COST TU1402: Quantifying the Value of Structural Health Monitoring



# ViBest\_SHM: A digital data repository for SHM

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# **10 Dynamic Monitoring Programs**

#### **Infante D. Henrique Bridge**



**Braga Stadium Roof** 

**Trezoi Bridge** 

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#### Grande Ravine Bridge (Indic Ocean)

# Wind Turbine

**Tua Bridges** 











# **Objectives of Dynamic Monitoring**

- Monitoring of human induced vibrations for vibration serviceability safety checking
- Monitoring of dynamic effects of traffic loads in roadway and railway bridges and fatigue assessment
- Dynamic monitoring for damage detection in bridges
- Dynamic monitoring of wind effects in large bridges and suspension roofs
- Vibration based SHM of wind turbines
- Vibration based SHM of concrete arch dams



# Monitoring of human induced vibrations for vibration serviceability safety checking

• Pedro e Inês footbridge (Coimbra)





#### L=275m

Parabolic arch 110m span, 9m rise 2 half-arches 64m long, asymmetric box section Composite deck, 4m width Arch foundation: massifs of 35m deep vertical piles



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#### Dynamic tests at the end of construction Crowd tests (excessive lateral vibrations)

• Variation of response with number of persons on the bridge



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# **Forced vibration tests**

#### **Evaluation of the efficiency of the TMDs**





- Multiple units of the same TMD reduce global efficiency

-TMD design based on linear viscous damper is unconservative in this application

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#### **Opening day**







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#### **6** uniaxial piezoeletric accelerometers









#### **Observation centre**

- Data acquisition from static and dynamic monitoring systems
- Data transmission

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#### Website



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#### Histograms of maximum daily accelerations (Jun 2007- May 2010)





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# Santo Tirso footbridge **Excessive vertical vibrations**



**Designer: SOPSEC, Portugal** 

Steel arch, 60m chord, 6 m rise Length= 84 m; Width: 5 m Deck: 0.15 m thick light weight concrete slab supported by steel girders





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# Experimental characterisation of the dynamic behaviour

#### Natural frequency and mode configuration



# Experimental characterisation of the dynamic behaviour

#### Pedestrian tests



**Crowd walking** (1/10th design number of pedestrians) (estimated with 0.5P/m<sup>2</sup> : 1.5 m/s<sup>2</sup>)

#### Jogging

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# **Verification of efficiency of installed TMDs**

#### Innauguration



Maximum acceleration: Vertical: 0.35 m/s<sup>2</sup> Lateral:  $0.1 \text{ m/}^2$ **Maximum comfort** 





# **Continuous Dynamic Monitoring**



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# **Temporary Monitoring Traffic induced** vibrations in Roadway Bridges

#### • Salgueiro Maia cable-stayed bridge











Load cells in stay cables



**Embeded strain gages** 



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# **Monitoring Traffic induced vibrations in Railway Bridges and Fatigue assessment**

Dynamic effects and fatigue assessment if Trezói Bridge 













# Monitoring Traffic induced vibrations in Railway Bridges and Fatigue assessment

#### **Strain measurements under traffic loads**



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# Monitoring Traffic induced vibrations in Railway Bridges and Fatigue assessment



# Continuous Dynamic Monitoring for Damage Detection





# **Vibration based Structural Health Monitoring Processing Strategy**



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#### **Dynamic Monitoring System**



#### Em operação desde Setembro 2007

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#### **Results from one year of Continuous Monitoring**

Variation of the first 12 natural frequencies (p-LSCF)



Identification success rates (17 325 setups)

Mode	Success rate (%)	
1	99.99	
2	99.99	
3	100	
4	100	
5	99.94	
6	99.33	
7	99.87	
8	100	
9	99.90	
10	99.04	
11	99.67	
12	100	

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# **Results from 3 years of Continuous Monitoring**

#### Variation of the 4 first natural frequencies along 3 years



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## **Removal of Environmental and Operational Effects**

#### Selection of variables with influence on the natural frequencies



# **Removal of Environmental and Operational Effects**

#### **Multiple regression model**





#### Detection of damage associated to very small frequency variations



#### **Dynamic Monitoring for Damage Detection**

#### Numerical simulation of 4 damage scenarios



# **FEUP stress-ribbon footbridge Vibration based SHM**



$$L_1$$
=30m;  $L_2$ =28m  
 $T_0$ =750kN x 4









0.15<sub>44</sub> 1.00

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#### **Continuous Dynamic Monitoring System implemented on FEUP Campus Footbridge**



Elevations and cross section of the footbridge, with indication of the components of the installed continuous dynamic monitoring system



