



Modeling the Golden Gate Bridge using Wireless Sensor Networks

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Outline

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 - Structural Health Monitoring
- **Physical model for vibration data:**
 - ModAI parameters
- **ModAI estimation from ambient vibrations**
 - Multivariate AR models (Full vs. Restricted)
- **Simulation Results**
 - Stabilization plots
- **Summary and Future work**

Structural Health Monitoring

- **National Bridge Inventory (DOT Report to Congress, 2004):**
 - Approx. 591,000 bridges in the U.S.
 - Approx. 81,000 (~14%) structurally deficient
 - Routine inspections by Federal Highway Adm. (FHWA):
 - Annually: ~71,000 bridges
 - Bi-annually: ~490,000 bridges
 - Every 4 years: ~28,000 bridges

- **Structural Health Monitoring Strategies:**
 - Direct damage detection
 - Indirect damage detection
 - Detection of changes in dynamic properties of the structure

Instrumentation

Accelerometer Characteristics

- **Sensor board:**
 - Two pairs of accelerometers:
 - Vertical and horizontal
 - Coarse and fine
 - One thermometer:
 - temperature for calibration

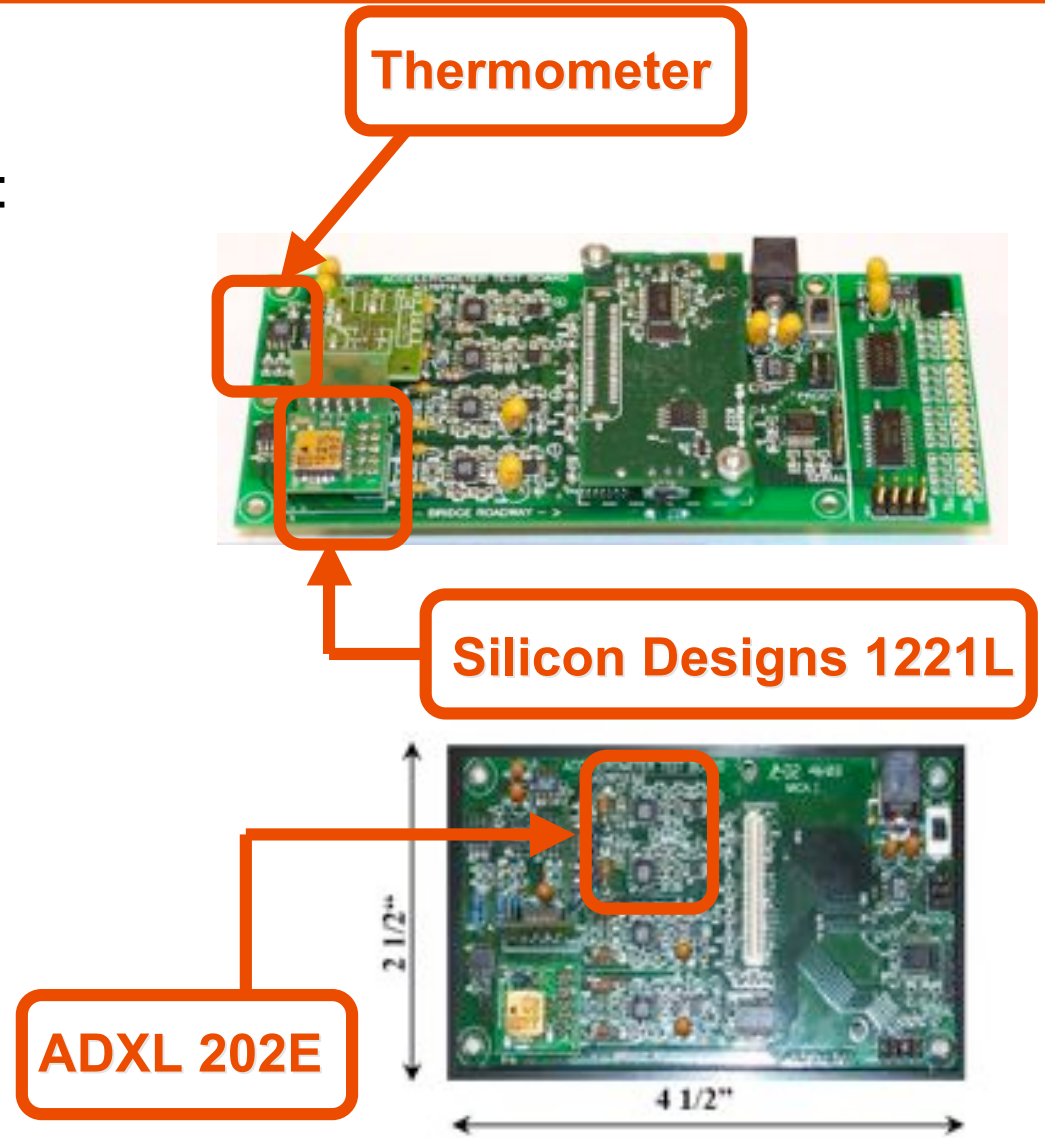
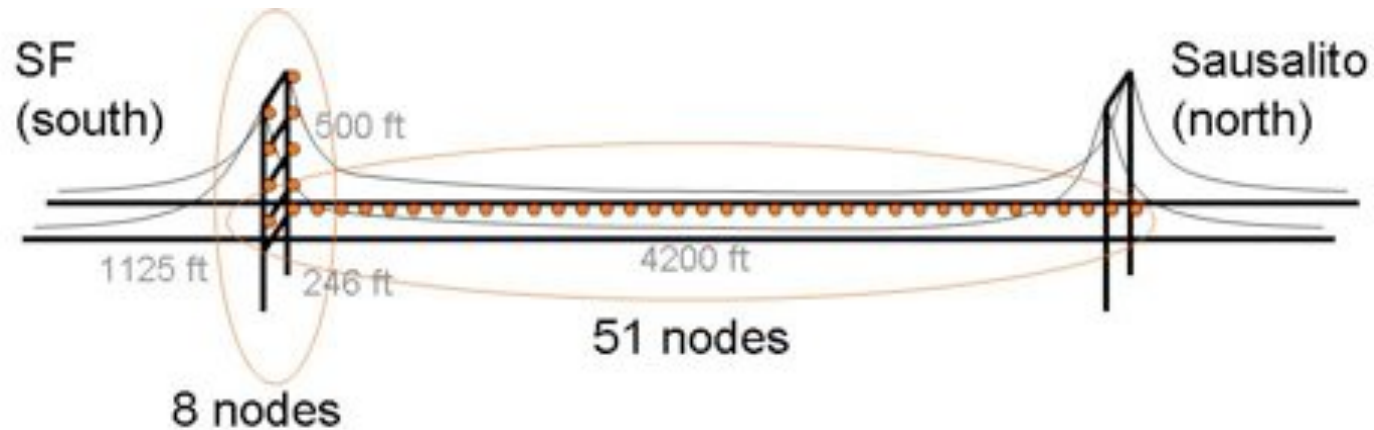


