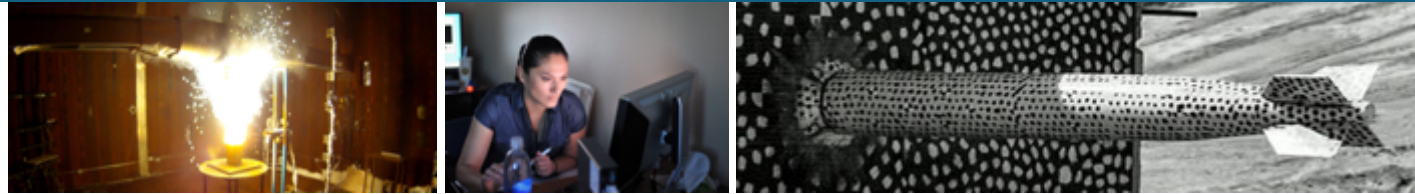




Demonstration 2: Multiple-Input, Multiple-Output control



IMAC XL MIMO Vibration Short Course

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Test Specification Generation



Creating the Specification

Four shakers applied uncorrelated inputs to the “system” portion of the demo test article

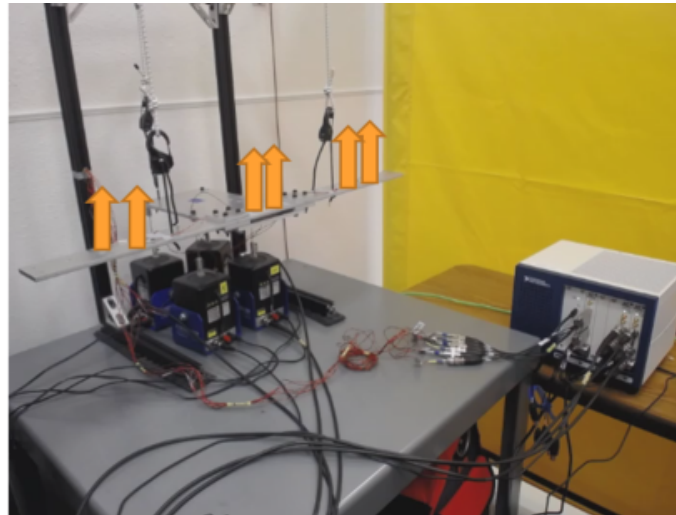
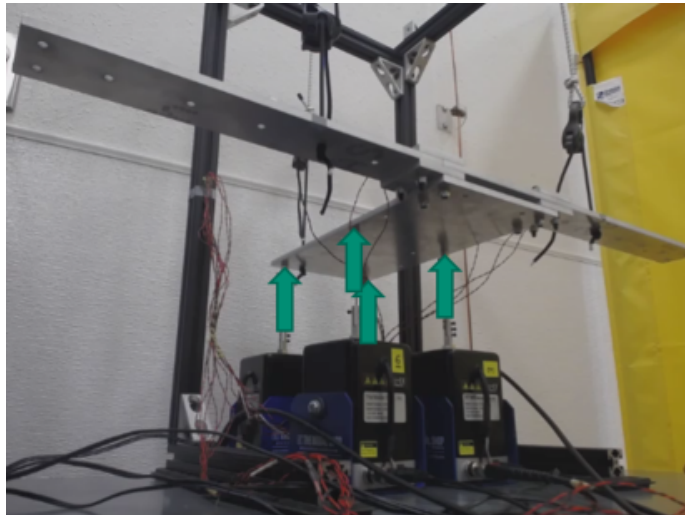
Six accelerometers measured response on the “component” portion of the system.

Test controlled using NI data acquisition system with Rattlesnake software.

