

Development of Health Monitoring of Civil Structures system using Wireless Sensor Networks

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Abstract: In order to make infrastructure safer and last longer, researchers are developing a method to monitor the health of civil constructions using Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs). This system is able to continually monitor factors including strain, vibration, temperature, and displacement via the deployment of a network of wireless sensors. The ability to gather and analyse data in real-time allows for the early identification of structural problems, which in turn allows for more prompt maintenance and the avoidance of catastrophic breakdowns. Easy installation, scalability, and low cost are three benefits of using WSNs. This technology is a huge step forward in civil engineering; it will help with proactive infrastructure management and make sure everyone is safe. Distributed sensor processing is an integral part of WSN, allowing a single control station to monitor the status of several systems across multiple clusters of sensors. The central processing unit (CPU) of a wireless smart sensor is responsible for performing calculations at the node level and imparting the sensor's intelligence; industrial components may be integrated into smart wireless sensor nodes to enable real-time on-site acquisition of metrics like strain and vibration.

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Introduction

Modern civilization could not have progressed or survived without civil infrastructure including dams, bridges, buildings, and tunnels. Despite being exposed to a wide range of

environmental and operational stresses, these structures are anticipated to consistently operate over extended periods of time. There might be catastrophic financial losses, injuries, and deaths if these buildings were to fall. Consequently, it is essential to guarantee that these civil constructions are in good structural condition[1][2]. In order to keep these infrastructures safe and long-lasting, Structural Health Monitoring (SHM) technologies are now essential.

SHM systems use a variety of sensor technologies to continuously or periodically monitor a structure's status. In order to facilitate prompt maintenance and repair, these systems are able to identify abnormalities, deterioration, or damage in their early stages. By taking this preventative measure, we can make sure that the buildings last longer and that people are protected[3]. However, there are a number of drawbacks to using traditional SHM systems. These include slow reaction times, restricted coverage, and expensive installation and maintenance expenses.

In recent decades, a number of SHM approaches have been developed. Nevertheless, there are several challenges that arise when using them for civil infrastructures. Calculating the amount of the loads that will be applied to the structure is a common step in most current SHM methodologies for evaluating its efficiency. Measuring the loads delivered to the structure (bridges) or, alternatively, simulating such pressures to get reactions, may be challenging in many cases[4]. This difficulty has restricted the application of existing SHM methods for evaluating the state of load-measuring civil engineering systems. Techniques that use ambient vibrations in the structure induced by loadings have grown in popularity for structural health monitoring and evaluation. Health assessment methods that incorporate ambient vibration of buildings need more investigation, nevertheless. Another problem with the present SHM approach is that damage is mostly local. The sensors closest to the damage will record the most accurate readings, as opposed to those further away. Therefore, for a system to accurately pinpoint the site of damage, sensors are dispersed throughout. Traditional wired sensor systems would have a hard time measuring a structure's health with a high number of sensors installed due to the difficulty in routing the wires from the sensors to the central data collecting system[5].

As the need for safety and security in cities continues to rise, wireless sensor networks are becoming more important for tracking the condition of buildings. With the advancement of wireless technology, structural monitoring systems now include wireless sensor networks. Wireless sensor network-based structural health monitoring systems provide innovative technology with appealing benefits, such as lower installation and maintenance costs, in comparison to conventional cable systems[6]. New and more difficult network design issues have emerged as a result of structural health monitoring for wireless sensor networks. Research on structural health monitoring using wireless sensor networks has yielded a wealth of information, which is summarised in this study. We investigate the technologies used in wired and wireless sensor networks, including their architecture, operation, communication protocols, and popular operating systems. Testbed and field deployments for structural health monitoring applications are considered after the most current summaries of academic and commercial wireless platform technologies are tallied and analysed. Following this, the main

challenges associated with structural health monitoring using wireless sensor networks are detailed, and the practicality of deploying wireless technology for such purposes is thoroughly examined[7].

To ensure the longevity, safety, and integrity of infrastructure, including buildings, bridges, and tunnels, it is crucial to monitor their structural health. A building's SHM system is there to keep it safe from collapse by keeping an eye out for any problems with the building's framework before they escalate [1]. Through constant monitoring of the structure's state, SHM can identify any changes in the structure's behaviour and alert maintenance staff of any problems. Because of this, we can fix any issues before they become big. The more conventional methods of SHM include regular inspections by trained individuals utilising non-destructive testing methods including visual or aural evaluations[8]. There are limitations to these technologies in terms of accuracy, the speed of their outputs, and the expenses. For example, non-destructive testing methods may need specialised equipment or be restricted to certain areas of the building, while visual inspections may miss damage that isn't immediately apparent [2].