Figure adapted from Kim et. al. (2006)

Instrumentation: Position of the sensors



- 81 cables along west span of bridge
- 8 sensors installed on south tower:

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Data Transmission/Collection

- **Typical data generation rate:**

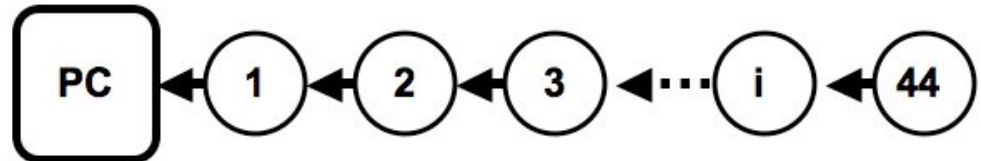
- Uncompressed data rate 1KB/sec:
 - 2 bytes/sample (for both temperature and acceleration)
 - 5 samples/reading (1 temperature, 4 acceleration)
 - 100 readings/sec (sampling frequency: 100 Hz)

- **A typical run:**

- 8 minutes @ 100Hz = 48,000 readings
- 5 readings/sample @ 2 Bytes each = 10 Bytes/reading
- Total transmitted volume: 480 Kbytes

- **Data rate of WSN:**

- 1 hop away: ~1200 bytes/sec
- 2 hops away: ~800 bytes/sec
- 4 to 44 hops away: ~460 bytes/sec

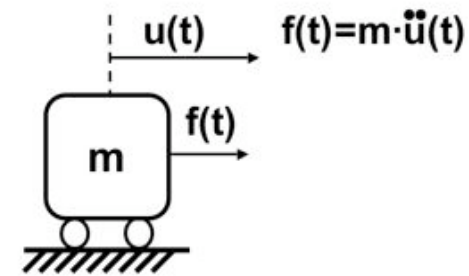


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Lumped components

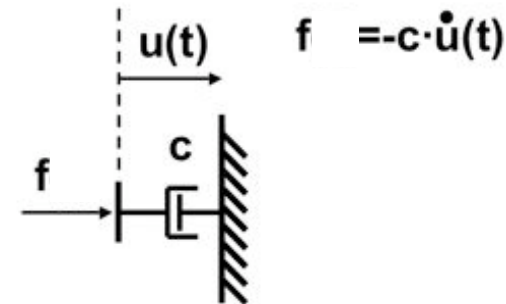
- **Masses:**

- Model inertia
- Force proportional to acceleration:
 - Newton's law



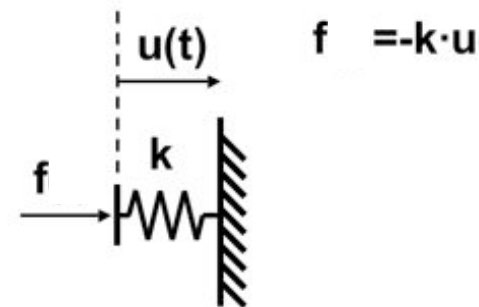
- **Dashpots:**

- Model energy dissipation
- Force proportional to speed:
 - Viscous friction



- **Springs:**

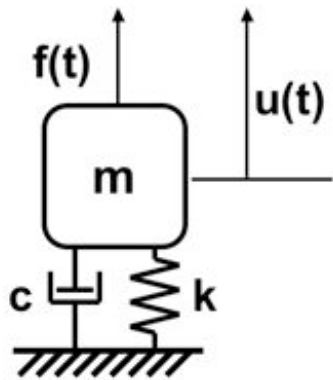
- Model stiffness
- Force proportional to displacement
 - Young's law



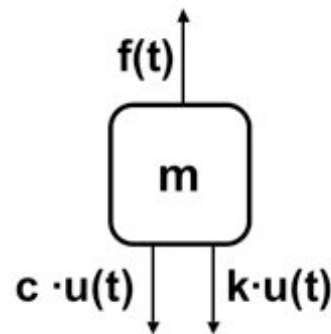
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Natural frequency and damping ratio

Vibrating system:



Free body diagram and Newton's law:



$$m\ddot{u}(t) = f(t) - ku(t) - c\dot{u}(t)$$

$$m\ddot{u}(t) + c\dot{u}(t) + ku(t) = f(t)$$

Assuming $c < 2m\omega$, the homogeneous part of the ODE solution is:

