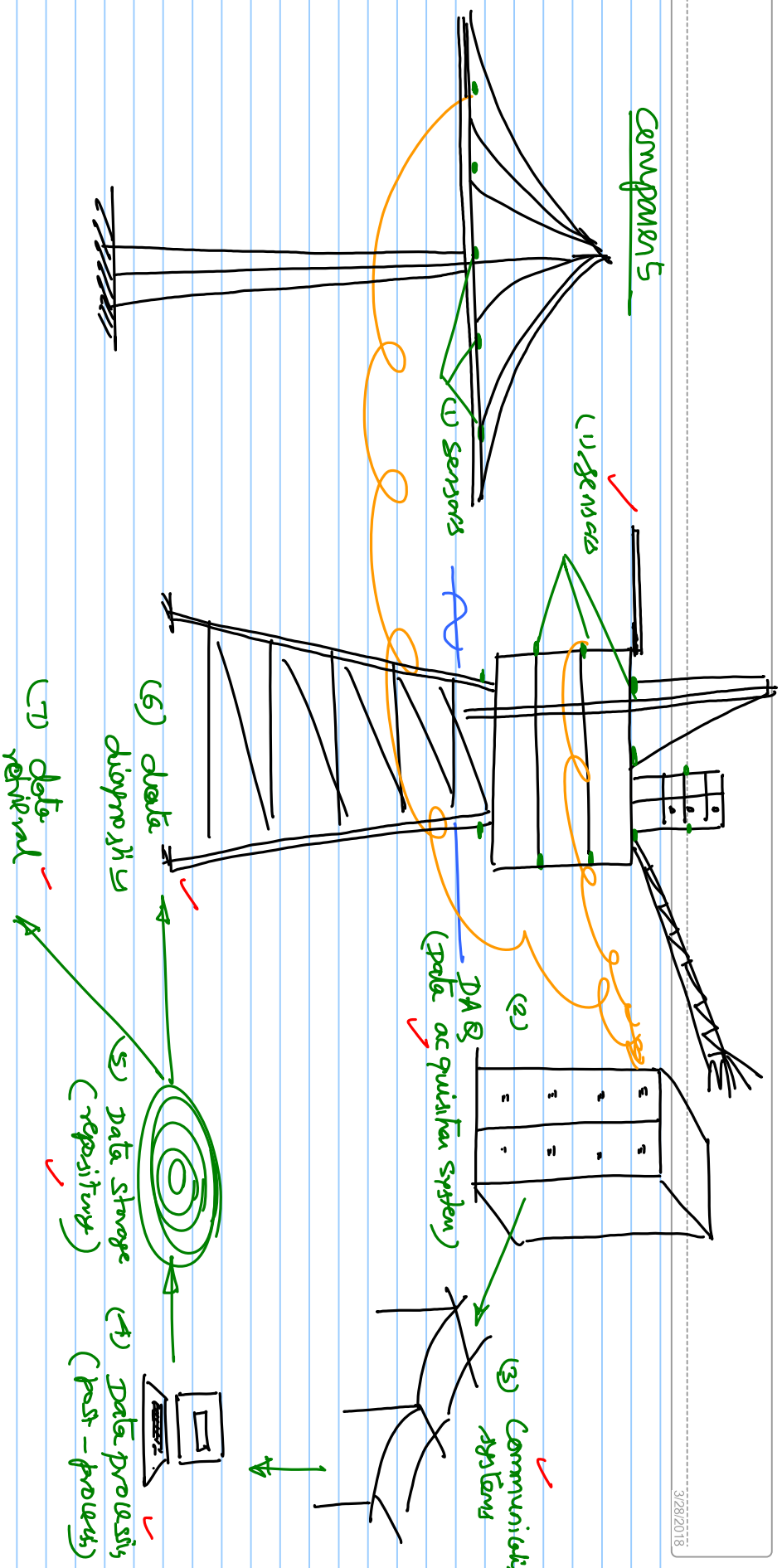


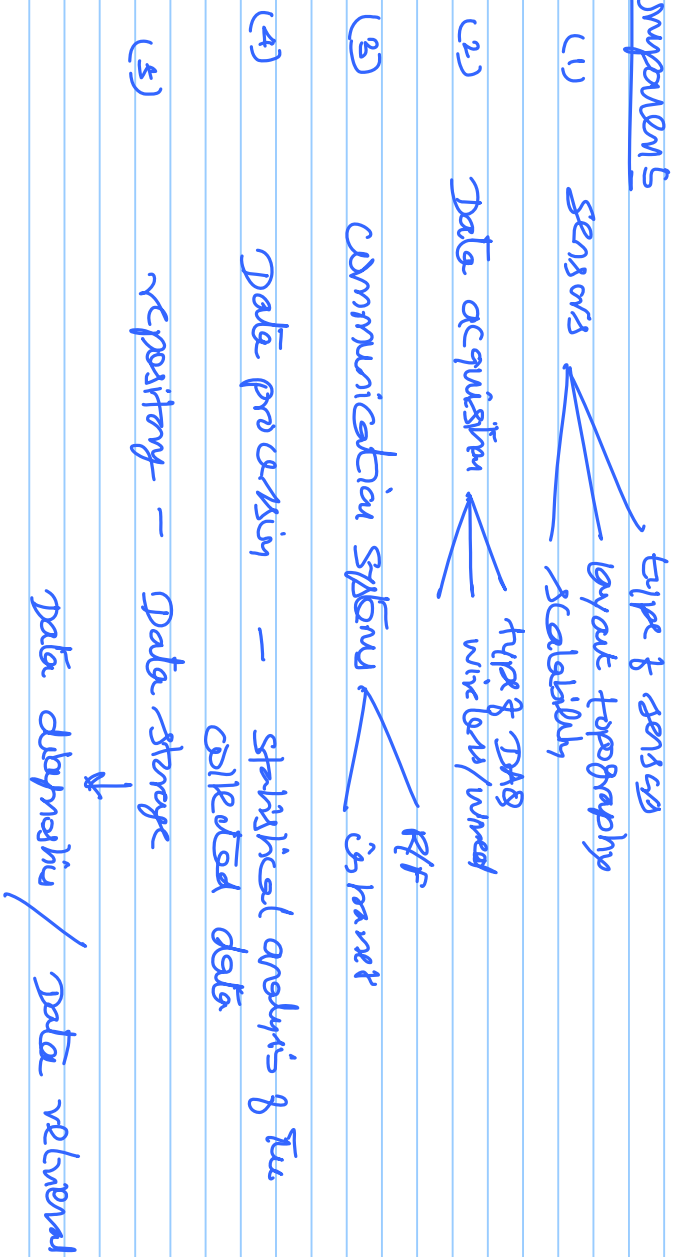
# Module 1, Lecture 03 Stm

(1) Components of Stm

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## Swedish justification of STM

- reduction in cost - inspection
- mitigation impact caused by unforeseen loads on structural members
- reduce unwanted / undesired repair
- ↑ public safety

## (2) challenges of STM is Aviation Industry

Aircrafts - metallic structures

- designed for specific flight hours

Aircrafts are retired from flying once they reach a pre-decided flight hours on landing cycles - they can be retired

real-time fatigue analysis and damage assessment of aircrafts, particularly during landing cycles

- extend their flight hours
  - can to pre-retire them
- ↑ public safety

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- (1) Use of strain gauges and mechanical E recorders to measure the  $\sigma$  deviations (during the landing cycles)
- (2) Use of flight data recorder (FDR) using Electro-Mechanical Memory Computer (EMMC)

Use of STM is clearly seen as a major advantage

- helpful to decide the suitability (fitness) of the aircraft
- to modify the design philosophy - arrived based on continuous monitoring

## Anomalies - explained through STM applications

(1) ✓ "Aircraft geometric configuration is not related to the structural load distribution"

- By continuously monitoring the  $\sigma$  values, this assumption can be proved wrong

- found that aircraft configurations makes a significant difference on structural loads

(2) ✓ "Usage of all aircrafts is a large fleet averages out with time"

- this can also be proved wrong

- this is not true based on fatigue assessment

- fatigue damage depends on the "Actual usage"

and hence can't be averaged for a long fleet

✓ (3) Maintenance management - planned on the basis of design load spectrum

STM helps to follow the actual measurements of the  $\sigma$  variations

- It was found that Average user spectrum is much severe than that of the

Design load spectrum

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## Tools of SHM (for aviation industry)

- (1) fuzzy pattern recognition
- (2) neural networks
- (3) Diffused ultrasonic waves technique to detect the structural damage, present is the unmeasured temperature members
