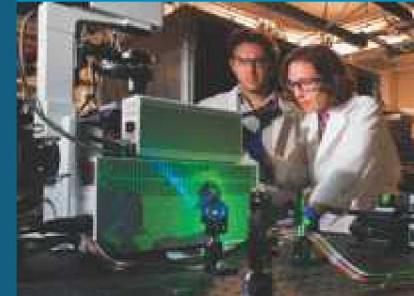




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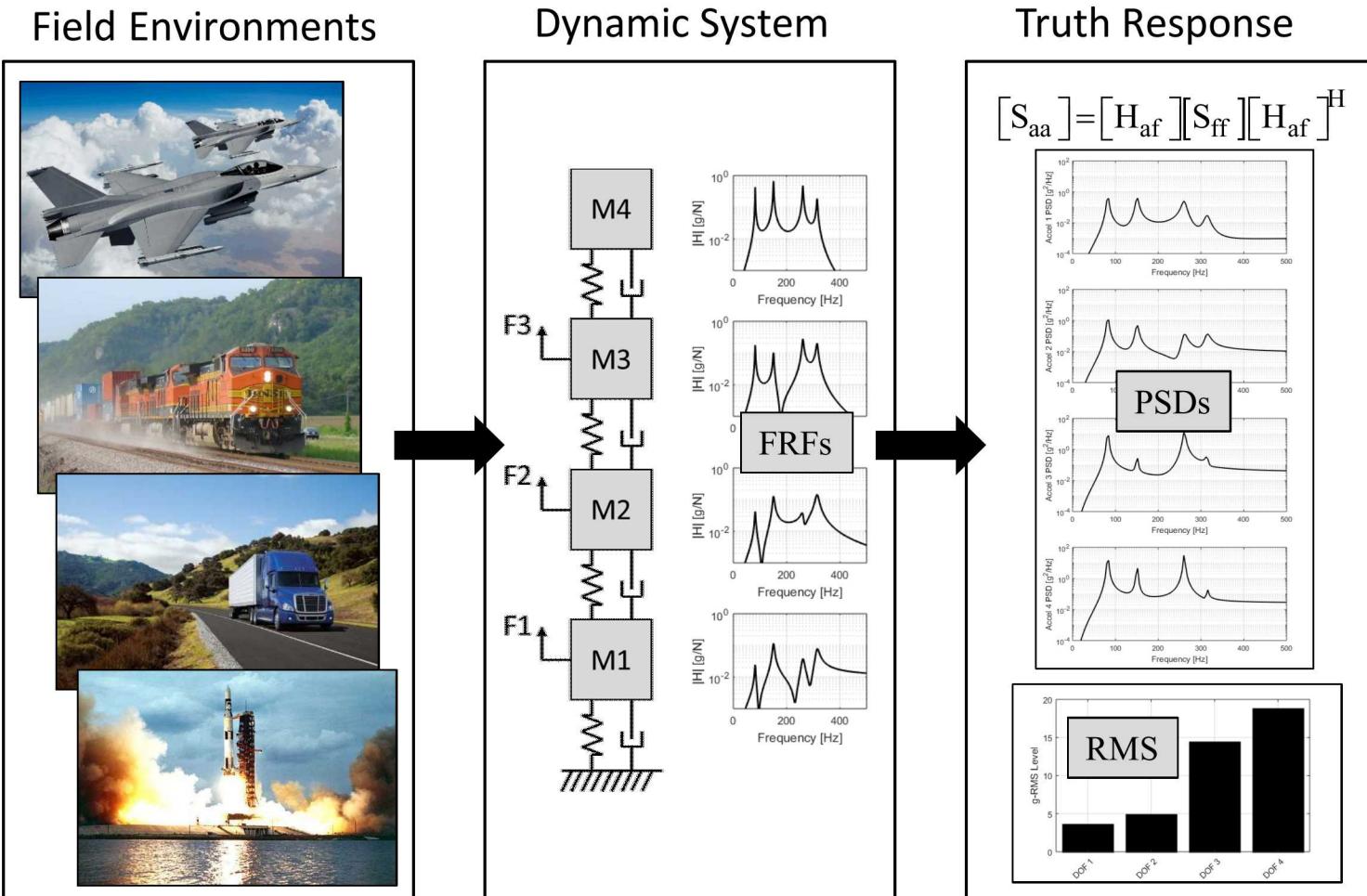
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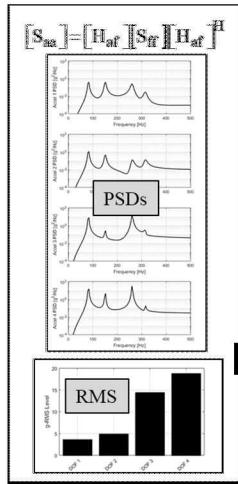
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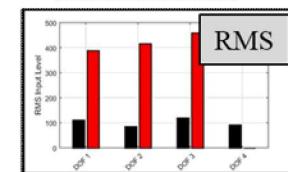
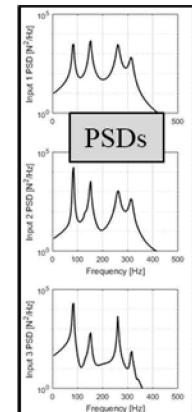
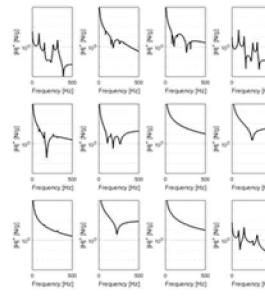
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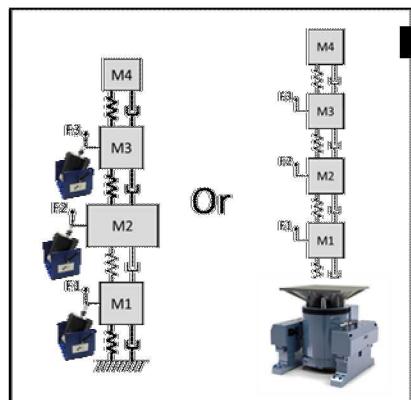
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$$[H_{af}^*]$$