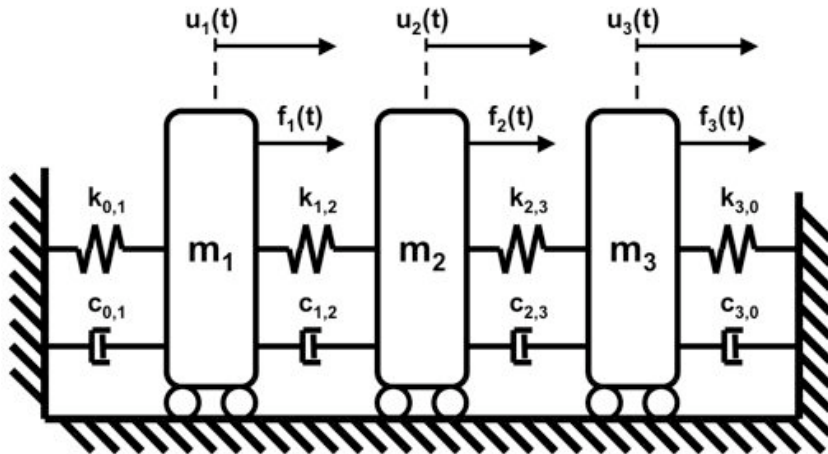
$$u(t) = \exp\left(-\zeta\omega t + i\frac{\omega t}{(1-\zeta^2)}\right)$$

$$\omega := \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$
$$\zeta := \frac{c}{2m\omega}$$

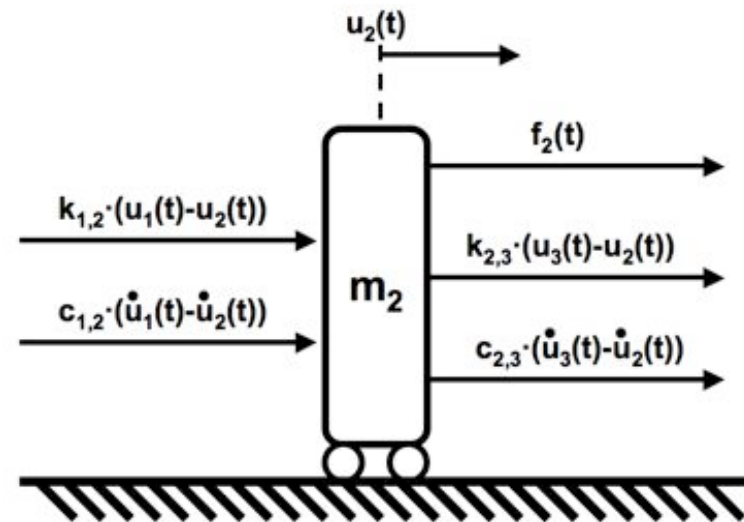
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A simple vibrating system

Diagram of vibrating system:



Free body diagram for mass i:



From free diagram of mass i:

$$m_i \ddot{u}_i + k_{0,i} u_i + c_{0,i} \dot{u}_i + \sum_{j \neq i} \left[k_{i,j} (u_j - u_i) + c_{i,j} (\dot{u}_j - \dot{u}_i) \right] = f_i$$

Collecting all equations, yields a multivariate system of coupled ODEs:

$$\mathbf{m} \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(t) + \mathbf{c} \dot{\mathbf{u}}(t) + \mathbf{k} \mathbf{u}(t) = \mathbf{f}(t)$$

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Modes of vibration (1)

Undampened system: $\mathbf{m}\ddot{\mathbf{u}}(t) + \mathbf{k}\mathbf{u}(t) = \mathbf{f}(t)$

Gen. Eigenproblem: $\lambda_i \mathbf{m} \phi_i = \mathbf{k} \phi_i$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} \Phi & := [\phi_1 \ \phi_2 \ \cdots \ \phi_p], & \text{an orthogonal matrix,} \\ \mathbf{M} & := \Phi^T \mathbf{m} \Phi, & \text{a diagonal matrix,} \\ \mathbf{K} & := \Phi^T \mathbf{k} \Phi, & \text{a diagonal matrix,} \\ \mathbf{x} & := \Phi^{-1} \mathbf{u}, & \text{a "state" variable.} \end{array} \right.$$

Leads to uncoupled system:

$$\mathbf{M}_{ii} \ddot{\mathbf{x}}_i(t) + \mathbf{K}_{ii} \mathbf{x}_i(t) = \phi_i^T \mathbf{f}(t), \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, p$$

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Modes of vibration (2)

“Classical damping” assumption:

$$\text{Assume } \mathbf{c} = \alpha_0 \mathbf{m} + \alpha_1 \mathbf{k},$$

so $\mathbf{C} = \alpha_0 \mathbf{M} + \alpha_1 \mathbf{K}$, is also diagonal.

Leads to p single degree of freedom systems:

$$\mathbf{M}_j \ddot{x}_j(t) + \mathbf{C}_j \dot{x}_j(t) + \mathbf{K}_j x_j(t) = \phi_j^T \mathbf{f}(t), \quad \text{for } j = 1, \dots, p$$

Each ODE has homogeneous solution:

$$x_j(t) = \exp\left(-\zeta_j \omega_j t + i \frac{\omega_j t}{(1 - \zeta_j^2)}\right)$$

$$\omega_j := \sqrt{\frac{K_j}{M_j}}$$
$$\zeta_j := \frac{C_j}{2M_j \omega_j}$$

AR(q) models

- Use a multivariate AR model for acceleration data:

$$\ddot{\mathbf{u}}(k) = \sum_{j=1}^q \mathbf{B}_j \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(k-j) + \varepsilon(k) \quad \mathbf{B}_j = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_{1,1,j} & \beta_{1,2,j} & \cdots & \beta_{1,p,j} \\ \beta_{2,1,j} & \beta_{2,2,j} & \cdots & \beta_{2,p,j} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \beta_{p,1,j} & \beta_{p,2,j} & \cdots & \beta_{p,p,j} \end{bmatrix}$$

- Question:**

How do we retrieve modes of vibration from AR model?

