

DYNAMIC STRAIN MAPPING AND REAL- TIME DAMAGE STATE ESTIMATION UNDER BIAXIAL RANDOM FATIGUE LOADING

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Overview

- **Motivation and Objective**
- **Damage State Estimation**
- **System Identification Approach**
- **Experimental Setup**
- **Results**
- **Summary and Future Work**

Motivation & Objective

Motivation: Automatic and **real-time** structural health monitoring and condition based life prognosis may **reduce life cycle cost** and help to **avoid catastrophic failure** of aerospace, mechanical & civil engineering structural systems.

Objective:

Develop an SHM approach that can use strain gauge measurements to estimate damage condition of a structure under random loading

Online damage state estimator

Based on system identification or machine learning

Current condition
updating

Future
load

Offline damage state predictor

Based on Bayesian probabilistic model

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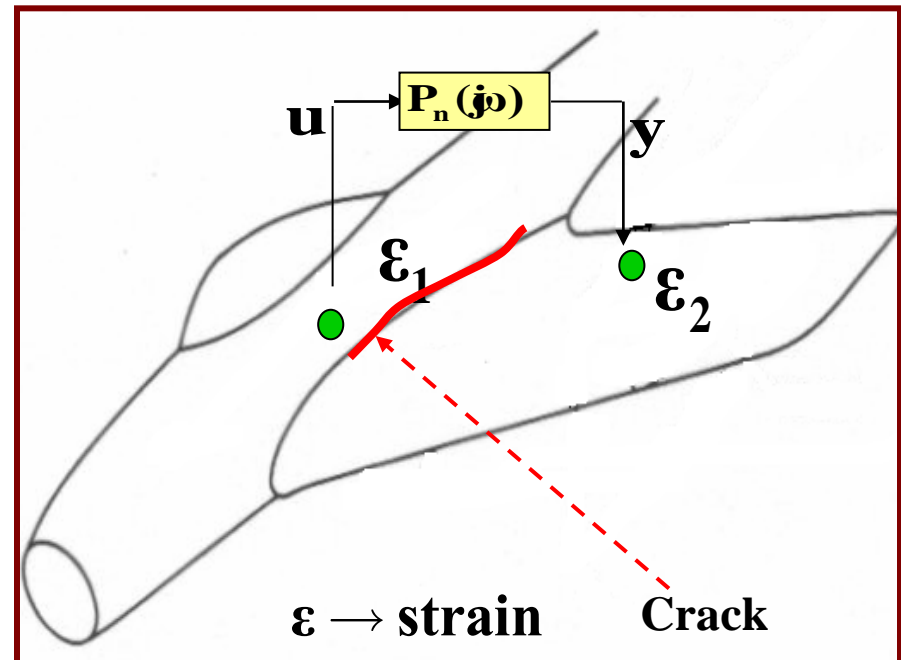
Damage State Estimation

Motivation for passive sensing

- ☐ Estimate local damage (Not limited to structural hot-spots)
- ☐ No external power source required
- ☐ Can use COTS sensors

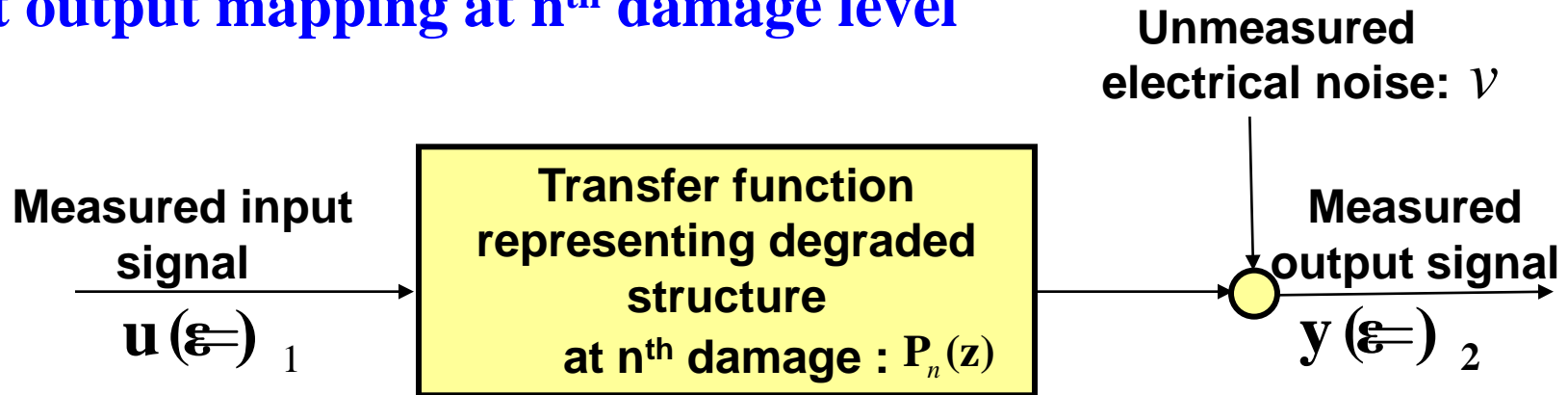
Damage state estimation using strain measurements

- ☐ Due to damage the correlation between strain at two points changes
- ☐ Equivalent change in transfer function (TF) is a measure of change in damage states



Motivation from System Identification

Input output mapping at n^{th} damage level



Transfer function at n^{th} damage level

$$P_n = f(R_{uy}, R_{uu}); \text{ with } u \text{ constant } P_n = f(R_{uy})$$

Equivalent time-series damage index (for constant loading)

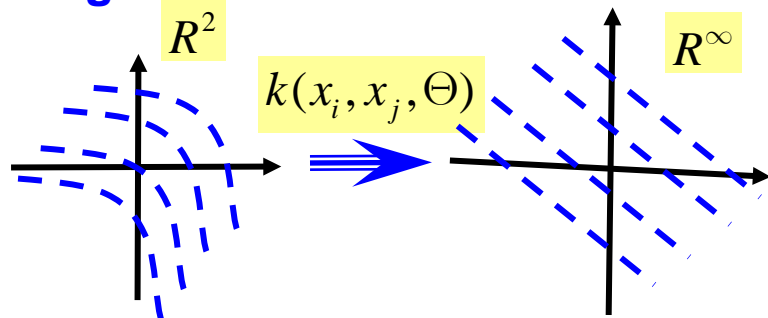
$$a_n = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{m=0}^{m=M} ((R_{uy})_n(m) - (R_{uy})_0(m))^2}{((R_{uy})_0(m))^2}} \quad ; n = 1, 2, \dots$$

