
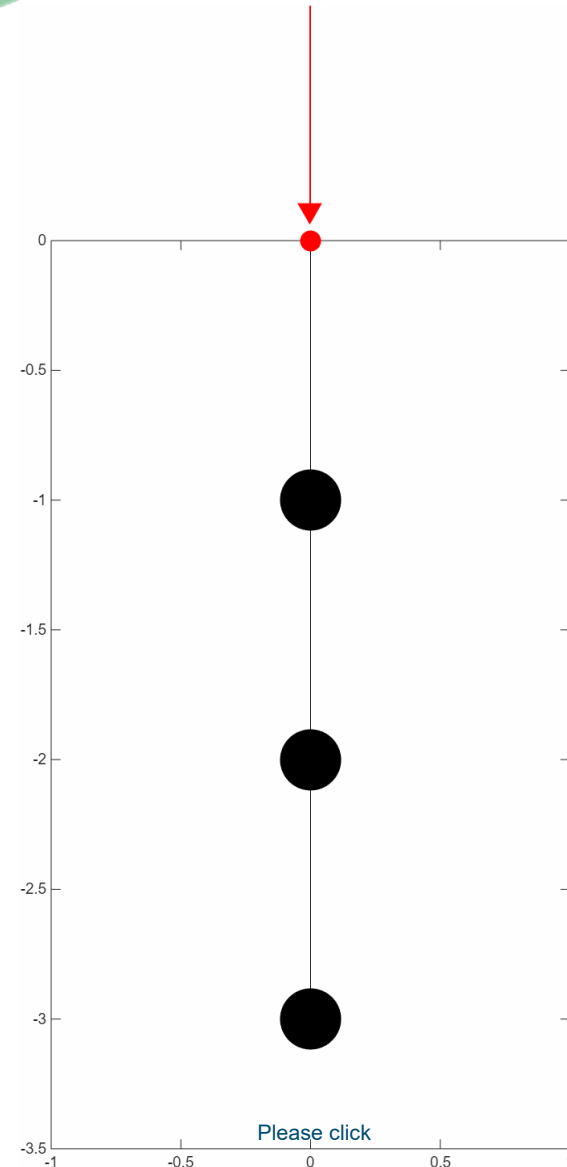


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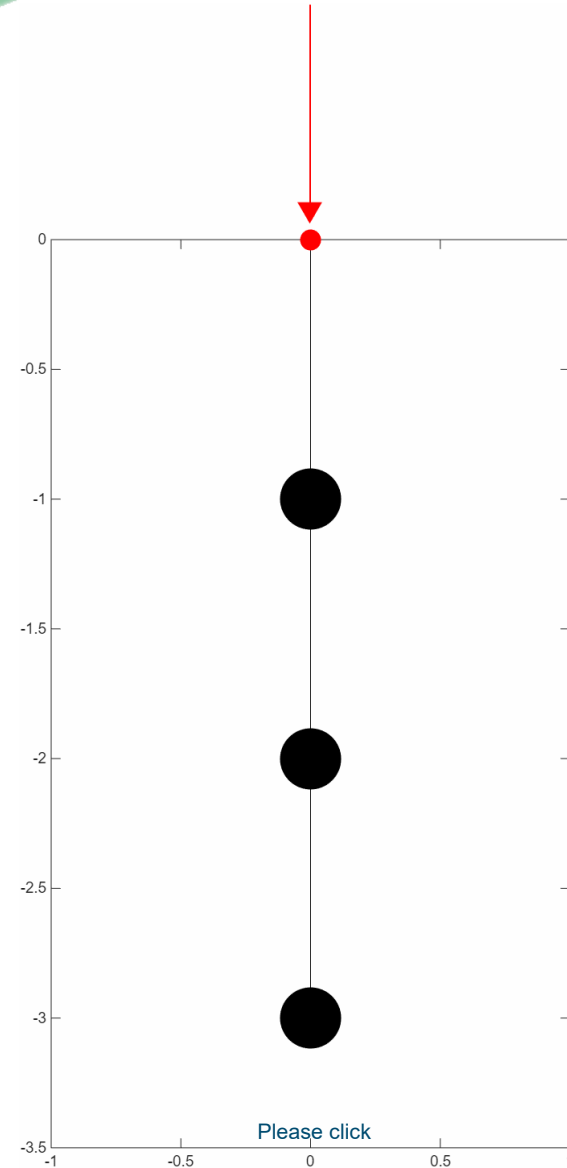
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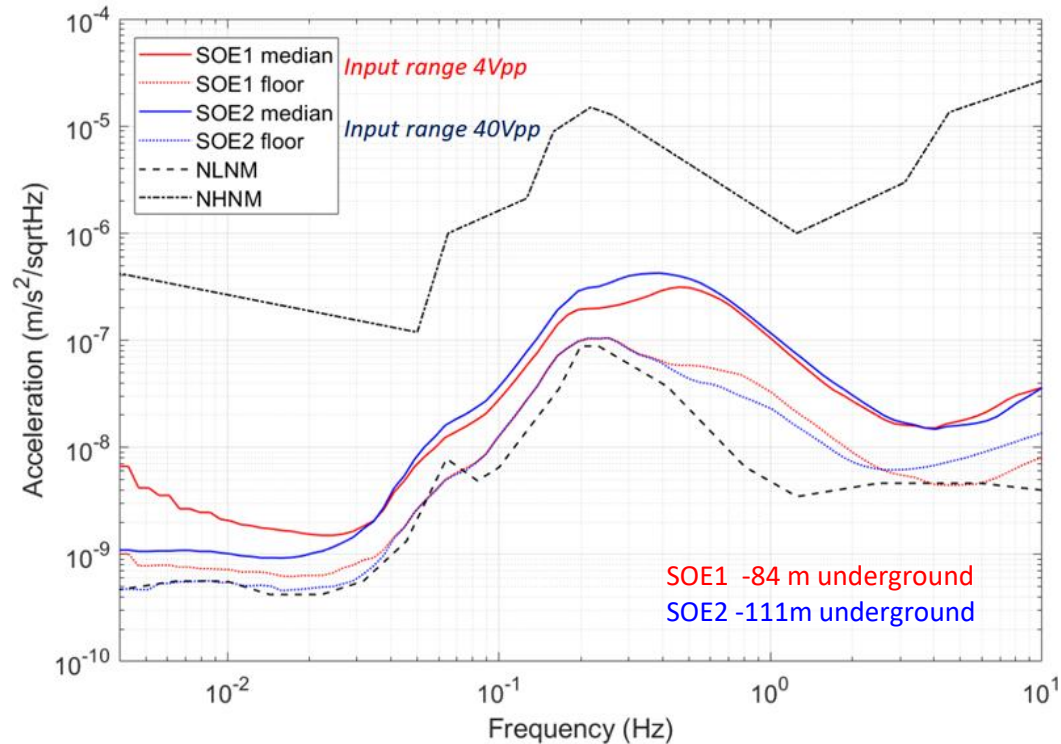
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- Seism never sleeps

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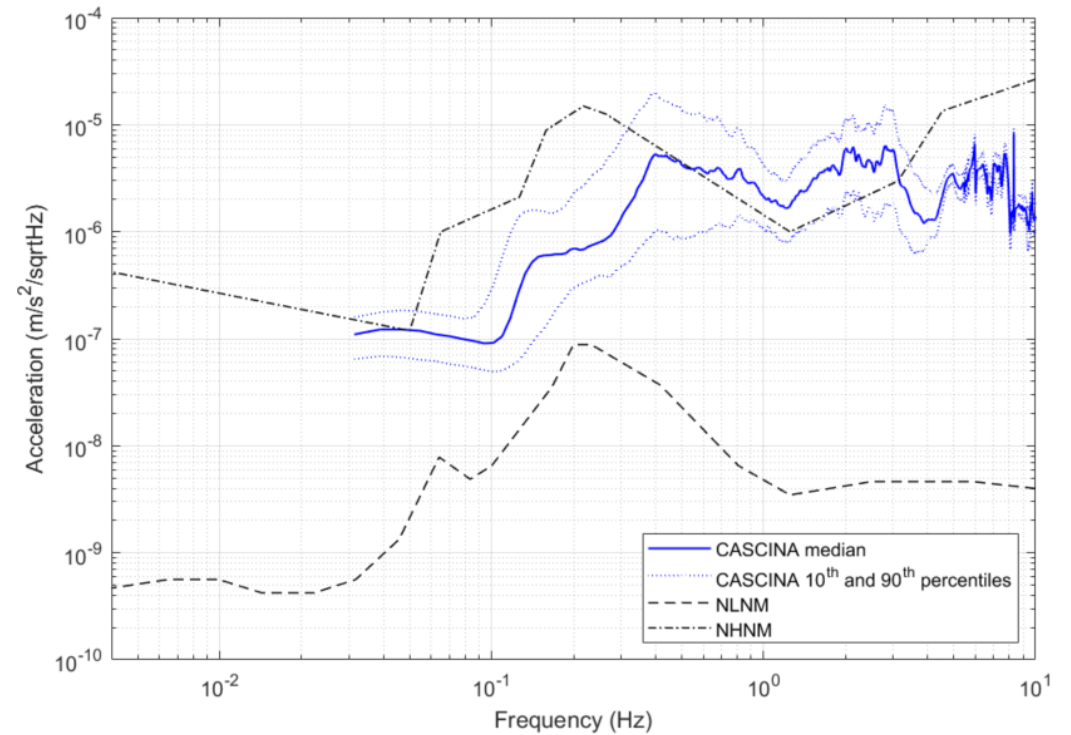
Vertical Acceleration ASD



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Virgo

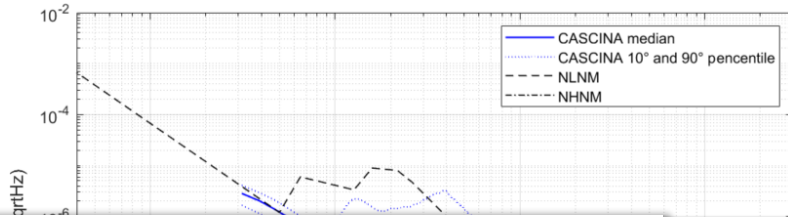
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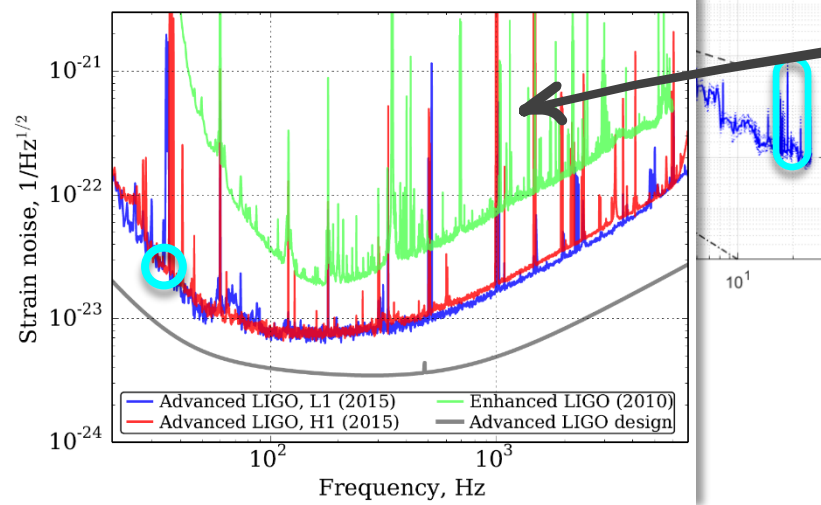
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• Vibrations must be rejected

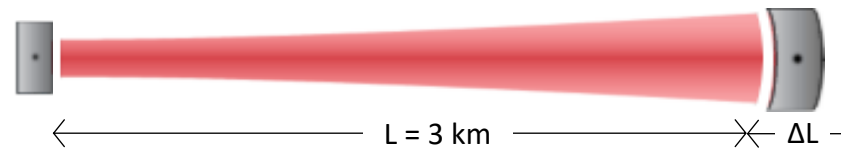
Virgo Horizontal Displacement ASD



LIGO sensitivity during First Detection



In Virgo, seismic displacements between 10^{-10} and $10^{-8} \text{ m}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}}$ are recorded on ground at 20 Hz.



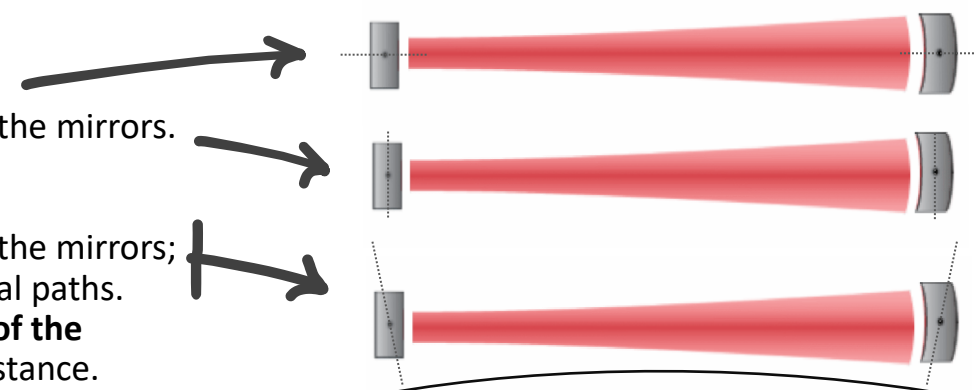
Without any filtering, this would mask strains of the **3 km** arm like $h > \frac{10^{-10} \frac{\text{m}}{\sqrt{\text{Hz}}}}{3 \cdot 10^3 \text{m}} = 3 \cdot 10^{-14} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\text{Hz}}}$.