- “Hand waving” answer:**

Create “rotated variable” $\mathbf{x} = \Phi^{-1}\mathbf{u}$ such that \mathbf{x} is well modeled by a “diagonal” AR model.

Banded models

From AR parameters to modes of vibration

For:
$$\ddot{\mathbf{u}}(k) = \sum_{j=1}^q \mathbf{B}_j \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(k-j) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(k)$$

define:
$$\ddot{\mathcal{U}}_q(k) = \left[\ddot{\mathbf{u}}(k)^T \quad \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(k-1)^T \quad \cdots \quad \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(k-q+2)^T \quad \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(k-q+1)^T \right]^T,$$

$$\mathcal{B}_q = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_1 & \mathbf{B}_2 & \cdots & \mathbf{B}_{q-1} & \mathbf{B}_q \\ \mathbf{I}_p & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I}_p & \cdots & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \cdots & \mathbf{I}_p & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix},$$

$$\ddot{\Upsilon}_q(k) = \left[\boldsymbol{\varepsilon}(k)^T \quad \mathbf{0} \quad \mathbf{0} \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{0} \right]^T$$

to get:
$$\ddot{\mathcal{U}}_q(k) = \mathcal{B}_q \ddot{\mathcal{U}}_q(k-1) + \ddot{\Upsilon}_q(k)$$

Banded models

From AR parameters to modes of vibration

$$\ddot{U}_q(k) = \mathcal{B}_q \ddot{U}_q(k-1) + \ddot{\Upsilon}_q(k)$$

Let λ_j denote the j -th eigenvalue of companion matrix.

$$\mathcal{B}_q = \Phi_q \Lambda_q \Phi_q$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_j &= \log(\lambda_j) = -\omega_j \zeta_j \pm i\omega_j \sqrt{1 - \zeta_j^2} \\ \omega_j &= \sqrt{\|\mu_j\|^2}, \text{ and} \\ \zeta_j &= \frac{\text{Real}(\mu_j)}{\omega_j}. \end{aligned} \quad \Phi_q = \begin{bmatrix} \phi_1 \lambda_1^{q-1} & \phi_2 \lambda_2^{q-1} & \cdots & \phi_{pq} \lambda_{pq}^{q-1} \\ \phi_1 \lambda_1^{q-2} & \phi_2 \lambda_2^{q-2} & \cdots & \phi_{pq} \lambda_{pq}^{q-2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi_1 \lambda_1 & \phi_2 \lambda_2 & \cdots & \phi_{pq} \lambda_{pq} \\ \phi_1 & \phi_2 & \cdots & \phi_{pq} \end{bmatrix}$$

AR(q) models

Some issues

$$\ddot{\mathbf{u}}(k) = \sum_{j=1}^q \mathbf{B}_j \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(k-j) + \varepsilon(k) \quad \mathbf{B}_j = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_{1,1,j} & \beta_{1,2,j} & \cdots & \beta_{1,p,j} \\ \beta_{2,1,j} & \beta_{2,2,j} & \cdots & \beta_{2,p,j} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \beta_{p,1,j} & \beta_{p,2,j} & \cdots & \beta_{p,p,j} \end{bmatrix}$$

- **Communication/Data intensive:**

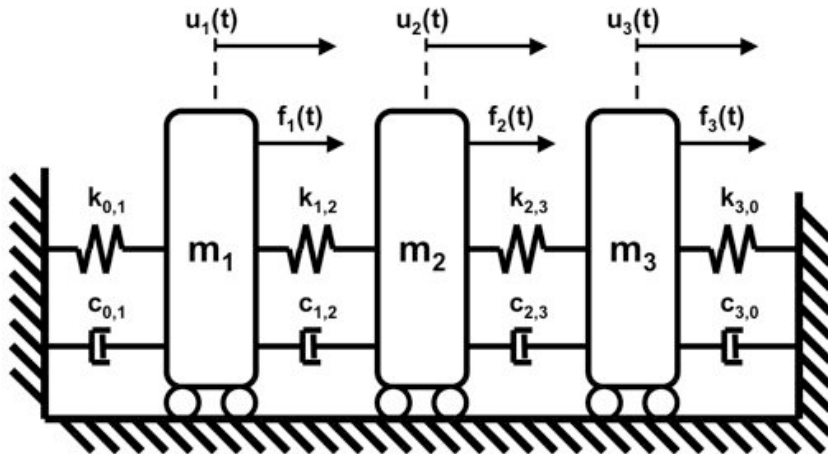
- Require all auto and cross covariances up to lag q ;
- For a node to fit its rows in model:
 - $O(p^2)$ data hops are needed per time step;

- **Model prone to over-fitting:**

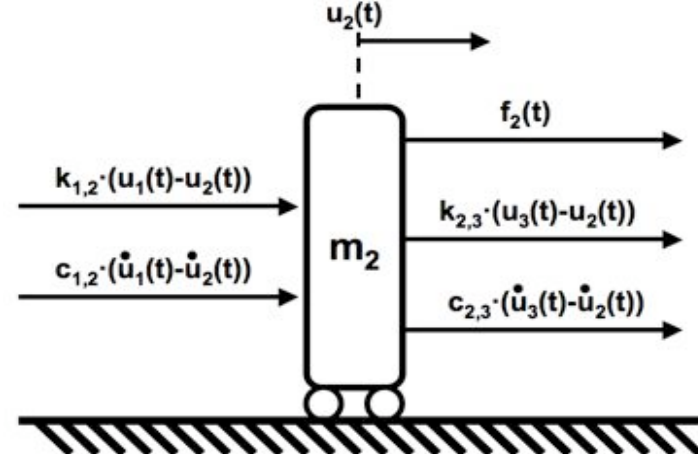
- Complete AR(q) model has $(q \cdot p^2)$ parameters
- Typical application:
 - 50 nodes, 40 lags \Rightarrow 10,000 parameters

