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Experimental comparison of piezoelectric and magnetostrictive shunt dampers

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Driveline vibration effects

- Vibration is a side effect of transferring power through a rotating driveline.
- It causes functional issues, like reduced precision in cutting tools.
- Vibration generated by rotorcraft gearing causes cabin noise in excess of 100 dB!
- This environment prohibits widespread use of rotorcraft for civilian transportation.



Extreme noise levels in rotorcraft



Driveline damping using the vibration ring



- The vibration ring is designed to incorporate damping elements into a driveline
- Force is transferred through the elements to create vibration isolation and damping
- Damping elements must have high stiffness to maintain the driveline alignment.

Material property comparison

Application	Material	Modulus (GPa)	Loss factor
Driveline components	Steel	200	0.0005
Vibration damping treatment	Rubber	0.05	0.50
Vibration ring damping elements	TBD	5 to 35	Maximize

Shunt damper options

- High stiffness smart materials: Piezoelectric ceramics and magnetostrictive metals
- Electrical \Leftrightarrow mechanical, Magnetic \Leftrightarrow mechanical

Piezoelectric schematic



Energy flow diagrams

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Objectives and scope

- **Objective** : Characterize 3 candidate shunt damping devices
- Maximize damping at 750Hz
- Measure electro-mechanical response to vibratory force up 1000 Hz

Stiffness, damping

> Internal vs. shunt energy dissipation

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Test articles

Piezoelectric shunt dampers



- Piezoceramic: Soft-doped polycrystalline co-fired lead zirconate titanate (PZT)
- 2. Single crystal: Lead magnesium niobate-lead titanate (PMN-30%PT)
- Nominal: 5mm x 5mm x 16mm

Magnetostrictive shunt damper



3. Terfenol-D

- Terbium, dysprosium and iron rod $(Tb_{0.3}Dy_{0.7}Fe_{1.92})$
- Alnico grade 8 magnets
- Optimized (500-turn 30AWG) pickup coil
- Nominal: 7mm diameter, 10mm long

Test setup

Dynamic load frame assembly

-Piezoceramic case-



Provision to minimize error

- Even pressure on sample face
- · Minimized inertial force error
- Magneto setup: Moving magnets
 - Attractive forces did not corrupt force
 - Did not generate voltage error
- Sensor channels were phase aligned

Removed data influenced by resonance

- Resonance at 1.0 to 1.2kHz
- Maximum data
 - Piezoceramic 923 Hz
 - Single crystal 804 Hz
 - Terfenol-D 350 Hz (higher harmonics)

Data processing



- Both contribute to damping
- High shunt loss factor required for tuning damping frequency or for energy harvesting

Test stages



Nominal dynamic stress amplitude

Piezoceramic: 8.0 MPa Single crystal: 4.0 MPa Terfenol-D: 7.3 MPa

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Frequency response (1 of 2)

<u>Modulus</u>

- Quasi-static: Piezoceramic roughly 2x
 Single Crystal and Terfenol-D
- Piezoceramic and Single Crystal trends: Increase with frequency. Expected based on <u>electric-charge stiffening</u>
- Terfenol-D trend: Decreases and then increases after 100 Hz. Increase is explained by <u>magnetic field stiffening</u>. Initial decrease is unexplained.

Internal loss factor

- Quasi-static: Terfenol-D > Single crystal > Piezoceramic
- **Piezoceramic** and **Single Crystal** trends: Slight inverse relationship with modulus.
- Terfenol-D trend: Unexpected, sharp increase after 30Hz. 3D COMSOL simulation indicates magnetic energy inducing eddy currents in aluminum magnet fixture



Frequency response (2 of 2)

750 Hz

Shunt loss factor

- Peak: Near 750Hz
 Single crystal > Piezoceramic > Terfenol-D
- Piezoceramic and single crystal: Peak shunt losses >> internal losses Potential for energy harvesting

• Terfenol-D

Relatively low shunt loss. Result of eddy current dissipation

Total loss factor

• All devices: Same order of magnitude as rubber.

• Terfenol-D

- Highest total loss across all frequencies
- Dominated by eddy current losses
 - o Peak not tunable
 - \circ $\,$ Coil and shunt not needed



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Summary

• Evaluated three high-stiffness shunt damping devices.

Piezoelectric stacks

- Piezoceramic (PZT)
- Single crystal (PMN-30%PT)

Magnetostrictive rod with pickup coil and bias magnets

- > **Terfenol-D** (Tb_{0.3}Dy_{0.7}Fe_{1.92})
- Bias stress and shunt resistance were optimized for maximum damping at 750 Hz.
- Carefully controlled load frame experiments \rightarrow dynamic force applied up to1000 Hz.



Conclusions

- Unique/accurate data set for validating piezoelectric and magnetostrictive models.
- All devices: Reasonable for driveline damping application
 - Moduli 1 order of magnitude lower than steel (3 orders higher than rubber)
 - Loss factors on the same order as rubber
- Single crystal: Highest shunt loss factor- best tunable damper or energy harvester
- **Terfenol-D**: Highest total loss factor- best non-tunable damper
 - Unintentional eddy current losses due to aluminum magnet holder
 - Reconfigure device in 2 ways
 - 1. Non-conductive magnet holder \rightarrow increasing tuning and energy harvesting
 - Get rid of coil and shunt → more compact/simpler device.
 Would continue to be an effective damper at high frequencies.

