

Robust Filtering of the Approximations for the Observability of Vibrations on a Three-Layer Beam

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Three-Layer Mead Marcus Beam Model

Let dots and primes denote the differential operators $\frac{\partial}{\partial t}$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}$, respectively.

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{z} + z'''' - B\phi' = 0, & (x, t) \in (0, L) \times \mathbb{R}^+ \\ -C\phi'' + P\phi = -Bz''', & (x, t) \in (0, L) \times \mathbb{R}^+ \\ z(0, t) = z(L, t) = z''(0, t) = z''(L, t) = 0, & t \in \mathbb{R}^+ \\ \phi'(0, t) = \phi'(L, t) = 0, & t \in \mathbb{R}^+ \\ z(x, 0) = z_0(x), \quad \dot{z}(x, 0) = z_1(x), & x \in (0, L) \end{cases} \quad (1)$$



Figure: Three-layered beam

(1) can be rewritten as,

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{z} + (1 + B^2 J)z'''' = 0, & (x, t) \in (0, L) \times \mathbb{R}^+ \\ z(0, t) = z(L, t) = z''(0, t) = 0, \quad z''(L, t) = 0, & t \in \mathbb{R}^+ \\ z(x, 0) = z^0(x), \quad \dot{z}(x, 0) = z^1(x), & x \in (0, L) \end{cases} \quad (2)$$

where $J = (-CD_x^2 + P)^{-1}$.

In comparison single-layer (Euler-Bernoulli) beam equation is,

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{z} + z'''' = 0, & (x, t) \in (0, L) \times \mathbb{R}^+ \\ z(0, t) = z(L, t) = z''(0, t) = 0, \quad z''(L, t) = 0, & t \in \mathbb{R}^+ \\ z(x, 0) = z^0(x), \quad \dot{z}(x, 0) = z^1(x), & x \in (0, L) \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

The Exact Observability Inequality

The energy, $E(t)$, of (1) is defined as,

$$E(t) = \|(z, \dot{z})\|_E^2 = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L |D_x^{-1} \dot{z}|^2 + |z'|^2 + (B^2 J z''') D_x^{-1} z dx \quad (4)$$

(1) is a conservative system *i.e.* $\frac{\partial E(t)}{\partial t} = 0$, therefore $E(0) = E(t) \forall t \geq 0$.

The goal is to prove the exact observability by the following inequality:

$$\int_0^T |z'(L, t)|^2 dt \geq CE(0) \quad (5)$$

Two main methods used to prove (5) are:

- Multipliers Method (Komornik '97)
- Spectral Analysis (Non-harmonic Fourier series) (Komornik-Loreti '05)

The eigenvalues of (2) are $i\mu_k$ where,

$$\mu_k = \sqrt{1 + \frac{B^2}{C\lambda_k + P}} \lambda_k, \quad \forall k > 0$$

$$\mu_k = -\mu_{-k} \quad \forall k < 0$$

where $\lambda_k = \left(\frac{k\pi}{L}\right)^2$ are the eigenvalues of (3).

Therefore, the solutions to (2) may be expressed as

$$z(x, t) = \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}^*} a_k e^{i\mu_k t} \sin\left(\frac{k\pi x}{L}\right) \quad (6)$$

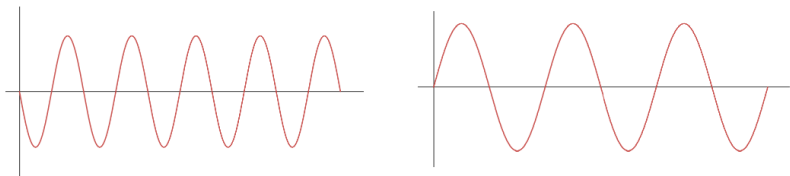


Figure: Two different Fourier modes of a solution at fixed times.

Idea: The uniform gap among eigenvalues of (3), $\inf_{m \neq n} |\lambda_m - \lambda_n| > 0$ can be used to show the uniform gap among the eigenvalues of (2), $\inf_{m \neq n} |\mu_m - \mu_n| > 0$

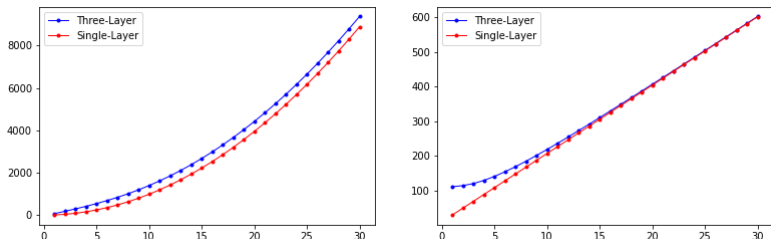


Figure: For $B = 10, C = 0.1, P = 1$ the eigenvalues (left) λ_k , and μ_k . Gap among consecutive eigenvalues (right).

