



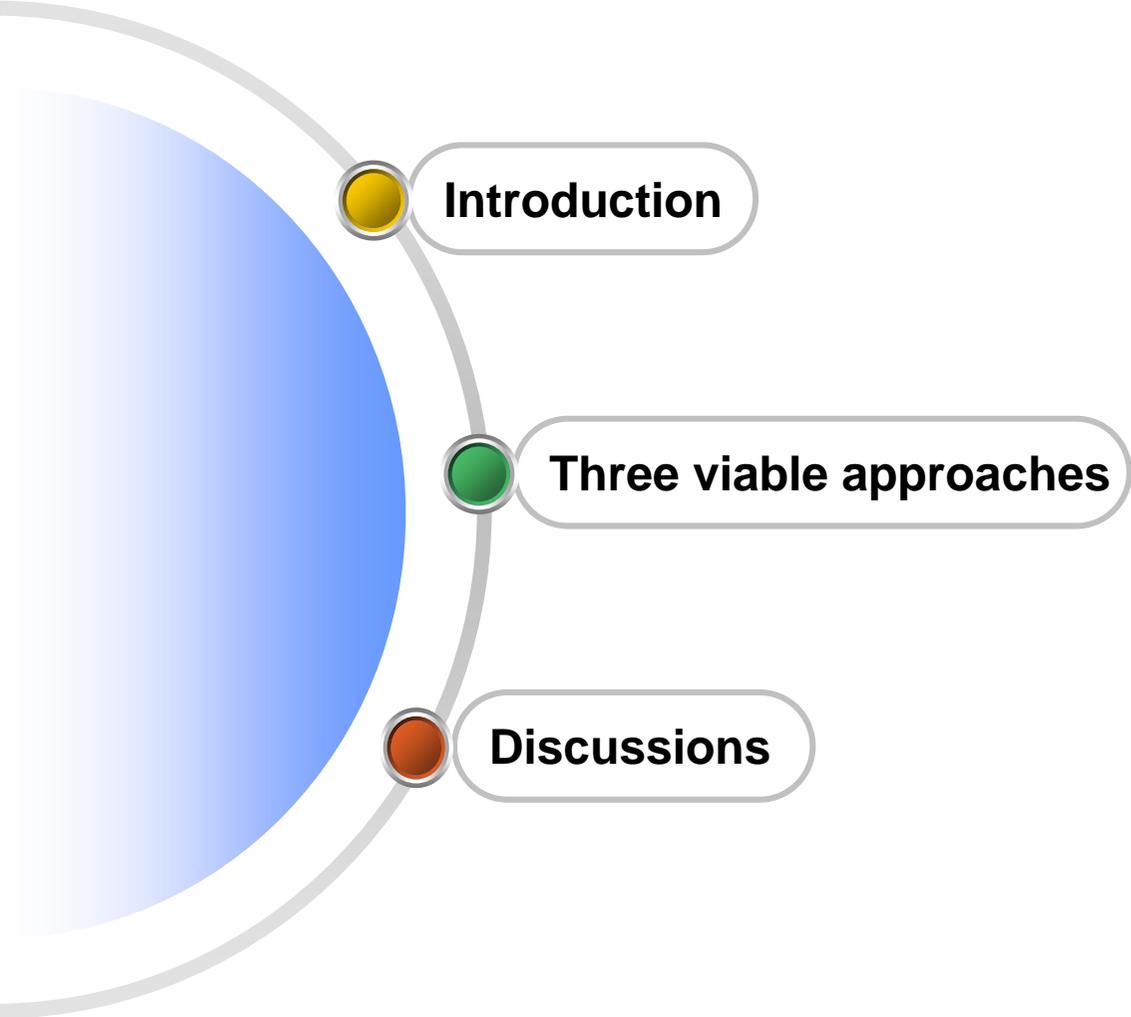
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**Research Progress on  
Structural Damage Identification  
in Deakin University**

