

3aMU3: Augmenting a Single-Point Laser Doppler Vibrometer to Perform Scanning Measurements

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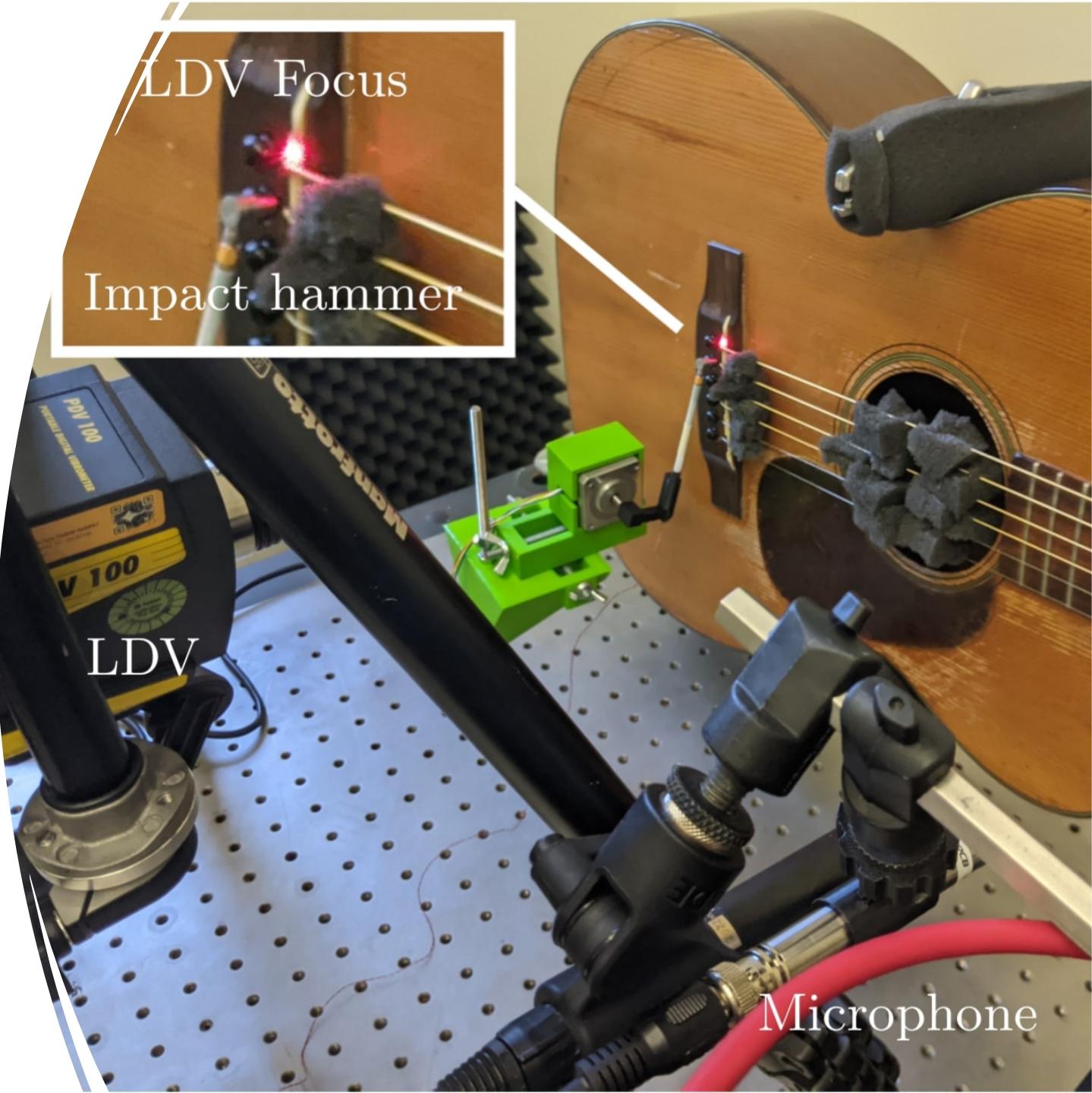


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Vibration Measurements

- Measure vibration of stringed instruments at the driving location (typically bridge)
- Laser vibrometer (or accelerometer) to measure surface velocity
- Force sensing impact hammer for excitation



Admittance

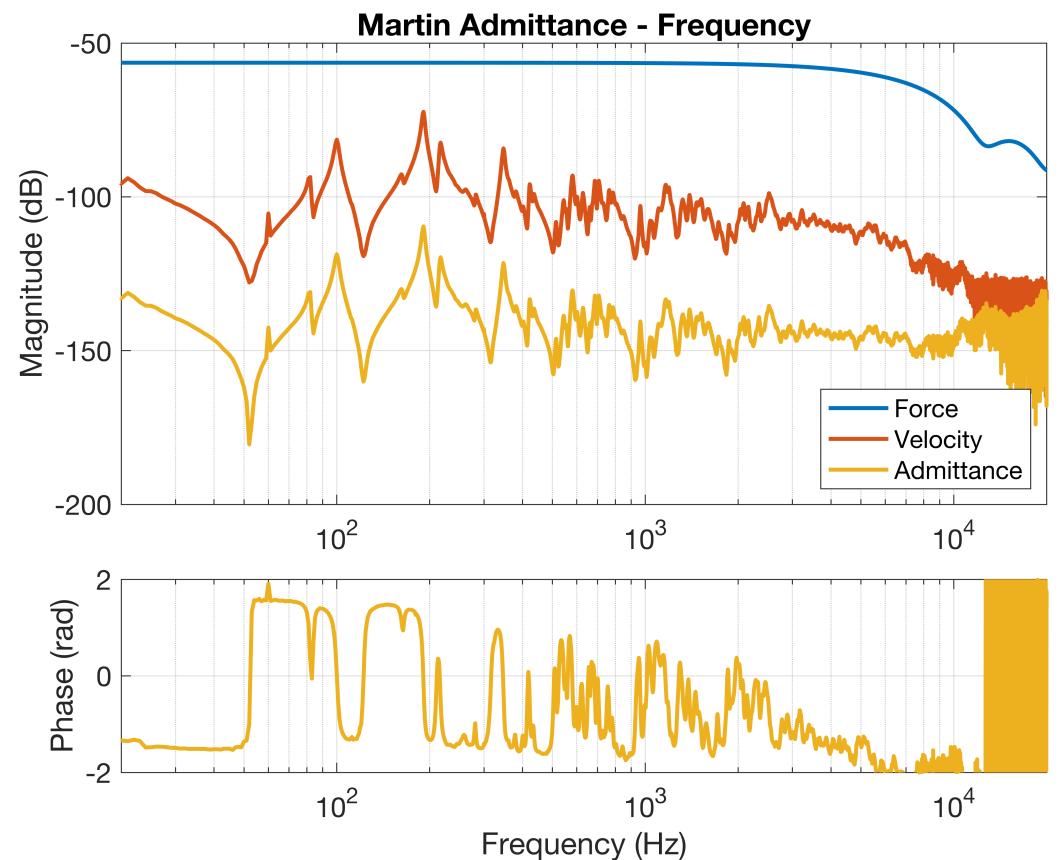
- In musical acoustics, we typically work with the admittance or impedance

