

Tutorial on MIMO Vibration



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MIMO Tutorial – Outline (General)

- 2 Parts:
 - Part 1: Fundamentals of MIMO Random Vibration Testing
 - Part 2: Advanced Topics
- Objective:
 - Give an introduction to theory and techniques for MIMO random vibration testing
 - Develop understanding of terminology used in MIMO
 - Provide example problems to demonstrate various test configurations
 - Introduce advanced topics
- Audience:
 - Folks with basic understanding of the objectives of vibration testing, some background in vibration and linear system dynamics

- Part 1: Fundamentals of MIMO Random Vibration Testing
 1. Introduction: What are we trying to do?
 2. Random Vibration & Shock Environments – Some Examples
 3. Linear Systems
 - Input-Output Relationships
 - Single Input & Multiple Input
 - Linear vs. Power Space Equations
 4. Quantifying Responses
 - RMS, APSD, CPSD, Coherence, Phase, Linear Spectrum
 5. Input Estimation
 - Transient (Linear Space)
 - Stationary (Power Space)
 6. Controlling a MIMO Test
 - Description of the General Control Process
 7. Where are we with MIMO?

■ Part 2: Advanced Topics

1. Review

- MIMO Linear System Equations
- Input Estimation & Control Process

2. Structure of CPSD & FRF Matrices

- Expected Forms, Checks, and Numerical Corrections
- Manipulating CPSD Matrices (extracting subsets, scaling, sign changes)

3. Signal Processing for MIMO Tests

- Time Histories to CPSDs
- Ensemble Averaging and Estimates

4. FRF Estimation Methods

5. Modes, Modal FRFs, and Modal-Space MIMO Equations

6. Fancy Input Estimation Techniques

- Correlated vs. Uncorrelated Inputs
- Regularized Inverse Solutions
- Input Adjustments – Correcting Levels



INTRODUCTION

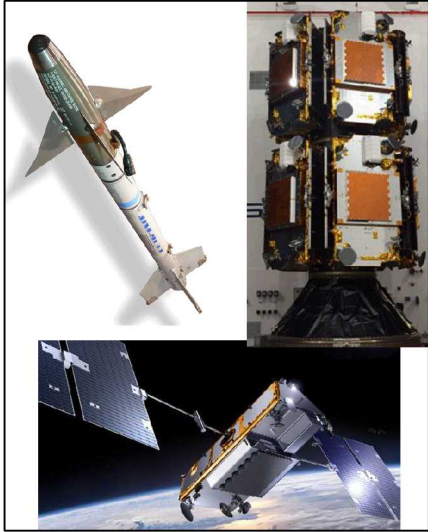


Let's get some context

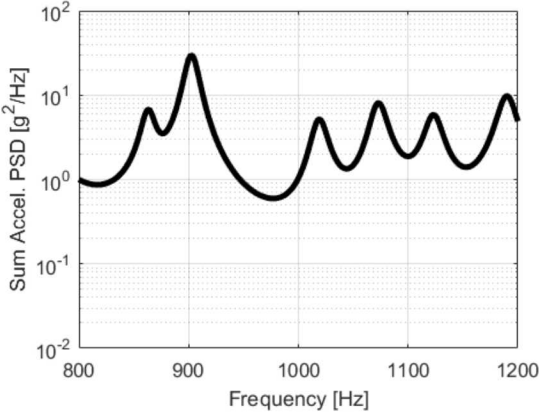
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Field Environments



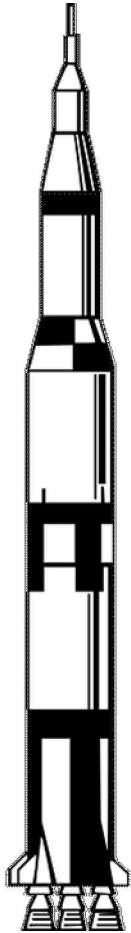
Excitation of Critical Systems & Components



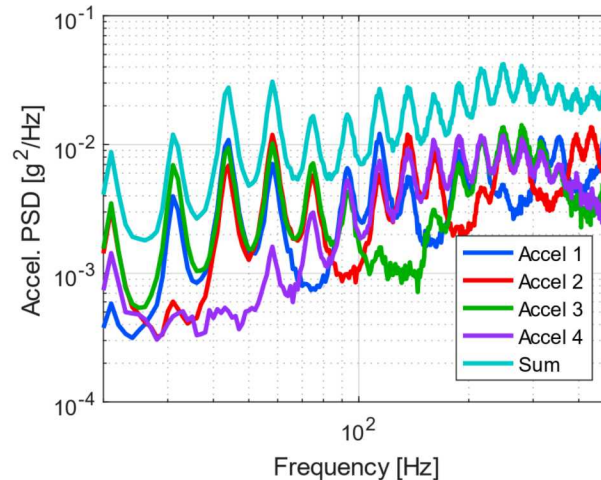
Response PSD

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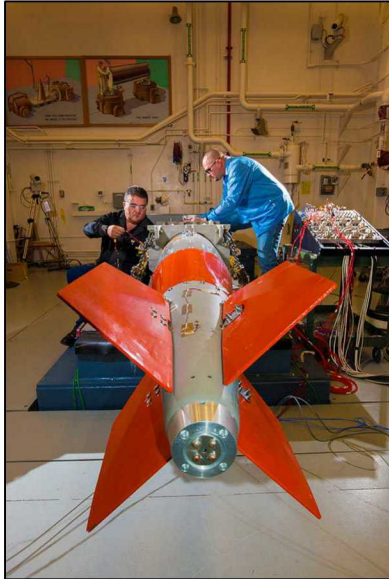
System



- Can't just do a field test to analyze our systems
- Subject some device under test (DUT) to some inputs to achieve some desired response
 - Re-create vibration response from the field
 - Create vibration response to match a spec
- See if the DUT will fail/change due to these vibrations

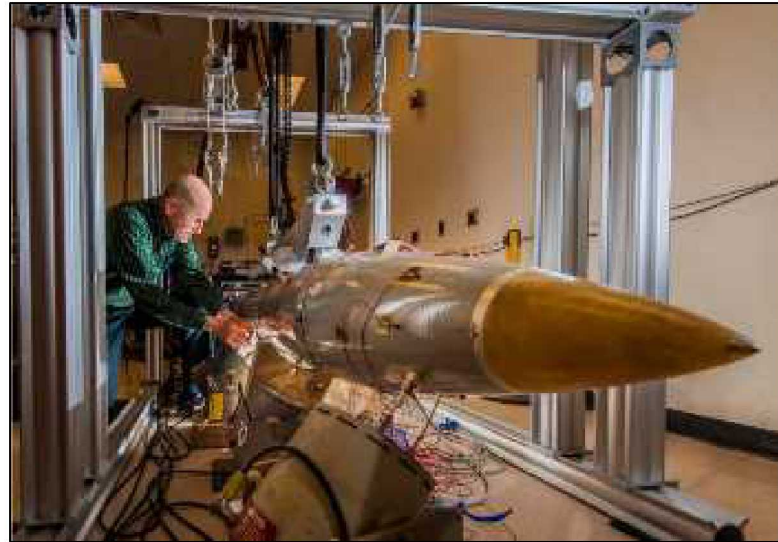


8 Types of MIMO Vibration Tests



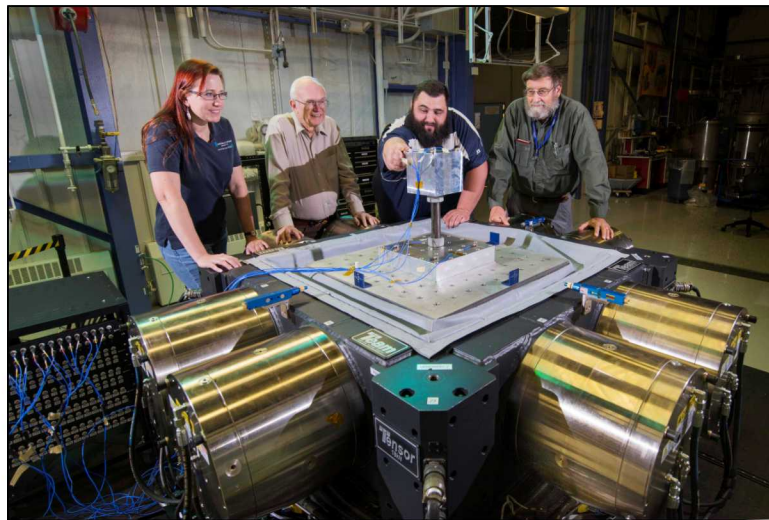
Single-Axis Shaker

MIMO



Multi-Shaker

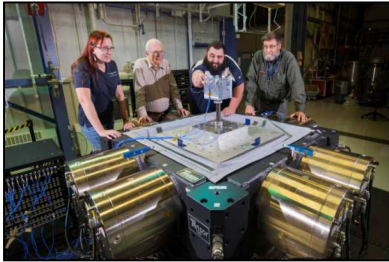
SIMO



Multi-Axis, 6-DOF Shaker

6-DOF vs. Multi-Shaker

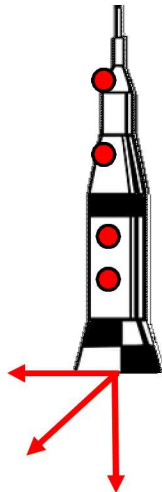
- Both are MIMO tests
- Difference in how inputs get to the system



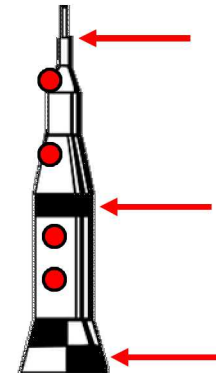
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Multi-Shaker