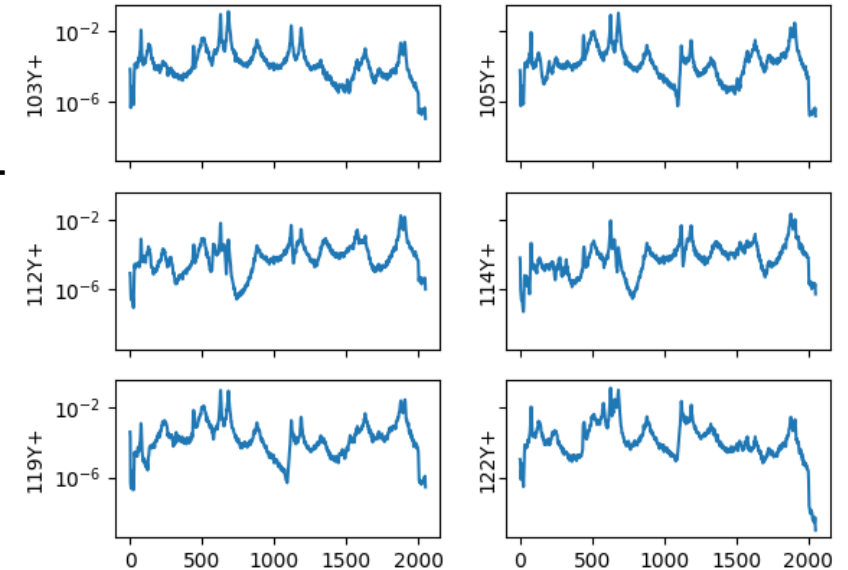
CPSD matrices were computed from the time response of the accelerometers and the voltage signals.

Acceleration CPSD matrices are used for the target specification.

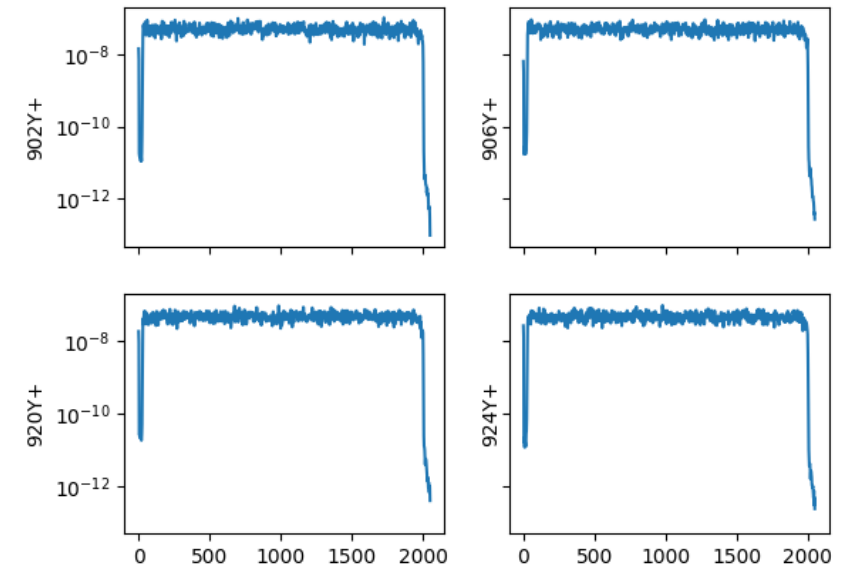
For the MIMO case, all six accelerometers were used.