$$\Gamma(z) = \frac{V(z)}{F(z)}$$

$\Gamma(z) \rightarrow \text{admittance}$

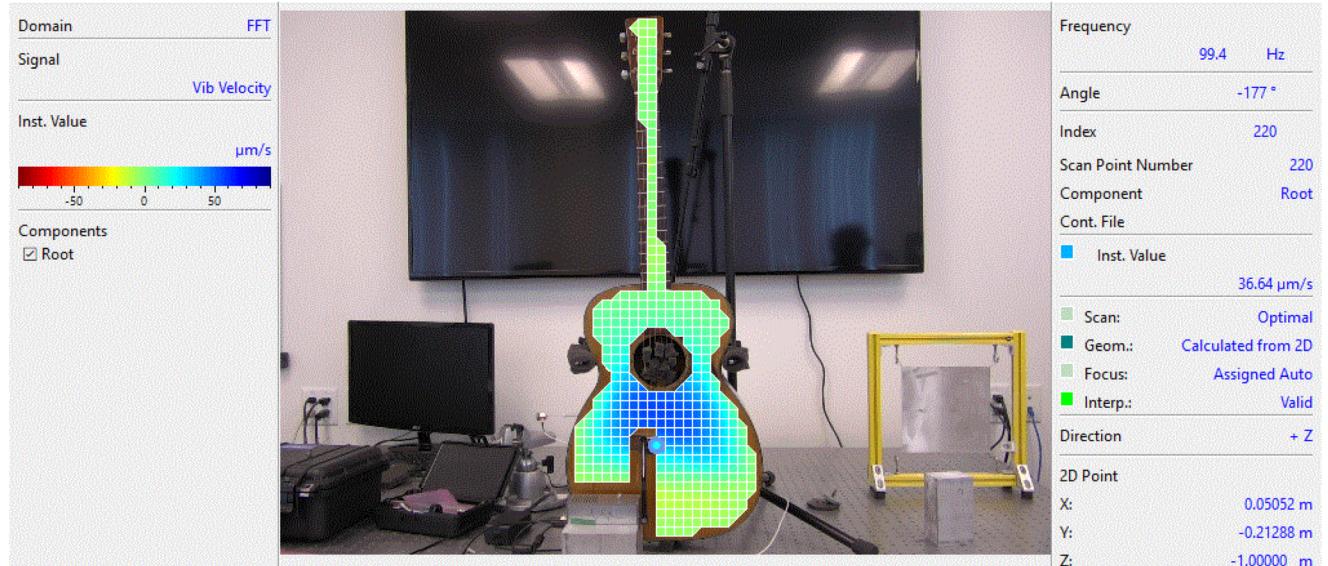
$V(z) \rightarrow \text{velocity}$

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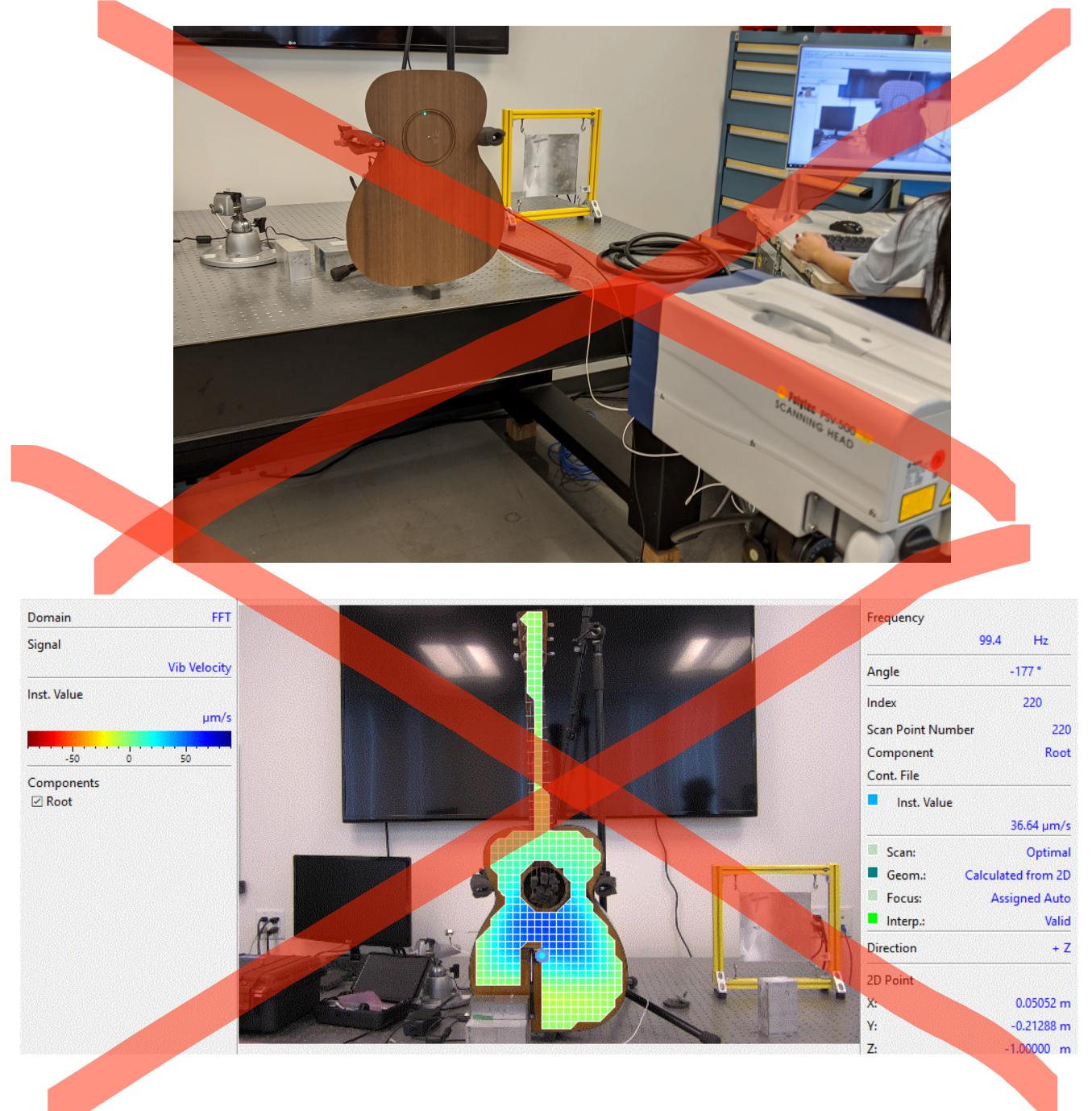
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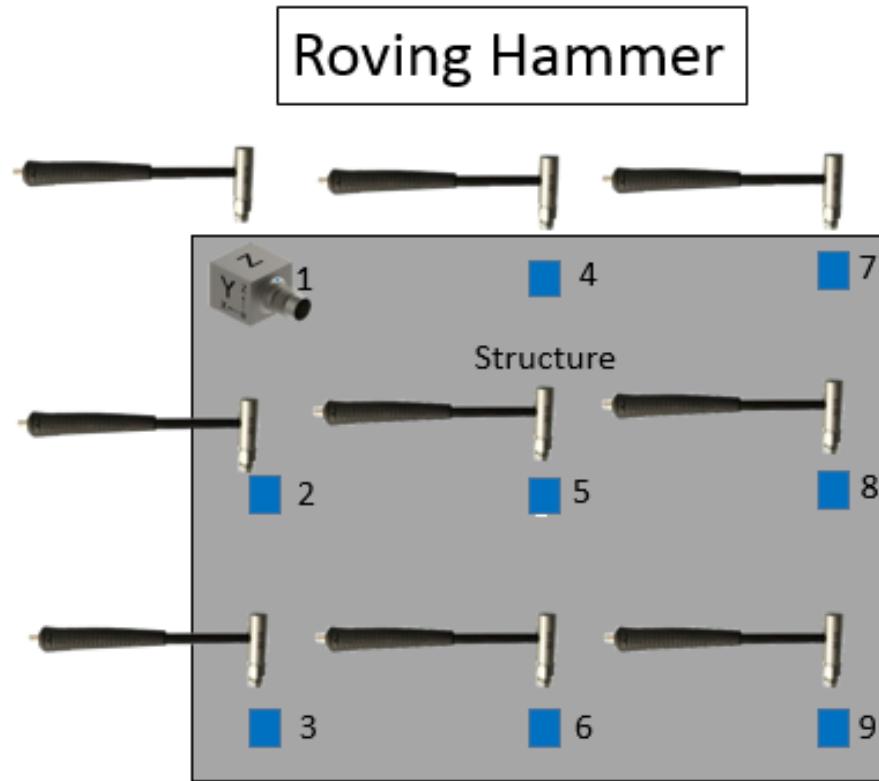
What's the Problem?

