### Uncoupling Techniques for the Dynamic Characterization of Sub-Structures



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### Summary

#### INTRODUCTION

### THEORETICAL FORMULATION *FRF* coupling

#### FRF uncoupling

- Without the use of co-ordinates j
- Using only the coordinates of the joint
- Using coordinates i and j

#### Summary

#### SIMULATION STUDIES **Choice of the formulation Strategies to improve the results** - Adding mass to sub-structure A

- Adding mass to sub-structure B **Coupling** 

#### CONCLUSIONS









### THEORETICAL FORMULATION

#### FRF coupling

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Coordinates *i* are the only sub-structure A

Coordinates *k* are the only sub-structure B

Coordinate *j* are coupling

Equilibrium of forces and the compatibility conditions of displacements

$$\boldsymbol{f}_i^A + \boldsymbol{f}_i^B = \boldsymbol{f}_i^C \qquad \qquad \boldsymbol{x}_j^A = \boldsymbol{x}_j^B = \boldsymbol{x}_j^C$$





### THEORETICAL FORMULATION

#### FRF coupling

Receptance matrices are defined

$$X = HF$$

Receptance matrices for sub-structures *A* and *B* and for structure *C* 

$$\boldsymbol{H}^{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \boldsymbol{H}^{B} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jk}^{B} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{kj}^{B} & \boldsymbol{H}_{kk}^{B} \end{bmatrix} \qquad \boldsymbol{H}^{C} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{C} & \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{C} & \boldsymbol{H}_{ik}^{C} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{C} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{C} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jk}^{C} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{ki}^{C} & \boldsymbol{H}_{kj}^{C} & \boldsymbol{H}_{kk}^{C} \end{bmatrix}$$

Using equilibrium equations and compatibility conditions are

$$\boldsymbol{H}^{C} = \left( \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{0} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{0} & \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jk}^{B} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{kj}^{B} & \boldsymbol{H}_{kk}^{B} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \\ \end{bmatrix} \right)^{-1}$$

high computational effort





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#### FRF coupling

Alternative formulation is used by Skingle

$$\boldsymbol{H}^{C} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{H}_{kk}^{B} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} & -\boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{jk}^{B} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} & -\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} \\ -\boldsymbol{H}_{kj}^{B} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} & -\boldsymbol{H}_{kj}^{B} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{kj}^{B} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

Where  $\boldsymbol{H}_{jj} = \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} + \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B}$ 

We can simplify

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{C} & \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{C} & \boldsymbol{H}_{ik}^{C} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{C} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{C} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jk}^{C} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{ki}^{C} & \boldsymbol{H}_{kj}^{C} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jk}^{C} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} & \boldsymbol{0} \\ \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{0} & \boldsymbol{H}_{kk}^{B} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \\ -\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} + \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} & -\boldsymbol{H}_{jk}^{B} \end{bmatrix}$$





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#### FRF uncoupling

If our joint is defined as sub-structure *B*, one has co-ordinates *i* and *j*, whereas co-ordinates *k* (internal to *B*) do not play a role,

$$\begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{C} & \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{C} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{C} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{C} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \end{bmatrix} - \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \\ \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} + \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} & \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \end{bmatrix}$$

That there are **three** possibilities for the evaluation of  $H_{ii}^{B}$ 

Without the use of co-ordinates *j* 

$$\boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{C} = \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} + \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} \right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A}$$

Using only the coordinates of the joint *j* 

Using coordinates *i* and *j* 

 $\boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{C} = \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A} \left(\boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A} + \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{B}\right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A}$ 

 $\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{C} = \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} + \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} \right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}$ 





### THEORETICAL FORMULATION

*FRF* **uncoupling** - Without the use of co-ordinates *j* 

$$\boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{C} = \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} + \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} \right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A}$$

Rearranging 
$$\boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} + \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} \right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} = \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{C}$$

Generalizing to the case where *i* might be different from *j* (in fact,  $i \ge j$ ), one pre-multiplies equation by an arbitrary matrix  $W_{ji}$  and post-multiplies it by  $W_{ij}$ :

$$\boldsymbol{W}_{ji}\boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A}\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}+\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B}\right)^{-1}\boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A}\boldsymbol{W}_{ij}=\boldsymbol{W}_{ji}\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A}-\boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{C}\right)\boldsymbol{W}_{ij}$$