Acceleration Responses



Shaker Drives





MIMO Test Setup



Goal: Perform a Multi-axis test with modal shakers



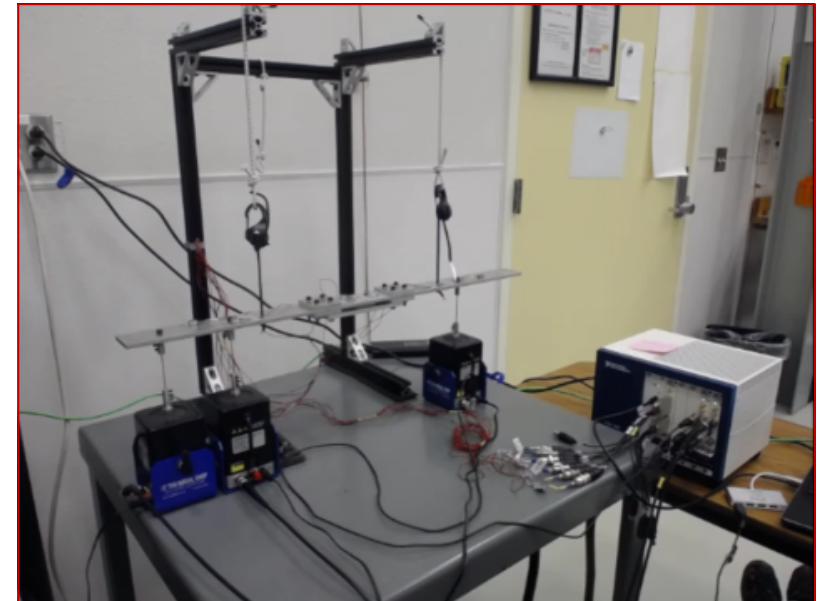
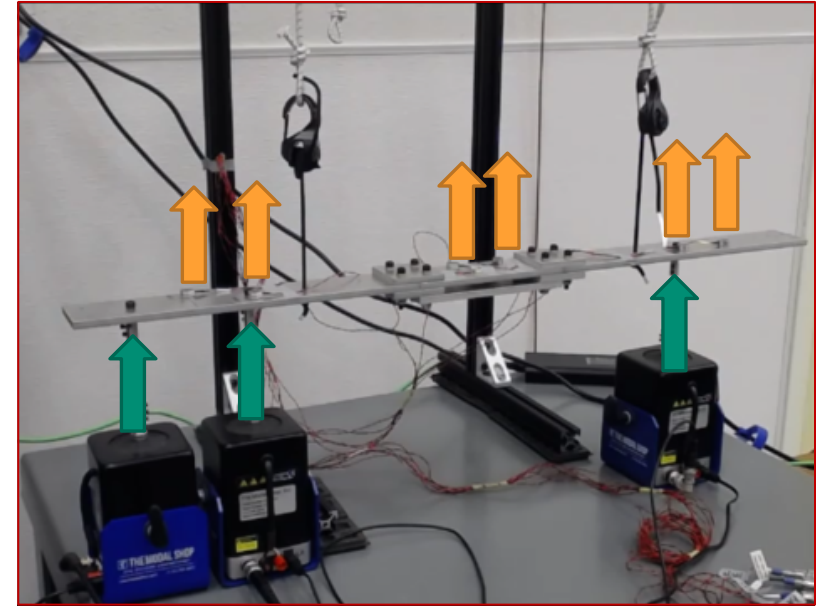
Attach multiple shakers at strategic positions along the test article.

Use Rattlesnake to control responses at control accelerometers to those defined by the specifications.

Use several control laws to generate the output signals:

- Pseudoinverse
- Buzz Test
- Match Trace
- Shape Constrained

Explore the differences between the control laws and compare against single axis testing.





A bit more on the different control laws



Pseudoinverse Control



Simplest Control Law: Compute the pseudoinverse of the transfer function matrix and multiply by the specification

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{G}_{xx} &= \mathbf{H}\mathbf{G}_{vv}\mathbf{H}^* \\ \mathbf{G}_{vv} &= \mathbf{H}^+\mathbf{G}_{xx}\mathbf{H}^{+*}\end{aligned}$$

Pros:

- Simple to implement

Cons:

- Can be inaccurate if problem is not well-posed
- Can suffer ill-conditioning

Buzz Test Method



Update the specification to match the dynamics of the unit under test [1].

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma_{ij}^2 &= \frac{|B_{xx,ij}|^2}{B_{xx,ii}B_{xx,jj}} \\ \theta_{ij} &= \angle B_{xx,ij} \\ \tilde{G}_{xx,ij} &= e^{i\theta_{ij}} \sqrt{\gamma_{ij}^2 G_{xx,ii} G_{xx,jj}} \\ \mathbf{G}_{vv} &= \mathbf{H}^+ \tilde{\mathbf{G}}_{xx} \mathbf{H}^{+*}\end{aligned}$$

Pros:

- Takes into account variations between the field test article and lab test article; doesn't force field article's dynamics on lab article.

