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Wiener path integral based stochastic response determination  
of nonlinear systems with singular diffusion matrices

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- Wiener path integral (WPI) technique
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# Introduction

- Engineering Stochastic Dynamics
- Wiener Path Integral (WPI) techniques → transition PDF
- Theory of Stochastic Differential Equations (SDEs)  $\dot{\boldsymbol{x}} = \boldsymbol{A}(\boldsymbol{x}, t) + \tilde{\boldsymbol{B}}(\boldsymbol{x}, t)\boldsymbol{\eta}(t)$
- Mechanical oscillators under white noise excitation: 2<sup>nd</sup> order SDEs
- Mechanical oscillators under non-white excitation: higher order SDEs



*Chaichian and Demichev (2001) Path integrals in physics. Vol. 1. CRC Press*

Singular diffusion matrix

Psaros, Brudastova, Malara & Kougioumtzoglou, J Sound & Vibration (Under Review)

# Introduction

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- A wide class of stochastic dynamics problems can be modeled as:

$$M\ddot{x} + g(x, \dot{x}) = \begin{bmatrix} w(t) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- $w(t)$ : White noise vector process

Cases:

- Filtered white noise excitation processes
- Nonlinear vibratory energy harvesters
- Partially (stochastically) forced structures
- Hysteretic systems, e.g. Bouc-Wen oscillator

- Lead to **singular diffusion matrices**

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# WPI technique - Standard formulation

- Wiener path integral (WPI) → Wiener (1921), Feynman (1948)

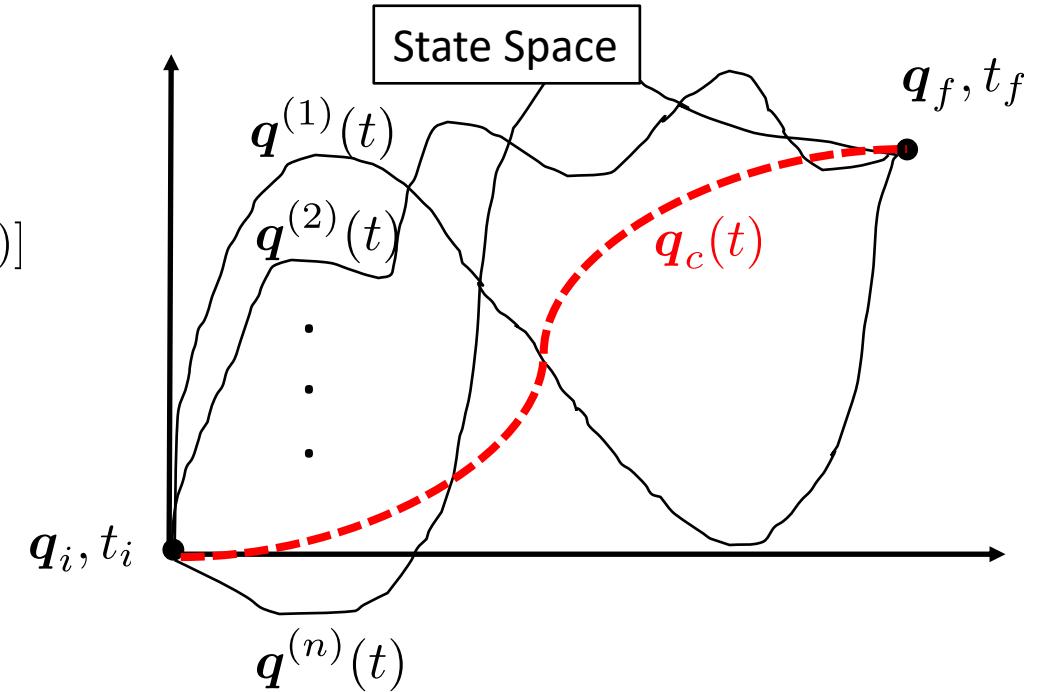
- Transition probability density  $p(\mathbf{q}_f, t_f | \mathbf{q}_i, t_i)$

$$= \int_{\mathcal{C}\{\mathbf{q}_i, t_i; \mathbf{q}_f, t_f\}} W[\mathbf{q}(t)][d\mathbf{q}(t)] = \int_{\mathcal{C}\{\mathbf{q}_i, t_i; \mathbf{q}_f, t_f\}} \Phi \exp \left( - \int_{t_i}^{t_f} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{q}) dt \right) [d\mathbf{q}(t)]$$

↑  
Lagrangian functional

$$\approx \Phi \exp \left( - \int_{t_i}^{t_f} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{q}_c) dt \right)$$