- (4) Vibration-based technique
- (5) Intelligent parameter varying technique for location of damage
- (6) New Novel sensor layout is SHM.

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Timeline  $\rightarrow$

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under water + service life

• service life (work) by common monitoring of 5 objectives

birds

Passive stm: means that . observing a structure as it evolves

- a physical parameter and its state evolve as a result an interaction with the environment

Ex: Acoustic Emission (AE),

Active stm — structure is equipped both with sensors & actuators

- structures which are unmanned (behaviour production platform)
- actuators prompt forces, opposite to the structural motion and inhibit a recentring capability of the platform under environmental loads

— SMART STRUCTURES.

## Example

Boeing 787 Dreamliner

- Equipped with embedded sensors for continuous health monitoring

## Location

- Shell fuselages
- Low wing skin
- Door shutters

Probability of damage is relatively high during landing

Common types of sensors - used is STM

(1) Fibre Bragg Diffraction Grating sensors

- embedded in structures
  - They are laser-marked with optical-interference parameter
  - any load strain caused by the deformation
  - results in sensor measurement
  - will transmit wavelengths
- (this can be detected)

## (2) Acoustic emission tests

- Acoustic signals generated by presence of cracks, delamination & fibre or breakage
- measurable

## (3) Smart patch - sens coatings

- Paints (or) coatings applied on the surface
- integrated with fibre - or ferro-electric elements
  - carbon nano-tubes
  - They are useful to detect variation in strain
- A detailed spectroscopic analysis is required to process the strain variations caused by the damages in local scale - detected on the coating

#### (4) Microwave sensors

- useful to indicate moisture intrusion, when embedded
- very useful / efficient in composite structures

#### (5) Acoustic sensors

- These sensors contain a small, ultrasonic wave transducer, which generates signal, travels through the material
- change in reflects indicate flaws, cracks etc local damage

## Summary

- (1) components of STM process
- (2) Aviation Industry  
- service life (life span) ↑
- (3) variety of sensors - STM is civil infrastructure