Furthermore, conventional SHM techniques may be costly and time-consuming, leading to decreased monitoring frequency, especially for large-scale buildings. For buildings in inaccessible areas or those located in particularly hostile climates, conventional SHM techniques may prove to be impractical, if not impossible, to use. Furthermore, human error is a potential issue with conventional SHM approaches, particularly when inspections are conducted by people who lack training or experience [3]. Because of this, mistakes might go unnoticed, incorrect diagnoses can be made, and the seriousness of the problem can be overestimated. It is clear that more contemporary and effective ways of monitoring infrastructure health are required due to the limitations of current SHM approaches. Recent years have seen the rise of wireless sensor networks (WSNs) as a viable substitute for structural health monitoring (SHM). WSNs allow for the early detection of damage or deterioration by providing real-time monitoring of structural activity. WSNs have many advantages over conventional SHM methods, such as low costs, great dependability, and precision[9][10]. Because of these advantages, WSNs are becoming more attractive as a means of monitoring the condition of infrastructure. In order to keep infrastructure components like buildings and bridges safe and operational for as long as possible, structural health monitoring, or SHM, is crucial. SHM necessitates constant monitoring of buildings to detect any changes or anomalies that might foretell damage or imminent collapse. Physical inspections and visual evaluations are the backbone of traditional SHM procedures; however, these approaches may be expensive and time-consuming, and frequently miss signs of underlying deformation or damage. The growing popularity of Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs) has made them a feasible option for SHM. WSNs can monitor structures in real-time, save maintenance costs, and improve safety. Here we go over the basics of building a WSN for SHM, including how to plan, build, and test a network of wireless sensors[11].

Overview of Wireless Sensor Networks

One revolutionary technology that has just arisen for SHM is the Wireless Sensor Network (WSN). Many wirelessly-distributed sensor nodes that can exchange data wirelessly make up a WSN. A power supply, a communication module, a CPU, and a sensor or sensors are the standard components of a sensor node. These nodes may collect data from a variety of physical sensors, analyse it locally, and then relay the results to a command centre[12]. The key benefits of WSNs are their low cost, adaptability, simplicity, and scalability. Using WSNs in SHM allows for a powerful and effective monitoring system to be built by capitalising on these benefits. Various components of a building may have wireless sensors placed on them to track variables like displacement, temperature, vibration, and strain in real time. The acquired data is then evaluated to determine the structural integrity, spot any problems, and direct repair procedures[13].

A new and possibly beneficial alternative for structural health monitoring (SHM) has arisen: wireless sensor networks (WSNs). WSNs provide a number of advantages over more conventional techniques of SHM. In a wireless sensor network (WSN), each node serves as a sensor and is placed in a specific location on the structure[14]. These sensor nodes can detect a wide range of parameters, such as temperature, deformation, and vibration. The sensor nodes communicate wirelessly with a base station, which receives the data, processes it, and returns the results to the user. One of the greatest benefits of WSNs is their capacity to provide real-time, continuous monitoring of structural behaviour[15].

