

Tutorial on Experimental Substructuring with application to Joint Identification

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This tutorial will cover...

▶ Substructuring Basics

- Coupling conditions: B and L-Matrix
- Primal Assembly / CMS
- Dual Assembly / LM-FBS

▶ Practice of Dynamic Substructuring

- Virtual Point Transformation
- Example: Experimental VP & FBS

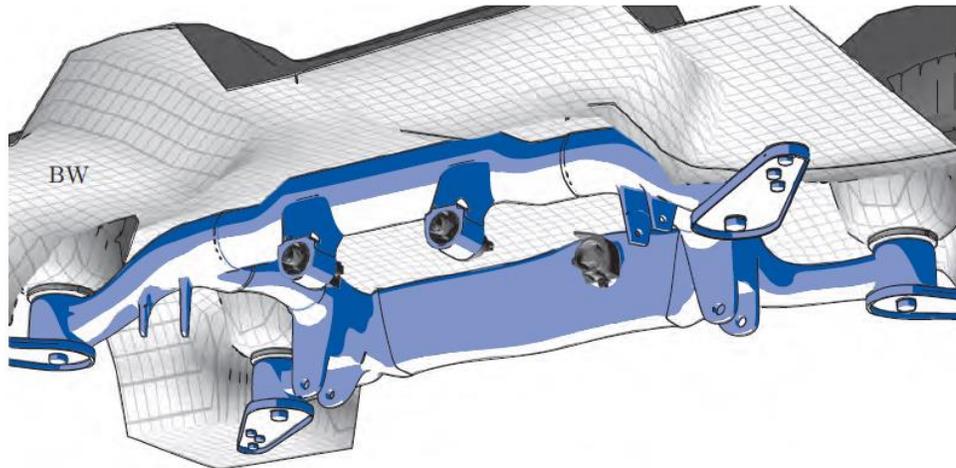
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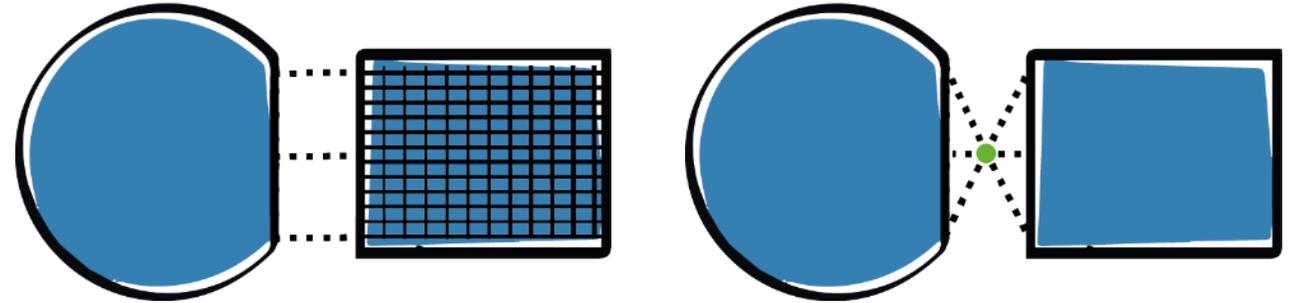


What is Dynamic Substructuring (DS)?

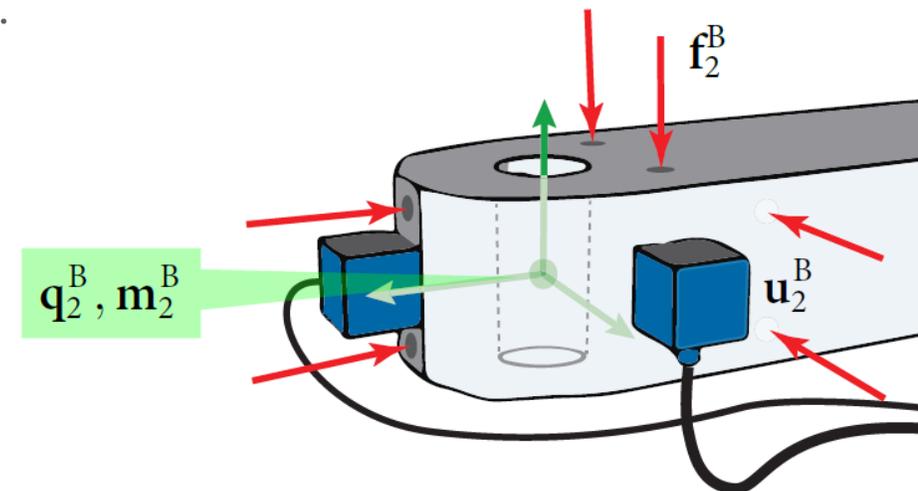
Substructuring is a “way to see things in parts” in order to simplify the dynamic analysis and concentrate on specific components in their assembled context.



The key to successful (experimental) substructuring is not so much implementing the right equations, but more of correctly describing the dynamics at the **substructures' interfaces**.



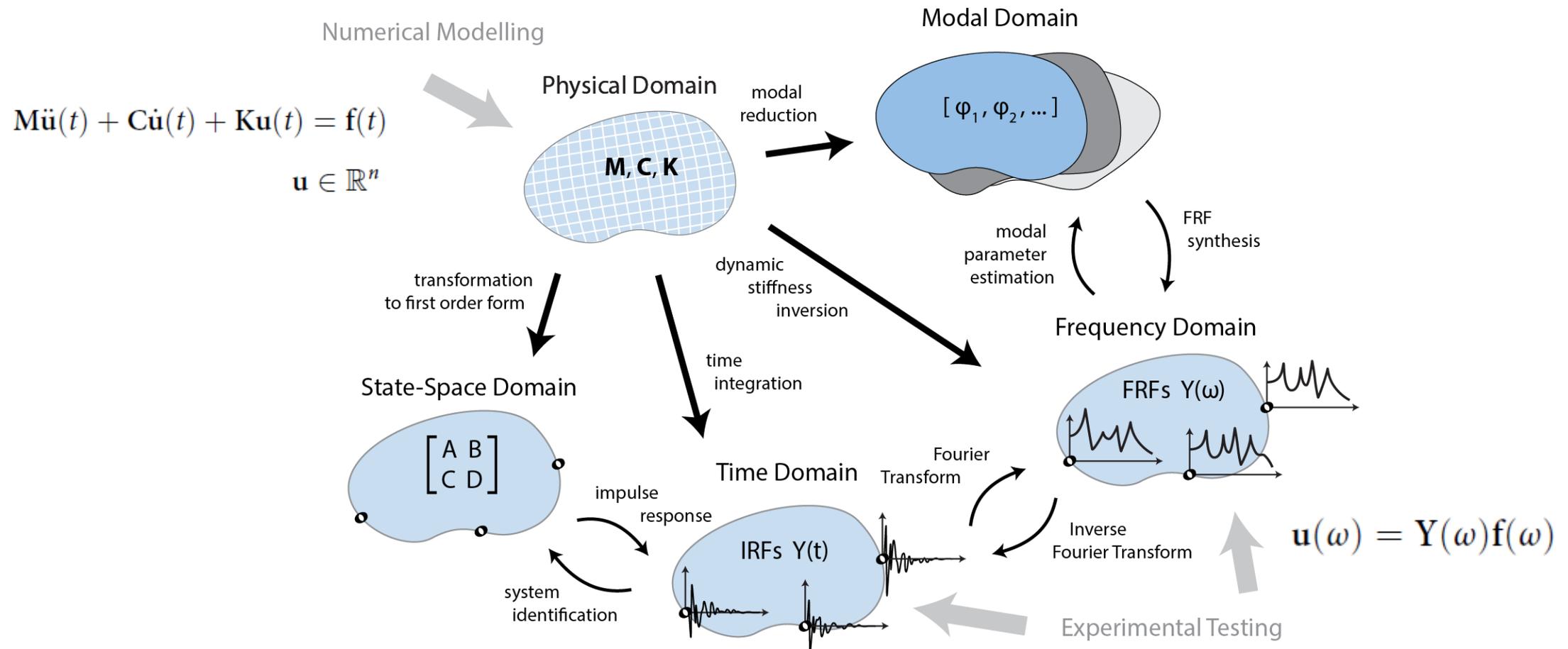
DS allows for different model representations to be combined, such as numerical and experimental models, such that each substructure can be modelled in **the most cost-effective way**.



