COE CST Third Annual Technical Meeting: Nonlinear Structural Models Task 293

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Team Members

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- Industry Partners: United Launch Alliance, Ball Aerospace





Task Objective

Develop computational tools that improve the capability to determine the performance and safety margins of commercial space vehicles. The focus is to construct non-linear system-level models. The models are constructed by computationally combining reduced-order finite element models of substructure components directly with experimentally-derived modal substructure components.

SUBSTRUCTURING





Research Methodology

Develop system-level non-linear structural dynamic models by computationally coupling FEA and experimentally derived components.



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Produce reduced-order models of each substructure





Free interface modal "analysis"





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Static Augmentation Modes for Improved Accuracy



Fixed Interface Boundary Nodes

Constraint Modes Craig-Bampton

Attachment Modes MacNeil-Coppolino

Free Interface Boundary Nodes

Inertia-Relief Modes Benfield-Hruda

Residual Modes Martinez-Miller-Carne





Results to Date

Developed Matlab[™] based modal parameter extraction algorithms based on rational fraction polynomials and global RFP Method

Presented at 1st IMAC Conference, Orlando, FL

PARAMETER ESTIMATION FROM FREQUENCY RESPONSE MEASUREMENTS USING RATIONAL FRACTION POLYNOMIALS

Mark H. Richardson & David L. Formenti Structural Measurement Systems, Inc. San Jose, California

Presented at 3RD IMAC Conference, Orlando, FL

Global Curve Fitting of Frequency Response Measurements using the Rational Fraction Polynomial Method

> by Mark H. Richardson and David L. Formenti Structural Measurement Systems San Jose, California

Method yields either real, normal modal data or complex modal data

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January, 1985

November, 1982

Results to Date





Muli-component test beam

Codes written by Josh Mendoza, 2012 - 2013



FRF Fitting with zero computational modes

Substructure B FRF -100 -110 -120 -120 -120 -120 -120 -120 -120 -120 -120 -120 -120 -120 -120 -120 -120 -100 -120 -100 -120 -100

FRF Fitting with two computational modes





Next Steps:

- Validate modal extraction algorithms using noisy data
- Review with industrial representatives useful constructs of codes
- Write code for assembly of non-linear components and interfaces

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