

# Experimental Evaluation on $\mathcal{H}_\infty$ DIA Control of Magnetic Bearings with Rotor Unbalance

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**Abstract**—This paper deals with an experimental evaluation on  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  DIA control of magnetic bearings with rotor unbalance.  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  control problem which treats a mixed Disturbance and an Initial state uncertainty Attenuation (DIA) control is expected to provide a good transient property, and we confirmed that DIA control has a good rotational performance by some experiments.

In this paper, we propose a modified control system design of  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  DIA control in order to consider the periodic disturbance for the magnetic bearings. In fact, we get a controller taken a peak at specified frequency by adding a frequency weighting function in generalized plant.

Experimental results show that the proposed robust control approach is effective for improving rotational performance.

**Index Terms**— $H_\infty$  DIA Control, Magnetic Bearing System, Rotor Unbalance, Rotational Performance

## I. INTRODUCTION

Active magnetic bearings are used to support and maneuver a levitated object, often rotating, via magnetic force. Because magnetic bearings support rotors without physical contacts, they have many advantages, e.g. frictionless operation, less frictional wear, low vibration, quietness, high rotational speed, usefulness in special environments, and low maintenance. On the other hand, disadvantages of magnetic bearings include the expense of the equipment, the necessity of countermeasures in case of a power failure, and instability in their control systems. However, there are many real-world applications which utilize the advantages outlined above[1], [2].

By the way,  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  control has proven its effect for robust control problem and it has been applied to a variety of industrial products. a mixed Disturbance and an Initial-state uncertainty Attenuation (DIA) control is expected to provide a good transient characteristic as compared with conventional  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  control[3]. Recently, hybrid/switching control are actively studied, this method might be one of the most reasonable approach to implement them.

We applied an  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  DIA control to a magnetic bearing, and confirmed that this control has a better transient response[6]. But in its research, we did not consider a rotation of the rotor. Therefore, the aim of this paper is to improve rotational performance by considering the periodic disturbance caused by unbalance of rotor while the rotor is rotating. Many researchers have tackled the problem of unbalance vibration via magnetic bearings[4], [5].

For that purpose, we propose a modified control system design of  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  DIA control in order to improve more rotational performance of a magnetic bearing against the periodic disturbance caused by unbalance of rotor.

In this paper, we apply an  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  DIA control system design of a magnetic bearing considering periodic disturbance. In fact, we get a controller taken a peak at specified frequency by adding a frequency weighting function in generalized plant. First we derive a mathematical model of magnetic bearing systems considering rotor dynamics and nonlinearities of magnetic force[6]. Then we set the generalized plant which contains design parameter for uncertainty, control performance and periodic disturbance.

Experimental results show that the proposed robust control approach is effective for improving more rotational performance.

## II. $H_\infty$ DIA CONTROL

Consider the linear time-invariant system which is defined on the time interval  $[0, \infty)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= Ax + B_1w + B_2u, & x(0) &= x_0 \\ z &= C_1x + D_{12}u \\ y &= C_2x + D_{21}w \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where  $x \in R^n$  is the state and  $x_0 = x(0)$  is the initial state;  $u \in R^r$  is the control input;  $y \in R^m$  is the observed output;  $z \in R^q$  is the controlled output;  $w \in R^p$  is the disturbance. The disturbance  $w(t)$  is a square integrable function defined on  $[0, \infty)$ .  $A$ ,  $B_1$ ,  $B_2$ ,  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$ ,  $D_{12}$  and  $D_{21}$  are constant matrices of appropriate dimensions and satisfies that

- $(A, B_1)$  is stabilizable and  $(A, C_1)$  is detectable
- $(A, B_2)$  is controllable and  $(A, C_2)$  is observable
- $D_{12}^T D_{12} \in R^{r \times r}$  is nonsingular
- $D_{21} D_{21}^T \in R^{m \times m}$  is nonsingular

For system (1), every admissible control  $u(t)$  is given by linear time-invariant system of the form

$$\begin{aligned} u &= J\zeta + Ky \\ \dot{\zeta} &= G\zeta + Hy, & \zeta(0) &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (2)$$

which makes the closed-loop system given internally stable, where  $\zeta(t)$  is the state of the controller of a finite

dimension;  $J$ ,  $K$ ,  $G$  and  $H$  are constant matrices of appropriate dimensions. For the system and the class of admissible controls described above, consider a mixed-attenuation problem state as below.

