

VIBRANT MEScope Application Note 52

Order-Based ODS's are a Summation of Mode Shapes

The steps in this Application Note can be carried out using any MEScope package that includes the **VES-3600 Advanced Signal Processing & VES-4600 Advanced Modal Analysis** options. Without these options, you can still carry out the steps in this App Note using the **AppNote52** project file. These steps might also require MEScope *software with a more recent release date.*

APP NOTE 52 PROJECT FILE

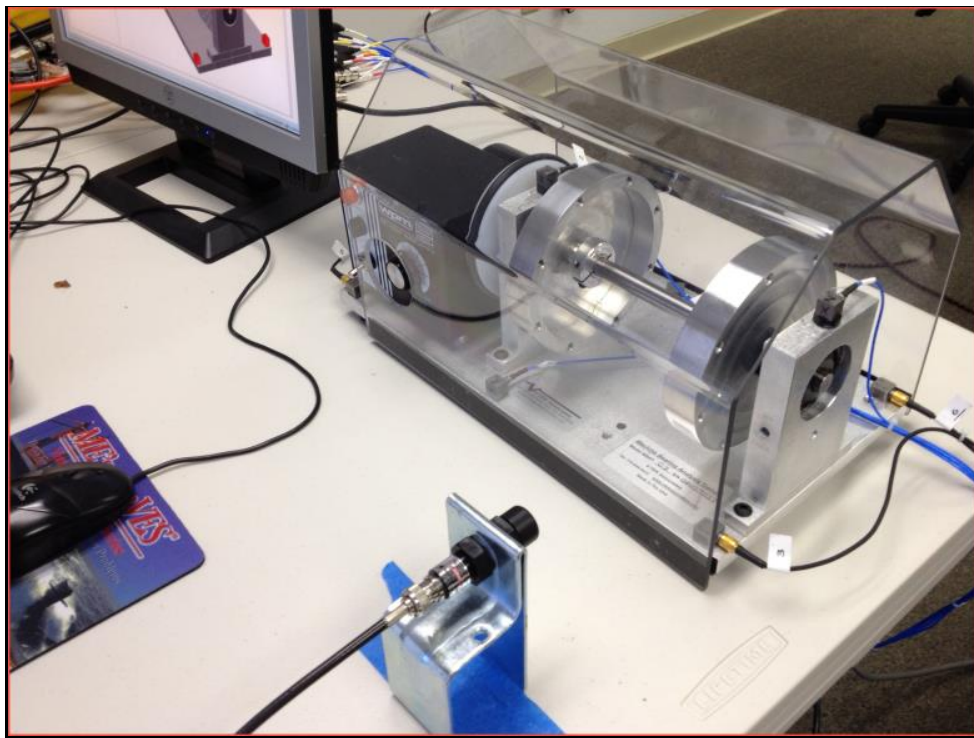
- To retrieve the Project for this App Note, [click here](#) to download **AppNote52.zip**

This Project contains *numbered Hotkeys & Scripts* for carrying out the steps of this App Note.

- **Hold down the Ctrl key and click on a Hotkey** to open its Script window

This App Note illustrates a universal law of modal analysis,

Universal Law of Modal Analysis: All vibration is a summation of mode shapes.



Variable Speed Rotating Machine

INTRODUCTION

In this App Note, ten **FEA mode shapes** of the base plate & bearing blocks of a rotating machine are used to *curve-fit and expand* the first-order **ODS** of the machine. **ODS-FRFs** were acquired while the machine was running at three different operating speeds. The **ODS-FRFs** were acquired at eight points on the machine using 4-channel data acquisition hardware with a uni-axial accelerometer as a fixed reference and a roving tri-axil accelerometer attached at each of eight test points.

The **peak values** of the ODS-FRFs at the running speed were saved as the **first-order ODS**.

The modal parameters of a structure can be obtained in two ways,

1. **Experimental Modal Analysis (EMA): EMA mode shapes** are extracted by curve-fitting a set of experimentally derived time-domain or frequency-domain data that characterize the structural dynamics.
2. **Finite Element Analysis (FEA): FEA mode shapes** are calculated from a set of differential equations that characterize the structural dynamics.