Cons:

- Changing the specification *may* remove some important characteristics of it

Match Trace Method



Simple closed-loop control law to scale each frequency line to match the sum of ASDs

$$\mathbf{G}_{vv,k} = \mathbf{G}_{vv,k-1} \frac{\sum_i G_{xx,ii}}{(\sum_i \hat{G}_{xx,ii})_{k-1}}$$

Pros:

- Can typically match the sum of the diagonals of the CPSD matrix

Cons:

- Often requires more force to achieve than the buzz test approach
- Matching overall system response can sacrifice individual gauge accuracy

Shape Constrained Approach



If struggling to hit a test level, constrain shakers to work together rather than fight against each other [2]

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{U}\mathbf{S}\mathbf{V}^H &= \mathbf{H} \\ \mathbf{S}_{keep} &= \mathbf{S}[\mathbf{S} > threshold] \\ \mathbf{V}_{keep} &= \mathbf{V}[\mathbf{S} > threshold] \\ \mathbf{H}_c &= \mathbf{H}\mathbf{V}_{keep} \\ \mathbf{G}_{vv,c} &= \mathbf{H}_c^+ \mathbf{G}_{xx} \mathbf{H}_c^{+*} \\ \mathbf{G}_{vv} &= \mathbf{V}_{keep} \mathbf{G}_{vv,c} \mathbf{V}_{keep}^H\end{aligned}$$

Pros:

- Can significantly reduce force/voltage/current required to run a test

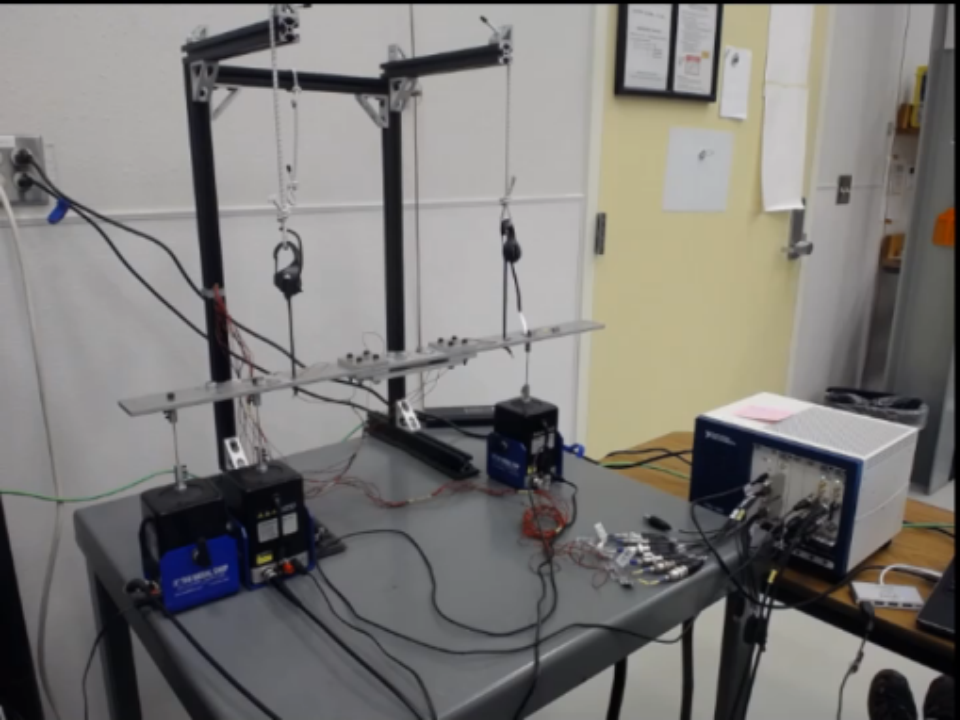
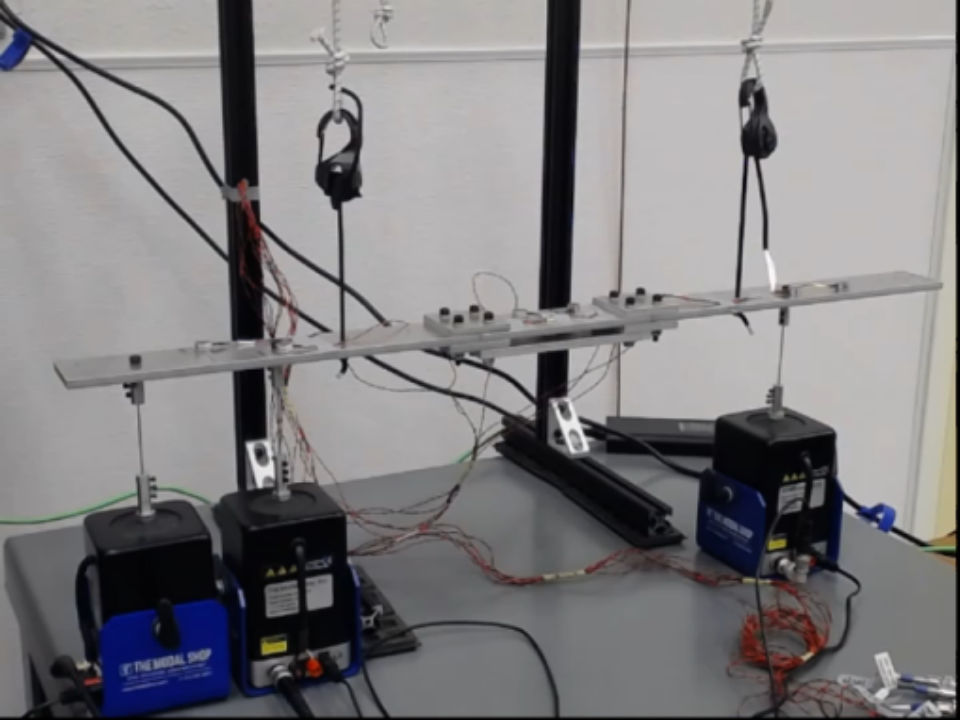
Cons:

- Accuracy of response is degraded



MIMO Test Demonstration



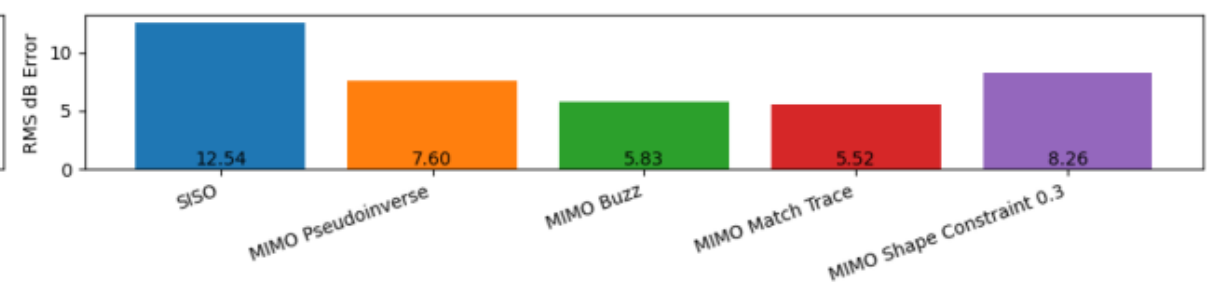
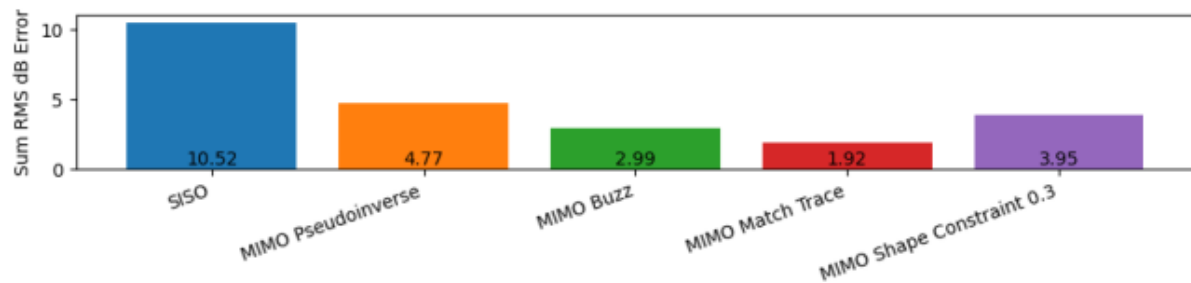
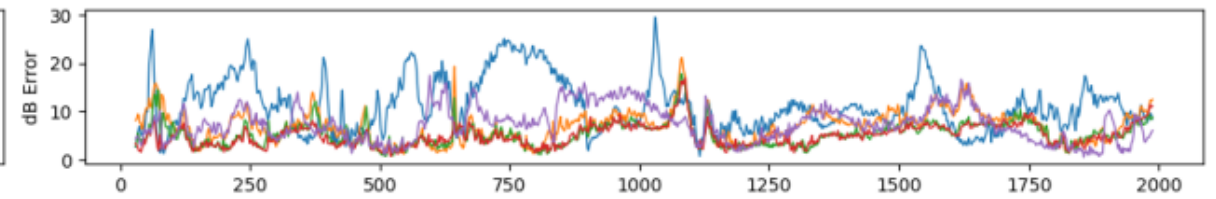
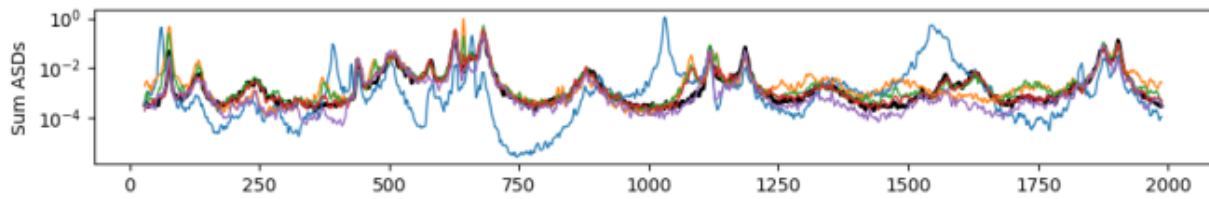
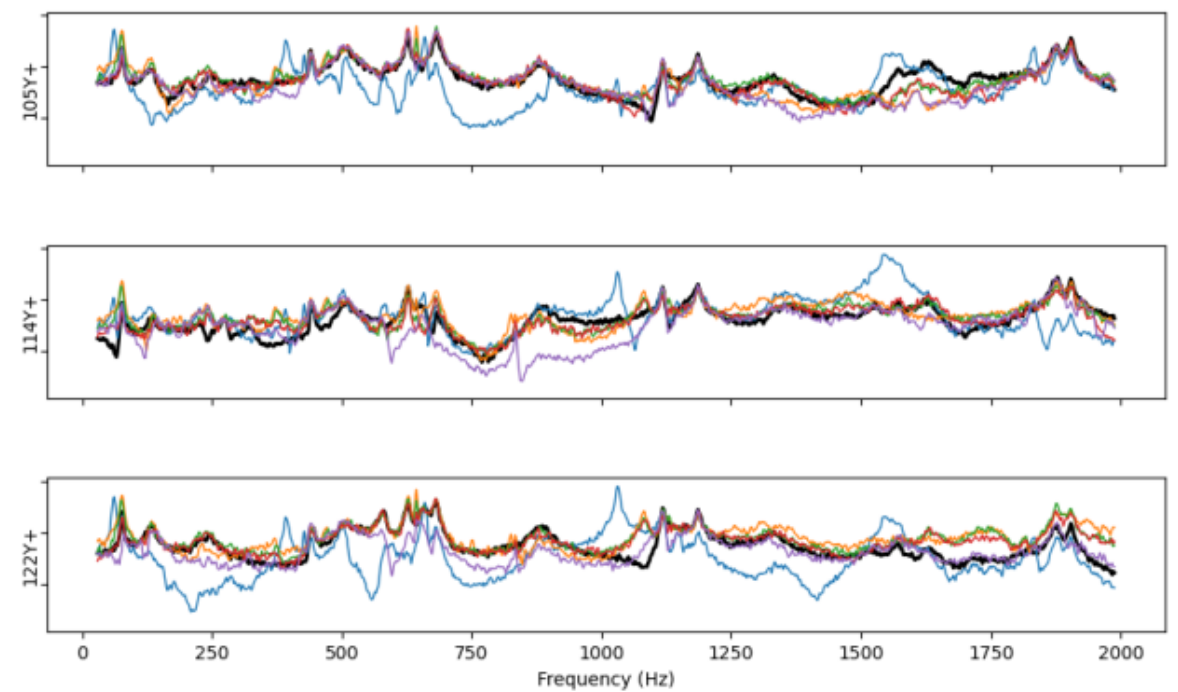