$R \rightarrow \text{Correlation coefficients}$

Forecasting Using Gaussian Process (GP)

- GP combination of individual distributions (assumed Gaussian)
- Input-output mapped in high dimensional space
- Conjugate gradient optimization used to estimate hyperparameters

High dimensional transformation



$\Theta_n^p \rightarrow$ Process

$\Theta_n^w \rightarrow$ Input Width

$\Theta_n^{scatter} \rightarrow$ Scatter in crack growth

Multi layer perceptron (MLP) kernel

$$\mathbf{k}(\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{x}_j, \Theta_n^p, \Theta_n^w, \Theta_n^{scatter})$$

$$= \Theta_n^p \text{Sin}^{-1} \frac{\mathbf{x}_i^T \Theta_n^w \mathbf{x}_j}{\sqrt{(\mathbf{x}_i^T \Theta_n^w \mathbf{x}_i + 1)(\mathbf{x}_j^T \Theta_n^w \mathbf{x}_j + 1)}} + \Theta_n^{scatter}$$

Negative log-likelihood function

$$L = -\frac{1}{2} \log \det \mathbf{K}_n - \frac{1}{2} \mathbf{y}_n^T \mathbf{K}_n^{-1} \mathbf{y}_n - \frac{n}{2} \log 2\pi$$

Probability density

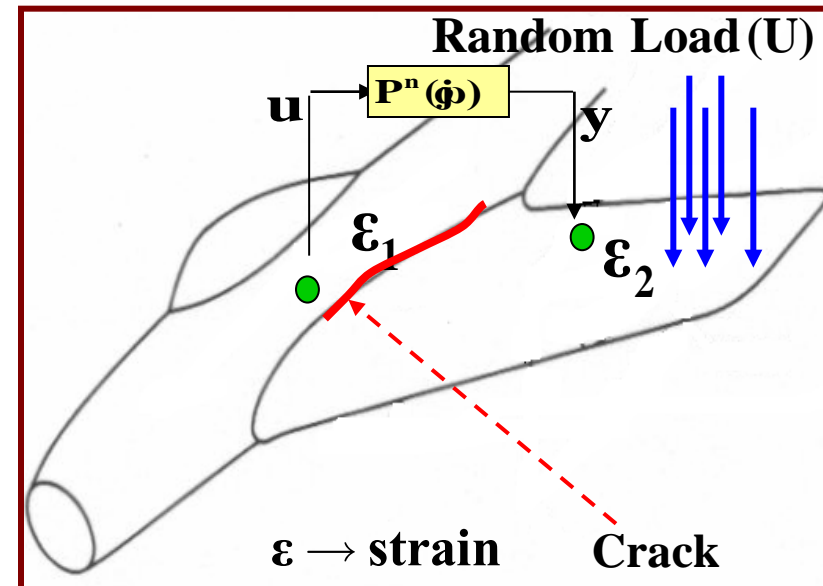
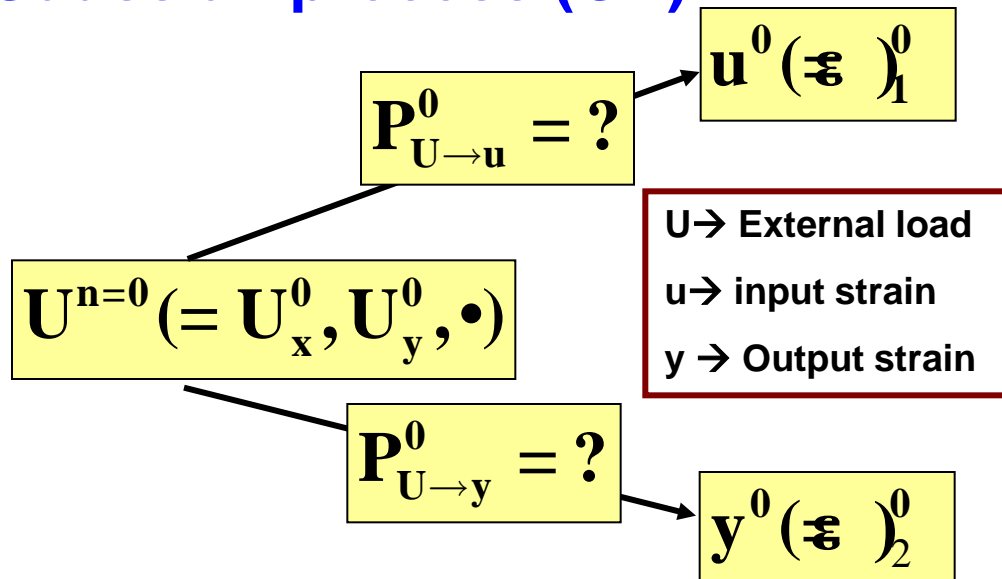
$$f(y_{n+1} | D = \{\mathbf{x}_i, \mathbf{y}_i\}_{i=1}^n, \mathbf{x}_{n+1},)$$

$$= \mathbf{N}(\mu_{n+1}, \sigma_{n+1}^2)$$

Dynamic Strain Based Online Damage State Estimation (Theoretical Scheme)

- Under random load the **change in correlation** between input (u) & output (y) can be **due to random load or due to damage**
- Need to consider loading information in damage index formulation