- Determine  $\mathbf{q}_c$  by solving:



Variational problem

$$\text{minimize } \mathcal{J}(\mathbf{q}) = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{q}) dt$$

Euler-Lagrange equations

Rayleigh-Ritz direct method

# WPI technique - Standard formulation

$$\mathcal{J}(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}, \ddot{\mathbf{x}}) = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}, \ddot{\mathbf{x}}) dt$$

$$M\ddot{\mathbf{x}} + g(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}) = \mathbf{w}(t) \longrightarrow \mathcal{L}(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}, \ddot{\mathbf{x}}) = \frac{1}{2} [\mathbf{M}\ddot{\mathbf{x}} + g(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}})]^T \mathbf{B}^{-1} [\mathbf{M}\ddot{\mathbf{x}} + g(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}})]$$

1. From Calculus of Variations

extremality  
condition:

$$\delta \mathcal{J}(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}, \ddot{\mathbf{x}}) = 0$$

Euler-Lagrange equations

$$\frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial x_j} - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{x}_j} + \frac{\partial^2 \mathcal{L}}{\partial t^2} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \ddot{x}_j} = 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, n$$

2. The Rayleigh-Ritz direct method

$$\mathbf{x}(t) \approx \boldsymbol{\psi}(t) + \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{h}(t)$$



$n \times L$  coefficient matrix

polynomial basis expansion of the response

- Then the functional  $\mathcal{J}(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}, \ddot{\mathbf{x}})$  becomes a function of  $\mathbf{c}$   $\longrightarrow J(\mathbf{c})$
- Enables the utilization of optimization theory and algorithms
- If the diffusion matrix is singular  $\longrightarrow \mathbf{B}$  is **singular**

# Treatment of diffusion matrix singularity

- Separation of the governing equations into two underdetermined systems

$$\begin{bmatrix} M_f \ddot{x} + g_f(x, \dot{x}) \\ M_u \ddot{x} + g_u(x, \dot{x}) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} w(t) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \rightarrow \begin{array}{ll} \text{SDEs} & \rightarrow n - m \text{ system equations} \\ \text{Homogeneous ODEs} & \rightarrow m \text{ constraints} \end{array}$$

- The Lagrangian  $\mathcal{L}_f$  of the **system equations** is written as:

$$\mathcal{L}_f(x, \dot{x}, \ddot{x}) = \frac{1}{2} [M_f \ddot{x} + g_f(x, \dot{x})]^T B_f^{-1} [M_f \ddot{x} + g_f(x, \dot{x})]$$

$B_f$  : non-singular square submatrix of  $B$

**Constrained variational problem**

$$\text{minimize } \mathcal{J}(x, \dot{x}, \ddot{x}) = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} \mathcal{L}_f(x, \dot{x}, \ddot{x}) dt$$

$$\text{subject to } M_u \ddot{x} + g_u(x, \dot{x}) = 0$$

**Two solution approaches**

1. Euler-Lagrange equations
2. Rayleigh-Ritz direct method

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# EL equations and Lagrange multipliers

- From Calculus of Variations

Unconstrained variational problem

$$\text{minimize } \mathcal{J}^*(x, \dot{x}, \ddot{x}) = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} \mathcal{L}^*(x, \dot{x}, \ddot{x}) dt$$

where

$$\mathcal{L}^*(x, \dot{x}, \ddot{x}) = \mathcal{L}_f(x, \dot{x}, \ddot{x}) + \lambda(t)^T(M_u \ddot{x} + g_u(x, \dot{x}))$$

Lagrange multiplier  
vector function

- The most probable path  $\mathbf{x}_c(t)$  is the solution of the system:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}^*}{\partial x_j} - \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}^*}{\partial \dot{x}_j} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}^*}{\partial \ddot{x}_j} &= 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, n \\ M_u \ddot{x} + g_u(x, \dot{x}) &= 0 \end{aligned} \right\}$$

n E-L equations + m constraints

- Reduction of these high order ODEs to first order  $\xleftarrow{\hspace{1cm}}$  Numerical methods  
requires multiple differentiations of the constraints  $\xrightarrow{\hspace{1cm}}$  Computational complications