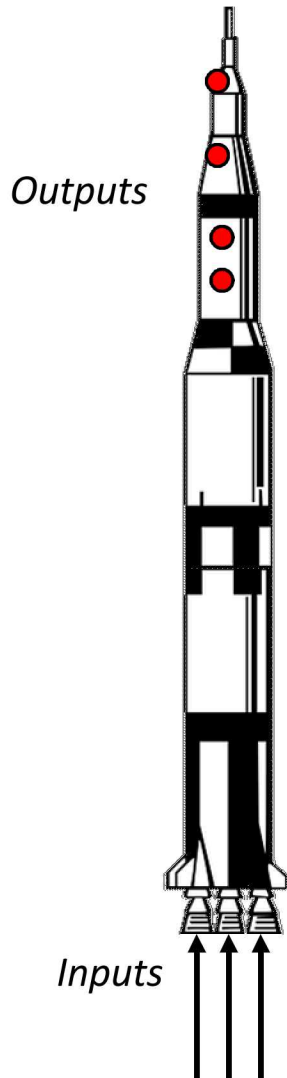
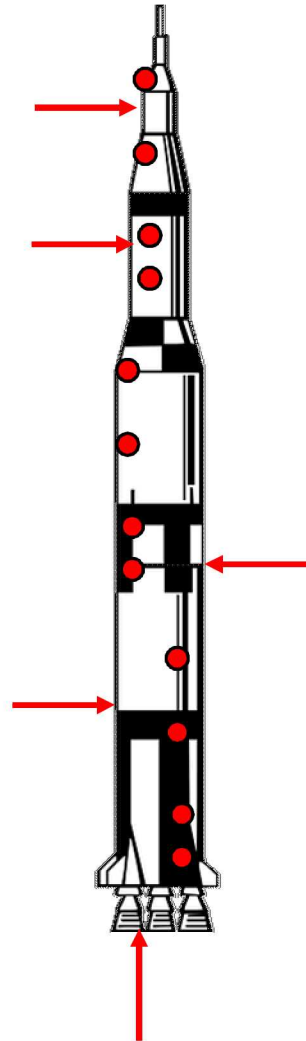
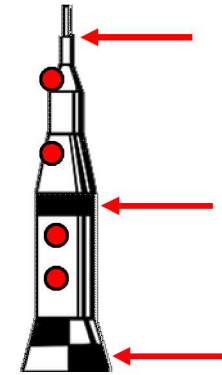


*Multi-Direction
Base Inputs*



*Multiple Point
Force Inputs*

Field Environment Loads

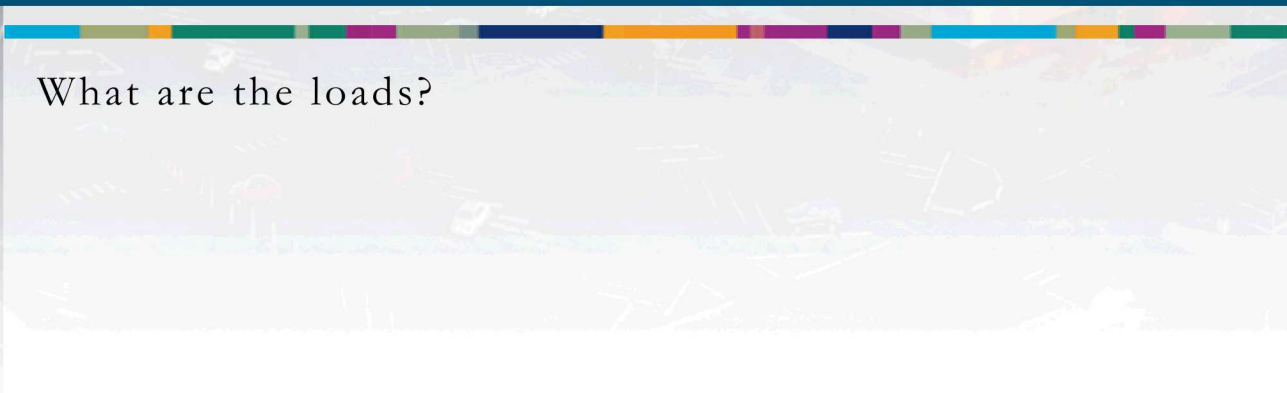
Lab Shaker Loads
(Full System Test)Lab Shaker Loads
(Component Test)

We usually can't perfectly match the loads or the system from the field in the lab

- Inputs are different (pressure vs. shaker forces)
- System is different
- Can only test a sub-system or component
- Boundary conditions are different

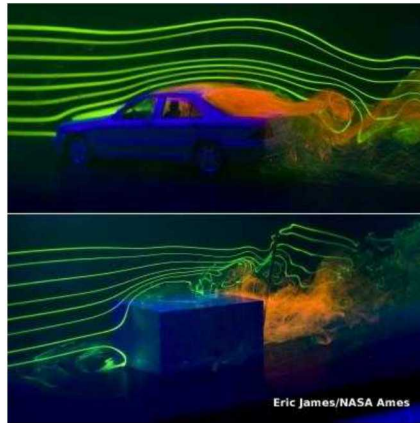
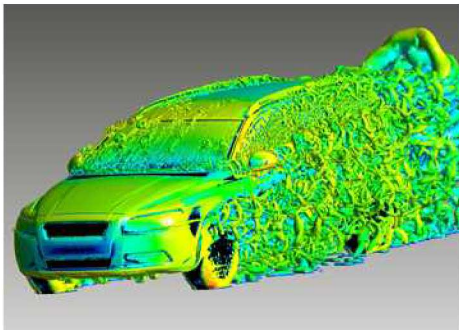


VIBRATION ENVIRONMENTS



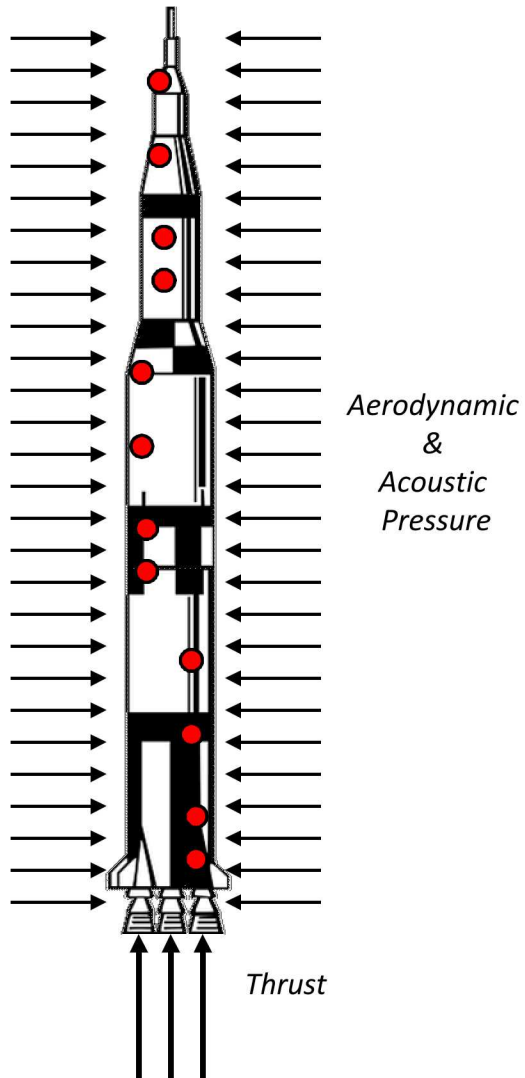
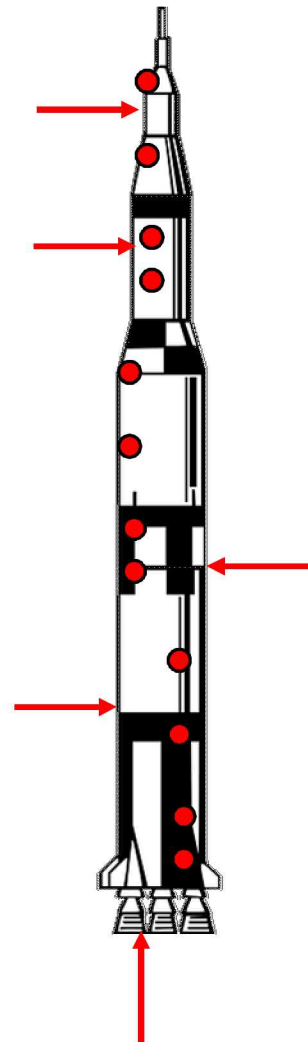
What are the loads?

- These are the typical vibration environments
- Random vibration:
 - Stationary – levels and spectral content do not change with time
- Shock:
 - Transient – single event, levels and spectral content change with time



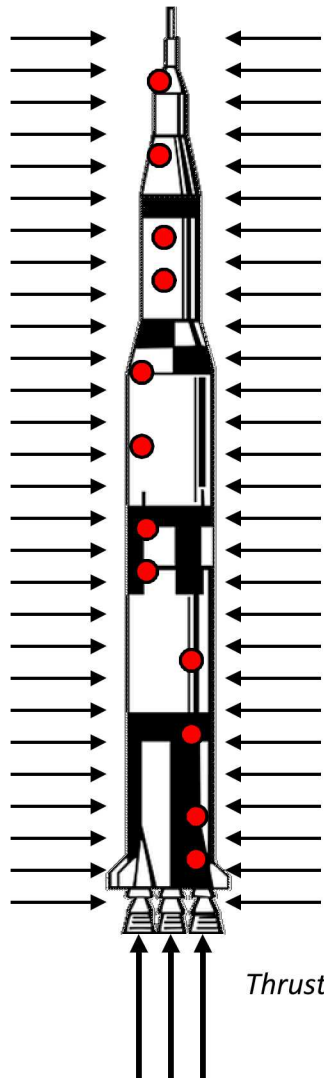
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Field Environment Loads

Lab Shaker Loads
(Full System Test)