Horizontal vibrations act

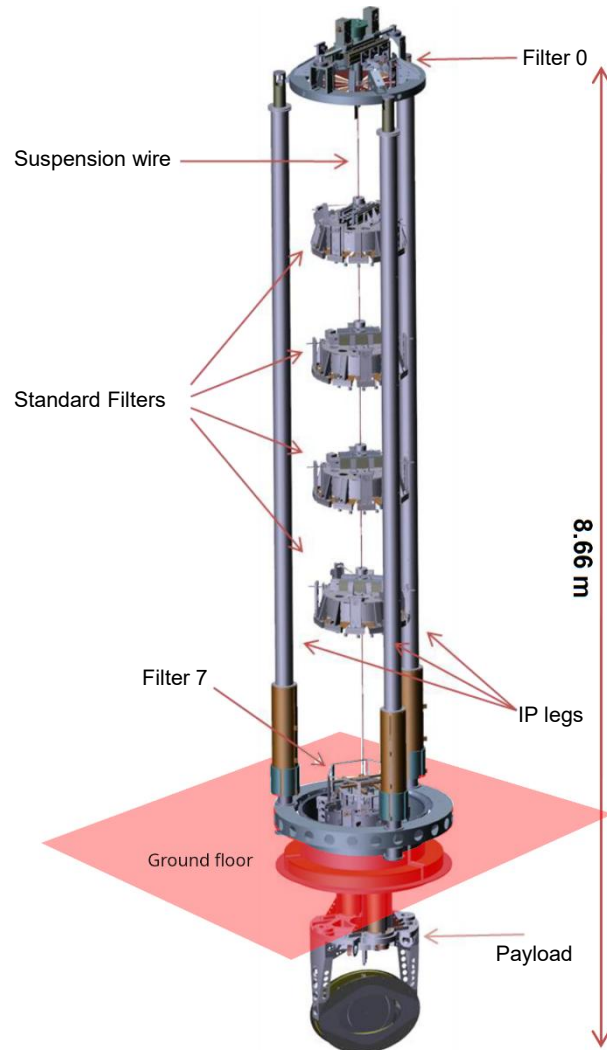
- on the length of the optical paths;
- on the centering and alignment of the mirrors.

Vertical vibrations act

- on the centering and alignment of the mirrors;
 - (slightly) on the length of the optical paths.
- This comes from the **convergence of the vertical directions** at a km-scale distance.



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• The Superattenuator solution

Each cavity mirror is currently suspended in Advanced Virgo from a Superattenuator (SA).

The AdVirgo SA is a **passive** mechanical filter whose main components are

- an **Inverted Pendulum (IP)**, made of three identical legs and a top ring;
- a top vertical oscillator called **Filter 0**;
- a chain of four **Standard Filters**, suspended to each other;
- a special final filter (**Filter 7**), suspended from the previous and connected to the Payload.

The **Payload** components are

- a stiff reference cage rigidly connected to Filter 7;
- a **Marionette**, suspended from Filter 7 and controlled from the cage;
- the **Mirror**, suspended from the Marionette and controlled from the cage.

See Valerio Boschi – SUSP Training session, <https://tds.virgo-gw.eu/?r=16165>

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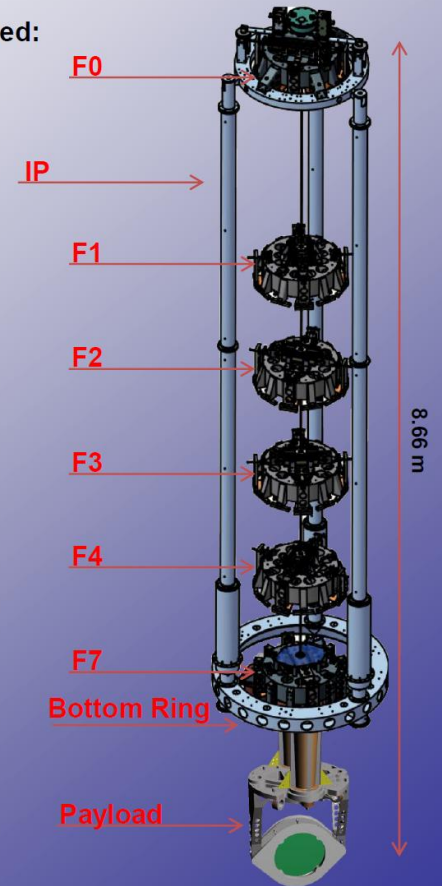
Not so passive, indeed

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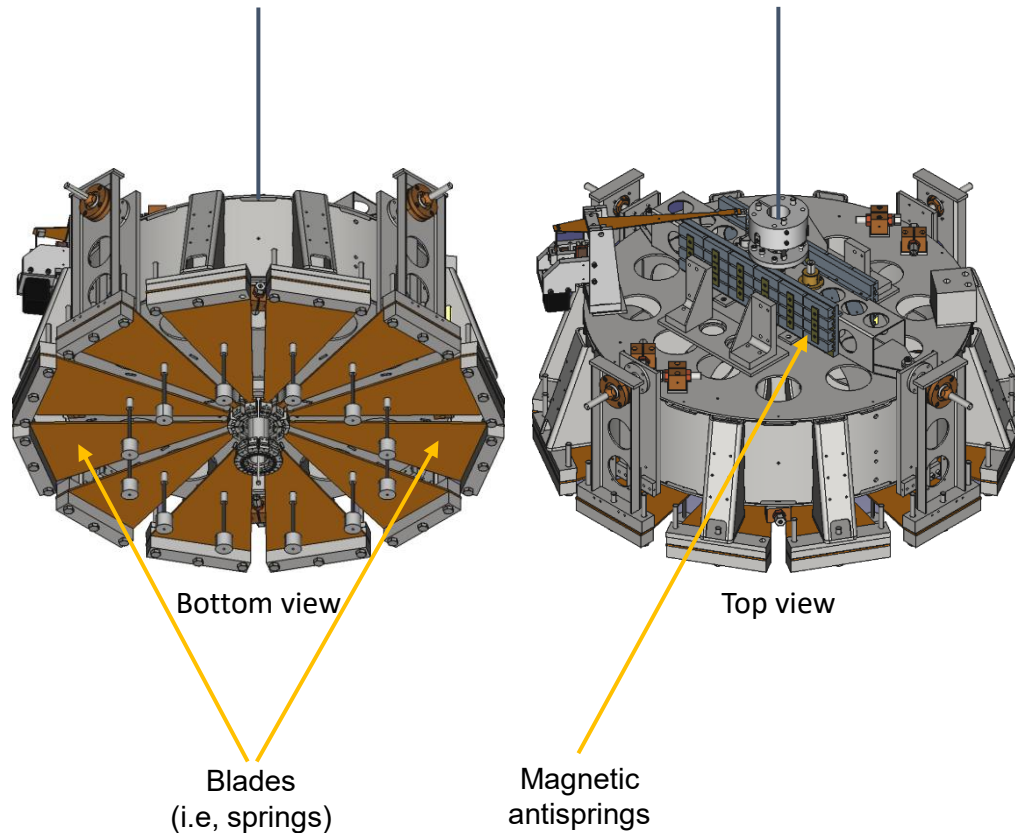
Introduction Control system setup

On long superattenuators (BS, NI, NE, WI, WE, PR, SR) are installed:

- **18 LVDTs** of 3 different types
 - 9 Vertical LVDTs (F0 – F7 Crossbar, Bottom Ring)
 - 3 F0 Horizontal LVDT
 - 6 F7 LVDTs
- **5 Accelerometers** of 2 different types installed on F0:
 - 3 Horizontal Accs
 - 2 Vertical Accs
- **23 Coils** of 4 different types
 - 5 F0 Coils
 - 6 F7 Coils
 - 8 Marionette coils
 - 4 Mirror coils
- **3 Piezos** on bottom ring (**Not used yet**)
- **21 Motors**
 - 1 Top screw F0 vertical motor
 - 3 F0 trolley motors
 - 6 Fishing rod motors
 - 2 Marionette motors
 - 4 F7 motors
 - 5 Accelerometer motors



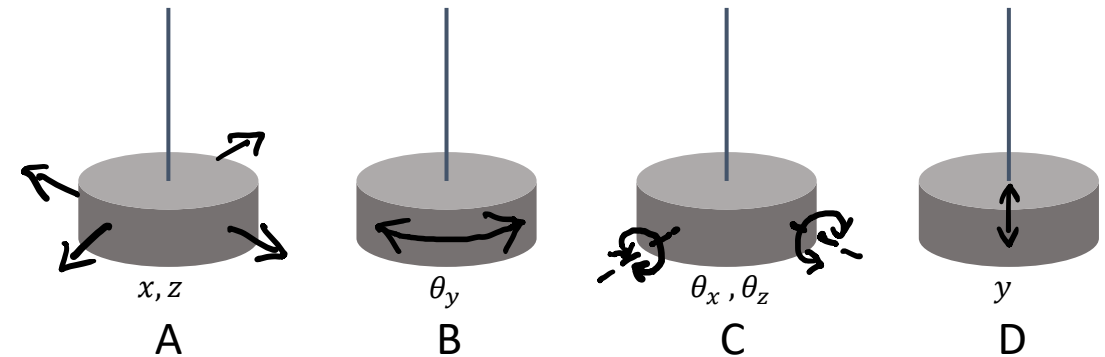
• Standard Filter



The AdV Superattenuator has four suspended Standard Filters

Each Standard Filter is a physical pendulum with several degrees of freedom.

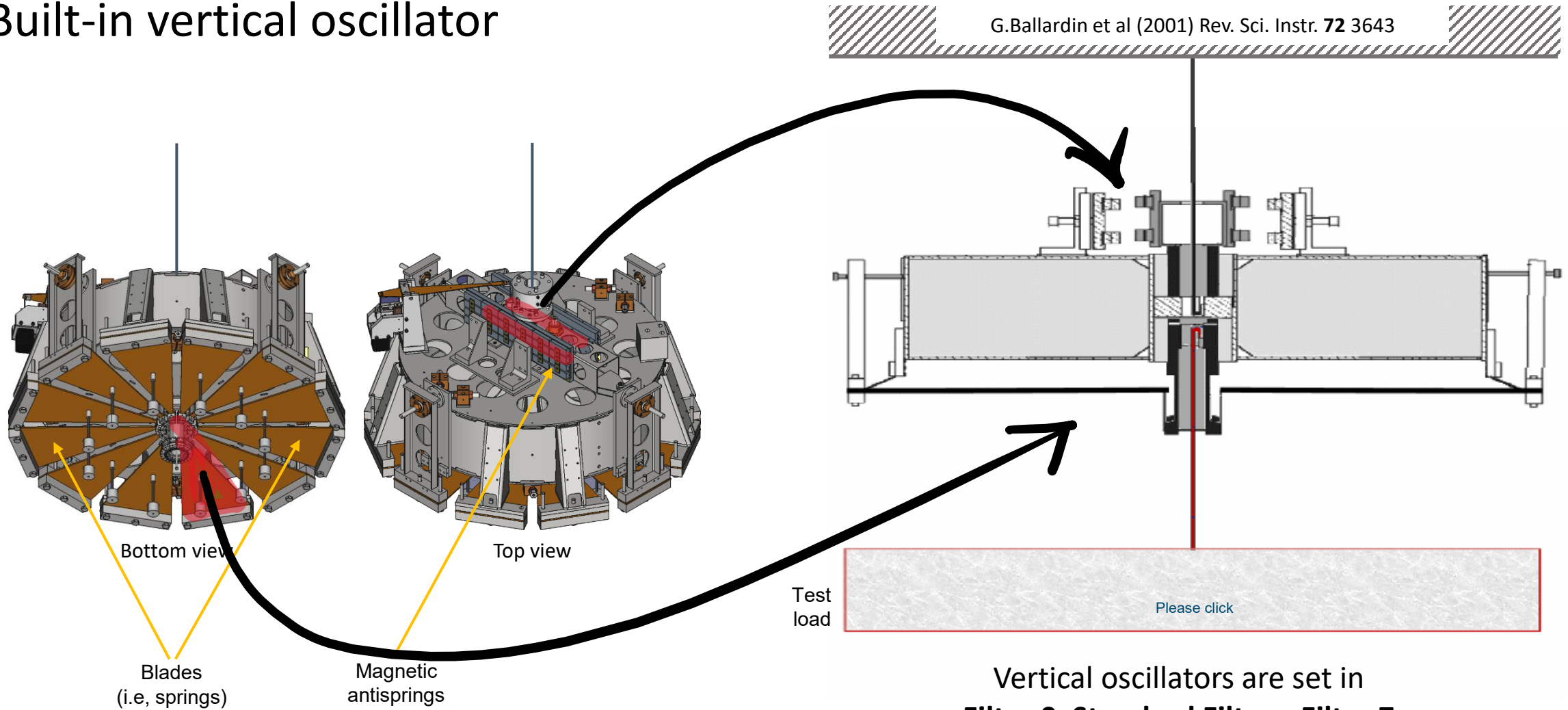
Each DOF oscillates with its own frequency.