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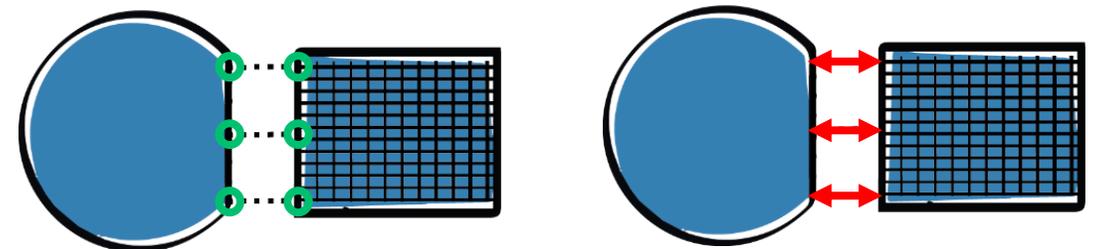
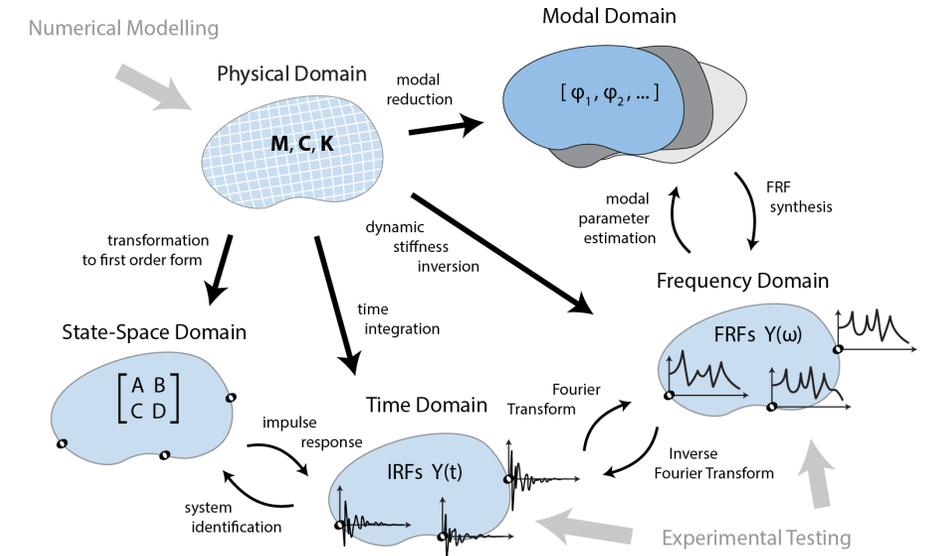
numerical, frequency-based, modal-based, ...

2. Coordinate compatibility at coupling DoFs

keeping the subsystems connected

3. Force equilibrium between coupling DoFs

“action == minus reaction” connecting forces



SUBSTRUCTURE ASSEMBLY

The “three-field formulation”

1. Substructure's equations of motion (e.g. physical domain):

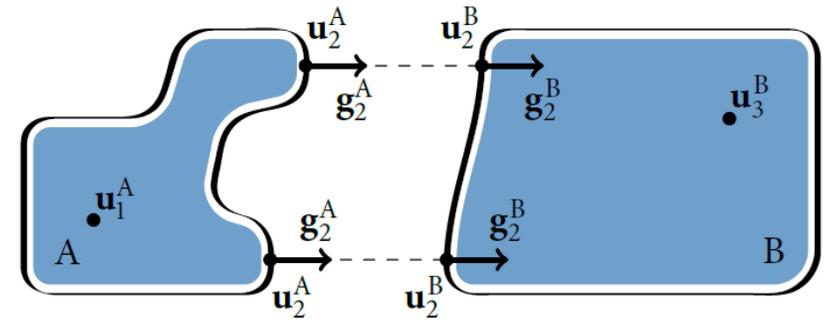
$$M\ddot{u}(t) + C\dot{u}(t) + Ku(t) = f + g$$

$$\mathbf{u} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} u_1^A \\ u_2^A \\ u_2^B \\ u_3^B \end{bmatrix}; \quad \mathbf{f} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} f_1^A \\ f_2^A \\ f_2^B \\ f_3^B \end{bmatrix}; \quad \mathbf{g} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ g_2^A \\ g_2^B \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}; \quad \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g} \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

displacements

applied forces

connecting forces



2. Coordinate compatibility:

$$u_2^A = u_2^B \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad u_2^B - u_2^A = 0$$

3. Force equilibrium:

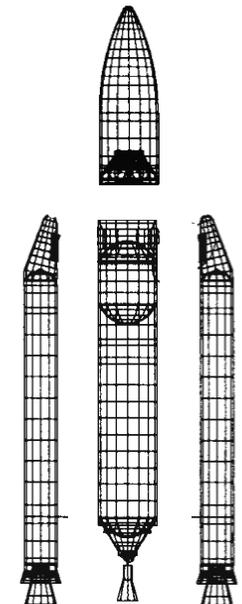
$$g_2^A = -g_2^B \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad g_2^A + g_2^B = 0$$

Fine to do this by hand for just 2, but how about doing this for n substructures?

$$M \triangleq \text{diag} (M^{(1)} , \dots , M^{(n)})$$

$$C \triangleq \text{diag} (C^{(1)} , \dots , C^{(n)})$$

$$K \triangleq \text{diag} (K^{(1)} , \dots , K^{(n)})$$



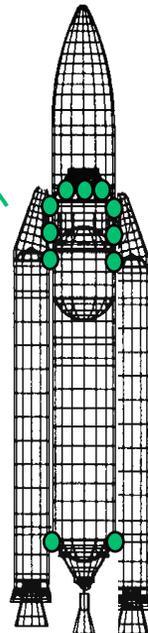
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Two strategies: primal and dual assembly

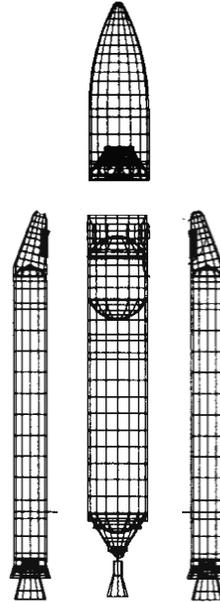
Primal assembly

1. Coordinate compatibility on \mathbf{u}
→ satisfied a-priori by introducing generalized DoFs \mathbf{q}
2. Force equilibrium on \mathbf{g}

\mathbf{q}_2 to substitute for the connecting DoFs \mathbf{u}_2



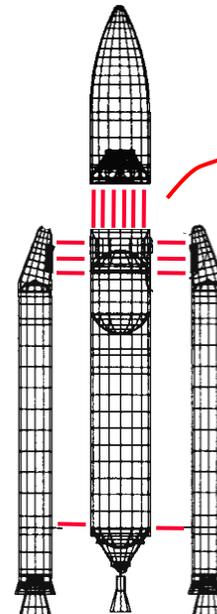
$$\mathbf{u}_2^A = \mathbf{u}_2^B \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{u}_2^A = \mathbf{q}_2 \\ \mathbf{u}_2^B = \mathbf{q}_2 \end{cases}$$



Dual assembly

1. Coordinate compatibility on \mathbf{u}
2. Force equilibrium on \mathbf{g}
→ satisfied a-priori by introducing Lagrange Multipliers λ

λ to substitute for the connecting forces \mathbf{g}_2



$$\mathbf{g}_2^A = -\mathbf{g}_2^B \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{g}_2^A = \lambda \\ \mathbf{g}_2^B = -\lambda \end{cases}$$

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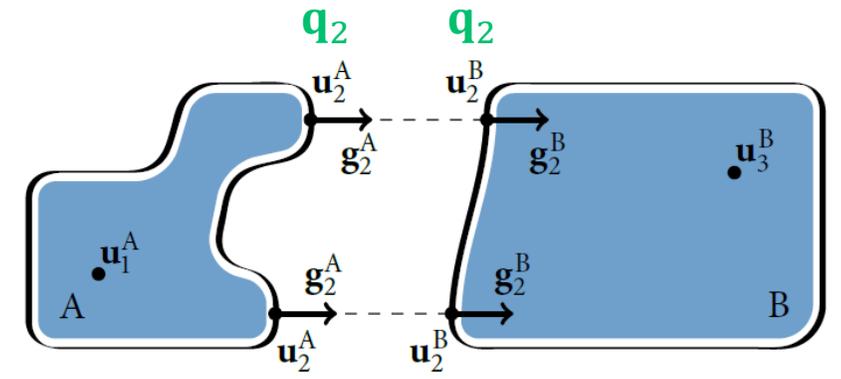
Primal assembly of system matrices using L-matrix

Primal assembly: use the **L** matrix to write both conditions

$$\mathbf{M}\ddot{\mathbf{u}}(t) + \mathbf{C}\dot{\mathbf{u}}(t) + \mathbf{K}\mathbf{u}(t) = \mathbf{f} + \mathbf{g}$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{M}}\ddot{\mathbf{q}}(t) + \hat{\mathbf{C}}\dot{\mathbf{q}}(t) + \hat{\mathbf{K}}\mathbf{q}(t) = \mathbf{p}(t) \quad \text{with}$$

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{p} = \mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{f} \\ \hat{\mathbf{M}} = \mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{M} \mathbf{L} \\ \hat{\mathbf{C}} = \mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{C} \mathbf{L} \\ \hat{\mathbf{K}} = \mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{L} \end{cases}$$



#DoF decreased by m coupling conditions!

