 0.68$$

# Distribution of tower rotational dynamics



Case 2 (random  $\omega$ )

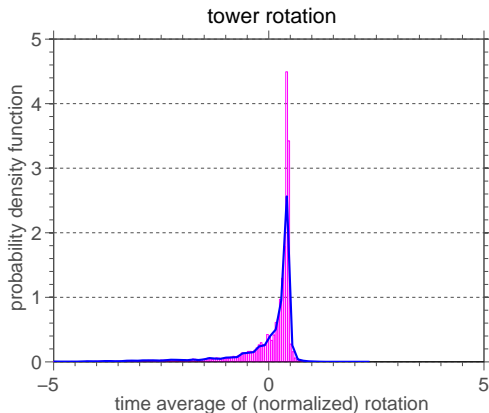
Statistics of  $\langle \phi_2 \rangle$

mean	=	0.00
std. dev.	=	0.00
skewness	=	0.78
kurtosis	=	-0.13

$$\mathbb{P}(\langle \phi_2 \rangle > \text{mean}) = 0.43$$



# Distribution of tower rotational dynamics



Case 3 (random  $\mathbb{A}$  and  $\omega$ )

Statistics of  $\langle \phi_2 \rangle$

mean	=	-0.01
std. dev.	=	0.01
skewness	=	-4.16
kurtosis	=	23.57

$$\mathbb{P}(\langle \phi_2 \rangle > \text{mean}) = 0.73$$

## Section 5

### Final Remarks



# Concluding remarks

## Contributions and conclusions:

- Construction of a **parametric probabilistic model** for orchard sprayer dynamics uncertainties;
- Numerical simulation show **large discrepancies** in the stochastic system response compared nominal (deterministic) model;
- Stochastic numerical experimentation have shown **it is probable the system presents great lateral vibrations**.

## Next steps in this work:

- Investigate the **sensitivity** of stochastic dynamic system response to the **random parameters distribution**;
- **Modeling and quantification** of the **model uncertainties**, that are due to physics lack of knowledge.



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## Simulation Parameters

# Nominal (deterministic) parameters

parameter	value	unit
$m_1$	6500	kg
$m_2$	800	kg
$L_1$	$200 \times 10^{-3}$	m
$L_2$	$2400 \times 10^{-3}$	m
$I_1$	6850	kg m <sup>2</sup>
$I_2$	6250	kg m <sup>2</sup>
$k_1$	$465 \times 10^3$	N/m
$k_2$	$465 \times 10^3$	N/m
$c_1$	$5.6 \times 10^3$	N/m/s
$c_2$	$5.6 \times 10^3$	N/m/s
$B_1$	$850 \times 10^{-3}$	m
$B_2$	$850 \times 10^{-3}$	m
$k_T$	$45 \times 10^3$	N/rad
$c_T$	$50 \times 10^3$	Nm/rad/s
$\rho$	$\pi/9$	rad

## Nonlinear Dynamics Operators

# Mass Matrix (configuration dependent)

$$[M] = \begin{bmatrix} m_1 + m_2 & -m_2 L_1 \sin \phi_1 & -m_2 L_2 \sin \phi_1 \\ -m_2 L_1 \sin \phi_1 & I_1 + m_2 L_1^2 & m_2 L_1 L_2 \cos(\phi_2 - \phi_1) \\ -m_2 L_2 \sin \phi_1 & m_2 L_1 L_2 \cos(\phi_2 - \phi_1) & I_2 + m_2 L_2^2 \end{bmatrix},$$

# Dampind Matrix 1 (configuration dependent)

$$[N] = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & -m_2 L_1 \cos \phi_1 & -m_2 L_2 \cos \phi_2 \\ 0 & 0 & -m_2 L_1 L_2 \sin (\phi_2 - \phi_1) \\ 0 & -m_2 L_1 L_2 \sin (\phi_2 - \phi_1) & 0 \end{bmatrix},$$



# Damping Matrix 2 (configuration dependent)

$$[C] = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 + c_2 & (c_2 B_2 - c_1 B_1) \cos \phi_1 & 0 \\ (c_2 B_2 - c_1 B_1) \cos \phi_1 & c_T + (c_1 B_1^2 + c_2 B_2^2) \cos^2 \phi_1 & -c_T \\ 0 & -c_T & c_T \end{bmatrix},$$

# Stiffness Matrix (configuration dependent)

$$[K] = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 + k_2 & 0 & 0 \\ (k_2 B_2 - k_1 B_1) \cos \phi_1 & k_T & -k_T \\ 0 & -k_T & k_T \end{bmatrix},$$