Random Vibration Example

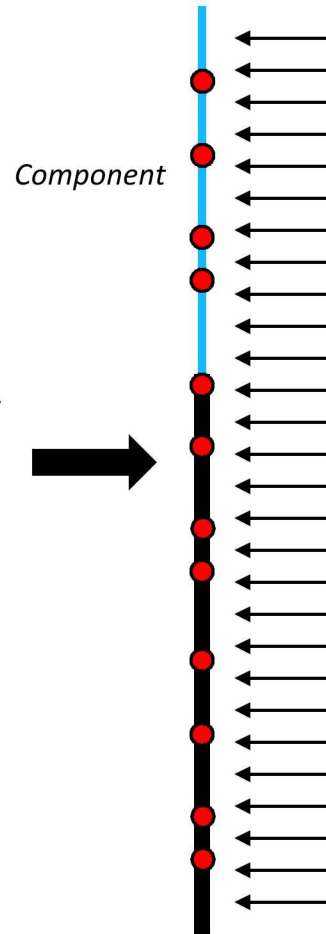
Example System



*Aerodynamic
&
Acoustic
Pressure*

Thrust

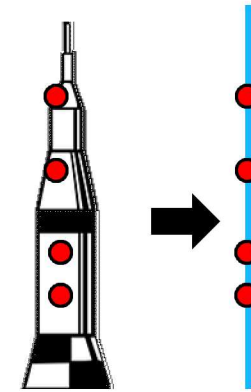
Simple Beam Model



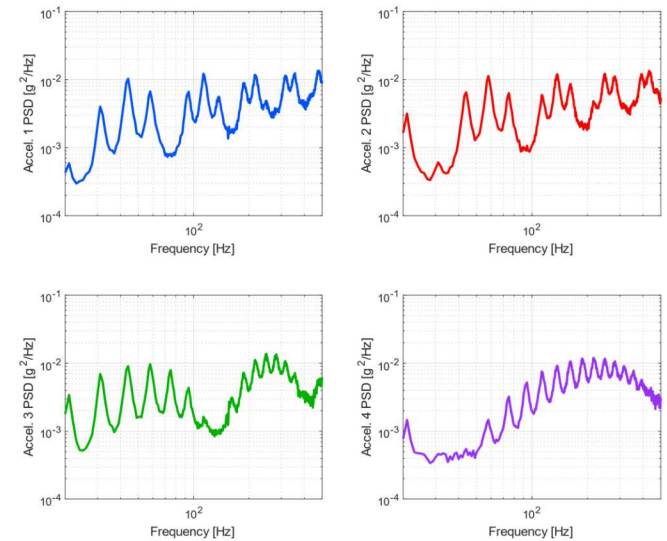
Component

*Random
Forces*

Grab Responses from the Component



Response PSDs

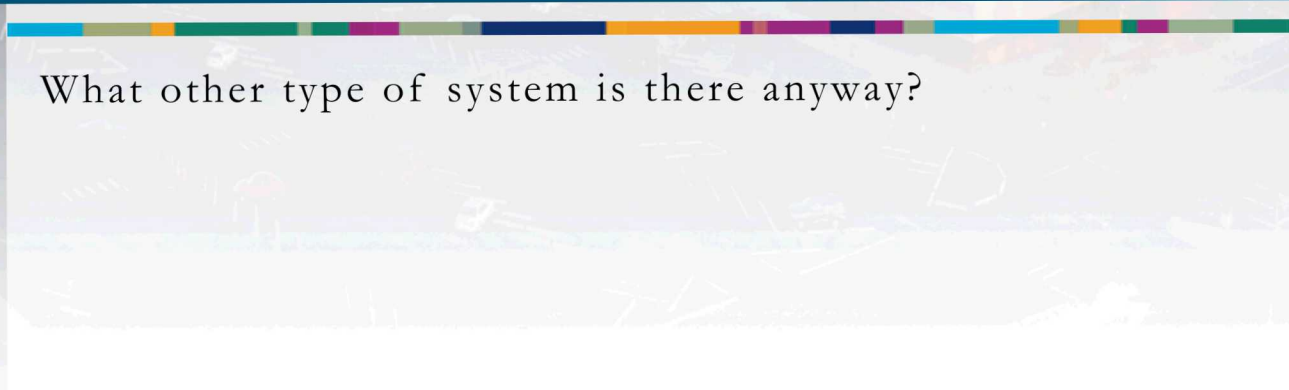


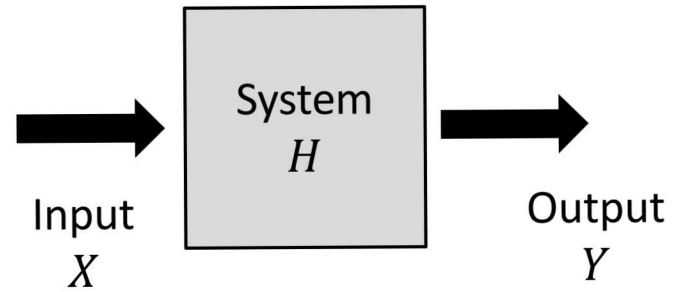


LINEAR SYSTEMS



What other type of system is there anyway?

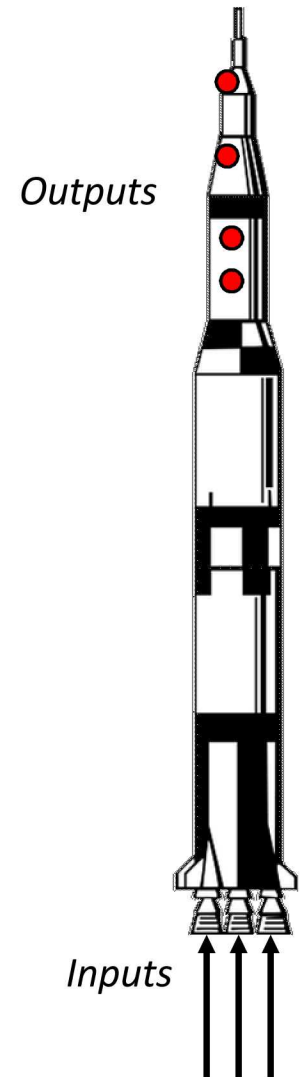
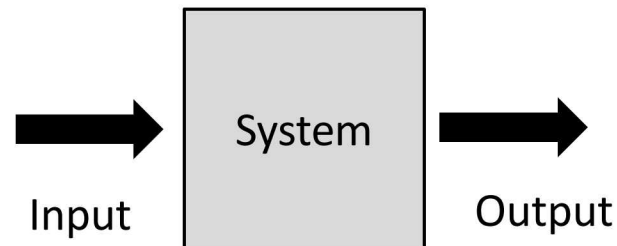




- *Disclaimer: Systems are generally nonlinear, but we pretend they are linear because it makes things easier*
- Linear: Output scales linearly with input
- Basic Input-Output Relationship:

$$X_y = H_{yx}X_x$$

- Input: X_x
- System: H_{yx}
- Output: X_y
- System dynamics captured in FRF matrix, H_{yx}

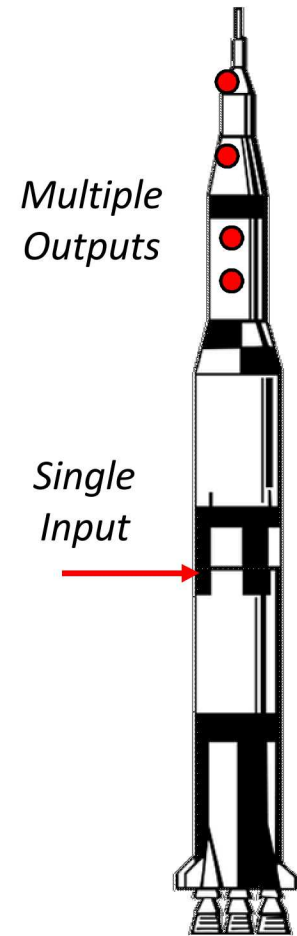


Linear Systems – Single Input

- One input, one output (SISO)
- One input, multiple outputs (SIMO)

$$X_y = H_{yx}X_x$$

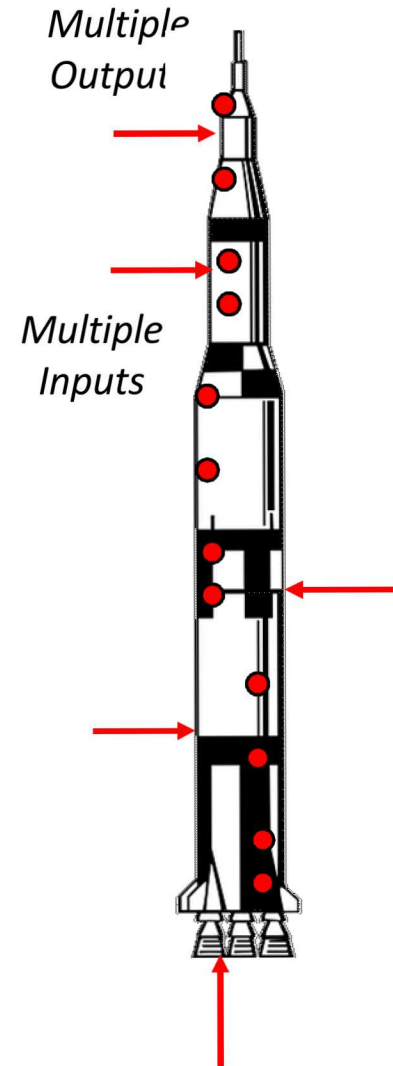
- Sizes:
 - $X_x, 1 \times 1$
 - $H_{yx}, M \times 1$
 - $X_y, M \times 1$



- Multiple input, multiple output (MIMO)

$$X_y = H_{yx} X_x$$

- Sizes:
 - $X_x, Nx1$
 - H_{yx}, MxN
 - $X_y, Mx1$



- $Y = HX$ is the MIMO linear system equation in linear space, meaning the units of the inputs or outputs are in [Volts-s] or [lbf-s] or [g-s]
- Y, X are the linear spectrum of the outputs and inputs
- Typically, the power-space form of the equation is used, allowing the inputs and outputs to be in terms of PSDs
- Why? Utilize ensemble averaging, which reduces noise in the PSD estimates

Linear Space

$$X_y = H_{yx} X_x$$

X_y, X_x are vectors of linear spectra

S_{yy}, S_{xx} are CPSD matrices

*Power Space
(Linear Squared)*

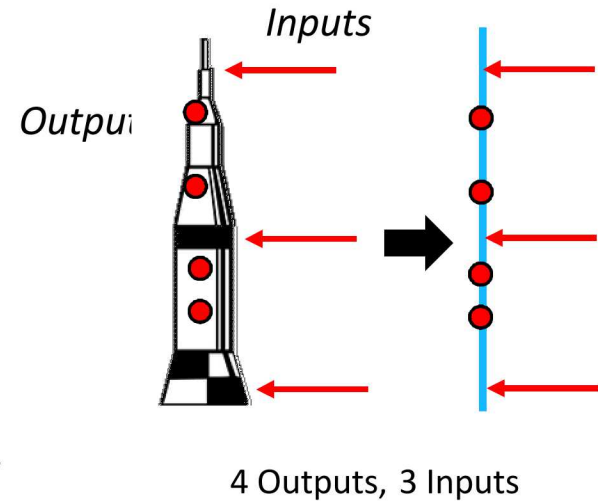
$$S_{yy} = H_{yx} S_{xx} H_{yx}^H$$

H_{yx} is the same in both equations

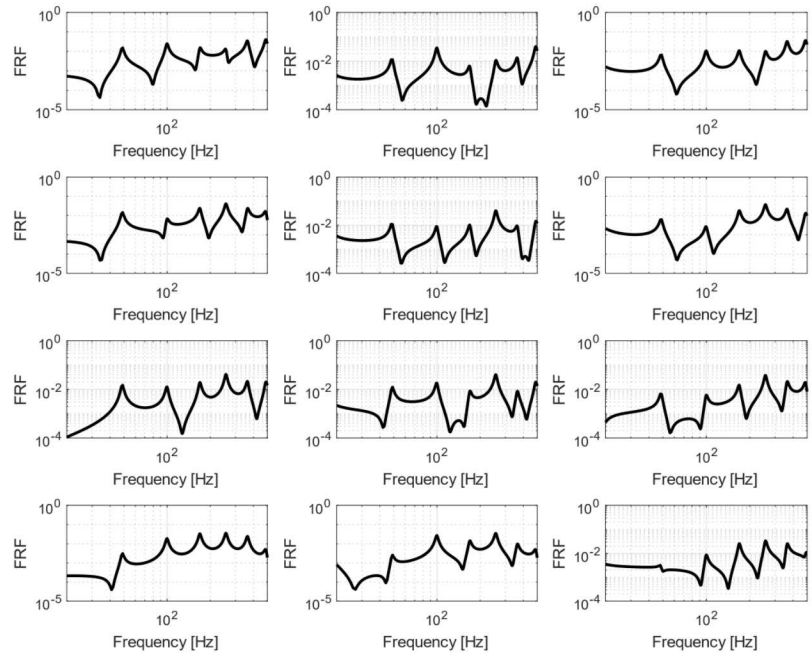
Note: A^H is Hermitian (conjugate transpose) of matrix A

