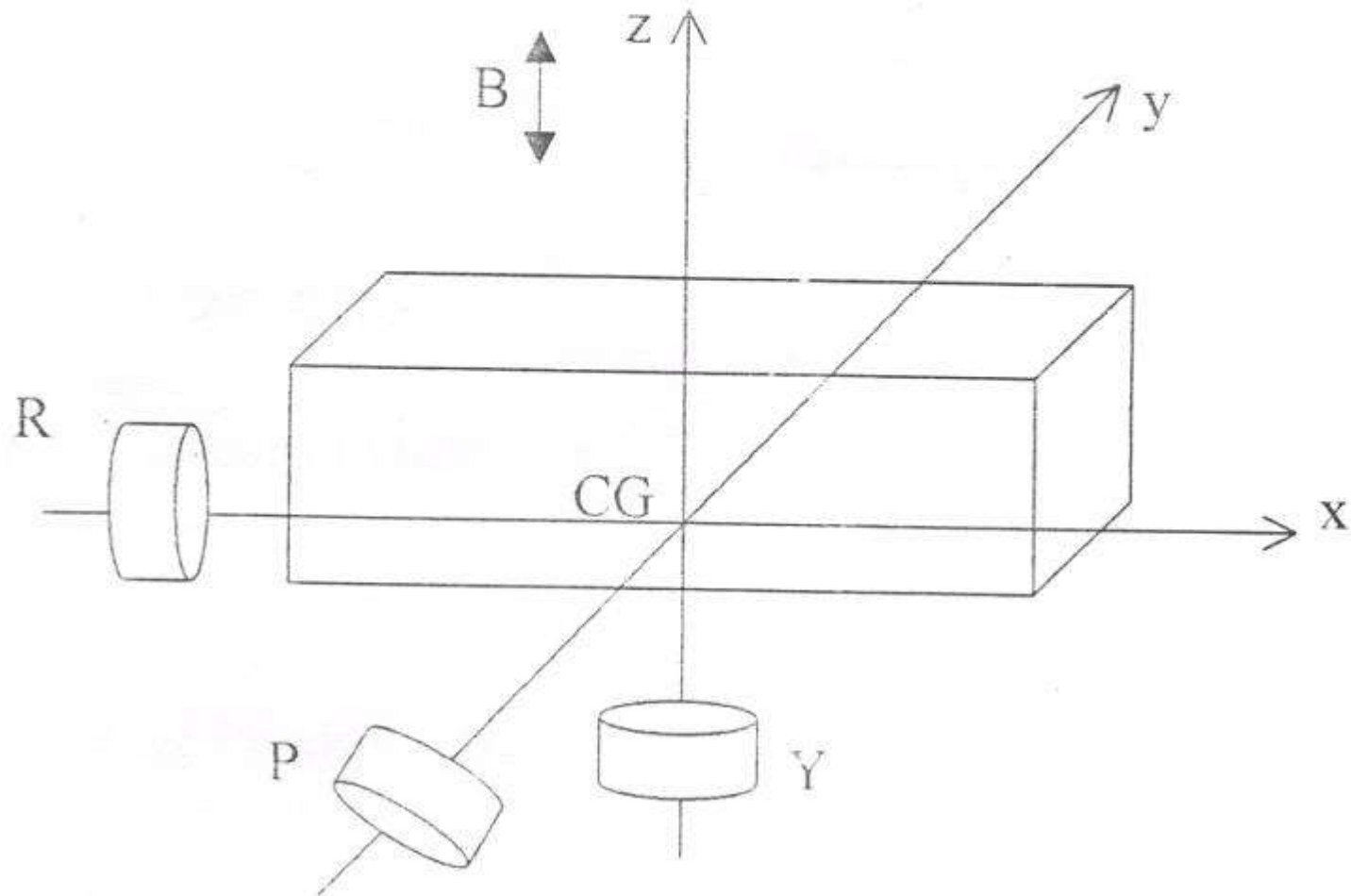


# Testing of Coaching Stock

# Need for Testing New Stock

- **Safe new design**
- Get natural frequency in various modes
- **Ensure level of comfort**
- Statutory requirements as per Policy Circular No 6 of Rly. Bd.

# Modes of Oscillation



# Policy Circular No 6

- No.92/CEDO/SR/4/0 dated 23/12/1999 issued by Member(Engg), Rly.Bd.
- Contains rules for certification of maximum permissible speeds for rolling stock
- Rly.Bd. is safety controlling authority for Indian Railways under Indian Railways Act
- Responsibility delegated to RDSO
  - Determine & recommend max permissible speed for new design rolling stock