**Problem 1:**  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  **DIA control problem**[3]

Find an admissible control attenuating disturbances and initial state uncertainties in the way that, for given  $N > 0$ ,  $z$  satisfies

$$\|z\|_2^2 < \|w\|_2^2 + x_0^T N^{-1} x_0 \quad (3)$$

for all  $w \in L^2[0, \infty)$  and all  $x_0 \in R^n$ , s.t.,  $(w, x_0) \neq 0$ . Such an admissible control is called the **D**isturbance and **I**nitial state uncertainty **A**ttenuation (**DIA**) control.

### III. SYSTEM DESCRIPTION AND MODELING

The experimental setup of the magnetic bearing system[7] is shown in Fig.1. The controlled plant is a 4-axis controlled type active magnetic bearing with symmetrical structure. The axial motion is not controlled actively. The electromagnets are located in the horizontal and the vertical direction of both sides of the rotor. Moreover, hall-device-type gap sensors are located in the both sides of the vertical and horizontal direction.

In order to derive a nominal model of the system, the following assumptions are introduced[8].

- The rotor is rigid and has no unbalance.
- All electromagnets are identical.
- Attractive force of an electromagnet is in proportion to (electric current / gap length)<sup>2</sup>.
- The resistance and the inductance of the electromagnet coil are constant and independent of the gap length.
- Small deviations from the equilibrium point are treated.

These assumptions are not strong and suitable around the steady state operation, but if the rotor spins at super-high speed, these assumption will be failed. Based on the above assumptions and a mathematical model of a magnetic bearing derived in [6], we considered the periodic disturbance caused by unbalance of rotor, which synchronized with

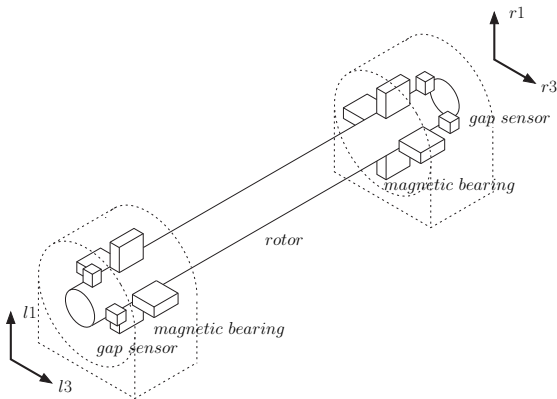


Fig. 1. Magnetic Bearing

rotational frequency. The obtained result is as follows,

$$\begin{aligned} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_v \\ \dot{x}_h \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} A_v & pA_{vh} \\ -pA_{vh} & A_h \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_v \\ x_h \end{bmatrix} \\ &+ \begin{bmatrix} B_v & 0 \\ 0 & B_h \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_v \\ u_h \end{bmatrix} \\ &+ \begin{bmatrix} D_v & 0 \\ 0 & D_h \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_v \\ v_h \end{bmatrix} + p^2 \begin{bmatrix} E_v \\ E_h \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} v_{uv} \\ v_{uh} \end{bmatrix} \\ \begin{bmatrix} y_v \\ y_h \end{bmatrix} &= \begin{bmatrix} C_v & 0 \\ 0 & C_h \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_v \\ x_h \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} w_v \\ w_h \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (4)$$