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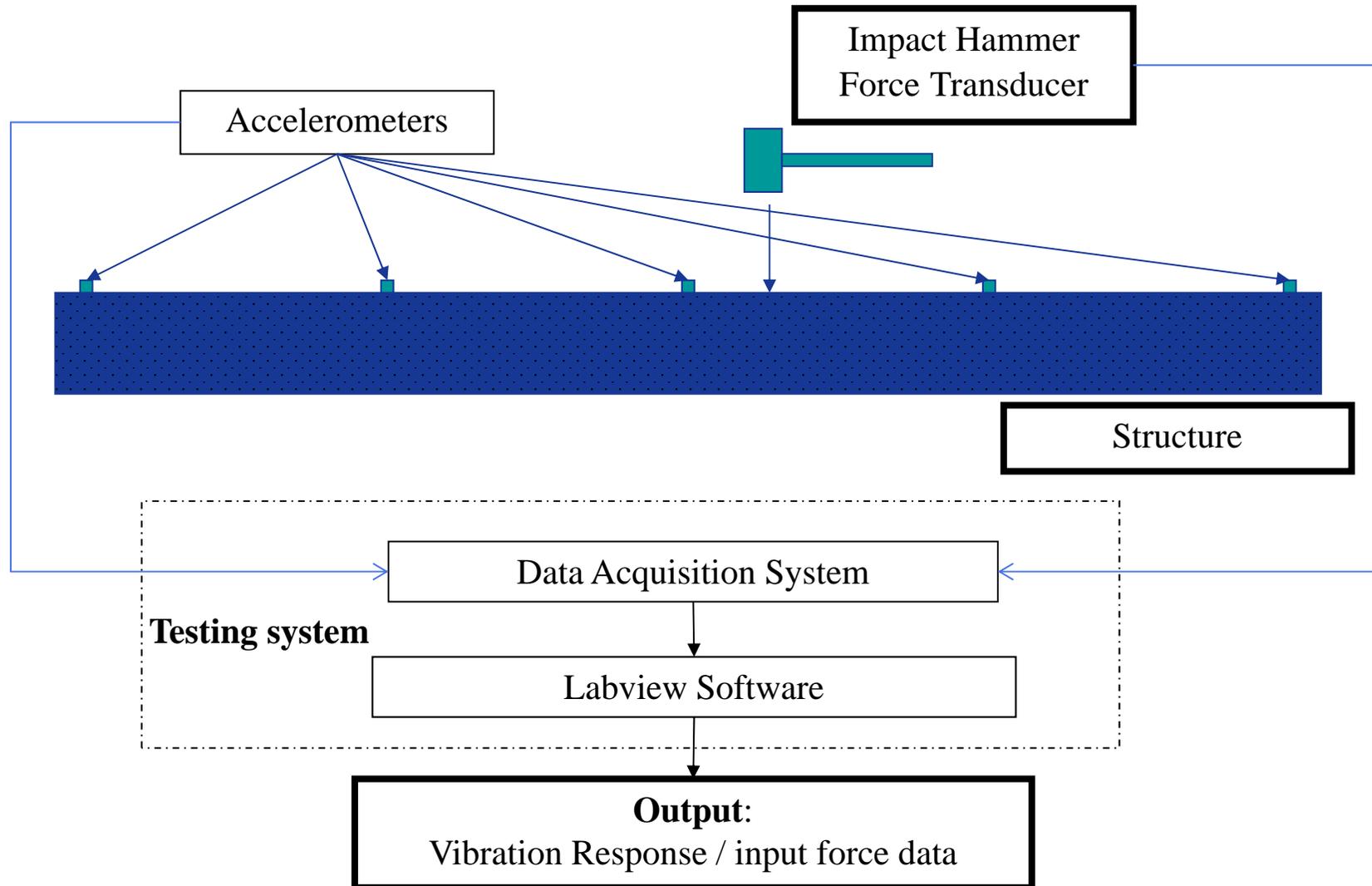
# Introduction

- ❖ Current SHM research has evolved to a new stage at which it is ready for practical application.
  - International perspective
    - Projects
    - Standards
  - Contribution from Australia