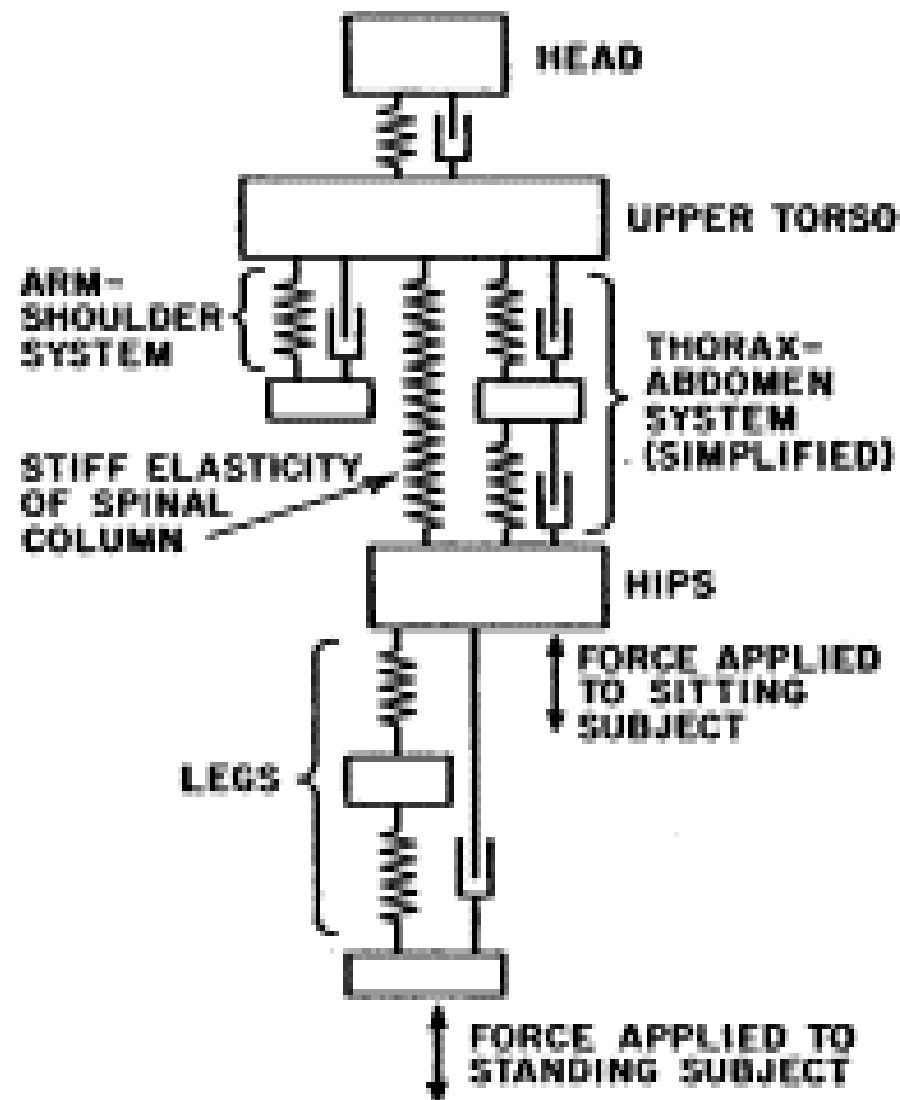
# Policy Circular No 6(contd.)

- Definition of new rolling stock
  - Different principal dimensions
  - Different bogie design
  - New braking system
  - Change in axle load, track loading density, unsprung mass
  - Minor changes in design, internal layout (with sanction of CRS) only if leading to significant change in
    - C.G., Weight distribution, ride behaviour

# Types of trials

- Detailed oscillation trials
- EBD(speed >110 for passenger & 75 for goods) & Coupler force trials of trains
- Confirmatory oscillograph car run on tracks above 110Kmph
- Route Proving run between 105-110 Kmph by zonal Rly using portable accelerometers
  - Accel <.3 g or <.25 peaks/km for .3g < accel < .35g