- Relates the outputs to the inputs
- FRF is outputs x inputs x frequencies
 - Rows = outputs
 - Cols = inputs
 - Pages = frequencies

$$H_{yx} = S_{yx} S_{xx}^+$$

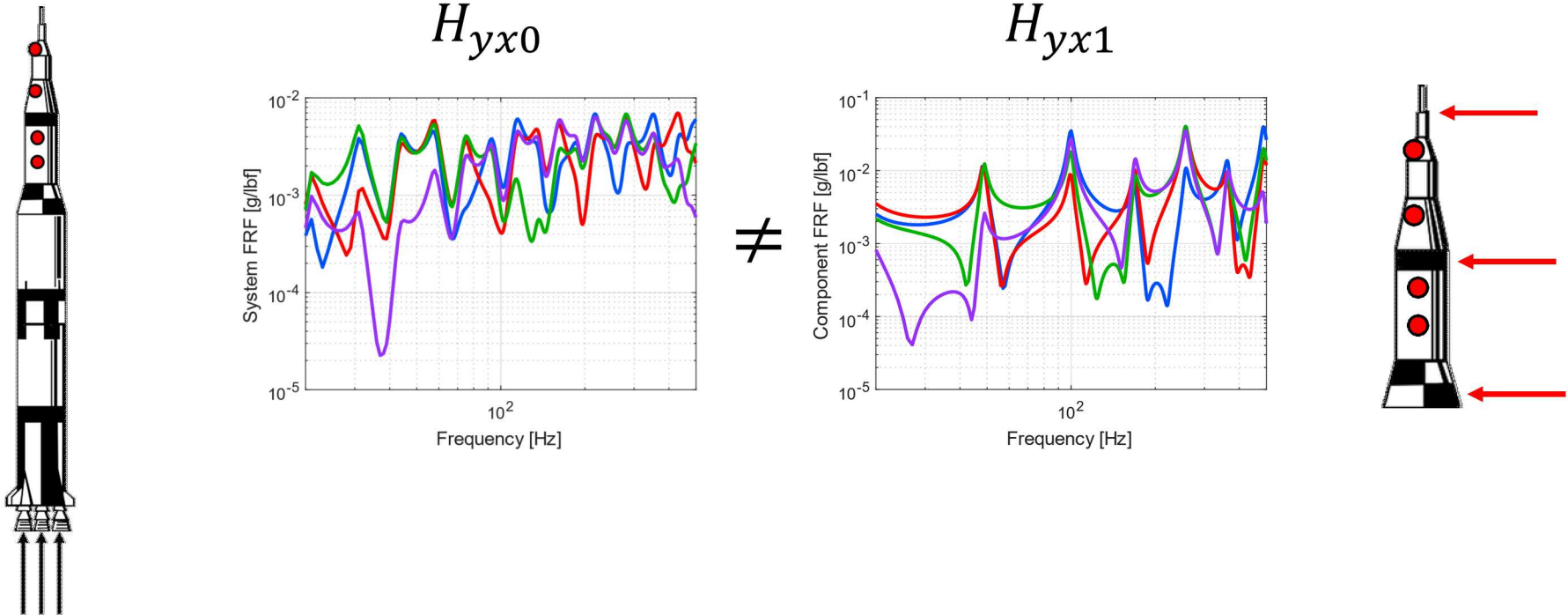


4 Output, 3 Input FRF Matrix



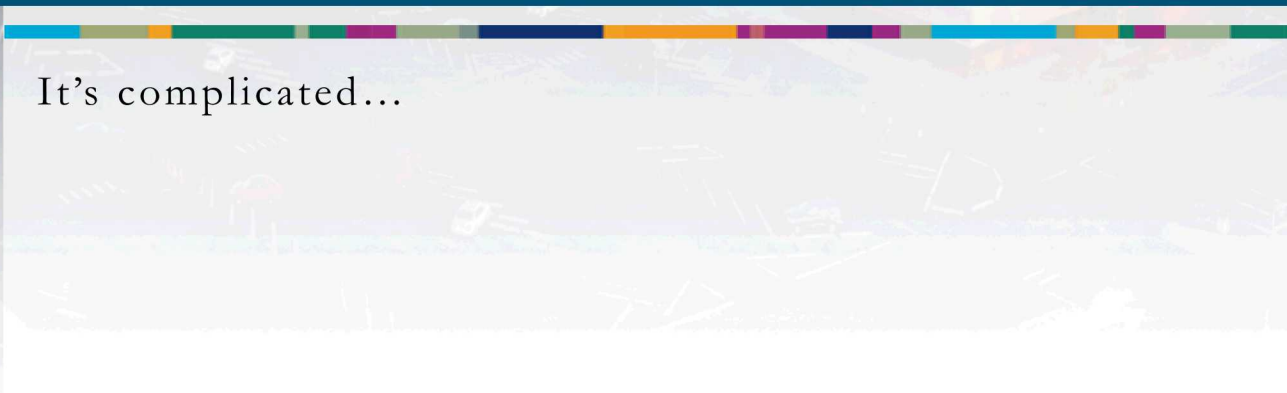
FRF between Output 2 and Input 3

- Often, Field system will be different than the Lab system
- Change in boundary conditions
- Change in design, assembly, variability, etc.
- FRFs will be different, affecting the ability to control & achieve accurate response



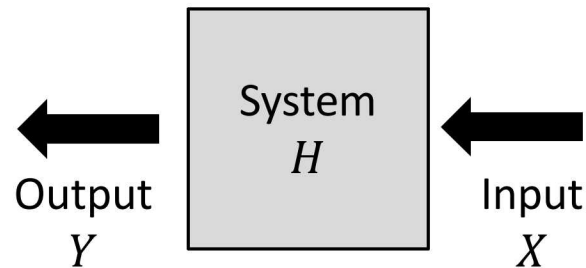


OUTPUT METRICS



It's complicated...

$$S_{yy} = H_{yx} S_{xx} H_{yx}^H$$



$$S_{xx}, S_{yy}$$

- Complex valued terms
- Size: $M \times M \times F$ or $N \times N \times F$
 - Square, 3-dimensional
- Hermitian, Positive-Definite
 - Meaning...
 - $S_{xx} = S_{xx}^H$
 - Diagonals are real-valued
 - Off-Diagonals are conjugate-symmetric

$$S_{xx} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} & S_{13} \\ S_{12}^* & S_{22} & S_{23} \\ S_{13}^* & S_{23}^* & S_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

- How is the CPSD matrix made?
 - Outer product of a vector of linear spectra with itself

$$[S_{xx}] = df\{X_x\}\{X_x\}^H$$

- Relationship between the APSDs, Coherence & Phase:
 - S_{ii}, S_{jj} : APSDs for the i-th and j-th signal (input or output signal)
 - γ_{ij}^2 : Coherence between the i-th and j-th signal
 - ϕ_{ij} : Phase between the i-th and j-th signal

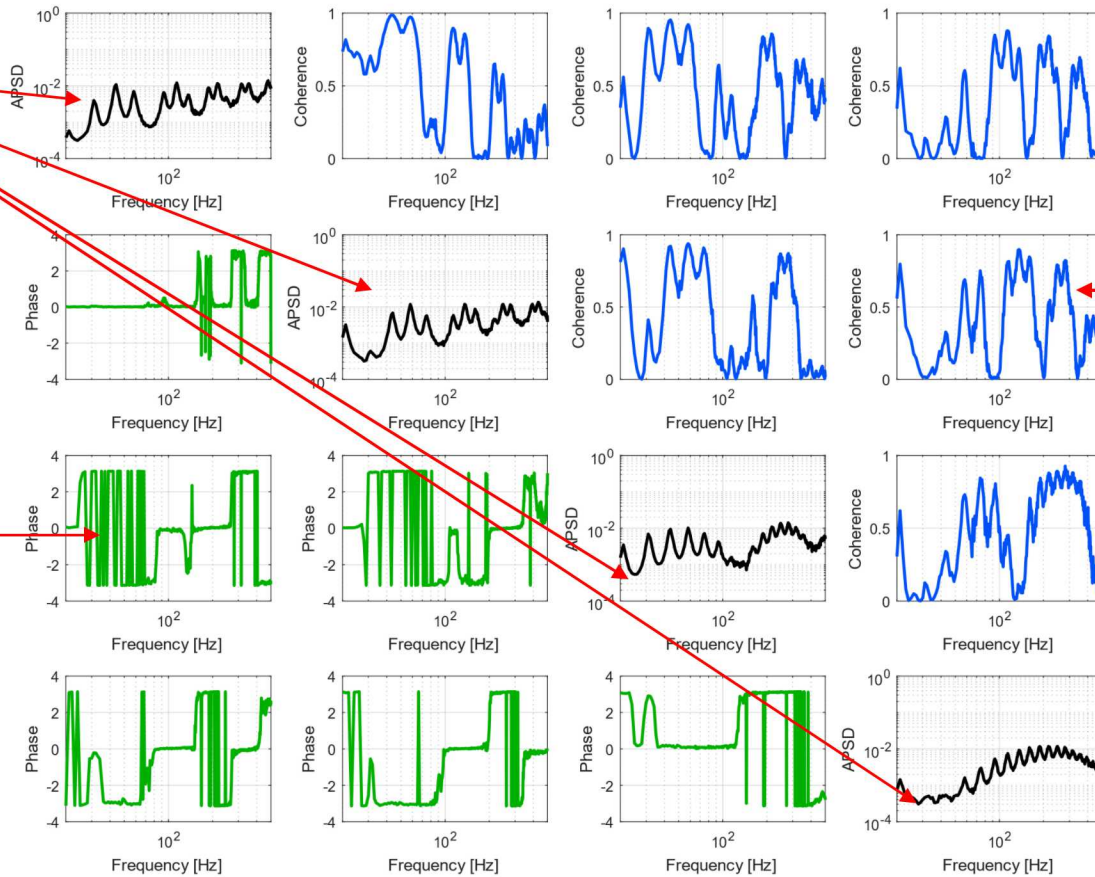
$$S_{ij} = \sqrt{\gamma_{ij}^2 S_{ii} S_{jj}} e^{j\phi_{ij}}$$

CPSD Matrices – What’s in there?