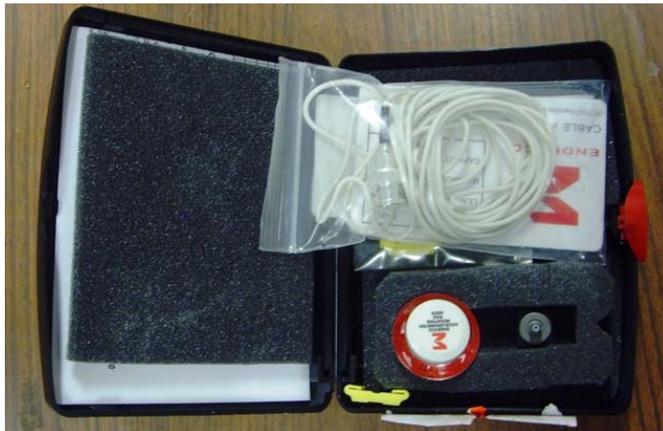
# Introduction

- ❖ In Deakin University, a research team on SHM led by Dr Ying Wang has been built since 2010, including 3 academic staff, 1 external academic staff, 1 PhD candidate, and a number of project students.
- ❖ Testing facilities include:
  - Vibration testing system
  - Guided wave test system
  - Bolt connected steel frame (as test specimen)
  - Pipe-soil interaction testing facility

# Vibration Test Scheme



# Up-to-date vibration test system



# Testing facilities

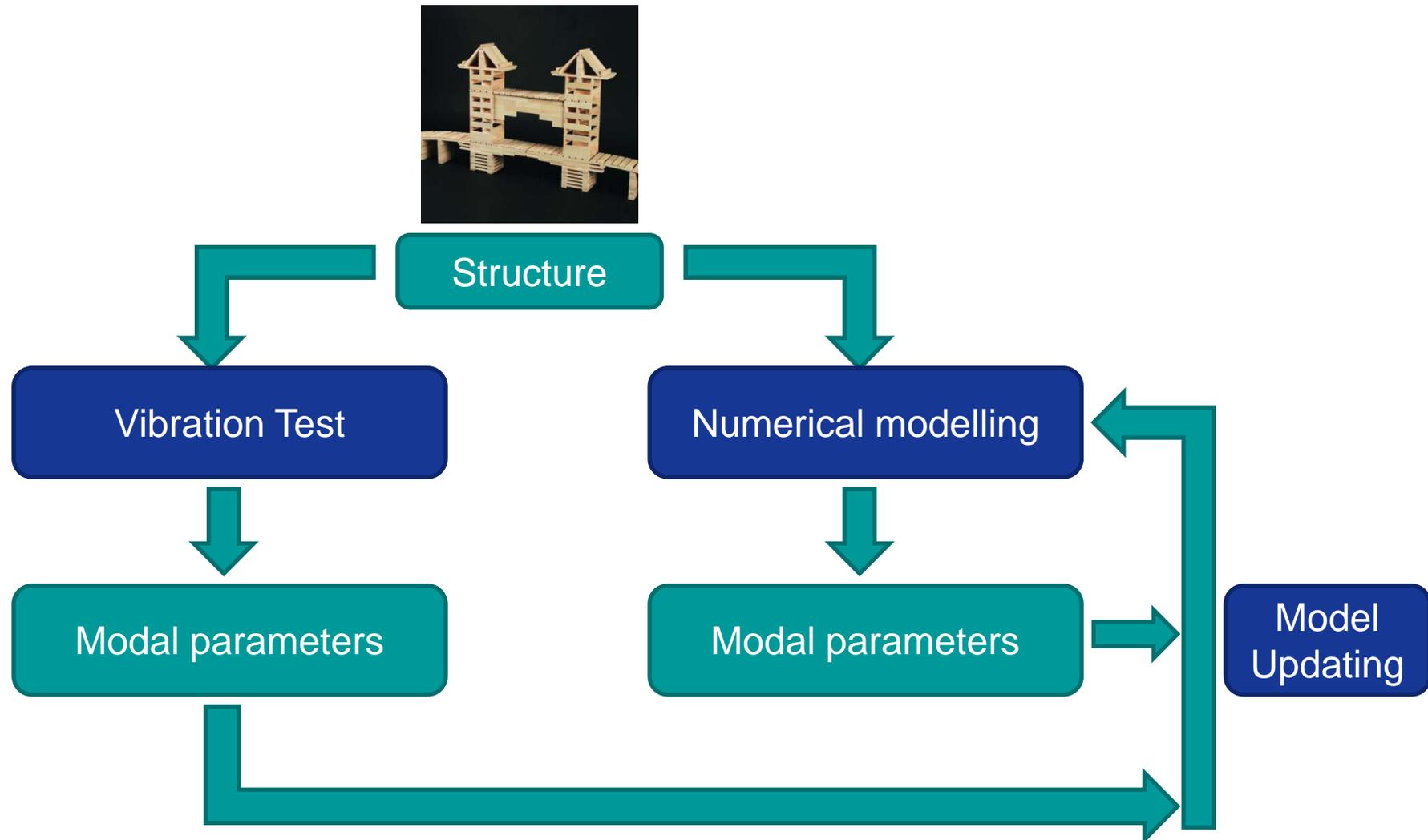


# Introduction

- ❖ Three viable approaches to vibration based damage identification have been proposed and developed
  - Damage identification via model updating
  - Damage identification via pattern recognition
  - Time series model for SHM