# Effect of Vibration on Human Body

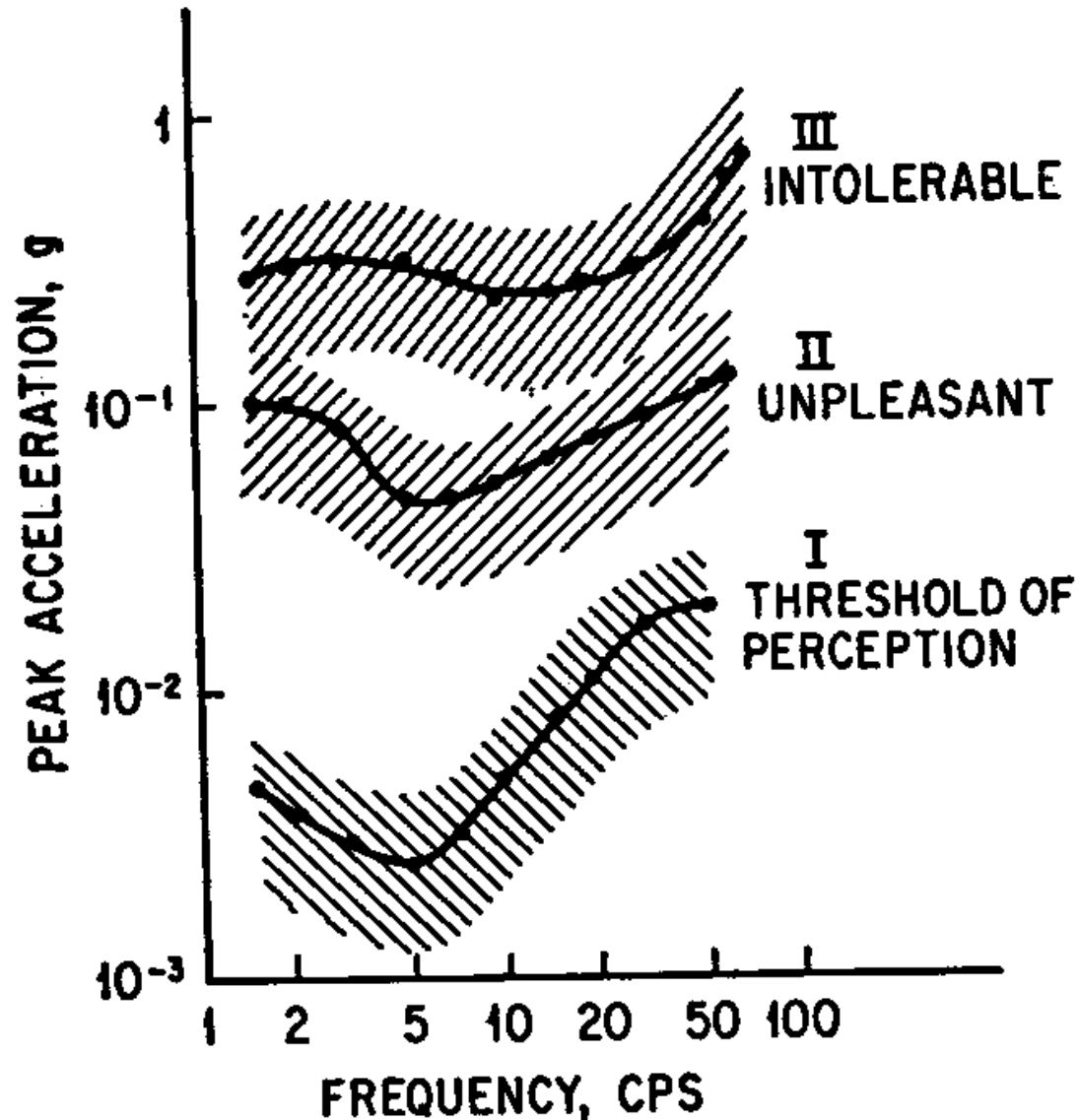




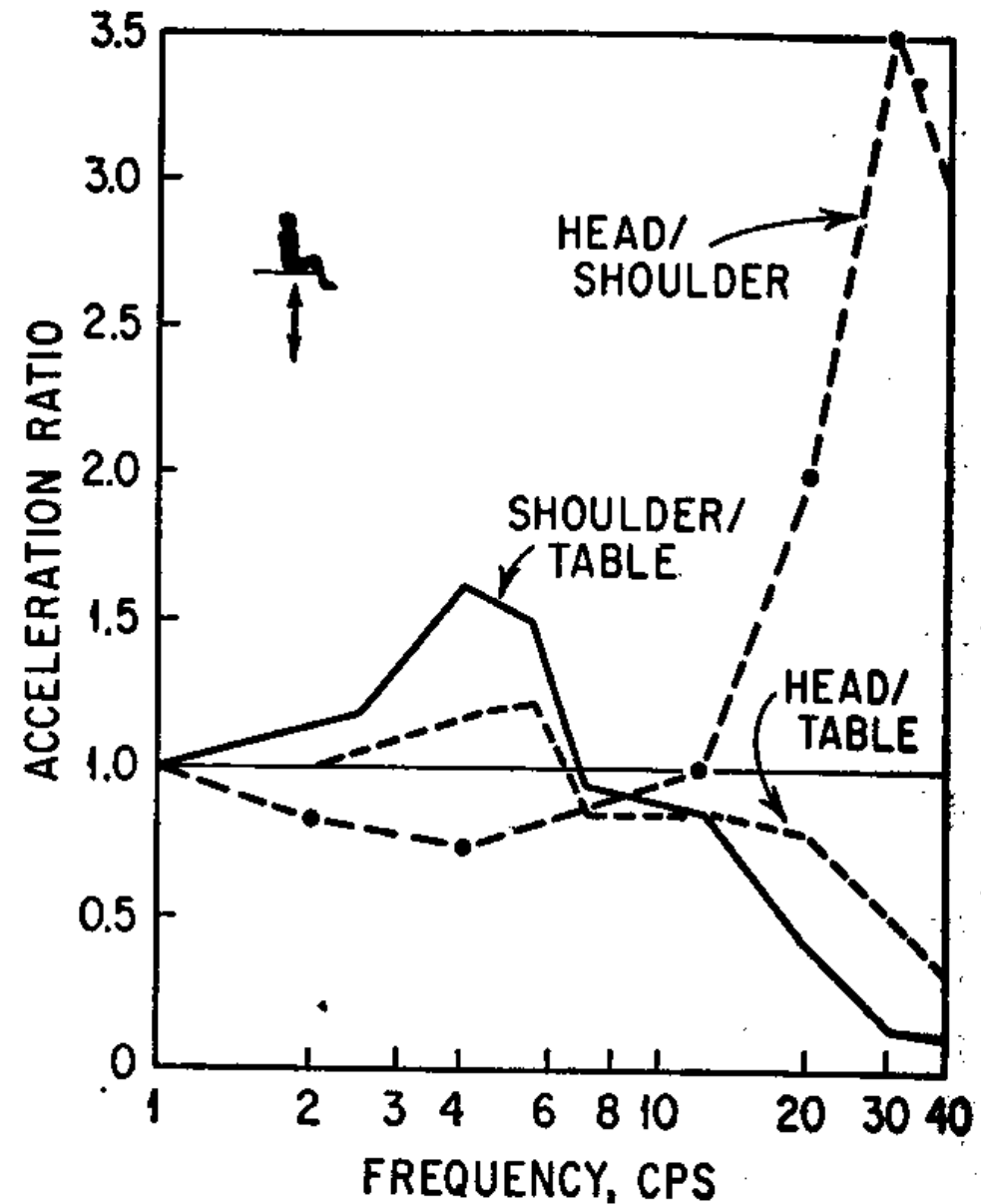
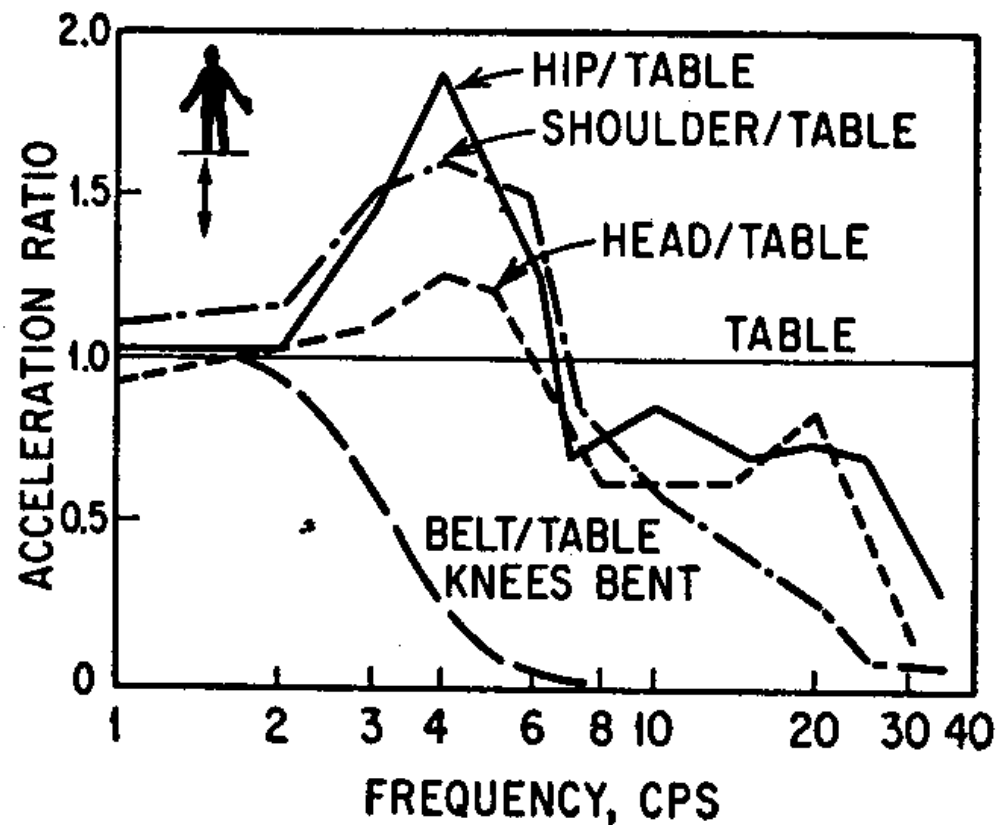
# Effect of Vibration on Human Body

- Impulse/Shock in collisions
- Short term exposure
  - Unpleasant Sensation
  - Can withstand higher amplitudes
- Long duration exposure
  - Leads to fatigue after some time
- Function of Frequency, amplitude and posture