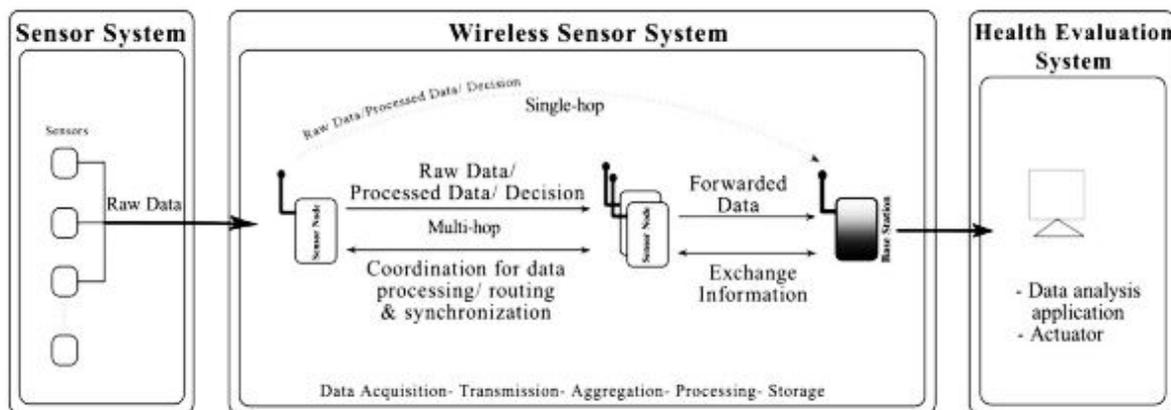


Figure 1. Overview of WSN based SHM

This means that the building's behaviour may be monitored and immediately sent to the maintenance crew so that they can intervene before the problem escalates. One of the many benefits of wireless sensor networks is their ability to reliably and accurately monitor structural characteristics. Another reason is that they can be used to cover large areas of a building at little cost due to their scalability[16]. This makes it possible to keep a close eye on the building without having to hire expensive inspectors or invest in specialised equipment. Another benefit of WSN deployment is its adaptability to building needs; for example, sensors may be placed in areas of the building that are more likely to sustain damage or degradation. Another advantage of WSNs is their ability to operate in harsh environments or in distant locations, where conventional SHM systems would have trouble or not work at all

[6]. WSNs are suitable for deployment in difficult environments since they can withstand harsh circumstances including vibration, high humidity, or very high temperatures. The inherent wirelessness of wireless sensor networks also makes it easy to set them up in outlying locations, free of the requirement for fixed wiring or power sources. Wireless sensor networks (WSNs) provide a number of advantages over more traditional SHM approaches, making them a viable substitute for SHM[17]. By allowing for continuous and real-time monitoring of structural behaviour, WSNs may detect potential issues early on. In this way, maintenance staff can address the issue before it worsens. Furthermore, the dependable, cost-effective, and customisable Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs) provide a compelling alternative to traditional SHM methods. In order to assess the efficacy of a WSN for SHM in identifying anomalies or structural changes, this study aims to lay out the general framework for its construction. Topics covered in this part include a literature review on WSNs for SHM, an outline of the study's design and deployment process, a presentation of the results, and a discussion of the study's implications for future research on WSNs for SHM. By following these procedures, we want to aid in the creation of WSN-based SHM systems that are more accurate, reliable, and economical[18].

Literature Review

Using wireless sensors (SHM), we provide a WSN designed for continuous structural health monitoring in the article [7] author. Based on several kinds of nodes, the authors propose a three-tiered WSN system. Every node has a central processing unit (CPU), temperature sensors, and an accelerometer. The WSN's efficacy is shown by monitoring a bridge's vibration and temperature. The results show that the WSN can record the bridge's dynamic behaviour in real-time. Our approach to wireless sensor network monitoring of large-scale constructions is detailed in the article [8] author. Hybrid communication protocols are suggested by the authors, which include time-division multiple access (TDMA) and carrier sense multiple access with collision avoidance (CSMA/CA). The gadget finds and locates structural flaws by using the idea of the natural frequency shift. The author of the study [9] shows that the approach can accurately identify and pinpoint damage by testing it on a large-scale truss design. In the article [10] author, we provide a technique for assessing a bridge's overall health that is based on wireless sensor networks. Based on several kinds of nodes, the authors propose a three-tiered WSN system. Each node has its own set of sensors that can detect things like temperature, strain, and acceleration. Our approach for monitoring the skeleton's condition in a steel arch bridge is described in the article [11] author. It makes use of a wireless sensor network. various sorts of nodes would operate at various levels of the WSN's proposed three-tiered design, according to the authors. Each node has its own set of sensors, such as those for acceleration, strain, and temperature. Using field tests, the author of the work [12] demonstrates how the WSN can represent the dynamic behaviour of a real-world bridge structure under different stress conditions. The author of the study [13] presents a method for monitoring the health of long-span cable-stayed bridges using wireless sensor networks. A core node and many peripheral nodes make up the decentralised sensor network that the authors suggest. Accelerometers, strain gauges, and temperature gauges are all part of the sensor suite at each node. The testing conducted on a real-world bridge structure show