“Spatial” Markov property

Diagram of vibrating system:



Free body diagram for mass $i=2$:



- **If state variables were observed:** $y_i(t) = \begin{bmatrix} u_i(t) & \dot{u}_i(t) \end{bmatrix}^T$
 - Conditional independence structure:

$$\mathbf{y}_i(t) \mid \mathbf{y}_{\mathcal{N}_i}(t) \perp \mathbf{y}_j(t), \text{ for all } j \notin \mathcal{N}_i$$

- **We only observe accelerations:**
 - Spatial Markov property will be used as an approximation

Banded models

Definitions and advantages

$$\ddot{\mathbf{u}}(k) = \sum_{j=1}^q \mathbf{B}_j \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(k-j) + \varepsilon(k)$$

- The banded AR(q) model has banded coefficient matrices:

$$\mathbf{B}_j = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_{1,1,j} & \beta_{1,2,j} & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ \beta_{2,1,j} & \beta_{2,2,j} & \beta_{2,3,j} & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & \beta_{3,2,j} & \beta_{3,3,j} & \beta_{3,3,j} & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & \beta_{4,3,j} & \beta_{4,4,j} & \beta_{4,5,j} & \cdots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

(w + 1) non-zero coefficients per row

Coefficients can be determined from auto-covariance of (w+1) variables

- **Communication requirements:**
 - Each node only requires data from w neighbors:
 - Total traffic on network becomes $O(p \cdot w)$ data hops per epoch;
- **Number of parameters:**
 - Reduced to $O(p \cdot w \cdot q)$ from $O(p^2 \cdot q)$

Estimation of parameters

Least Squares Minimization

- Define:

$$\bar{\mathbf{V}} = \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(q+1)^T \\ \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(q+2)^T \\ \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(q+3)^T \\ \dots \\ \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(T-1)^T \\ \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(T)^T \end{bmatrix}, \bar{\mathbf{U}} = \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(q)^T & \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(q-1)^T & \dots & \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(1)^T \\ \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(q+1)^T & \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(q)^T & \dots & \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(2)^T \\ \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(q+2)^T & \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(q+1)^T & \dots & \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(3)^T \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(T-2)^T & \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(T-3)^T & \dots & \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(T-q-1)^T \\ \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(T-1)^T & \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(T-2)^T & \dots & \ddot{\mathbf{u}}(T-q)^T \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \beta_{1,1,1} & \beta_{2,1,1} & \dots & \beta_{p,1,1} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \beta_{1,p,1} & \beta_{2,p,1} & \dots & \beta_{p,p,1} \\ \beta_{1,1,2} & \beta_{2,1,2} & \dots & \beta_{p,1,2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \beta_{1,p,2} & \beta_{2,p,2} & \dots & \beta_{p,p,2} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \beta_{1,1,q} & \beta_{2,1,q} & \dots & \beta_{p,1,q} \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \beta_{1,p,q} & \beta_{2,p,q} & \dots & \beta_{p,p,q} \end{bmatrix}.$$

AR model prescribes:

$$\ddot{\mathbf{V}} = \ddot{\mathbf{U}}\mathbf{B} + \text{residuals}$$

Sum of squared residuals:

$$SSR = \text{tr} \left[\left(\ddot{\mathbf{V}} - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}\mathbf{B} \right)^T \left(\ddot{\mathbf{V}} - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}\mathbf{B} \right) \right] = \sum_{j=1}^p \left[\left(\ddot{\mathbf{V}}_{\bullet,j} - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}\mathbf{B}_{\bullet,j} \right)^T \left(\ddot{\mathbf{V}}_{\bullet,j} - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}\mathbf{B}_{\bullet,j} \right) \right]$$

Estimation of parameters

Least Squares Minimization

$$SSR = \text{tr} \left[\left(\ddot{\mathbf{V}} - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}\mathbf{B} \right)^T \left(\ddot{\mathbf{V}} - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}\mathbf{B} \right) \right] = \sum_{j=1}^p \left[\left(\ddot{\mathbf{V}}_{\bullet,j} - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}\mathbf{B}_{\bullet,j} \right)^T \left(\ddot{\mathbf{V}}_{\bullet,j} - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}\mathbf{B}_{\bullet,j} \right) \right]$$

- **One uncoupled problem for each sensor:**
 - Seemingly unrelated regressions (SUR)
 - Solve p smaller problems:

$$\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\bullet,j} = \arg \min_{\mathbf{B}_{\bullet,j}} \left[\left(\ddot{\mathbf{V}}_{\bullet,j} - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}\mathbf{B}_{\bullet,j} \right)^T \left(\ddot{\mathbf{V}}_{\bullet,j} - \ddot{\mathbf{U}}\mathbf{B}_{\bullet,j} \right) \right]$$

For the full model

$$\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\bullet,j} = \left[\ddot{\mathbf{U}}^T \ddot{\mathbf{U}} \right]^{-1} \left[\ddot{\mathbf{U}}^T \ddot{\mathbf{V}}_{\bullet,j} \right]$$

All correlations are needed

For restricted model

$$\hat{\mathbf{B}}_{\mathcal{N}_j,j} = \left[\ddot{\mathbf{U}}_{\mathcal{N}_j}^T \ddot{\mathbf{U}}_{\mathcal{N}_j} \right]^{-1} \left[\ddot{\mathbf{U}}_{\mathcal{N}_j}^T \ddot{\mathbf{V}}_{\bullet,j} \right]$$