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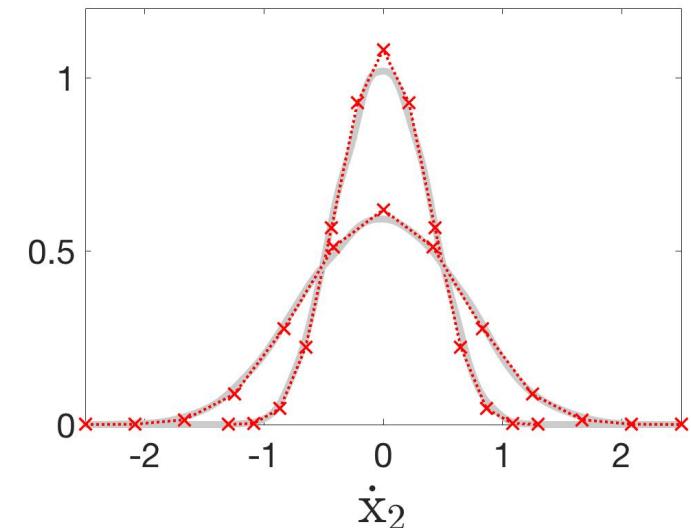
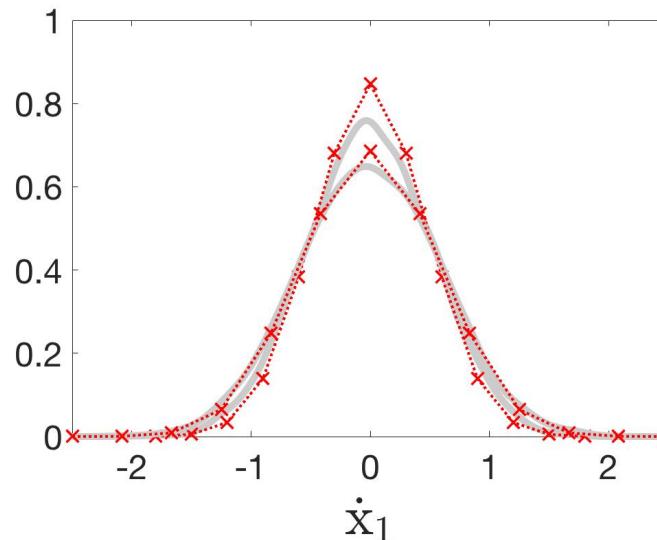
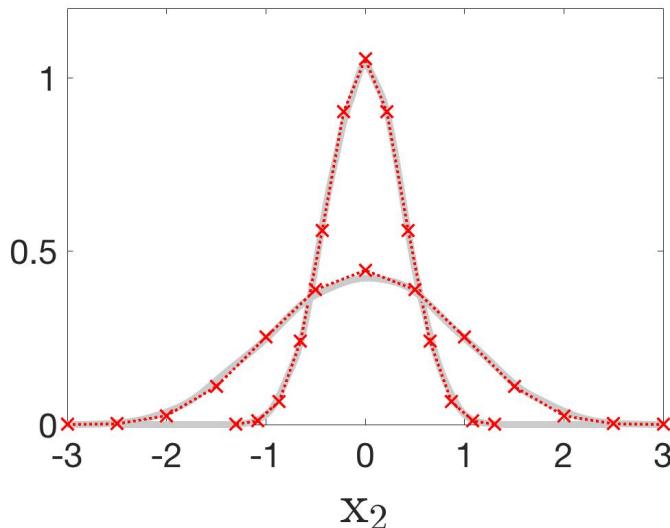
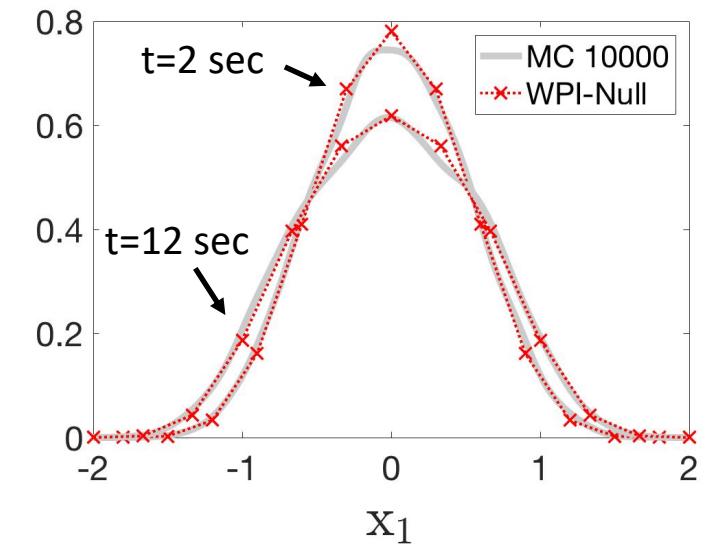
# Rayleigh-Ritz method and Constrained Optimization