that the WSN can properly record the bridge's dynamic behaviour under different stress conditions. The author of the aforementioned publication [14] provides a concise overview of recent advancements in structural health monitoring (SHM) with the use of WSNs in wind turbine blade applications. While the challenges of conventional methods have been addressed, the benefits of WSNs for SHM have been emphasised. An in-depth evaluation of the several sensors, protocols, and processing algorithms used in WSNs for SHM was provided in the article [15] by the author. We assess the accuracy, reliability, and real-time monitoring of WSNs used for SHM of wind turbine blades in several case studies in the article [16] author. Sensor, communication protocol, and processing algorithm improvements are just a few of the interesting new avenues that the authors have suggested for further research in this field. Recent advances in structural health monitoring (SHM) using wireless sensor networks (WSNs) are discussed in the article [17] author, along with potential areas for further research. The authors have highlighted the limitations of traditional methods and shown how WSNs may improve SHM. And they've done a thorough job of breaking out all the sensors, protocols, and algorithms that WSNs use for SHM. In the work [18] author, we review a number of case studies that have used WSNs for SHM of civil infrastructure, assessing their validity, reliability, and real-time tracking capabilities. A number of examples of topics the authors have suggested for further study on this issue include more reliable and efficient sensors, communication protocols, and processing algorithms. The author of the study [19] gives a comprehensive review of WSNs for SHM of civil infrastructure. The authors have highlighted the limitations of traditional methods and shown how WSNs may improve SHM. In addition, they have provided a thorough evaluation of the different sensors, protocols, and algorithms that are used in WSNs for SHM. Many case studies have used WSNs for SHM of civil infrastructure; in the article [20] author, we review these studies and assess their accuracy, reliability, and real-time monitoring performance. The authors of the publication [21] have suggested several good avenues for further research in this field, including ways to enhance sensors, communication protocols, and processing algorithms. The author of the study [22] provides a comprehensive review of WSNs for monitoring public buildings. We have reviewed the limitations and difficulties of current methods, and we have emphasised the benefits of using WSNs for civil infrastructure monitoring. A comprehensive evaluation has also been conducted on the various sensors, protocols, and processing algorithms that are used in WSNs for the purpose of civil infrastructure monitoring.

Challenges in Traditional SHM Methods

Traditional SHM systems often rely on wired sensor networks and manual inspections. These methods face several challenges that limit their effectiveness:

- **High Installation and Maintenance Costs:** Wired systems require extensive cabling, which is labor-intensive and costly to install and maintain, especially in large or complex structures.
- **Limited Flexibility:** Once installed, wired sensors are difficult to reposition, limiting their adaptability to changing monitoring requirements.

- **Data Integration Issues:** Integrating data from diverse sensors and sources can be challenging, especially in real-time scenarios.
- **Manual Inspections:** Periodic manual inspections are time-consuming, labor-intensive, and may not detect subtle or early-stage defects.

Advantages of Using Wireless Sensor Networks for SHM

The adoption of WSNs in SHM offers several significant advantages over traditional methods:

- **Ease of Installation and Maintenance:** Wireless sensors eliminate the need for extensive wiring, making them easier and less expensive to install and maintain. They can be placed in hard-to-reach or hazardous locations without the constraints of cables.
- **Scalability:** WSNs can be easily scaled to cover large or complex structures. Additional sensor nodes can be added to the network without significant reconfiguration, enhancing the system's adaptability.
- **Real-Time Monitoring:** WSNs enable continuous, real-time monitoring of structural parameters. This allows for the early detection of anomalies and prompt intervention, reducing the risk of catastrophic failures.
- **Distributed Processing:** The distributed nature of WSNs allows for local data processing at sensor nodes. This reduces the data load on the central control station and enhances the efficiency of data management.
- **Cost-Effectiveness:** The reduced need for wiring and manual interventions makes WSN-based SHM systems more cost-effective in the long run.

These advantages make WSNs an attractive option for modern SHM systems, providing a more effective and reliable means of ensuring structural safety.

Components of a WSN-Based SHM System

A WSN-based SHM system typically comprises the following components:

- **Smart Wireless Sensor Nodes:** These nodes are equipped with sensors to measure various structural parameters. Each node includes a microprocessor that processes the data locally, making the sensor "smart." The processed data is then transmitted wirelessly to a central control station.
- **Central Control Station:** This is the hub of the monitoring system, responsible for receiving and aggregating data from the sensor nodes. It performs comprehensive analysis to assess the health of the structure and identify potential issues.
- **Data Management and Analysis Software:** Advanced software tools are used to manage and analyze the collected data. These tools can detect patterns, identify anomalies, and generate alerts for maintenance personnel. Machine learning

algorithms and data analytics techniques are often employed to enhance the accuracy and reliability of the analysis.