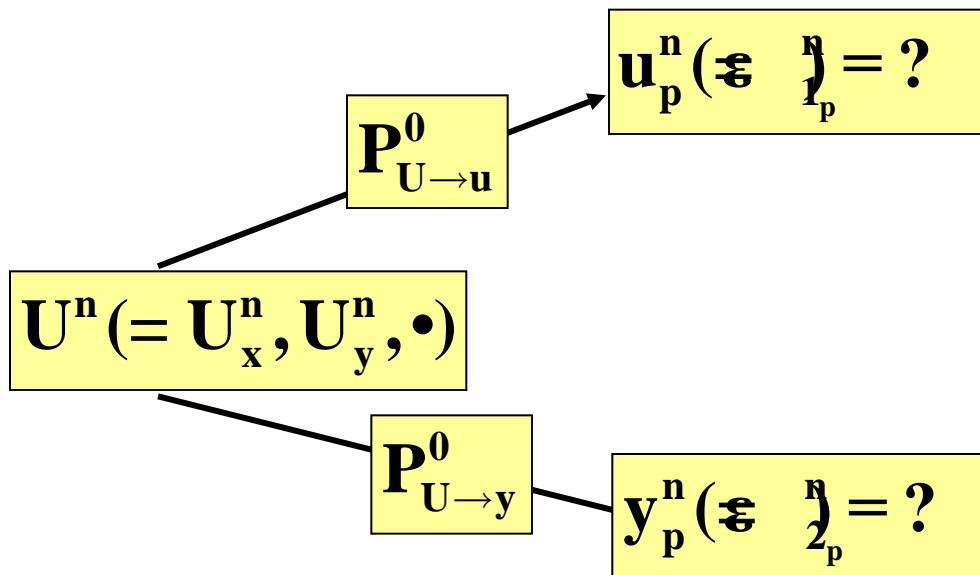
Step-1: Reference Model Estimation (at $n=0$) using Gaussian process (GP)



- GP model parameters estimated using conjugate gradient optimization

Dynamic strain mapping Based Online Damage State Estimation (Theoretical Scheme Contd.)

Step-2: Current stage dynamic strain mapping (Using GP regression)



Step-3: Current stage error signal estimation

$$e_u^n(m) = u_a^n(m) - u_p^n(m)$$

$$e_y^n(m) = y_a^n(m) - y_p^n(m)$$

Step-4: Current stage damage state

$$a^n = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{m=0}^{m=M} (R_{e_u e_y}^n(m) - R_{e_u e_y}^0(m))^2}{(R_{e_u e_y}^0(m))^2}}$$

