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HAM Cross Beams - Modal testing

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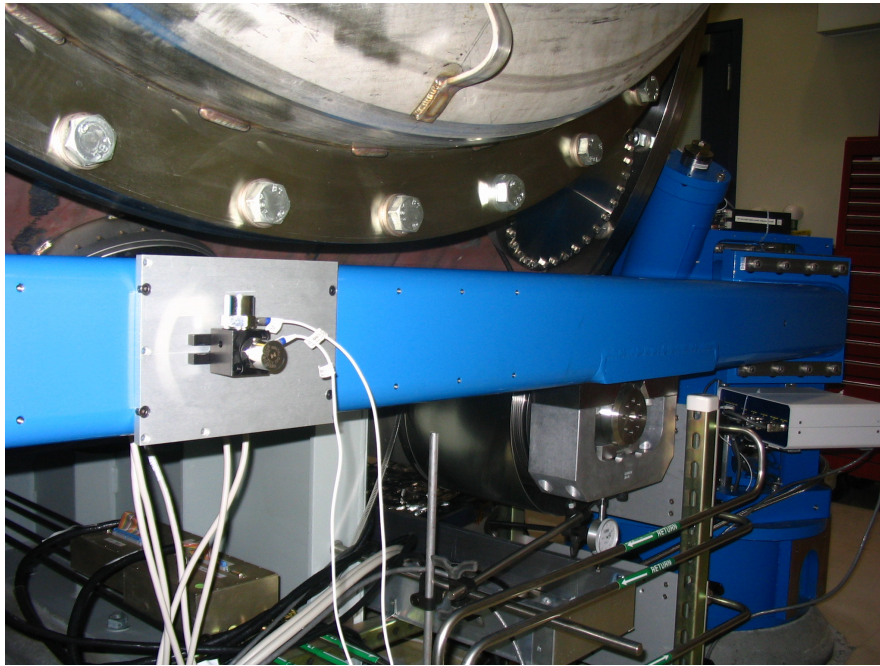


1. Introduction

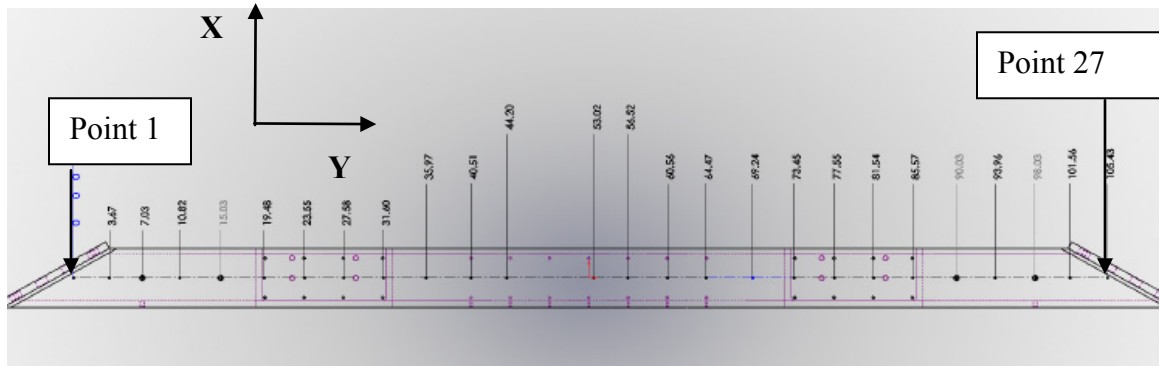
This document presents the modal testing done on the new Ham cross beams installed on the HAM-X chamber at LASTI.

Experimental set up:

One cross beam is studied using a 7754 Endevco accelerometer and an impact hammer (BK 8206). The accelerometer mounting is shown on the picture below. Only the vertical accelerometer was used for the measurements presented in this document.

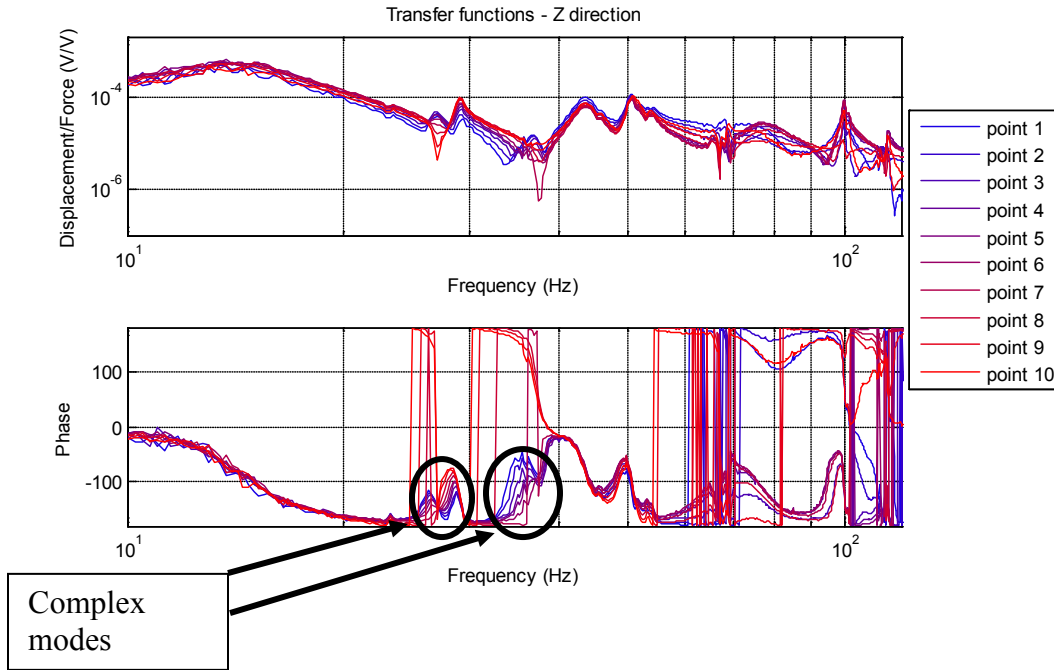


27 points of measurements are used as shown below. Force impact measurements have been done for each point in both X and Z directions.

