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Structural Dynamics Lunchtime Series - #1.2 The Modal Filter with Applications

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Introduction

- Basics of the Modal Filter
- Root Extraction from Experimental FRFs using Analytical Mode Shapes
- Basic SWAT Force Reconstruction
- Modal Filter in SMAC Modal Parameter Identification
- Constraining Boundary Conditions Analytically with the Modal Filter on Experimental Models

Basics of Modal Filter

- Define the modal filter for a single mode as a column vector $\bar{\Psi}$

$$\bar{\Psi}^T \ddot{\mathbf{x}} = \ddot{q}$$

Row vector * acceleration column
vector = SDOF response

$$\bar{\mathbf{x}} = \Phi \bar{\mathbf{q}}$$

$$\Phi^T \mathbf{M} \Phi \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_{\bar{\Psi}} = \mathbf{I} \ddot{\mathbf{q}}$$

Orthogonality of mode shapes with
mass or stiffness matrix

$$\Phi^T \mathbf{M} \ddot{\mathbf{x}} = \mathbf{I} \ddot{\mathbf{q}}$$

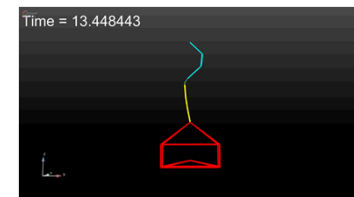
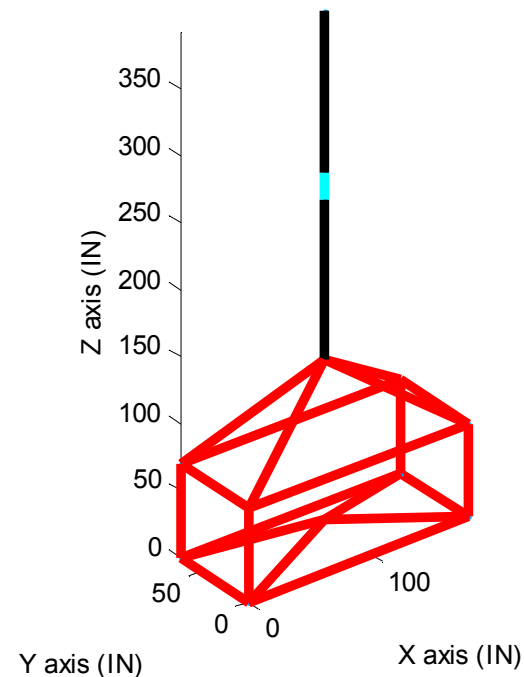
$$\bar{\Phi}_r^T \mathbf{M} \ddot{\mathbf{x}} = \ddot{q}_r$$

$$\Phi^+ \ddot{\mathbf{x}} = \ddot{\mathbf{q}}$$

Most common modal filter

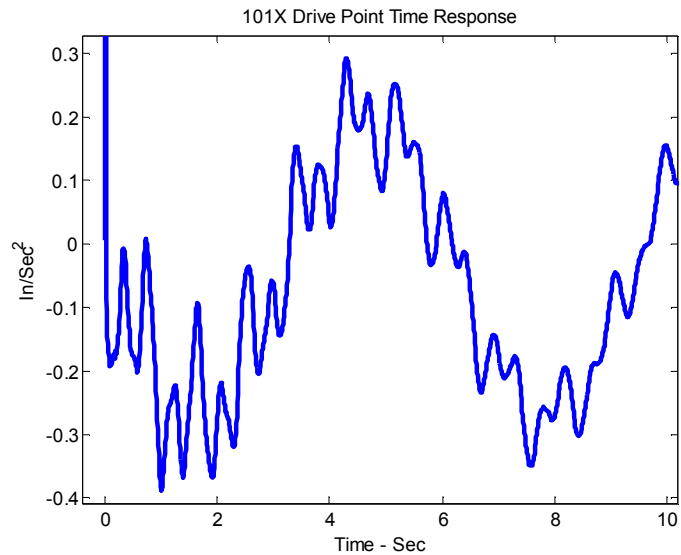
Example system – Wind Turbine Nacelle hanging from crane