Coordinate compatibility:

$$\mathbf{u}_2^A = \mathbf{u}_2^B \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \begin{cases} \mathbf{u}_2^A = \mathbf{q}_2 \\ \mathbf{u}_2^B = \mathbf{q}_2 \end{cases}$$

(substitution)

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{q}$$

\Rightarrow

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{u}_1^A = \mathbf{q}_1 \\ \mathbf{u}_2^A = \mathbf{q}_2 \\ \mathbf{u}_2^B = \mathbf{q}_2 \\ \mathbf{u}_3^B = \mathbf{q}_3 \end{cases}$$

with

$$\mathbf{L} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{I} \end{bmatrix}$$

Force equilibrium:

$$\mathbf{g}_2^A = -\mathbf{g}_2^B \quad \Leftrightarrow \quad \mathbf{g}_2^A + \mathbf{g}_2^B = \mathbf{0}$$

(projection)

$$\mathbf{L}^T \mathbf{g} = \mathbf{0}$$

\Rightarrow

$$\begin{cases} \mathbf{g}_1^A = \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{g}_2^A + \mathbf{g}_2^B = \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{g}_3^B = \mathbf{0} \end{cases}$$

connecting forces vanish in primal assembly when pre-multiplying Equations of Motions with \mathbf{L}^T

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Dual assembly of FRFs using B-matrix → LM-FBS

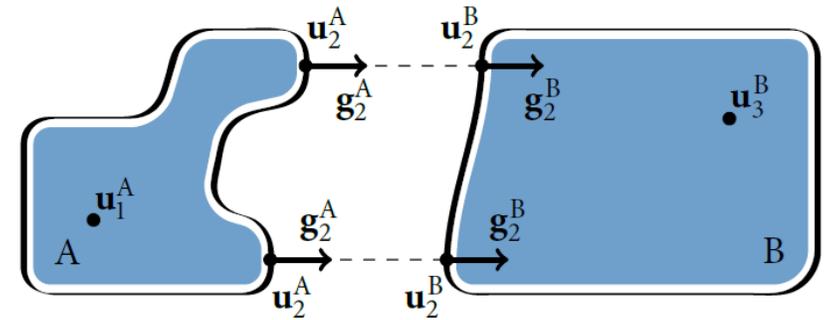
Dual assembly: use the B-matrix to write both conditions:

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{Y}(\mathbf{f} + \mathbf{g}) = \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{B}^T\boldsymbol{\lambda}$$

$$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0} \Rightarrow \mathbf{B}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{B}\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{B}\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{B}^T\boldsymbol{\lambda} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\boldsymbol{\lambda} = (\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{B}^T)^{-1}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{f}$$

$$\mathbf{u}^{\text{coupled}} = \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{B}^T(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{B}^T)^{-1}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{f}$$



#DoF increased by m coupling conditions!

Coordinate compatibility:

$$\mathbf{u}_2^A = \mathbf{u}_2^B \Leftrightarrow \mathbf{u}_2^B - \mathbf{u}_2^A = \mathbf{0}$$

(add. equation)

$$\mathbf{B}\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{0}$$

⇒

$$\mathbf{u}_2^B - \mathbf{u}_2^A = \mathbf{0} \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{B} \triangleq \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{0} & -\mathbf{I} & \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \end{bmatrix}$$

Force equilibrium:

$$\mathbf{g}_2^A = -\mathbf{g}_2^B \Leftrightarrow \begin{cases} \mathbf{g}_2^A = \boldsymbol{\lambda} \\ \mathbf{g}_2^B = -\boldsymbol{\lambda} \end{cases}$$

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$$\mathbf{g} = -\mathbf{B}^T\boldsymbol{\lambda}$$

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Interpretation of dual assembly through LM-FBS equation

$$\mathbf{u}^{\text{coupled}} = \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{B}^T(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{B}^T)^{-1}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{f}$$

uncoupled response, creating a gap between the interface DoFs

$$\mathbf{u}^{\text{coupled}} = \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{f} - \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{B}^T(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{B}^T)^{-1}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{f}$$

dynamic stiffness "felt" between the interface DoFs

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Interface forces, distributed back to the coupling DoFs

$$\mathbf{u}^{\text{coupled}} = (\mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{B}^T(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{B}^T)^{-1}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Y})\mathbf{f}$$

Can be "weakened" to do compliant coupling

$$\mathbf{Y}^{\text{coupled}} = \mathbf{Y} - \mathbf{Y}\mathbf{B}^T(\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Y}\mathbf{B}^T)^{-1}\mathbf{B}\mathbf{Y}$$

Coupled FRF, obtained only from subsystem FRFs and a Boolean Matrix

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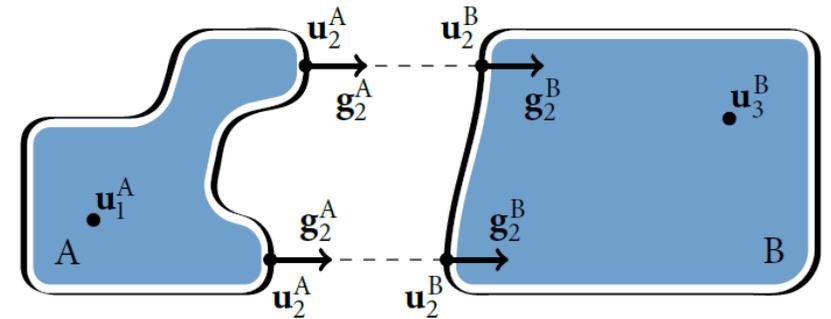
Summary of primal and dual assembly

Primal Assembly:

- Compatibility enforced a-priori using $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{q}$
- Total number of DoFs decreases to $n - m$
- Great for numerical substructuring → **Component Mode Synthesis (CMS)**

Dual Assembly:

- Equilibrium enforced a-priori using $\mathbf{g} = -\mathbf{B}^T\boldsymbol{\lambda}$
- Total number of DoFs increases to $n + m$
- Great for experimental substructuring → **LM-FBS**



Remark: B and L are each other's null-spaces!

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Primal Impedance Assembly:

$$\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{q} \quad \mathbf{L}^T\mathbf{g} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{f}_1 \\ \mathbf{f}_2 \\ \mathbf{f}_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{Z}_{11}^A & \mathbf{Z}_{12}^A & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{Z}_{21}^A & \mathbf{Z}_{22}^A + \mathbf{Z}_{22}^B & \mathbf{Z}_{23}^B \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{Z}_{32}^B & \mathbf{Z}_{33}^B \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_1 \\ \mathbf{u}_2 \\ \mathbf{u}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