# Approach 1

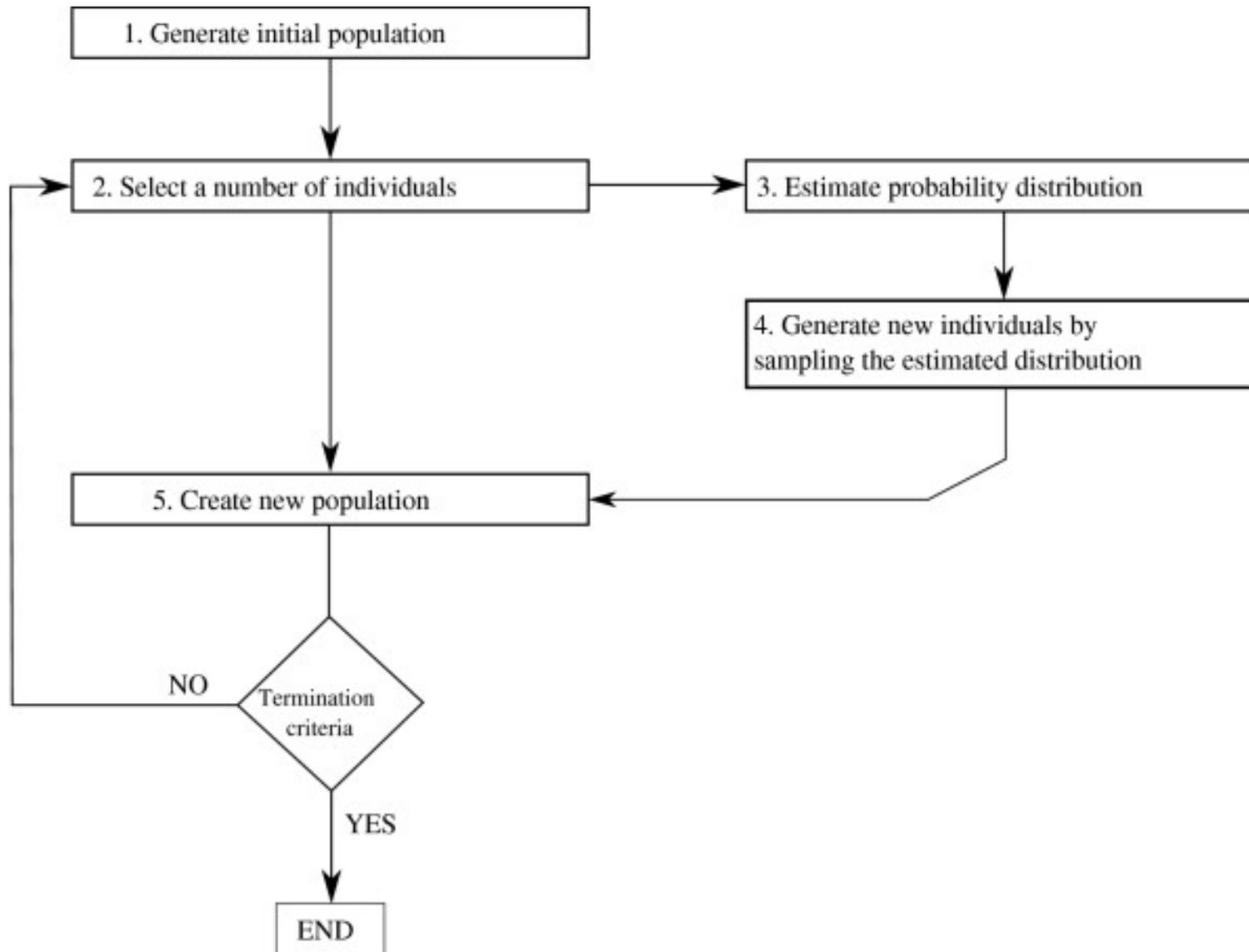
- ❖ Damage identification via model updating