$$\begin{aligned} x_v &= [g_{l1} \ g_{r1} \ \dot{g}_{l1} \ \dot{g}_{r1} \ i_{l1} \ i_{r1}]^T \\ x_h &= [g_{l3} \ g_{r3} \ \dot{g}_{l3} \ \dot{g}_{r3} \ i_{l3} \ i_{r3}]^T \\ u_v &= [e_{l1} \ e_{r1}]^T, \quad u_h = [e_{l3} \ e_{r3}]^T \\ v_v &= [v_{ml1} \ v_{mr1} \ v_{Ll1} \ v_{Lr1}]^T \\ v_h &= [v_{ml3} \ v_{mr3} \ v_{Ll3} \ v_{Lr3}]^T \\ v_{uv} &:= \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon \sin(pt + \kappa) \\ \tau \cos(pt + \lambda) \end{bmatrix}, \quad v_{uh} := \begin{bmatrix} \varepsilon \cos(pt + \kappa) \\ \tau \sin(pt + \lambda) \end{bmatrix} \\ y_v &= [y_{l1} \ y_{r1}]^T, \quad y_h = [y_{l3} \ y_{r3}]^T \\ w_v &= [w_{l1} \ w_{r1}]^T, \quad w_h = [w_{l3} \ w_{r3}]^T \\ A_v &:= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I_2 & 0 \\ K_{x1}A_1 & 0 & K_{i1}A_1 \\ 0 & 0 & -(R/L)I_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ A_h &:= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & I_2 & 0 \\ K_{x3}A_1 & 0 & K_{i3}A_1 \\ 0 & 0 & -(R/L)I_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ A_{vh} &:= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & A_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ B_v &= B_h := \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ (1/L)I_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ C_v &= C_h := [I_2 \ 0 \ 0] \\ D_v &= D_h := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ A_1 & 0 \\ 0 & (1/L)I_2 \end{bmatrix} \\ E_v &:= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ E_{v1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad E_h := \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 \\ 0 & E_{h1} \\ 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ E_{v1} &:= \begin{bmatrix} -1 & l_l \left(1 - \frac{J_x}{J_y}\right) \\ -1 & -l_r \left(1 - \frac{J_x}{J_y}\right) \end{bmatrix} \\ E_{h1} &:= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & l_l \left(1 - \frac{J_x}{J_y}\right) \\ 1 & -l_r \left(1 - \frac{J_x}{J_y}\right) \end{bmatrix} \\ A_1 &:= \begin{bmatrix} 1/m + l_m^2/J_y & 1/m - l_m^2/J_y \\ 1/m - l_m^2/J_y & 1/m + l_m^2/J_y \end{bmatrix} \\ A_2 &:= \begin{bmatrix} J_x/2J_y & -J_x/2J_y \\ -J_x/2J_y & J_x/2J_y \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned} \quad (5)$$

$$E_{v1} := \begin{bmatrix} -1 & l_l \left(1 - \frac{J_x}{J_y}\right) \\ -1 & -l_r \left(1 - \frac{J_x}{J_y}\right) \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

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$$A_1 := \begin{bmatrix} 1/m + l_m^2/J_y & 1/m - l_m^2/J_y \\ 1/m - l_m^2/J_y & 1/m + l_m^2/J_y \end{bmatrix}$$

$$A_2 := \begin{bmatrix} J_x/2J_y & -J_x/2J_y \\ -J_x/2J_y & J_x/2J_y \end{bmatrix}$$

where  $I_2 \in R^{2 \times 2}$  is unit matrix, and the subscripts  $v$  and  $h$  in the vectors and the matrices stand for the vertical motion and the horizontal motion of the magnetic

bearing, respectively. In addition, the subscript  $vh$  stands for the coupling term between the vertical motion and the horizontal motion, and  $p$  denotes the rotational speed of the rotor.  $\epsilon, \tau, \kappa, \lambda$  are unbalance parameters.  $K_{x1} = K_{x11} = K_{xr1}, K_{x3} = K_{x13} = K_{xr3}, K_{i1} = K_{i11} = K_{ir1}, K_{i3} = K_{i13} = K_{ir3}$ .

The equation (4) can be also expressed simply as

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_g &= A_g(p)x_g + B_g u_g + D_g v_0 + p^2 E_g v_u \\ y_g &= C_g x_g + w_0\end{aligned}\quad (8)$$

where  $x_g := [x_v^T \ x_h^T]^T, u_g := [u_v^T \ u_h^T]^T, v_0 := [v_v^T \ v_h^T]^T, v_u := [v_{uv}^T \ v_{uh}^T]^T, w_0 = [w_v^T \ w_h^T]^T$  and  $A_g, B_g, C_g, D_g, E_g$  are constant matrices of appropriate dimensions.