- The nacelle is a rigid body
- The mass and lateral stiffness of the crane wire rope, hoist block, hook and strap are modeled discretely
- Assume measurements are made at
 - triaxes on 4 corners of nacelle
 - Lateral biaxial on block and hook
- With that instrumentation set the mode shape matrix becomes ill-conditioned beyond the crane block mode
- Only modes up to crane block mode could be successfully filtered

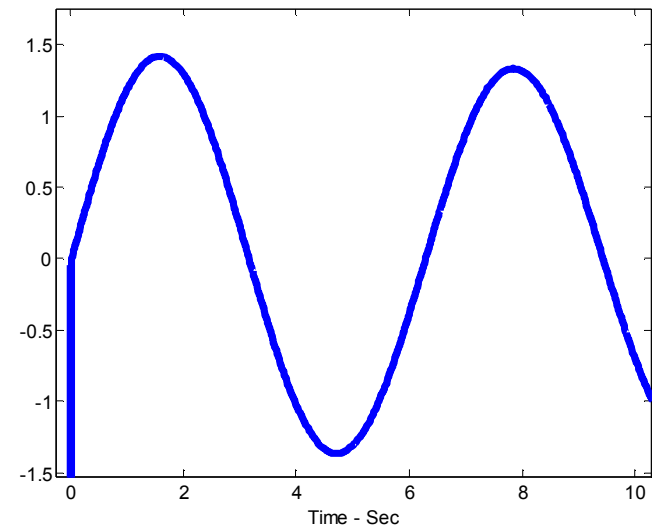


Modal Filter Nacelle results from impact

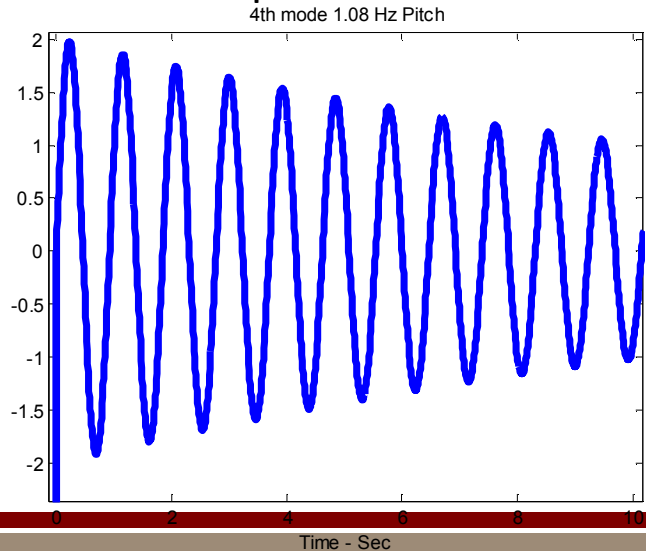
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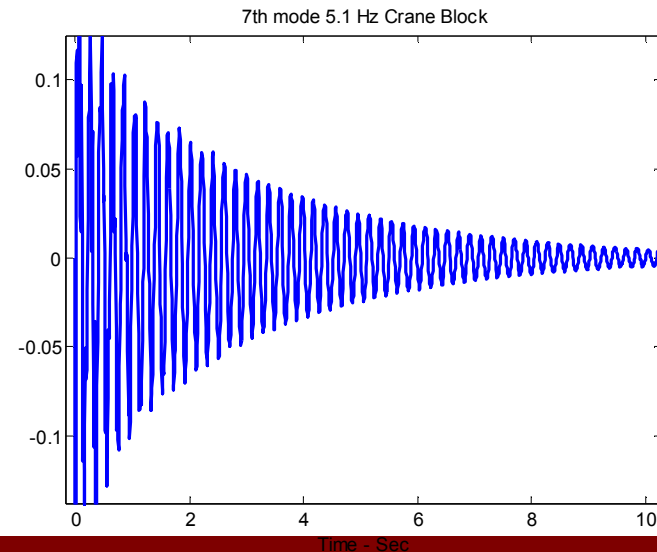
Filtered pendulum mode