- Scanning vibrometers are very expensive
- Generally over \$100000 to my knowledge
- I can't afford one



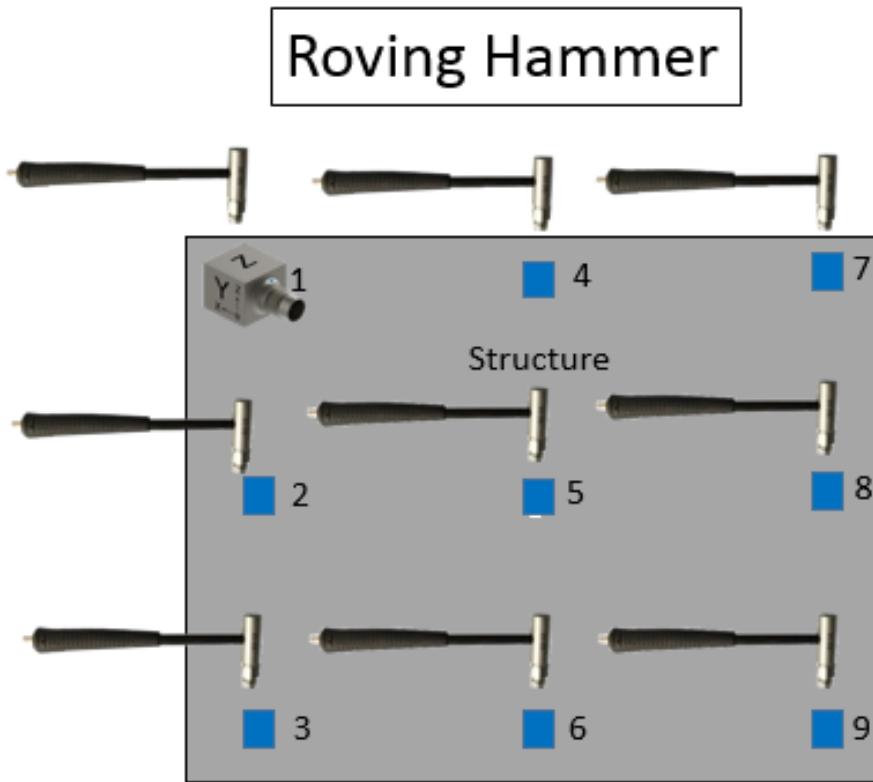
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- Roving hammer/vibrometer method
- Manually make measurements over a pre-marked grid



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- Very time consuming
- Imprecise
- Physically taxing

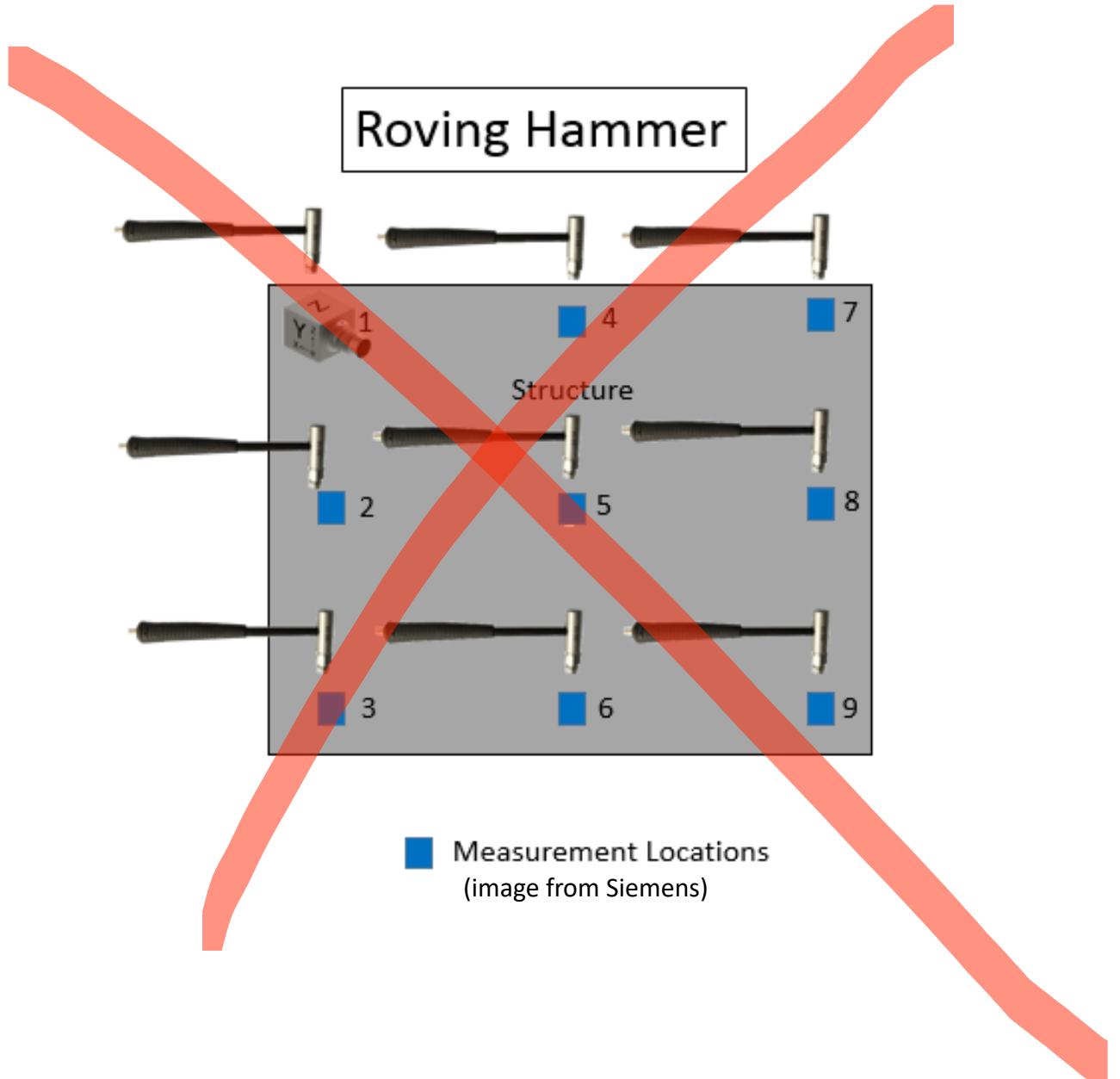


■ Measurement Locations
(image from Siemens)

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I'm too Lazy!