Oscillations A, B, C spontaneously occur depending on gravity, inertia of the massive body, wire properties.

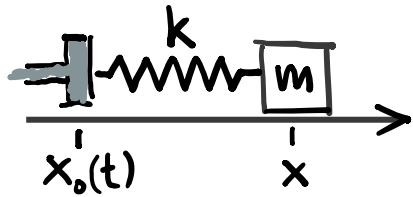
Motion D requires a **dedicated vertical oscillator**.

- Built-in vertical oscillator



Vertical oscillators are set in
Filter 0, Standard Filters, Filter 7

- A toy model of the oscillating filter



A mechanical filter can be understood in terms of **oscillators**.

Let's create a toy filter using an elastic oscillator as the building brick.

A metal spring is actuated on the left side by a piston whose position is $x_0(t)$. At the right end of the spring a block can move over the spring axis.

$$k = k_0 \cdot (1 + i \phi)$$

The spring has a **loss angle ϕ** . This accounts for anelastic relaxations in the spring material.

$$m \ddot{x} = -k \cdot (x - x_0)$$

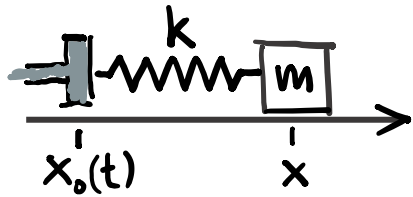
$$-m\omega^2 \tilde{x} = -k \cdot (\tilde{x} - \tilde{x}_0)$$

$$(k - m\omega^2) \tilde{x} = k \tilde{x}_0$$

$$\tilde{x} = -\frac{\omega_0^2 \cdot (1 + i \phi)}{\omega^2 - \omega_0^2 \cdot (1 + i \phi)} \tilde{x}_0$$

$$f_T(\omega) = -\frac{\omega_0^2 \cdot (1 + i \phi)}{\omega^2 - \omega_0^2 \cdot (1 + i \phi)}$$

- A toy model of the oscillating filter



Power transfer function

$$|f_T(\omega)|^2 = \left| \frac{-\omega_0^2 \cdot (1 + i\phi)}{\omega^2 - \omega_0^2 \cdot (1 + i\phi)} \right|^2$$

Peak power transfer

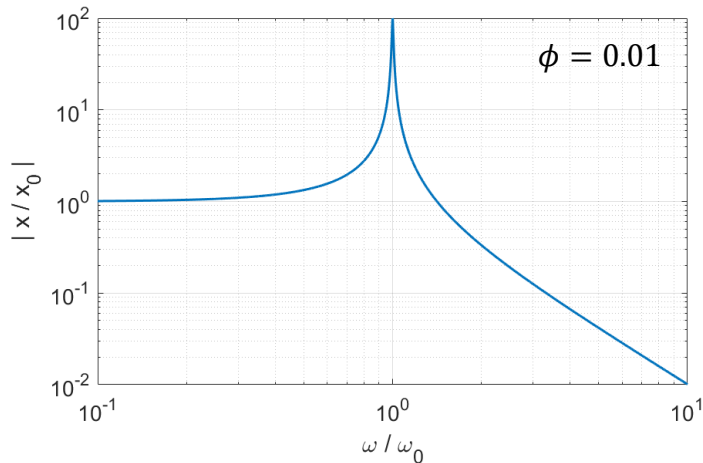
$$|f_T(\omega_0)|^2 = \left| \frac{1+i\phi}{i\phi} \right|^2 \cong \frac{1}{\phi^2}$$

Pulsation at half peak power:

$$|f_T(\omega_{1/2})|^2 = \frac{1}{2\phi^2}$$

$$k = k_0 \cdot (1 + i\phi)$$

$$Q \cong \phi^{-1}$$

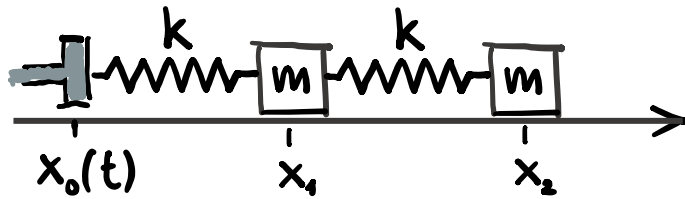


$$\Rightarrow \left| \frac{\omega_{1/2}^2 - \omega_0^2 \cdot (1 + i\phi)}{\omega_0^2 \cdot (1 + i\phi)} \right|^2 = 2\phi^2 \quad \Rightarrow \left| \frac{\omega_{1/2}^2}{\omega_0^2} (1 - i\phi) - 1 \right|^2 = 2\phi^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{with } \omega_{1/2} = \omega_0 \cdot (1 + \delta), \quad \left| \frac{\omega_0^2(1+2\delta)}{\omega_0^2} (1 - i\phi) - 1 \right|^2 = 2\phi^2$$

$$\Rightarrow |2\delta - i\phi|^2 = 2\phi^2 \quad \Rightarrow 4\delta^2 = \phi^2 \quad \Rightarrow \delta = \pm \frac{\phi}{2} \quad \Rightarrow \boxed{FWHM = \phi\omega_0}$$

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$$k = k_0 \cdot (1 + i \phi)$$

Let's complicate it a bit.

Two identical oscillators are connected in cascade.

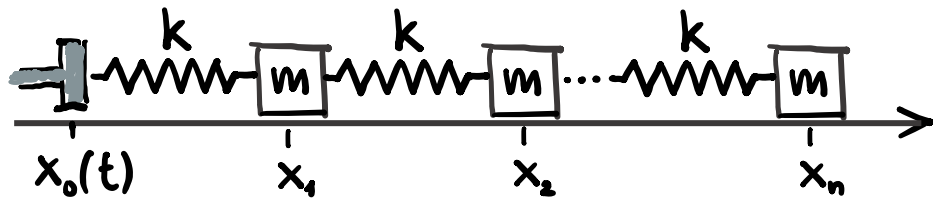
$$\begin{cases} -m\omega^2 \tilde{x}_1 = -k \cdot (\tilde{x}_1 - \tilde{x}_0) + k \cdot (\tilde{x}_2 - \tilde{x}_1) \\ -m\omega^2 \tilde{x}_2 = -k \cdot (\tilde{x}_2 - \tilde{x}_1) \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} (2k - m\omega^2)\tilde{x}_1 - k\tilde{x}_2 = k\tilde{x}_0 \\ -k\tilde{x}_1 + (k - m\omega^2)\tilde{x}_2 = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \left[\begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{m\omega^2}{k} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \right] \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}_1 \\ \tilde{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}_0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}_1 \\ \tilde{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}_0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}, \text{ with } \mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{m\omega^2}{k} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}_1 \\ \tilde{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{M}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}_0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

• A toy model of the oscillating filter

Even more complicated.
Many identical oscillators connected to each other.



$$\begin{cases} -m\omega^2 \tilde{x}_1 = -k \cdot (\tilde{x}_1 - \tilde{x}_0) + k \cdot (\tilde{x}_2 - \tilde{x}_1) \\ -m\omega^2 \tilde{x}_2 = -k \cdot (\tilde{x}_2 - \tilde{x}_1) + k \cdot (\tilde{x}_3 - \tilde{x}_2) \\ \dots \\ -m\omega^2 \tilde{x}_n = -k \cdot (\tilde{x}_n - \tilde{x}_{n-1}) \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{M} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -1 & & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 & \\ & -1 & \ddots & -1 \\ & & -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & & & -1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} - \frac{m\omega^2}{k} \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & 0 \\ & 1 & & \\ & & 1 & \\ & & & \ddots \\ 0 & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2-\lambda & -1 & & 0 \\ -1 & 2-\lambda & -1 & \\ & -1 & \ddots & -1 \\ & & -1 & 2-\lambda \\ 0 & & & -1 & 1-\lambda \end{pmatrix}, \text{ with } \lambda = \frac{m\omega^2}{k}$$

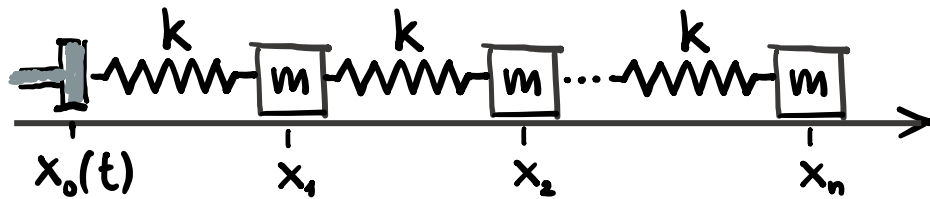
$$\Rightarrow \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}_1 \\ \tilde{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{x}_n \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{M}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}_0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

\Rightarrow displacement of the **last block**: $\tilde{x}_n = (\mathbf{M}^{-1})_{n,1} \tilde{x}_0$

$$(\mathbf{M}^{-1})_{n,1} = (-1)^{n+1} \frac{\text{Det}(\mathbf{M}_{1,n})}{\text{Det}(\mathbf{M})} = (-1)^{n+1} \frac{(-1)^{n-1}}{\text{Det}(\mathbf{M})} = \frac{1}{\text{Det}(\mathbf{M})} \Rightarrow f_T(\omega) = \frac{1}{\text{Det}(\mathbf{M})}$$

- A toy model of the oscillating filter

The transfer function from **input displacement** x_0 to **output displacement** x_n :



$$f_T(\omega) = \frac{1}{\text{Det} \begin{pmatrix} 2-\lambda & -1 & & 0 \\ -1 & 2-\lambda & -1 & \\ & -1 & \ddots & -1 \\ 0 & & -1 & 2-\lambda & -1 \\ & & & -1 & 1-\lambda \end{pmatrix}}, \text{ with } \lambda = \frac{m\omega^2}{k}$$

$$f_T(\omega) = \frac{1}{(-1)^n \lambda^n + c_{n-1} \lambda^{n-1} + \dots + c_0} = \frac{1}{(-1)^n (\lambda - \lambda_1)(\lambda - \lambda_2) \dots (\lambda - \lambda_n)}$$

$$f_T(\omega) = \frac{[-\omega_0^2(1 + i\phi)]^n}{[\omega^2 - \lambda_1 \omega_0^2(1 + i\phi)] [\omega^2 - \lambda_2 \omega_0^2(1 + i\phi)] \dots [\omega^2 - \lambda_n \omega_0^2(1 + i\phi)]}$$

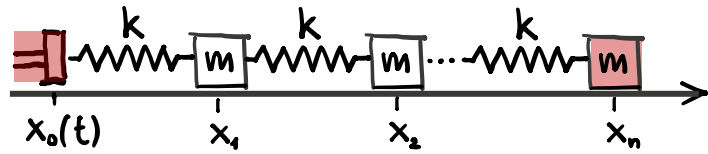
$\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$ are real numbers laying in the range (0,4).

