



UMARI – Non Destructive Testing

Vibration Testing and System
Identification

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About DARG

- Dynamics and Aeroelasticity Research Group
- 5 Academic members of Staff
- 30+ Postdoctoral and postgraduate researchers
- Research Areas:
 - Structural Vibrations
 - Aeroelasticity
 - Damping
 - Human-Structure Interaction
 - Smart Materials/Structures





Vibration Testing

- Modal Testing
 - Multi-Shaker Techniques
 - Aircraft Ground Vibration Testing
 - Flight Flutter Testing
- Vibration Measurement of Bladed Assemblies
 - Blade Tip Timing Systems
 - Data Analysis for Blade Tip Timing Systems
 - Aero Engine Health Monitoring Using Blade Tip Timing
- Fatigue and Acoustic Loading
 - Acoustic Loading of Aircraft Panels
- Vibration Testing of Metal Detectors & MRI Scanners
- Human Induced Dynamics Loads on Structures





Nonlinear System Identification

- Force Appropriation for Nonlinear Systems
 - Nonlinear Resonant Decay Method
- Constant Level Identification
- Applications to Aircraft Ground Vibration Testing
- Nonlinear Flight Flutter Tests
- Expert System for Identification of General Nonlinear Systems





Recent Major Projects

- PUMA DARP: Effects of nonlinear unsteady aerodynamics to aircraft aeroelastic behaviour. Partners: BAE Systems, Airbus UK, QinetiQ, Bristol, Glasgow
- 3AS: Active Aeroelastic Aircraft Structures. Partners: EADS, Alenia, CASA, Saab, DLR, TsAGI and others
- Blade Tip Timing: Continuous research effort since 1998. Partner: Rolls-Royce PLC.
- Numerous EPSRC Grants