Filtered pitch mode



Filtered crane block mode

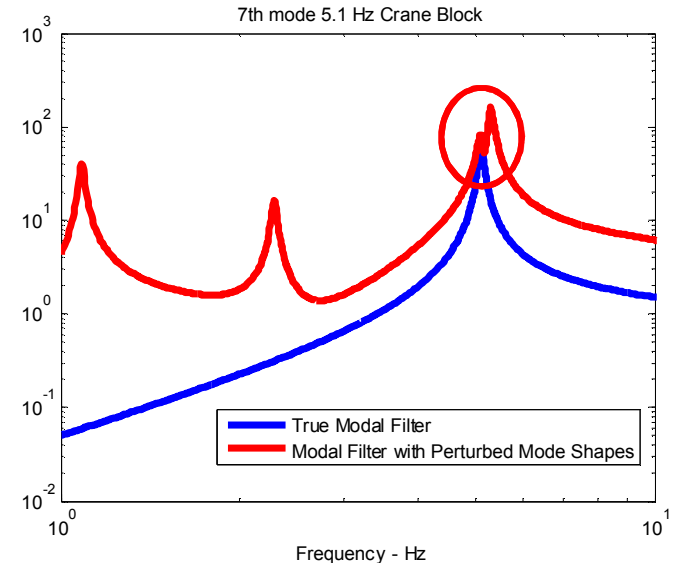
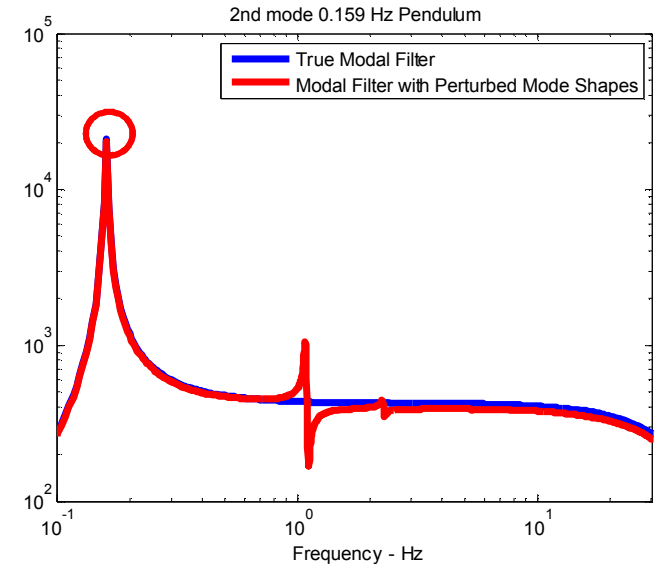
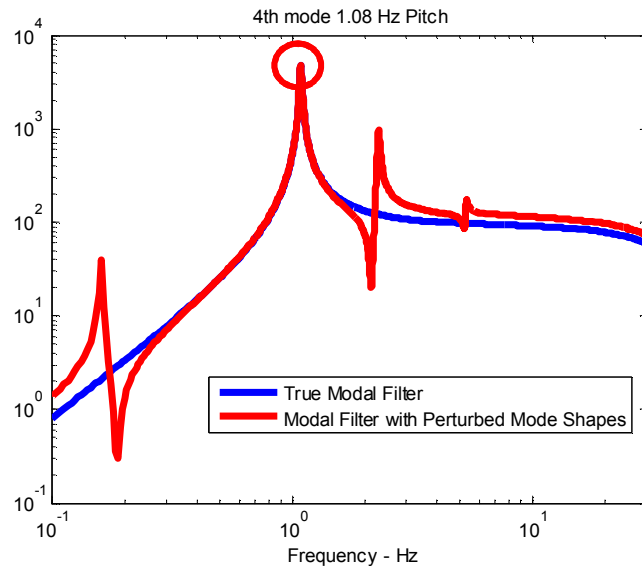


Extracting roots using modal filter from FE model mode shapes

- If FE mode mode shapes are reasonably good, one can use the modal filter developed from those shapes to extract sdof FRF for each mode which can be used for root extraction/correlation purposes

$$\Phi_{FE_meas} + \ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{meas} = \ddot{\mathbf{q}}$$

$$\Phi_{FE_meas} + \ddot{\mathbf{H}}_{meas} = \ddot{\mathbf{H}}_q$$



Classic SWAT force reconstruction

- SWAT is the Sum of Weighted Accelerations Technique for force reconstruction
- SWAT is applied to a free system with rigid body modes assumed to have a frequency of zero