TABLE I  
MODEL PARAMETERS

Parameter	Symbol	Value
Mass of the Rotor	$m$	0.248[kg]
Length of the Rotor	$L_R$	0.269[m]
Distance between Center and Electromagnet	$l_m$	0.1105[m]
Moment of Inertia about $X$	$J_x$	$5.05 \cdot 10^{-6}$ [kgm <sup>2</sup> ]
Moment of Inertia about $Y$	$J_y$	$1.59 \cdot 10^{-3}$ [kgm <sup>2</sup> ]
Steady Gap	$G$	$0.4 \cdot 10^{-3}$ [m]
Coefficients of $f_j(t)$	$k$	$2.8 \cdot 10^{-7}$
Resistance	$R$	4[Ω]
Inductance	$L$	$8.8 \cdot 10^{-4}$ [H]

#### IV. CONTROL SYSTEM DESIGN

In this section, we design an  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  DIA controller for the magnetic bearing system based on the derived state-space formula. Let us construct a generalized plant for the magnetic bearing control system. First, consider the system disturbance  $v_0$ . Since  $v_0$  mainly acts on the plant in a low frequency range in practice, it is helpful to introduce a frequency weighting factor. Hence let  $v_0$  be of the form

$$\begin{aligned}v_0 &= W_{v1}(s)w_2 \\ W_{v1}(s) &= \begin{bmatrix} I_2 & 0 \\ I_2 & 0 \\ 0 & I_2 \\ 0 & I_2 \end{bmatrix} W_{v0}(s) \\ W_{v0}(s) &= C_{v0}(sI_4 - A_{v0})^{-1} B_{v0}\end{aligned}\quad (9)$$

where  $W_{v1}(s)$  is a frequency weighting whose gain is relatively large in a low frequency range, and  $w_2$  is a (1, 2) element of  $w$ . These values, as yet unspecified, can be regarded as free design parameters.

Let us consider the system disturbance  $w_0$  for the output. The disturbance  $w_0$  shows an uncertain influence caused via unmodeled dynamics, and define

$$\begin{aligned}w_0 &= W_w(s)w_1 \\ W_w(s) &= I_4 W_{w0}(s) \\ W_{w0}(s) &= C_{w0}(sI_4 - A_{w0})^{-1} B_{w0}\end{aligned}\quad (10)$$

where  $W_w(s)$  is a frequency weighting function and  $w_1$  is a (1, 1) element of  $w$ . Note that  $I_4$  is unit matrix in  $R^{4 \times 4}$ .

Finally, let us consider the periodic disturbance  $v_u$ . The disturbance  $v_u$  shows an uncertain influence via unbalance of rotor mass. Because of the disturbance  $v_u$ , a rotor of the magnetic bearing causes a vibration which synchronized with rotational frequency of rotor.  $v_u$  is defined as below,

$$\begin{aligned}v_u &= W_{v2}(s)w_3 \\ W_{v2}(s) &= I_4 W_{vu}(s) \\ W_{vu}(s) &= C_{vu}(sI_4 - A_{vu})^{-1} B_{vu}\end{aligned}\quad (11)$$

where  $W_{v2}(s)$  is a frequency weighting function which has a peak of gain at specified frequency and  $w_3$  is a (1, 3) element of  $w$ .

The frequency functions  $W_{v1}, W_w$  and  $W_{v2}$  in (9), (10) and (11) are rewritten as equations in (12), (13) and (14).

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_{v1} &= A_{v1}x_{v1} + B_{v1}w_2 \\ v_0 &= C_{v1}x_{v1} + D_{v1}w_2\end{aligned}\quad (12)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_w &= A_w x_w + B_w w_1 \\ w_0 &= C_w x_w + D_w w_1\end{aligned}\quad (13)$$

$$\begin{aligned}\dot{x}_{v2} &= A_{v2}x_{v2} + B_{v2}w_3 \\ v_u &= C_{v2}x_{v2} + D_{v2}w_3\end{aligned}\quad (14)$$

where the state  $x_{v1}, x_{v2}$  and  $x_w$  are defined as  $x_{v1} := [x_{v11}^T \ x_{v12}^T \ x_{v13}^T \ x_{v14}^T]^T, x_{v2} := [x_{v21}^T \ x_{v22}^T \ x_{v23}^T \ x_{v24}^T]^T, x_w := [x_{w1}^T \ x_{w2}^T \ x_{w3}^T \ x_{w4}^T]^T$ .