$R \rightarrow$ Correlation coefficient

Experimental Setup

Fatigue testing & data collection

Material: Al-2024

Loading: Random

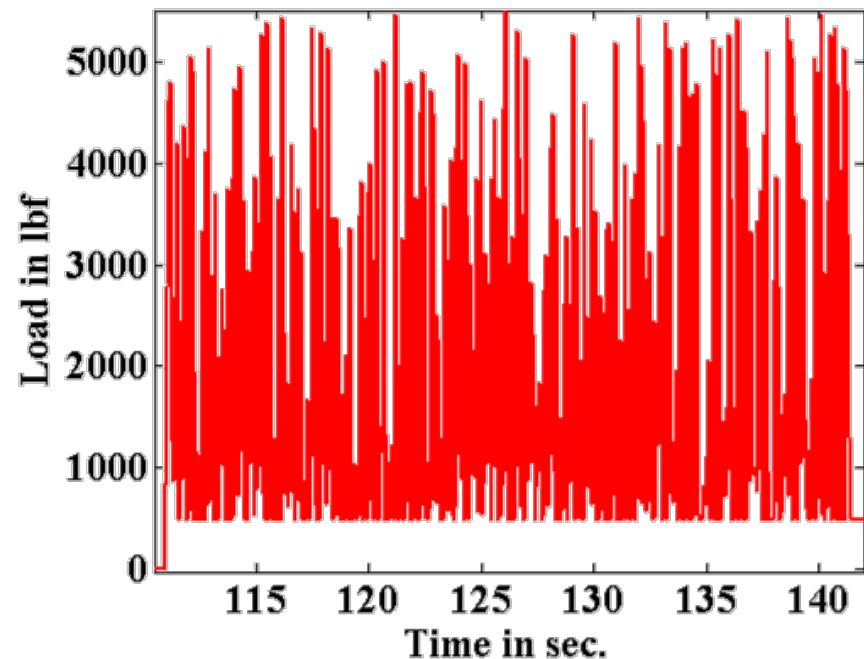
Loading Frequency = 10Hz

Sampling frequency of data collection: 1kHz

Data collection interval: 300 fatigue cycles

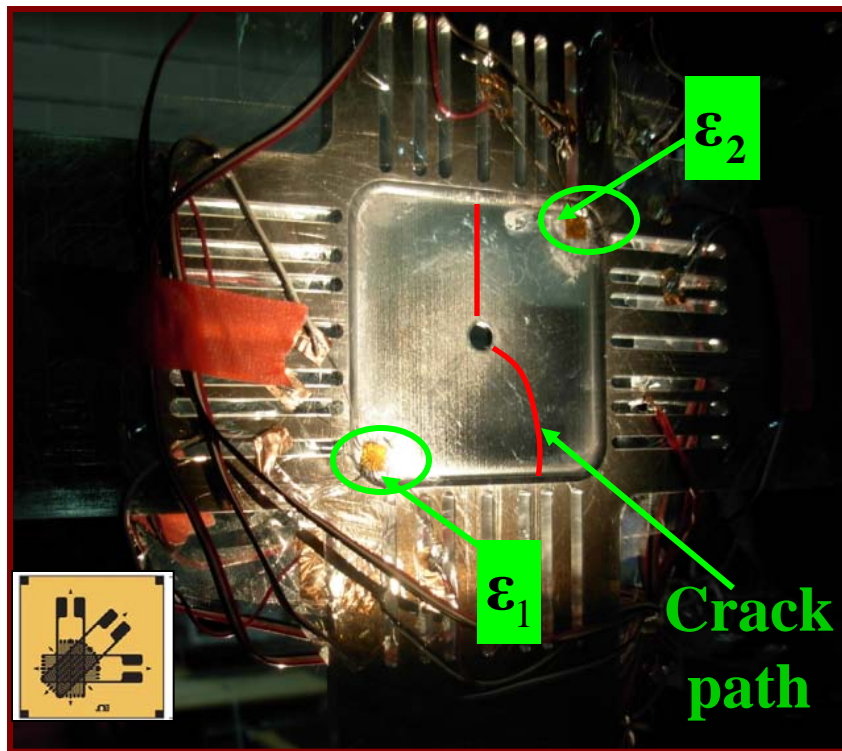


**1-block (=300 cycle) of
random load**

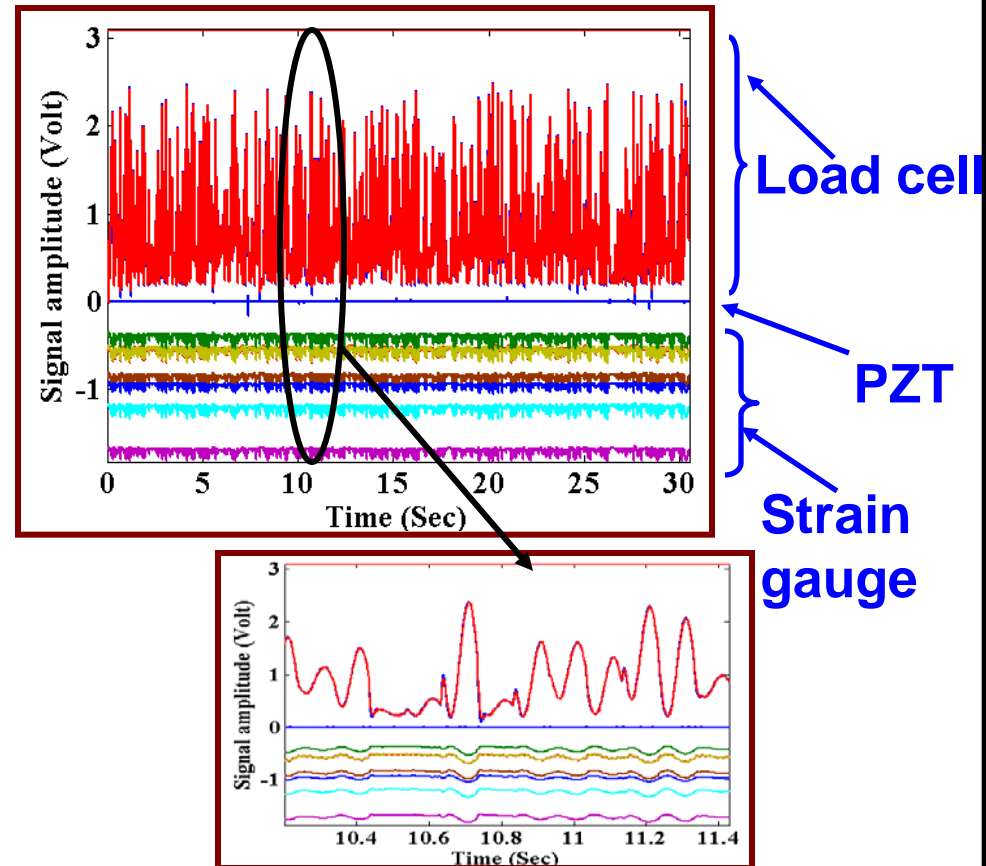


Data Collection

Instrumented cruciform specimen

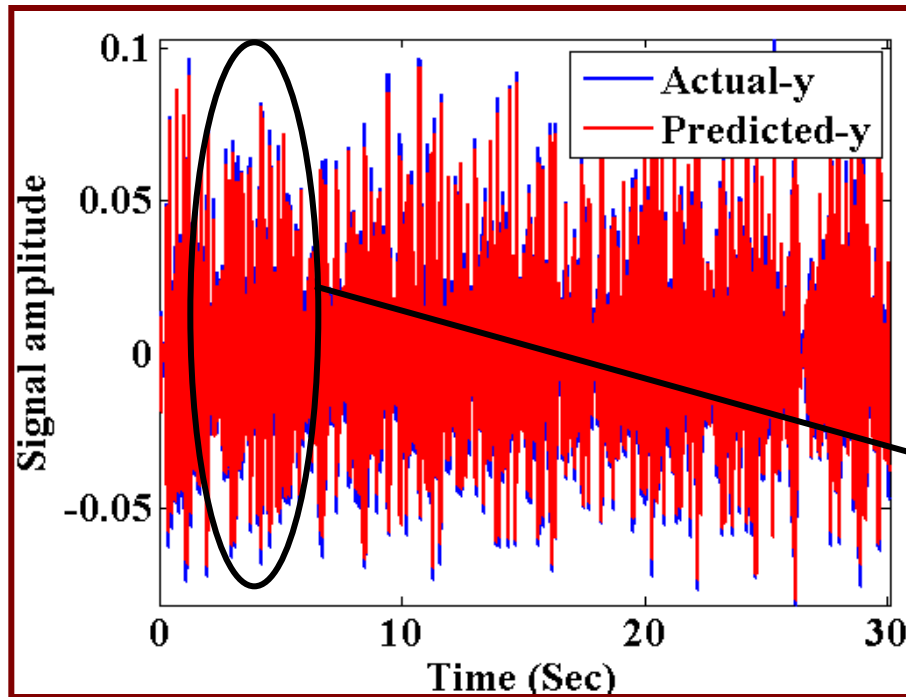


Original signal from DAQ



Step-1: Reference Model Estimation ($P_{U \rightarrow u}^0$ or $P_{U \rightarrow y}^0$) Using Gaussian process