Rearranging

$$\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}+\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B}\right)^{-1}=\left(\boldsymbol{W}_{ji}\boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A}\right)^{-1}\boldsymbol{W}_{ji}\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A}-\boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{C}\right)\boldsymbol{W}_{ij}\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A}\boldsymbol{W}_{ij}\right)^{-1}$$





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*FRF* **uncoupling** - Without the use of co-ordinates *j* 

$$\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}+\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B}\right)^{-1}=\left(\boldsymbol{W}_{ji}\boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A}\right)^{-1}\boldsymbol{W}_{ji}\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A}-\boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{C}\right)\boldsymbol{W}_{ij}\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A}\boldsymbol{W}_{ij}\right)^{-1}$$

This is only possible if  $i \ge j$  not the other way around (which certainly is not a common case).

$$\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} = \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} \boldsymbol{W}_{ij} \left( \boldsymbol{W}_{ji} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{C} \right) \boldsymbol{W}_{ij} \right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{W}_{ji} \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}$$

The question is which matrix  $W_{ij}$  to use. Probably the most logical one is to use  $H_{ii}^{A}$ 

$$\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} = \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{C} \right) \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}$$





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*FRF* **uncoupling** - Using only the coordinates of the joint *j* 

$$\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{C} = \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} + \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} \right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}$$

Solving this equation with respect to  $\boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{B}$  it follows that

$$\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} = \left(\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \left(\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{C}\right)^{-1} - \boldsymbol{I}_{jj}\right) \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}$$

Ambrogio obtains an alternative formulation (we can be derived the next equation from last):

$$\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} = \left(\boldsymbol{I}_{jj} - \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{C} \left(\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}\right)^{-1}\right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{C}$$





### THEORETICAL FORMULATION

**FRF uncoupling** - Using coordinates *i* and *j* 

$$\boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{C} = \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} + \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} \right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}$$

Rearranging 
$$\boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} + \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} \right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} = \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{C}$$

Using once again arbitrary matrices, now  $W_{ji}$  and  $W_{jj}$  with  $i \ge j$ 

$$\boldsymbol{W}_{ji}\boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A}\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}+\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B}\right)^{-1}\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}\boldsymbol{W}_{jj}=\boldsymbol{W}_{ji}\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A}-\boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{C}\right)\boldsymbol{W}_{jj}$$

Rearranging

$$\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}+\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B}\right)^{-1}=\left(\boldsymbol{W}_{ji}\boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A}\right)^{-1}\boldsymbol{W}_{ji}\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A}-\boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{C}\right)\boldsymbol{W}_{jj}\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}\boldsymbol{W}_{jj}\right)^{-1}$$





### THEORETICAL FORMULATION

**FRF uncoupling** - Using coordinates *i* and *j* 

$$\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}+\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B}\right)^{-1}=\left(\boldsymbol{W}_{ji}\boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A}\right)^{-1}\boldsymbol{W}_{ji}\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A}-\boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{C}\right)\boldsymbol{W}_{jj}\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}\boldsymbol{W}_{jj}\right)^{-1}$$

Solving in order to  $\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B}$ 

$$\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} = \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \boldsymbol{W}_{jj} \left( \boldsymbol{W}_{ji} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{C} \right) \boldsymbol{W}_{jj} \right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{W}_{ji} \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}$$

Make  $W_{ji} = H^A_{ji}$  and  $W_{jj} = H^A_{jj}$ 

$$\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} = \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{C} \right) \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}$$





### THEORETICAL FORMULATION

#### FRF uncoupling - Summary

First formulation

$$\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} = \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{ii}^{C} \right) \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} \right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}$$

#### Second formulation

$$\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} = \left(\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \left(\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{C}\right)^{-1} - \boldsymbol{I}_{jj}\right) \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}$$

Third formulation

$$\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} = \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} \left( \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{C} \right) \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \right)^{-1} \boldsymbol{H}_{ji}^{A} \boldsymbol{H}_{ij}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}$$