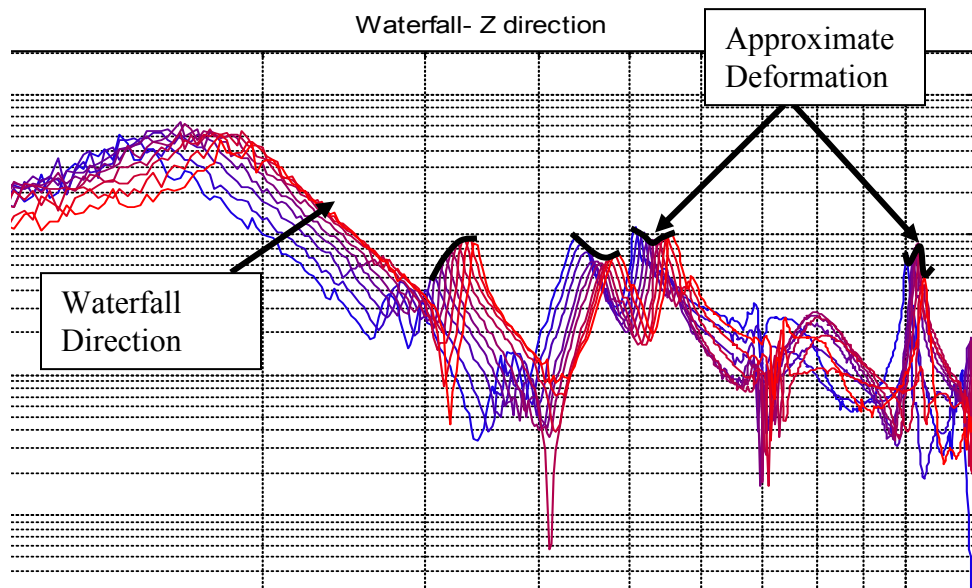


2. Transfer functions

The plot below shows the transfer functions taken in the Z direction for 10 various points along the beam. The amplitude and phase data quality is good which allows identifying the modal shapes. The phase shift at a given frequency shows that the modes are complex.



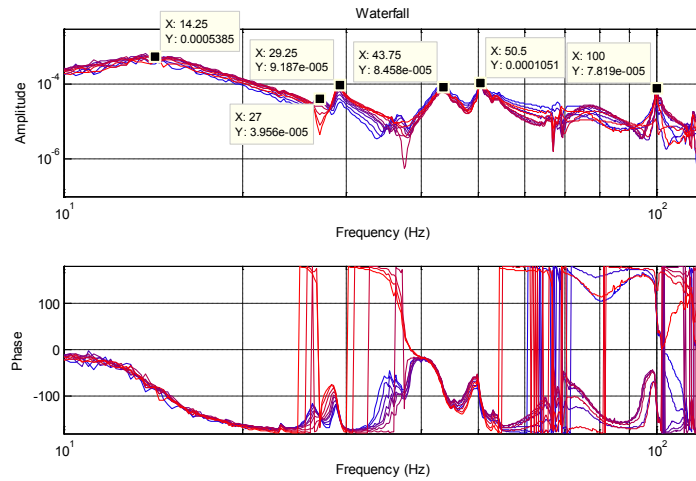
The plot below is a waterfall. The transfer functions of each point are plotted from left to right with a 0.5Hz increment. This plotting technique usually called waterfall gives a feeling of depth along the waterfall direction. One can see some deformation like shown by the black line (one needs a bit of imagination!)





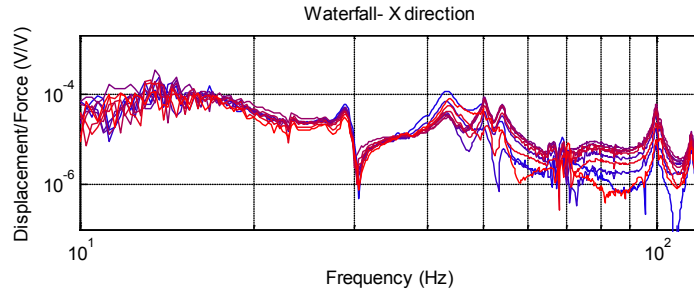
3. Modes Inventory

Z - Direction



The following resonances have been measured in the Z direction : 14.25Hz ; 27Hz; 29.25 Hz; 43.75 Hz; 50.5 Hz; 100 Hz

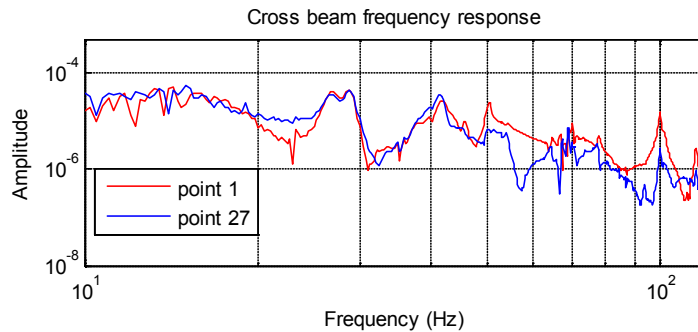
X - Direction



The data quality is poor below 20Hz. The amplitude of motion is however smaller than in the Z-direction.

Y - Direction

Only the two tip points can be measured in the Y-direction (along the neutral axis).

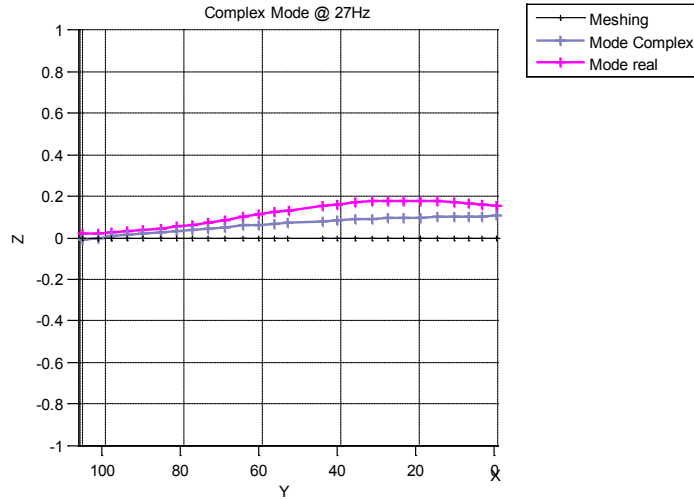


The same modes appear in the X, Y and Z direction.