For $\omega \gg 2\omega_0$,

$$f_T(\omega) = [-(1 + i\phi)]^n \left(\frac{\omega_0}{\omega}\right)^{2n}$$

(Low pass filter)

- A toy model of the oscillating filter



$$k = k_0 \cdot (1 + i \phi)$$

$$f_0 = 0.5 \text{ Hz}$$

$$\phi = 0.01$$

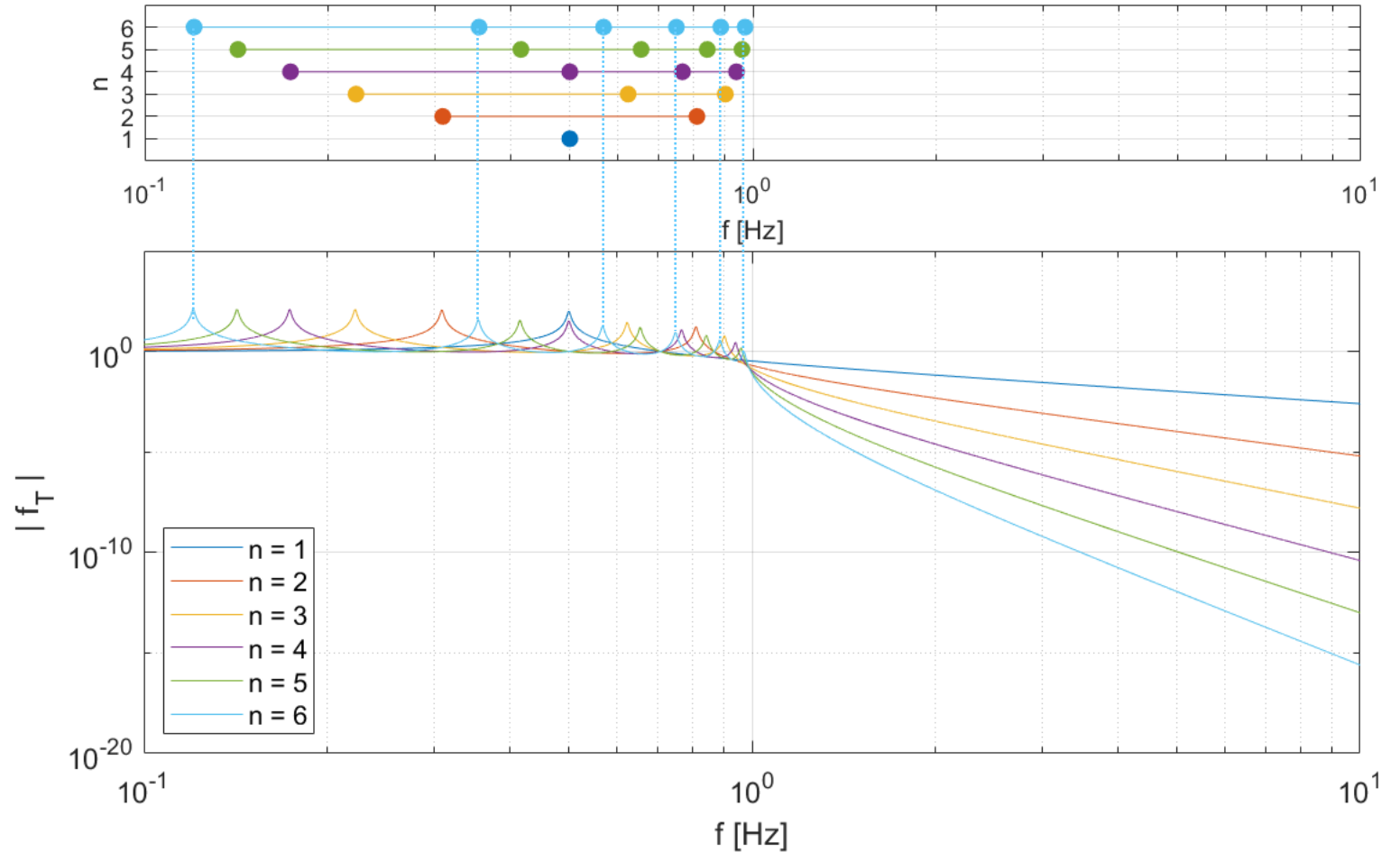
Growing n

Low n start filtering at lower frequencies.

High n have better rejections.

Above $2f_0$ all configurations filter anyway.

The transfer function from **input displacement x_0** to **output displacement x_n**



• Suspended oscillators

The linearization is left as an exercise.

Suggestion (work out the tension forces bottom-up):

$$\vec{t}_n = [-p_n \theta_n, p_n]$$

$$\vec{t}_{n-1} = [-(p_{n-1} + t_n) \theta_{n-1}, p_{n-1} + t_n]$$

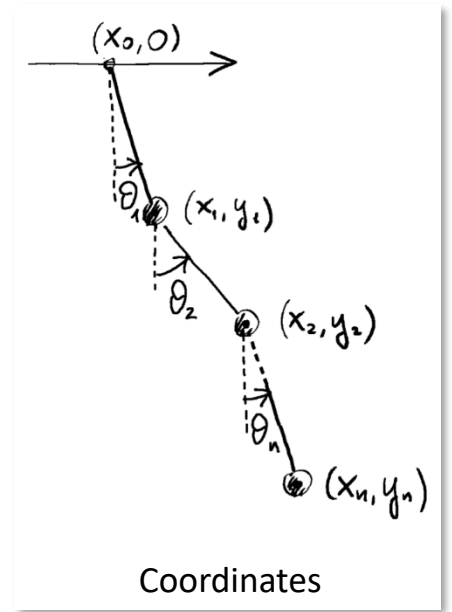
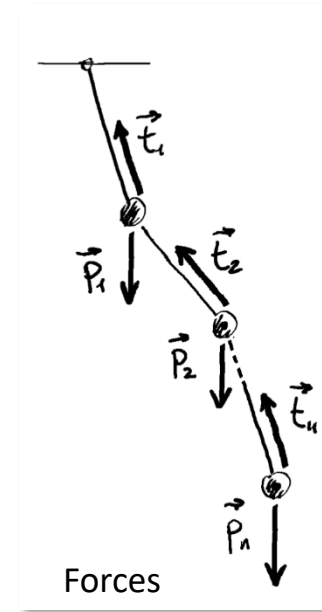
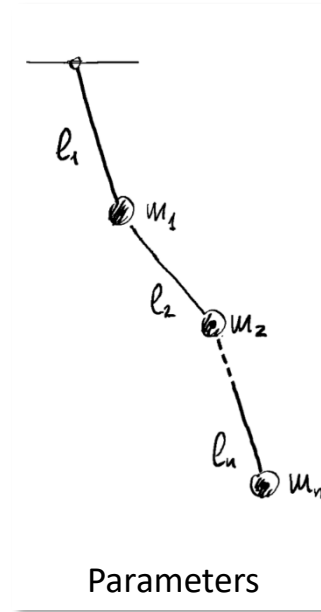
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where the angles amount to $\theta_i = \frac{x_i - x_{i-1}}{l_i}$.

You'll get $\tilde{y}_i = -(l_1 + l_2 + \dots + l_i)$

and

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}_1 \\ \tilde{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{x}_n \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{M}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}_0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$



$$\text{with } \mathbf{M} = g \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{m_1} \left(\frac{M_1}{l_1} + \frac{M_2}{l_2} \right) & -\frac{M_2}{m_1 l_2} & & & 0 \\ -\frac{M_2}{m_2 l_2} & \frac{1}{m_2} \left(\frac{M_2}{l_2} + \frac{M_3}{l_3} \right) & -\frac{M_3}{m_2 l_3} & & \\ & \ddots & & \ddots & \\ & & -\frac{M_{n-1}}{m_{n-1} l_{n-1}} & \frac{1}{m_{n-1}} \left(\frac{M_{n-1}}{l_{n-1}} + \frac{M_n}{l_n} \right) & -\frac{M_n}{m_{n-1} l_n} \\ 0 & & & -\frac{M_n}{m_n l_n} & \frac{M_n}{m_n l_n} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$-\omega^2 \begin{pmatrix} 1 & & & & 0 \\ & 1 & & & \\ & & \ddots & & \\ & & & 1 & \\ 0 & & & & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

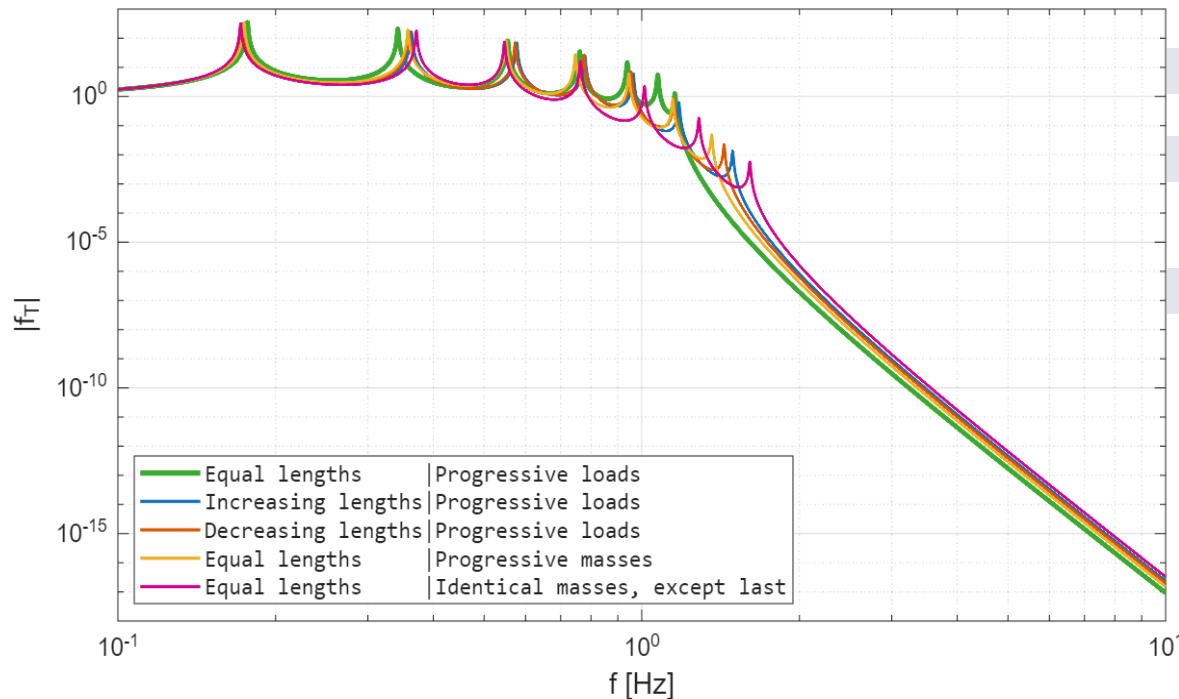
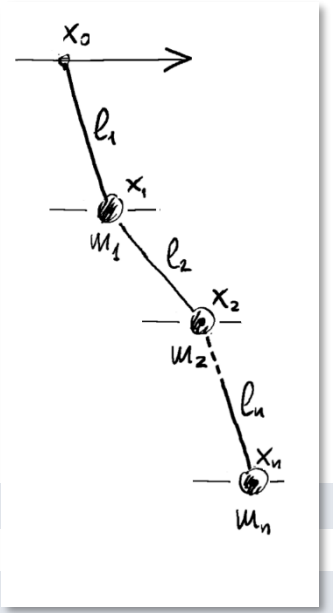
and $M_i = m_i + m_{i+1} + \dots + m_n$ (the loads).

Same tridiagonal structure and signs as for the toy model. Different rows contain different values.

• Suspended oscillators

$$\begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}_1 \\ \tilde{x}_2 \\ \vdots \\ \tilde{x}_n \end{pmatrix} = \mathbf{M}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \tilde{x}_0 \\ 0 \\ \vdots \\ 0 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow \text{displacement of the last mass: } \tilde{x}_n = (\mathbf{M}^{-1})_{n,1} \tilde{x}_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{transfer function: } f_T(\omega) = (\mathbf{M}^{-1})_{n,1}$$



An example

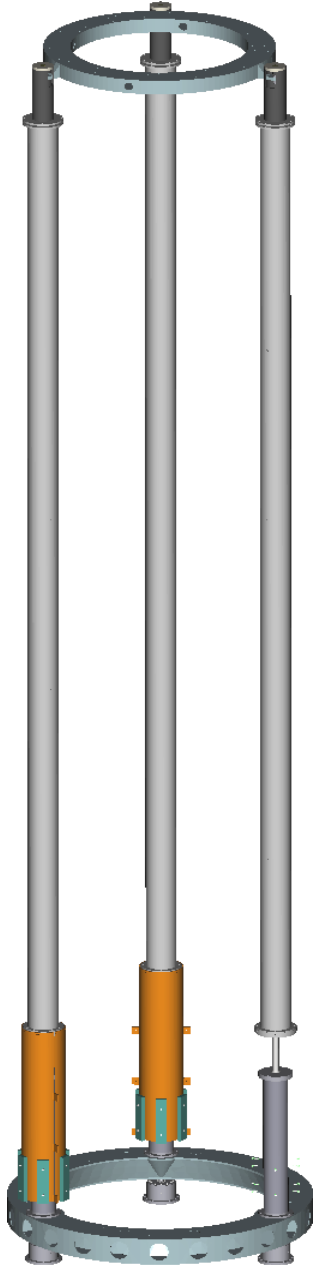
- $n = 7$ [7 masses, including test mass]
- $l_1 + l_2 + \dots + l_n = 12 \text{ m}$ [total length = 12 m]
- $M_1 = 12 m_n$ [total load = 12 x test mass]

Within the upper constraints, we can implement, for instance

- $l_i = l_{i-1}$ [Equal lengths]
- $M_i = \frac{1}{\sqrt[7]{12}} M_{i-1}$ [Loads in geom. progression]

When you try different distributions of LENGTHS or different distribution of LOADS you always get **higher f_T -s**, i.e. **worse filtering**.
 \Rightarrow The perfect SA has **equal lengths** and **loads in progression**.

NOTE:
 the progression rule applies to loads, not to masses



• The Inverted Pendulum

Three legs set on elastic joints.

If we ignore any other masses except the load M on top of the IP, we get the torque equation:

$$M L^2 \ddot{\theta} \cong -\kappa \theta + M g L \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega_0^2 = \frac{\kappa - M g L}{M L^2} \Rightarrow \omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa}{M L^2} - \frac{g}{L}} = \sqrt{\frac{k}{M} - \frac{g}{L}}$$

The frequency is set to about 50 mHz.

The Inverted Pendulum is tuned to a (much) smaller frequency than the SA filters.

It stops the frequencies that would resonate with the filters. \Rightarrow It acts as a PRE-ISOLATOR.

For the transfer function, we need a more accurate model (not explained here).