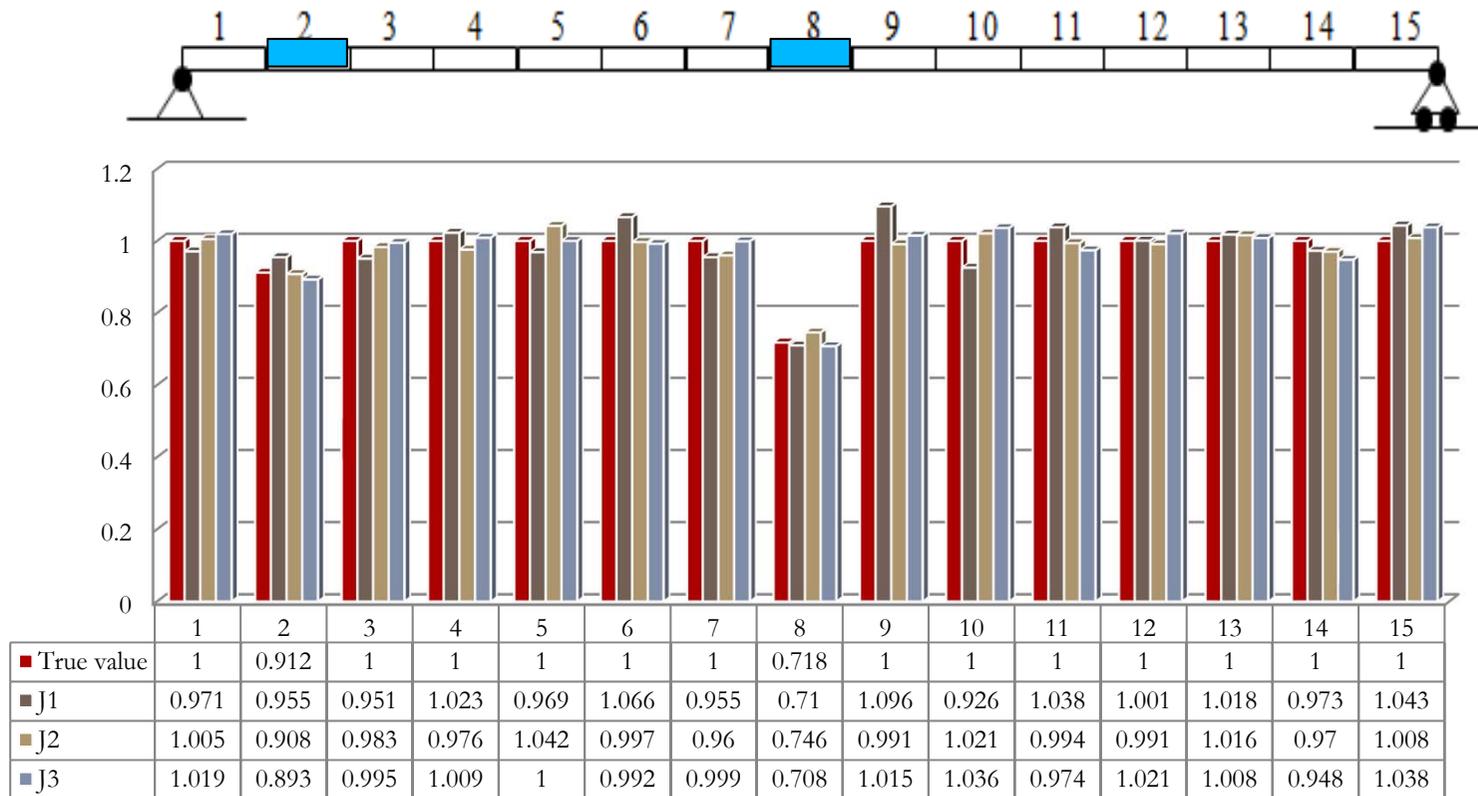
# Damage identification via model updating

- ❖ In Deakin, Estimation of Distribution Algorithms have been investigated as the optimization algorithm.
  - While the genetic operators used by GAs may have a disruptive effect on problems with complex interactions, EDAs overcome this drawback by capturing and using the interactions to generate new solutions.
  - The probabilistic models used by EDAs can represent a priori information about the problem structure, allowing a more efficient search of optimal solutions.
  - Learning algorithms can also be used to reveal previously unknown information about the structure of black box optimization problems.