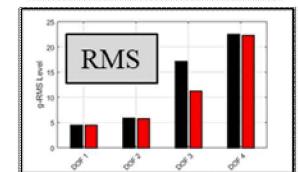
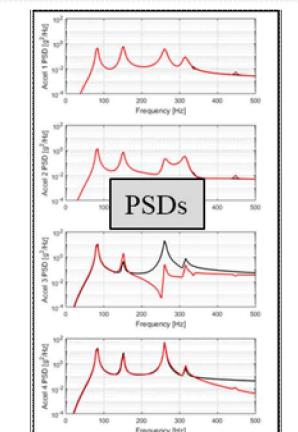
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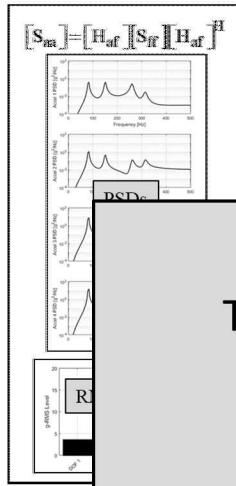
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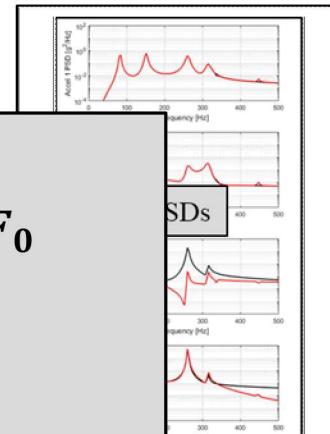
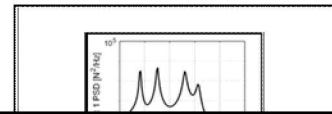
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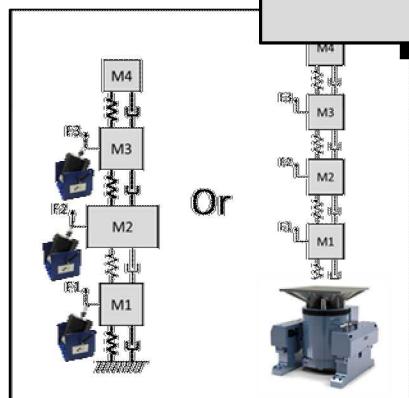


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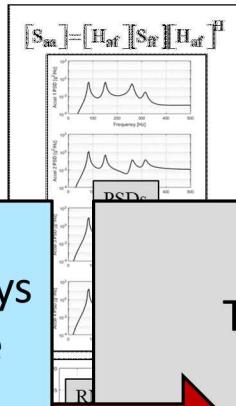
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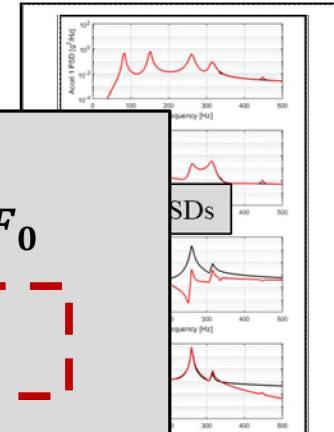
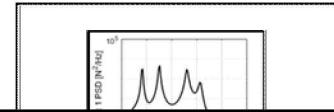
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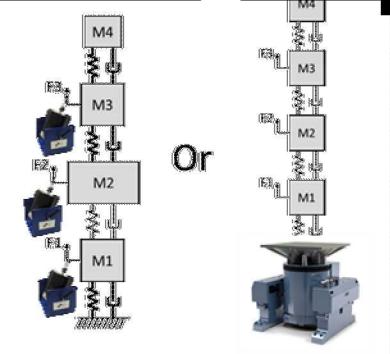


Multiple Ways to Estimate Inputs & Reduce Numerical Errors

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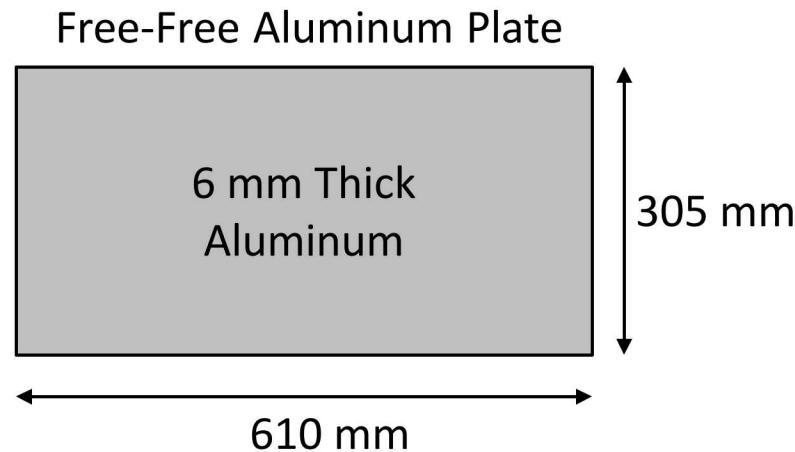


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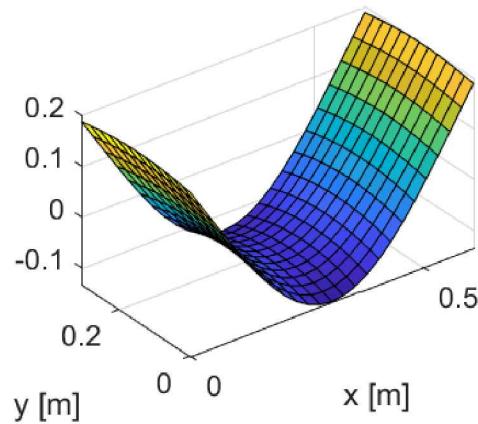
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# Techniques Demonstrated with a Model of a Dynamic System

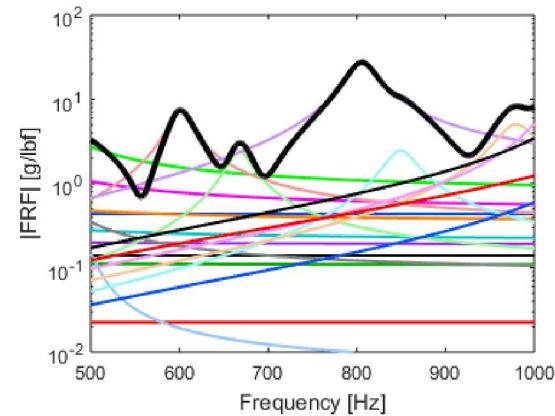


Modes from FE Model



FRFs Synthesized from Modes

$$H_{af}(\omega) = U_{output} \bar{H}(\omega) U_{input}^T$$



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**Objective: Learn different MIMO techniques, apply them to a dynamic system & understand how the different techniques affect results**