4x4 Syy Output CPSD Matrix

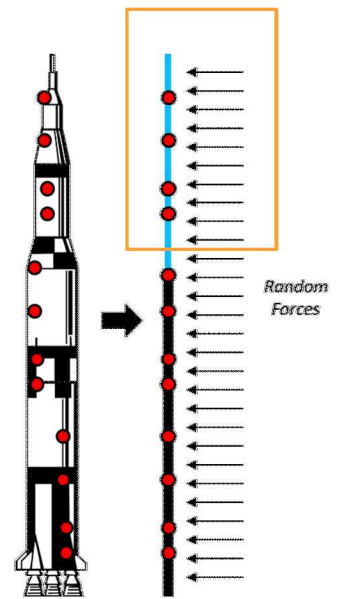
APSDs on the diagonal



Coherence between Signal 2 and Signal 4

Phase between Signal 1 and Signal 3

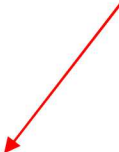
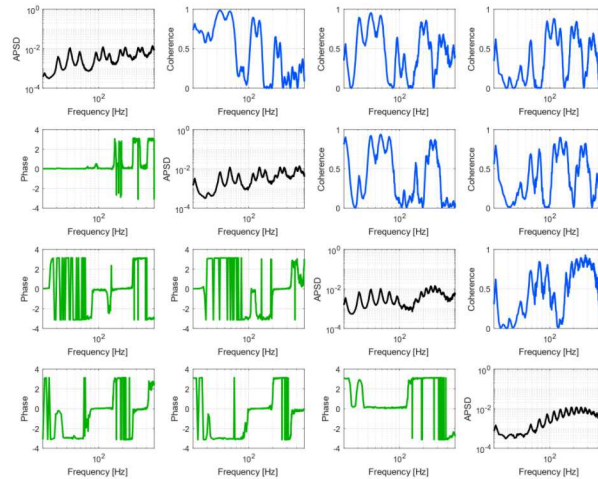
4 Outputs



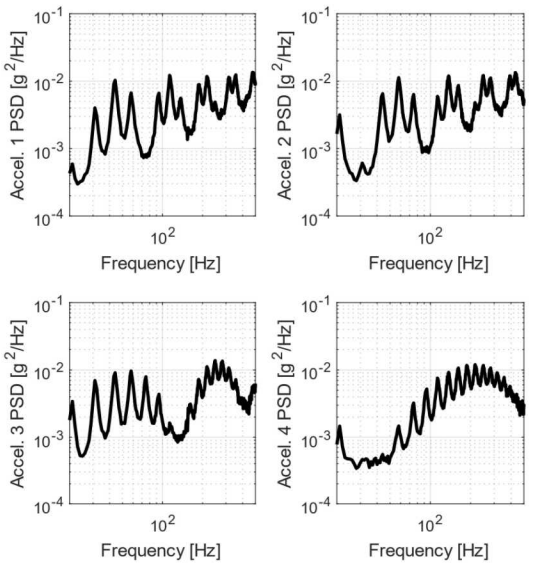
Cross-terms (off-diagonals) represent a combination of APSDs, Coherence & Phase

$$S_{ij} = \sqrt{\gamma_{ij}^2 S_{ii} S_{jj}} e^{j\phi_{ij}}$$

Too Much Data in the CPSD Matrix...What To Do?

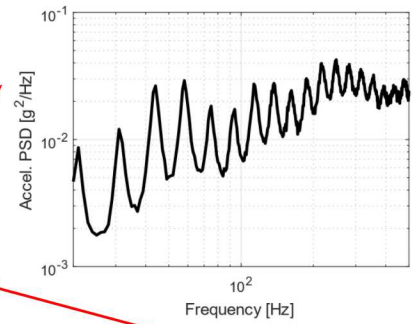


APSDs from the CPSD:



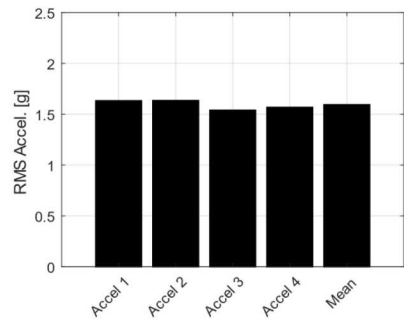
No Cross Terms

Sum of APSDs



Condense Down Spatial Dimension

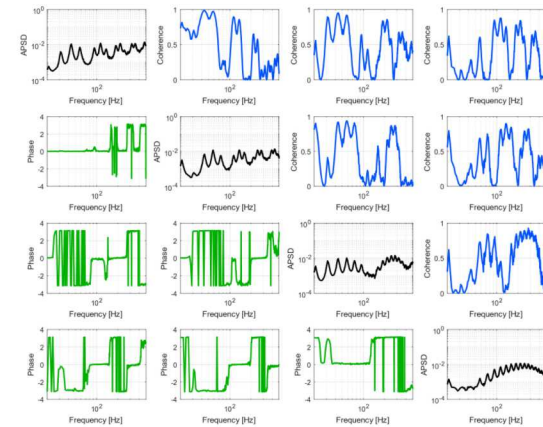
RMS of APSDs



Condense Down Frequency Dimension

CPSD Matrices – What's in there?

$$S_{ij} = \sqrt{\gamma_{ij}^2 S_{ii} S_{jj}} e^{j\phi_{ij}}$$



APSDs from the CPSD:

Coherence from the CPSD:

Phase from the CPSD:

$$G_{ii} = S_{ii}$$

$$\gamma_{ij}^2 = \frac{|S_{ij}|^2}{S_{ii} S_{jj}}$$

$$\phi_{ij} = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\text{Im}(S_{ij})}{\text{Re}(S_{ij})} \right)$$

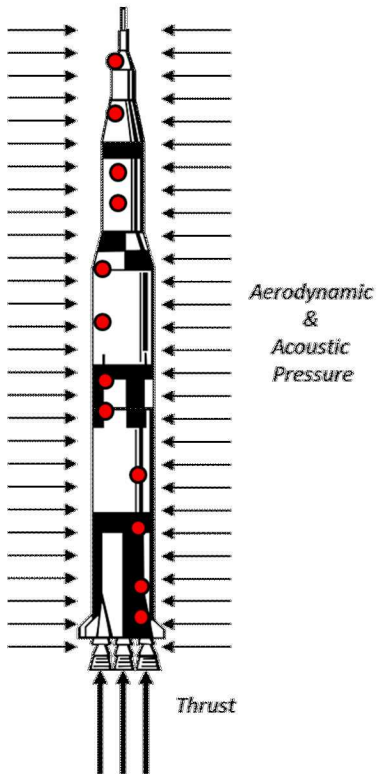
NOTE: G_{ii} must be real and positive

NOTE: γ_{ij}^2 must be real between 0 and 1

Our System So Far

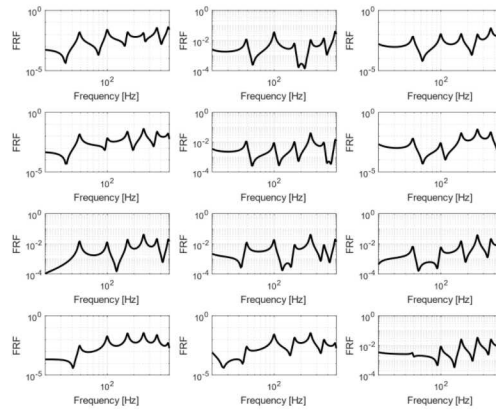
Full System & Field Loads

S_{xx}
Field Environment Loads



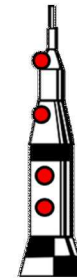
FRF Matrix of Full System & Component

H_{yx}

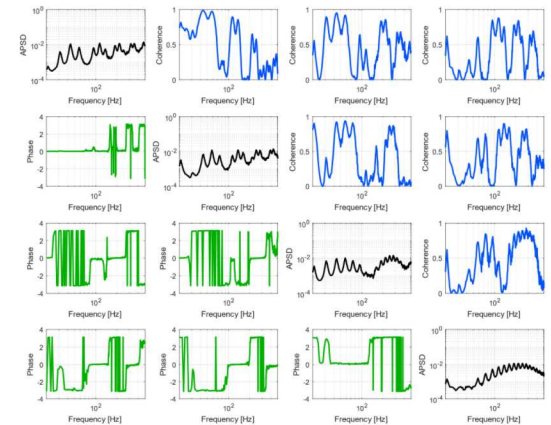


Measured Field Response of Component

$S_{yy} = H_{yx} S_{xx} H_{yx}^H$



$$S_{xx} = \begin{bmatrix} S_{11} & S_{12} & S_{13} \\ S_{12}^* & S_{22} & S_{23} \\ S_{13}^* & S_{23}^* & S_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$





INPUT ESTIMATION



Gotta tell the shakers what to do



$$S_{yy} = H_{yx} S_{xx} H_{yx}^H$$

Desired

Known

Unknown

- Determine inputs to best match some desired responses
- Stationary Problems:

$$S_{xx} = H_{yx}^+ S_{yy} H_{yx}^{+H}$$

- Transient Problems:

$$X_x = H_{yx}^+ X_y$$

- Notes:
 - A^+ is the pseudo-inverse of a matrix A , thus A can be rectangular
 - Shown here are the direct methods for estimating inputs (using a direct inverse of the FRF matrix). These can also be solved using iterative approaches, other optimization techniques

- There are really some different FRF & CPSD matrices floating around here
- Terminology:
 - Subscript 0 = Field system, inputs & responses
 - Subscript 1 = Lab system, inputs & responses
- Objective of Lab test and Input Estimation is to make inputs, S_{xx1} , which make a lab system, H_1 , respond as S_{yy1} which best match the measured field response, S_{yy0}


$$S_{yy0} = H_{yx0} S_{xx0} H_{yx0}^H \quad \text{Field Test}$$

$$S_{xx1} = H_{yx1}^+ S_{yy1} H_{yx1}^{+H} \quad \text{Input Estimation}$$

$$S_{yy1} = H_{yx1} S_{xx1} H_{yx1}^H \quad \text{Lab Test}$$

Input Estimation – Over-Determined, Under-Determined

- Square: Same number of inputs as responses, H_{yx} is $M \times M = N \times N$
 - Can achieve perfect control (match the responses), however, the forces can be high
- Over-Determined: Rectangular, H_{yx} is $M \times N$ and $M > N$
 - More outputs than inputs
 - Most typical in MIMO testing
 - No solutions, so find a least-squares solution using pseudo-inverse
- Under-Determined: Rectangular, H_{yx} is $M \times N$ and $N > M$
 - More inputs than outputs
 - Infinite solutions, so find a minimum norm solution or solution with most nonzero components (results vary by the solution algorithm!)