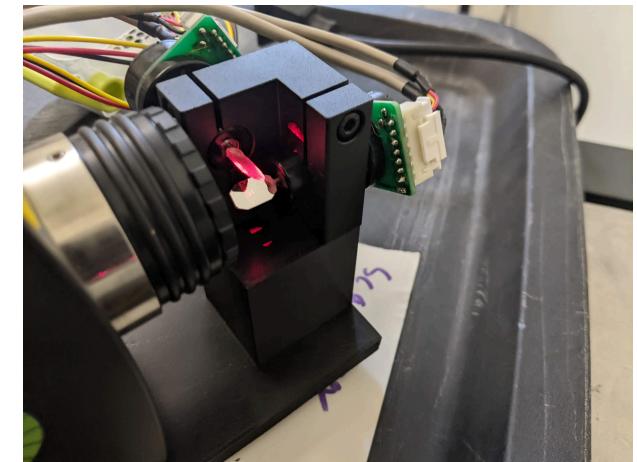
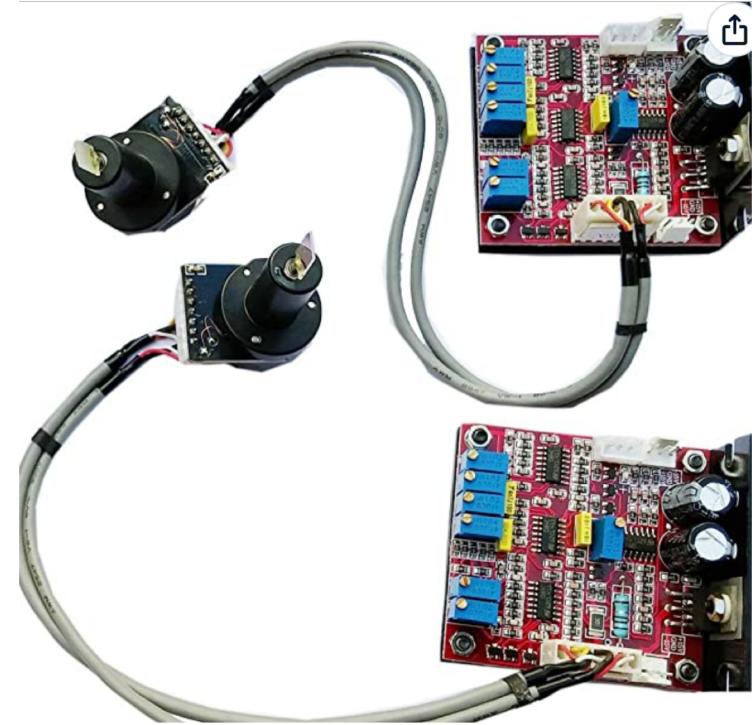
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- Let's try to hack a scanning vibrometer
- My lab has a single-point vibrometer (PSV-100) as do many other labs
 - Less expensive (~ \$15-40000?)



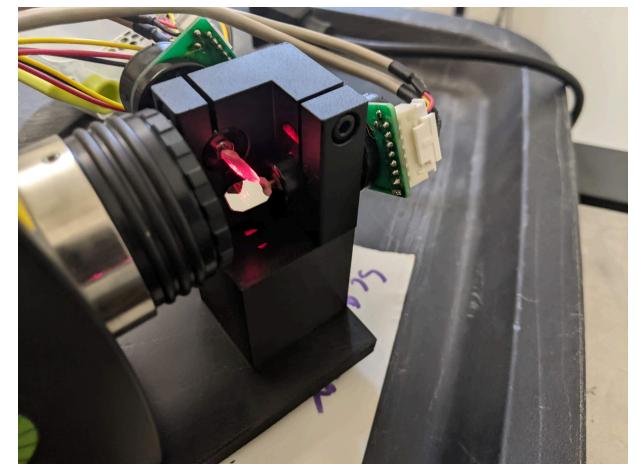
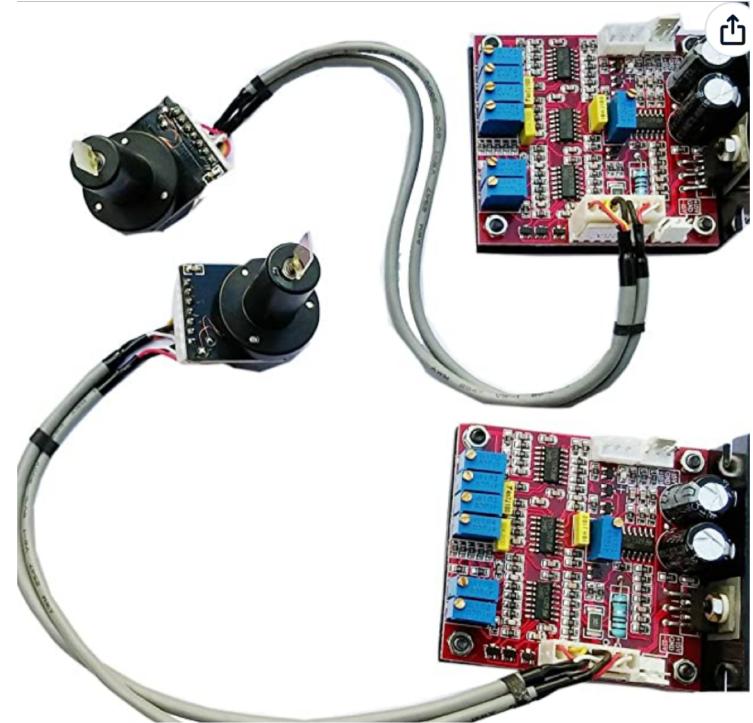
Mirror Galvo

- Redirect laser beam with a mirror galvanometer
- Current controlled electromagnet with mirrors that turn when the magnetic field is varied
- Purchasing options
 - Scientific supplier: ~ \$3000
 - Inexpensive galvo meant for light shows: \$ 137