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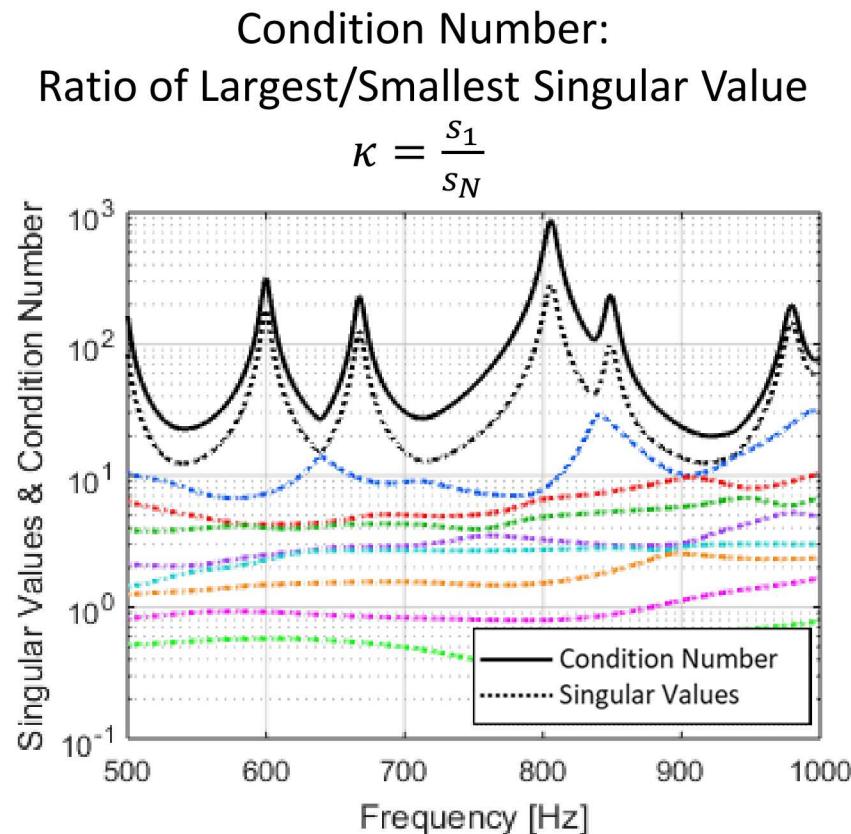
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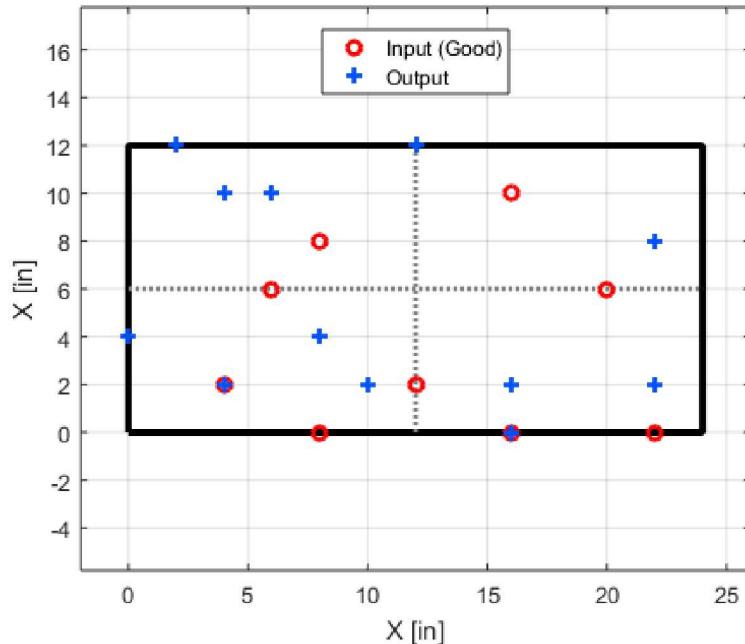
$$H = USV^H$$

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} s_1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & \cdots & s_N \end{bmatrix}$$

- Singular Values indicate the number of strong, unique contributors to the matrix
- If two inputs or outputs are very similar (redundant), the Singular Values will reflect this

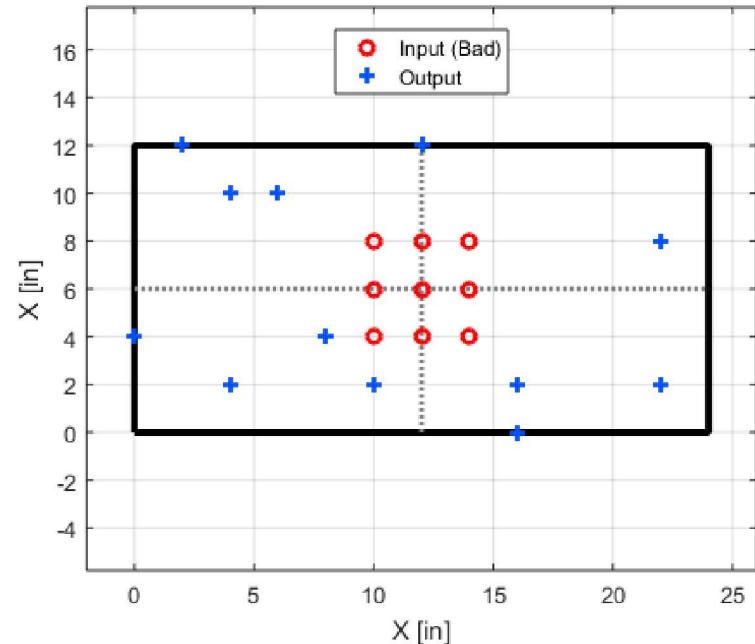
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- Location of Inputs & Outputs (other cases in the paper)



Good

Highly Unique Inputs & Outputs  
(Chosen with C.N.M.)

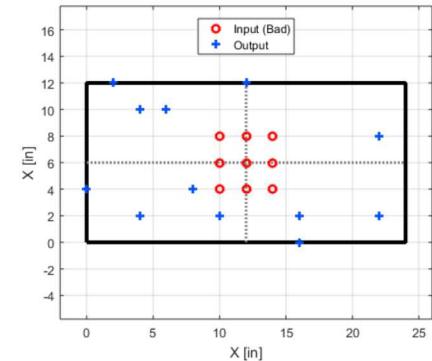
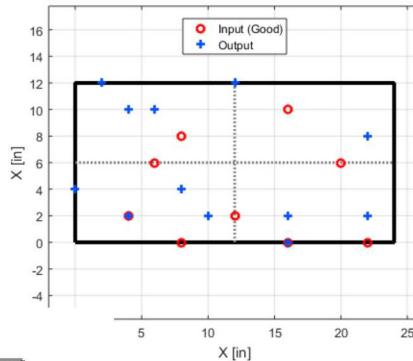
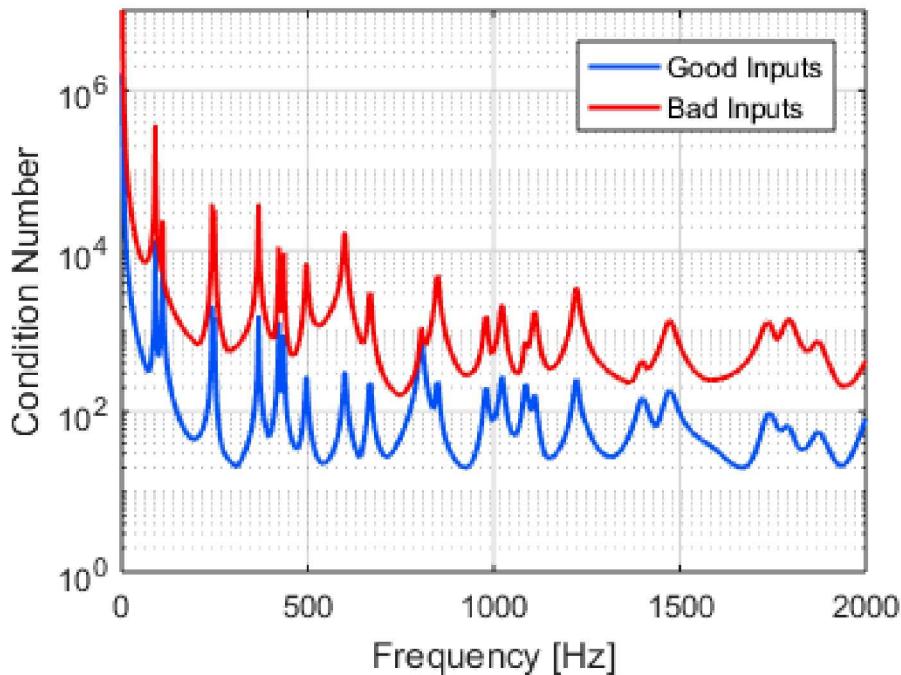