SWAT Theory of force reconstruction

- SWAT reduces ill-conditioning of typical FRF inverse

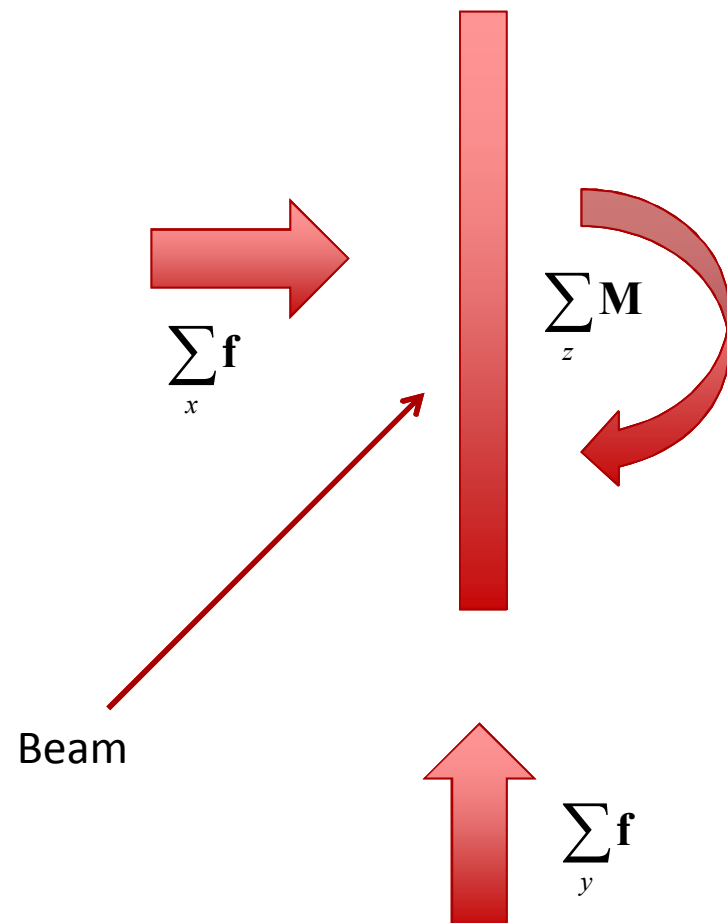
$$\mathbf{M}\Phi\ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{C}\Phi\dot{\mathbf{q}} + \mathbf{K}\Phi\mathbf{q} = \bar{\mathbf{f}}$$

$$\Phi_R^T \mathbf{M} \Phi \ddot{\mathbf{q}} + \Phi_R^T \mathbf{C} \Phi \dot{\mathbf{q}} + \Phi_R^T \mathbf{K} \Phi \mathbf{q} = \Phi_R^T \bar{\mathbf{f}}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{m}_{r\backslash} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_R \\ \ddot{\mathbf{q}}_E \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\mathbf{q}} \\ \dot{\mathbf{q}} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{q} = \begin{Bmatrix} \sum \mathbf{f} \\ \sum_x \mathbf{f} \\ \sum_y \mathbf{M} \\ \sum_z \mathbf{M} \end{Bmatrix}$$

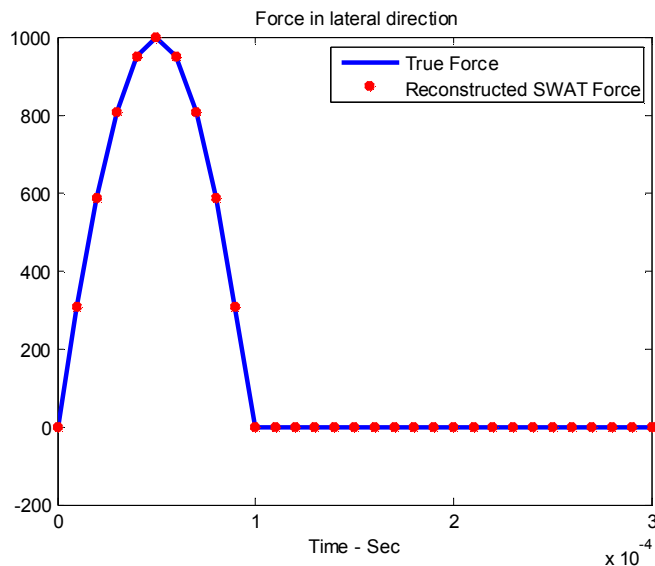
$$\Phi_R^T \mathbf{M} \ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{measured} = \begin{Bmatrix} \sum \mathbf{f} \\ \sum_x \mathbf{f} \\ \sum_y \mathbf{M} \\ \sum_z \mathbf{M} \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$\Phi_{RigidPartition}^+ \ddot{\mathbf{x}}_{measured} = \begin{Bmatrix} \sum \mathbf{f} \\ \sum_x \mathbf{f} \\ \sum_y \mathbf{M} \\ \sum_z \mathbf{M} \end{Bmatrix}$$