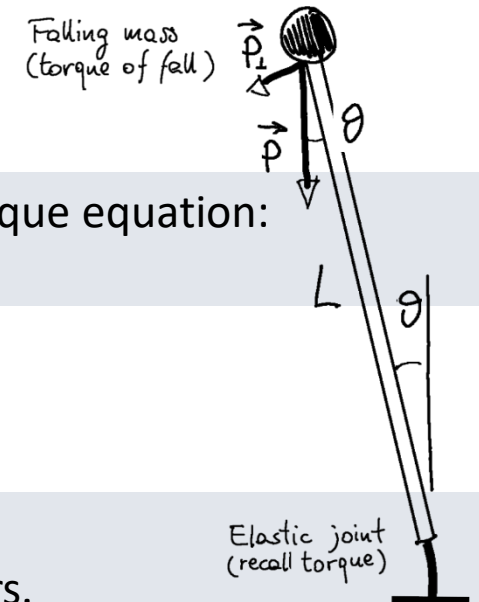
Top mass **horizontal displacements** depends on **displacements of the joint** by

$$f_T = - \frac{\kappa - (m_{IP} l_{CM} + M L) g}{I_{IP} \omega^2 - [\kappa - (m_{IP} l_{CM} + M L) g]}$$

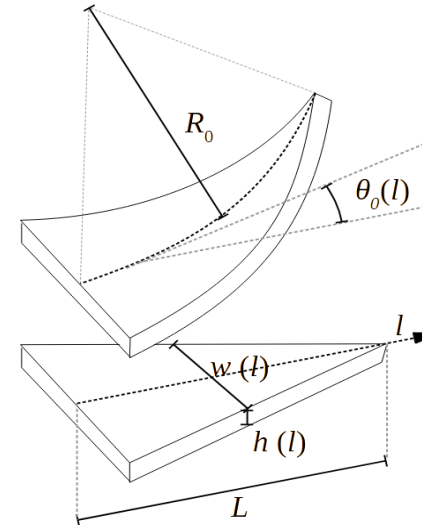
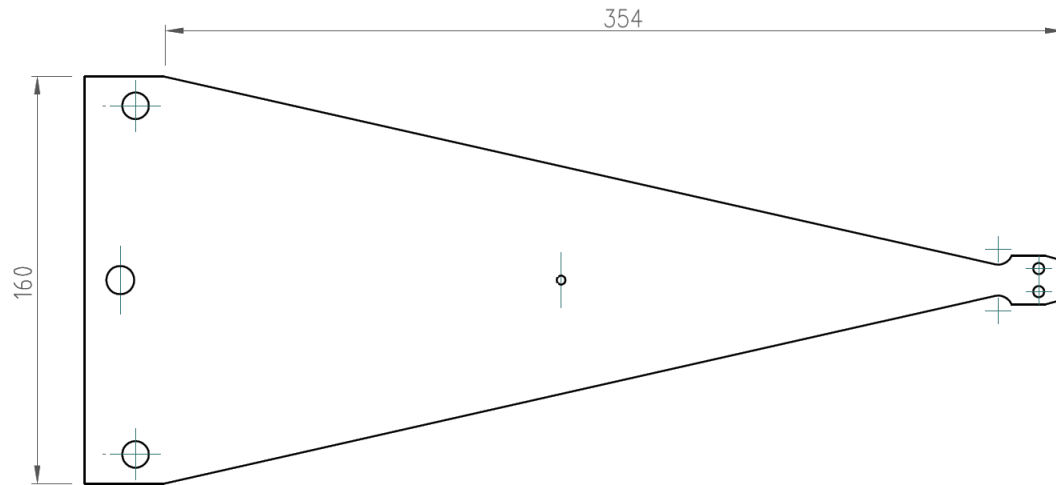
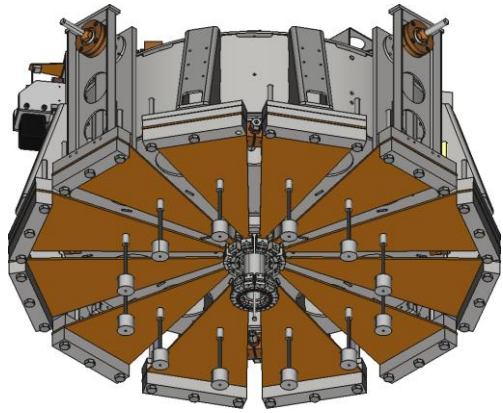
for a **tuned IP** with $I_{IP} = m_{IP} l_{CM} L$ (I_{IP} referred to the joint) [same algebraic shape as previous f_T -s].

The orange bells are meant to tune the IP momentum of inertia.

G.Losurdo et al. 1999 Rev. Sci. Instrum. **70**(5) 2508



• Elastic blades



SA blades are **curved at rest** and designed to be flattened by a load suspended from their tip.

They are made in **maraging steel** (maraging 250), a low carbon Fe alloy
 Ni (18%), Co (8%), Mo (5%),
 Ti (0.5%), C ($\leq 0.03\%$) + Fe

Relevant parameters

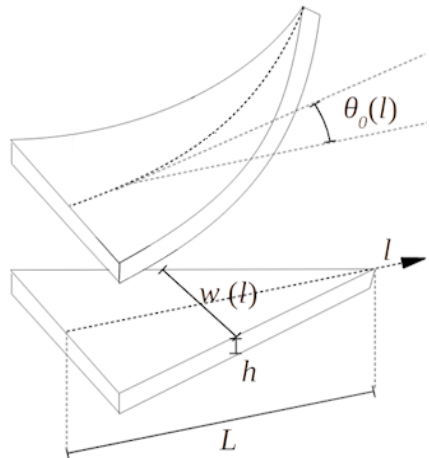
$$E = 187 \text{ GPa (at } 20^\circ\text{C)}$$

$$UTS = 1.85 \text{ GPa}$$

$$\phi = 3 \cdot 10^{-5}$$

• Blade mechanics

G.Cella, Personal communication - Write me for a copy



- $$U = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L E \frac{w(l)h^3}{12} \left(\frac{d\theta}{dl} - \frac{d\theta_0}{dl} \right)^2 dl + F \int_0^L \sin \theta dl$$
 valid for a **very thin blade** with **any cut profile $w(l)$** and **any rest bending $\theta_0(l)$**

By minimizing this energy with respect to the possible profiles $\theta(l)$ we get a **condition** on the rest bending $\theta_0(l)$ for the blade **to lay flat** under the load \bar{F}

$$\frac{d\theta_0}{dl} = \frac{12\bar{F}}{Eh^3} \frac{(L-l)}{w(l)}$$

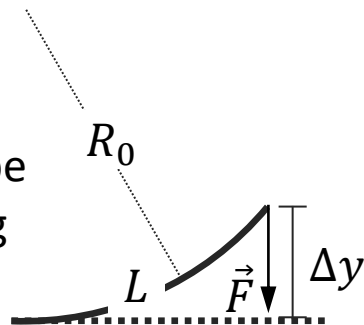
We discover that a **triangular profile** $w(l) = w_0 \frac{(L-l)}{L}$ have a constant $\frac{d\theta_0}{dl}$.

This means an arc of circle profile with radius

$$R_0 = E \frac{w_0 h^3}{12L\bar{F}}$$



The **spring constant** k can be retrieved from the flattening effect of the load

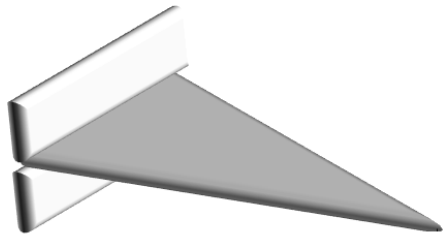


$$\Delta y = R_0 \left(1 - \cos \frac{L}{R_0} \right) \cong R_0 \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{L}{R_0} \right)^2 = \frac{L^2}{2R_0}$$

$$k = \bar{F} / \Delta y \quad \Rightarrow \quad k = E \frac{w_0 h^3}{12LR_0} \frac{2R_0}{L^2}$$

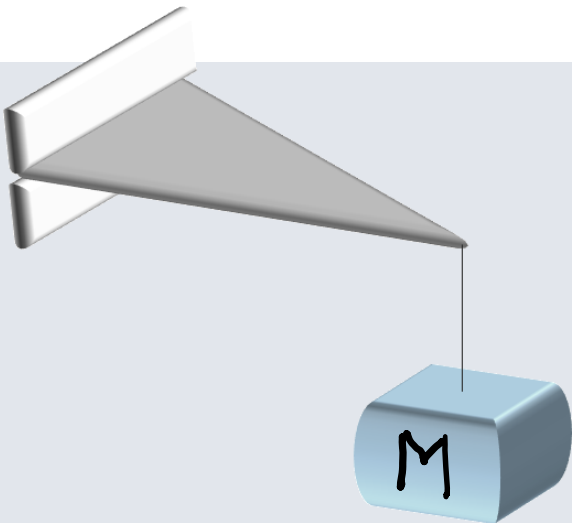
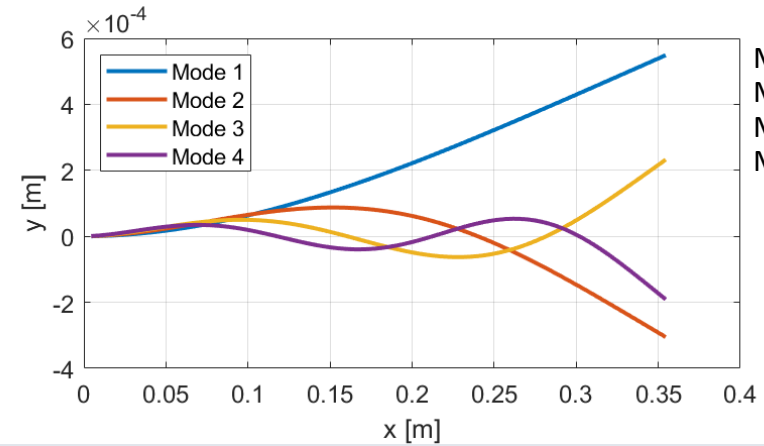
$$k = E \frac{w_0 h^3}{6L^3}$$

• Internal modes



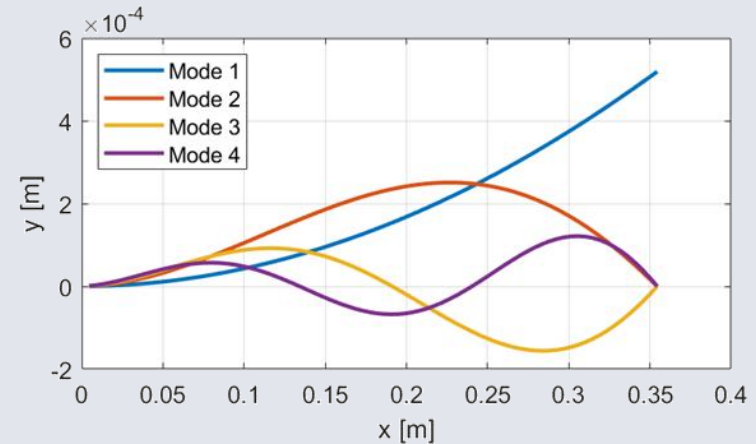
Flat unloaded triangular blade

$E = 187 \text{ GPa}$
 $\rho = 8000 \text{ kg/m}^3$
 $L = 354 \text{ mm}$
 $w_0 = 110 \text{ mm}$
 $h = 3.5 \text{ mm}$
 $R_0 = \infty$
 $F = 0$



Pre-bent triangular blade with adjusted (i.e. flattening) load

$E = 187 \text{ GPa}$
 $\rho = 8000 \text{ kg/m}^3$
 $L = 354 \text{ mm}$
 $w_0 = 110 \text{ mm}$
 $h = 3.5 \text{ mm}$
 $R_0 = 450 \text{ mm}$
 $F = 46.7 \text{ kg} \cdot g = 458 \text{ N}$



Mode 1 1.35 Hz
 Mode 2 101 Hz
 Mode 3 311 Hz
 Mode 4 642 Hz

$\frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{M}}$

• Triangular blade summary

Preset curvature radius for a load \bar{F}

$$R_0 = E \frac{w_0 h^3}{12 L \bar{F}}$$

Single blade spring constant

$$k = E \frac{w_0 h^3}{6 L^3}$$

Single blade resonant frequency (1st)

$$f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{M}}$$

Surface stress of the flattened blade

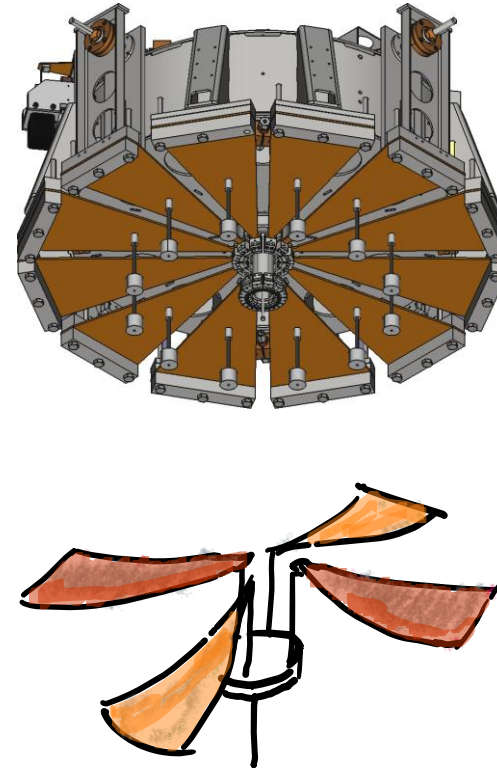
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$$s = \frac{Eh}{2R_0}$$

Blades work **in symmetric couples** of identical specimens.