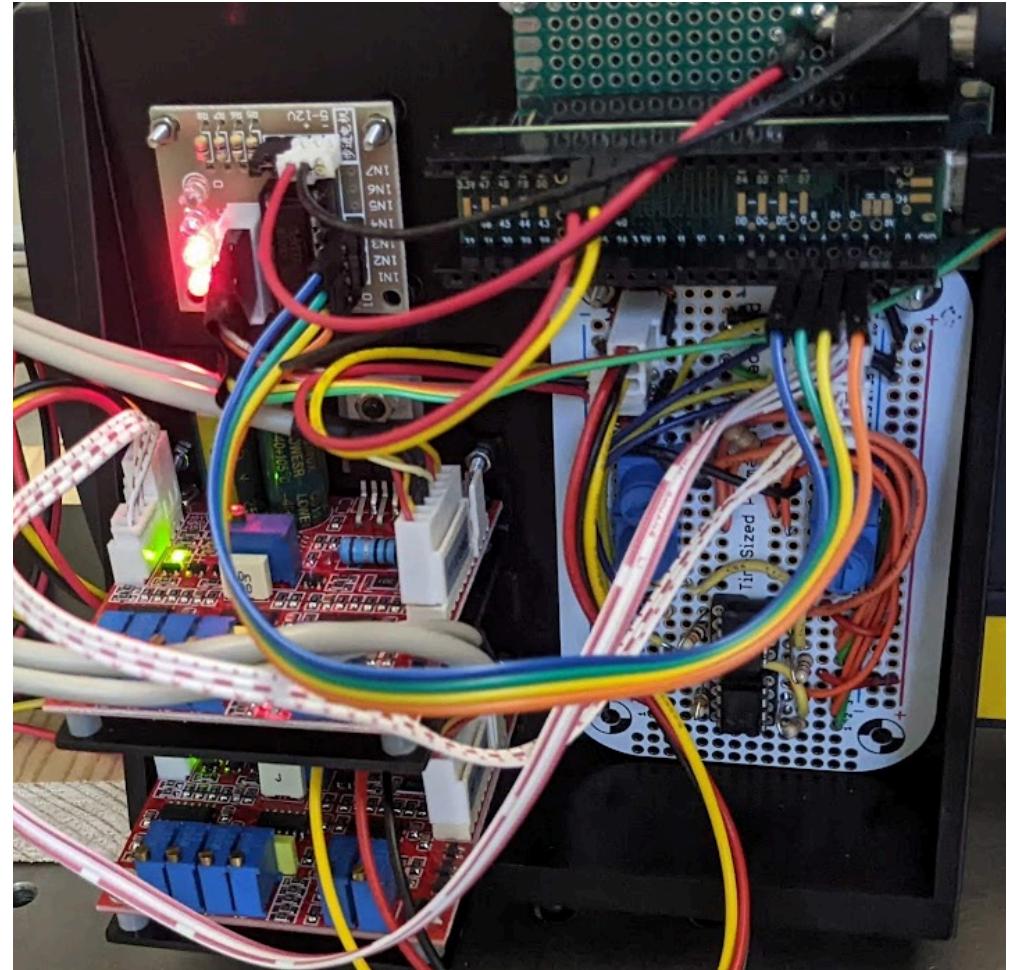
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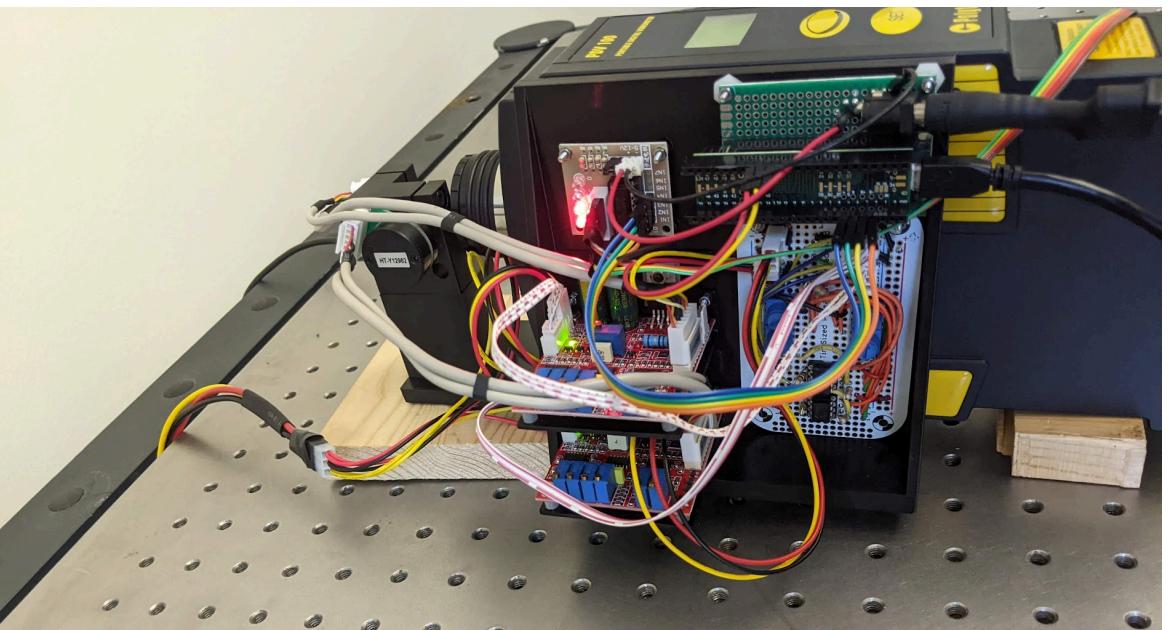
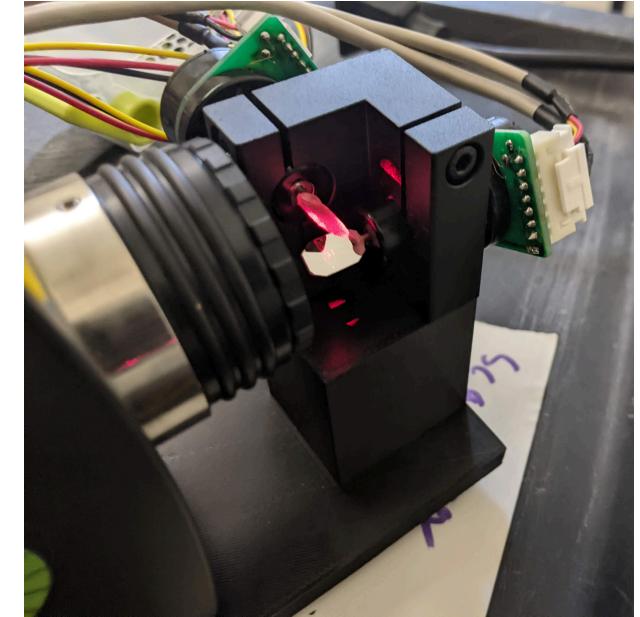
Galvo Control

- Controlled by microprocessor (Teensy 3.6)
- Takes voltage between ± 10 V
 - 3.3 V output from Teensy
 - Op-amp amplifiers for proper voltage scaling
- 12-bit DAC for mirror control
 - 4096 vertical and horizontal positions
 - Moves with serial commands over USB
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Mounting

- 3D printed base
- Attaches to the LDV
- Mounts for the circuitry
- Will make a nicer fully enclosed mount later



Excitation

- Automated force hammer with stepper motor
- 3D printed mount
- Controlled by microprocessor and serial commands



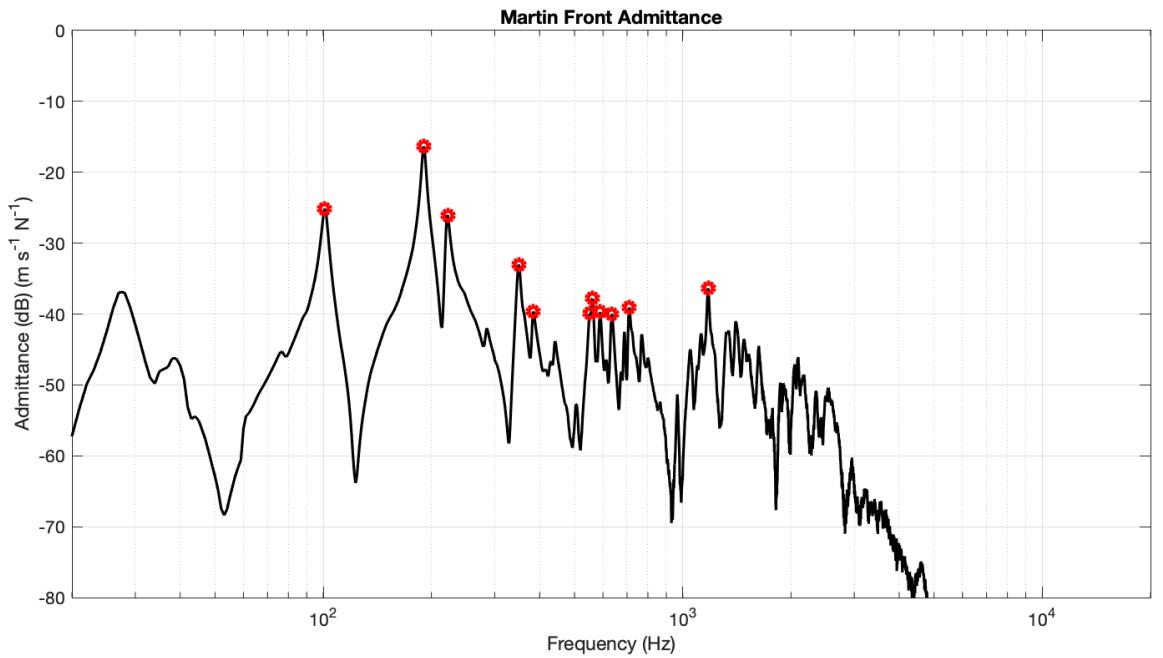
Other Notes

- About a 16° arc of measurement
- Detect if a double hit occurred and re-take the measurement
- Pretty easy to program ands leave while measurements are being taken
- Mildly annoying to focus