In this App Note analytical **FEA mode shapes** are used to *curve-fit* and *expand ODS data* to include **DOFs** that were not experimentally acquired. It is shown how **FEA mode shapes participate differently** in the **first-order ODS** of a rotating machine at different operating speeds. The **participation** of the **FEA mode shapes** is then used to *expand* the **first-order ODS**, creating a representation of the **ODS** at *both measured* and *un-measured DOFs* of the machine.

This curve-fitting method has several unique advantages.

- **Only FEA mode shapes** are used for curve-fitting. Modal frequency & damping are not required.
- **FEA mode shapes** derived from an **FEA model with free-free boundary conditions** are used to curve-fit ODS data *with real-world boundary conditions*.
- The **participation** of each mode shape in the ODS data is determined by solving *least-squared-error curve-fitting* equations.
- The **participation** of each mode shape is then used to *expand* the **ODS** data to include the **DOFs** of the **FEA mode shapes**.

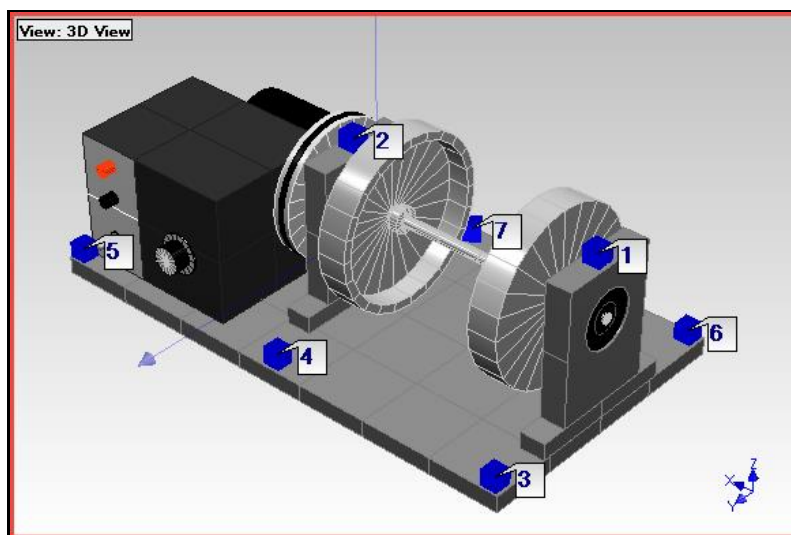
EXPANDING ORDER-BASED ODS's

In a rotating machine, the dominant forces are applied at *multiples of the machine running speed, called orders*. An **order-based ODS** is assembled from the **peak values** at one of the orders in a set of **output-only frequency domain functions**.

Auto Spectra, Cross Spectra, or ODS-FRFs are typically calculated from output-only **TWFs** that are acquired while a machine is running.

When displayed in animation on a 3D model of the machine, an **order-based ODS** is a convenient way of visualizing distributed vibration levels caused by unmeasured internal cyclic forces.

- **Order-based ODS's** can be represented as a *summation of mode shapes*.
- The **order-based ODS's** or their *modal participation* can be used for monitoring the health of a machine.



Model Showing Eight Tri-Axial Accelerometer Locations

The machine was supported on **four rubber mounts** (one under each corner), so it behaves much like a mass on a spring. Its *rigid body motion participates significantly* in its first-order ODS.

Hotkey 1 - FEA MODE SHAPES

Six *rigid-body* and four *flexible-body* FEA mode shapes were obtained from an FEA model of the **base plate & bearing blocks** of the machine.

These ten FEA mode shapes were obtained using the **VES-8000 FEA** option in MEScope.