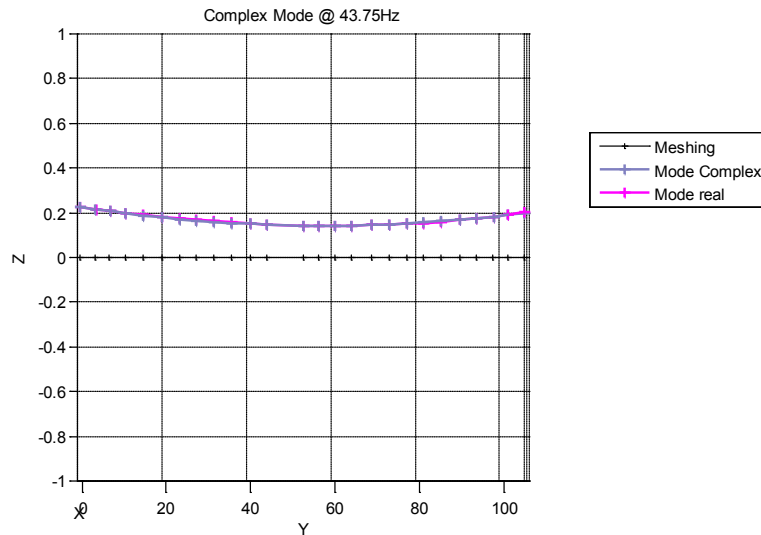


4. Modes complexity

The plot below compares the real modal shapes at 27Hz with the corresponding complex modal shapes (Operating Deflexion Shape at time $t=0$). It shows that assuming the mode is real leads to over estimate the deformation. The modes complexity must be taken into account.



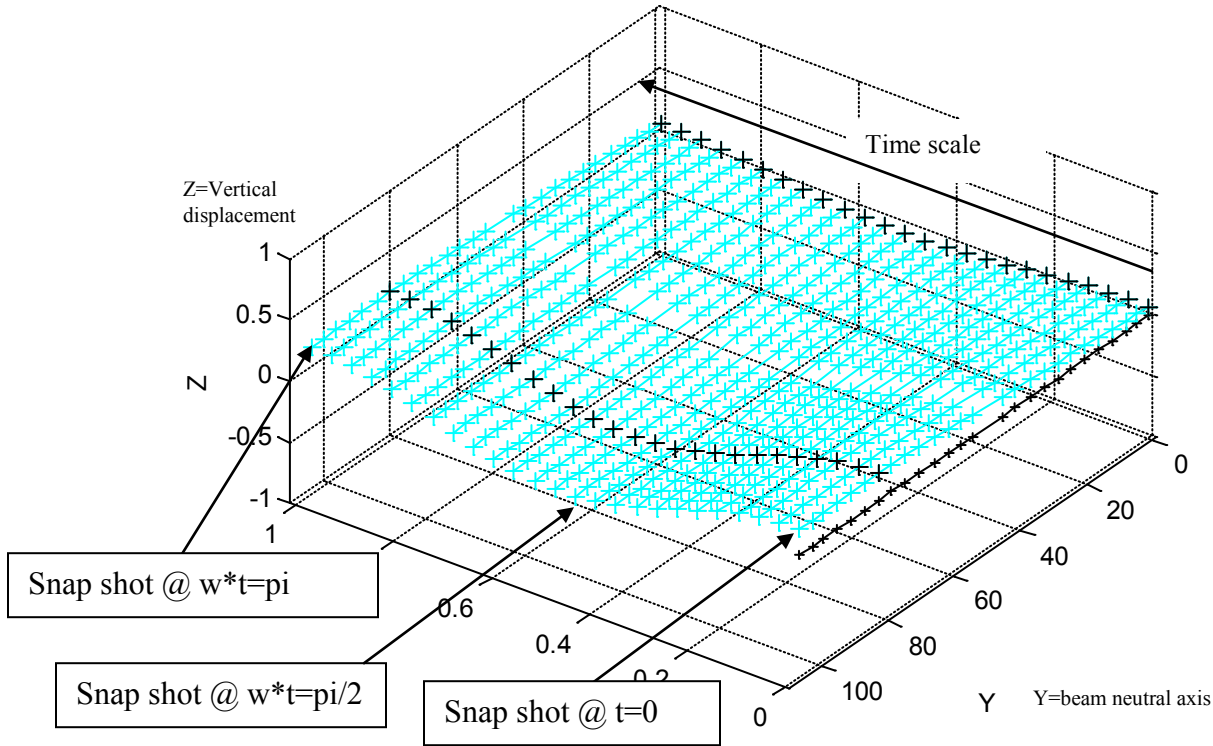
The plots below show that on the other hand the mode at 43.75Hz is mostly real:



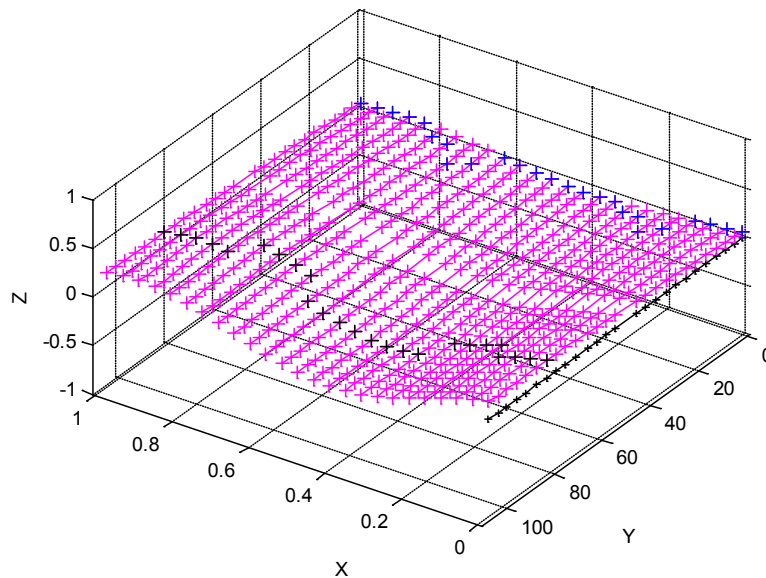


Deflexion Shapes, mode 3 at 29Hz

The plots below show the Operating Deflexion Shape over half a cycle at 29Hz. Each line shows the beam deformation at a given time. The lines in blue shows the response when the mode is assumed real. The minimum and maximum are stationary (black crosses).