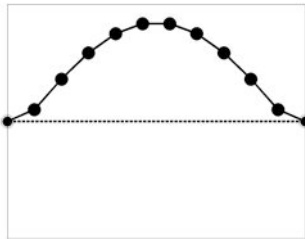
Only local correlations are needed

The “Bridge 01” example

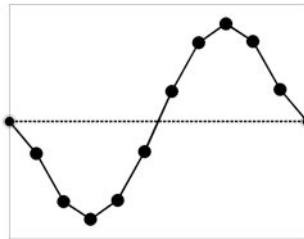
Modes of vibration: Mode shapes

- Mode shapes for “Bridge 01” example:

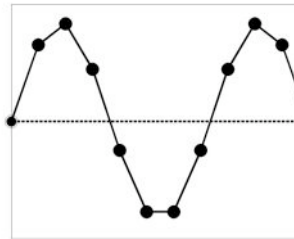
1st mode



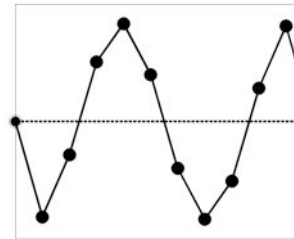
2nd mode



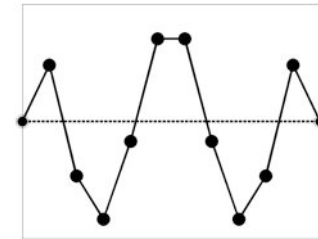
3rd mode



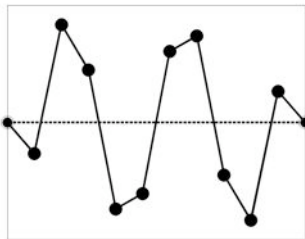
4th mode



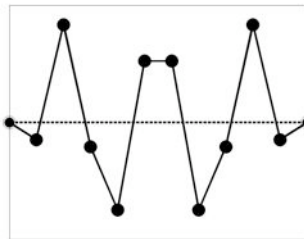
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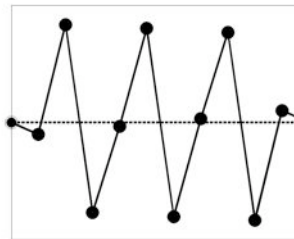
6th mode



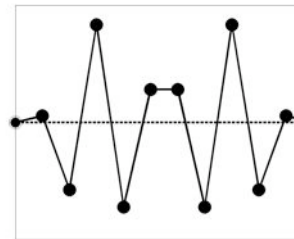
7th mode



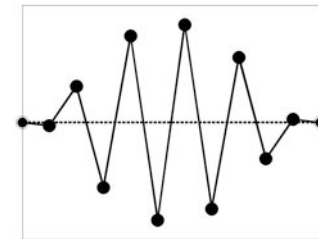
8th mode



9th mode

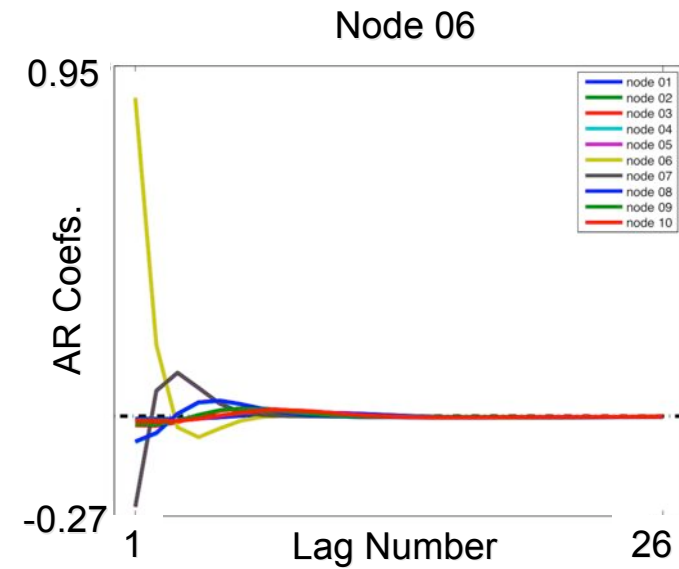
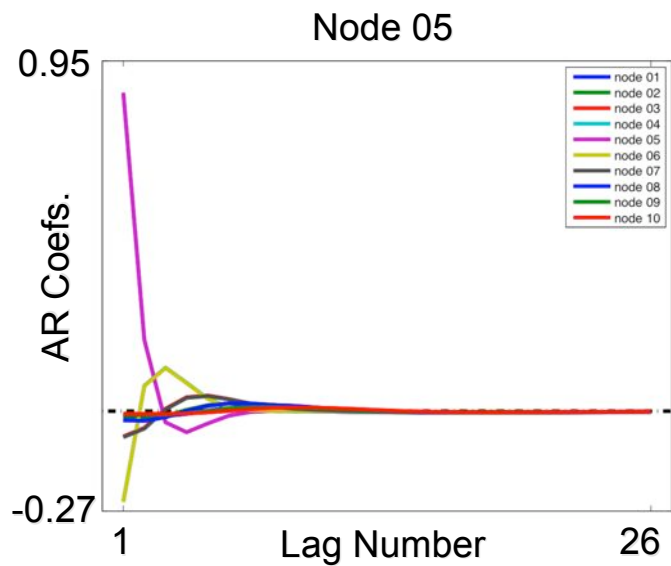
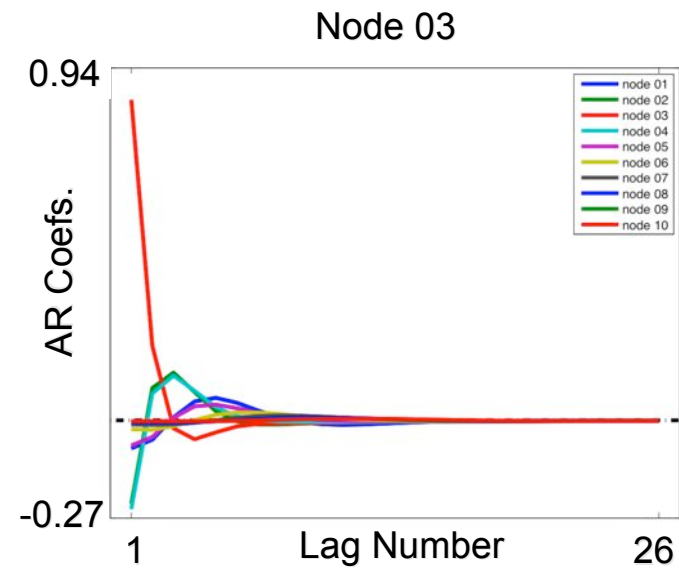
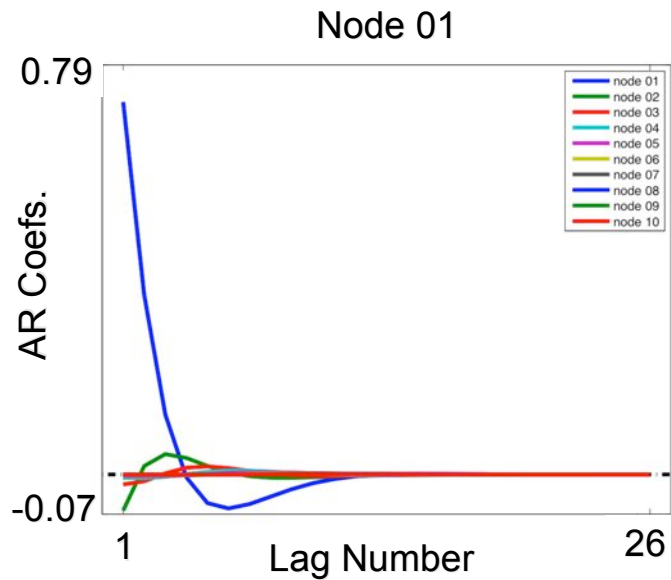