# Weight Loading Vector (configuration dependent)

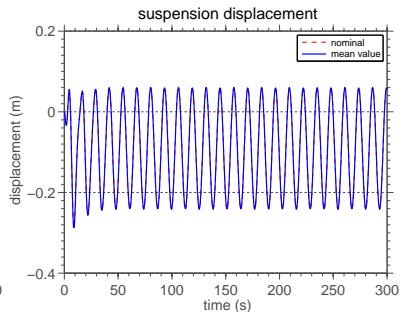
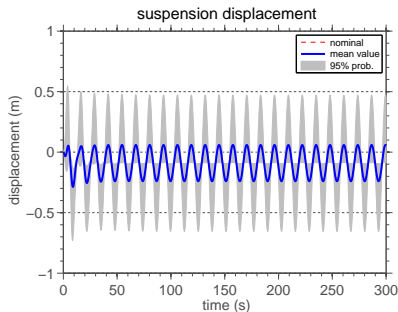
$$\mathbf{g} = \begin{pmatrix} (k_2 B_2 - k_1 B_1) \sin \phi_1 + (m_1 + m_2)g \\ (k_1 B_1^2 + k_2 B_2^2) \sin \phi_1 \cos \phi_1 - m_2 g L_1 \sin \phi_1 \\ -m_2 g L_2 \sin \phi_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

# External Loading Vector (configuration dependent)

$$\mathbf{h} = \begin{pmatrix} k_1 y_{e1} + k_2 y_{e2} + c_1 \dot{y}_{e1} + c_2 \dot{y}_{e2} \\ -k_1 B_1 \cos \phi_1 y_{e1} + k_2 B_2 \cos \phi_1 y_{e2} - c_1 B_2 \cos \phi_1 \dot{y}_{e1} + c_2 B_2 \cos \phi_1 \dot{y}_{e2} \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}.$$

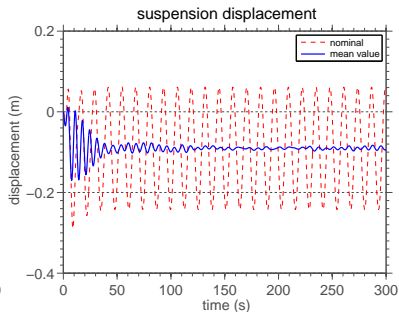
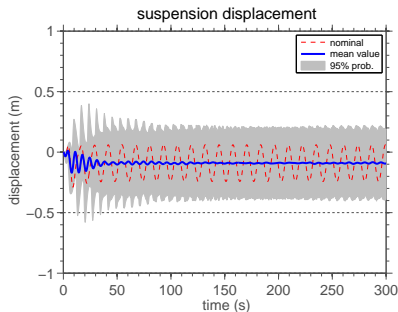
## Other Numerical Results

# Evolution of suspension translational dynamics



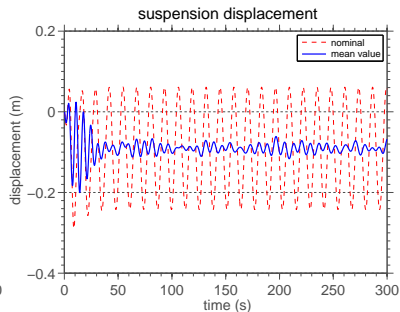
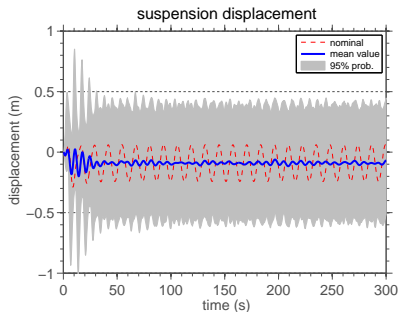
Case 1 (random  $\mathbb{A}$ )

# Evolution of suspension translational dynamics



Case 2 (random  $\omega$ )

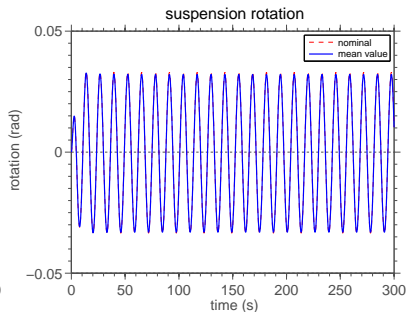
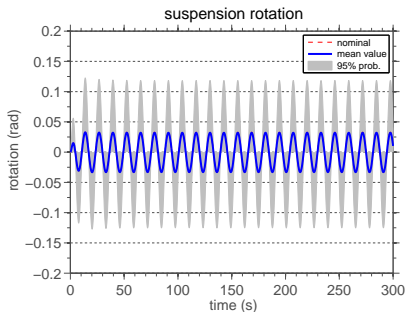
# Evolution of suspension translational dynamics



