

Enabling future vehicle technologies

Condition monitoring and fault diagnosis of vehicle components with on-board sensors

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Outline



Introduction

- Digital Operation Rail Systems
- Machine learning on fault diagnosis of bogie components
- Data-driven damper condition estimation
- Data processing and data-driven model generation
- Results
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Digital Operation Rail Systems



Decision Basis for Maintenance Systems



Data-driven condition monitoring and fault diagnosis of vehicle components with on-board sensors

Simulation data

Rail wheels profile

Bogie components

Fault diagnosis of dampers with on-board acoustic sensors

Wheel wear detection and classification based on on-board inertial sensors

Test measured data

Data-driven condition monitoring and fault diagnosis of vehicle components with on-board sensors







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Wheel Profiles



Our way to approach the problem ...





Machine Learning framework for this use-case



Machine Learning - Feature extraction & selection

Feature extraction from all sensor

- Time domain:
 - max, std, kurtosis, skewness, peak-to-peak, ...
- Frequency domain:
 - spectral peak, energy in frequency bins, ...
- Time-frequency domain:
 - Spectral kurtosis, STFT, EMD, WVD,...

Feature selection







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Classification of worn and new profile

- Parameter study (running behaviour) based on MBD simulations
 - System parameter
 - Operating conditions
- Expected influence of different wheel-profile conditions
- High influence of 'other operating' conditions
- Separation seems easier in curved tracks
- 'Physics' explain the observations
- Machine Learning (ML) algorithms verify the hypothesis
 - two features from lateral acceleration of the bogie and carbody were enough to separate new from worn profile
 - results were used to develop wheel wear degradation models for predictive maintenance



⇒ Knowledge of operating conditions where higher lateral movement lead to higher axle box accelerations is essential for Machine Learning classification results!





Main goal:

• Feasibility study for condition monitoring of bogie suspension dampers with on-board acoustic sensors

Secondary objectives:

- Find signal features that contain information from faulty behaviour
- Find features to classify a fault independently of fault location and train operating condition
- Find the best operation conditions to isolate each fault
- Validate and verify robustness of the methodology and explore its possibilities on fault diagnostics





Acoustic vs inertial sensors in train CBM

- Structure components (beams, masses, dampers, springs, junctions) act as signal filters.
- Locating the sensors close to the components exposes it to higher fatigue loads
- Fault acoustic emissions (AE) can be detected before structural vibrations are detectable with inertial sensors → Potential failure (P) vs functional failure (F)
- "Like a stone" in a car tire, you don't feel the acceleration difference when driving but you
 can ear it if you drive slow with the window open





Damper condition estimation:

- Data acquisition
- Data preprocessing
 - Data cleaning
 - Signals synchronization
 - Track segmentation
 - Observation samples into a data structure
- Fault detection isolation (FDI)
 - Data available check
 - Feature generation
 - Feature selection
 - Fault classification





Feature generation from stationary and non-stationary vibration signals

- **Time domain features**: e.g. max, peak-peak, median, std, crest factor, skewness, kurtosis, crest factor
- **Frequency domain features**: e.g. FFT (magnitude and phase), PSD, spectral centroid, spectral spread, spectral bandwidth
- **Time-frequency domain features**
 - Short-time Fourier Transform (spectrogram), Mel Frequency Cepstral Coefficients (**MFCC**)



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FDI



Sensors on bogie side frame

- Classification performance is highly influenced by the level of excitation
- Features filtering aerodynamic noise increased classification performance considerably
- In straight track sections all faults were successfully classified using just 2 features
- Secondary vertical damper removed (SVD00) is easier to classify in straight and transition track sections







Ship structural problems:

• Corrosion and fatigue cracking are the most pervasive types experienced in ship structures

Objective:

• Reduce welding and operation costs through predictive maintenance (dry-docking is expensive)

Methods:

• Acoustic Emissions method has been successfully used to inspect large offshore structural integrity

• Data-driven approach:

- Training models with measured data from onboard sensors like: AE sensors, accelerometers, microphones, temperature, strain, humidity and gas sensors
- Sensitivity analysis to find most important features to characterize structural health condition
- Performing anomaly detection and fault diagnosis using machine learning methods
- Prognostics fitting degradation models
- Model-based and hybrid approaches:
 - Generate vibroacoustic models to monitor welded joints with high stress and validate with measurements
 - Train data-driven models with results from vibroacoustic

Analysis of qualitative and quantitative influence to the structural integrity

 External loads, material characters, component shape, surface condition, corrosion severity, existing cracks, static and dynamics stress load

Analysis of Non-Destructive Testing signal processing

- Pre-processing
- Feature generation / selection
- Pattern recognition / classification
- Prognostics

Damage monitoring

- Detection
- Localization
- Assessment
- Life prediction



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 Table 5.3: Support Vector Machine classification results of KDE-based patterns and the associated damage mechanisms

	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4
Detection rate [%]	85.24	79.72	94.69	86.81
AE event	C3	C4	C2	C1
Damage	Fiber breakage	Matrix cracking	Debonding.	Delamination

Baccar 2015



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AiKuo Lee et al. 2014



Summary

- Digital Operation Rail System has successfully applied system knowledge and machine learning on:
 - Wheel wear prognostics
 - Suspension dampers fault diagnosis
- The feasibility study of monitoring bogie dampers with data-driven models using acoustic sensors has been validated with two measurement campaigns

Outlook

- Data combination from different sensors (accelerometers and microphones)
- Environment operating condition detection
- Component condition estimation through regression (supervised learning)
- Development of on-board prognosis algorithms for damper degradation predictions
- Unsupervised learning from monitored in-service trains



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Questions & Discussion

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Mel Frequency Cepstral Coefficients (MFCC)

- Widely used in automatic speech recognition systems
- Keeps only relevant features, discards other sounds that carries Information like background noise, etc
- Triangle filter banks are spaced according to the mel frequency scale
- Inverse Discrete Cosine Transformation (DCT) is used to decorrelate the outputs and reduce dimensionality



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Supervised learning flow



Cross-validation

- K-fold training dataset israndomly split into k folds without replacement, where k-1 folds are used for the model training and one fold is used for testing. This procedure is repeated k times and performance estimates.
- Stratified k-fold cross-validation yield better bias and variance estimates, especially in cases of unequal class proportions



Sebastian Raschka 2015