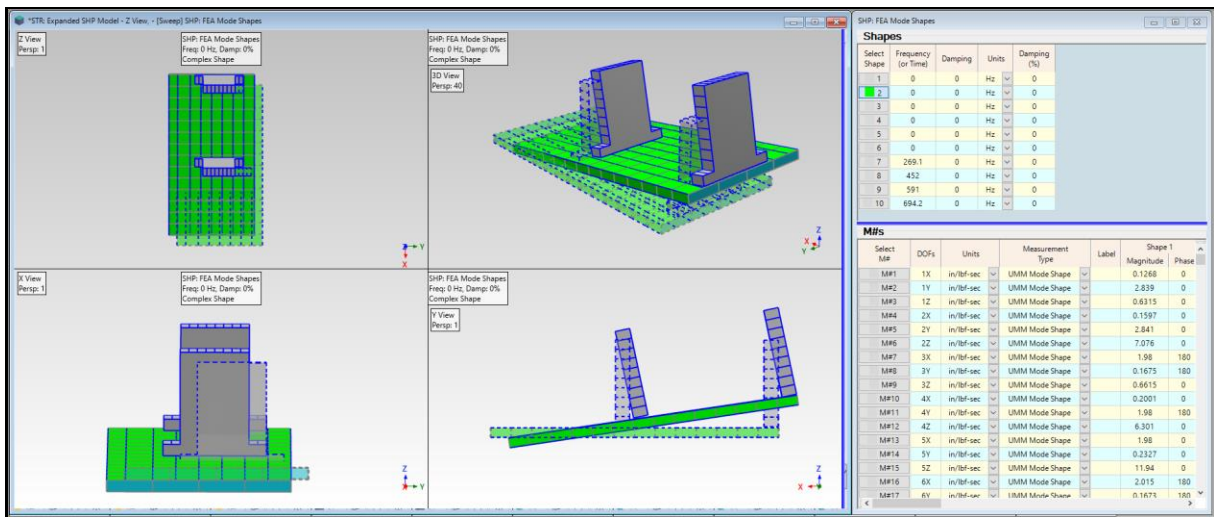
In this App Note, these FEA mode shapes are used to curve-fit and expand the experimental ODS's.

- **Press Hotkey 1**

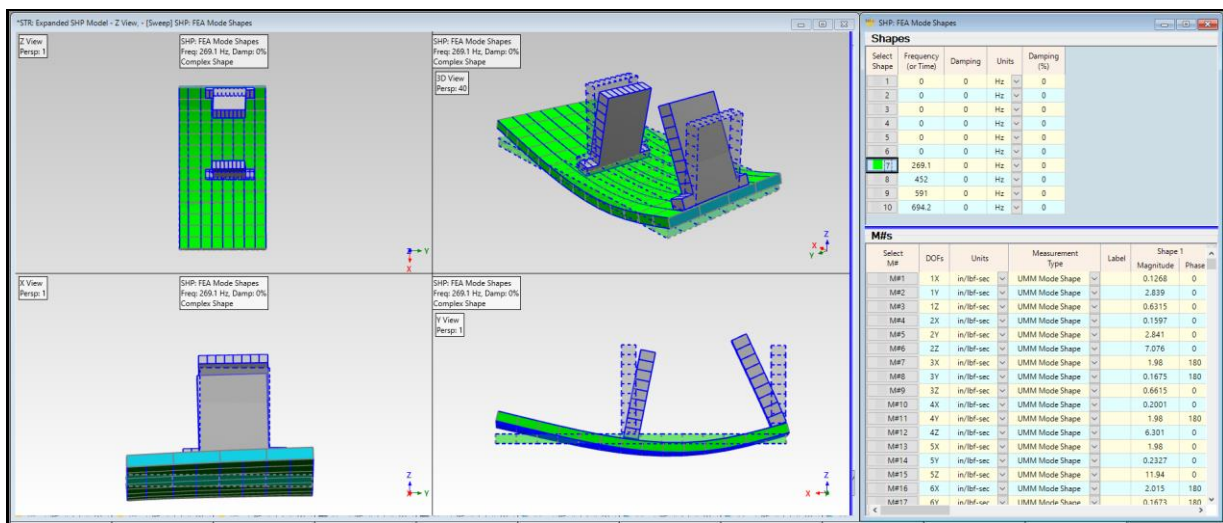
Sweep animation through the ten FEA mode shapes will begin. One of the *rigid-body* mode shapes and a *flexible-body* mode shape are shown in the two figures below.

The FEA mode shapes have **1938 DOFs**, but 24 of their DOFs *coincide with the same 24 DOFs* as the experimental ODS's.

The FEA mode shapes are curve-fit to the ODS's using data from their common DOFs.



Rigid-Body Mode Shape of Base Plate & Bearing Block.



First Flexible Mode Shape of Base Plate & Bearing Block.

NORMAL MODE SHAPES

Because the **FEA** model has no damping, the **FEA mode shapes** are *real-valued*, having shape components with *phase angles of 0 & 180 degrees*.