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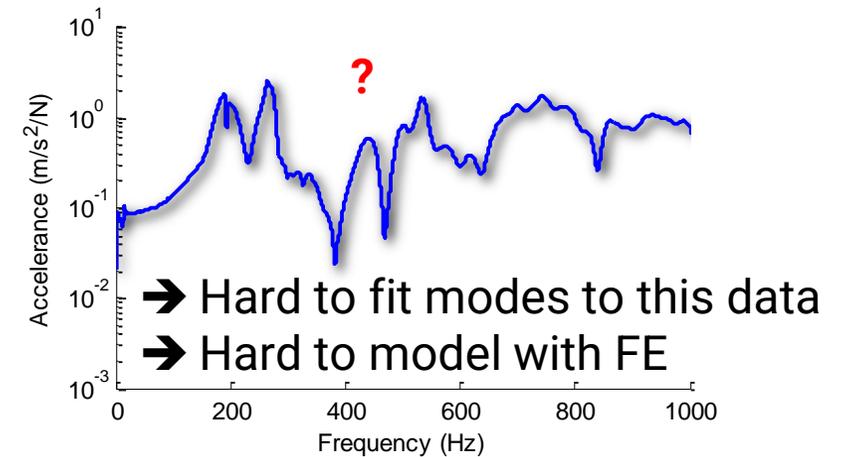
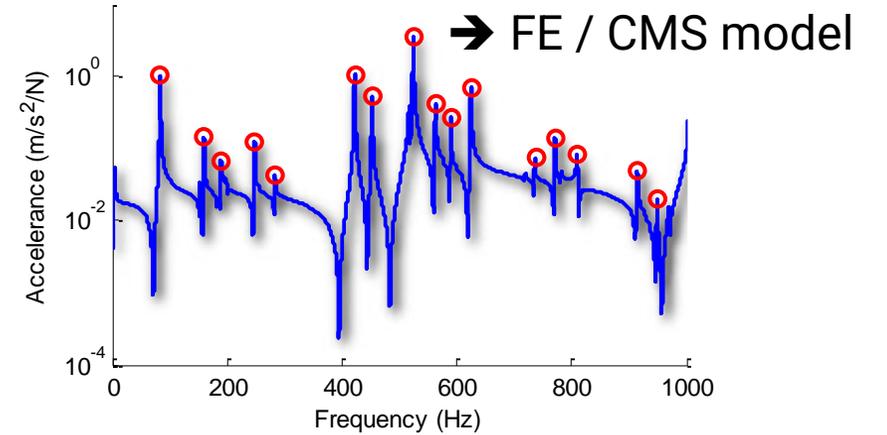
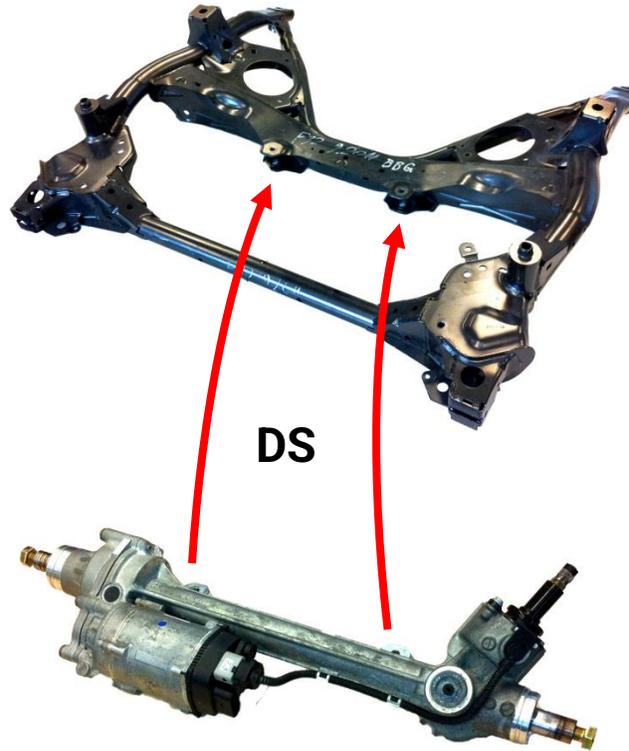
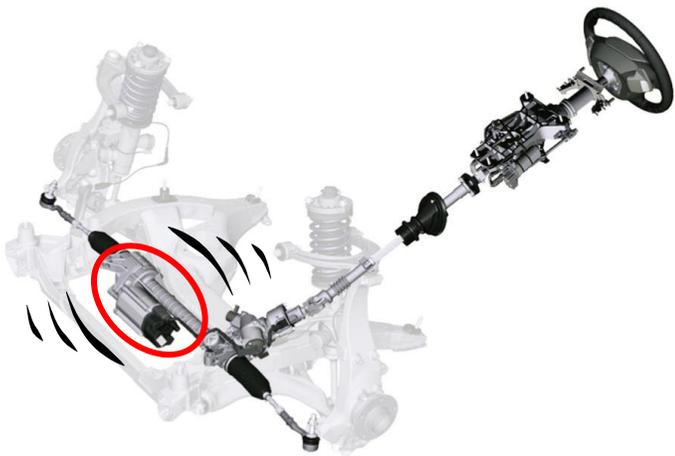
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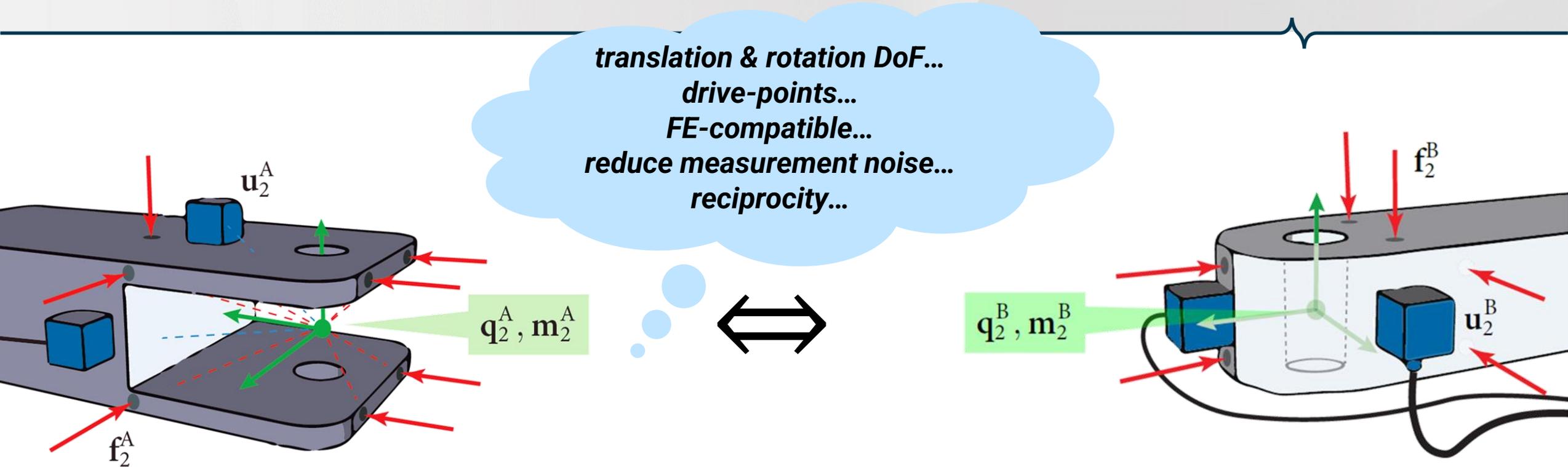
EXPERIMENTAL DYNAMIC SUBSTRUCTURING

Why do we need dynamic substructuring with measured components?