Comparison between regenerated (predicted) and actual strain measurement

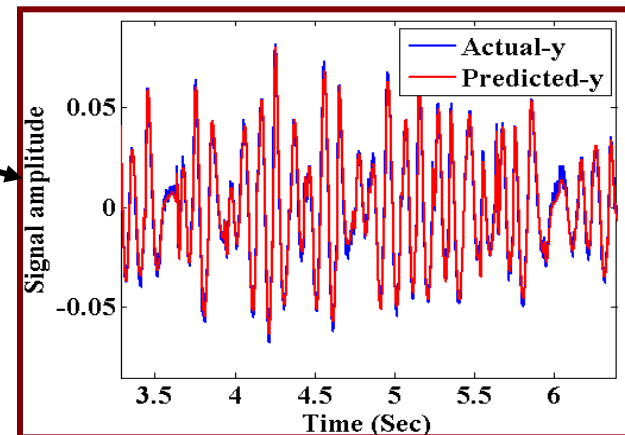


GP Input - Output

Known input = U_x^0, U_y^0

Known output = $y \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$

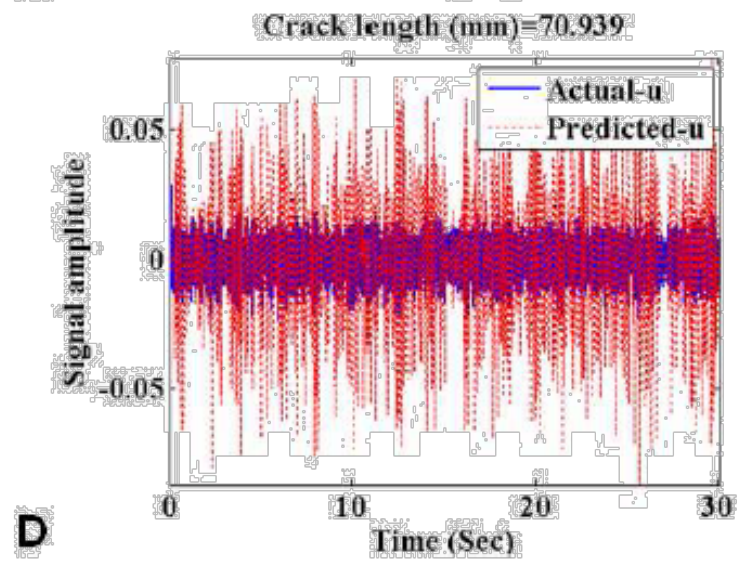
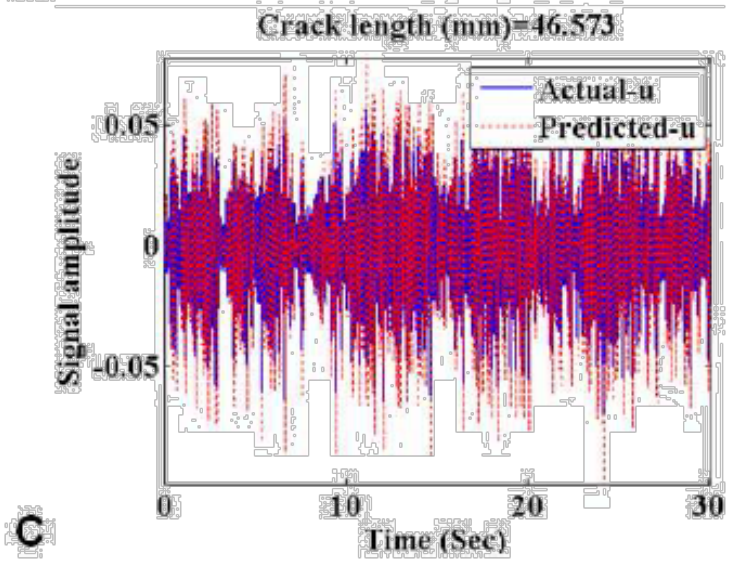
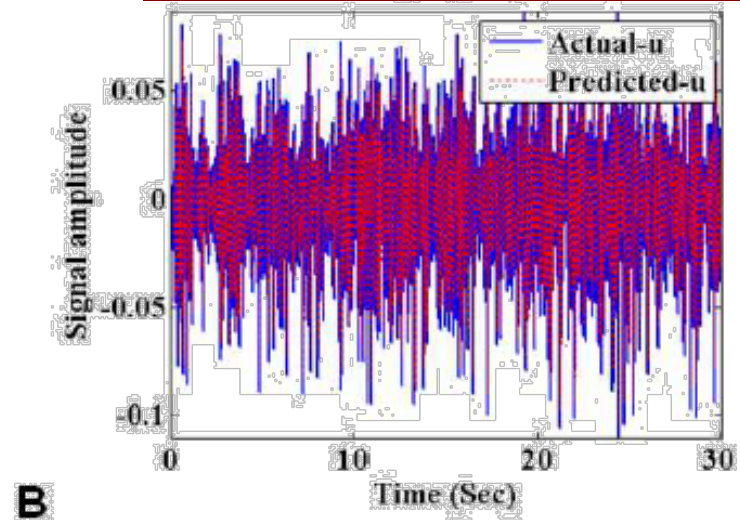
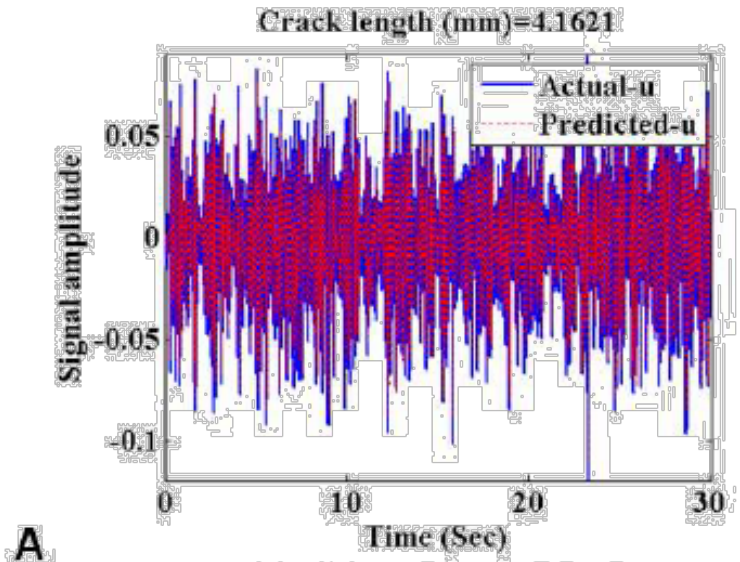
Magnified view



SHM and Prognosis

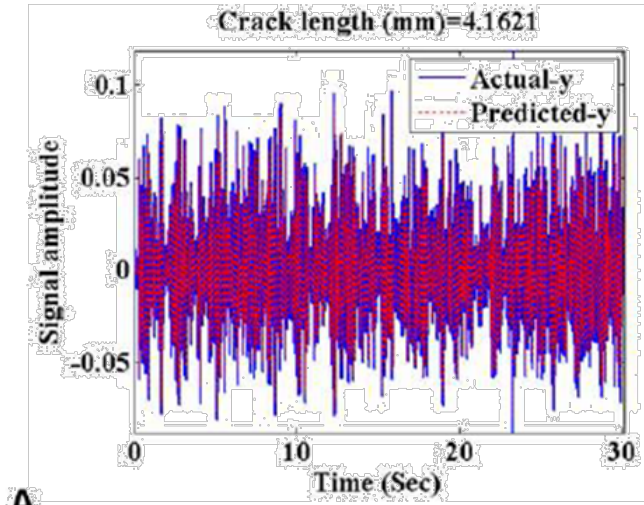
Step 2: Predicted versus actual input (u) dynamic strain at different damage levels

Given = L_x^n, L_y^n ; **Known** = $P_{L \rightarrow u}^0, P_{L \rightarrow y}^0$
Unknown = $u^n \Leftarrow \hat{u}^n \& y^n \Leftarrow \hat{y}^n$