Case 3 (random  $\Delta$  and  $\omega$ )

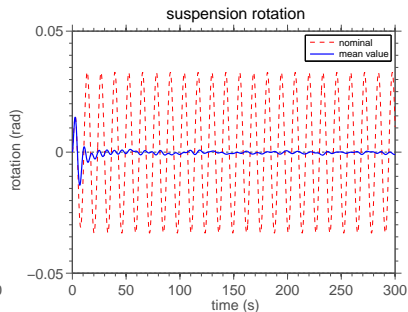
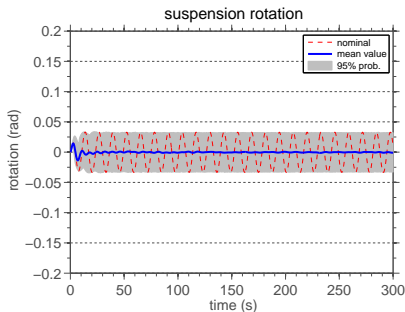


# Evolution of suspension rotational dynamics



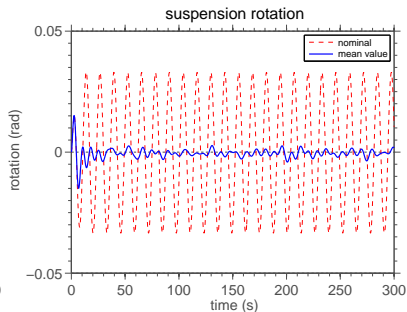
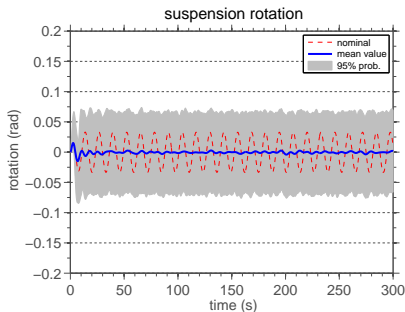
Case 1 (random  $\mathbb{A}$ )

# Evolution of suspension rotational dynamics



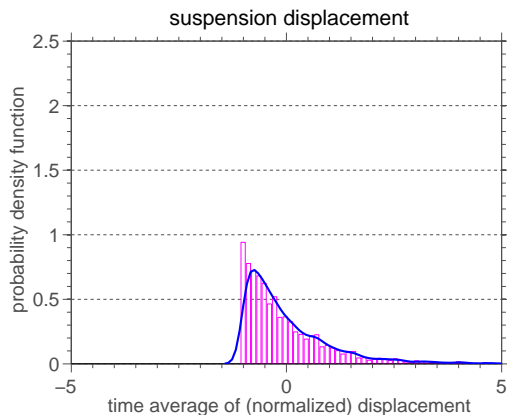
Case 2 (random  $\omega$ )

# Evolution of suspension rotational dynamics



Case 3 (random  $\Delta$  and  $\omega$ )

# Distribution of suspension translational dynamics



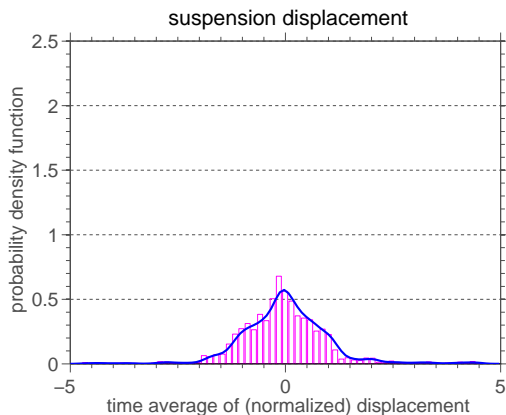
Case 1 (random  $\mathbb{A}$ )