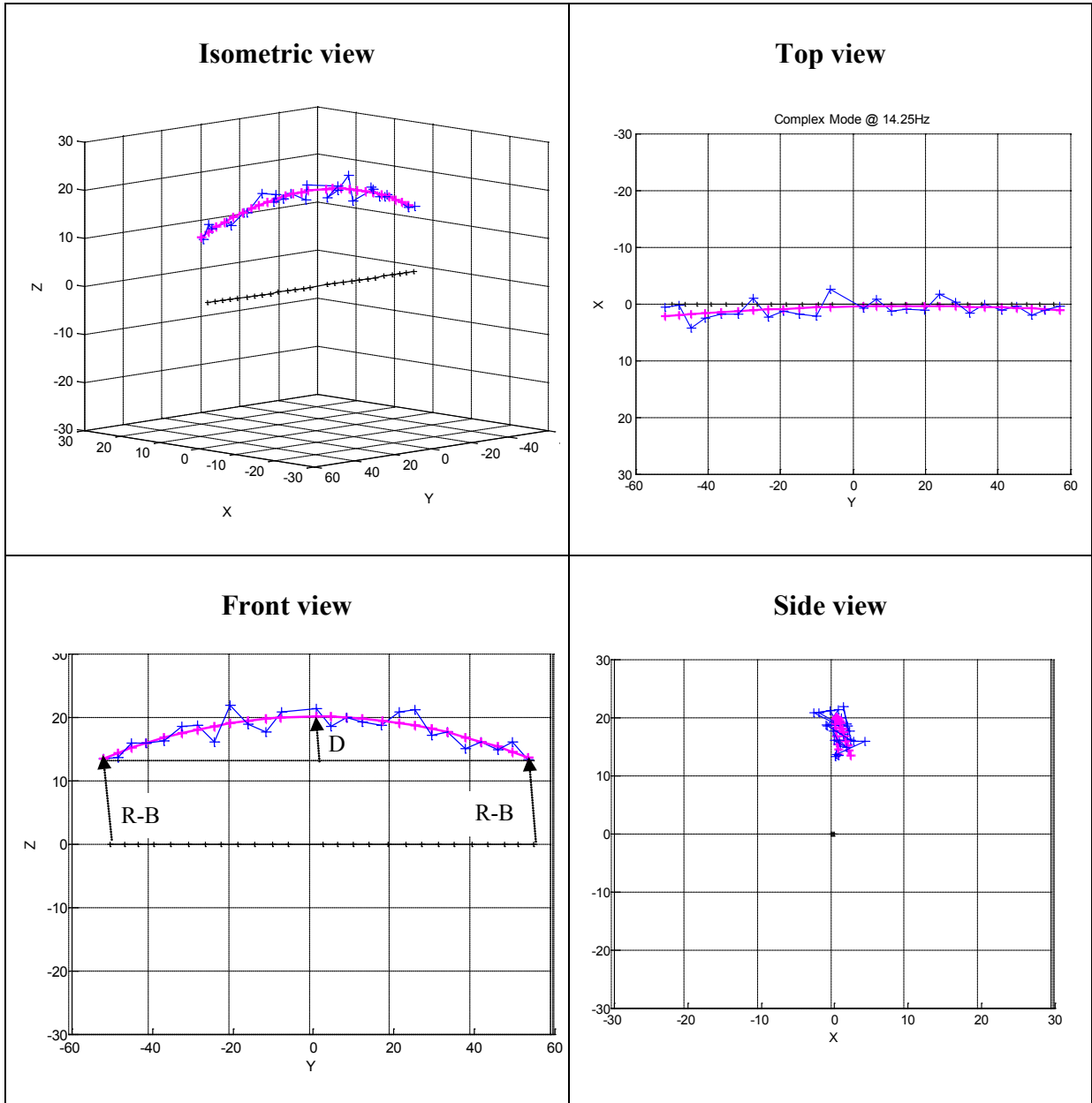
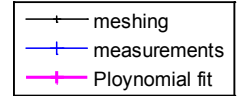
The plot below shows the actual response when the complexity is taken into account. The wave propagation effect associated with the mode complexity results in a variation of the points of maximum and minimum of displacements (black and blue crosses respectively).