# Estimation of Distribution Algorithm



# Numerical Results



## ❖ Numerical results using different objective functions

Y. Wang and T. Zhang (2013) "Finite element model updating using estimation of distribution algorithms" *6th International Conference on Structural Health Monitoring of Intelligent Infrastructure*, Hong Kong, China, 2013

# Discussions

- ❖ Finite element model updating is intrinsically an optimization process.
- ❖ Because of its superior capabilities on global optimization, EDA is introduced for model updating calculations.
- ❖ Numerical results on simple beam with multiple damages confirm that EDA is suitable for model updating.

# Approach 2

- ❖ Damage identification can be achieved via the following procedure
  - Model construction (training)
    - Build a train set with “fingerprint” of all accessible damage scenarios
  - Damage identification (pattern classification)
    - Compare the new unlabelled data to find its “closest-fit”
  
- ❖ This may eliminate the necessity of constructing a “perfect” numerical model.

# Damage Identification via Pattern Recognition

- ❖ Construct a feature matrix which includes “all” possible damage scenarios.

$$\mathbf{A} = [\mathbf{v}_{1,1}, \mathbf{v}_{1,2}, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{1,n_1}, \mathbf{v}_{2,1}, \dots, \mathbf{v}_{m,n_m}]$$

- ❖ Assume the new signal can be linearly represented by above matrix.

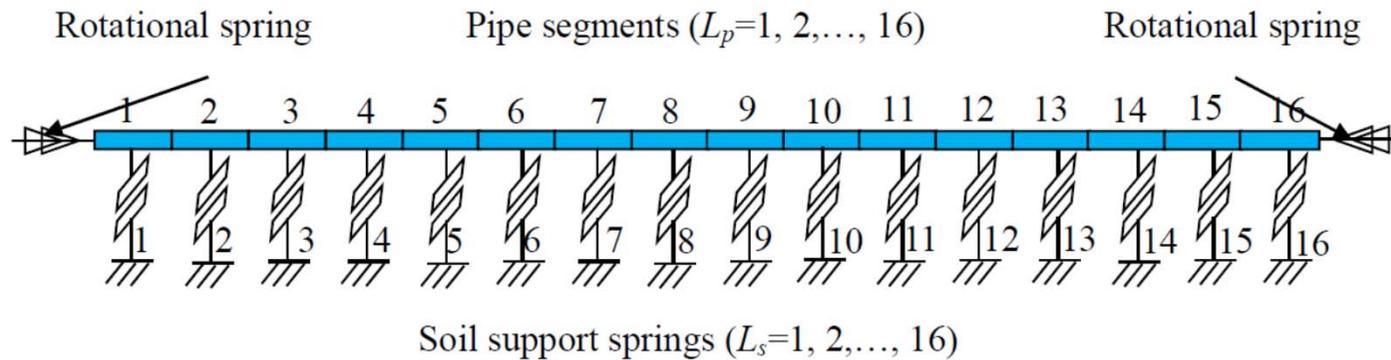
$$\mathbf{v} = \alpha_{j,1} \mathbf{v}_{j,1} + \alpha_{j,2} \mathbf{v}_{j,2} + \dots + \alpha_{m,n_m} \mathbf{v}_{m,n_m}$$

- ❖ Damage identification problem is then converted to find the suitable vector  $\alpha$

- Wang Y. and Hao H. 2013 "Damage Identification Scheme Based on Compressive Sensing", *Journal of Computing in Civil Engineering*, ASCE. 10.1061/(ASCE)CP.1943-5487.0000324 (May. 9, 2013).
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# Numerical results

## ❖ Pipe-soil system



- ❖ The results show that even under 50% noise level (normal distribution), the method can still find the right damage type, location and severity.

# Experimental verification

- ❖ Although impact hammer testing included 15 sensors, only information from one sensor is used. The damage type and location are correctly identified.