- Polynomial basis expansion  $\mathbf{x}(t) \approx \boldsymbol{\psi}(t) + \mathbf{c}^T \mathbf{h}(t)$   
functional  $\mathcal{J}(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}, \ddot{\mathbf{x}}) = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} \mathcal{L}_f(\mathbf{x}, \dot{\mathbf{x}}, \ddot{\mathbf{x}}) dt \longrightarrow \text{nonlinear function } J(\mathbf{c})$
- Linear constraints  $M_u \ddot{\mathbf{x}} + g_u(x, \dot{\mathbf{x}}) = M_u \ddot{\mathbf{x}} + C_u \dot{\mathbf{x}} + K_u \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{0} \longrightarrow \phi(\mathbf{c}, t) = 0$ 
  - functions  $\phi$  are polynomials in  $t$  with coefficients linear in  $\mathbf{c}$
  - equate all polynomial coefficients to zero  $\rightarrow A\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$
  - $\boxed{\begin{array}{l} \text{minimize } J(\mathbf{c}) \text{ subject to } A\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^{L \times n} \end{array}} \longrightarrow \text{Nonlinear optimization problem with linear equality constraints}$
- Efficient solution using **nullspace** of  $A$   
restrict  $\mathbf{c}$  to the subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^{L \times n}$  where  $A\mathbf{c} - \mathbf{b} = \mathbf{0}$  is always satisfied

# 1<sup>st</sup> Example: Partially forced 2 DOF oscillator

$$\boldsymbol{M} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{x}_1 \\ \ddot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \boldsymbol{C} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \boldsymbol{K} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + 0.5 \begin{bmatrix} c_{11}\dot{x}_1^3 + k_{11}x_1^3 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} w(t) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

nonlinear eq. of motion      linear constraint



# Rayleigh-Ritz method and Constrained Optimization

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- Nonlinear constraints  $M_u \ddot{\mathbf{x}} + g_u(x, \dot{x}) = \phi(\mathbf{c}, t) = \mathbf{0} \iff \xi(\mathbf{c}) = \sqrt{\int_{t_i}^{t_f} \phi^2(\mathbf{c}, t) dt} = 0$
- minimize  $J(\mathbf{c})$  subject to  $\xi(\mathbf{c}) = \mathbf{0}$   
 $\mathbf{c} \in \mathbb{R}^{L \times n}$



Nonlinear optimization problem with  
nonlinear equality constraints

- Augmented Lagrangian method

$$L_A(\mathbf{c}, \boldsymbol{\lambda}; \mu) = J(\mathbf{c}) - \sum_{i=1}^m \lambda_i \xi_i(\mathbf{c}) + \frac{\mu}{2} \sum_{i=1}^m \xi_i^2(\mathbf{c})$$

for  $k = 0, 1, \dots$  and increasing  $\mu^k$

$$\mathbf{c}^{k+1} = \arg \min L_A(\mathbf{c}^k, \boldsymbol{\lambda}^k; \mu^k)$$

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda}^{k+1} = \boldsymbol{\lambda}^k - \mu^k \boldsymbol{\xi}(\mathbf{c}^k)$$

Dual of the Quadratic Penalty Method (QPM)