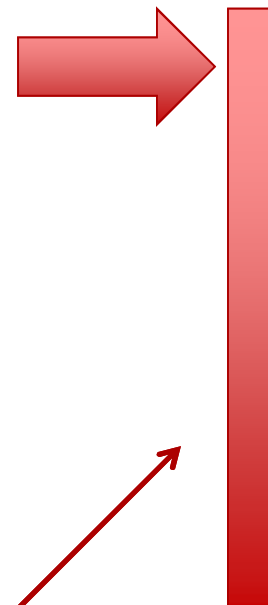


SWAT results force reconstruction

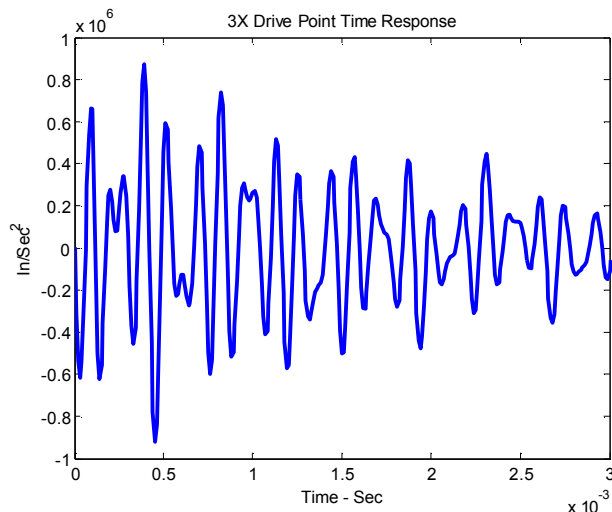
- Plots of reconstructed lateral force vs node 3 applied force (8 mode beam model)



$$\sum_x \mathbf{f}$$



- Drive point accelerometer response for 3 msec



11 lateral accelerometers
2 axial accelerometers

Modal Filter in SMAC modal algorithm

- SMAC (Synthesize Modes and Correlate) modal analysis package utilizes a modal filter instead of polynomial root finder
- Roots are “found” by optimizing frequency and damping until a “match” is found