Post-Processing

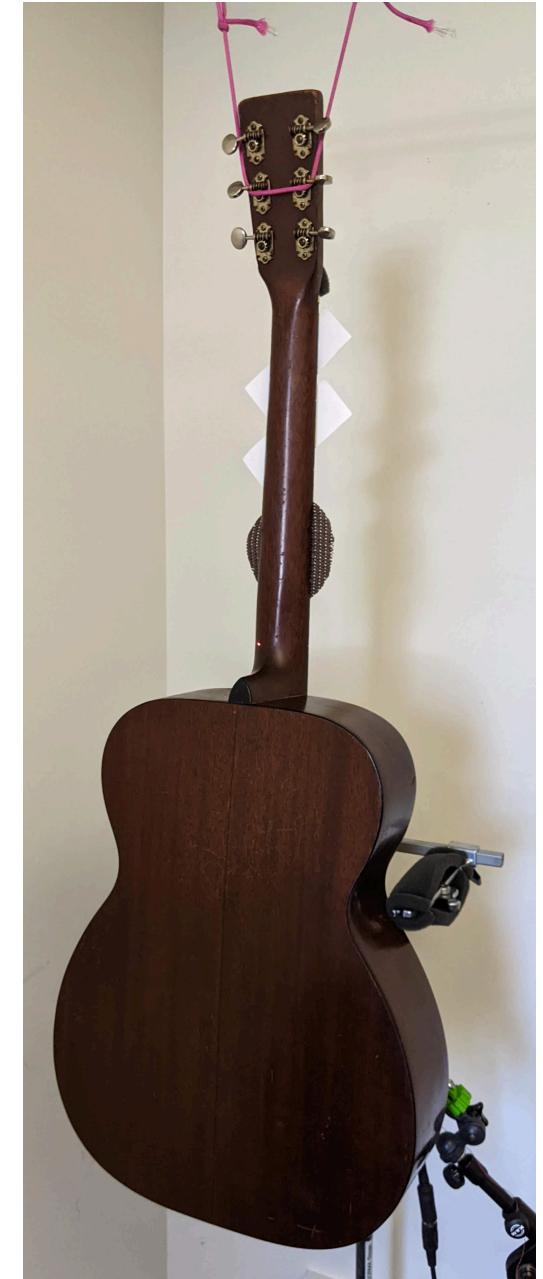
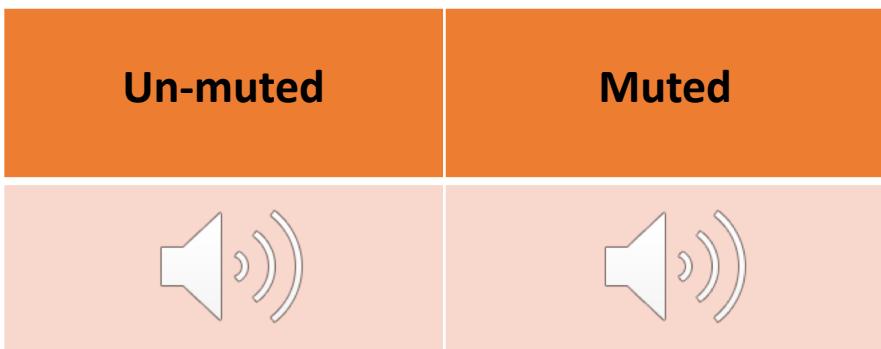
- Some attempt at throwing out measurements
 - Noisy
 - Hammer in the way
 - Outside perimeter of instrument
- Calculate admittance for each measurement point
 - Calibrates for differences in amplitude of hammer strikes
- Pick mode frequencies



Test Case:

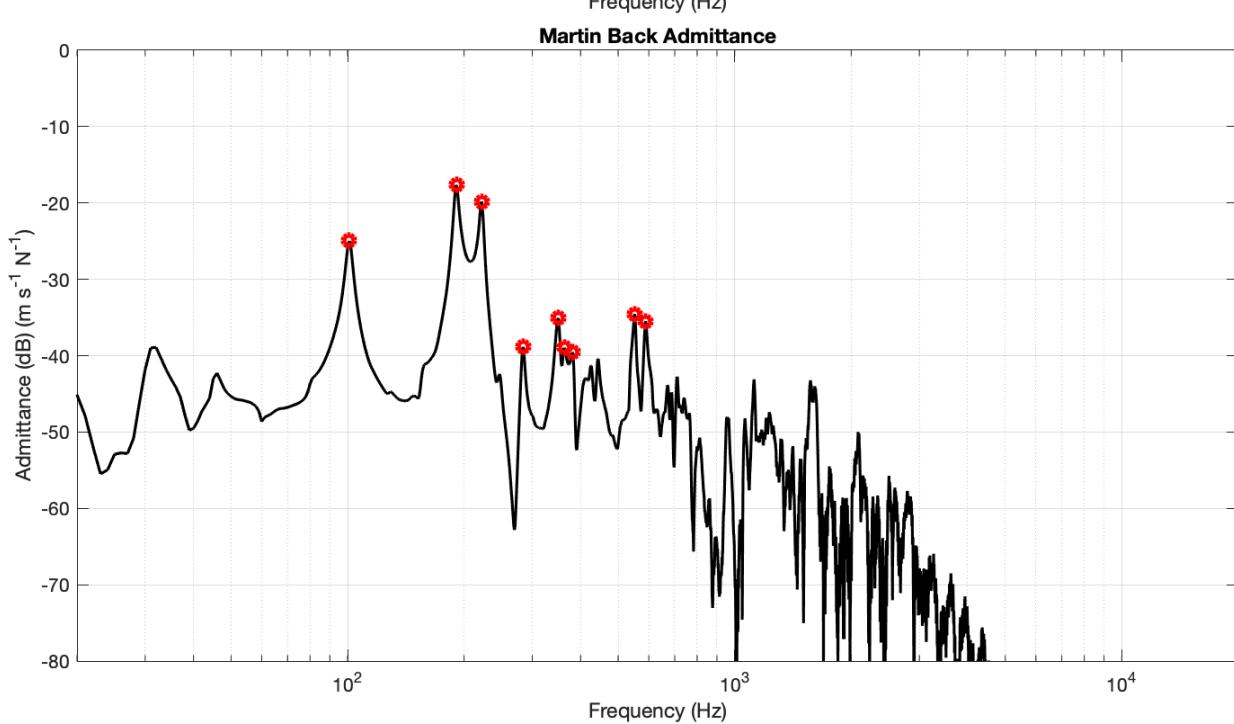
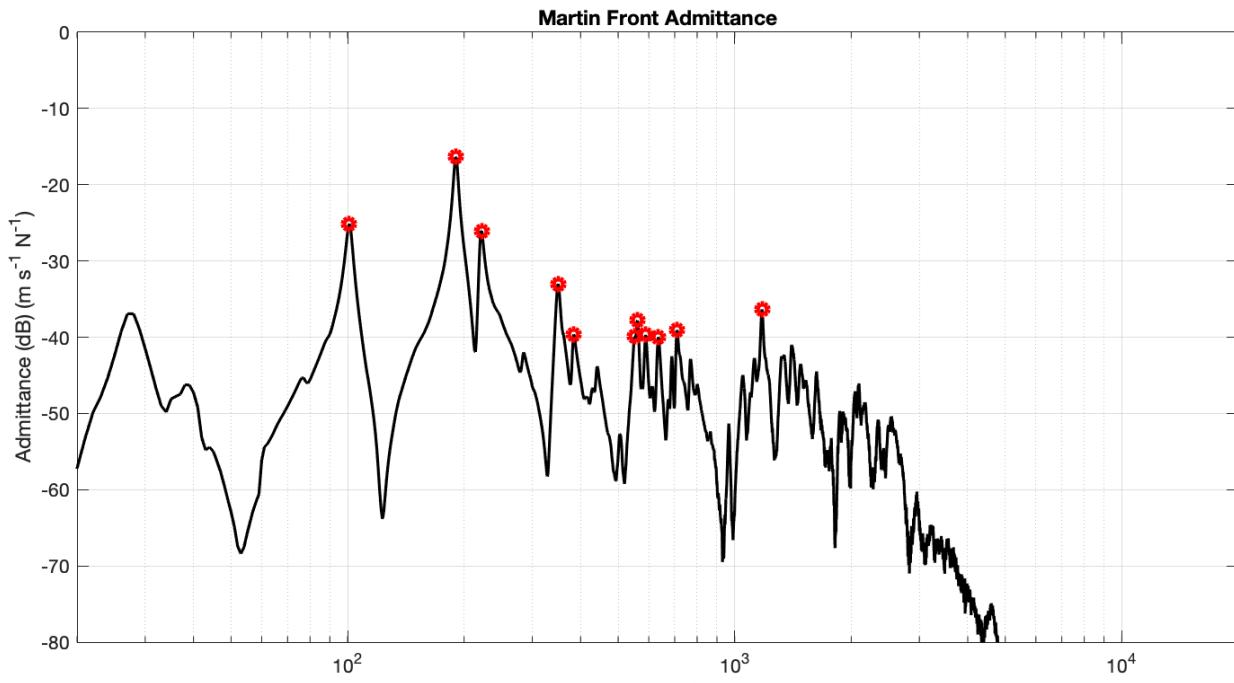
Does muting the back while playing affect the sound?