5. Modes shapes and Operating Deflexion Shapes

Mode @ 14.25Hz

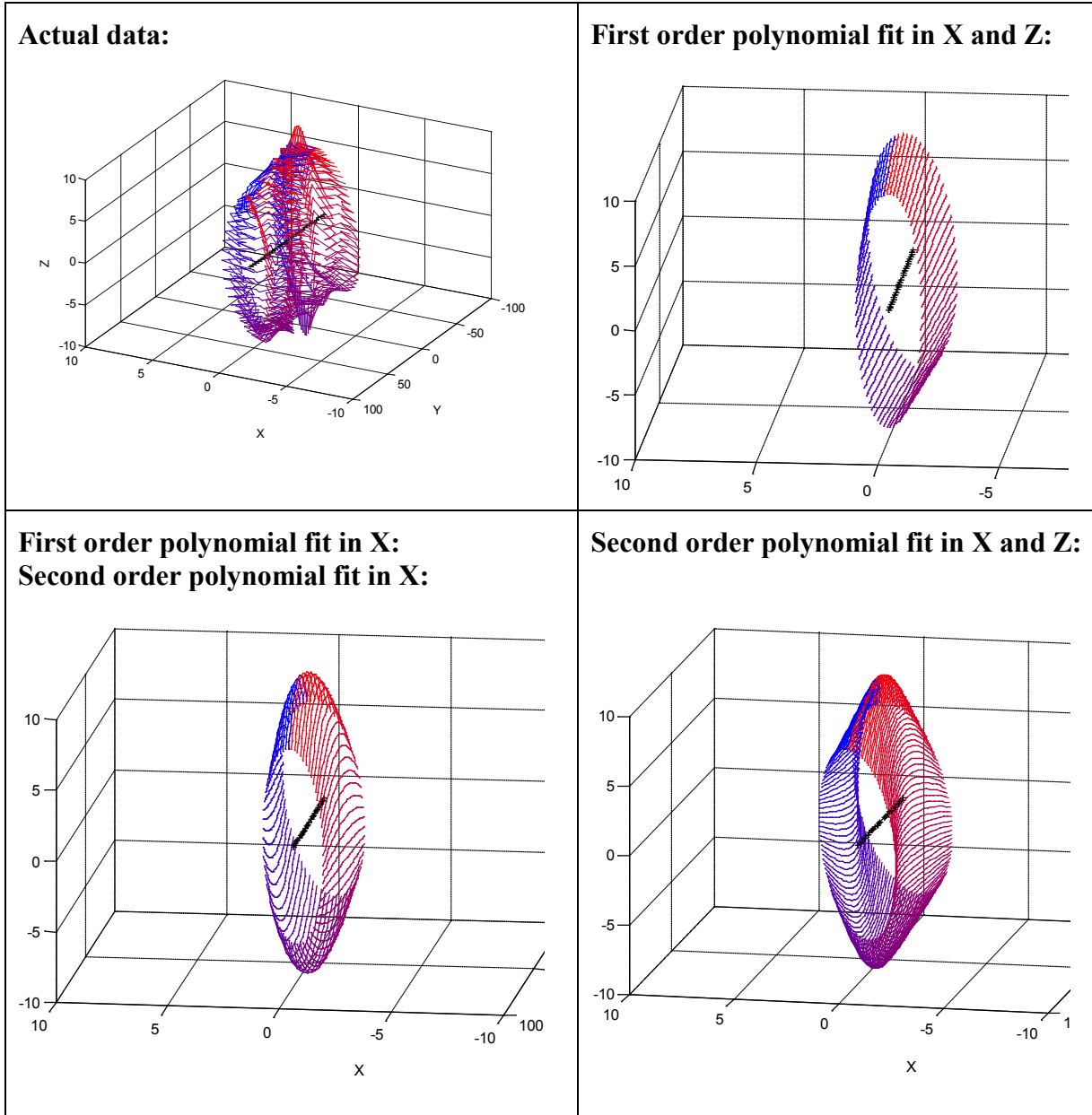
The table below shows the modal shape at 14.25Hz (complex mode at t=0).



As shown on the front view the first mode is mostly a rigid body (R-B) displacement in the vertical direction. The measurement also shows a part of deformation (D). However the data quality is poor on this mode and the deformation can easily be over estimated.

It is however necessary to plot the ODS over a full cycle to understand the beams behavior at this frequency.

The table below shows the Operating Deflexion Shape (ODS) at 14.25Hz. It's the complex modes plotted at different times over a full cycle. It shows the actual displacement of the beam for an excitation at 14.25Hz. Each line shows a different time from $t=0$ (Red line) to $t = 2\pi$ (Blue line).



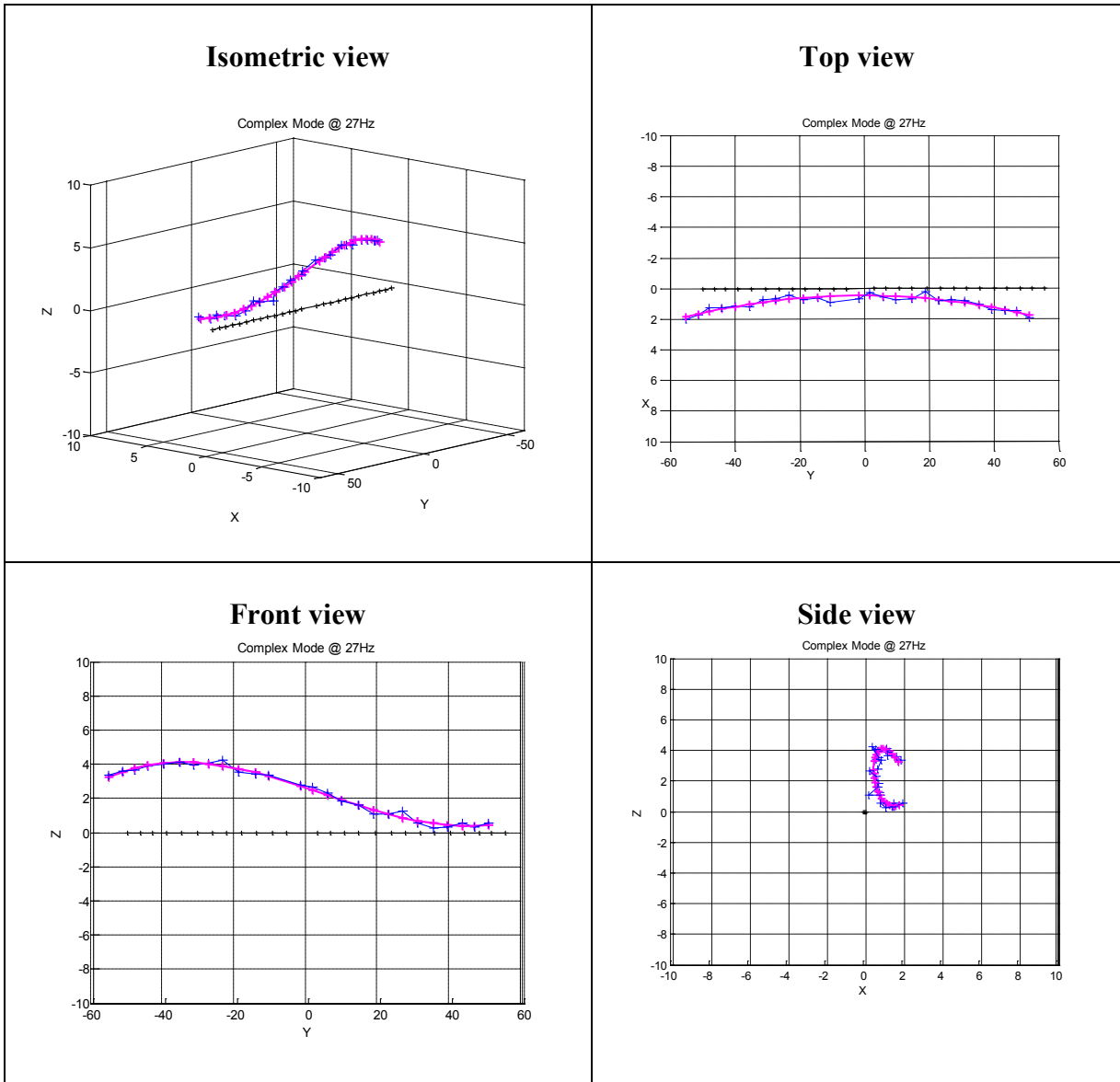
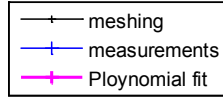
Due to the strong complexity of the modes, the ODS are necessary to understand the actual beam motion. However the modal shapes is helpful to define the good polynomial fitting order. The ODS in the bottom right corner is very likely the best fit of the actual motion.