Theorem

Let $g(x) : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$ be a differentiable function such that $g'(x) \geq 0$ for all $x \in \mathbb{R}^+$. Let

$$f(x) = \sqrt{1 + \frac{B^2}{Cg(x) + P}g(x)}.$$

Then for any $a \geq 0$,

$$f(x+a) - f(x) \geq g(x+a) - g(x) \geq 0$$

Corollary

Hence, $|\mu_m - \mu_n| \geq |\lambda_m - \lambda_n|$ for all $m, n \in \mathbb{Z}$

Theorem

For any $T > 0$ there exist $C = C(T) > 0$ such that

$$\int_0^T |z'(L, t)|^2 dt \geq CE(0) \quad (7)$$

Semi-Discretization

Let $N \in \mathbb{N}$ be given, and define mesh parameter $h := \frac{L}{N+1}$. Consider the following discretization of the interval $[0, L]$:

$$0 = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_j = jh < \dots < x_{N-1} < x_N < x_{N+1} = L$$

Let $z_j = z_j(t) \approx z(x_j, t)$, and $\vec{z} = [z_1, z_2, \dots, z_N]^T$.

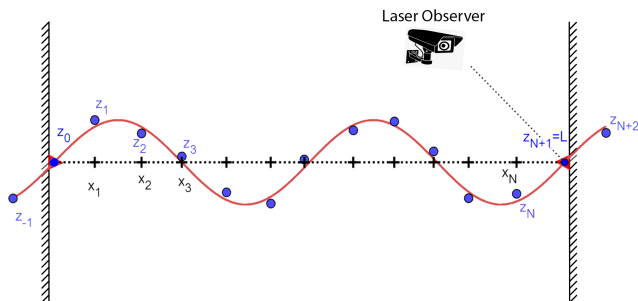


Figure: Space discretization of the $z(x, t)$

A Special Matrix A_h

Consider the Finite-Difference approximation of Laplace equation,

$$z_j'' \approx \frac{z_{j+1} - 2z_j + z_{j-1}}{h^2}$$

Therefore,

$$D_x^2 \vec{z} \approx -A_h \vec{z}$$

where

$$A_h = \frac{1}{h^2} \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \ddots & \\ 0 & \dots & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 & 0 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & 0 & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & \dots & \dots & \dots & 0 & -1 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

The space discretization of (2) is,

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{\vec{z}} + (I + B^2(CA_h + PI)^{-1})A_h^2\vec{z} = 0, & t \in \mathbb{R}^+ \\ z_0 = z_{N+1} = 0, & t \in \mathbb{R}^+ \\ z_{-1} = -z_1, \quad z_{N+2} = -z_N, & t \in \mathbb{R}^+ \end{cases} \quad (9)$$

The energy of (9) defined as,

$$\begin{aligned} E_h(t) = \frac{h}{2} \sum_{j=1}^N & \left| \frac{(A_h^{-1}\dot{\vec{z}})_{j+1} - (A_h^{-1}\dot{\vec{z}})_j}{h} \right|^2 + \left| \frac{z_{j+1} - z_j}{h} \right|^2 \\ & + B^2 \left(\frac{(J_h A_h \vec{z})_{j+1} - (J_h A_h \vec{z})_j}{h} \right) \left(\frac{(A_h^{-1}\vec{z})_{j+1} - (A_h^{-1}\vec{z})_j}{h} \right) \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

where $J_h = (CA_h + PI)^{-1}$.

The eigenvalues of (9) are $i\mu_k(h)$ where,

$$\mu_k(h) = \sqrt{1 + \frac{B^2}{C\lambda_k(h) + P}} \lambda_k(h), \quad k = 1, 2, \dots, N$$
$$\mu_k(h) = -\mu_{-k}(h), \quad k = -1, -2, \dots, -N$$

where $\lambda_k(h) = \frac{4}{h^2} \sin^2 \left(\frac{k\pi h}{2L} \right)$ are the eigenvalues of A_h .

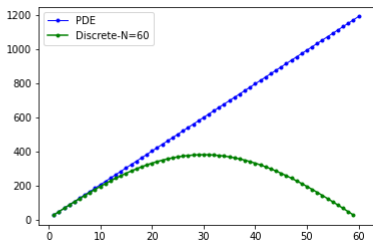
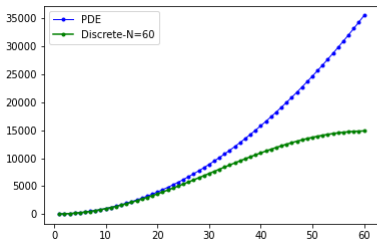
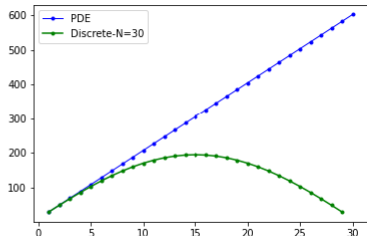
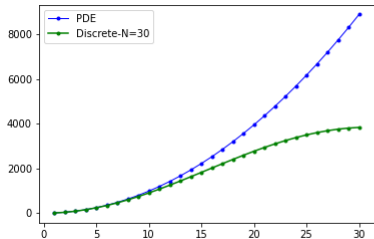