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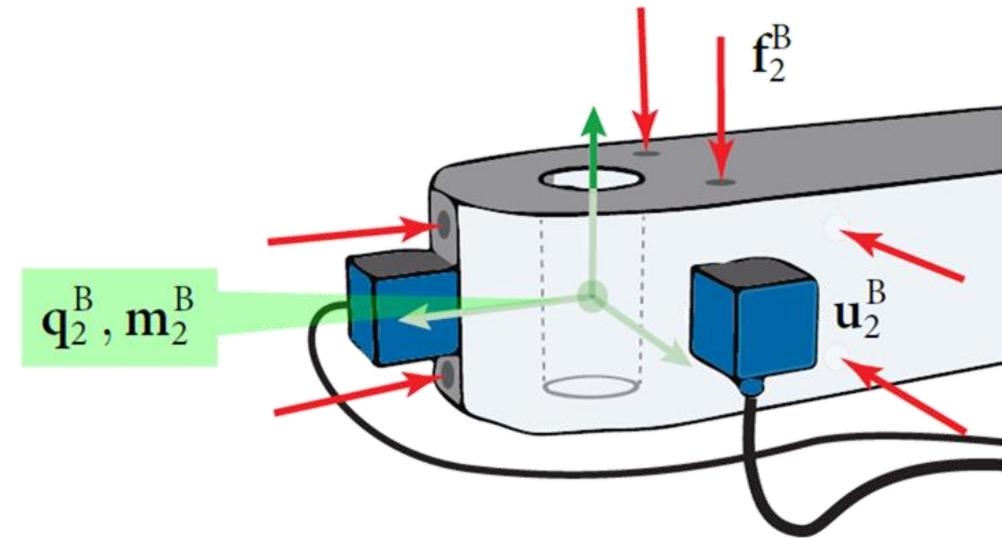
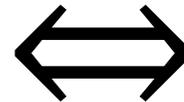
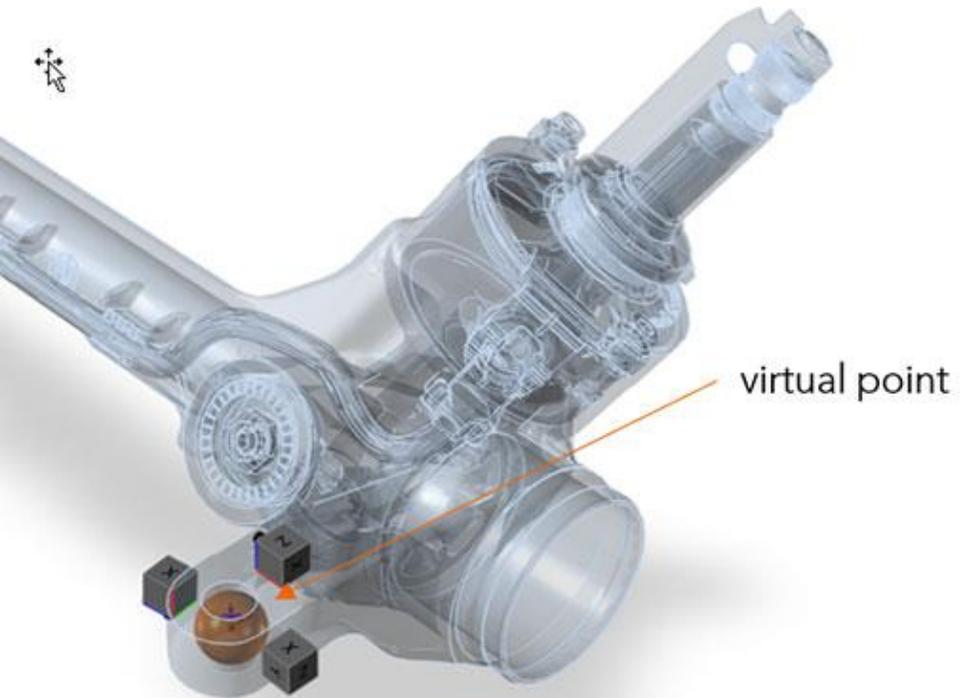
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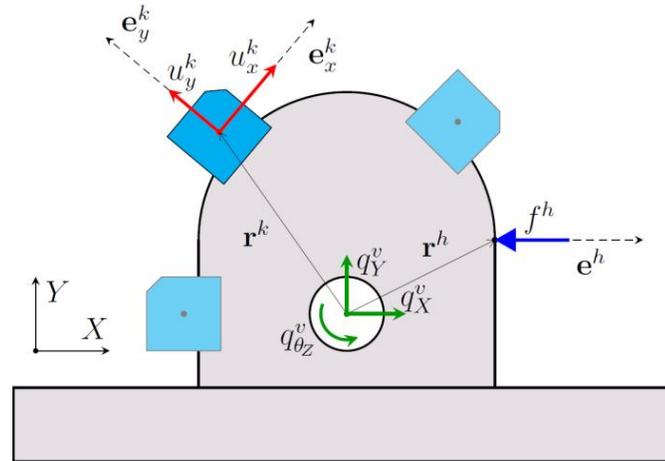
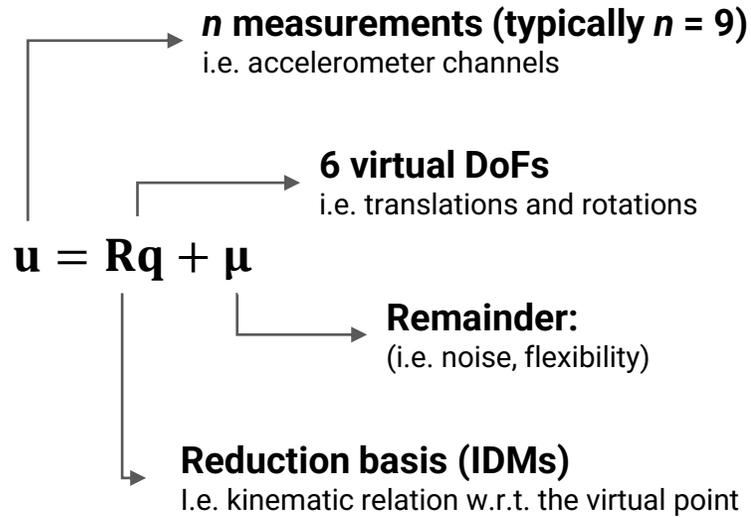


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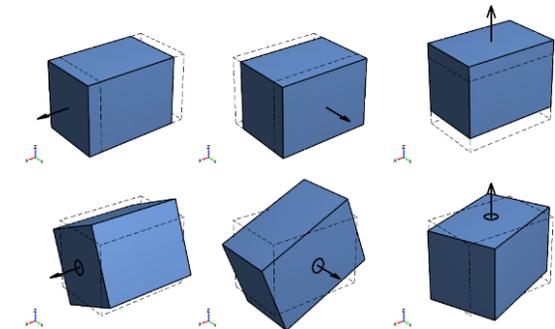
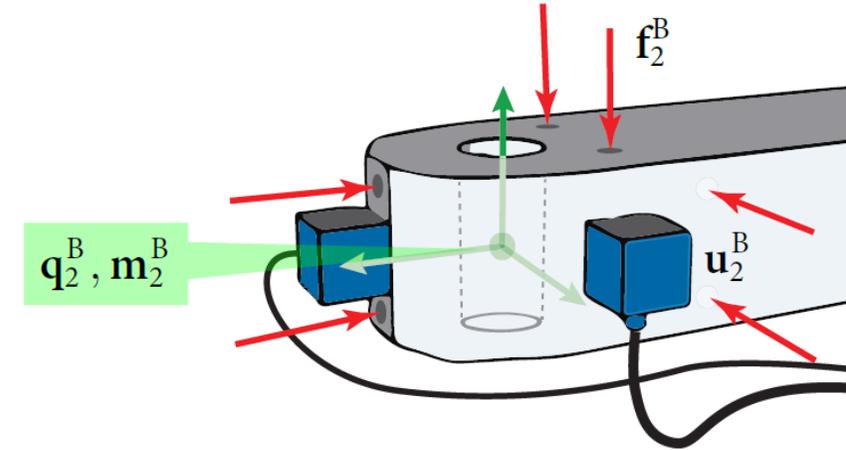
→ It's easy, using Virtual Points!

Virtual Point Transformation

Projection of measured displacements on interface displacement modes (IDM)



Typical instrumentation of a coupling point



The 6 degrees of freedom in the virtual point modes (\mathbf{R})

Simple rigid transformation for one triaxial accelerometer:

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_X^k \\ u_Y^k \\ u_Z^k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & r_Z^k & -r_Y^k \\ 0 & 1 & 0 & -r_Z^k & 0 & r_X^k \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & r_Y^k & -r_X^k & 0 \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}^v + \begin{bmatrix} \mu_X^k \\ \mu_Y^k \\ \mu_Z^k \end{bmatrix}$$

VP translations VP rotations

↓ extend for second, third accelerometer...

$$\mathbf{q} = (\mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{R})^{-1} \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{T} \mathbf{u}$$



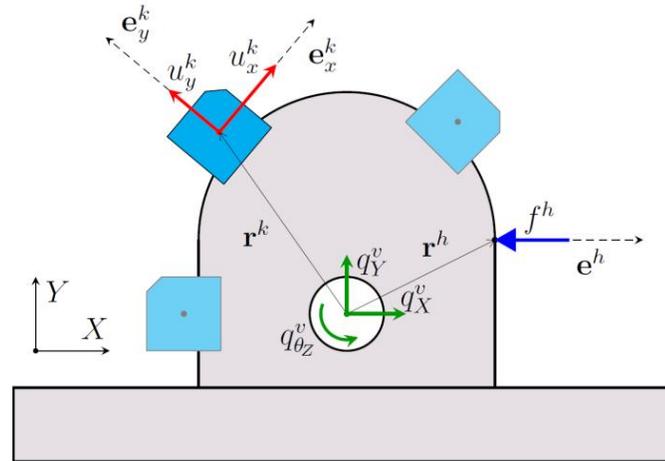
\mathbf{T} is pseudo-inverse of \mathbf{R}

“Least-square fit of \mathbf{u} ”