Mode shapes that have components with **phases of 0 & 180 degrees** are called **normal mode shapes**.

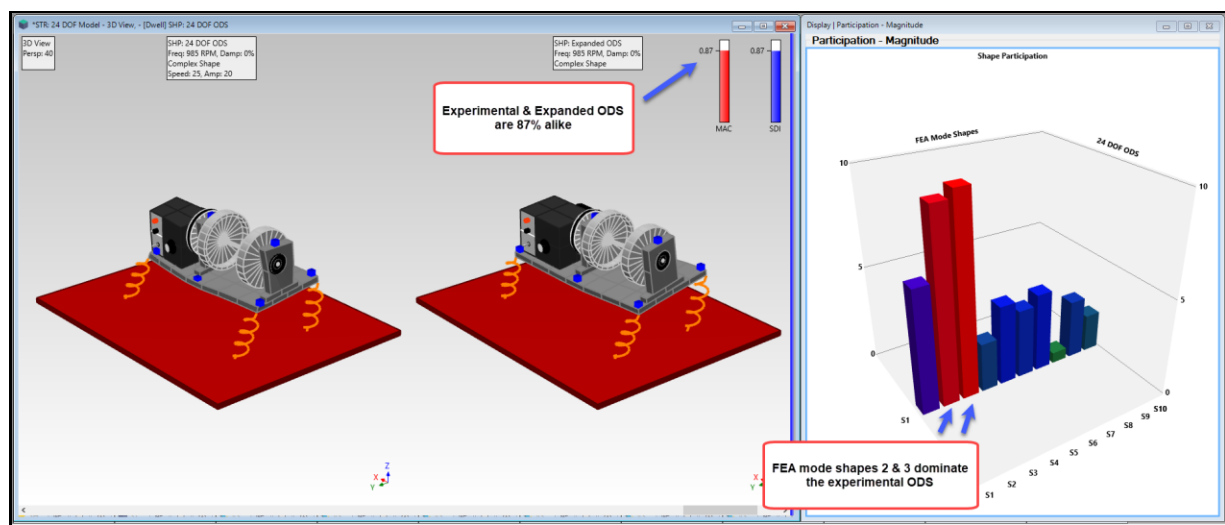
Hotkey 2 - EXPERIMENTAL VERSUS EXPANDED ODS AT 985 RPM

- **Press Hotkey 2**

When Hotkey 2 is pressed, the *complex valued* experimental ODS data is curve-fit with the ten *normal FEA mode shapes*, and the **participations** of the **FEA mode shapes** in the ODS are used to expand the ODS.

A side-by-side animation of the *original 24-DOF 985 RPM ODS* is displayed on the *left-hand model* and the *1938-DOF expanded 985 RPM ODS* is displayed on the *right-hand model*, is shown in the figure below.

Geometric interpolation is used on both models to deflect all the *un-measured DOFs*.



24-DOF Experimental ODS versus 1938-DOF Expanded ODS at 985 RPM.

The **MAC** & **SDI** bars displayed in the *upper-right corner* of the side-by-side animation are a numerical comparison of the *original ODS* and the *expanded ODS*.

The *original ODS* and the *expanded ODS* are **87% alike at the 24 DOFs that are common between them**.

The shape participation bar chart *on the right* shows that **all ten FEA mode shapes** are excited at **985 RPM**, but **rigid body FEA mode shapes 2 & 3 dominate** the ODS.

MAC & SDI

Both the **Modal Assurance Criterion (MAC)** and the **Shape Difference Indicator (SDI)** are used to measure both the **co-linearity** and the **difference** respectively between the *experimental ODS* and the *expanded ODS* in the comparison display above.

- **MAC & SDI** have values between **0 & 1**
- **MAC = 1** → two shapes are **co linear**
- **MAC > 0.9** → two shapes are **similar**
- **SDI = 1** → two shapes are **identical**
- **SDI > 0.9** → two shapes are **nearly alike**

SHAPE PARTICIPATION

The participation bar chart on the right side of the figure above shows the participation of each **FEA mode shape** in the **24-DOF experimental ODS**. The bars show that the **rigid-body FEA mode shapes (S1 to S6) dominate** the ODS, but they will **participate differently** at each speed.