 H_{yx}
 H_{yx}
 H_{yx}

$$S_{xx} = H_{yx}^+ S_{yy} H_{yx}^{+H}$$

Note: This Equation Tries to Match ALL the Terms in S_{yy0}

Inputs which best match
the target response CPSD
in terms of the:

- Levels (APSDs)
- Coherence
- Phase

$$S_{yy0} = H_{yx0} S_{xx0} H_{yx0}^H$$

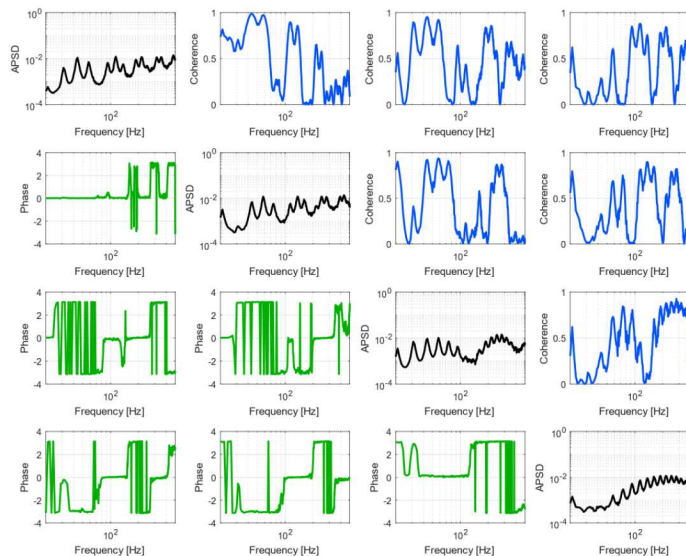
Field Test

$$S_{xx1} = H_{yx1}^+ S_{yy1} H_{yx1}^{+H}$$

Input Estimation

$$S_{yy1} = H_{yx1} S_{xx1} H_{yx1}^H$$

Lab Test



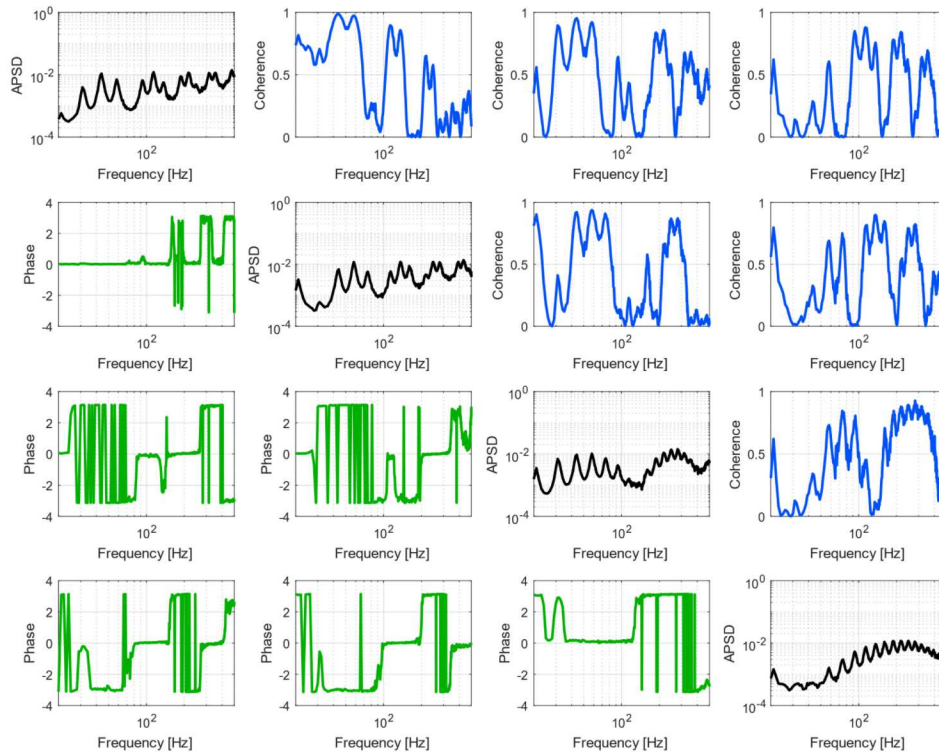
Do you care about the
cross-terms?

Are you confident in the
measurement of the
cross-terms?

How do you write a spec
for this?

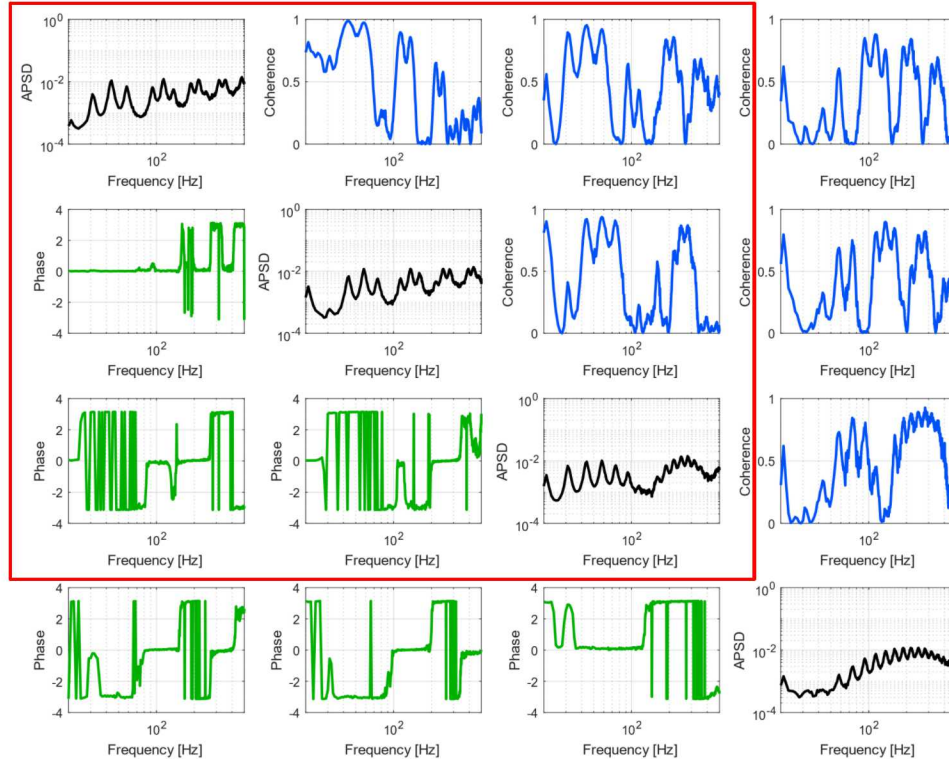
Specs: Current Practice is to Use Field Time History Data to Form CPSDs

- Need the full CPSD matrix
- Measurements must be time-aligned for useful phase
- Future work should focus on spec development

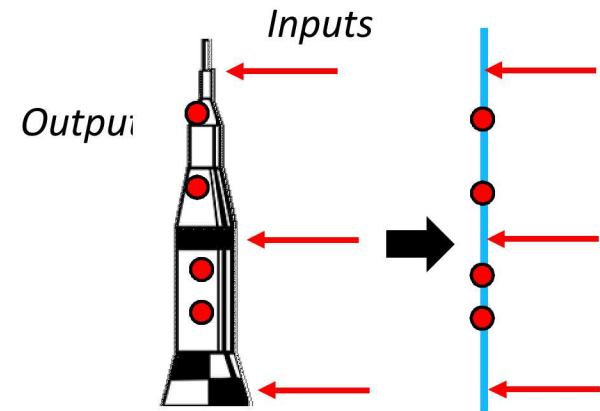
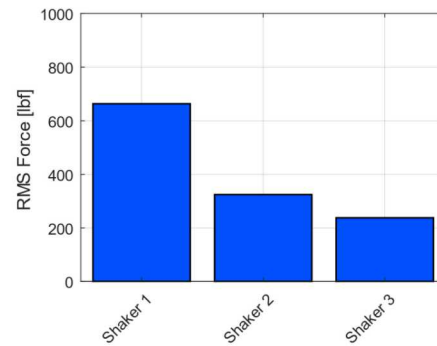
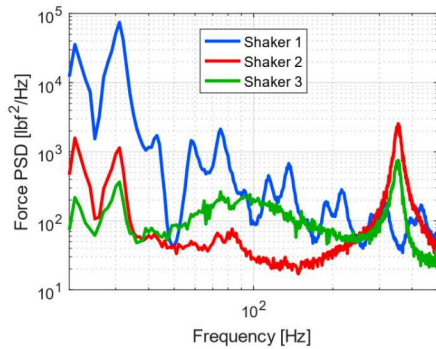


Typical Practice is to Use
a Subset of the Field
Measurements as
“Target” Responses

- Remaining measurements can be used as reference

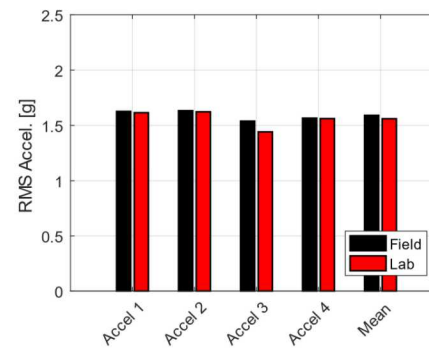
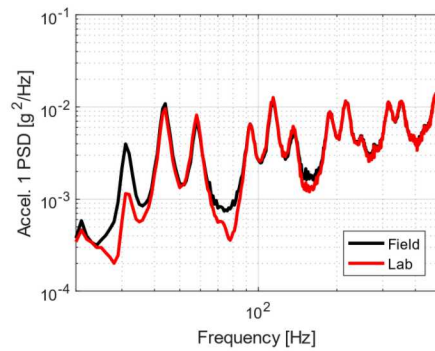
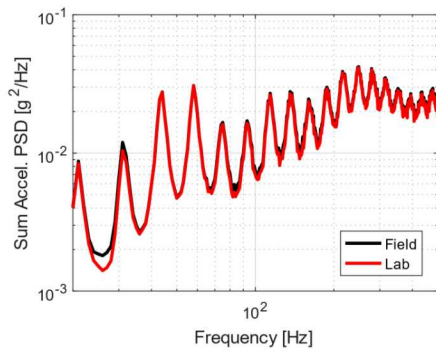