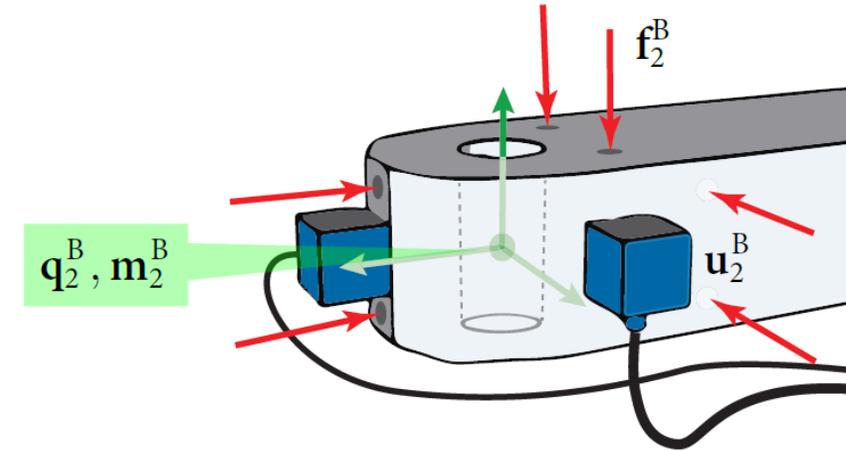
Virtual Point Transformation

Projection of measured forces on interface displacement modes (IDM)

$\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{R}_f^T \mathbf{f}$
 6 virtual DoFs
 i.e. forces and moments in virtual point
 n force inputs
 i.e. hammer impacts or shaker positions
 Reduction basis (IDMs)
 i.e. kinematic relation w.r.t. the virtual point



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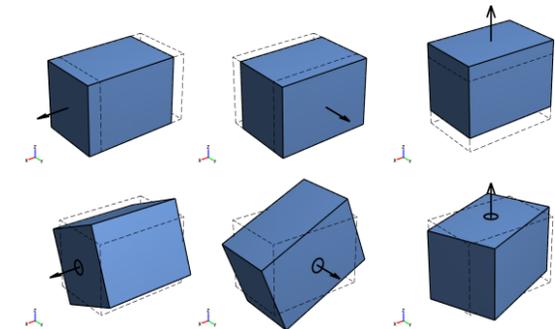
$$\mathbf{m} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{m}_t \\ \mathbf{m}_\theta \end{bmatrix} = \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} I\mathbf{e}^h \\ I\mathbf{r}^h \times I\mathbf{e}^h \end{bmatrix}}_{6 \times 1 \text{ projection matrix}} \mathbf{f}^h$$

$$\tilde{\mathbf{f}} = \mathbf{R}(\mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{R})^{-1} \mathbf{m} = \mathbf{T}^T \mathbf{m}$$



\mathbf{T} is pseudo-inverse of \mathbf{R}

“Constrained minimization of \mathbf{f} ”



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Virtual Point Transformation

Virtual point FRFs, practical benefits & quality criteria

Kinematic relation:

- ▶ Measured displacements: $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{R}_u \mathbf{q} + \boldsymbol{\mu}$
- ▶ Measured forces: $\mathbf{m} = \mathbf{R}_f^T \mathbf{f}$

Coordinate transformation:

- ▶ VP displacements: $\mathbf{q} = (\mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{R})^{-1} \mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{u} = \mathbf{T} \mathbf{u}$
- ▶ VP forces: $\mathbf{f} = \mathbf{R} (\mathbf{R}^T \mathbf{R})^{-1} \mathbf{m} = \mathbf{T}^T \mathbf{m}$

Frequency response functions:

- ▶ Measured FRF: $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{Y}(\omega) \mathbf{f}$
- ▶ Virtual point FRF: $\mathbf{q} = \mathbf{T} \mathbf{Y}(\omega) \mathbf{T}^T \mathbf{m} = \mathbf{Y}_{qm}(\omega) \mathbf{m}$
- ▶ $\mathbf{Y}_{qm}(\omega)$ contains the 6-DoF FRFs at the virtual points estimated from $\mathbf{Y}(\omega)$

Practical benefits:

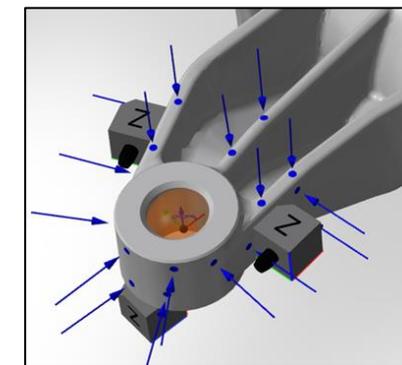
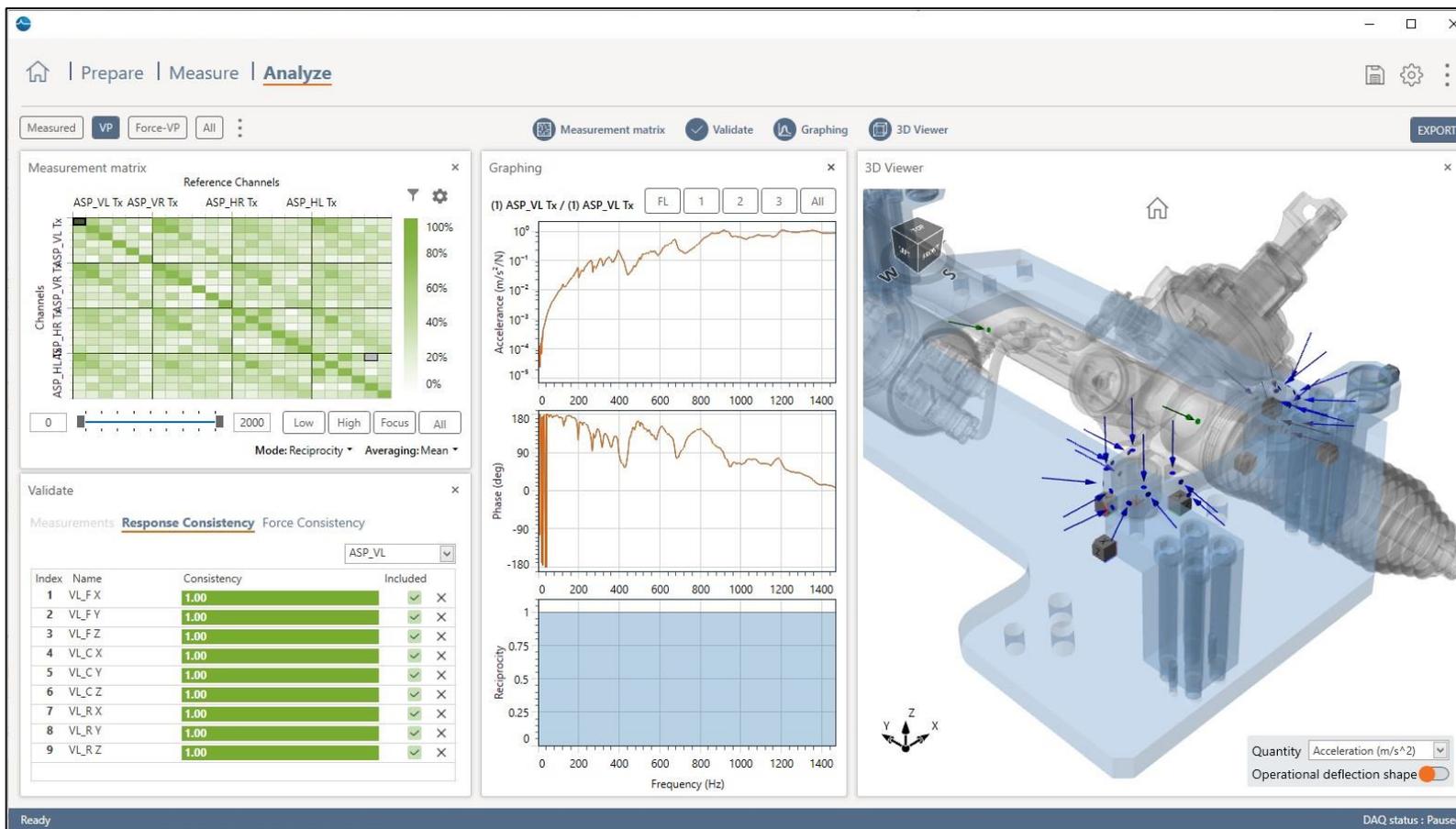
- ▶ Transformations \mathbf{R}_u and \mathbf{R}_f are independent! Therefore no excitations on the sensors are necessary
- ▶ Transformation can be performed on left (\mathbf{u}), right (\mathbf{f}) or both sides (useful for e.g. TPA)

Quality criteria:

- ▶ *Consistency*: By comparing the ‘filtered’ displacements, one can estimate how ‘rigid’ the transformation is:
 $\mathbf{u} = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{q} + \boldsymbol{\mu} = \tilde{\mathbf{u}} + \boldsymbol{\mu} \rightarrow \tilde{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{T} \mathbf{u}$
- ▶ *Reciprocity*: as the virtual point FRF has collocated DoFs for forces and responses, strict reciprocity is required for the off-diagonal FRFs
- ▶ *Passivity*: for the diagonal (driving-point) FRFs, the phase is bound between 0 and 180 degrees.