Couples can differ from each other.

If the **total load** of the filter is the **sum of the individual flattening loads** all blades work flat.



Filter summary

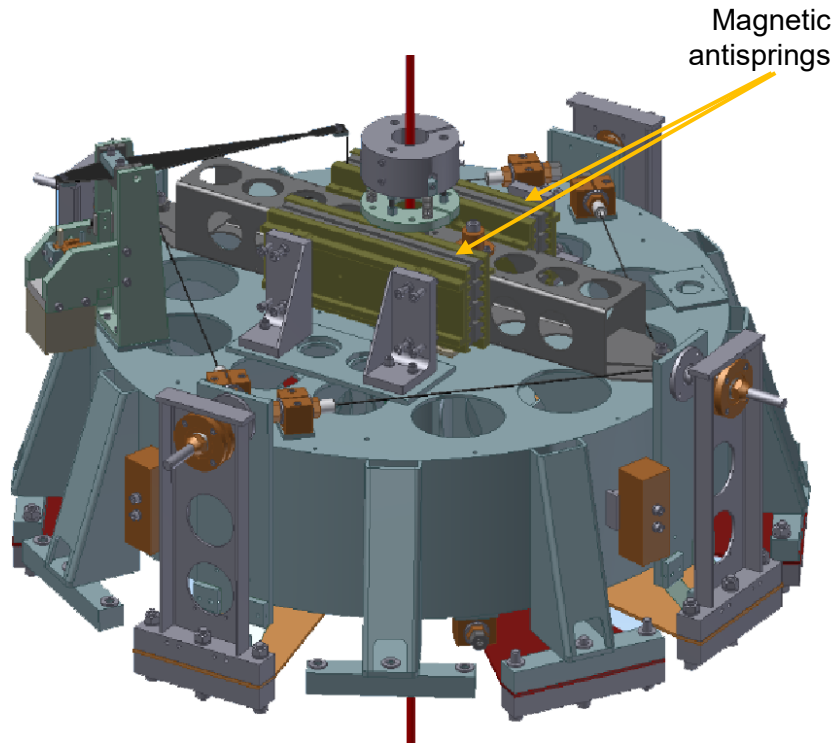
$$\bar{F}_{tot} = \sum_i \bar{F}_i$$

$$k_{tot} = \sum_i k_i$$

$$f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k_{tot}}{M_{tot}}}$$

$$s_i < 0.5 UTS \quad \forall i$$

• Magnetic Anti-Springs



MAS working principle

$$F_y = -(k_{as}y + a_{as}y^3)$$

with

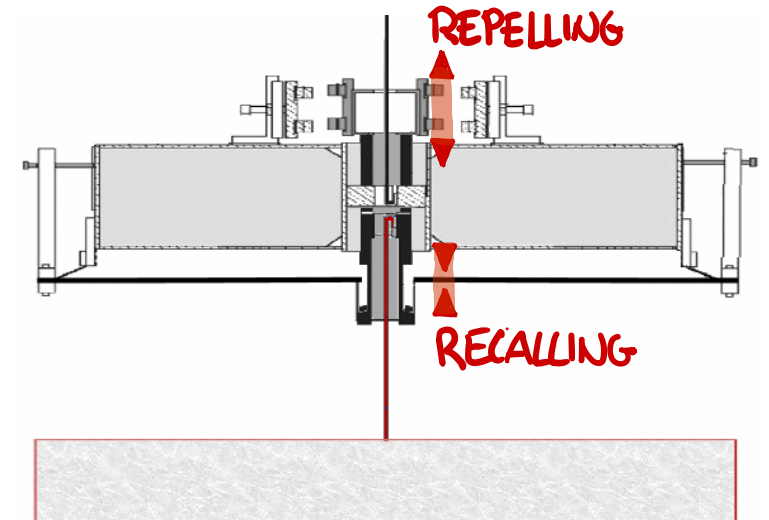
$$k_{as} < 0$$

$$a_{as} > 0$$

(unavoidable nonlinearity)

G. Curci et al, Effects of non-linearities..., <https://tds.virgo-gw.eu/?r=7616>

Two forces are exerted on the central column:



$$F_{tot} = -(k_{el} + k_{as})y + O_3(y)$$

stable as long as it is $k_{el} + k_{as} > 0$

• Sum of k -s

Current configuration		Filter 0	Filter 1	Filter 2	Filter 3	Filter 4	Filter 7
M	Suspended mass [kg]	1057	884	719	579	461	146
k_{el}	Elastic stiffness [N/m]	93863	78496	63840	51404		
k_{as}	Antispring stiffness [N/m]	- 90108	- 75356	- 61286	- 49348		
a_{as}	Nonlinearity [10^8 N/m ³]	2.6	2.3	1.8	1.4		
d	Antispring tuning [mm]	10.5	8.5	10.5	12		

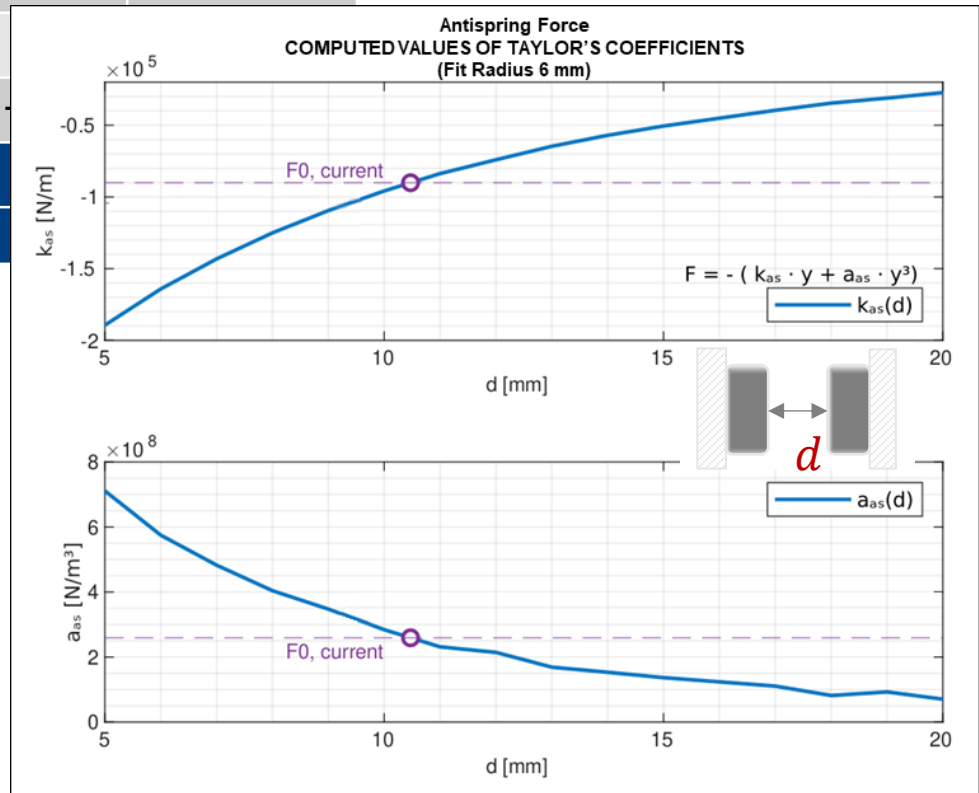
Some figures in Virgo

For **Filter 0**, $k = (93863 - 90108) \frac{N}{m} = 3755 \frac{N}{m}$

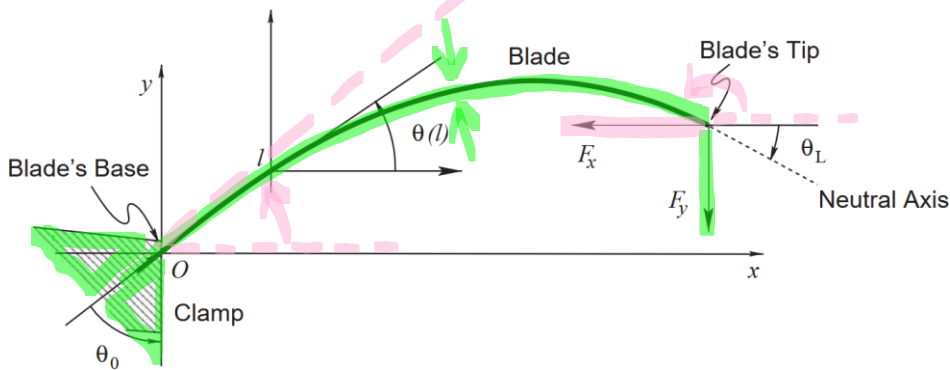
$$f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{3755 \frac{N}{m}}{1057 \text{ kg}}} = 0.3 \text{ Hz}$$

Without MAS $f_{el} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{93863 \frac{N}{m}}{1057 \text{ kg}}} = 1.5 \text{ Hz}$

Filter 0
Magnetic
Anti-Spring
simulation



• The Geometric Anti-Spring (i.e. a tunable blade)



Energy of a compressed blade

$$U = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^L E \frac{w(l)h^3}{12} \left(\frac{d\theta}{dl}\right)^2 dl - F_y \int_0^L \sin \theta dl - F_x \int_0^L \cos \theta dl$$

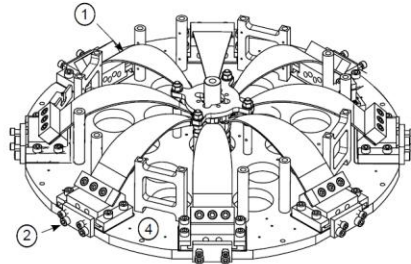
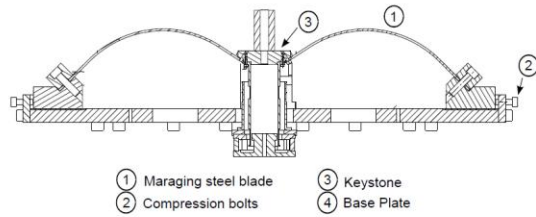
Let's compare this to slide 19 (*Blade mechanics*)

Similarities:

- Metal blade
- Constrained base angle
- Vertical load
- Constant and small thickness

Differences:

- No pre-curvature
- Different base angle ($\theta_0 > 0$ instead of $\theta_0 = 0$)
- Constrained tip angle ($\theta_L < 0$)
- Horizontal compression (Constrained length)



(a)

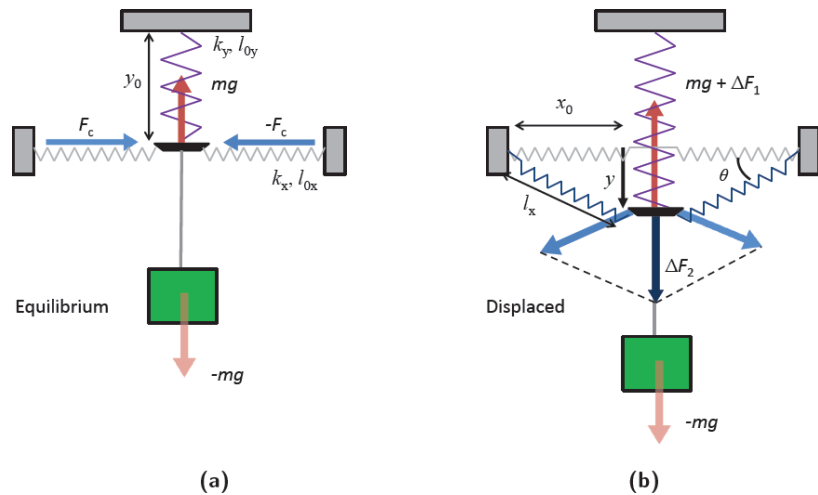
(b)

G.Cella et al. 2005 Nucl. Instr. and Meth. A **540** 502

M.R. Blom et al. 2015 Physics Procedia **61** 641

(non-exhaustive list!)