Bad

Many Similar Inputs

# Condition Number of the FRF Matrix

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Good Inputs

Bad Inputs

- Location of Inputs has very strong effect on condition number
- Redundant information = small singular values
- Each input should excite modes in a strong, different way
- Generally, fewer inputs/outputs results in lower condition number, but not universally true

## How does condition number affect estimated inputs & responses?

- Inputs are estimated as:

$$Ax = b \rightarrow x = A^+b$$

- For MIMO vibration:

$$S_{aa} = HS_{ff}H^H \rightarrow S_{ff} = H^+S_{aa}H^{+H}$$

- Errors in the estimates can come from noise or uncertainty on the target response:

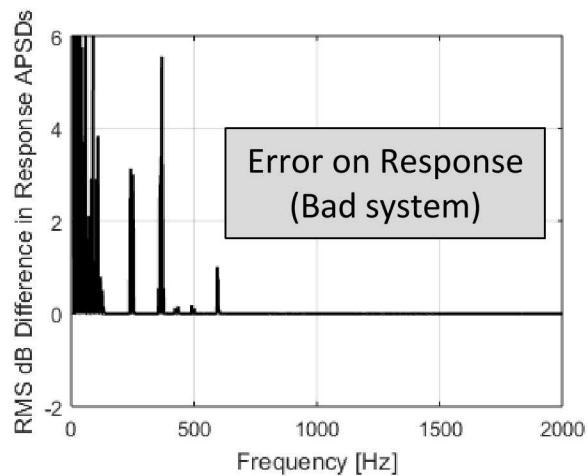
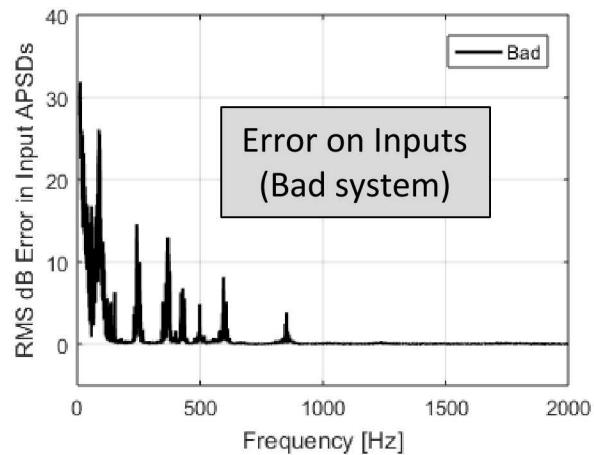
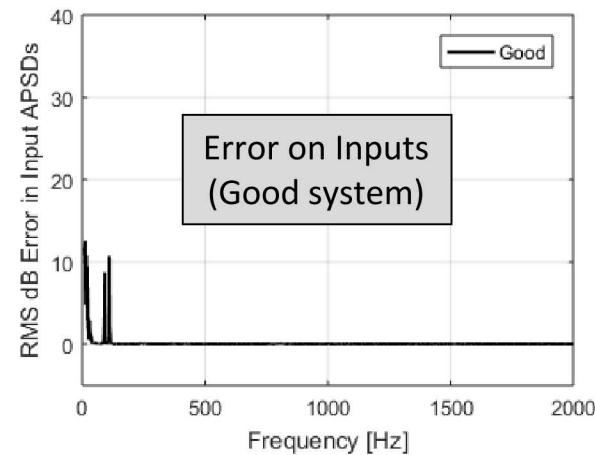
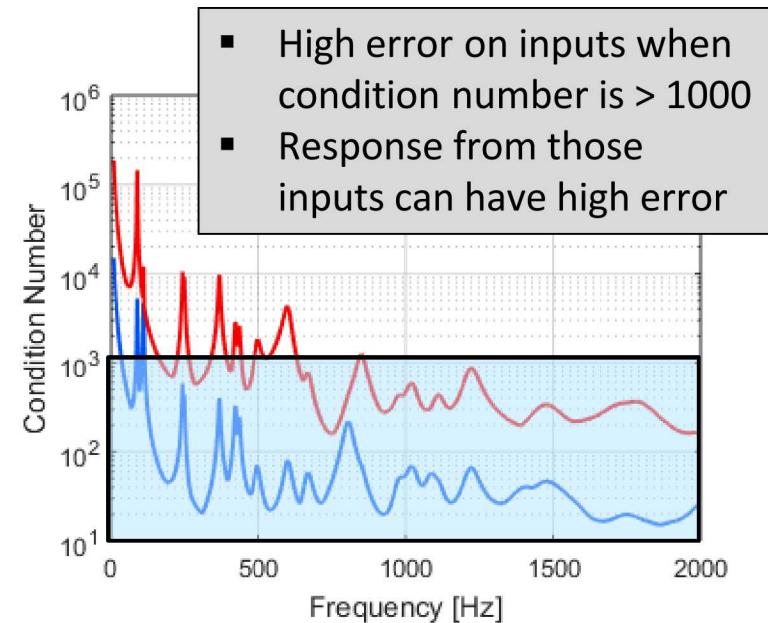
$$Ax = b + e$$

- This noise can be amplified as it is propagated through the inverse of the FRF matrix:

$$x = A^+(b + e)$$

# How does condition number affect estimated inputs & responses?

- Example: Unit input loads, apply noise to Truth response
- Estimate inputs with noisy response
- $dB_{input} = 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{G_{ff,1}}{G_{ff,0}} \right)$
- $dB_{response} = 10 \log_{10} \left( \frac{G_{aa,1}}{G_{aa,0}} \right)$



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# Fixing Poorly Conditioned Systems – Regularization

- Regularization is a numerical correction to the FRF matrix to improve the conditioning to reduce errors in the estimates
- Example Problem:
  - White noise inputs to plate system, bad input locations
- Methods:

## Tikhonov:

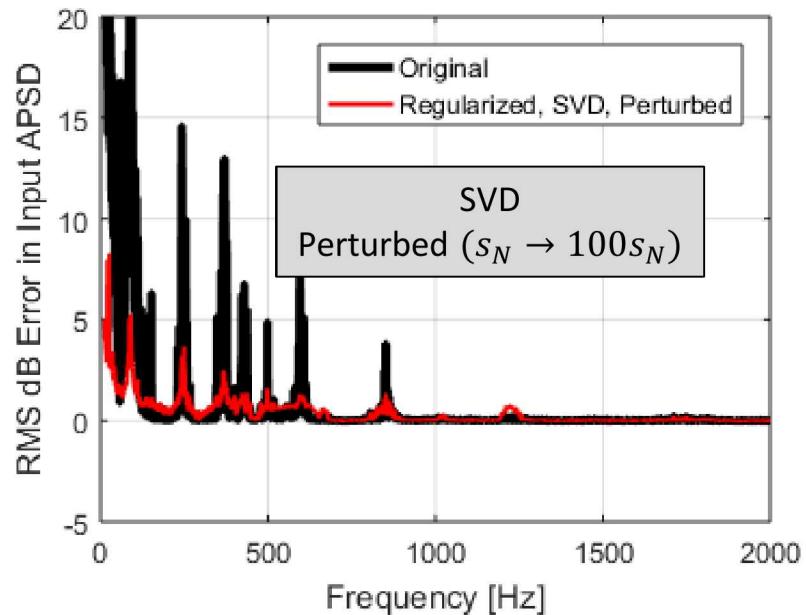
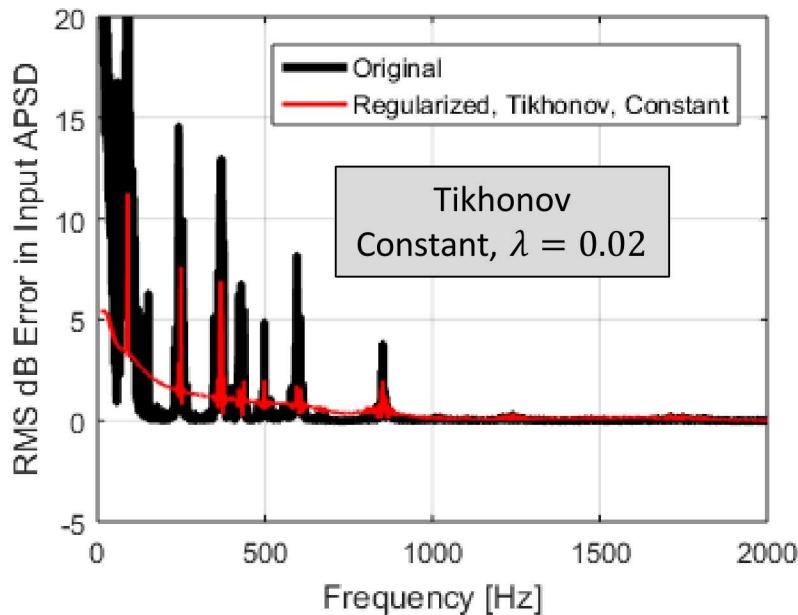
- Various flavors
- One type:
$$A^+ = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T$$
$$A^+ = (A^T A + \lambda^2 I)^{-1} A^T$$
- Regularization value:  $\lambda^2$
- $\lambda$  Can be constant or function of frequency

## Singular Value:

- Decompose FRF
$$H = USV^H$$
- Change the smallest singular values to be larger or set them to zero
$$s_N \rightarrow 100s_N$$
$$s_N \rightarrow 0$$

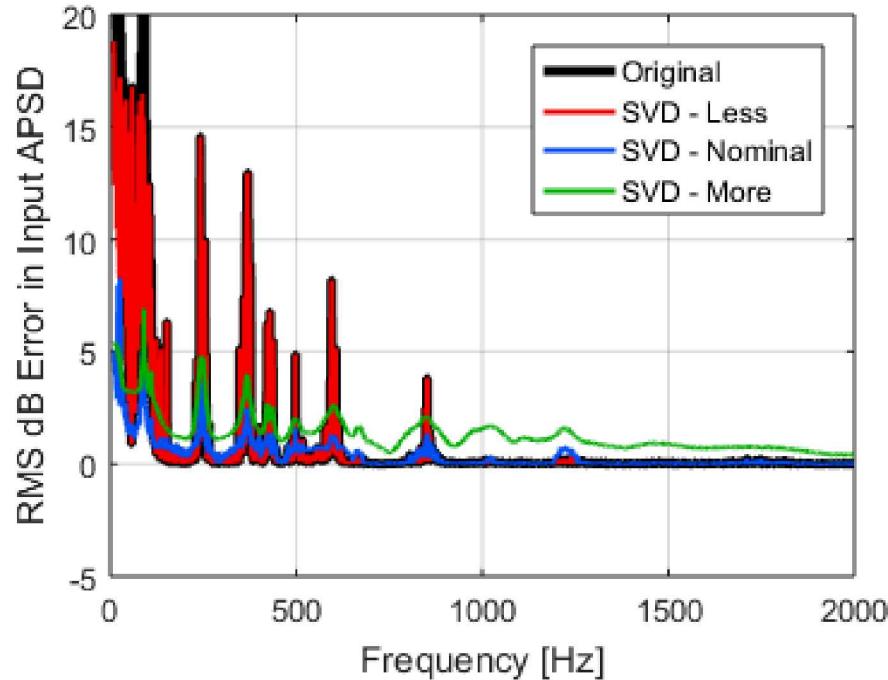
Regularization changes the FRF matrix, ideally by just enough to improve numerics without changing the system

# Fixing Poorly Conditioned Systems – Regularization



- Regularization can reduce errors in estimated inputs
- Tikhonov & SVD both work, just change FRF matrix differently

## Fixing Poorly Conditioned Systems – Regularization



- Too little regularization does not change the matrix enough to reduce noise propagation
- Too much regularization changes the form of the matrix, introducing new errors

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## Standard Method

- Inputs estimated with pseudo-inverse of the FRF matrix applied to the full target response CPSD
- $S_{ff,1} = H^+ S_{aa,0} H^{+H}$

## Independent Drives

- Estimate inputs to achieve only APSDs of target response
- $G_{ff,1} = (H \circ H^*)^+ G_{aa,0}$
- Can then update the target CPSD & estimate non-independent inputs

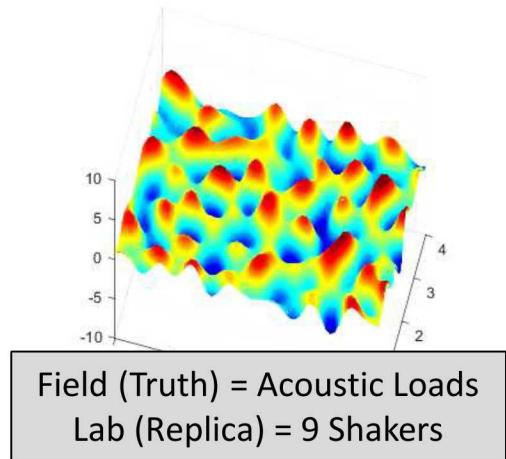
## Buzz Test

- Replace the cross terms in the target response CPSD using a white noise input
- Estimate inputs with standard method, new target CPSD