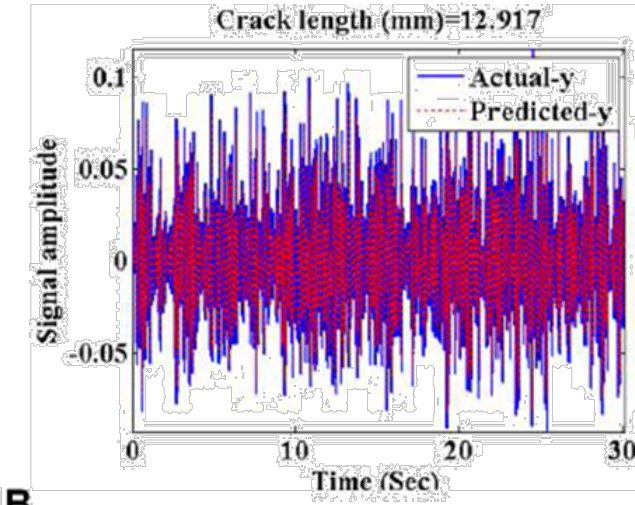


Step 2 (contd.): Predicted versus actual output (y) dynamic strain at different damage levels

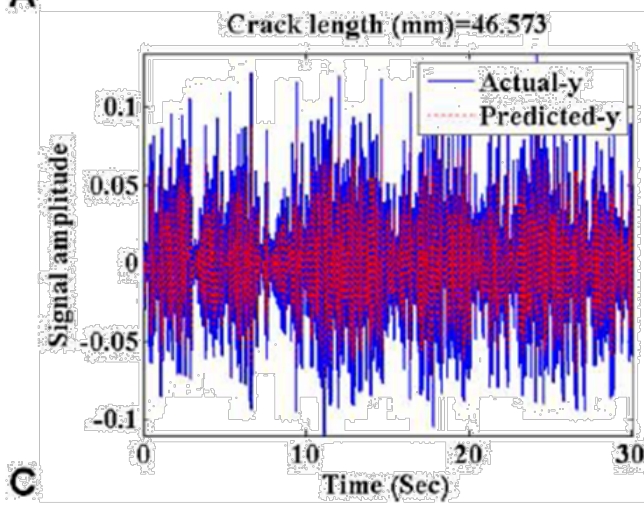
Given = L_x^n, L_y^n ; **Known** = $P_{L \rightarrow u}^0, P_{L \rightarrow y}^0$
Unknown = $u^n \in \mathbb{R}^n$ & $y = (\varepsilon^n)_2^n$



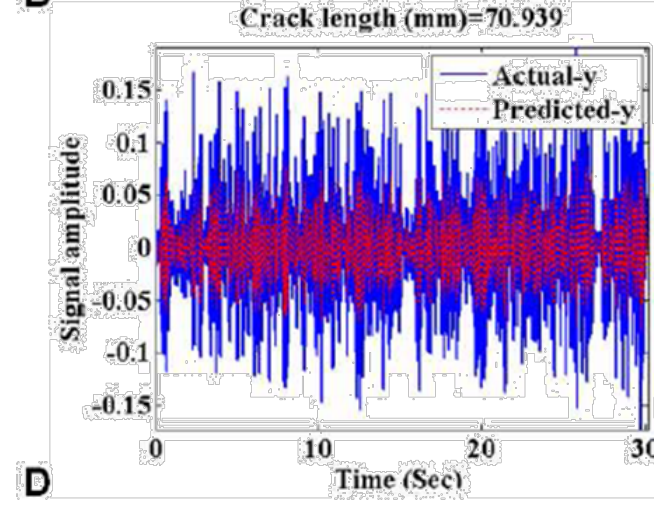
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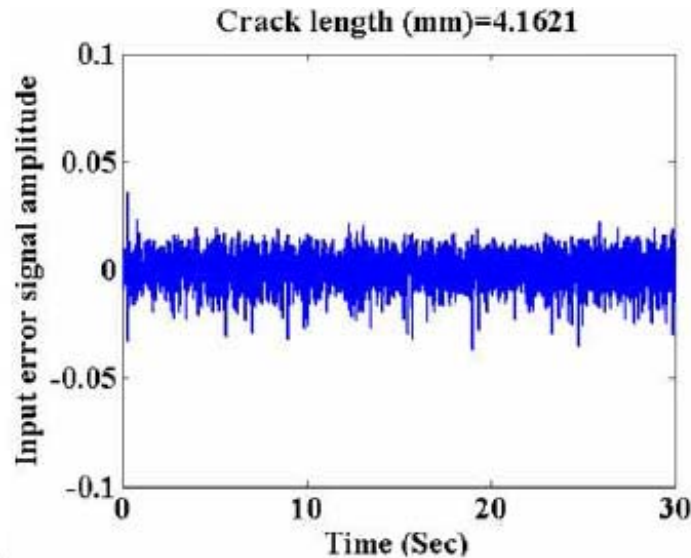


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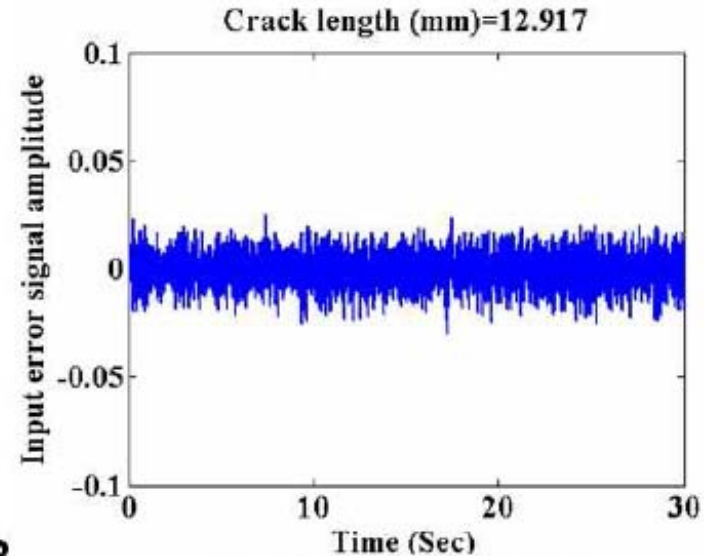