• The Geometric Anti-Spring

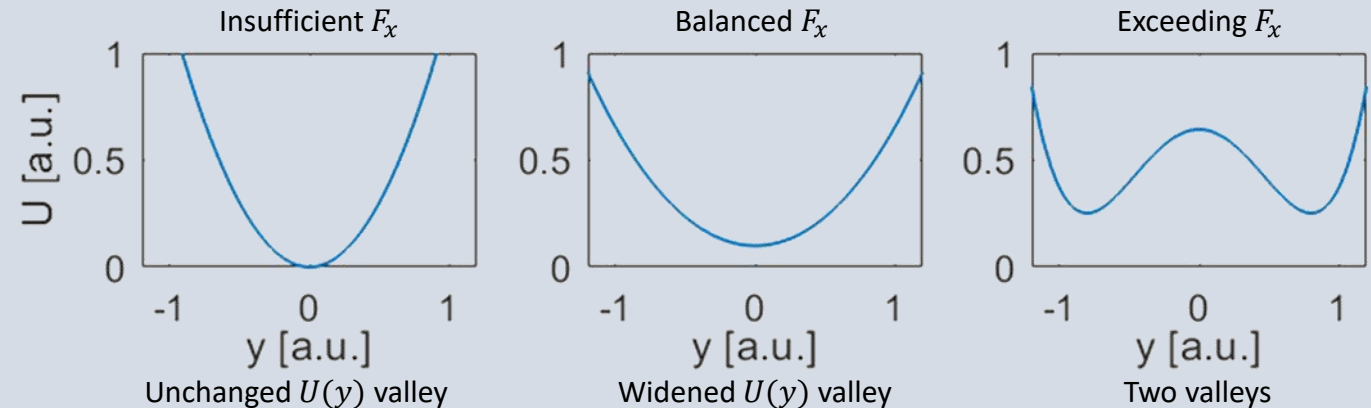


Note: if **the repelling modulus exceeds the recalling one**, the compressed springs win and expand themselves until a stable equilibrium point. The system is **bistable**.

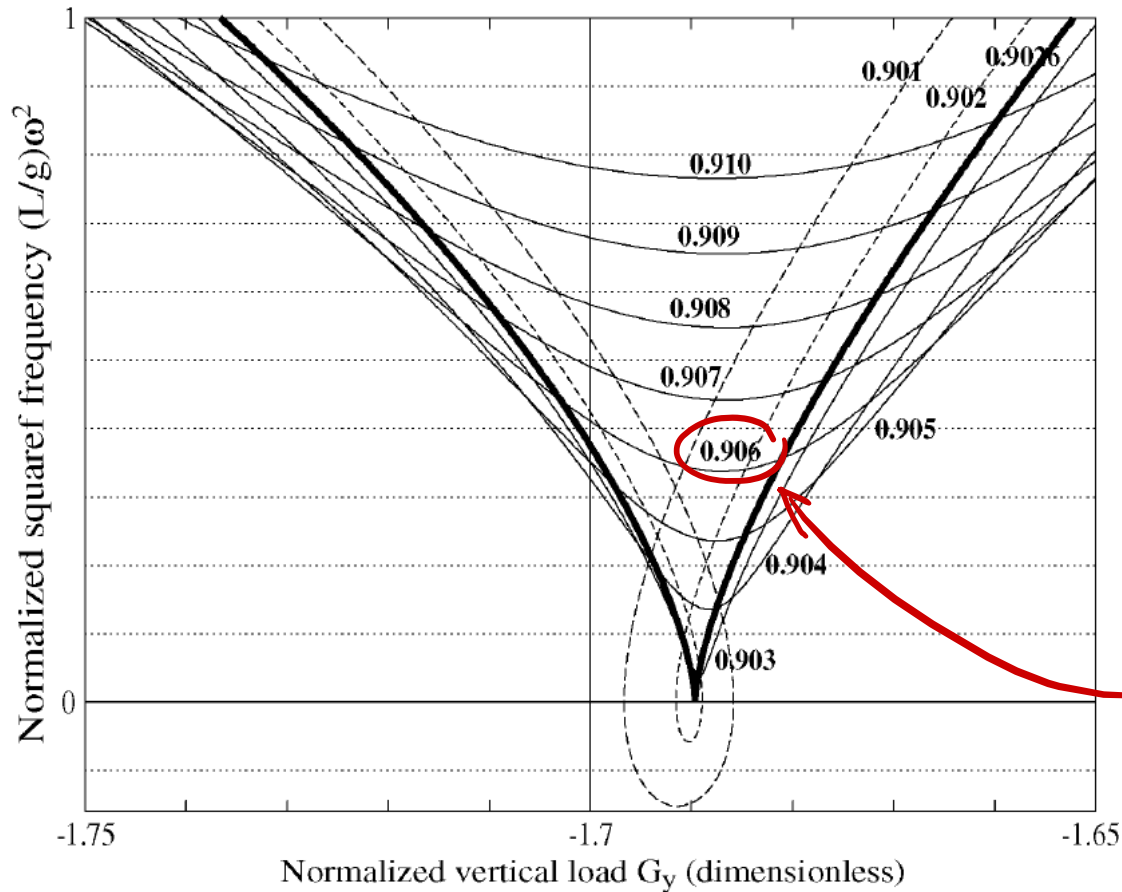
Intuitive model (not for real life design)

- (a) A vertical spring is in equilibrium with the weight of a load. Two horizontal **counteracting compressed springs** are in an **unstable equilibrium**.
- (b) When the load leaves the equilibrium position, the vertical spring exerts a recall, while the vertical component of the compressed spring force become an expelling force.

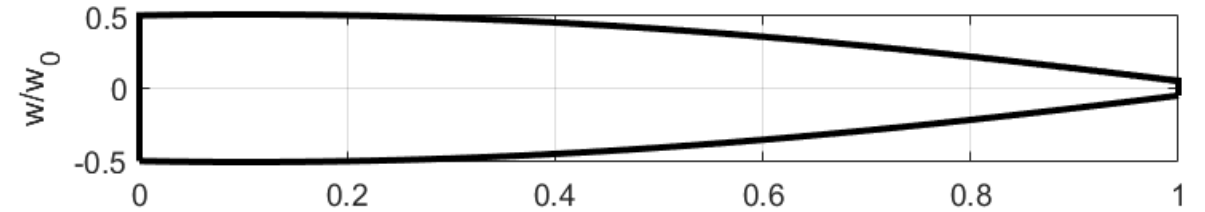
Less intuitive (and still insufficient) model



• GAS how-to



Computed general solution for a preset blade shape (TAMA)

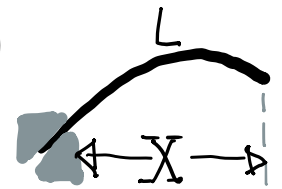


with base angle $\theta_O = \frac{\pi}{4}$ and tip angle $\theta_L = -\frac{\pi}{6}$.

Dimensionless variables

$$G_y = 12 \frac{L^2}{Ew_0h^3} F_y \text{ (load)}$$

$$x = X/L \text{ (horizontal constrain)}$$



Legend

Curves in full lines belong to stable states ($x > 0.9026$), dashed to bistable ($x < 0.9026$)

Stable states have minimum frequency for $G_y \cong 1.69$.

• Some (numerical) outcomes

Simulated GAS

TAMA shape

$L = 354 \text{ mm}$

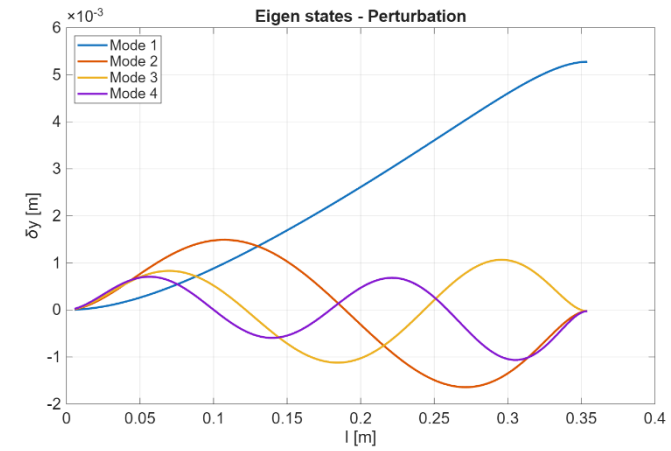
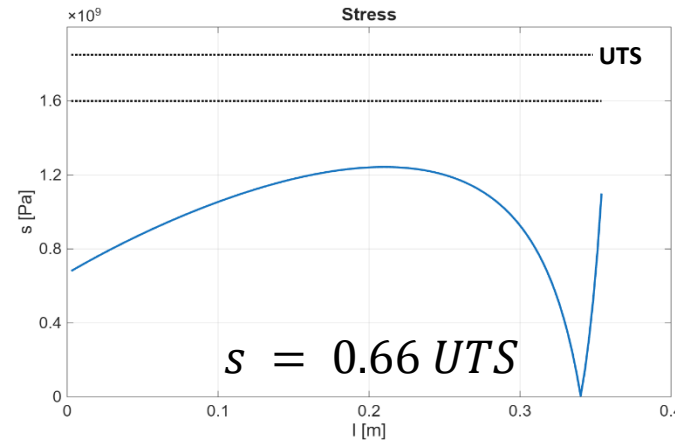
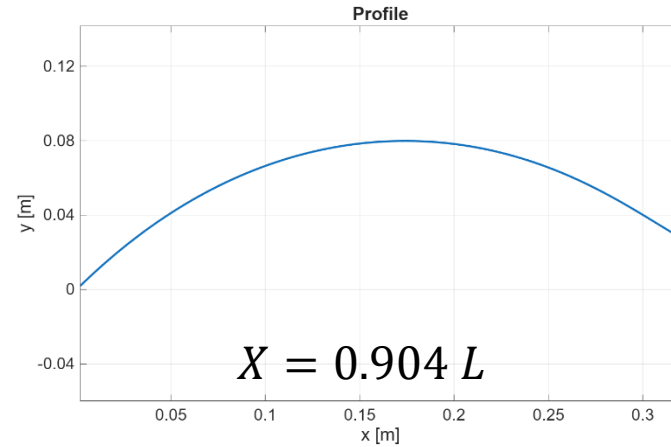
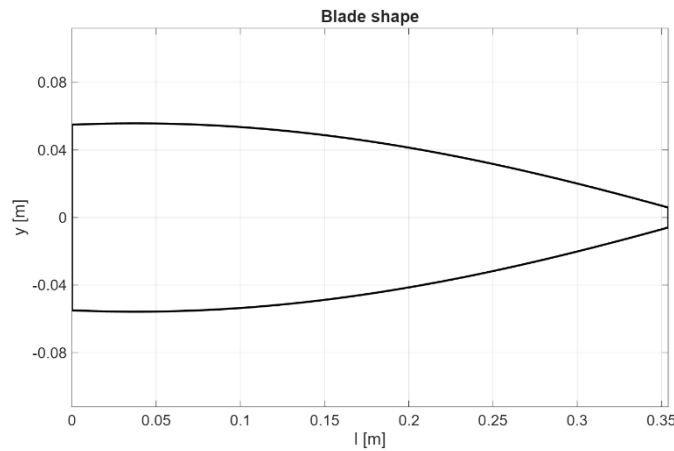
$w_0 = 110 \text{ mm}$

$h = 2.74 \text{ mm}$

$E = 187 \text{ GPa}$

$UTS = 1.85 \text{ GPa}$

$M = 48.4 \text{ kg}$

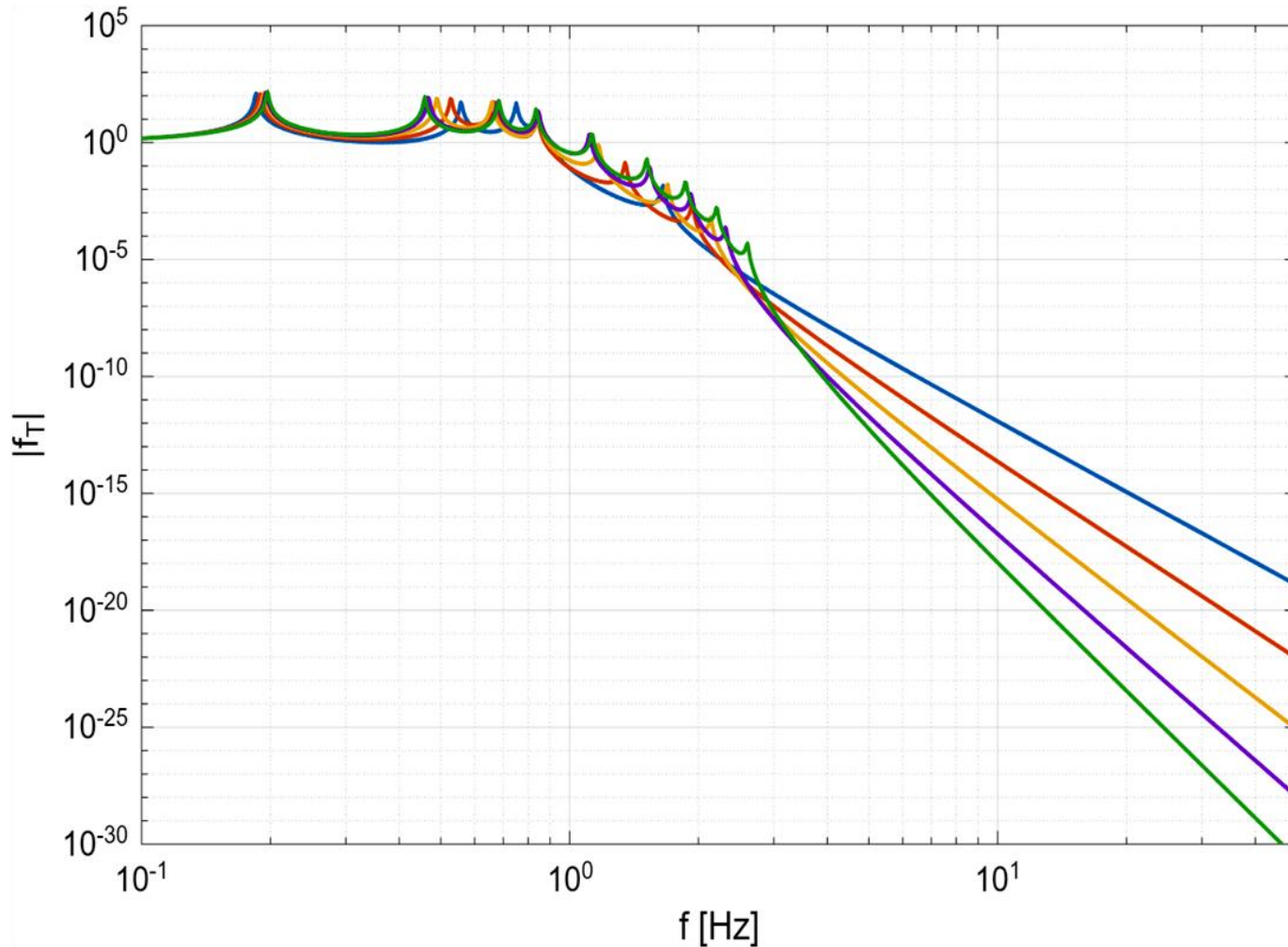


$\Rightarrow f = 0.38 \text{ Hz}$

Same blade without GAS constrains

$\Rightarrow f = 1.10 \text{ Hz}$

- And now, some problems
 - Problem #1 (easy one)



A SuperAttenuator with total length 9 m have been configured with 5, 6, 7, 8 or 9 suspended masses (including MAR and MIR).