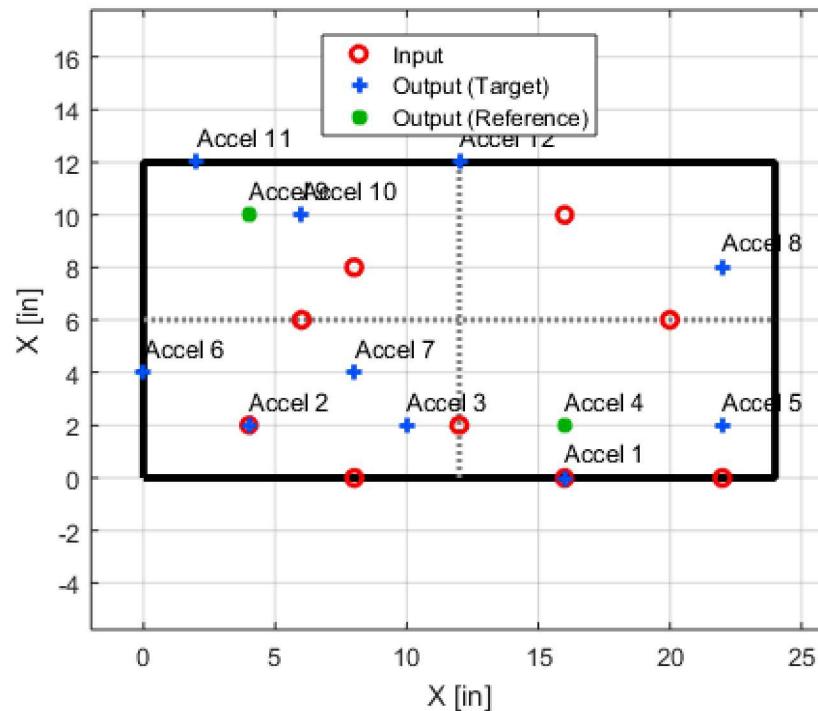
*Not an exhaustive list of available techniques – these are just the most prominent in MIMO shaker testing today*

# Force Estimation Techniques

- Example using different techniques
- Target response from acoustic pressure loads
  - 12 gages total
  - 10 used for control (targets)
  - 2 at non-control locations (references)
- Replicate with a lab test using 9 inputs at “good” locations



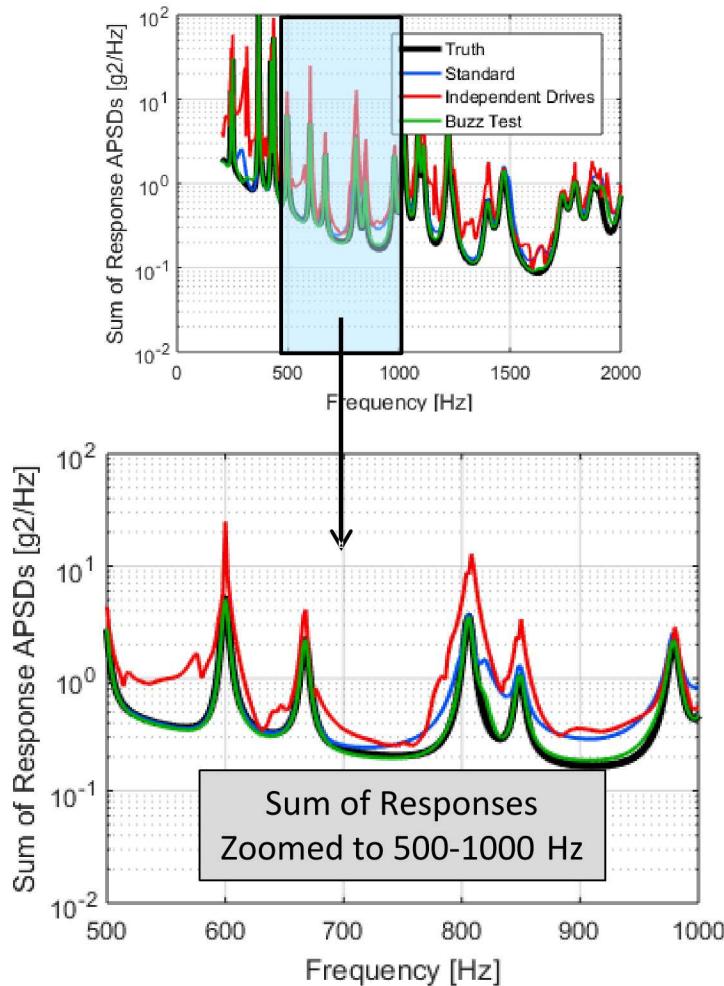
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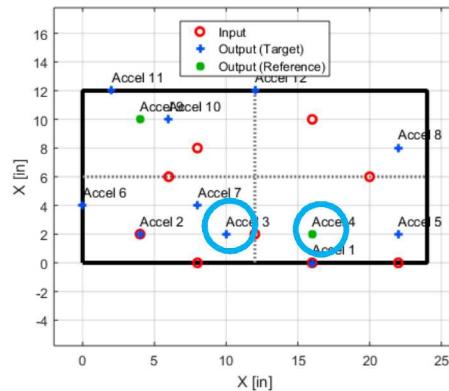
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- Sum of input & output APSDs

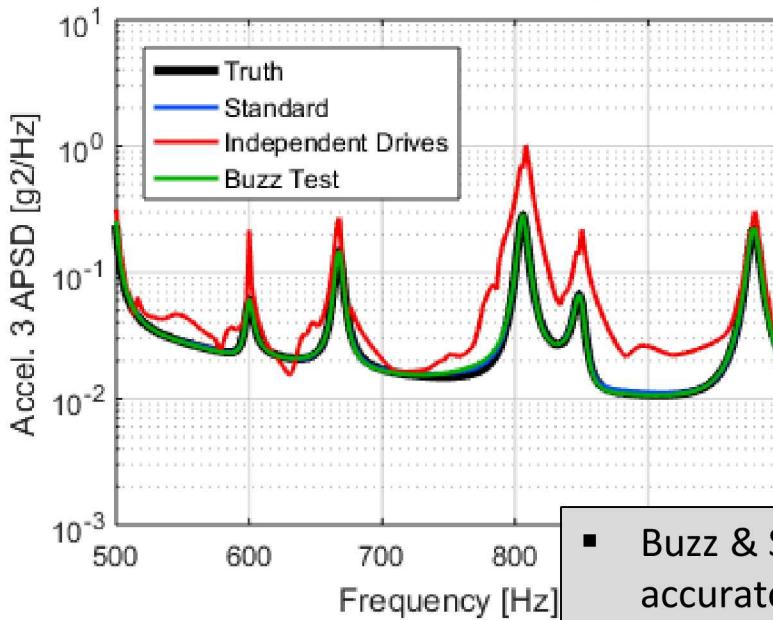
- Forcing drives to be fully independent can reduce required inputs, but response error is high
- Standard method is accurate, but requires more input



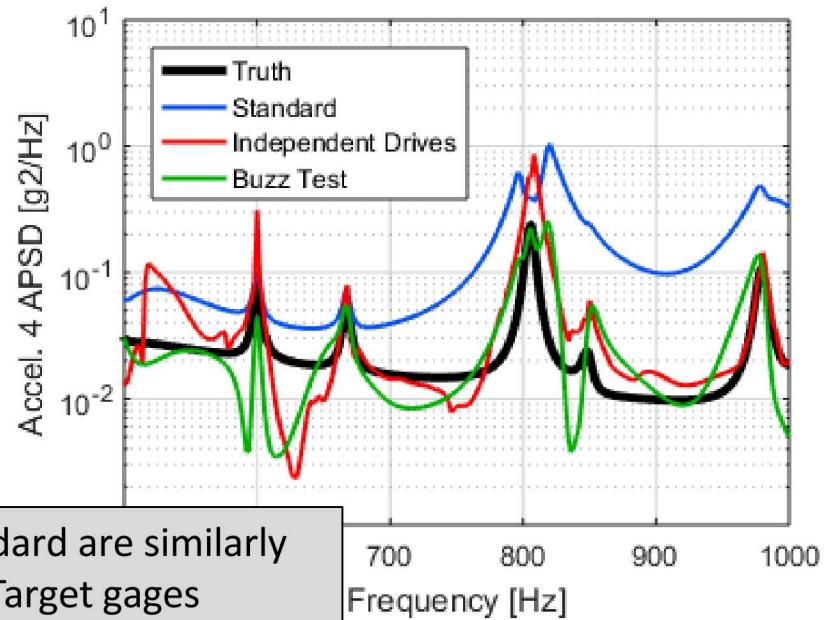
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Target Gage APSD