- Some guitars have “live” backs while some are not as active
- Measure my 1947 Martin 00-18 with Mahogany back and sides
- Look at LDV scans of the top and back plates



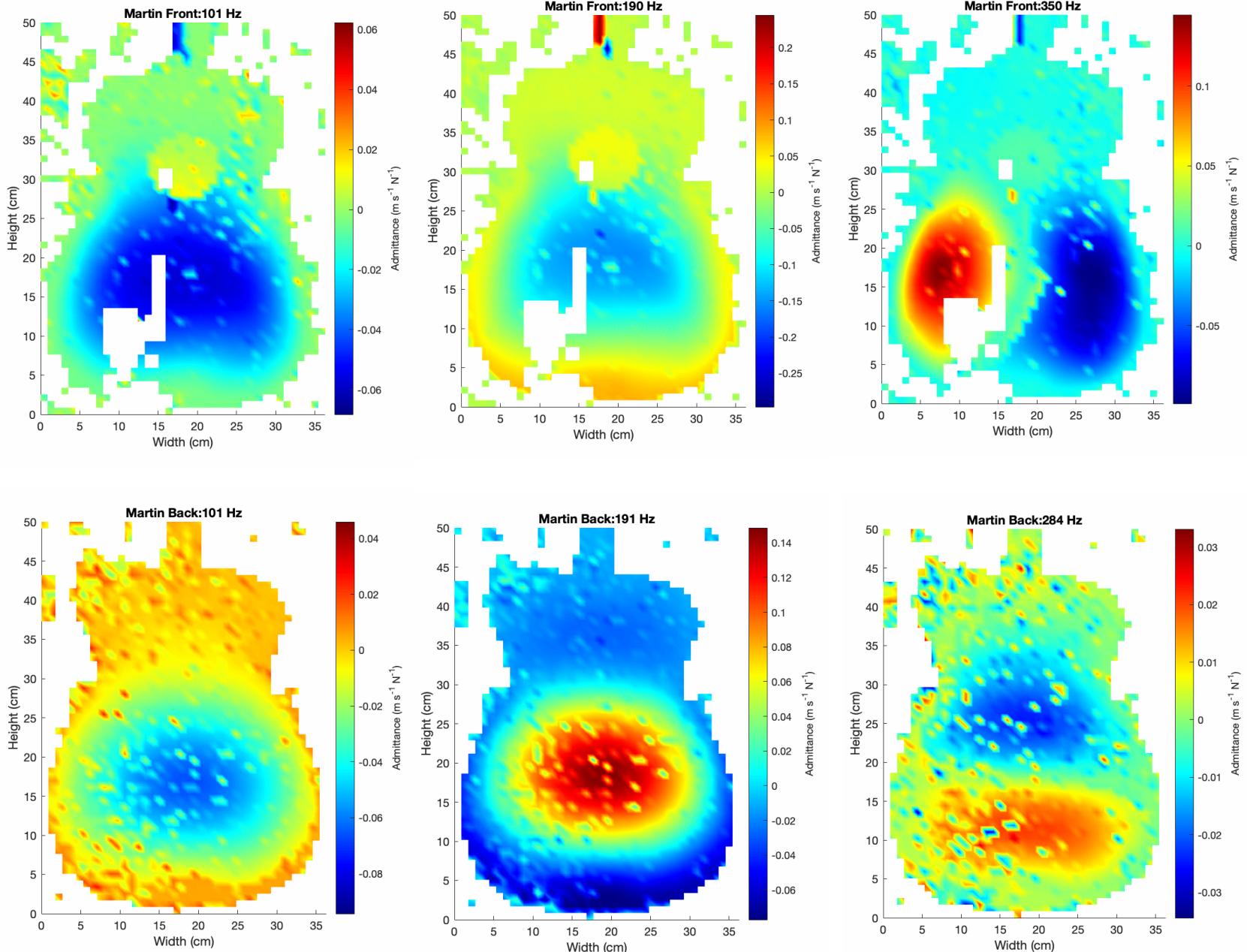
Admittance

- Taken from a single scan point near the bridge location
- We see shared modes below 300 Hz as we would expect