It shows that the actual motion is mostly a rigid body rotation of the beam around its neutral axis associated with a slight bending deformation.



Mode @ 27Hz

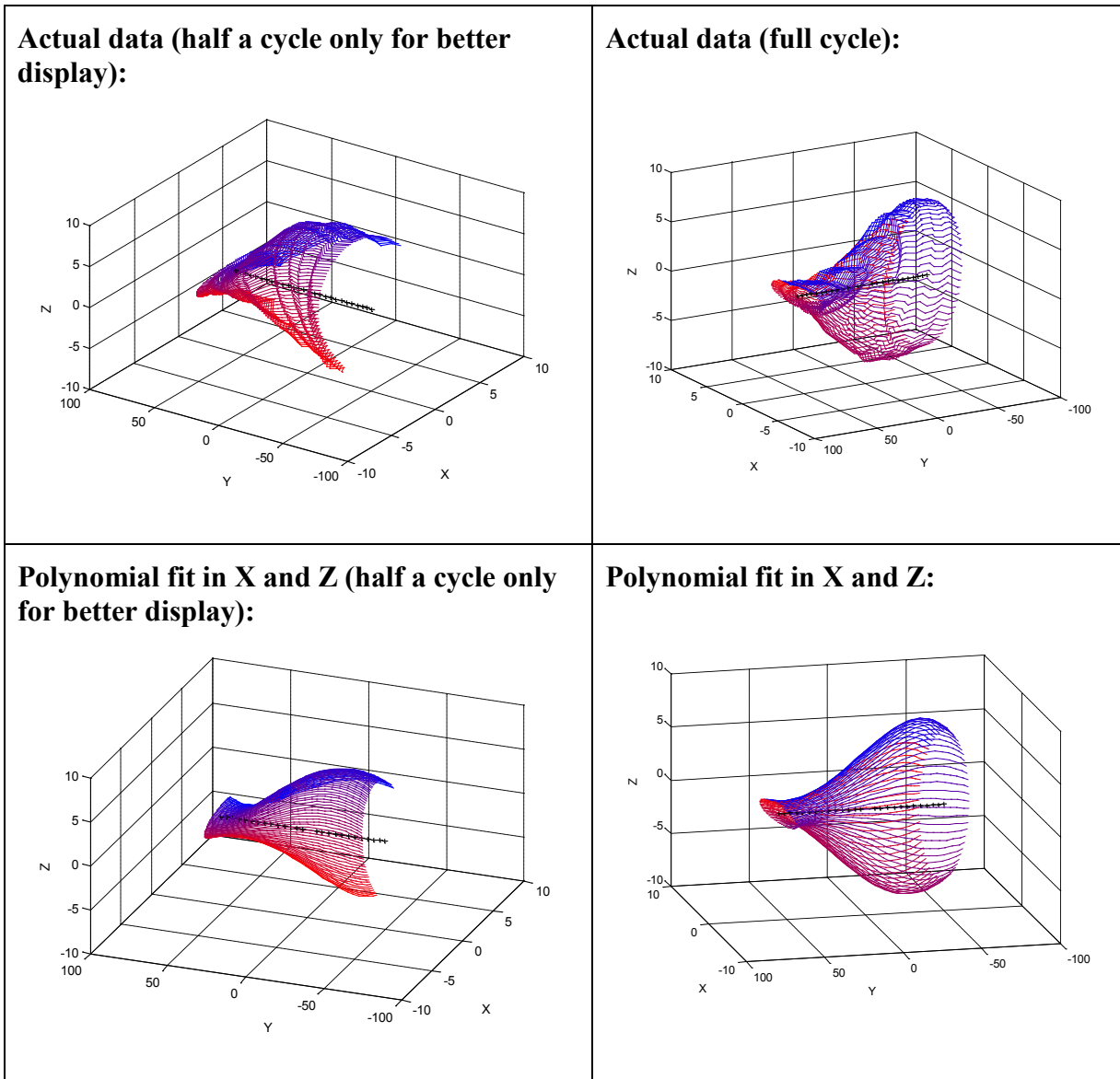
The table below shows the modal shape at 27Hz (complex mode at t=0).



This mode shows bending of the beam. But it is necessary to plot the ODS over a full cycle to understand the beam motion (see next page).

The table below shows the Operating Deflexion Shape (ODS) at 27Hz. It's the complex modes plotted at different time over a full cycle. It shows the actual displacement of the beam for an excitation at 27Hz. Each line shows a different time from $t=0$ (Red line) to $t = 2\pi$ (Blue line).

The top views are data under different angle of camera. The bottom views are polynomial fit under different angle of camera.



At this frequency, one tip of the beam is moving along a small ellipse and the other tip moves along a large one. The rotation is coupled with a bending of the beam.