Bertsekas (1985) *Constrained Opt. and Lagrange Multiplier Methods*

Computational improvement over the QPM

Nocedal, Wright (2006) *Numerical Optimization*

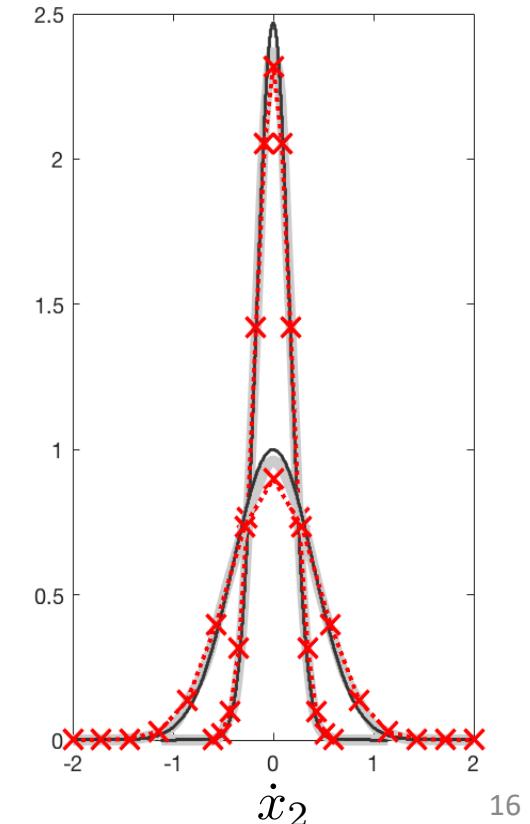
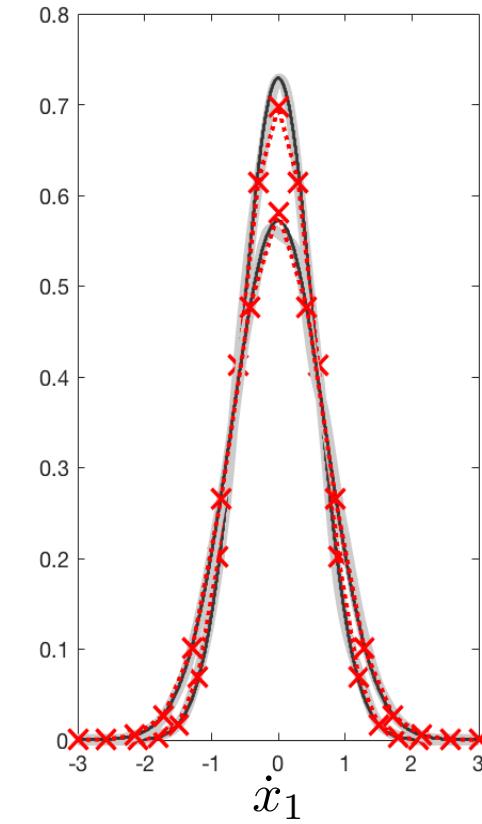
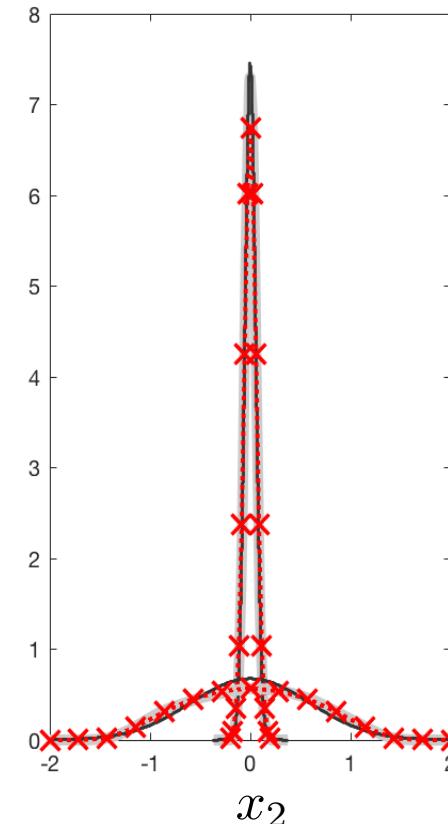
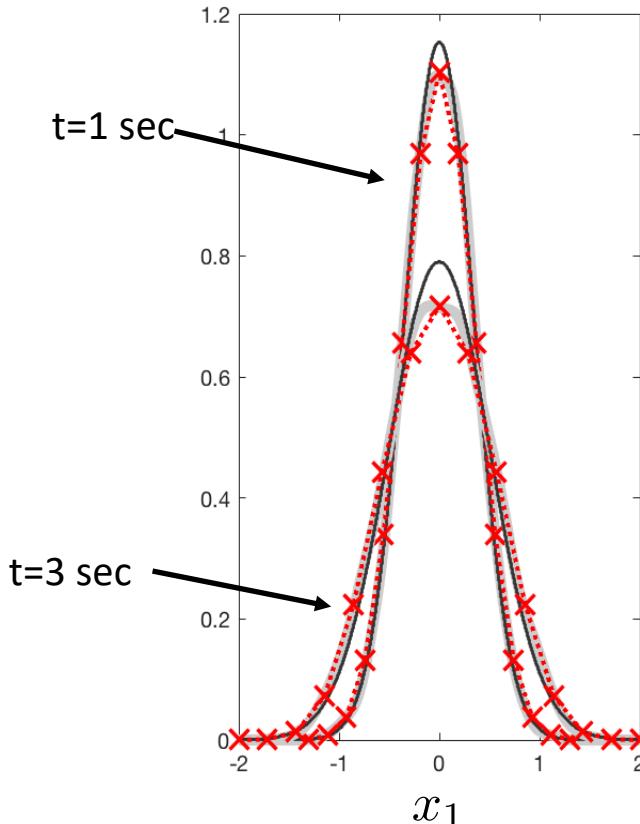
## 2<sup>nd</sup> Example: Partially forced 2 DOF oscillator