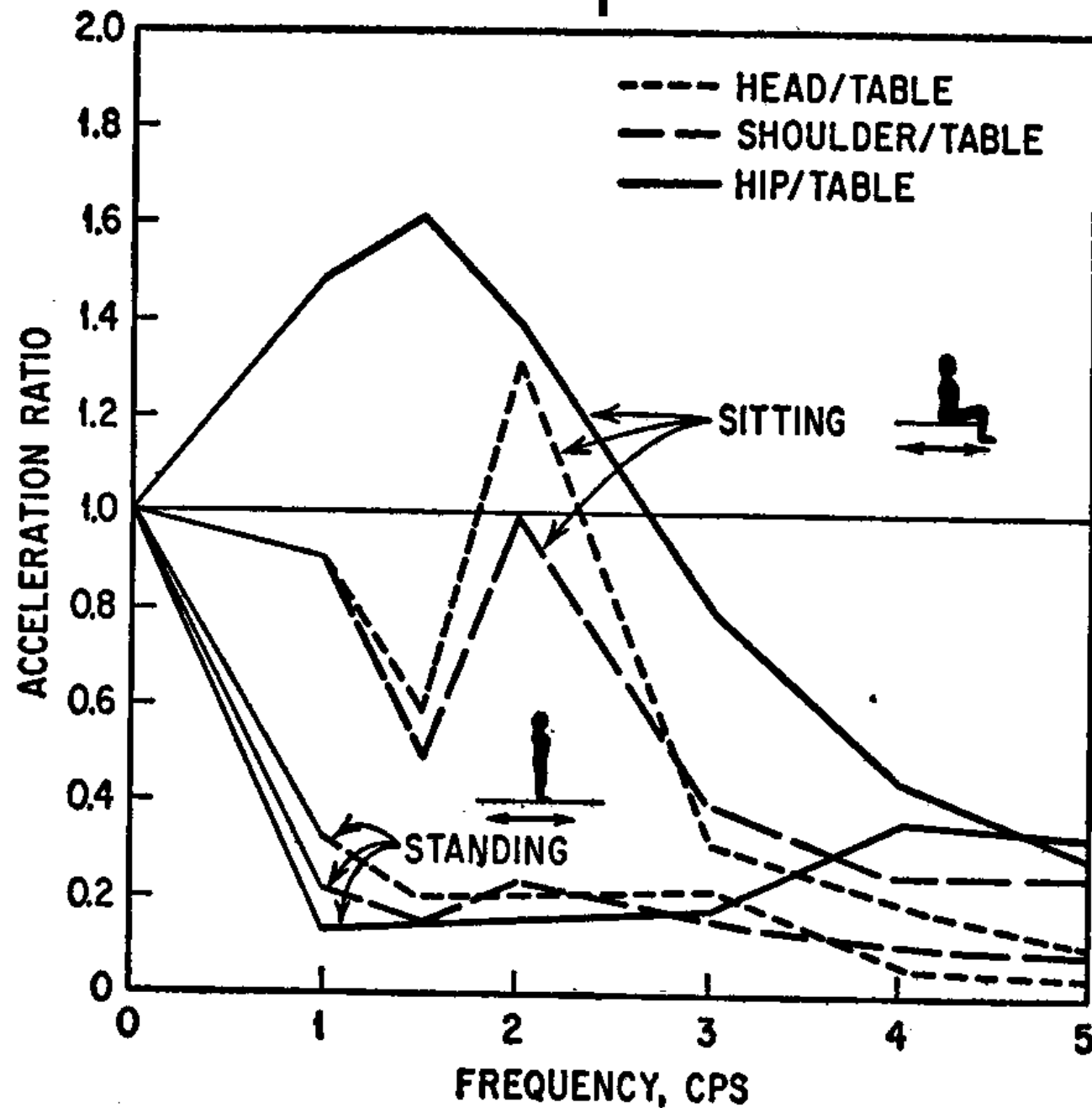
# Effect of short duration vibrations



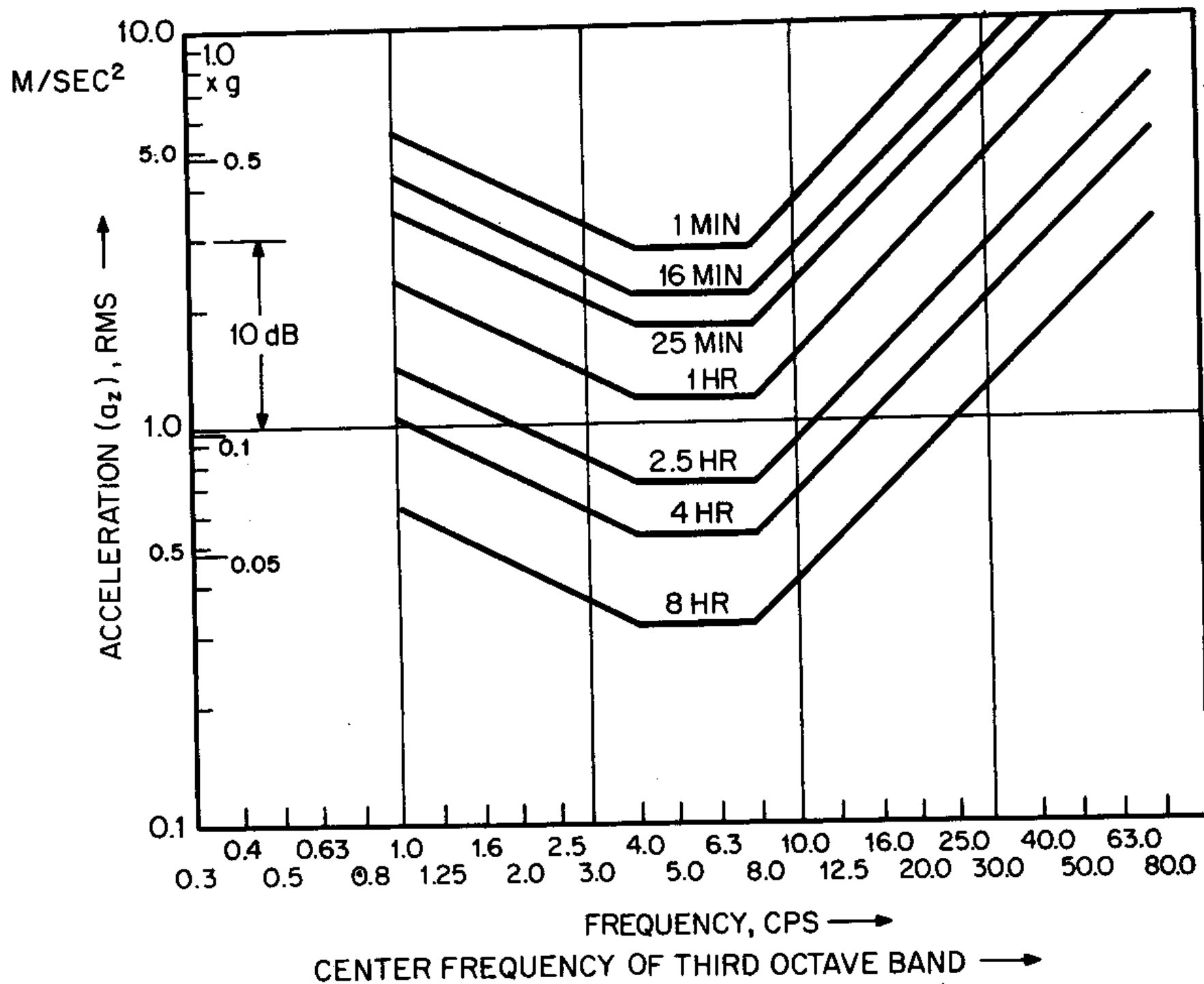
# Transmission ratio of human body parts