$$\overline{\Psi}^T \ddot{\mathbf{x}} = \ddot{q}$$

$$\overline{\Psi}^T \overline{\mathbf{H}}(f) = H_q(f)$$

$$\overline{\mathbf{H}}^T(f) * \overline{\Psi} = H_q^T(f)$$

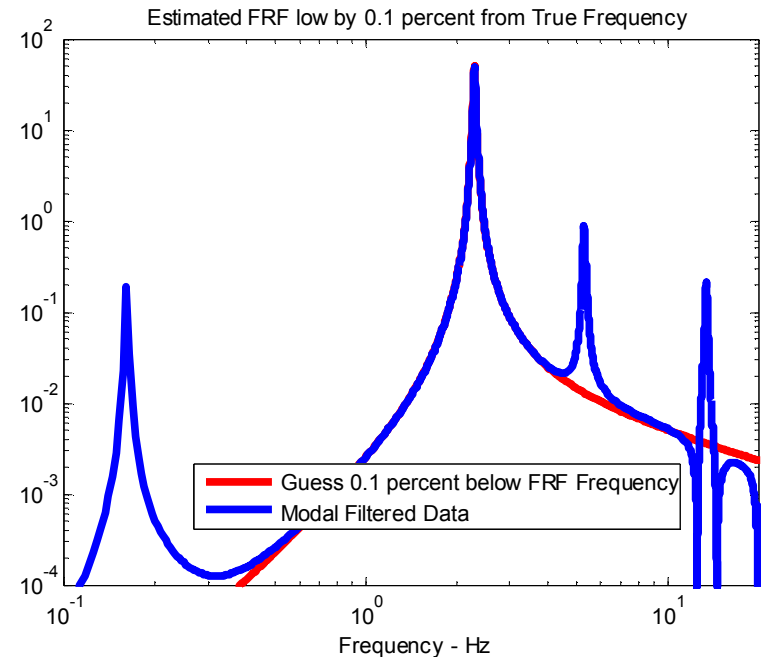
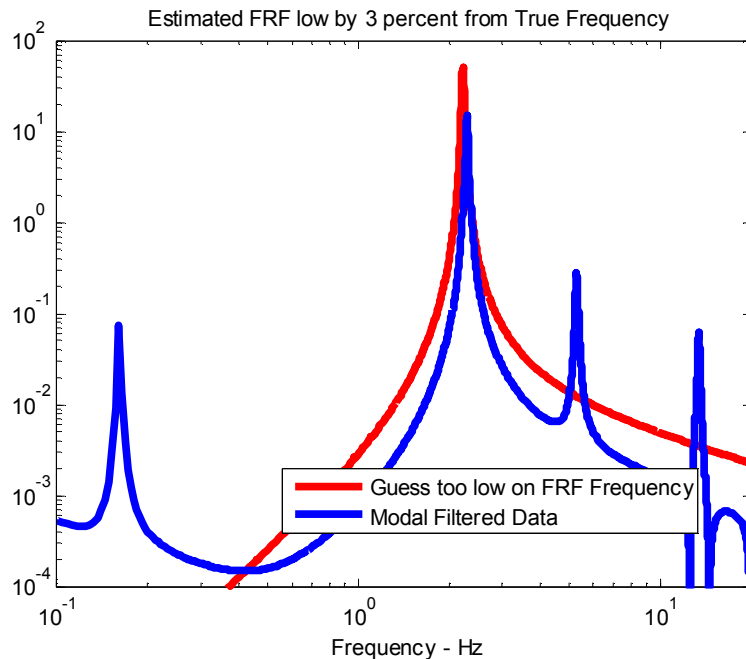
$$\overline{\Psi} = [\overline{\mathbf{H}}^T]^+ \overline{H}_q^T(f)$$

- Make guesses at frequency and damping of analytical H_q and find $\overline{\Psi}$
- Reconstruct H_q from $\overline{\Psi}$ and measured H and see when you get a match

Modal Filter in SMAC modal algorithm

Example of bad match and good match

- First plot shows match when guessed frequency is off by 3%
- 2nd plot shows match when guessed frequency is off by 0.1%
- Algorithm optimizes on both frequency and damping to get best match within a tolerance



Constraining Experimental Free Modes to Approximate Fixed Boundary Condition

- Given a free modal model (dof q , mode shapes Φ) of a structure on a fixture, approximate fixed base modes using the free modes of the fixture (dof s , mode shapes Γ)

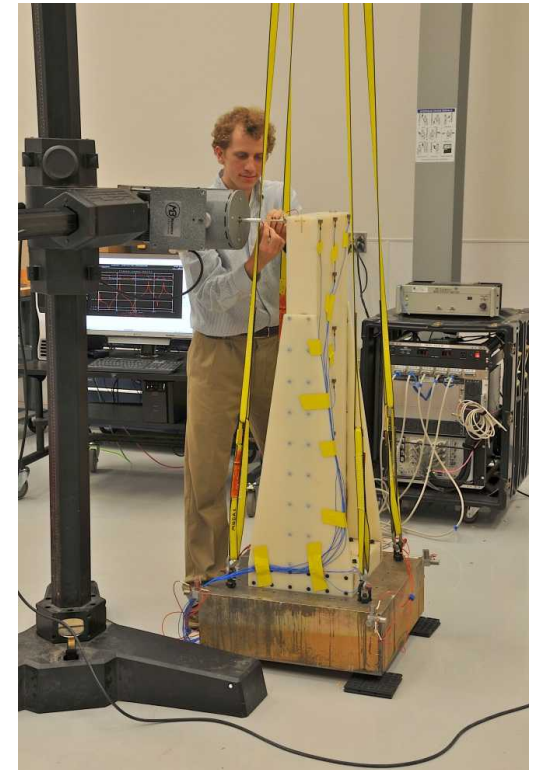
Eqn of Motion
$$\left[-\omega^2 \mathbf{I} + j\omega 2\zeta_m \omega_m + \omega_m^2 \right] \bar{\mathbf{q}} = 0$$