## Statistics of $\langle y_1 \rangle$

mean	=	-0.09
std. dev.	=	0.00
skewness	=	1.89
kurtosis	=	4.71

$$\mathbb{P}(\langle y_1 \rangle > \text{mean}) = 0.37$$

# Distribution of suspension translational dynamics



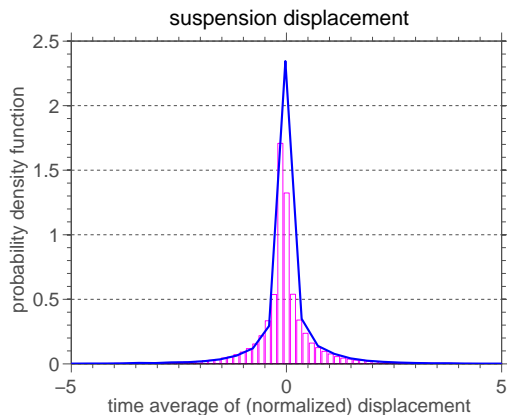
Case 2 (random  $\omega$ )

Statistics of  $\langle y_1 \rangle$

mean	=	-0.09
std. dev.	=	0.01
skewness	=	0.30
kurtosis	=	4.07

$$\mathbb{P}(\langle y_1 \rangle > \text{mean}) = 0.37$$

# Distribution of suspension translational dynamics



Case 3 (random  $\mathbb{A}$  and  $\omega$ )

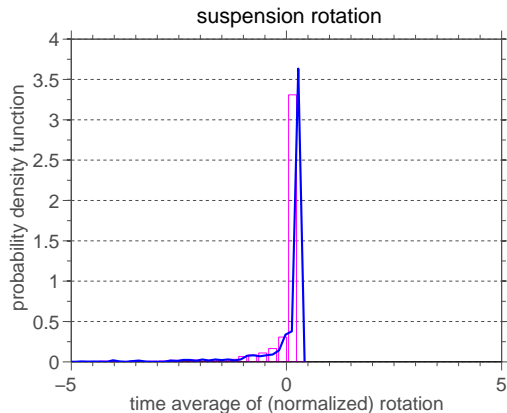
Statistics of  $\langle y_1 \rangle$

mean	=	-0.09
std. dev.	=	0.01
skewness	=	-0.75
kurtosis	=	42.29

$$\mathbb{P}(\langle y_1 \rangle > \text{mean}) = 0.38$$



# Distribution of suspension rotational dynamics



Case 1 (random  $\mathbb{A}$ )

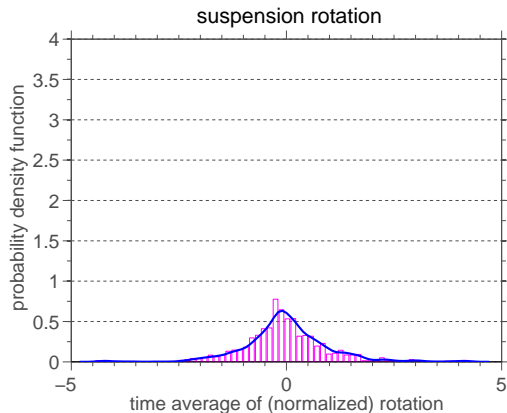
Statistics of  $\langle \phi_1 \rangle$

mean	=	0.00
std. dev.	=	0.00
skewness	=	-5.74
kurtosis	=	44.12

$$\mathbb{P}(\langle \phi_1 \rangle > \text{mean}) = 0.38$$



# Distribution of suspension rotational dynamics



Case 2 (random  $\omega$ )

Statistics of  $\langle \phi_1 \rangle$

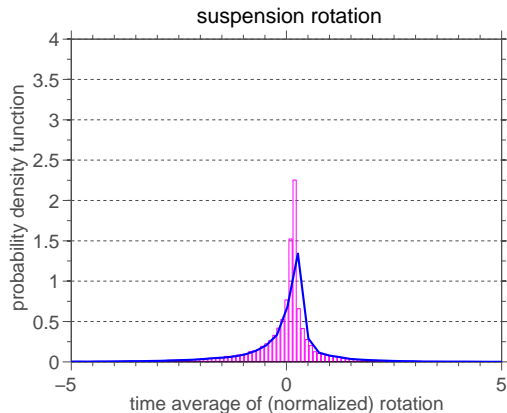
mean	=	0.00
std. dev.	=	0.00
skewness	=	0.17
kurtosis	=	3.38

$$\mathbb{P}(\langle \phi_1 \rangle > \text{mean}) = 0.42$$





# Distribution of suspension rotational dynamics



Case 3 (random  $\mathbb{A}$  and  $\omega$ )

Statistics of  $\langle \phi_1 \rangle$

mean	=	0.00
std. dev.	=	0.00
skewness	=	-1.05
kurtosis	=	14.90

$$\mathbb{P}(\langle \phi_1 \rangle > \text{mean}) = 0.63$$