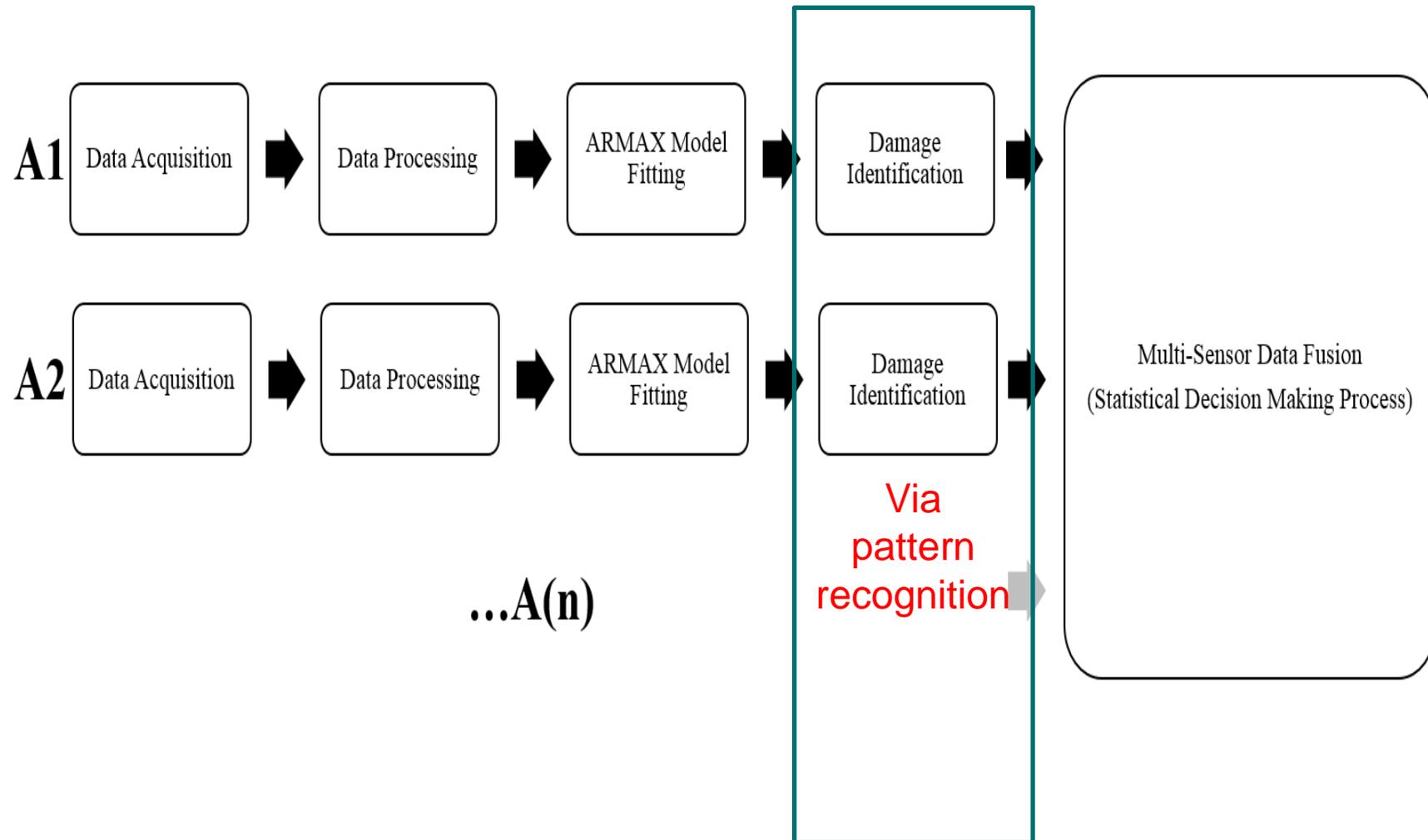
# Discussions

- ❖ Demonstrated by both numerical and experimental verification results, the proposed CS based damage identification scheme is robust, even under high noise level.
- ❖ Compared with traditional model updating approach, the proposed scheme requires less information, i.e., vibration time history of one point on the structure can yield good identification results.