Next we consider the variables which we want to regulate. In this case, since our main concern is in the stabilization of the rotor, the gap and the corresponding velocity are chosen; i.e.,

$$\begin{aligned}z_g &= F_g x_g, \\ F_g &= \begin{bmatrix} I_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & I_2 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & I_2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & I_2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ z_1 &= \Theta z_g, \Theta = \text{diag}[\theta_1 \ \theta_2 \ \theta_1 \ \theta_2]\end{aligned}\quad (15)$$

where  $\Theta$  is a weighting matrix on the regulated variables  $z_g$ , and  $z_1$  is a (1, 1) element of  $z$ . This value  $\Theta$ , as yet unspecified, are also free design parameters.

Furthermore the control input  $u_g$  should be also regulated, and we define

$$z_2 = \rho u_g \quad (17)$$

where  $\rho$  is a weighting scalar, and  $z_2$  is a (1, 2) element of  $z$ . Finally, let  $x := [x_g^T \ x_{v1}^T \ x_{v2}^T \ x_w^T]^T$ , where  $x_{v1}$  denotes the state of the function  $W_{v1}(s)$ ,  $x_{v2}$  denotes the state of the function  $W_{v2}(s)$ ,  $x_w$  denotes the state of the function  $W_w(s)$ , and  $w := [w_1^T \ w_2^T \ w_3^T]^T, z := [z_1^T \ z_2^T]^T$ , then we can construct the generalized plant as in Fig.2 with an unspecified controller  $K$ .

The state-space formulation of the generalized plant is given as follows,

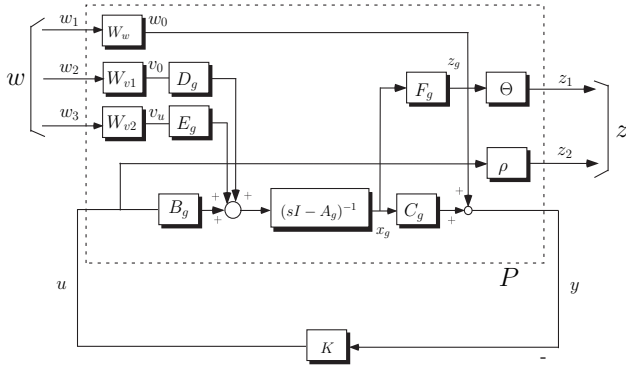


Fig. 2. Generalized Plant

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{x} &= Ax + B_1w + B_2u \\ z &= C_1x + D_{12}u \\ y &= C_2x + D_{21}w \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

where  $A$ ,  $B_1$ ,  $B_2$ ,  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$ ,  $D_{12}$  and  $D_{21}$  are constant matrices of appropriate dimensions.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} A_g & D_g C_{v1} & E_g C_{v2} & 0 \\ 0 & A_{v1} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & A_{v2} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & A_w \end{bmatrix}$$

$$B_1 = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & D_g D_{v1} & E_g D_{v2} \\ 0 & B_{v1} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & B_{v2} \\ B_w & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad B_2 = \begin{bmatrix} B_g \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \Theta F_g & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, \quad D_{12} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ \rho \end{bmatrix}$$

$$C_2 = \begin{bmatrix} C_g & 0 & 0 & C_w \end{bmatrix}, \quad D_{21} = \begin{bmatrix} D_w & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

The block diagram of the generalized plant with an unspecified controller  $K$  is shown in Fig.2.

Since the disturbances  $w$  represent the various model uncertainties, the effects of these disturbances on the error vector  $z$  should be reduced.

Next our control problem setup is defined as follows.

**Control problem:** find an admissible controller  $K(s)$  that attenuates disturbances and initial state uncertainties to achieve DIA condition in (3) for generalized plant (18).

After some iteration in MATLAB environment, design parameters are chosen as follows,

$$W_{v0}(s) = \frac{40000}{s + 0.1}$$

$$W_{w0}(s) = \frac{1.5(s + 1.07 \times 10^4)(s + 2.51 \times 10^3 \pm 4.35 \times 10^3 i)}{(s + 5.34 \times 10^4)(s + 5.0 \times 10^{-1} \pm 5.03 \times 10^3 i)}$$

$$W_{vu}(s) = \frac{1000(s + 7.85 \times 10^1 \pm 1.36 \times 10^2 i)}{(s + 5.0 \times 10^{-1} \pm 1.57 \times 10^2 i)}$$

$$\Theta = \text{diag} [\theta_{v1} \quad \theta_{v2} \quad \theta_{h1} \quad \theta_{h2}]$$