Complex-valued participations were used to curve-fit the complex-valued **ODS** data with **normal FEA mode shapes**.

MAC & SDI values **at or above 90%** verify that complex-valued **ODS** data **can be accurately represented as a summation** of **FEA mode shapes**.

Hotkey 3 - EXPERIMENTAL VERSUS EXPANDED ODS AT 1440 RPM

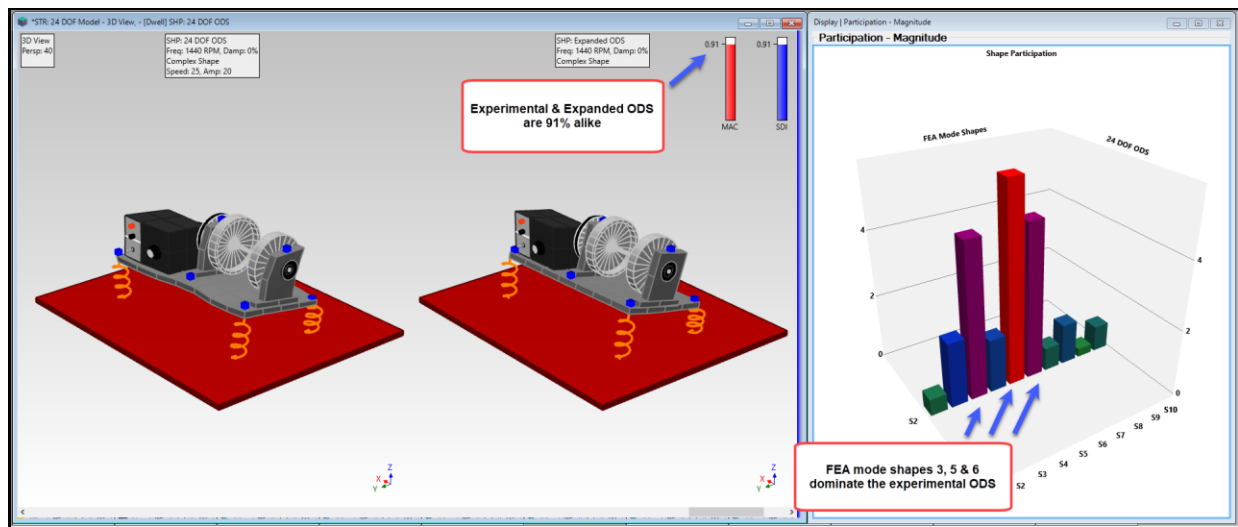
- **Press Hotkey 3**

When Hotkey 3 is pressed, the **complex valued** experimental **ODS** data is curve-fit with the ten **normal FEA mode shapes**, and the **participations** of the **FEA mode shapes** in the **ODS** are used to expand the **ODS**.

The **MAC & SDI** bars displayed in the **upper-right corner** of the side-by-side animation shown below are a numerical comparison of the **original 1440 RPM ODS** and the **expanded 1440 RPM ODS**.

The shape **participation** bar chart **on the right** shows that **all ten FEA mode shapes** are excited at **1440 RPM**, but **rigid body FEA mode shapes 3, 5 & 6 dominate** the ODS.

The **original ODS** and the **expanded ODS** are **91% alike at the 24 DOFs that are common between them**.



24-DOF Experimental ODS versus 1938-DOF Expanded ODS at 1440 RPM.