10th mode



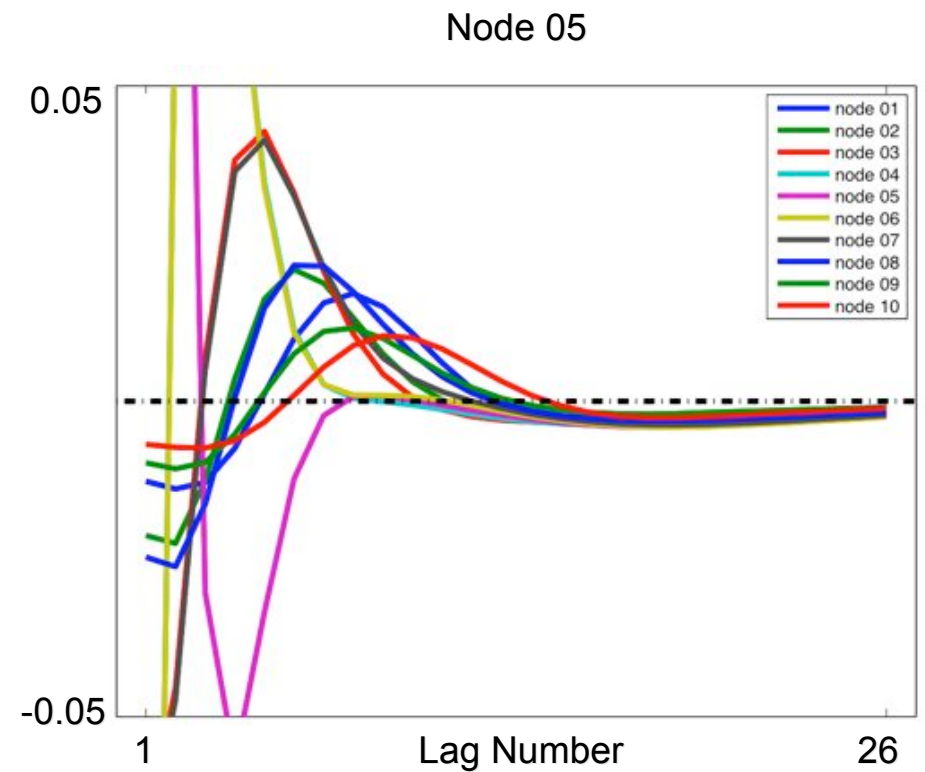
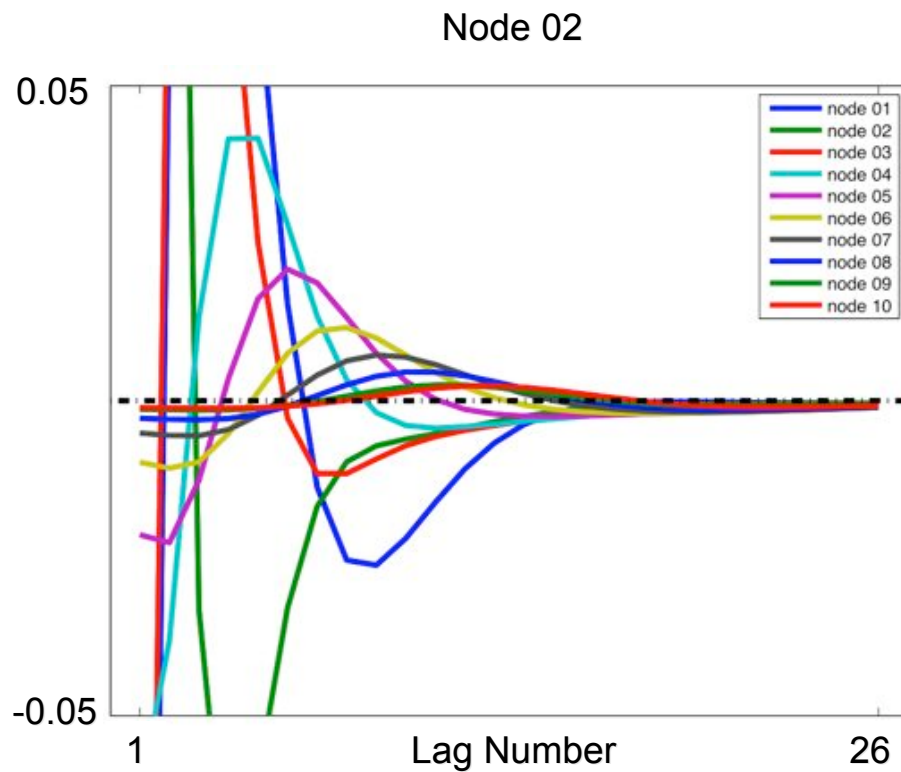
Simulation example: population parameters