$$\theta_{v1} = \text{diag} [0.4 \quad 0.4],$$

$$\theta_{h1} = \text{diag} [0.5 \quad 0.5]$$

$$\theta_{v2} = \theta_{h2} = \text{diag} [0.0005 \quad 0.0005]$$

$$\rho = 8.0 \times 10^{-7} I_4$$

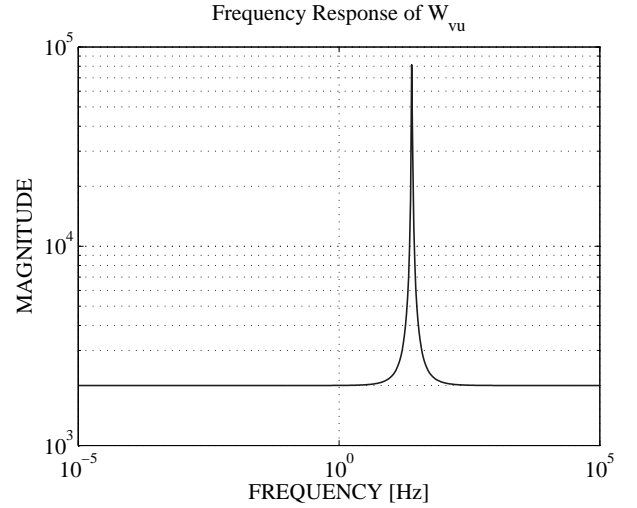


Fig. 3. Frequency Response of  $W_{vu}(s)$

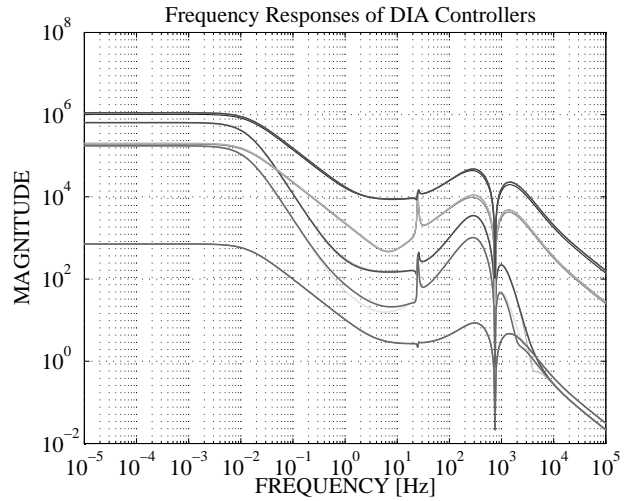


Fig. 4. Frequency Responses of  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  DIA Controllers

$W_{w0}(s)$  represents an uncertainty for the 1st bending mode of the rotor at the resonance frequency 800[Hz]. Frequency response of  $W_{vu}$  is shown in Fig.3.  $W_{vu}$  has a high gain at specified frequency in order to attenuate the vibration via unbalance of rotor. In Fig. 3,  $W_{vu}$  has a peak of gain at 25[Hz], therefore we can attenuate the amplitude of the vibration at 1500[rpm] as rotational speed of rotor.

Direct calculations yield the 36-order  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  DIA central controller  $K$  and its frequency response is shown in Fig.4. We can see that this controller has a peak of gain at 25[Hz]. In other word, we can get a controller taken a peak at specified frequency. Then, this designed DIA controller is expected to show a good rotational performance in some experiments.

The maximum value of the weighting matrix  $N$  in the DIA condition (3) is given by

$$N = 9.951001 \cdot 10^{-9} \cdot I_{36}. \quad (19)$$

## V. EVALUATION BY EXPERIMENTS

We conducted control experiments to evaluate properties of the designed  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  DIA controller. The objective of this experimental comparison is to evaluate control performance for rotational performance. In this section, we carried out the two kinds of control experiments. First, I constructed a switching control system using two  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  DIA controllers and evaluated rotational performance of this system. Second is evaluated rotational performance by single  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  DIA controller.

The experimental results are shown in Figs.6-9.

### A. Switching Control System Configuration

Switching control system configuration is shown in Fig. 5. In Fig. 5, two controllers are located in parallel, switching logic block is made judgments an appropriate control input from rotational speed. In this switching control system, especially, this control system adjust the states of unused controller without increasing them perpetually. For this reason, controllers can be switched smoothly that system is not to be unstable.