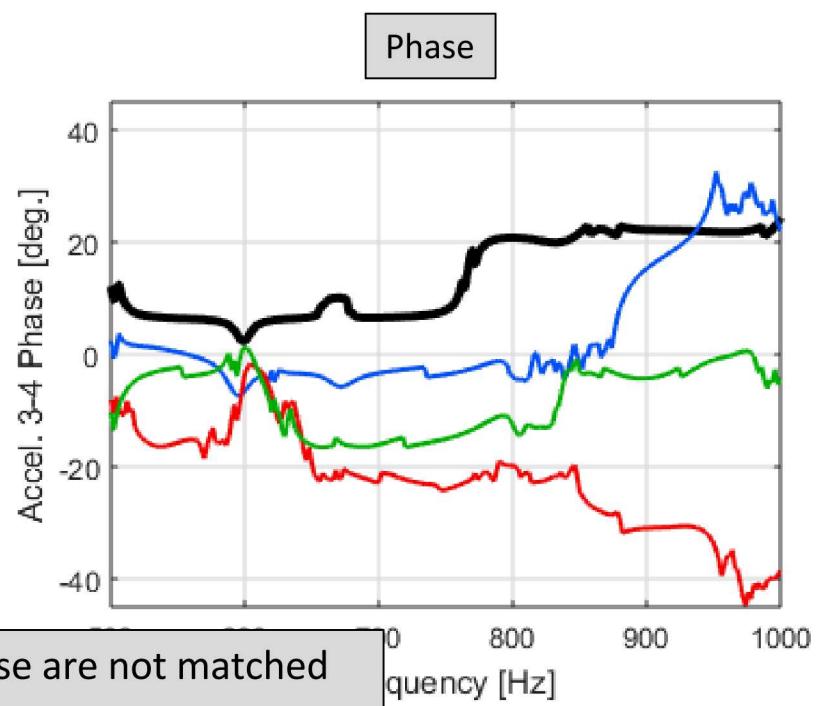
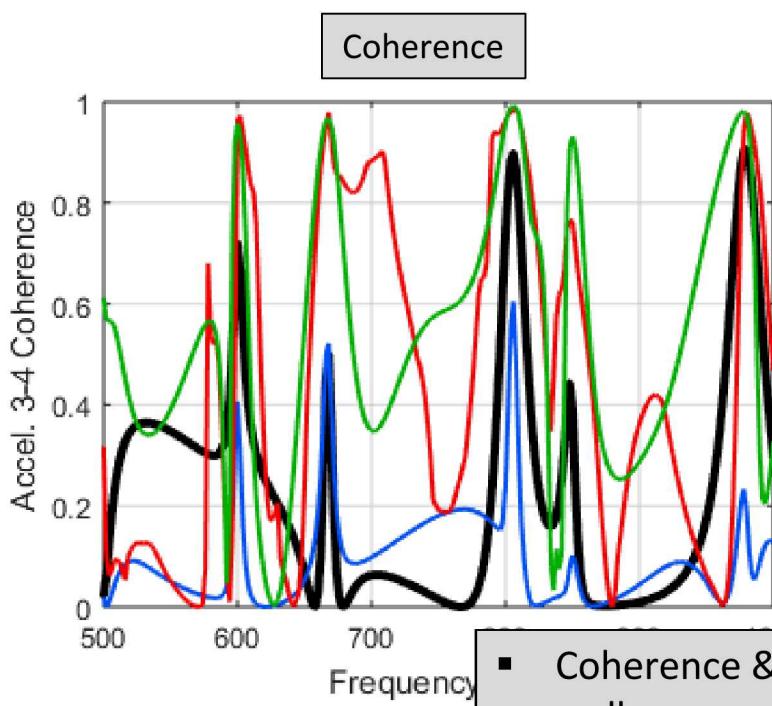
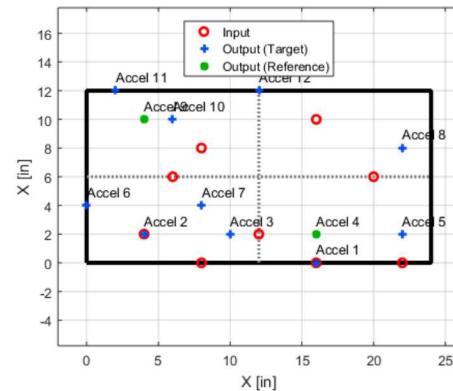


Reference Gage APSD



- Buzz & Standard are similarly accurate at Target gages
- Standard is not accurate at Reference gages

# Force Estimation Techniques



- Coherence & phase are not matched well
- Buzz & Independent make response more coherent than desired

# Conclusions: Regularization & Force Estimation Techniques Demonstrated with a Simple Dynamic System



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- Location of inputs & outputs is critical – need unique information in the FRF
- Inverse susceptible to error propagation if condition number  $> 1000$

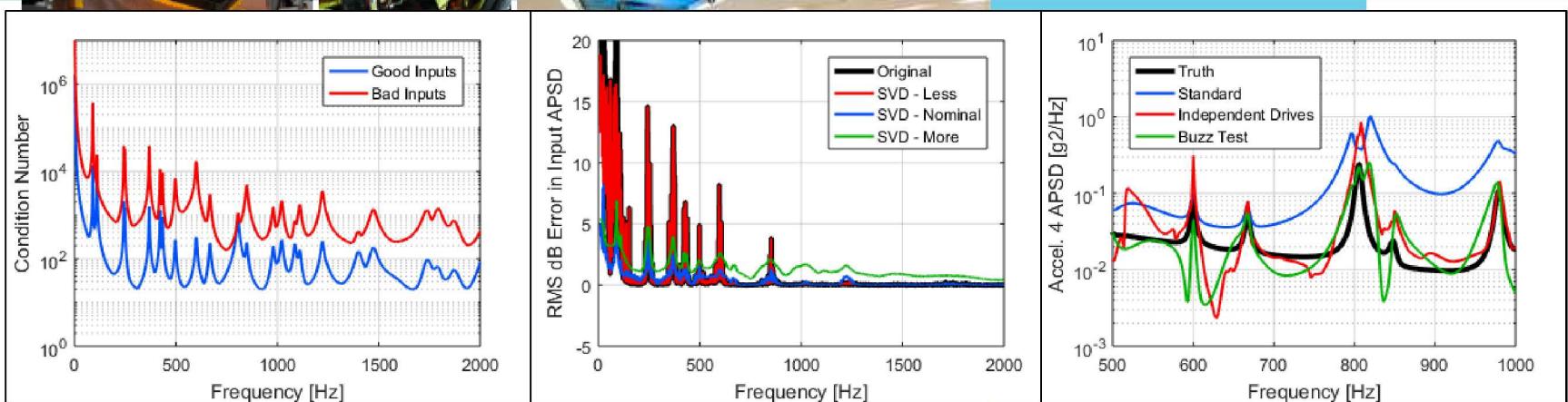
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- Numerical perturbations of the FRF matrix, multiple ways to achieve this
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## 3. Force Estimation Techniques