AR(q) coefficients



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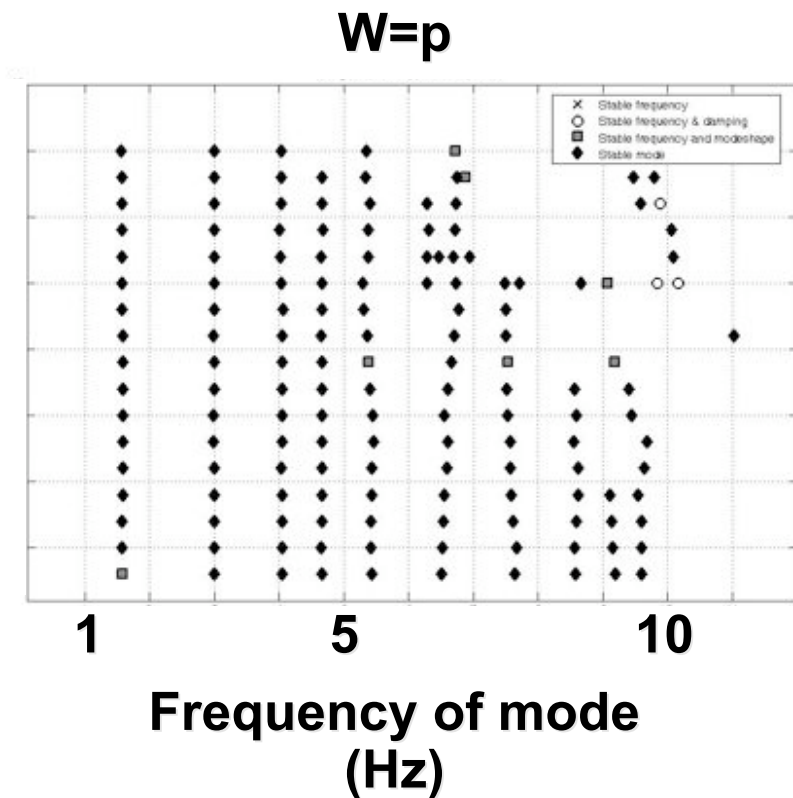
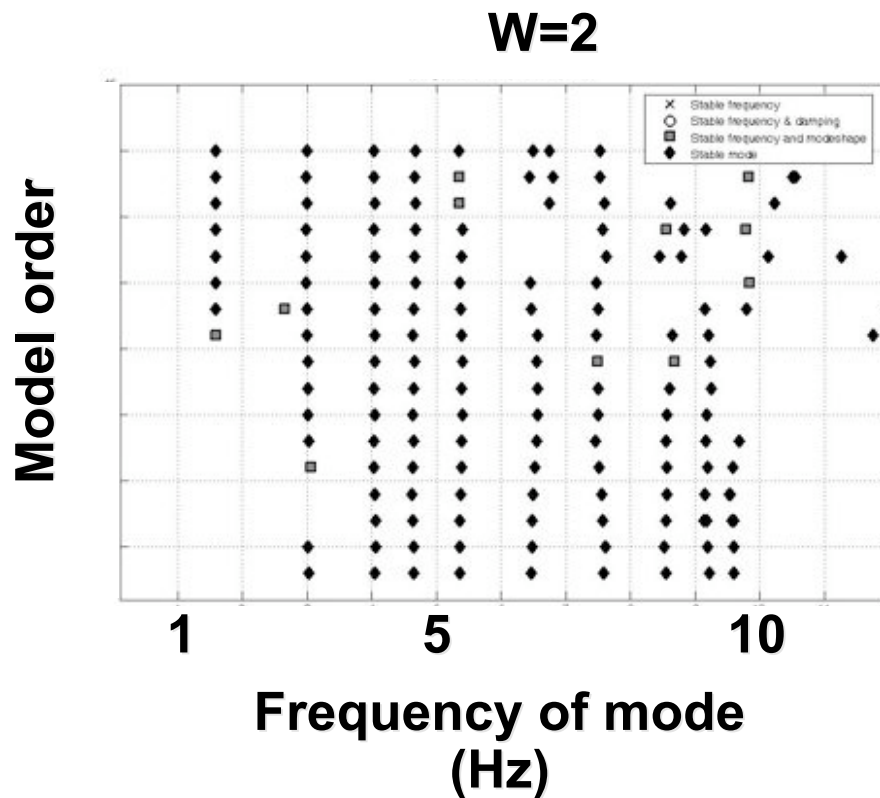
AR(q) coefficients



Simulation example: results

Stabilization plots

- How modes change as number of lags changes:
- 40 Hz, plots for a single sample



Summary

- **Application based model selection:**
 - Using bridge structure
 - Taking communication constraints into account
 - Built-in regularization

- **Future work/Extensions:**
 - Methods for choosing band width in the AR coefficient matrix
 - Analysis of spatially dense network of sensors
 - On-line fitting of coefficients (adaptive filtering/LMS)
 - Change point detection