Hotkey 4 - EXPERIMENTAL VERSUS EXPANDED ODS AT 2280 RPM

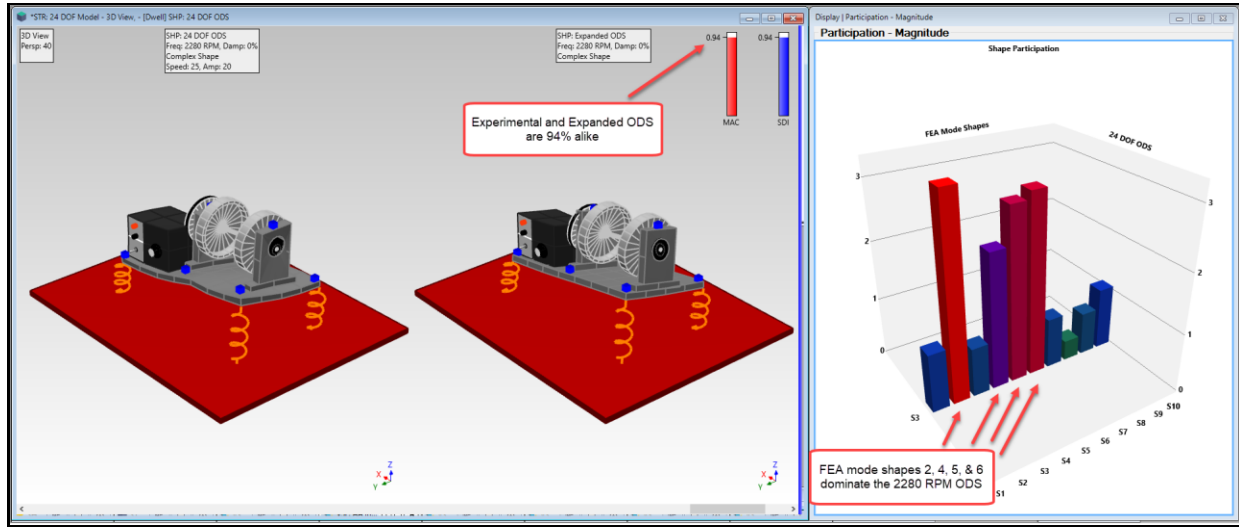
- **Press Hotkey 4**

When Hotkey 4 is pressed, the **complex valued** experimental **ODS** data is curve-fit with the ten **normal FEA mode shapes**, and the **participations** of the **FEA mode shapes** in the **ODS** are used to expand the **ODS**.

The **MAC & SDI** bars displayed in the **upper-right corner** of the side-by-side animation shown below are a numerical comparison of the **original 2280 RPM ODS** and the **expanded 2280 RPM ODS**.

The shape **participation** bar chart **on the right** shows that **all ten FEA mode shapes** are excited at **2280 RPM**, but **rigid body FEA mode shapes 3, 5 & 6 dominate** the ODS.

The **original ODS** and the **expanded ODS** are **94% alike at the 24 DOFs that are common between them**.

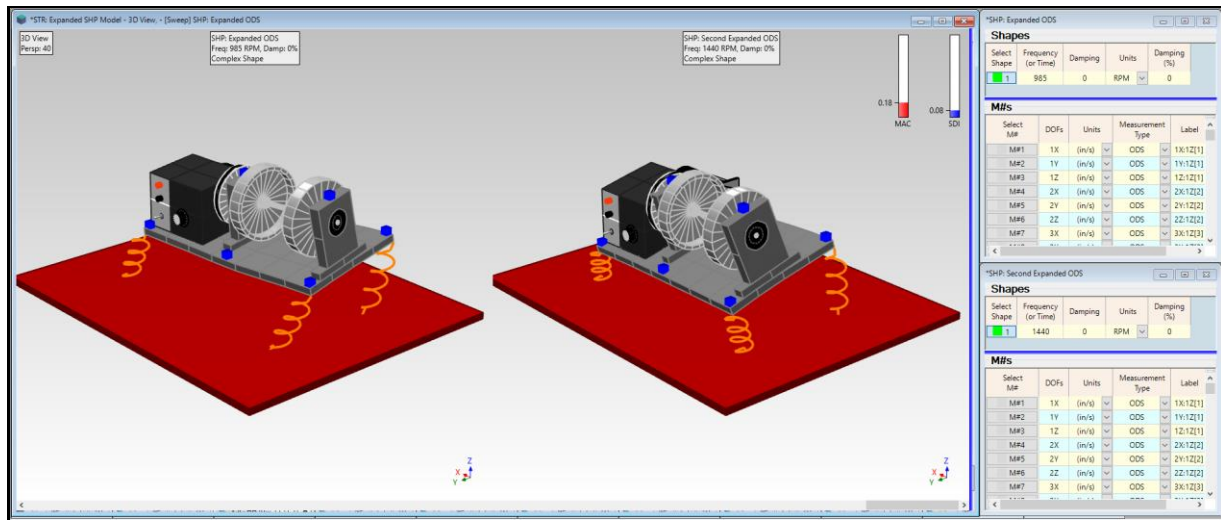


24-DOF Experimental ODS versus 1938-DOF Expanded ODS at 2280 RPM.