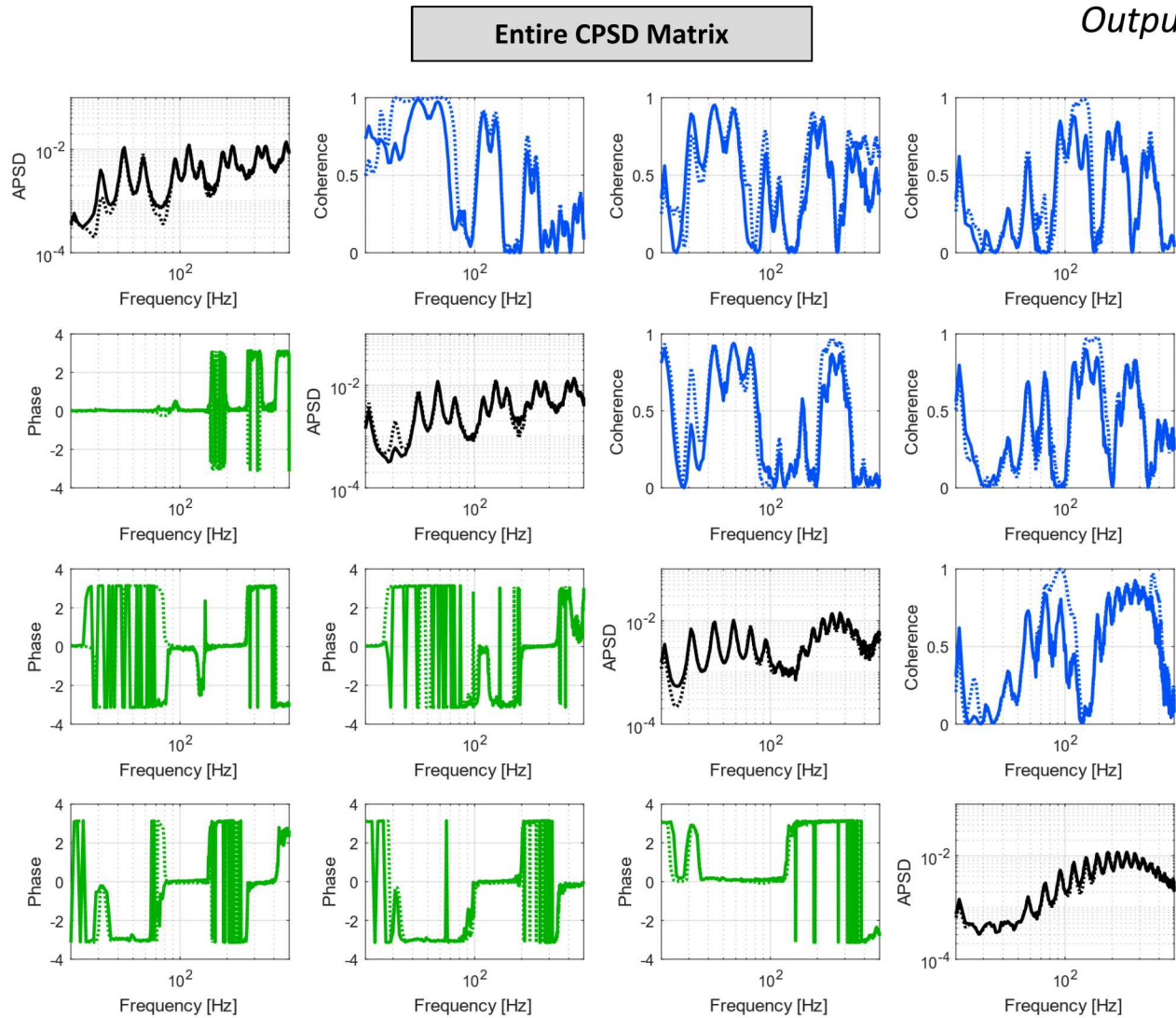
Estimated Inputs



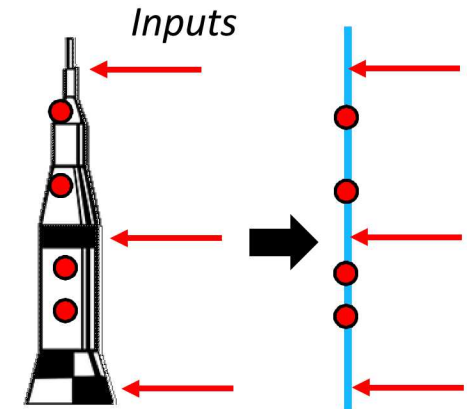
4 Outputs, 3 Inputs

Lab Response





Output



4 Outputs, 3 Inputs



A MIMO VIBRATION TEST

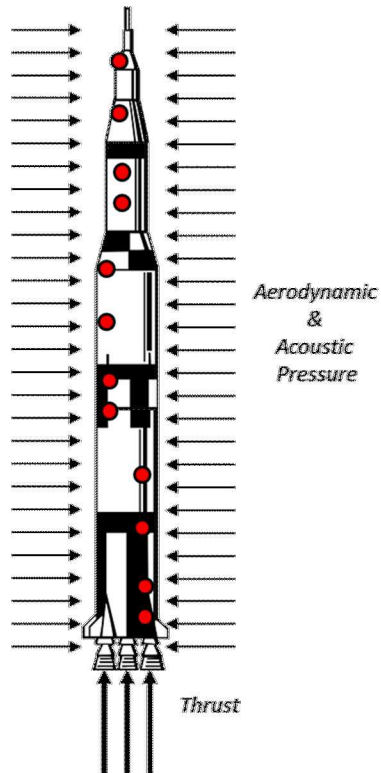


What goes on under the hood

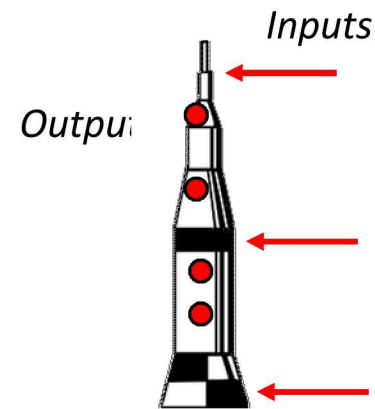
- Step through the process...what is going on in a MIMO test?

S_{yy0}

Field Environment Loads



H_{yx1}



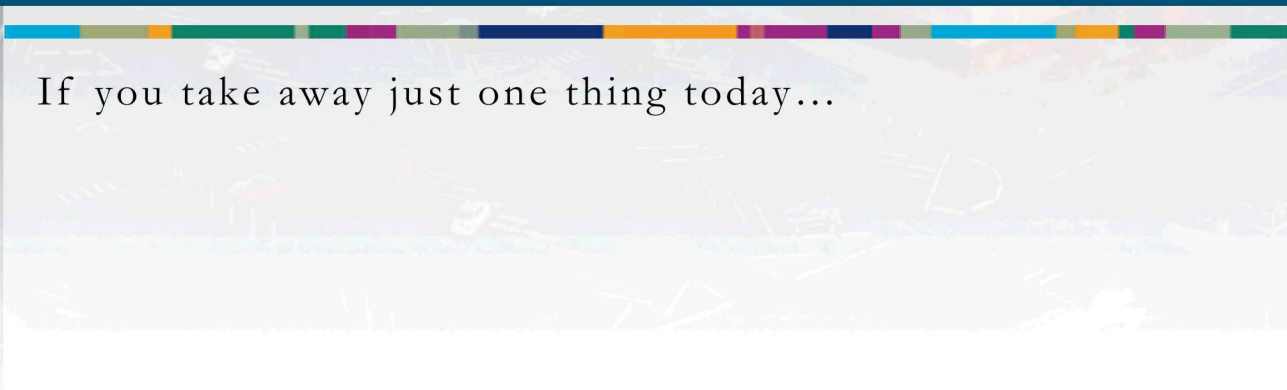
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- Step through the process...what is going on in a MIMO test?
 1. Measure the Field response, form S_{yy1}
 2. Setup the Lab test (mount shakers, put gauges at Field locations etc.)
 3. Measure the Lab FRF matrix, H_{yx1} , using uncorrelated inputs
 4. Estimate the Lab inputs, S_{xx1}
 5. Convert the inputs from CPSDs to time histories, send to the shakers
 6. Measure the Lab response, S_{yy1}
 7. *optional*
 1. Adjust the input levels based on predicted or actual response error (closed loop)
 2. Adjust the FRF matrix based on the levels/spectrum of the test inputs



BOILED DOWN



If you take away just one thing today...

$$X_y = H_{yx} X_x$$

Outputs System Inputs

X_y Output Linear Spectrum
Mx1, [g-s]

H_{yx} System FRF Matrix
MxN, [g/lbf]

$$S_{yy} = H_{yx} S_{xx} H_{yx}^H$$

Outputs System Inputs

X_x Input Linear Spectrum
Nx1, [g/lbf]

S_{yy} Output CPSD
MxM [g²/Hz]

S_{xx} Input CPSD
NxN [lbf²/Hz]

**shown for a single frequency line. In general, the 3rd dimension is frequency, making H_{yx} MxNx F , S_{xx} NxNx F , etc.*

$$S_{yy0} = H_{yx0} S_{xx0} H_{yx0}^H$$

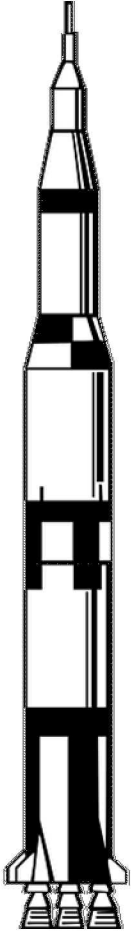
$$S_{yyFRF} = H_{yx1} S_{xxFRF} H_{yx1}^H$$

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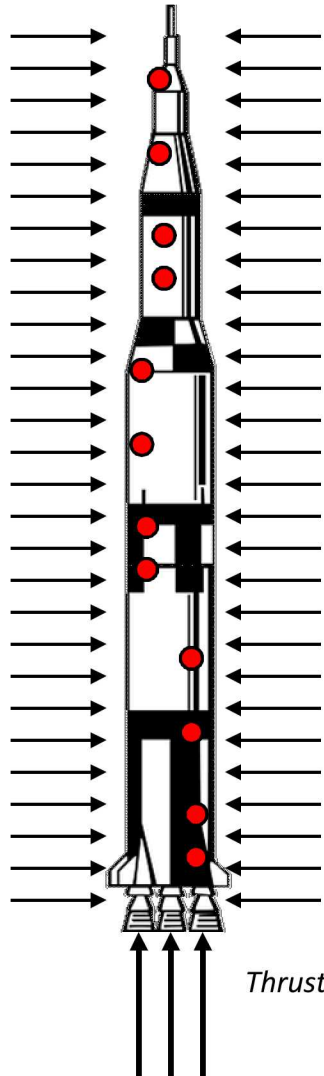
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Dynamic System