$$M \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{x}_1 \\ \ddot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} + C \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} + K \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + 0.5 \begin{bmatrix} k_{11}x_1^3 \\ k_{12}x_2^3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} w(t) \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

nonlinear eq. of motion

nonlinear constraint

MCS  
Statistical Linearization  
WPI

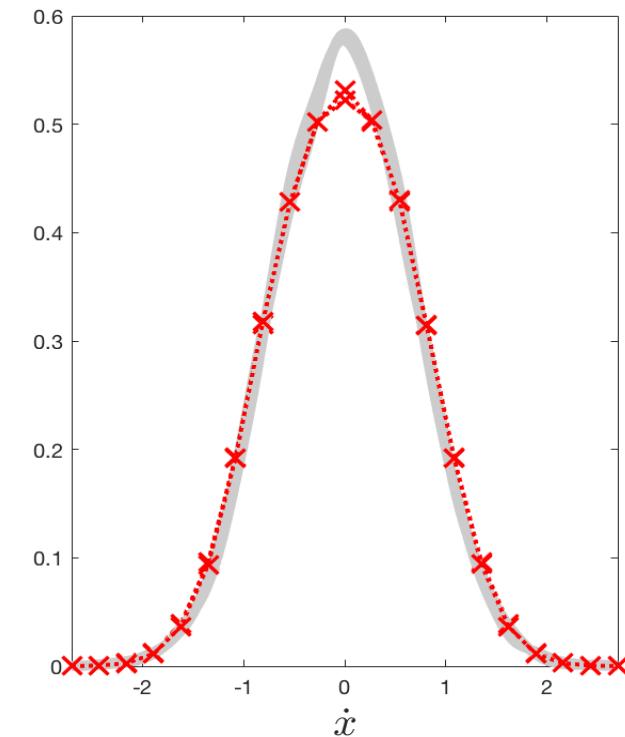
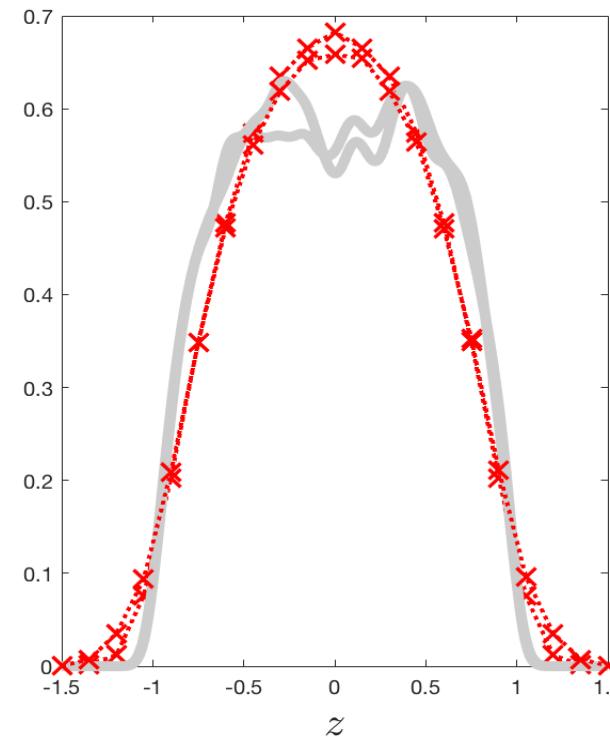
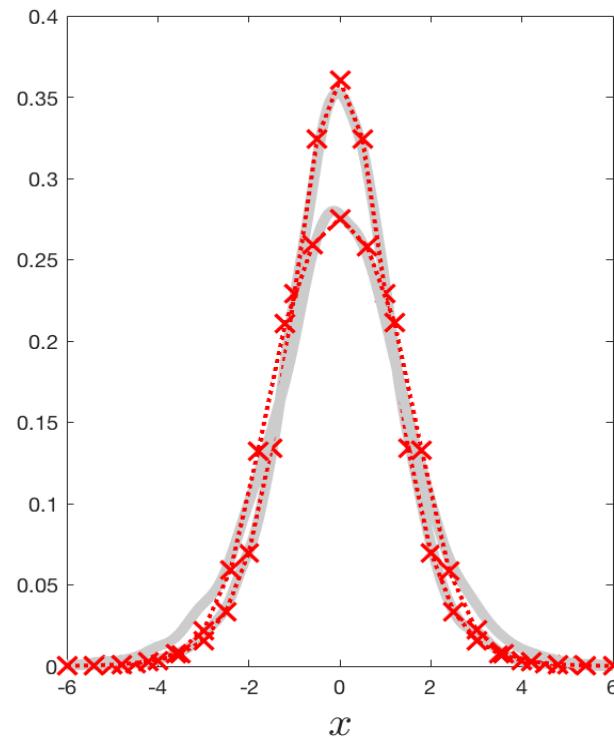