Sensor Placement Technique

A variety of sensor installation techniques are available for use on structures, including surface-mounted, embedded, and scattered sensors. Mounted sensors on the outside of a structure are fastened using adhesives or mechanical fasteners. Despite being lightweight and easy to put up, these sensors aren't going to be able to detect anything happening within the structure and are also quite vulnerable to harm[21-23]. Buildings may have embedded sensors installed during renovations or new construction. Although these sensors are more difficult to set up and take down, they are impervious to the elements and can gather information from anywhere in the structure. Spread out across the structure are a number of sensors, often organised in a grid or cluster arrangement. Because of the all-encompassing view they provide of the building, these sensors are often used for wide-area monitoring[24].

WSN-SHM Deployment

In order for a WSN to function, sensors must be strategically placed throughout the building, and the wireless communication modules must be configured to transmit data to the central hub of the network[25]. The control or equipment room are good examples of good locations for hubs. Accurate data collection from sensors relies on their proper calibration and setup prior to deployment. It is critical to test the wireless communication modules of the WSN and verify data transmission and reception.

Collection of Health Data & Analysis:

It is possible to gather and analyse data when the WSN is configured. The data is received, analysed, and assessed by the necessary algorithms at a central node once the sensors have sent it. With the processed data, we can track the structure's performance over time and identify and localise any degradation or damage. Also, maintenance and repairs may be better guided by the data, which increases the building's overall security and reliability. Finally, for a WSN to provide optimum coverage and trustworthy data collection, sensors must be installed on a structure in a certain manner. The corners, columns, and beams are good places to put the sensors so they can catch issues before they escalate. A properly calibrated and set up WSN is also essential for accurate data collecting and processing.

Scalability The conventional wisdom is that a better picture of a building's health may be gleaned via a network of sensors strategically placed about the premises. Damage to a nearby building is considered miraculous, therefore it stands to reason that signals from sensors close to the site would provide more detailed information on the damage than signals from sensors further away. With sufficiently thick sensors, the geographic variety of the detected variables may be precisely evaluated. The 443-meter-tall Sears Tower and the 3.9-kilometer-long Akashi Kaikyo Bridge both need an overwhelming quantity of high-tech sensor nodes for

their coarse instrumentation. With the capacity to connect wirelessly, setup costs may be drastically reduced, and the simple concept of smart sensors can make a multitude of smart sensors economically feasible. Whatever the case may be, a smart sensor network isn't big enough to support a bevy of sensors without constantly updating and publicising information about the network's restricted resources. As an example, smart sensor networks that are meant to gather almost all intended data at a single base station are unable to adjust due to inadequate transmission capacity. Coarse versions of complex sensors should be possible with the right hardware and software.

Power awareness

Since the majority of light sensors rely on batteries, the power that can be allocated to active sensor arrays is often somewhat restricted. To make the brilliant sensor last longer, it's important to keep an eye on how much force is being used. Specifically, energy-intensive contests like light storage and radio communication need to be well-structured. The total life of the network may be prolonged if nodes with more available power remove more computational and communication power. Nodes and the network as a whole should have a longer service life as a result of well-managed forces.

Bandwidth awareness

To keep interference from networks to a minimum, it is necessary to track all RF transmissions. In addition to exceeding the network's communication limit, excessive communication amplifies the information's effect. Both the likelihood of an effect and the quality of communication deteriorate as network traffic loads rise. It is in the best interest of the network as a whole for nodes that are more easily accessible to communicate to ban the assignment of multiple transmissions. Keeping transmitted information reasonable and improving the usage of transmission capacity are required to increase the quality and consistent efficiency of communication and save violence.

Memory awareness

Flash memory and RAM are some of the limited resources available for active sensors. Remembering stripes also increases power; reading carefully and composing should be limited. Factors that require regular access should be stored in RAM rather than sequential memory. Again, breaking a shiny sensor is a game that constantly consumes considerable force. Therefore, the current RAM size for expert sensors is moderately small and should gradually increase thereafter. For example, Mica2 only has 4KB of RAM that can store around 1000 houses of information in a drift point project with single precision. At a time when an application has to process large

Experimental Studies On Wireless Sensor Platforms And Developed Software Measurement Of Performance

The creation of a simple wireless health monitoring system may benefit from two distinct kinds of wireless sensor stages: Imote2 and Waspote. In earlier parts, we covered the

benefits of these wireless sensor stages and how they might be used for assistance condition monitoring. In order to facilitate the ongoing gathering of wireless data from various sensors, an in-product device was developed to arrange them. The wireless sensor board and associated programmer were subjected to launch test experiments to evaluate their exposure. Research installation projects were conducted in this association using a standard approach for accelerometer calibration.