Figure: For $B = C = P = 1$, the first $N = 30$ (top) and $N = 60$ (bottom) eigenvalues of (2) μ_k , and (9) $\mu_k(h)$ and gap among consecutive eigenvalues (right)

Lack of Uniform Observability

By using the identity (Infante-Zuazua '99)

$$\frac{h \sum_{j=0}^N \left| \frac{\phi_{k,j+1} - \phi_{k,j}}{h} \right|^2}{\left| \frac{\phi_{k,N}}{h} \right|^2} = \frac{2L}{4 - \lambda_k(h)h^2} \quad (11)$$

where $\phi_{k,j} = \sin\left(\frac{jk\pi h}{L}\right)$.

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where $\phi_{k,j} = \sin\left(\frac{jk\pi h}{L}\right)$. Observe that $\lambda_N h^2 \rightarrow 4$ as $h \rightarrow 0$.

Theorem

For any $T > 0$,

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \sup_{\text{sol. of (9)}} \frac{E_h(0)}{\int_0^T \left| \frac{z_N}{h} \right|^2 dt} \rightarrow \infty \quad (12)$$

Direct Filtering

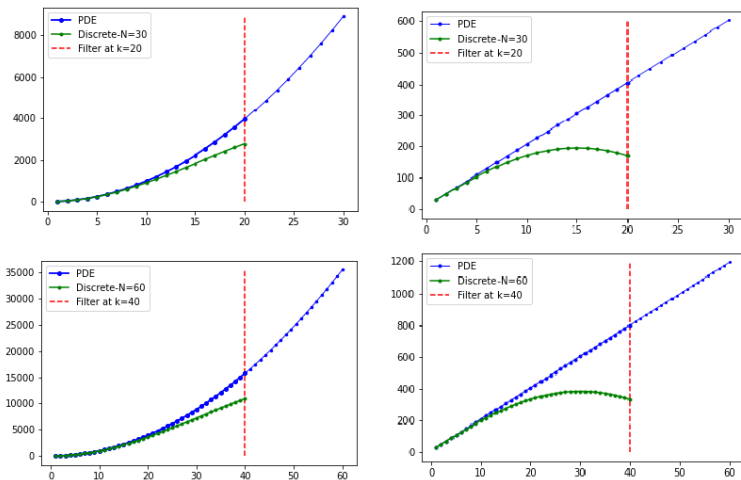


Figure: For $B = C = P = 1$, the first $N = 30$ (top) and $N = 60$ (bottom) eigenvalues of (2) μ_k , and (9) $\mu_k(h)$ and gap after direct filtering.

Filtered Solutions and Filtering Parameter

Given any $\gamma \in (0, 4)$ define the following solution space

$$\mathbf{C}_h(\gamma) = \left\{ \vec{z}_h \text{ sol. of (9) } \mid \vec{z}_h = \sum_{\lambda_k(h)h^2 \leq \gamma} (a_k e^{i\mu_k(h)t}) \vec{\phi}_k(h) \right\} \quad (13)$$

Theorem

Let $\gamma \in (0, 4)$, for any $T > 0$ there exist $C = C(T, \gamma) > 0$ such that

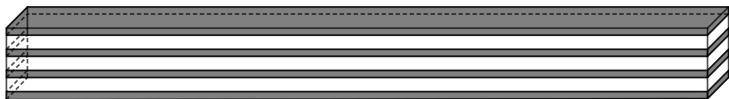
$$\int_0^T \left| \frac{z_N}{h} \right|^2 dt \geq CE(0), \quad \forall \vec{z}_h \in \mathbf{C}_h(\gamma) \quad (14)$$

Future Work

- Explicit representation of eigenvalues is not possible for some other boundary conditions. Therefore the Multipliers method is necessary to be utilized.
- The Mead-Marcus beam model has been generalized for arbitrary number of layers. For $n = 2m + 1$ layers,

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{z} + z'''' - B^T \vec{\phi}' = 0, & (x, t) \in (0, L) \times \mathbb{R}^+ \\ -C \vec{\phi}'' + P \vec{\phi} = -Bz''', & (x, t) \in (0, L) \times \mathbb{R}^+ \end{cases}$$

where B is a $m \times 1$ column vector with positive entries, P and C are $m \times m$ invertible, symmetric, positive definite matrices.



- Finding optimal filtering parameter γ is an important requirement for the real life applications.
- Recent studies show that the exact observability can be retained without any filtering by the use of “Order reduced Finite-Difference scheme”. Similar approximation can be applied to the multi-layer case. (Guo-Liu ‘20)

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