The figure represents the absolute value of the transfer function from suspension point to mirror.

Assign

- A **number of suspended masses** to each plot.

Choose

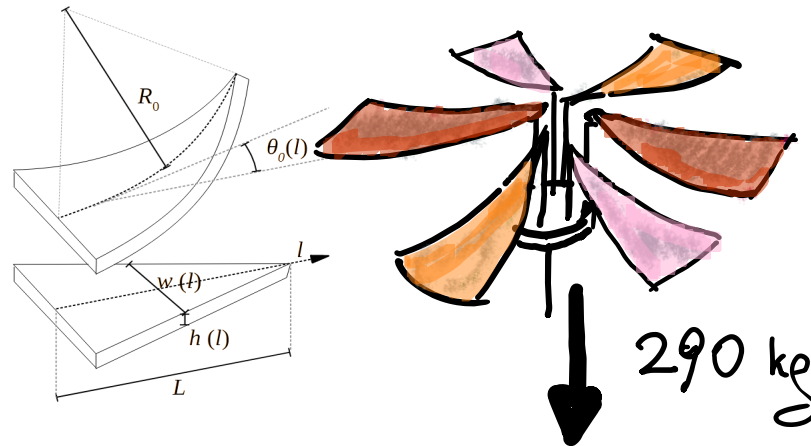
- The simplest configuration with **rejection factor better than 10^{14} from 10 Hz**

• Problem #2

Set up the maraging 250 blades of a Virgo-like lowest filter.

$L = 354 \text{ mm}$
 $w_0 = 110 \text{ mm}$
 $h = 3.5 \text{ mm}$
 6 blades

$M = 290 \text{ kg}$



Find

- correct rest **curvature** R_0 ,
- **frequency** (assume blade mass $\ll M$),
- **stress**.

Compare stress with **UTS**.

Look around for necessary equations and data!

- **Triangular blade summary**

Preset curvature radius for a load \bar{F}	$R_0 = E \frac{w_0 h^3}{12 L \bar{F}}$
Single blade spring constant	$k = E \frac{w_0 h^3}{6L^3}$
Single blade resonant frequency (1 st)	$f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{M}}$
Surface stress of the flattened blade	$s = \frac{Eh}{2R_0}$

GAS variables

Normalized load	$G_y = 12 \frac{L^2}{E w_0 h^3} F_y$	Normalized frequency	$\Omega = \sqrt{\frac{L}{g}} \omega^2$
Normalized horizontal constrain	$x = X/L$		

Filter summary

$\bar{F}_{tot} = \sum_i \bar{F}_i$
$k_{tot} = \sum_i k_i$
$f_0 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k_{tot}}{M_{tot}}}$
$s_i < 0.5 UTS \quad \forall i$ (applied in Virgo Superattenuator filters)

Maraging 250 figures

$E = 187 \text{ GPa}$ (at 20°C)
$UTS = 1.85 \text{ GPa}$
$\phi = 3 \cdot 10^{-5}$

• Problem #3

Choose between two possible blade bases w_0 and set thickness h to get the same f as in Problem #1.
Which base is the best solution?

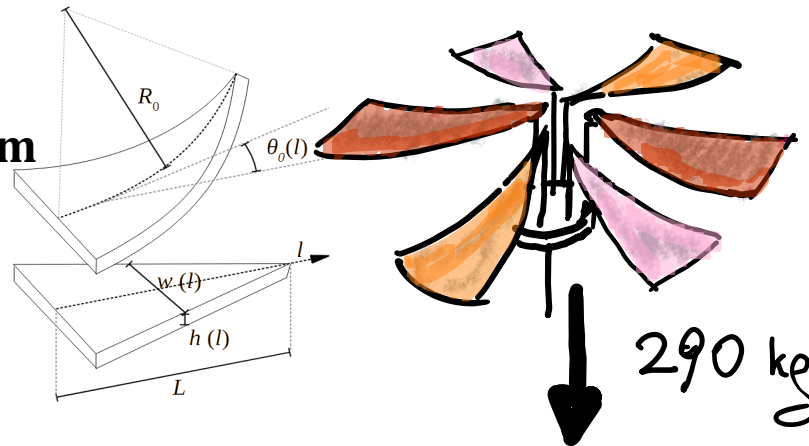
$$L = 354 \text{ mm}$$

$$w_0 = 55 \text{ mm or } 110 \text{ mm}$$

6 blades

$$M = 290 \text{ kg}$$

$$[f = 1.318 \text{ Hz}]$$



Target

- find correct **curvature** R_0 for both bases,
- find correct **thickness** h for both bases,
- find **stress** for both bases,
- choose the **best solution**.

• Problem #4

Add ferrite Magnetic Anti-Springs to the same Vigo filter as in Problems #1 and 2.
Tune the MAS to the design frequency f , by choosing the correct distance d .

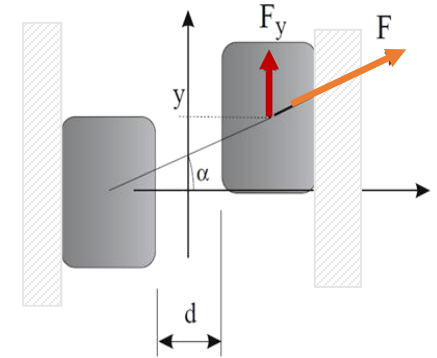
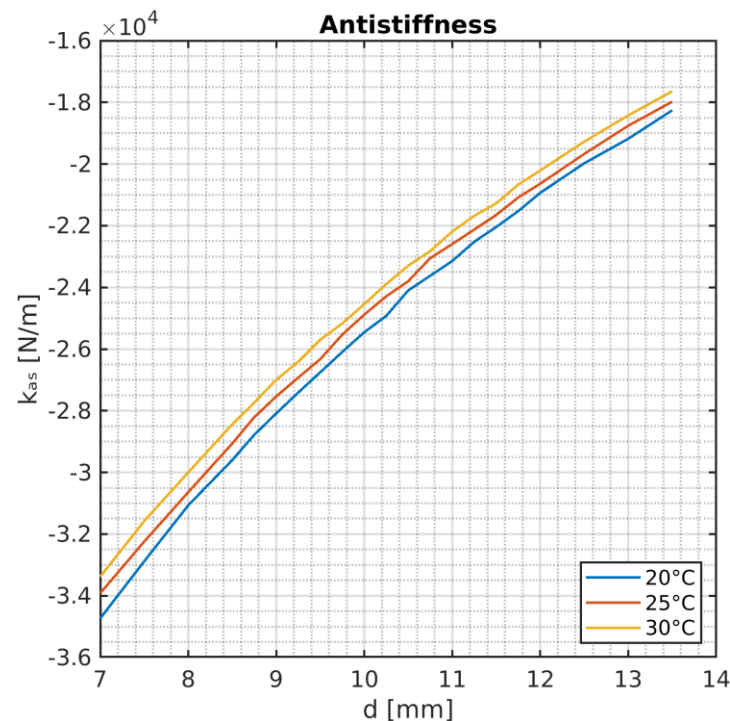
$$M = 290 \text{ kg}$$

$$f_{in} = 1.5 \text{ Hz} \text{ * (before MAS)}$$

* Filter frequency is usually higher than the pure blade frequency

$$f = \mathbf{0.50 \text{ Hz}}$$

Negative stiffness of the installed MAS at some different temperatures



Find

- the correct **distance d** .

Estimate the **frequency variation** with 5°C temperature increase.

• Problem #5

Let's switch to Geometric Anti-Springs.

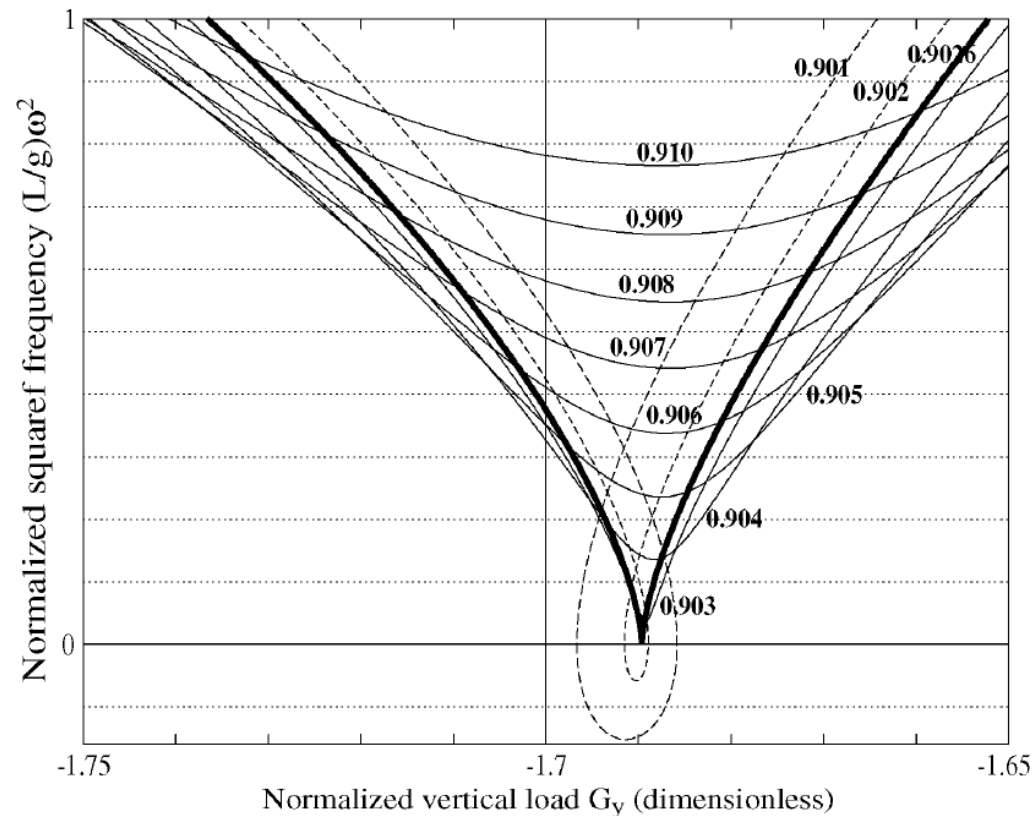
Provide the same filter of the previous problems with GAS vertical oscillators instead of blades+MAS.

Tune the filter to the design frequency f .

TAMA shape
 $L = 354$ mm
 $w_0 = 110$ mm
 6 blades

$M = 290$ kg

$f = 0.50$ Hz



Find

- the correct **thickness h** that matches the optimum condition $G_y = -1.69$.
- the correct **horizontal compression factor x** that tunes the filter.

- Solutions

Problem #1	<p>Blu: 5 masses, Red: 6 masses, Orange: 7 masses Purple: 8 masses, Green: 8 masses The simplest configuration with asked rejection from 10 Hz is the 7 masses configuration</p>
Problem #2	$R_0 = 0.438 \text{ m}$, $f = 1.318 \text{ Hz}$, $s = 0.404 \text{ UTS}$
Problem #3	<p>$R_0 = 0.438 \text{ m}$ both, 110 mm base: same h and s as in Problem #1 55 mm base: $h = 4.4 \text{ mm}$, $s = 0.508 \text{ UTS}$ (discarded!)</p>
Problem #4	$d = 10.8 \text{ mm}$, $\Delta f = +0.04 \text{ Hz}$
Problem #5	$h = 2.74 \text{ mm}$, $x = 0.906$