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Guided Wave based Quantitative Identification of Damage in Beams Using a Bayesian Approach

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Introduction and Background

- Guided Wave
 - Sensitive to small and different types of damages
 - Long travel distance Fundamental symmetric mode (S_0) +





Objectives

- To quantitatively identify the location and size of the damage
- To improve the computational efficiency of the proposed damage identification method using frequency domain spectral finite element simulation
- To quantify the uncertainties associated with the damage identification results using a Bayesian approach
- To provide an experimental verification of the proposed method



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Frequency-domain Spectral Finite Element Method

- Mindlin-Herrmann theory
 - Describes the longitudinal wave using two coupled partial differential equations**



- Each element has 2 nodes & each node has 2 DoFs
- Account the axial displacement & lateral contraction effect

** Krawczuk M, Grabowska J and Palacz M, J Sound Vib 2006, 295:461-478



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Frequency-domain Spectral Finite Element Method

 The governing equations are reduced to two ordinary differential equations and assumes the solutions in the forms

$$\hat{u}_{n,j}\left(x,\omega_{n}\right) = U_{j}e^{-i\left(k_{j}x-\omega_{n}t\right)}, \qquad \hat{\phi}_{n,j}\left(x,\omega_{n}\right) = \Phi_{j}e^{-i\left(k_{j}x-\omega_{n}t\right)}$$

• Formulate the dynamic stiffness matrix in frequency domain (at frequency ω_n) by considering the boundary conditions

$$\mathbf{K}_{\omega_n,j} = \mathbf{T}_{2,j} T_{1,j}^{-1}$$



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Frequency-domain Spectral Finite Element Method



Bayesian Approach

 Using the Bayes' theorem, the probability of the set of uncertain damage parameters (θ) with a given set of dynamic data is **:
Likelihood Prior distribution

$$p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | D, M) = cp(D | \boldsymbol{\theta}, M) p(\boldsymbol{\theta} | M)$$

where c is normalisation constant.

(Allow the inclusion of engineering judgment about the possible damage)

$$p(D|\boldsymbol{\theta}, M) = \left(\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}\right)^{-NN_o} e^{-\frac{NN_o}{2\sigma^2}J(\boldsymbol{\theta})}$$

where $J(\theta)$ is:

Measured signal Simulated signal

$$J(\mathbf{\theta}) = \frac{1}{NN_o} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \|\mathbf{q}(k) - \mathbf{S}_o \mathbf{y}(k; \mathbf{\theta})\|^2$$

The minimisation problem is solved by Hybrid Particle Swarm Algorithm

** Beck JL and Katafygiotis LS, J. Eng. Mech. ASCE. 1998, 124(4), 455-461

Bayesian Approach

 The updated (posterior) PDF of damage parameters for given data and model class can be approximated as a weighted sum of Gaussian distributions:

$$p(\mathbf{\theta} | D) \approx \sum_{i=1}^{I} w_i N(\hat{\mathbf{\theta}}^{(i)}, \mathbf{A}^{-1}(\hat{\mathbf{\theta}}^{(i)}))$$

The weightings are given by:

$$w_i = \pi \left(\hat{\mathbf{\theta}}^{(i)} \right) \left| \mathbf{A}_N \left(\hat{\mathbf{\theta}}^{(i)} \right) \right|^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$



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Preliminary study of measurement location using 3D finite element method (LS-DYNA)



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• Modeshapes











Conclusions

- A method has been proposed to provide quantitative identification of damage in beams using longitudinal guided wave
- The method is able to identify damage location and size
- Frequency-domain spectral finite element has been employed to improve the computational efficiency
- The proposed method is also able to quantify the uncertainties associated with the damage identification results
- The proposed method has been experimentally verified
- The proposed method is currently extending to address the multiple damages situation and structures with complicated configurations

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