

Tribomechadynamics

The Emergence of a New Field at the Confluence of Tribology, Contact Mechanics, and Structural Dynamics

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- What is Tribomechadynamics?
 - Fundamental relationship between Tribomechadynamics and interfacial mechanics
- Case study: the Brake-Reuß beam
 - Application of contact mechanics to structural dynamics design; parameter studies; role of wear
- Research in Tribomechadynamics
 - Surrogate System Hypothesis
 - Experimental insights

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Some Context

• What is friction?

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- The sliding resistance between two surfaces in contact with relative tangential motion
- Consider case of frictionless contact (e.g. lubrication):



Result: even in a lubricated joint, you still have frictional forces for high contact loads...

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Structural Dynamics

- Vibration and nonlinear dynamics
- Reduced order modeling
- System level analysis (macroscale)
- Simple, pointwise contact models; usually heuristic in nature
- Typical experiments use shakers, impact hammers, accelerometers
- Typical models are dynamic, finite element or reduced order models

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Contact Mechanics

- Elasticity and plasticity solutions
- Static stress analysis
- Focus on the contact patches (spans meso- and macroscale)
- Contact models usually are large, spatially distributed, and based on Coulomb.
- Typical experiments use MTS machines or fretting rigs
- Typical models are static, high fidelity finite element

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Tribology

- Wear
- Surface evolution over time
- Focus on micro- and nano-scale features
- Contact models usually are for asperity on asperity contact
- Typical experiments use tribometers or other wear rigs in addition to profilometers
- No such thing as typical models (tribology spans many disciplines...from solids to fluids to chemistry)

Goal of Tribomechadynamics

• Given an assembly,

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- Predict response during design stage
- Predict performance degradation over time
- Use models to optimize joint designs (weight/properties/wear/etc)



Taxonomy of Issues – Multiscale Interface Dynamics!



How Do We Design Joints?

- Industry standards
 - Purely based on solid mechanics, how a load is carried, etc.
 - No consideration for dynamic effects
 - Indirect consideration for tribological issues (regarding wear)
- Research perspective
 - Academic communities, though inter-related, have not traditionally collaborated here.



Ramifications

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- Dynamic designs are "the worst possible designs from a solid mechanics perspective."
- Solid mechanics designs have no consideration for dynamic effects, resulting in massive over designs.
- Wear often addressed after a design is fabricated (not *a priori*)



Case Study: Benchmark System

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 The Brake-Reuß beam is a structural dynamics benchmark adopted by approximately 20 institutions



• Multiple version exist to assess the effects of interface design, and influence of the structure on joint properties

Dynamic Response

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 Typical characterization: Ring Down Response -> Modal Filter -> Hilbert Transform -> Polynomial Fit -> Extraction of Amplitude Dependent Frequency and Damping

Case Study: Interface Designs

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• Modified interfaces to investigate role of geometry on system properties



Case Study: Interface Design Dynamic Responses



Case Study: Interface Curvature

• Second set of interface modification experiments studied the effect of curvature.



Case Study: Interface Curvature; What Is Linear?

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Case Study: Still Missing Tribology...



Solid line: high amplitude excitation Dashed line: low amplitude return

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Case Study: Low Cycle Fretting

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Tribomechadynamics in Action



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Research in Tribomechadynamics

- System-scale: how do we *predict* the dynamic properties of a system?
 - Surrogate System Hypothesis
 - A Priori Metrics Hypothesis

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- Multi-scale: how can we incorporate the effect of evolving surfaces into a system-level simulation to assess its effect on system dynamics?
- Multi-scale: investigation of the nonlinear transfer of energy between scales, aka "Mechanical Turbulence"
- Meso-/nano-scale: how can we *predict* wear performance for an arbitrary joint?
- Numerical methods: need for efficient, nonlinear interface reduction methods
- Uncertainty quantification: need for methods to propagate uncertainties through models *efficiently*
- Nonlinear system identification: need for methods to characterize mode coupling

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ND-CSI Summer Program 2018

- The Institute for Nonlinear Dynamics of Coupled Structures and Interfaces (NDCSI) is now accepting applications.
- Six week long research collaboration
- Hosted by Imperial College London, in London, UK
- July 4th to August 10th, 2018
- Directed by a three person steering committee: Matthew Brake (Rice University), Christoph Schwingshackl (Imperial College London), and Malte Krack (University of Stuttgart)
- Four projects for the 2018 Institute:
 - Evolution of Wear and Joint Behavior
 - Suitability of Asymptotic Numerical Method for Friction Damping
 - High Speed Camera DIC to Monitor Joint Behavior
 - Continuation Method for Bladed-Disk Vibration with Contact and Friction
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- Applications due March 2nd.

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• Some travel support is available.

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