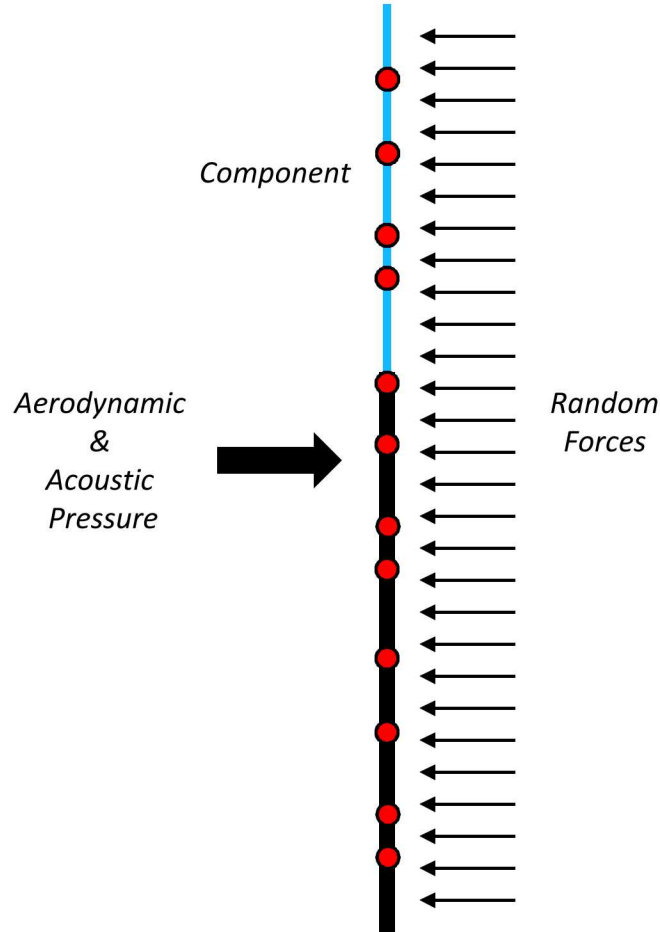


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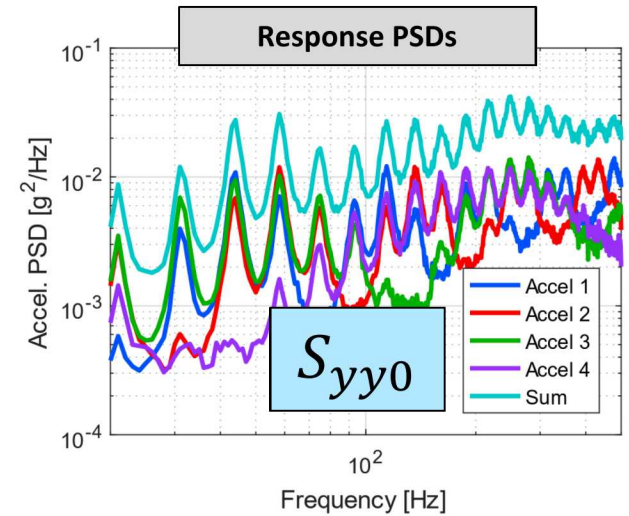
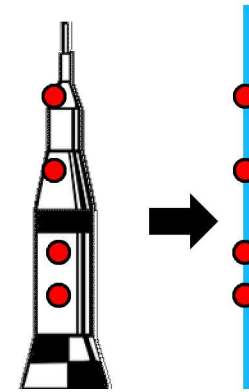
Dynamic System Subject to Field Environment Loads



Represented as Simple Beam Model with Forces

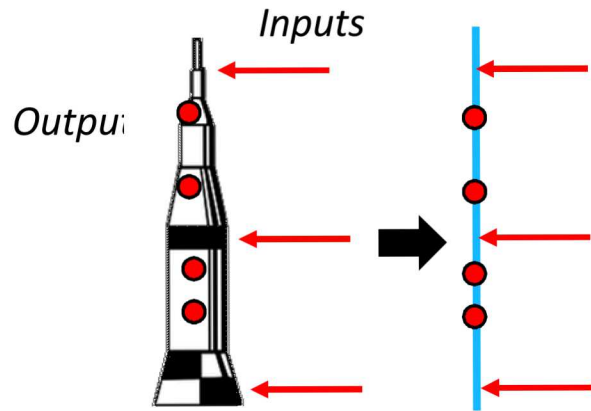


Obtained Response From Specific Locations



What Did We Do?

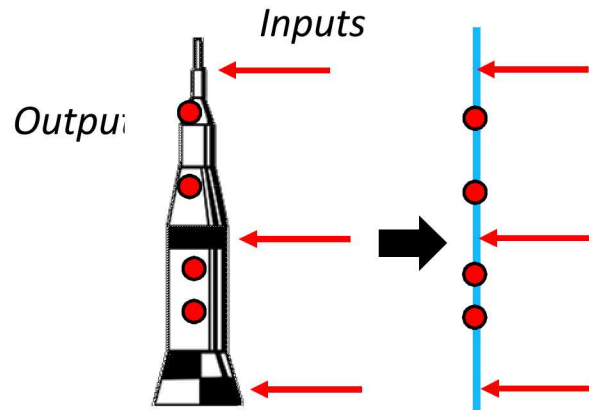
Lab System



4 Outputs, 3 Inputs

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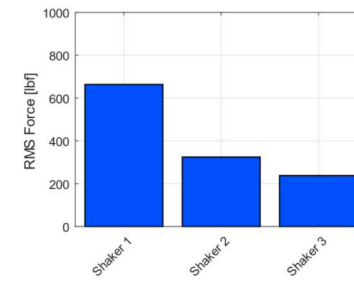
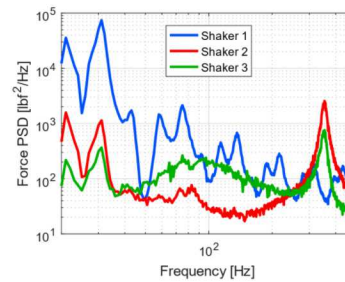
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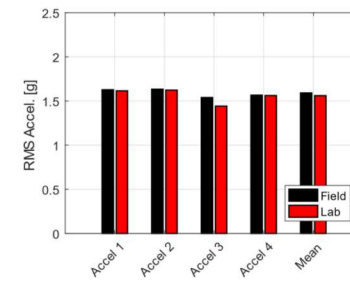
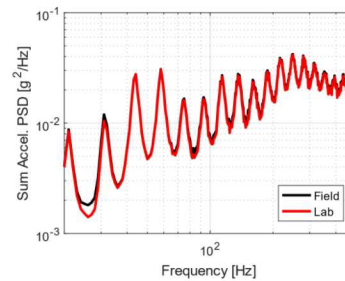
Solve Input Estimation Problem

$$S_{xx1} = H_{yx1}^+ S_{yy0} H_{yx1}^H$$



Obtain Lab Response from Lab Inputs

$$S_{yy1} = H_{yx1} S_{xx1} H_{yx1}^H$$

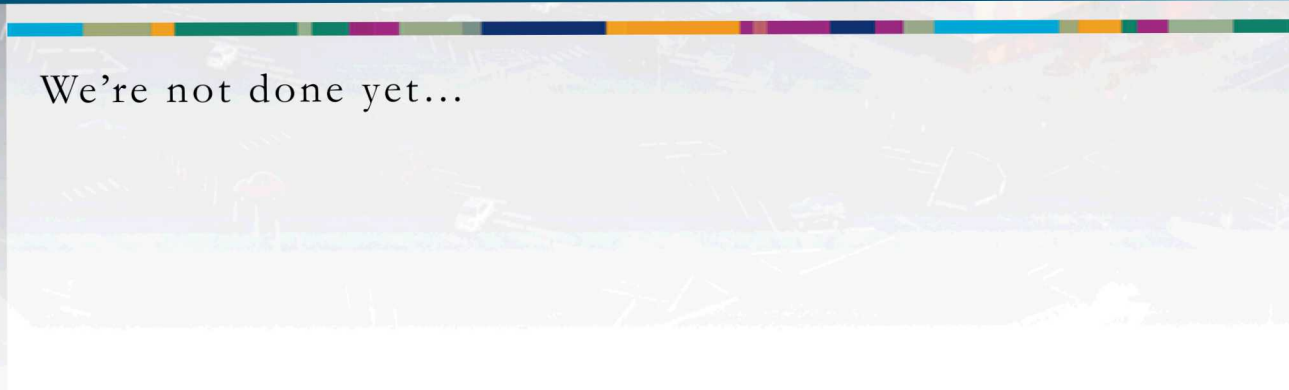




WHERE ARE WE WITH MIMO?



We're not done yet...



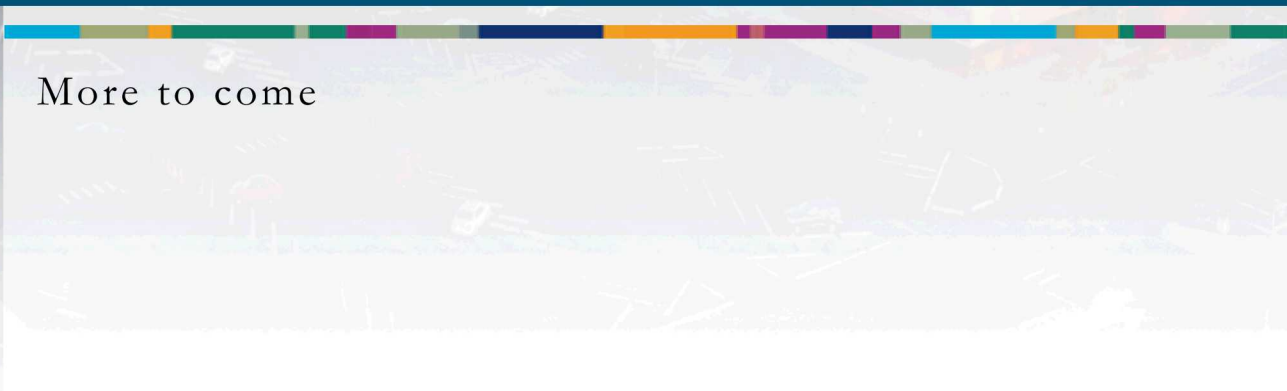
Where Are We? What's Next?

- MIMO vibration testing provides many benefits:
 - *Higher accuracy – match the Field response more closely*
 - *Improved controllability – can tailor a test to specific objectives*
- However, it introduces several new challenges:
 - *What do you do if you can't get S_{yy0} from the Field measurements? Specification development for MIMO is an open area of research*
 - *How can you implement limits across many gauges?*
 - *Where do you locate shakers and how do you control them to get a desired result?*
 - *How can you solve the control (input estimation) problem to achieve specific results?*
 - *How can you design fixtures to allow the Lab system to respond like the Field system?*
 - *How do you control different types of inputs simultaneously? Base shake + multiple shakers, etc.*

There are many opportunities for improvement, and opportunities to establish best practices for this next generation test technique



NEXT TIME



More to come

■ Part 2: Advanced Topics

1. Review

- MIMO Linear System Equations
- Input Estimation & Control Process

2. Structure of CPSD & FRF Matrices

- Expected Forms, Checks, and Numerical Corrections
- Manipulating CPSD Matrices (extracting subsets, scaling, sign changes)

3. Signal Processing for MIMO Tests

- Time Histories to CPSDs
- Ensemble Averaging and Estimates

4. FRF Estimation Methods

5. Modes, Modal FRFs, and Modal-Space MIMO Equations

6. Fancy Input Estimation Techniques

- Correlated vs. Uncorrelated Inputs
- Regularized Inverse Solutions
- Input Adjustments – Correcting Levels