- Multiple ways to solve the problem, each with strengths and weaknesses
- Standard method can be accurate at targets, but not references
- Standard method generally requires higher input forces
- Strictly requiring independent inputs is not ideal – use Smallwood's method
- Buzz test method provides nice balance of accuracy and inputs

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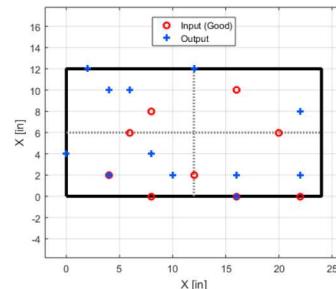
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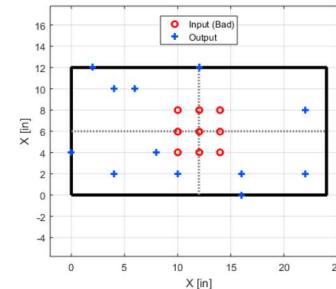
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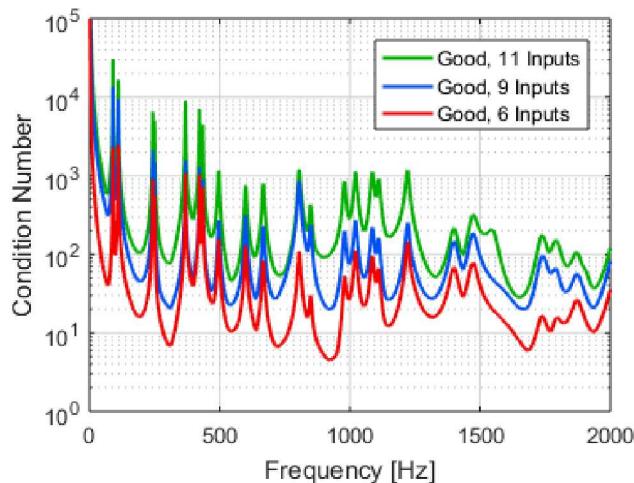
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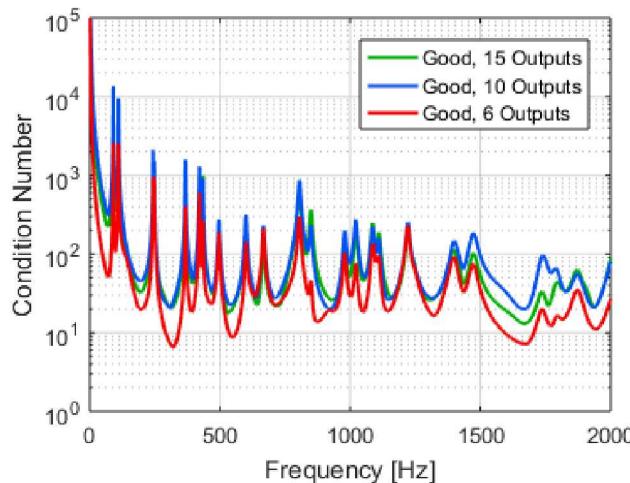
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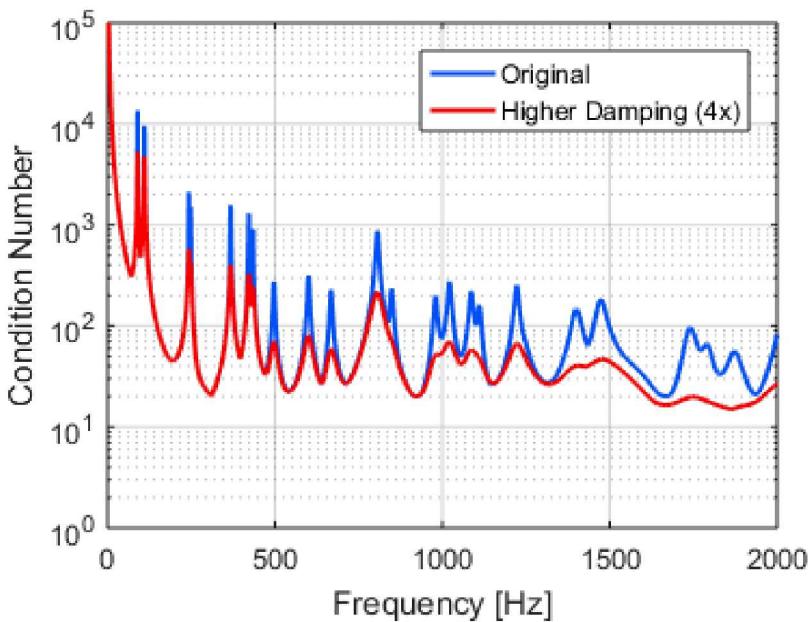
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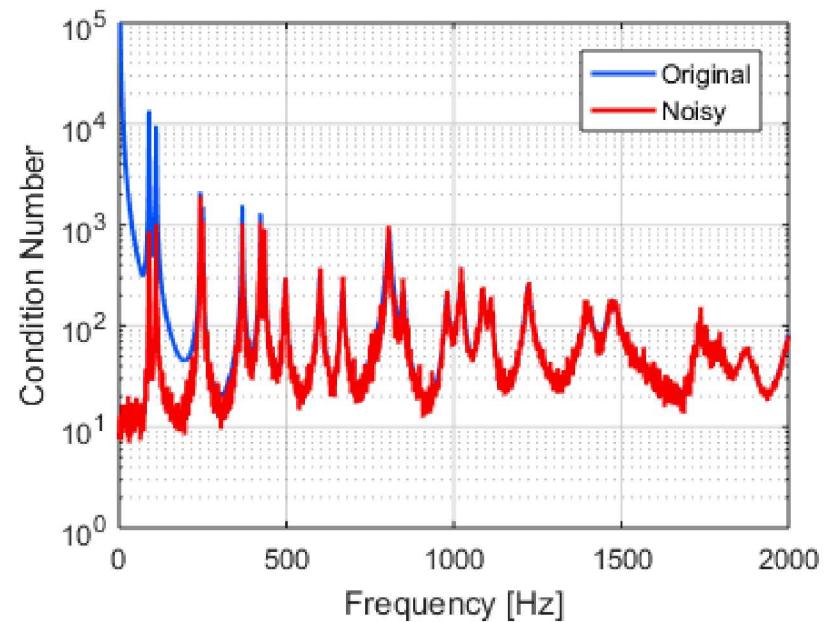
- More outputs does not trend the same way

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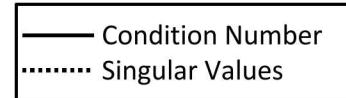
- What affects condition number?
  - Location and number of Inputs & Outputs
  - Damping
  - Noise



- Increased damping reduces the condition number somewhat



- Uncorrelated noise does not universally affect condition number



Condition Number  
Singular Values