Constraint

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\mathbf{x}}_{base} &= 0 \\ \Phi_{base} \bar{\mathbf{q}} &= \Gamma_{base} \bar{\mathbf{s}} = 0 \\ \Gamma_{base}^+ \Phi_{base} \bar{\mathbf{q}} &= 0 \\ \bar{\mathbf{q}} &= \mathbf{L} \bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}} \\ \Gamma_{base}^+ \Phi_{base} \mathbf{L} \bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}} &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Transformation
$$\mathbf{L} = \text{null}(\Gamma_{base}^+ \Phi_{base})$$

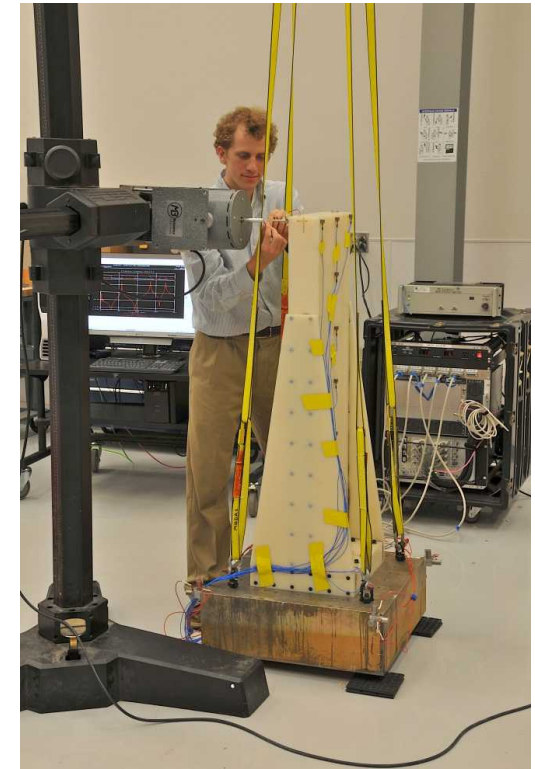
Fixed Base EOM
$$\mathbf{L}^T \left[-\omega^2 \mathbf{I} + j\omega 2\zeta_m \omega_m + \omega_m^2 \right] \mathbf{L} \bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}} = 0$$



Constraining Experimental Free Modes to Approximate Fixed Boundary Condition

Change in Frequency from Free to Fixed Base

Description	Unconstrained Seismic Mass	Constrained Seismic Mass	Change
	Frequency - Hz	Frequency - Hz	
1st bend soft direction	57.85	38.99	32.60%
1st bend stiff direction	135.18	89.05	34.12%
1st torsion	142	134.31	5.42%
2nd bend soft direction	175.75	163.61	6.91%
2nd bend stiff direction	353.18	338.16	4.25%
2nd torsion	364.91	364.24	0.18%
1 st Axial	409.31	392.4	4.13%
3rd bend soft direction	403.9	396.4	1.86%
3 rd torsion	598.1	597.6	0.08%
3 rd bend stiff	647.3	643.8	0.54%
4 th torsion	700.5	700.4	0.01%
4 th bend soft	710.4	706.4	0.56%



Conclusions – Modal Filter Enhances Analytical Dynamics Tool Box

- Modal filter enhances greatly the amount of useful information that can be extracted from experimental response measurements
 - Derive correlation insight from experimental FRFs without modal extraction
 - Derive input forces
 - Extract modal parameters without matrix polynomial root finder
 - Allow manipulation of boundary conditions analytically just like those high falootin' FE modelers (overcome previous experimental error restrictions) – this is a breakthrough in experimental based dynamic modeling

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