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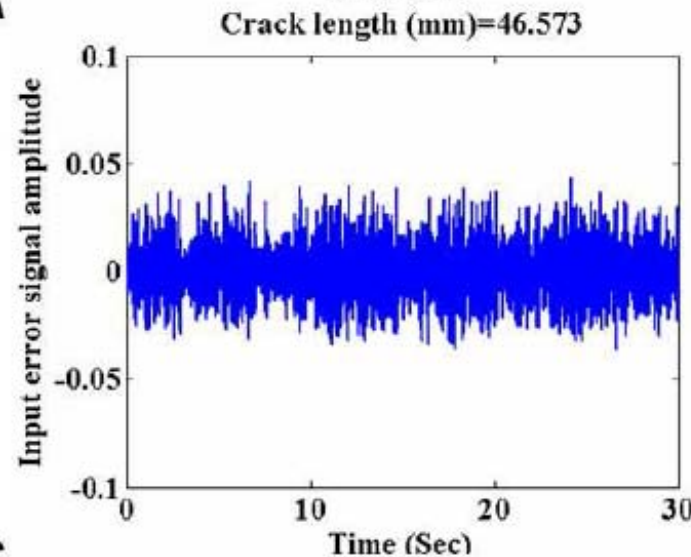
Step 3: Time-series input (u) error signal at different damage levels



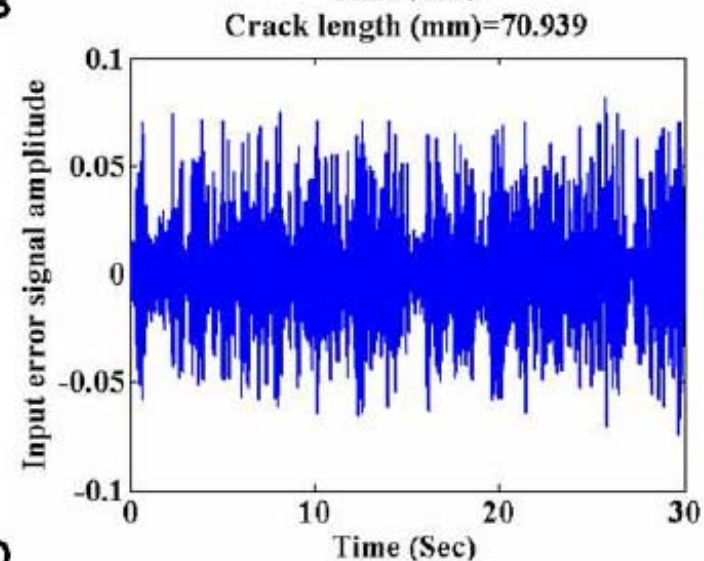
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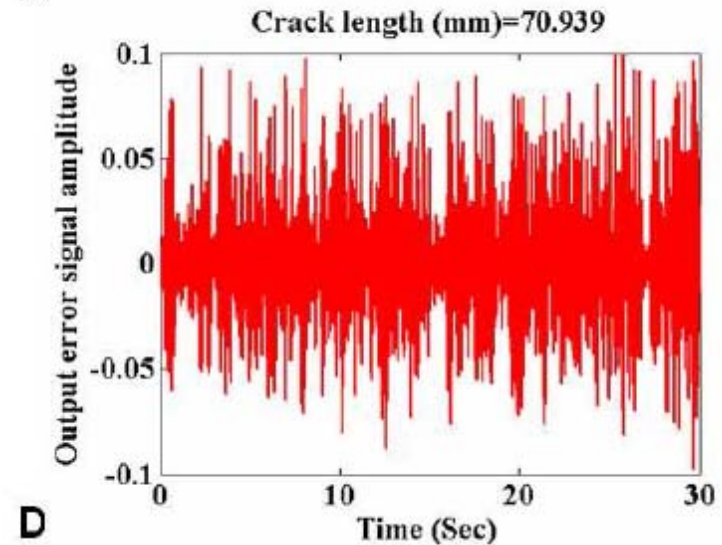
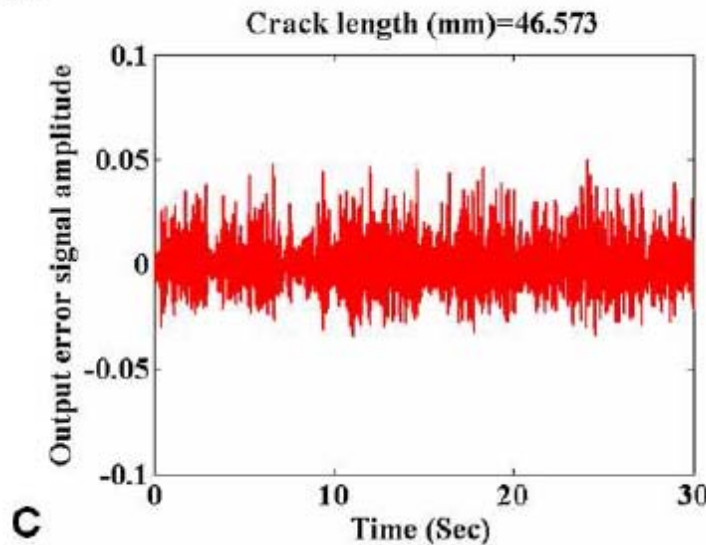
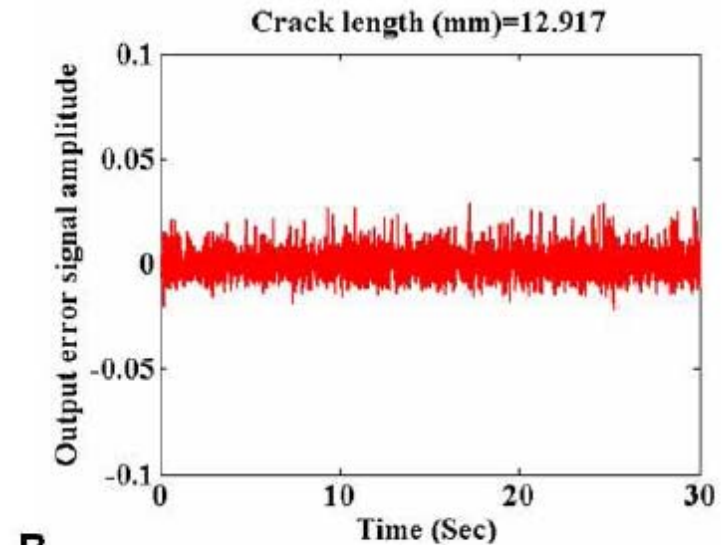
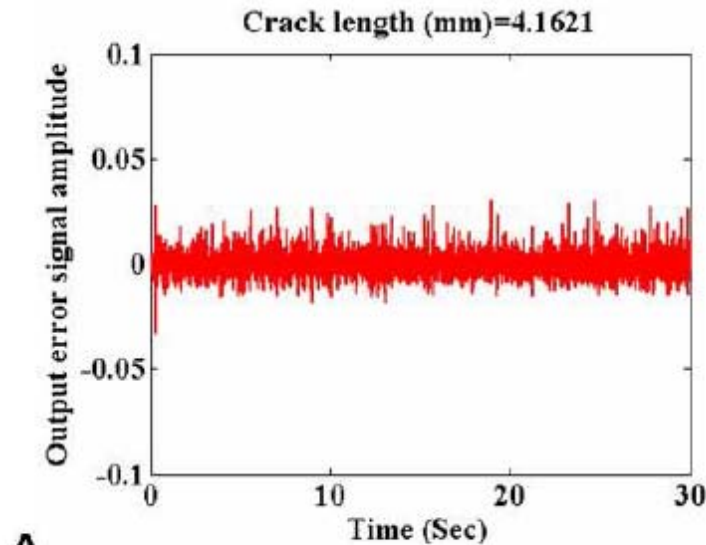