#### Monitoring results from 1st June 2009 to 31st March 2011



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Mode order	Average frequency (Hz)	Interval (Hz)	Max. rel. difference
1	0.981	0.906-1.056	15.3
5	3.671	3.337-4.007	18.3
6	4.171	3.745-4.563	19.6
7	5.508	4.987-6.046	19.2
8	6.379	5.766-7.021	19.7
9	7.909	7.114-8.693	20.0
10	9.096	8.124-10.030	20.9
11	10.623	9.487-11.758	21.4
12	12.348	11.031-13.624	21.0
13	13.919	12.480-15.382	20.8
14	16.004	14.330-17.597	20.4
15	17.492	15.714-19.158	19.7

#### Variations of natural frequency estimates



# **Continuous Dynamic Monitoring for characterization of the aerodynamic behaviour**

• Braga Stadium suspension roof (EURO'2004)



Top view of the stadium





**Cross section** 

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#### **Continuous wind and dynamic monitoring systems**





## **Estimates of modal parameters**

**One-year variation of identified natural frequencies (p-LSCF)** 



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#### **Estimates of modal parameters**

**Dispersion of the Identified damping Ratios (pLSCF)** 



Mode 5

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#### Dynamic monitoring of two bridges in a dam construction site

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#### **Dam Construction Site**







**Relevant construction** activities:

- rock blasting
- heavy trucks crossing the

roadway bridge

- deepening of the river bed
- **Retrofit of the railway bridge** foundations

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## **Roadway Bridge**





#### **Roadway Bridge - Ambient Vibration Test**



**Lateral Bending** 



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## **Roadway Bridge - Monitoring System**



In continuous operation since December 2011



# Monitoring **Software**

#### DynaMo Web page

Updated every 30 minutes



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R2V R3H R4V R5H R6V



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#### **Results Roadway Bridge (3 years)**



#### **Roadway Bridge - Temperature effects**



#### Lower temperatures

The support of the deck in the main piers allows free relative lateral displacements

Mode shape in plan view



#### **Higher temperatures**

The expansion of the deck leads to a contact between deck and main piers that constrains relative lateral displacements

Mode shape in plan view



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#### **Railway Bridge**



Built in 1882

Steel riveted truss deck with a height of 3 meters and a total length of 169 meters

Deepening of the river bed of about 3m



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## **Railway Bridge - Ambient Vibration Test**







f = 9.38 Hz

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**Lateral Bending** 

f = 4.10 Hz



f = 4.30 Hz



# **Railway Bridge - Monitoring System**



- 13 force balance accelerometers
- 2 24-bit digitizers
- 4 temperature sensors
- 7 geophones
- **3** bi-axial clinometers





#### **Results - Railway Bridge (2.5 years)**

#### **Bridge deck natural frequencies**

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#### **Results - Railway Bridge**

#### **Piers natural frequencies**



# Increase of the first natural frequency after retrofit



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#### **Results - Railway Bridge**

#### **Clinometers**









— P2 — P3

— P4

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# Continuous Aerodynamic Monitoring of "Viaduc de La Grande Ravine"



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- 5 anemometers
- 14 pressure cells
- 6 termometers
- 6 accelerometers

#### **Continuous wind and dynamic monitoring systems**





# Wind Turbine



- Located in the North of Portugal (Torrão Wind Farm)
- 2.0 MW variable speed generator
- Hub height: 80 m
- Rotor diameter: 80 m •
- **Tubular steel tower**
- **Bolted flanged connection between tower** segments
- **Slab foundation**



# Wind Turbine





- 9 accelerometers along 4 levels
- 24-bit digitizer and acquisition system
- Setups of 10 min. (accelerations + SCADA)





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# **Automated Modal Tracking**

#### • Reference properties from 6 operating regimes



Operating regime	Wind turbine condition	
1	Parked or idling (with high pitch angle)	
2	Parked or idling (with lower pitch angle, in conditions to start	
	operating)	
3	Transition situation from non-operation to operation (mean value	
	of rotor speed between 0 and the lowest operating rotor speed)	
	Between lowest operating rotor speed and the point where the	
4	pitch angle starts to increase to avoid excessive rotor torque	
	values	
5	Between regime 4 and highest operating rotor speed	
6	Wind speed higher than cut-out speed	

3 SS\* 3 FA/SS 2 SS 2 FA 2.55 1 SS\* 1 SS 1 FA 10 8 12 14 16 18 Rotor Speed [rpm]

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4 FA

# **Automated Modal Tracking**

• 9 vibration modes identified along the whole operating regime of the turbine



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# **Automated Modal Tracking**

#### • Assessment of the modal properties at operating condition

• Evolution of damping with the wind speed



1<sup>st</sup> SS tower bending mode



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# **Dynamic Monitoring of Baixo Sabor Dam**

**Baixo Sabor Dam** (Client: EDP)









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# Conclusions

- The case studies previously described clearly show the usefulness and potential of continuous dynamic monitoring in large Civil structures of different typology (e.g. roadway, railway and pedestrian bridges, stadia suspension roofs, wind turbines or dams), provided that appropriate monitoring equipment and automated data processing tools are implemented
- ViBest\_SHM is a very large digital data repository and information system that may be used for collaborative research at European level in the area of SHM



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