Analysis of Performance of The Imote2 Wireless Sensor Platform

Figure 1 shows the typical alignment fixture fitted with the Imote2 wireless sensor phase's wireless sensor node. An old-fashioned accelerometer is already included into the basic fit tool, so it can roughly predict the alignment tool's inputs. A scheduler was developed and then used to arrange the wireless sensor node. At first, the control system's gateway node and the sensor node were able to communicate effectively. The purpose of the wireless sensor node is to measure speed and collect data in real-time. After the changes were made, the control system predicted that the reactions would remain constant and sent the resulting vibrations to the wireless sensor node. It was really the control system that received the data wirelessly. Continual evaluation of the wireless sensor node's responses was performed while subjected to varying degrees of vibration. The frequency of the excitations is recorded by the product instrument's quick Fourier transform. The estimated responses and various intensities of radioelectric node stimulation are shown in Table 1.



Figure 1. Imote2 The wireless sensor node is mounted on the accelerometer trim system

Table 1. Comparison of the responses of wireless sensors and traditional accelerometers

tried	Acceleration and input frequency	Wireless sensor node	Traditional accelerometer	% Variation
one	0.04 g at 5 Hz	0.041 g at 5.12 Hz	0.04 g at 5 Hz	2.5
two	0.06 g at 5 Hz	0.065 g to 5.07 Hz	0.06 g at 5 Hz	8.3
3	0.1 g at 5 Hz	0.091 g at 5.22 Hz	0.1 g at 5 Hz	9.0
Room	0.15 g at 5 Hz	0.142 g to 5.01 Hz	0.15 g at 5 Hz	5.3

For a knowledge growth rate of 0.04 g with a 5 Hz recurrence, Figure 1 shows the diversity of velocities measured by Imote2 and Figure 2. shows the FFT plot reported for the predicted response