Virtual Point Transformation

DIRAC for high-quality test-based modelling with VP



Test-based model (VP)



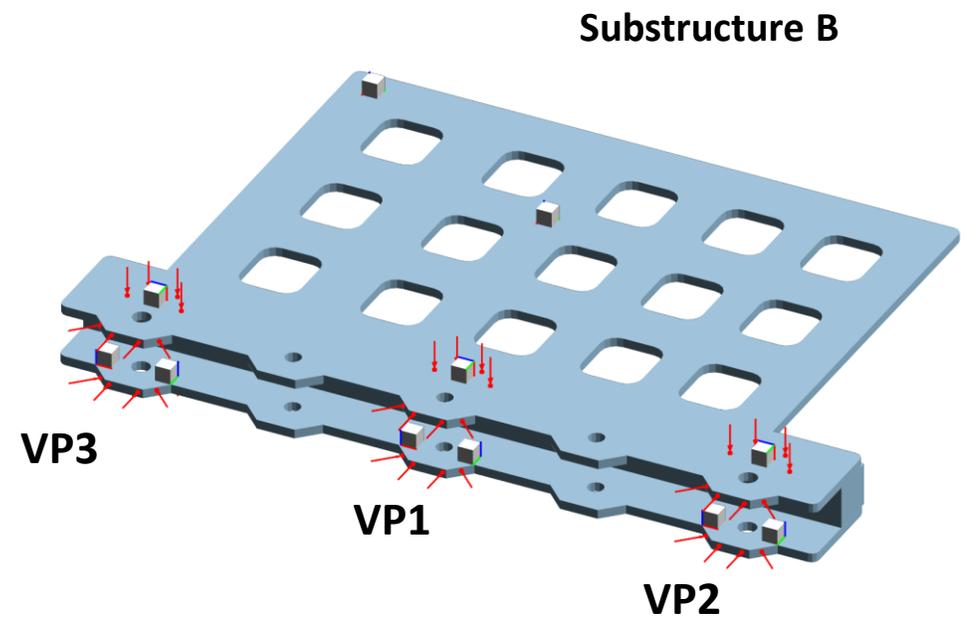
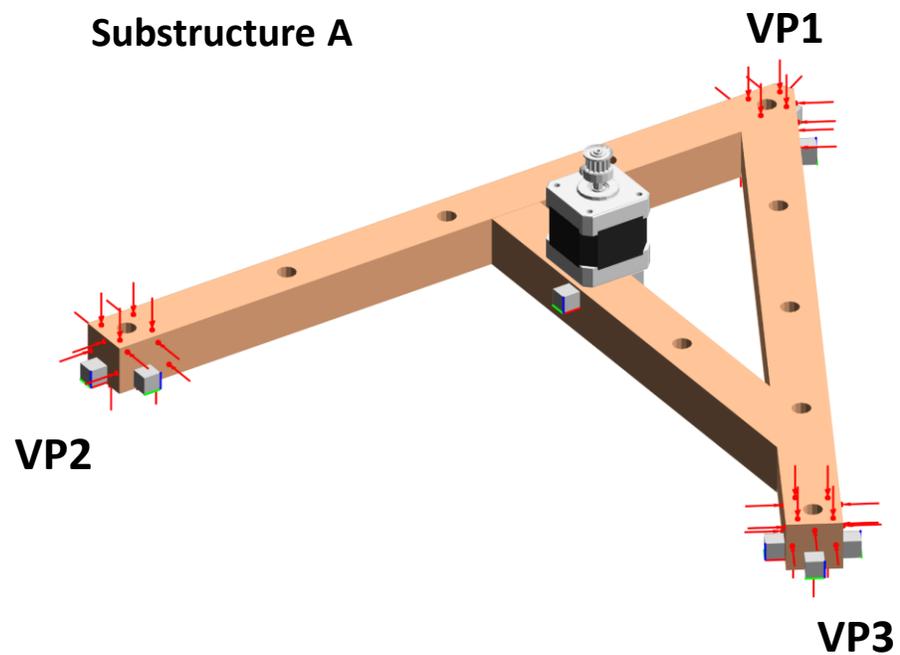
Numerical model (RBE3 / RBE2 element)



Examples

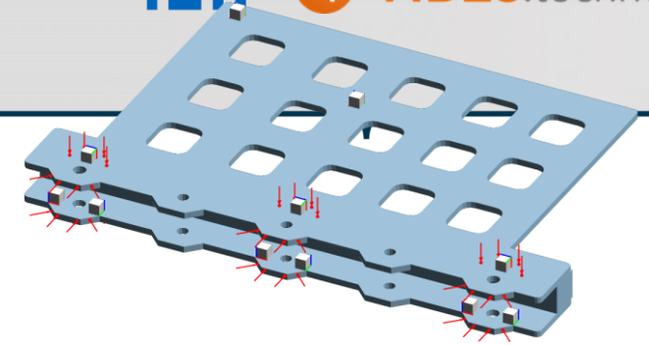
Substructure coupling using 2 experimentally modelled components

- ▶ Substructure A + B = Assembly AB
- ▶ Two 'virtual coupling points, each with 6 DoFs

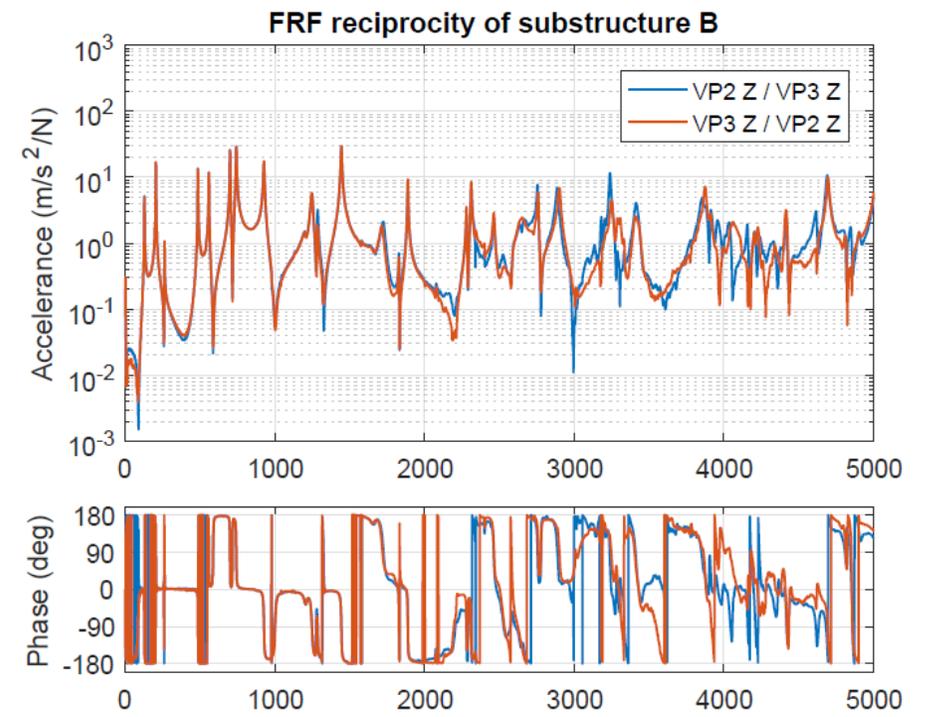
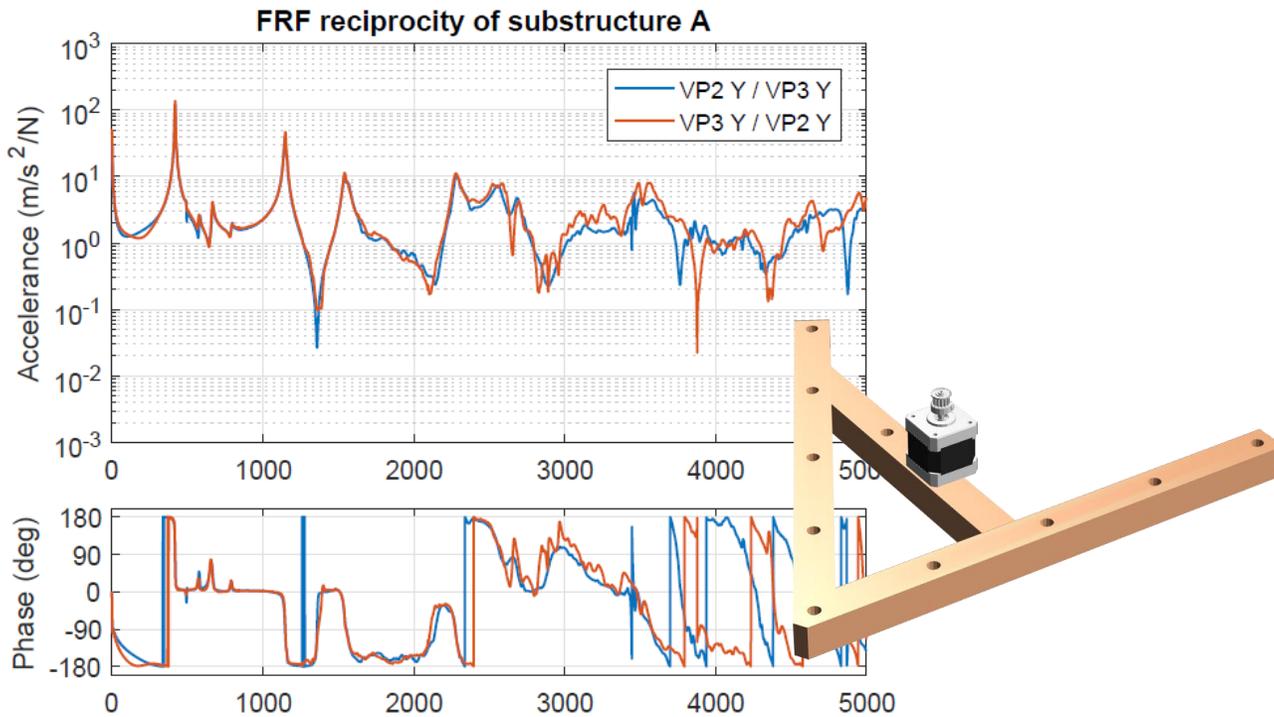