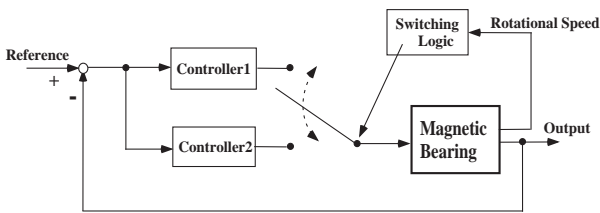


Fig. 5. Switching Control System Configuration

### B. Performance Evaluation by Single Controller

The control performance for rotational rotor is evaluated with a controller without considering unbalance(referred to as K1) and a controller with considering unbalance(referred to as K2). As the rotational experiments, we carried out the free-run tests with varying rotational rotor speed from 3000[rpm] to 0[rpm]. Then we prepared two  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  DIA controllers which have a peak of gain at 16.67[Hz],25[Hz], respectively.

In Figs.6-9, the horizontal axes show time and the rotational speed changed from 3000[rpm] to 0[rpm]. The vertical axes show the vertical displacement of the left side of the rotor. By comparison Figs.6,7 with Figs.8,9, we can see that Figs.8,9 has a partial attenuation of unbalance rotor vibration around 16.67[Hz],25[Hz], respectively. In Figs.8,9, a frequency that the amplitude of rotor vibration is the best attenuated in actually is not same as a frequency specified by the weighting functions  $W_{vu}$ . As this reason, if the vibration of specified frequency appears, it is necessary to spend a little time until attenuating its vibration. Then, for varying the rotational rotor speed momentarily, the amplitude of vibration is increase as soon as the amplitude become smallest. Against this phenomenon, if we carry out an experiment such that rotational rotor speed is constant,

the amplitude of vibration is able to avoid increasing continuously.

### C. Performance Evaluation by Switching Controller

In this section, we designed two controllers that have a peak at 1500[rpm](25[Hz]) and 1000[rpm](16.67[Hz]), respectively. Switching control experimental result is shown in Fig. 10. A controller which has a peak at 1500[rpm] is activated from 3000[rpm] to 1250[rpm]. On the one hand, a controller which has a peak at 1000[rpm] is activated from 1250[rpm] to 0[rpm]. Therefore, switching point is 1250[rpm]. In Fig. 10, We can see that each controller has a good rotational performance for unbalance vibration. because of switching control system, two attenuation points are appeared in experimental result. Consequently, we can see that switching control system which has plural controllers is attenuated the amplitude of vibration at each rotational speed.

The proposed  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  DIA controller shows a better rotational performance for varying rotational speed tests.

## VI. CONCLUSION

This paper dealt with an experimental evaluation on  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  DIA control of magnetic bearings with rotor unbalance.

First we derived a mathematical model of magnetic bearings, and constructed a generalized plant considering the periodic disturbance caused by unbalance of rotor. Then we set some design parameters for uncertainty, control performance and periodic disturbance in the generalized plant.

Finally, several experimental results of rotational performance with varying rotational speed showed that the proposed  $\mathcal{H}_\infty$  DIA robust control approach was effective for improving the rotational performance.

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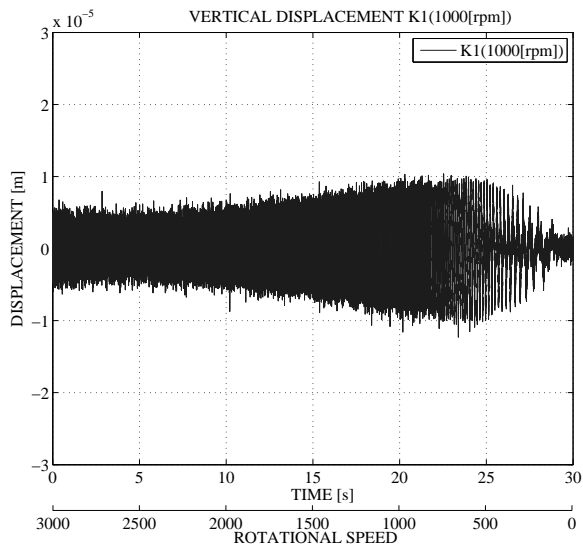