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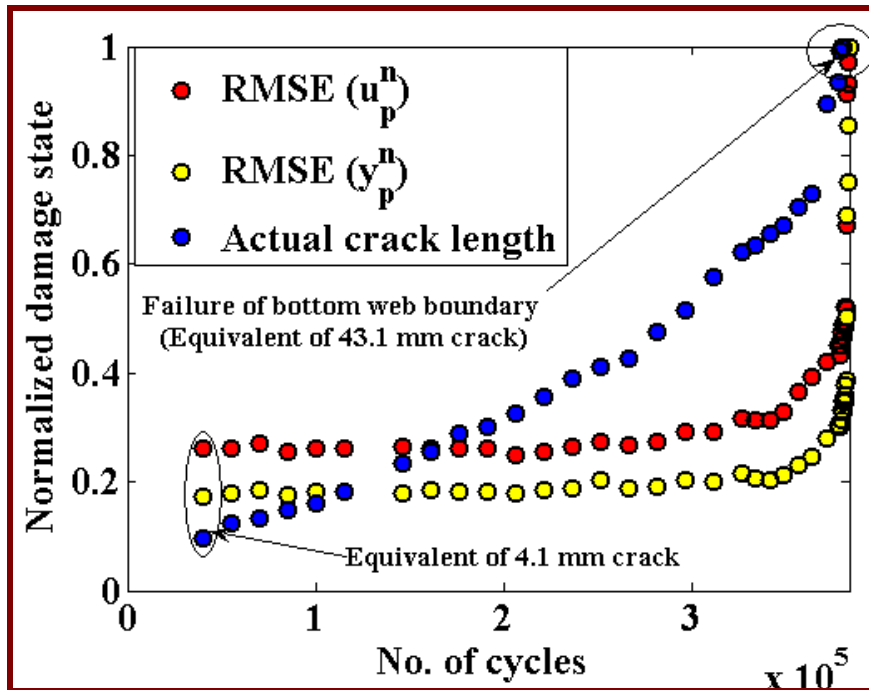
Step 3 (contd) : Time-series output (y) error signal at different damage levels



Step 4 : Time-series Damage State Estimation

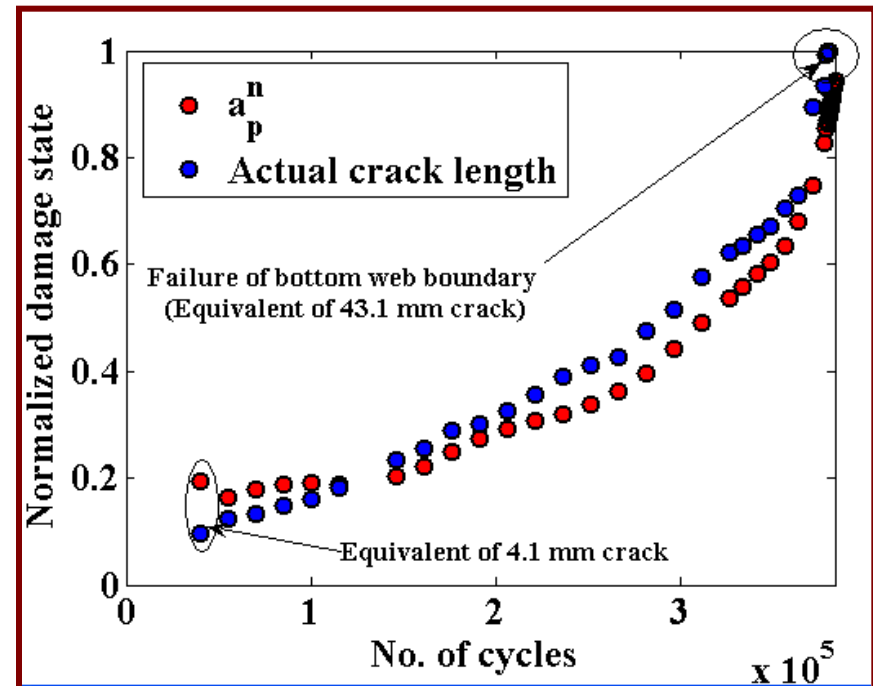
RMSE based damage index (DI)

$$a^n = \sqrt{\frac{1}{M} \sum_{m=1}^{m=M} [e_{(u \text{ or } y)}^n(m)]^2}$$



CRA based damage index (DI)

$$a^n = \sqrt{\frac{\sum_{m=0}^{m=M} (R_{e_u e_y}^n(m) - R_{e_u e_y}^0(m))^2}{(R_{e_u e_y}^0(m))^2}}$$



- ❑ Good correlation between visual measurements and DI time-series
- ❑ CRA is better than RMSE of predicted error signal

Summary & Future Work

Summary

- ☐ Applications of dynamic strain mapping model presented for **online** damage state estimation using **passive sensing**
- ☐ Gaussian process used to create input-output model
- ☐ Approach demonstrates clear trend over the entire stage II and stage III damage regime

Future work

- ☐ More testing on different geometries
- ☐ Test using out of phase or independent random load on each axis
- ☐ Investigate alternative passive sensors to try and detect stage I cracks
- ☐ Implementing multisensor information