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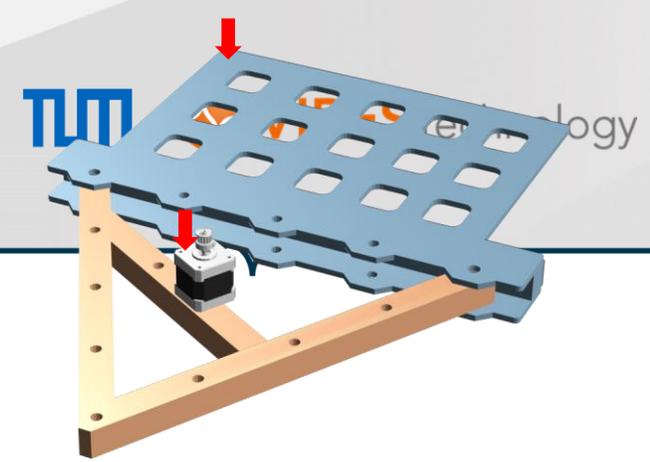


Results of measurement + virtual point transformation

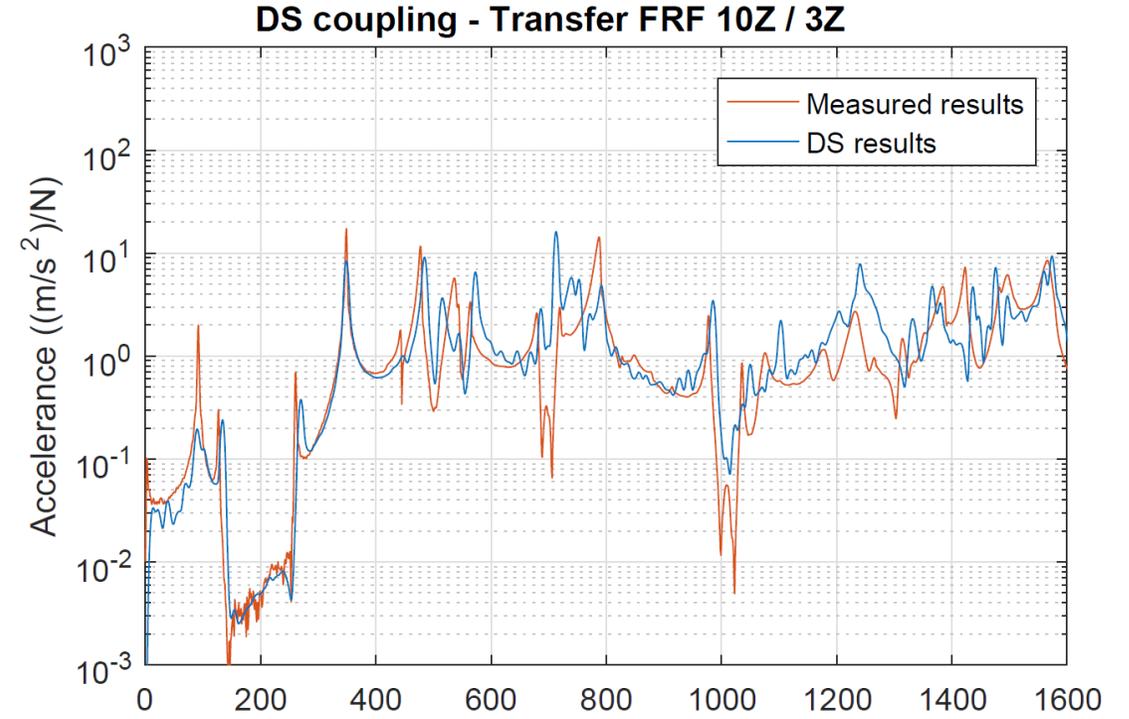
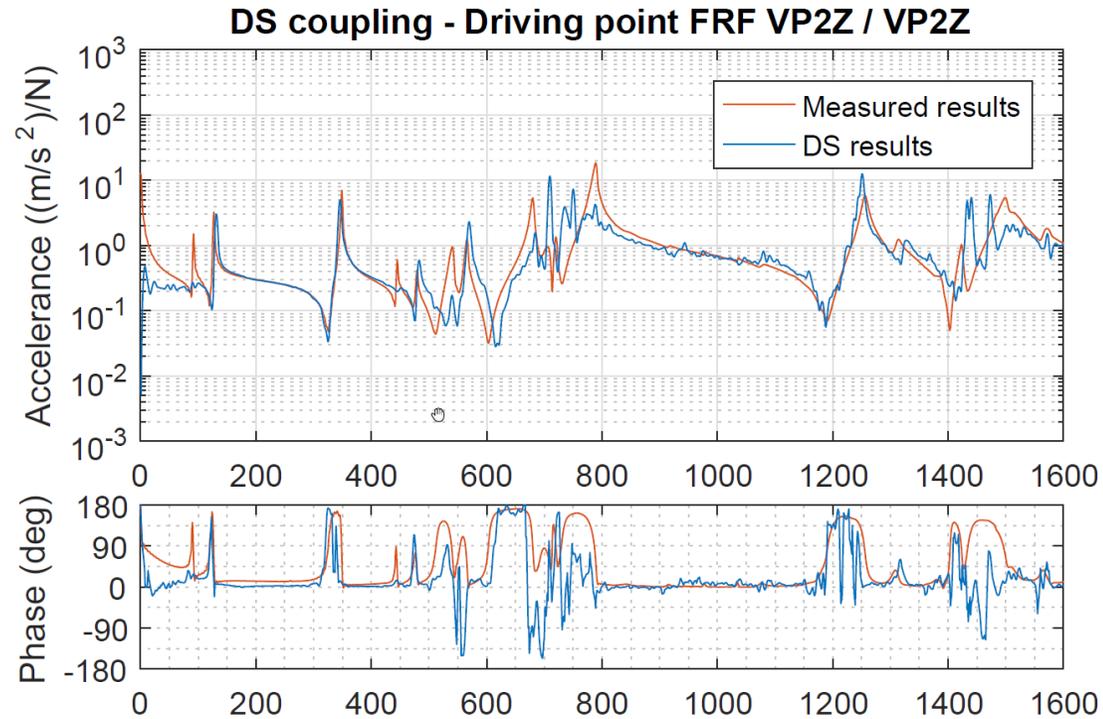


Examples

Substructure coupling using 2 experimentally modelled components



Results of experimental FBS (2x6 DoFs)



This tutorial will cover...

▶ Substructuring Basics

- Coupling conditions: B and L-Matrix
- Primal Assembly / CMS
- Dual Assembly / LM-FBS

▶ Practice of Dynamic Substructuring

- Virtual Point Transformation
- Example: Experimental VP & FBS

▶ Joint Identification

- Inverse substructuring
- FBS decoupling
- Example: Inverse substructuring of rubber mount