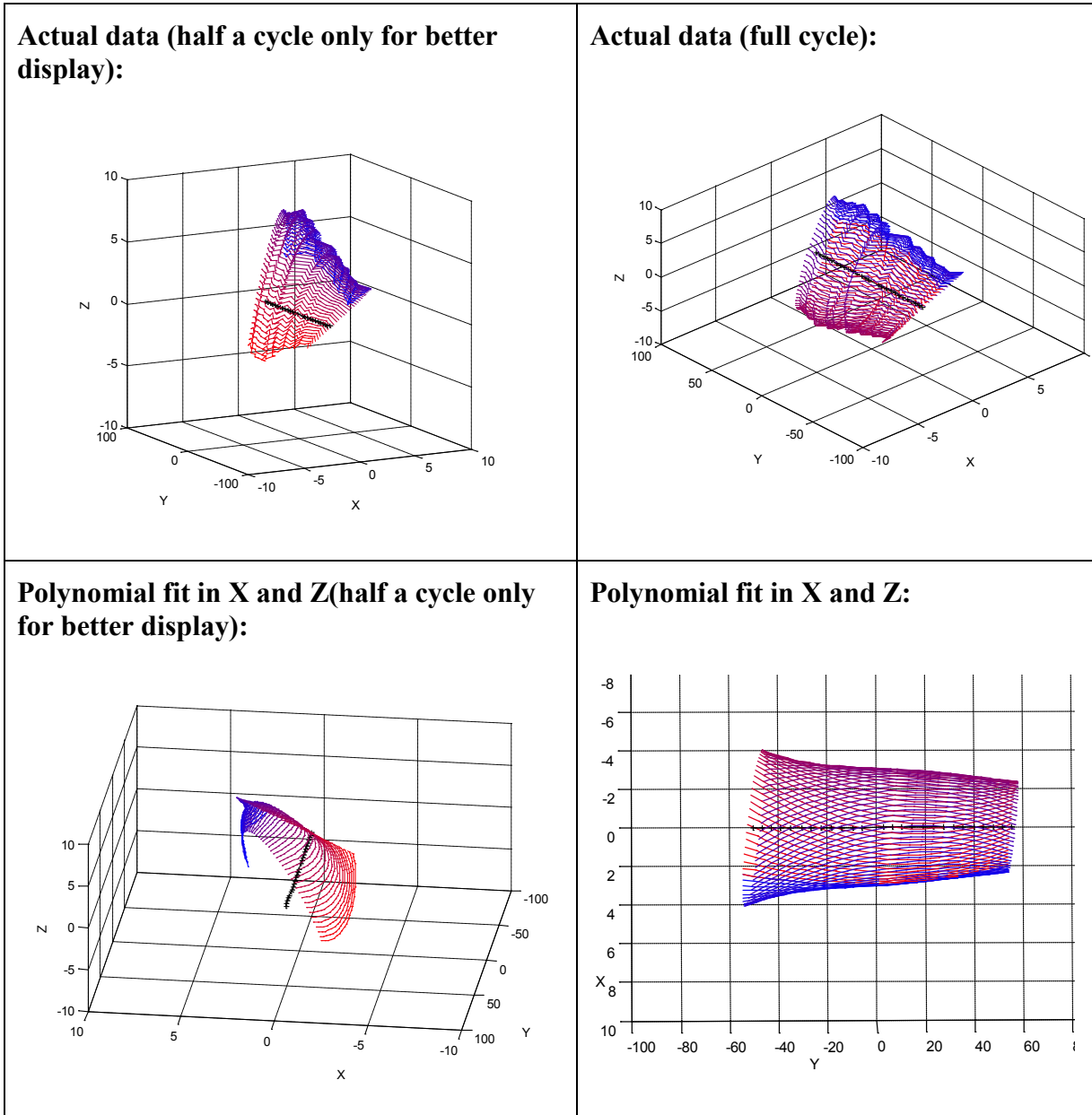


Mode @ 29Hz

The table below shows the Operating Deflexion Shape (ODS) at 29Hz.

The top views show the actual data displayed under different angle of camera. The bottom views are polynomial fit displayed under various angles of camera.

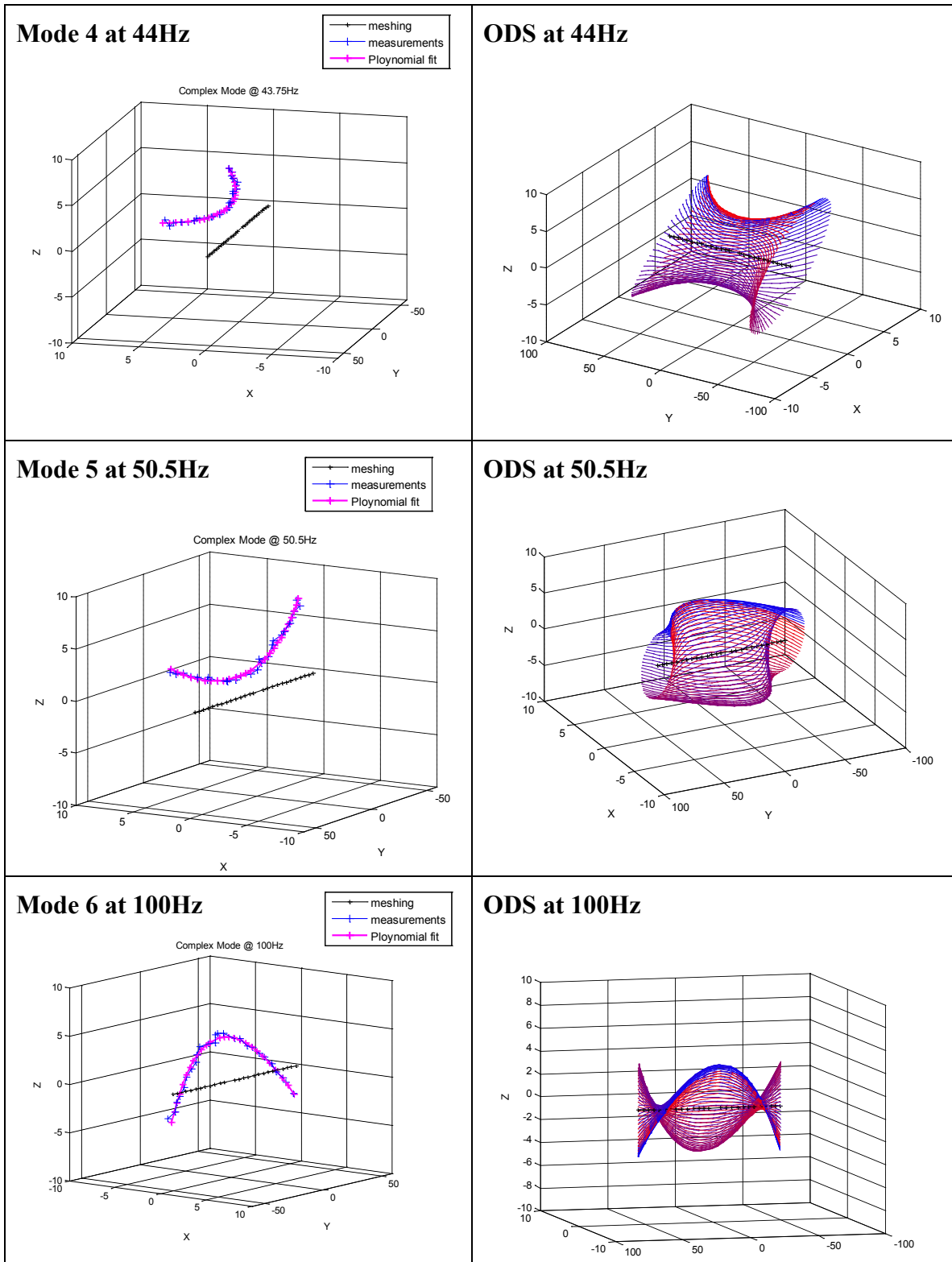
At this frequency the other tip of the beam moves along a large ellipse:





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The table below summarizes the modal shapes at higher frequencies (complex mode at $t=0$). The left column shows the complex mode at $t=0$ and the polynomial fit. The right column shows the ODS over a full cycle.

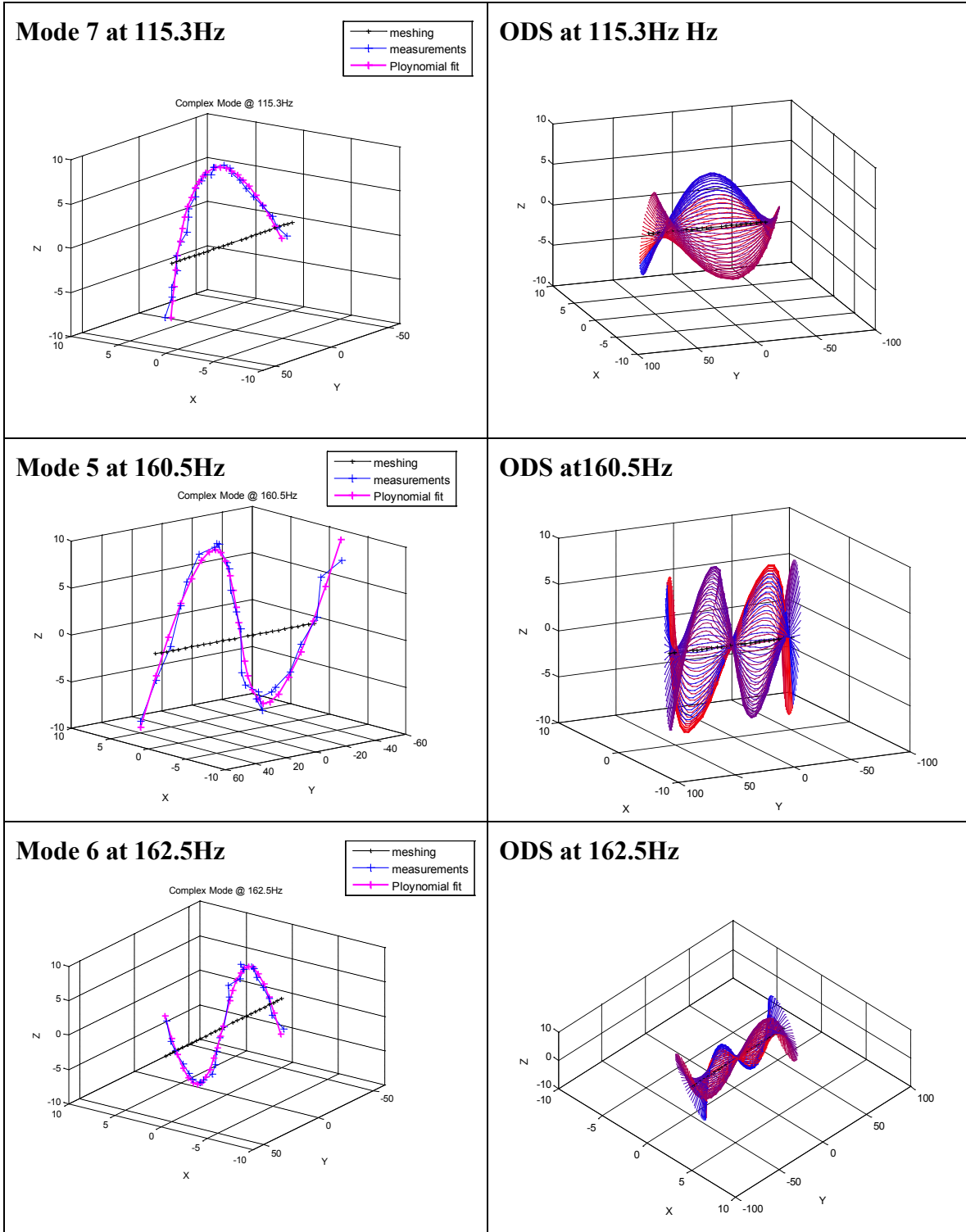




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The table below summarizes the modal shapes at higher frequencies (complex mode at $t=0$).

The left column shows the complex mode at $t=0$ and the polynomial fit. The right column shows the ODS over a full cycle.





Conclusion:

The modal shapes of the cross beam have been identified. Due to the high local damping in HEPI actuators those modes are strongly complex.

In order to study these complex modes, the Operating Deflexion Shape (ODS) of the beam have been displayed over a full cycle of harmonic excitation.

They show that the first mode at 14.25Hz is mostly a rigid body rotation of the beam around its neutral axis associated with a slight bending deformation.

On the second mode at 27Hz, one tip of the beam is moving along a small ellipse and the other tip moves along a large one. The rotation is coupled with a bending of the beam.

The third mode at 29Hz is almost the symmetric of the mode at 27Hz: the tips moving along a large ellipse at 27Hz moves along a large one at 29Hz, and vice versa.

The higher modes have been identified and are naturally mostly deformation modes of the cross beam.