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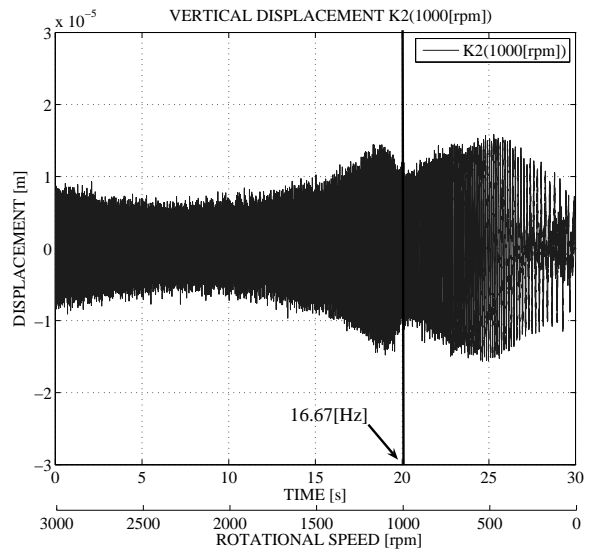


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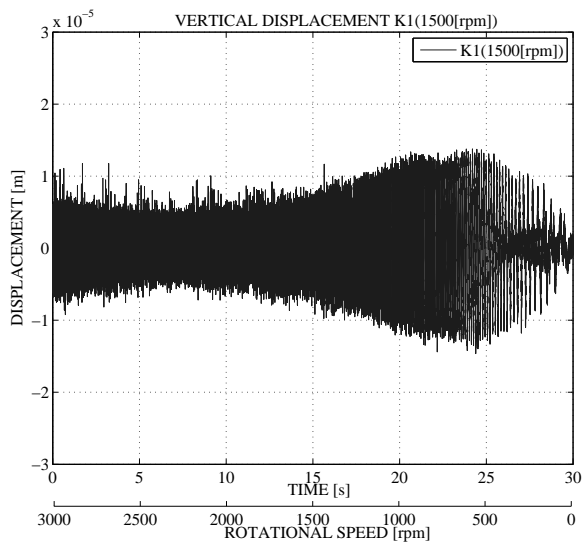


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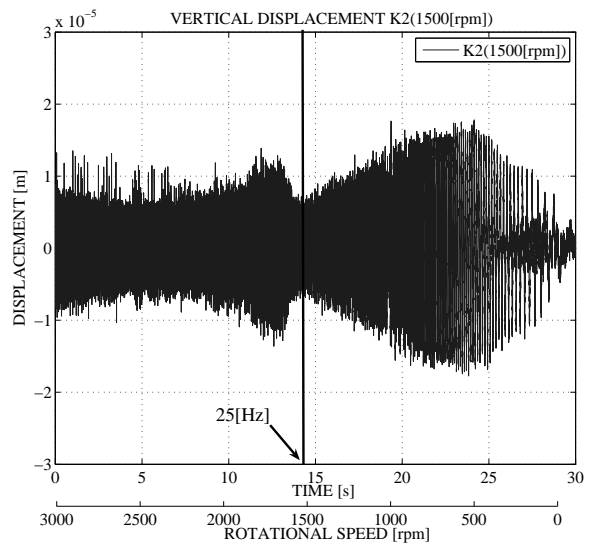


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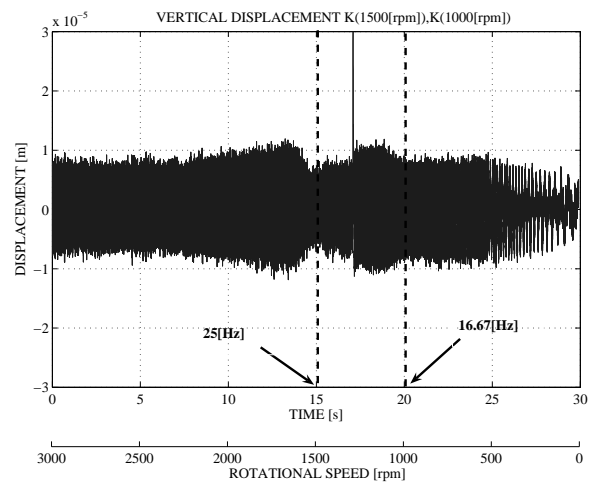


Fig. 10. Switching  $H_{\infty}$  DIA Controller with Unbalance