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Beam	Length	Width	Thickness	ν	Е	ρ
$A_1$	300 mm	25 mm	3 mm	0.3	210 GPa	7850 Kg/m <sup>3</sup>
В	400 mm	25 mm	6 mm	0.3	210 GPa	7850 Kg/m <sup>3</sup>
A <sub>2</sub>	300 mm	25 mm	3 mm	0.3	210 GPa	7850 Kg/m <sup>3</sup>

Characteristics of the components of the beam

The aim is to characterize component *B* (our "joint"), evaluating  $\boldsymbol{H}^{B}$  assuming that  $\boldsymbol{H}^{A}$  is calculated analytically and  $\boldsymbol{H}^{C}$  is calculated through experiments (simulated, in this case).

Using the finite element method with beam elements with four degrees of freedom.





#### Choice of the formulation

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To simulate the experimental errors, one has imposed a 1% perturbation in matrix  $H^{C}$  for the **three** formulations.





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#### Choice of the formulation

Error is the module of the differences between the numerically exact response and the response obtained by the three formulations







#### **Choice of the formulation**

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**Strategies to improve the results** 

$$\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{B} = \left(\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} \left(\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{C}\right)^{-1} - \boldsymbol{I}_{jj}\right) \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A}$$

Apparent that the problems certainly arise in the inversion of  $\left(\boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{A} - \boldsymbol{H}_{jj}^{C}\right)$  namely when this difference is small.

To try to increase this difference one will change our structure by adding point masses, so to change the behavior of sub-structure *A* and *C*, while *B* remains unchanged.





### SIMULATION STUDIES

Strategies to improve the results - Adding mass to sub-structure A



A mass of **35 grams** has been added to nodes 1, 3, 5 and 15, 17, 19.



That the disturbance observed between 1000-1200 Hz moves into the range 800-1000 Hz, generally improving the results



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### SIMULATION STUDIES

Strategies to improve the results - Adding mass to sub-structure B



A mass of 35 grams has been added to nodes 9 and 11 in the sub-structure B.



As sub-structure *B* is altered, its natural frequency changes to the left.

However, the disturbances remain in the area of 1000-1200 Hz and one can conclude that they are caused caused by sub-structure *A*,



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### SIMULATION STUDIES

Strategies to improve the results - Adding mass to sub-structure B



A mass of **70 grams** has been added to nodes 9 and 11 in the sub-structure B.



The results are clearly better.

However, to recover the dynamic response of *B*, one has to **uncouple the added masses**.





Strategies to improve the results - Adding mass to sub-structure B

INSTITUTO SUPERIOR TÉCNICO R A₁  $A_2$ Uncouple the -20 added masses -40 Receptance [dB] (ref. 1 m/N) -60 Although the results are -80 better than the initial ones -100 (figure 5), they are worse -120 than those of figure 6, when the masses were -140 Hbjj11 added to sub-structure A. Hb2jj11-1% -160 Hbdjj11 Hbd2jj11-1% -180 200 400 1200 1400 1600 1800 600 2000 800 1000 Frequency [Hz] Fig. 9







Coupling											
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	A <sub>1</sub>	j	В	j	A <sub>2</sub>	1					
Beam	Length	Width	Thickness	ν	Е	ρ					
A <sub>1</sub>	400 mm	25 mm	3 mm	0.3	210 GPa	7850 Kg/m <sup>3</sup>					
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One of the main interests of the dynamic characterization of a substructure (like a joint) is to be able to predict the dynamic behavior of another structure (or a modified one), possibly a more complex one, inserting (coupling) the identified results from the uncoupling procedure.

Based on the results obtained for sub-structure *B*, a coupling procedure will be undertaken with similar components, two beams *A1* and *A2* but now with a length of **400 mm**.





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### SIMULATION STUDIES









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- The authors have presented three formulations for the uncoupling of sub-structures.

- The formulation that presented the best results requires measurements at the connection points of the structures; unfortunately, this may not always be possible in practice.

- The three formulations revealed to be numerically unstable due to the inversion of difference matrices.

- The improvements have been obtained when adding point masses to the remaining sub-structures other than the one to be characterized. Those added masses move the natural frequencies, allowing to understand the problems that are happening and as already said, improving the results.

- Experimental implementation still has to be further investigated, as the accurate measurement of rotations is quite difficult to obtain.





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