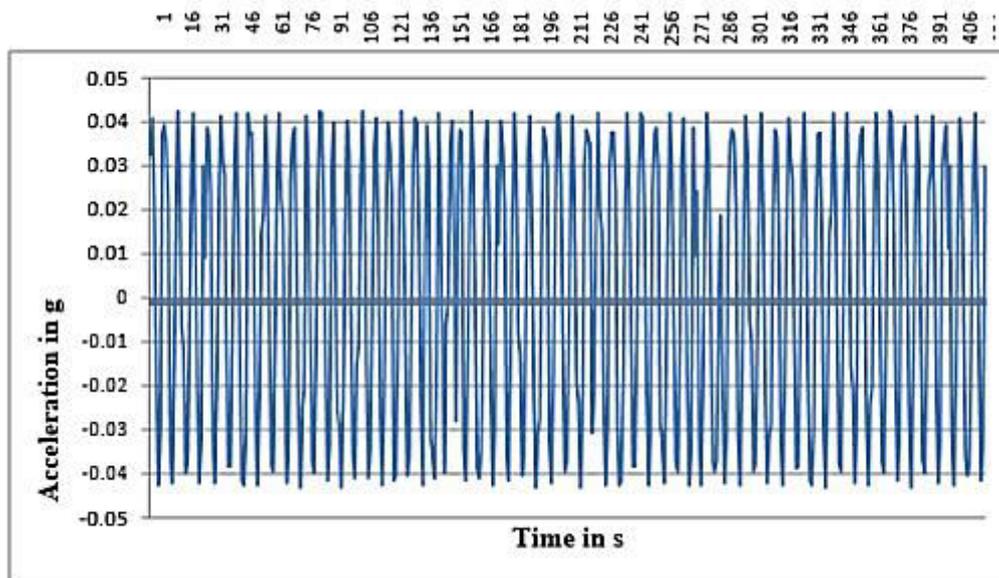


Figure 1. Spectrum of the accelerated reaction with 0.04 times the excitation

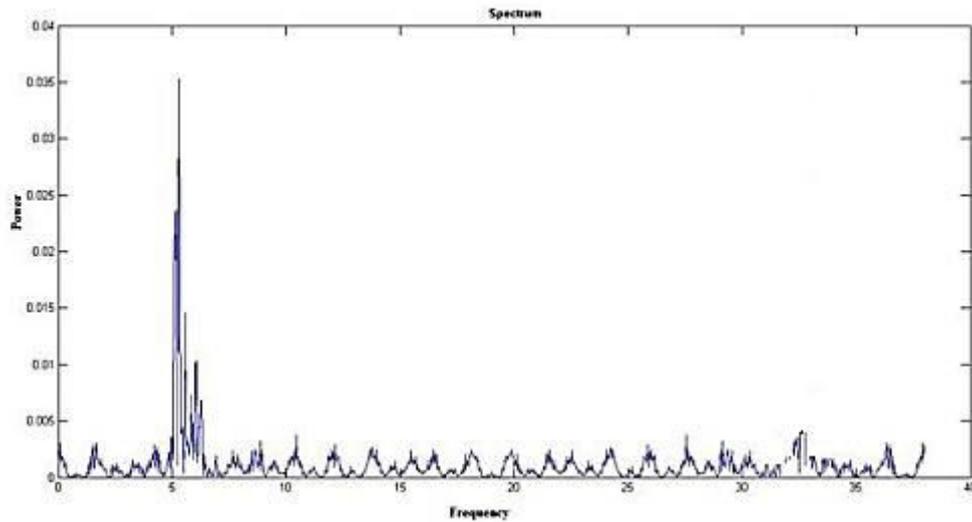


Figure 2. FFT diagram with a repetition of 5 Hz with an excitation of 0.04 g

Real-World Applications and Case Studies

Several real-world applications and case studies have demonstrated the effectiveness of WSN-based SHM systems. For example, WSNs have been successfully deployed on bridges to monitor parameters such as strain and vibration. In one notable case, a WSN-based SHM system was installed on the long-span Jindo Bridge in South Korea. The system provided continuous, real-time monitoring and detected several critical issues that were addressed promptly, enhancing the bridge's safety and reliability.

Similarly, WSNs have been used to monitor the health of historical buildings, dams, and tunnels. These applications have shown that WSN-based SHM systems can provide accurate, reliable, and timely information, enabling proactive maintenance and ensuring the safety of critical infrastructure.

Future Directions and Research Opportunities

The field of SHM using WSNs is rapidly evolving, with several exciting future directions and research opportunities:

- **Enhanced Sensor Technologies:** Developing advanced sensor technologies with higher sensitivity, accuracy, and reliability will improve the effectiveness of SHM systems. Innovations in MEMS (Micro-Electro-Mechanical Systems) and nanotechnology are expected to play a crucial role.
- **Energy Harvesting:** One of the main challenges in WSNs is the limited battery life of sensor nodes. Research into energy harvesting techniques, such as solar, thermal, and vibrational energy harvesting, aims to develop self-powered sensor nodes that can operate for extended periods without battery replacement.
- **Machine Learning and AI:** Integrating machine learning and artificial intelligence into SHM systems can enhance data analysis, anomaly detection, and predictive maintenance. These technologies can identify patterns and trends that human analysts might miss, providing deeper insights into structural health.

- **Interoperability and Standardization:** Developing standardized protocols and frameworks for WSN-based SHM systems will facilitate interoperability between different systems and devices, enhancing their adoption and effectiveness.

Conclusion

Identifying the most suitable wireless sensor platform for data-intensive applications like structural health monitoring is the focus of this chapter. Research into evaluating the performance of these commercially available platforms has also been conducted. Some have said that in order to create applications for structural health monitoring, the Wasp mote and Imote2 wireless sensor platforms are required. These wireless sensor nodes include MEM-based accelerometers for structural vibration monitoring. Software tools have been developed to enable the configuration of wireless sensor systems and the real-time acquisition of data from these sensors. Testing of the built-in software tool for wireless data transfer between the wireless node and the gateway node connected to the control device was placed in a controlled environment. A revolutionary step forward in civil engineering has been the creation of a method to monitor the condition of civil constructions via the use of Wireless Sensor Networks (WSNs). Efficient, dependable, and cost-effective monitoring systems are becoming more and more important as infrastructure ages and demands on it rise. When compared to more conventional approaches, WSNs provide superior continuous, real-time monitoring, making them an ideal choice for meeting these demands.

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