# 3<sup>rd</sup> Example: Bouc-Wen hysteretic oscillator

$$\ddot{x} + 2\zeta_0\omega_0\dot{x} + \alpha\omega_0^2x + (1 - \alpha)\omega_0^2z = w(t) \rightarrow \text{system equation}$$

$$\dot{z} + \gamma|\dot{x}|z|z|^{\nu-1} + \beta\dot{x}|z|^{\nu} - A\dot{x} = 0 \rightarrow \text{constraint}$$

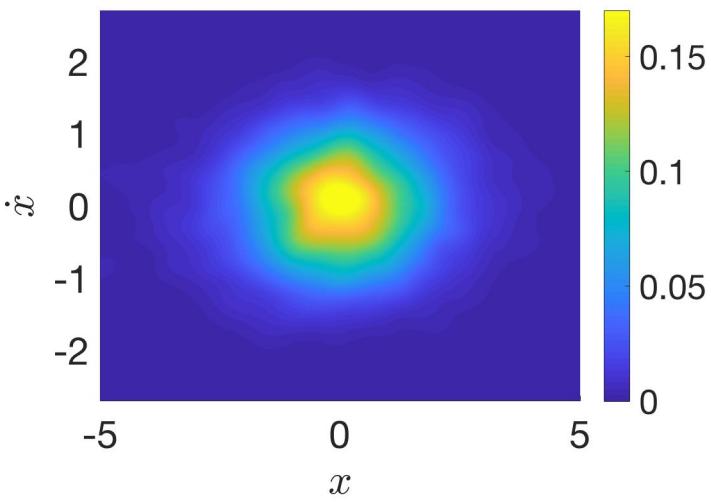
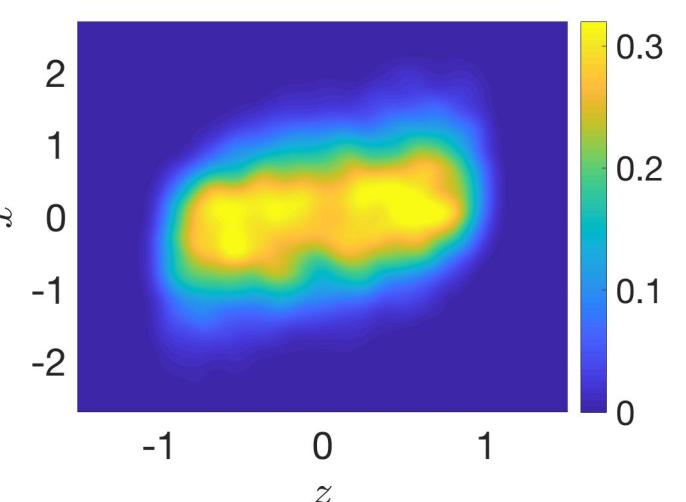
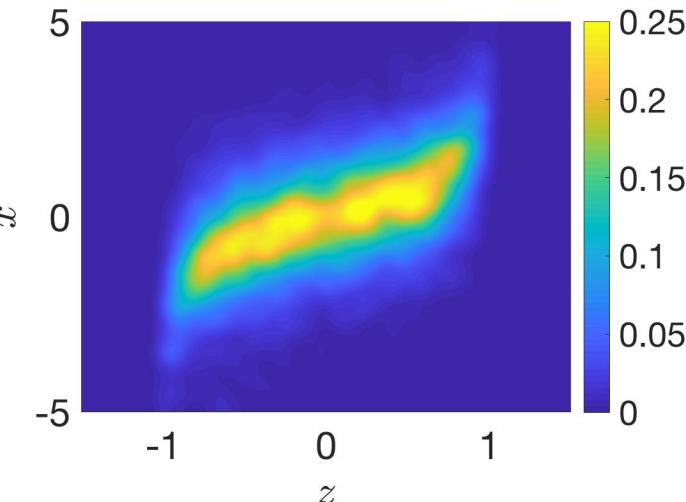
- Marginal response PDFs for  $\nu = 1$  at  $t = 10$  and  $20$  sec and increasing penalty factor  $\mu$