Hotkey 5 - 985 RPM VERSUS 1440 RPM ODS

We have seen how the **FEA mode shapes** participate differently in the ODS at three different speeds of the machine. So how different are the ODS's from one another at these three different operating speeds?

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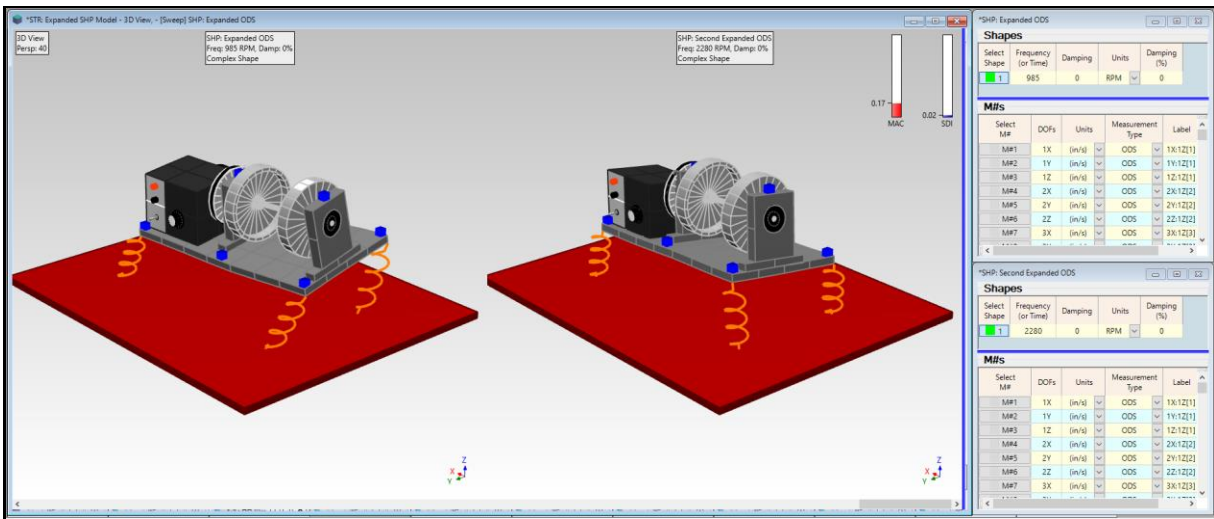
985 RPM ODS VERSUS 1440 RPM ODS

MAC & SDI are calculated between **all 1938 DOFs** of the two expanded ODS's.

Low MAC & SDI → the first-order ODS **has changed significantly** between speeds **985 RPM & 1440 RPM**.

Hotkey 6 - 985 RPM VERSUS 2280 RPM ODS

- **Press Hotkey 6**



985 RPM ODS VERSUS 2280 RPM ODS

Low MAC & SDI → the first-order ODS *has changed significantly* between speeds 985 RPM & 2280 RPM.

CONCLUSIONS

In this App Note, ten **FEA mode shapes** of the base plate & bearing blocks of a rotating machine were used to curve-fit and expand the first-order ODS of a rotating machine. ODS data was acquired while the machine was running at three different speeds. ODS data was acquired using 4-channel data acquisition hardware with a uni-axial accelerometer as a fixed reference and a roving tri-axial accelerometer attached at eight different points on the machine.

This App Note illustrated how ten **FEA mode shapes** of a machine modeled with **free-free boundary conditions** can be used to expand its operating data, thus conforming a fundamental law,

Fundamental Law of Modal Analysis: All vibration is a summation of mode shapes.

This decomposition & expansion of operating data using **FEA mode shapes** offers some important advantages,

- **Real-world ODS data** can be *accurately curve-fit* using mode shapes.
- **Normal FEA mode shapes** can be used to curve-fit *complex-valued ODS* data.
- **Normal mode shapes** derived from an **FEA model with free-free boundary conditions & no damping** can be curve-fit to real-world vibration data that includes *real-world boundary conditions & damping*.

Hotkey 7 - REVIEW STEPS

To review the steps of this App Note,

- **Press Hotkey 7 Review Steps**