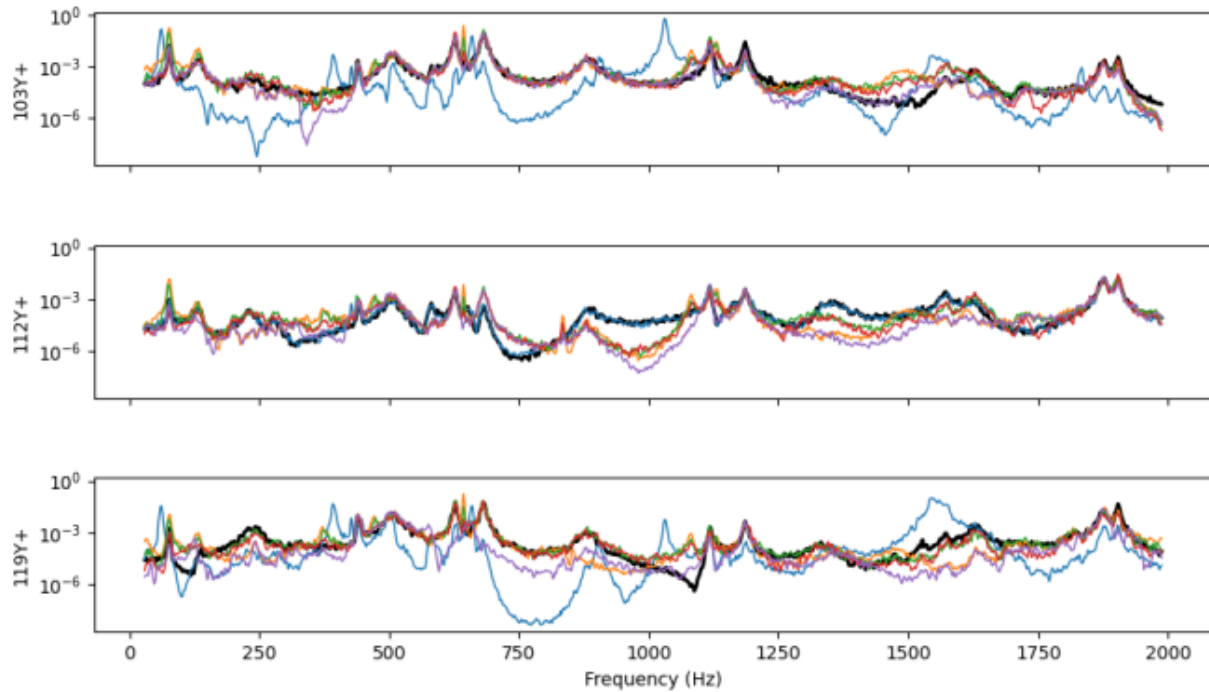




MIMO Results



MIMO Test Results





Conclusions



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MIMO testing offers significant improvements over single axis testing:

- Can control the shape of the response
- More accurate over more of the part than with single axis testing

There are a number of different control laws available depending on goals:

- If force is not limited, a closed loop control law can often get you the best results
- If force is limited, might need to constrain shakers to work together instead of fighting each other.