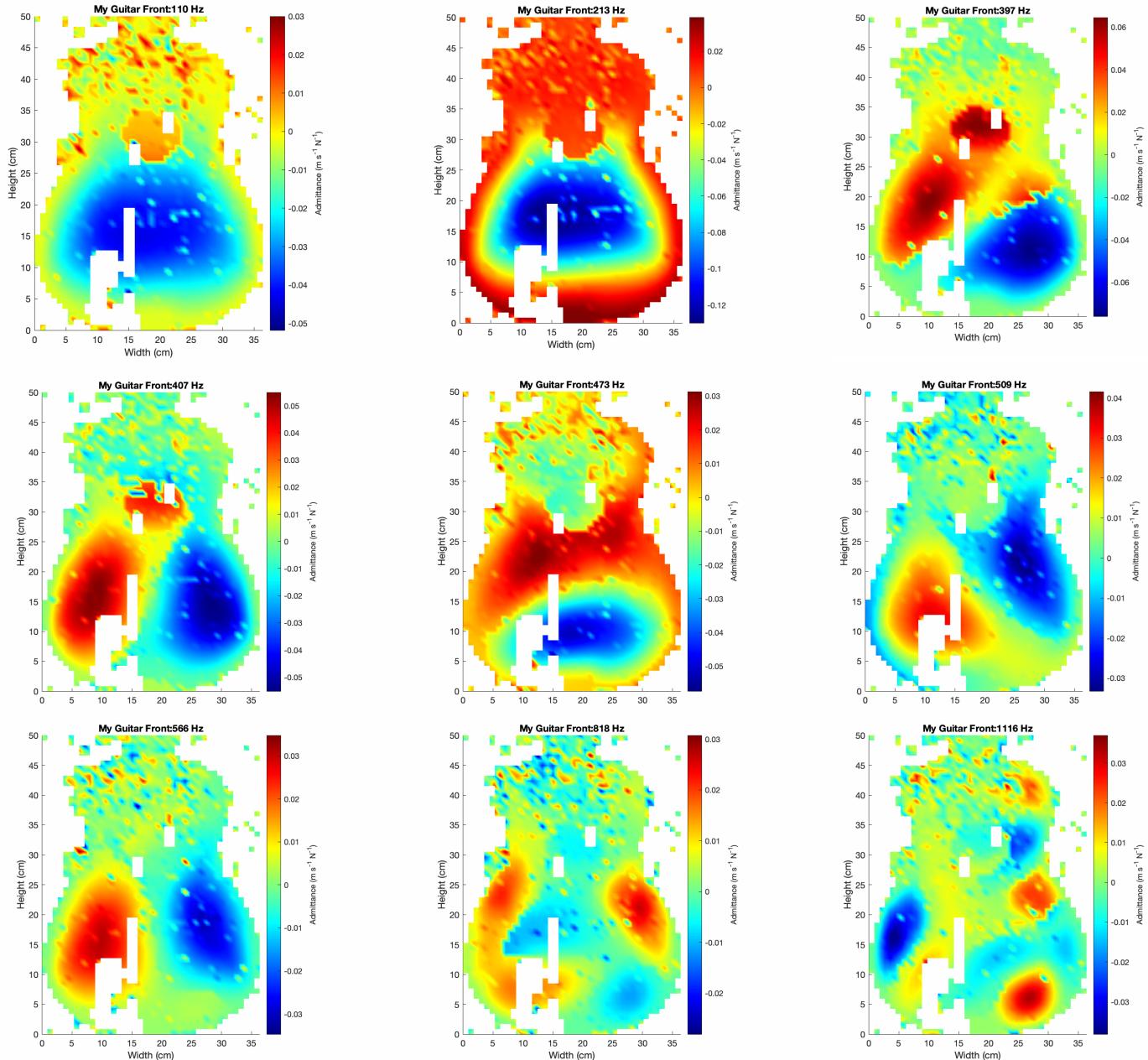
Mode Shapes

- Modes at 101 Hz and 190 Hz are the breathing modes where the top and back are in and out of phase
- Clear coupling for these low modes which can be heard
- Above ~ 300 Hz, the modes are not as strongly coupled

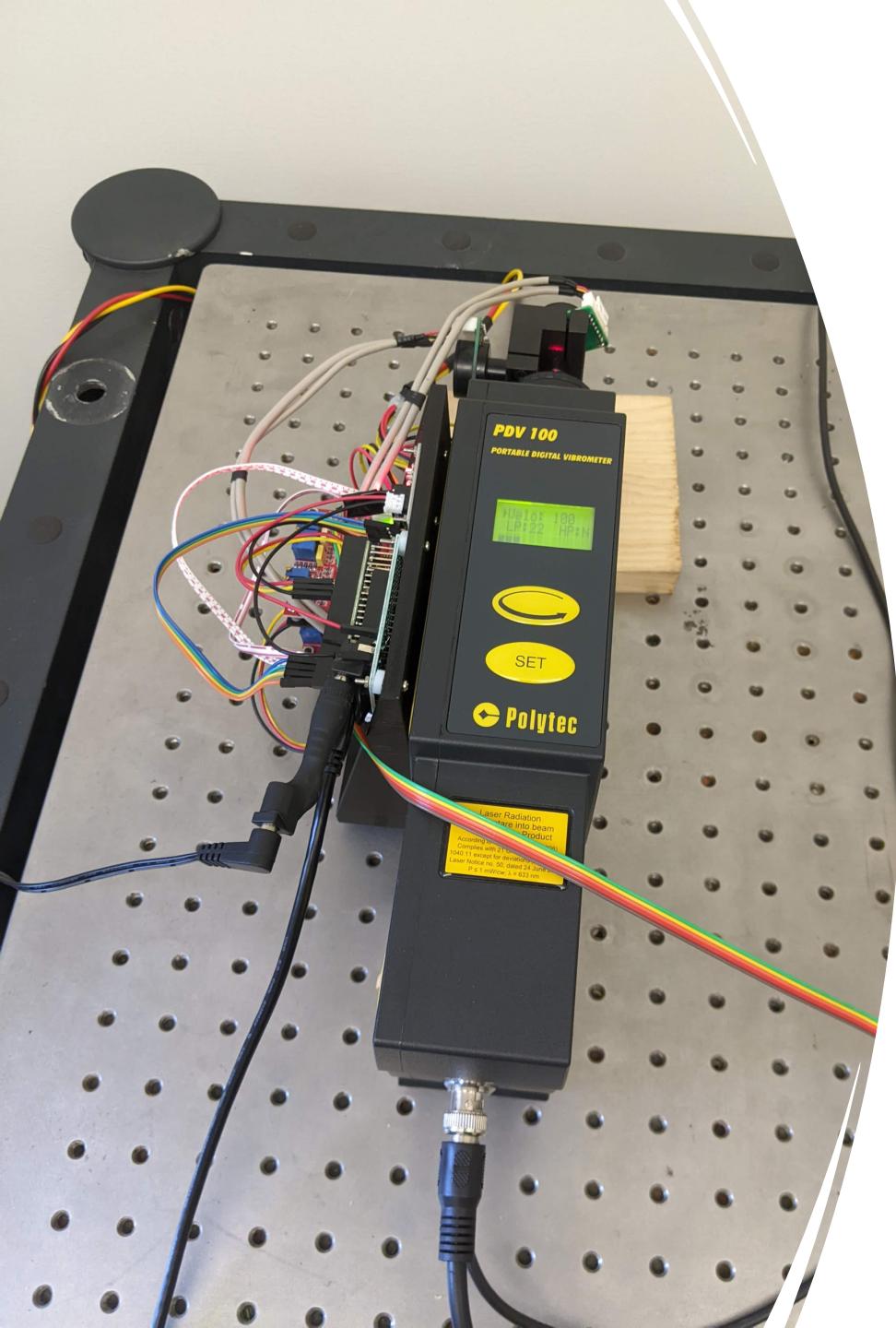


Conclusions

- It works reasonably well!
- Cost less than \$200
- Now I can make scanning measurements without roving a hammer!



Issues + Future Improvements



- Some bad measurement points
 - Include processing during measurement to re-take measurements if noisy
- Measurement points outside instrument perimeter
 - Better processing to eliminate false positives
 - Get a camera and choose boundary for measurements beforehand
- Improve Focus
 - Make a manual auto focus
- Speed up processing
 - ~ 10 minutes for 2000 measurement points
- Clean up code, 3D modeling, and circuit info for release



Questions?

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