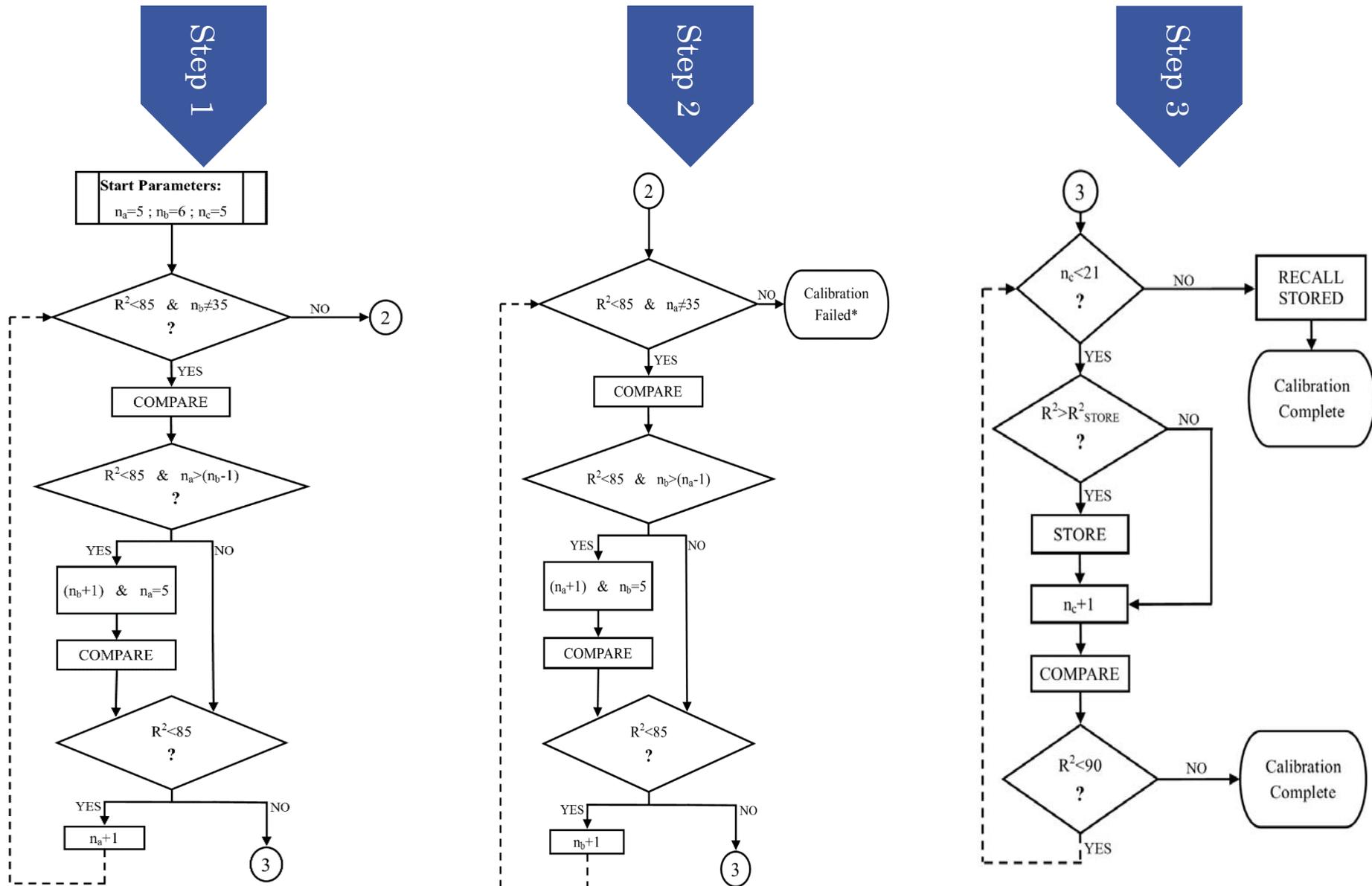
# Approach 3

- ❖ Nonlinear ARMAX model is chosen because of its capability to simulate complex and nonlinear dynamic behavior and to incorporate the disturbances created from the dynamic system.
- ❖ Deakin's contribution
  - Make it functional by proposing a self-fitting algorithm
  - Combine the information from different sensors by using data fusion

# Proposed methodology



# Self-fitting algorithm



# Case study on steel frame

- ❖ The proposed methodology is used to identify the right damage scenario based on experimentally acquired response signals.
- ❖ Three damage scenarios were testing
  - I. Intact
  - II. 2 bolts loosened
  - III. 4 bolts loosened

# Results and Discussions

- ❖ The proposed methodology performs well by using the experimental results on steel frame. All the damage scenarios are correctly identified.
- ❖ A robust and efficient self-fitting algorithm is developed which can train ARMAX model based on experimental results.
- ❖ A multi-sensor data fusion scheme is used to increase the reliability of the final damage identification result.

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