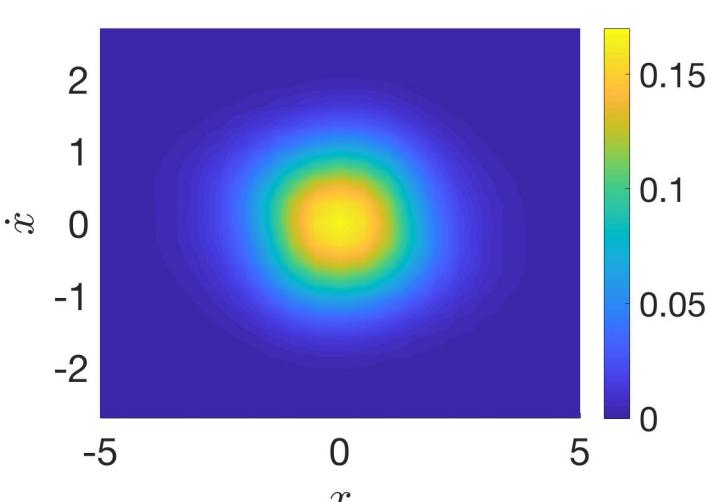
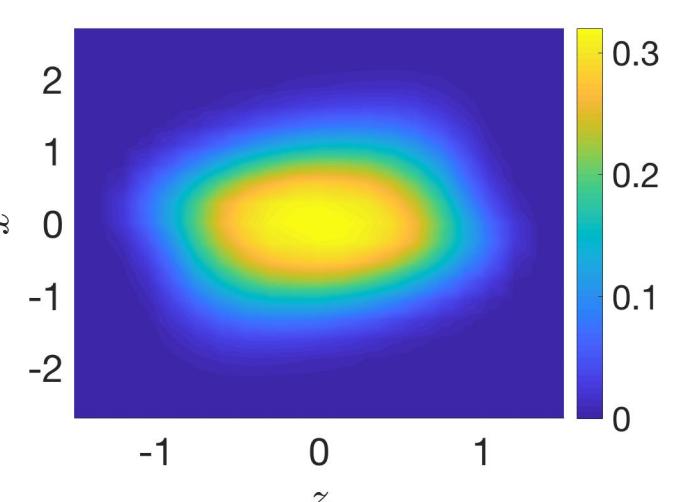
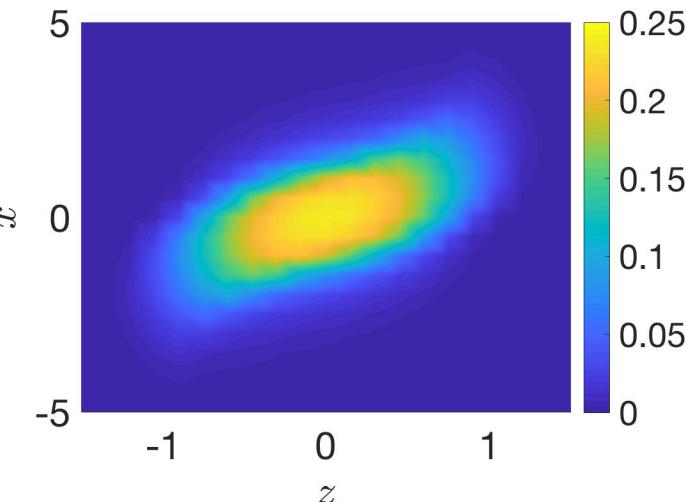
### 3<sup>rd</sup> Example: Bouc-Wen hysteretic oscillator

- 2D joint response PDFs for  $v = 1$  at  $t = 15$  sec

MC 10000  
realizations



WPI –  
Augmented  
Lagrangian  
method



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# Conclusions

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- Modification of the standard WPI technique to account for systems with **singular diffusion matrices**
- Separation of the system equations into two underdetermined sub-systems and formulation of a **constrained variational problem**
  - E-L equations and **Lagrange multipliers**
    - Theoretically rigorous – Calculus of Variations
    - Computational limitations
  - Rayleigh-Ritz and **constrained optimization**
    - Approximate but more versatile
    - Linear constraints: **Nullspace approach** (very efficient)
    - Nonlinear constraints: **Augmented Lagrangian method**
- Examples: Partially forced MDOF oscillators with **linear** and **nonlinear** constraints, **Bouc-Wen** hysteretic oscillator

Thank you!

# Appendix: Nonlinear energy harvester example

$$\ddot{x} + 2\zeta\dot{x} + x + \lambda x^2 + \delta x^3 + \kappa^2 y = w(t)$$

$$\dot{y} + \alpha y - \dot{x} = 0$$

- Solution: EL equation and Lagrange multipliers
- marginal response PDFs