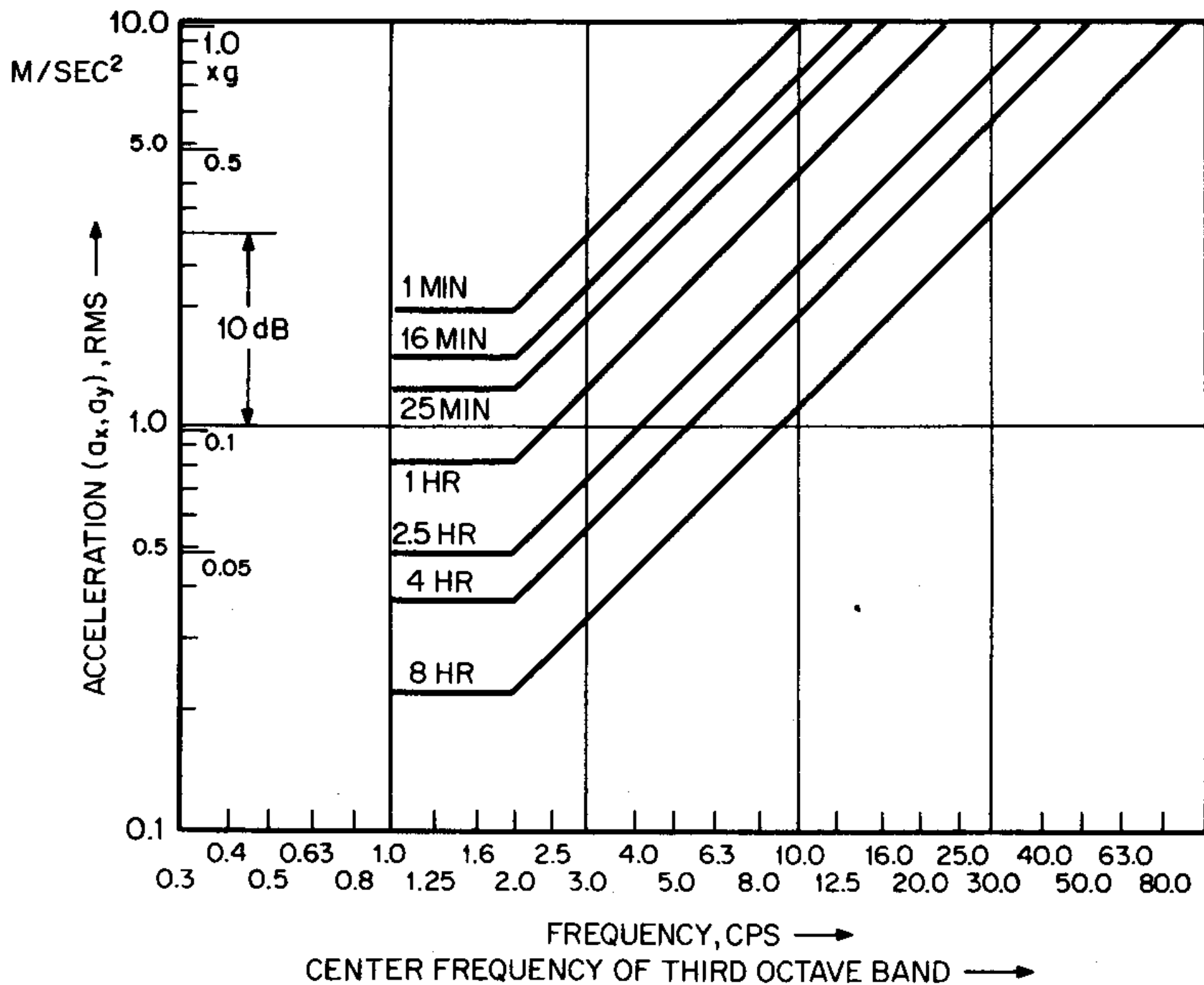


# Transmission ratio of human body parts



# Effect of Prolonged Exposure to Vibrations on Humans



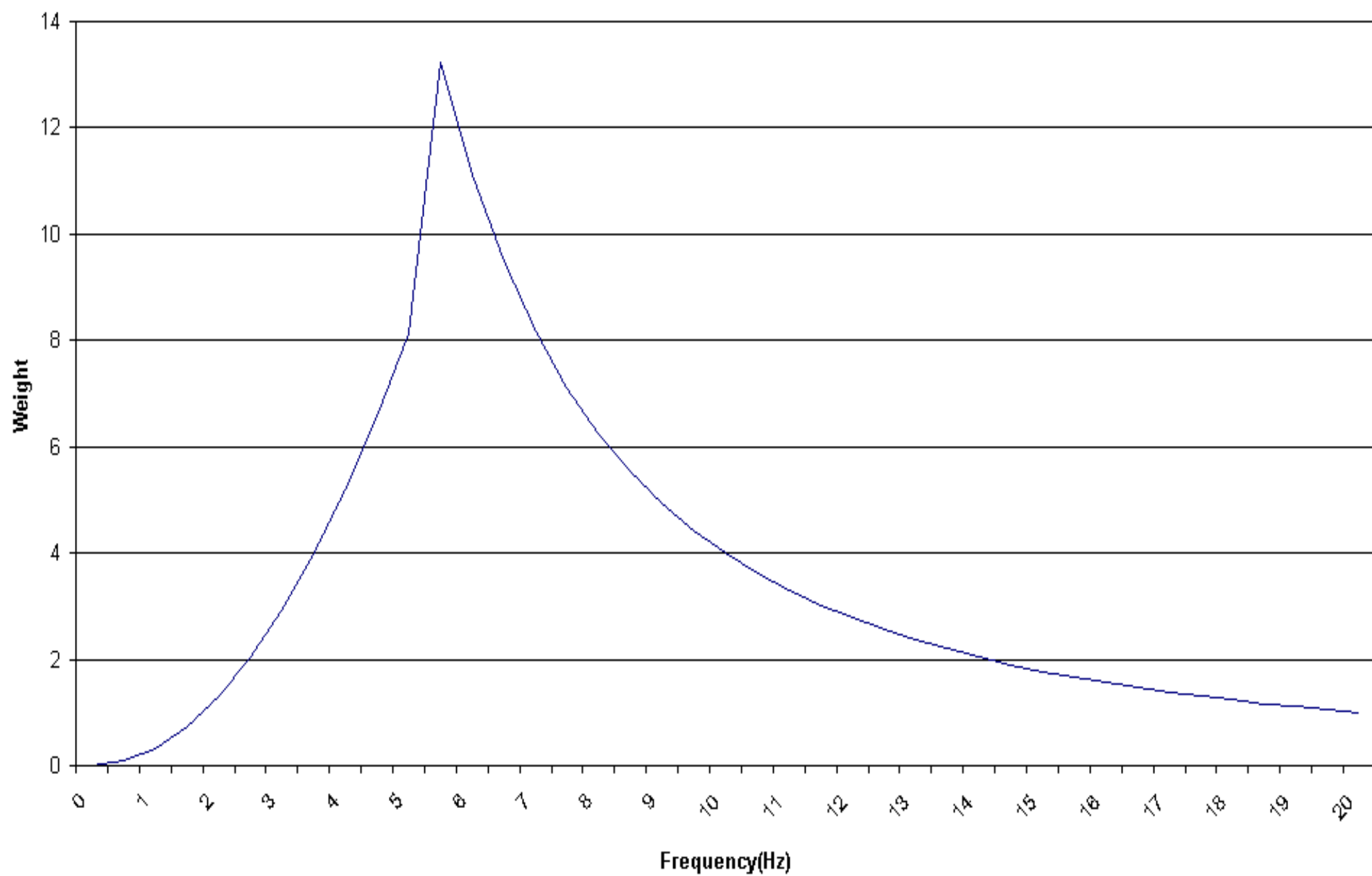


# Sperling's Ride Index

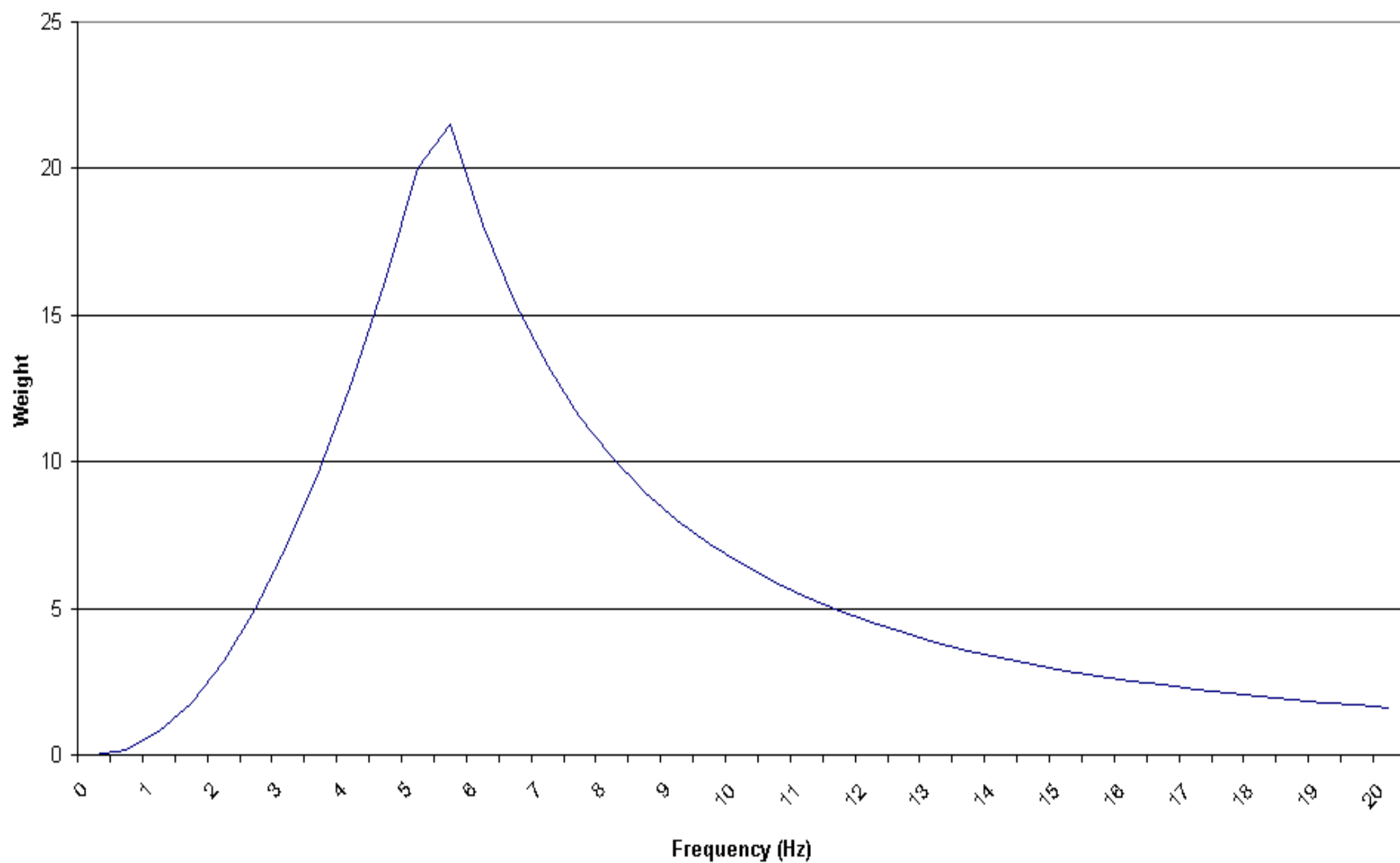
- Human sensation of comfort proportional to
  - Displacement (sinusoidal)
  - Acceleration
  - Rate of change of acceleration
- $RI = .896(g(f) * b^3 / f)^{0.1}$ ,  $b$  = acceleration amp
- Ride comfort correction factor  $g(f) = kf^2$ 
  - $k = .325$  for vertical RI (0.5-5.4Hz)
  - $k = .8$  for lateral RI (0.5-5.4 Hz)
  - $k = 1$  for goods stock



Vertical Weight Vs Frequency



lateral Weight vs Frequency



# Track and Related Issues

# Indian Railway Track

- Classified into two categories
- Main Line (speed  $< 110$  km/h)
- High Speed
  - For speed upto 150 Kmph
  - Based on Vol-I of Civil and Mechanical Engg Report No-I (C&M-I) dated May 1969 for “Increase of Speed on DLI-HWH Route Feasibility Study”

# Track Recording Cars

- Recording speed 50 -100kmph
- Recording every .4m
- Self adjusting offset after some time
- Recording periodicity
  - Depends on track category

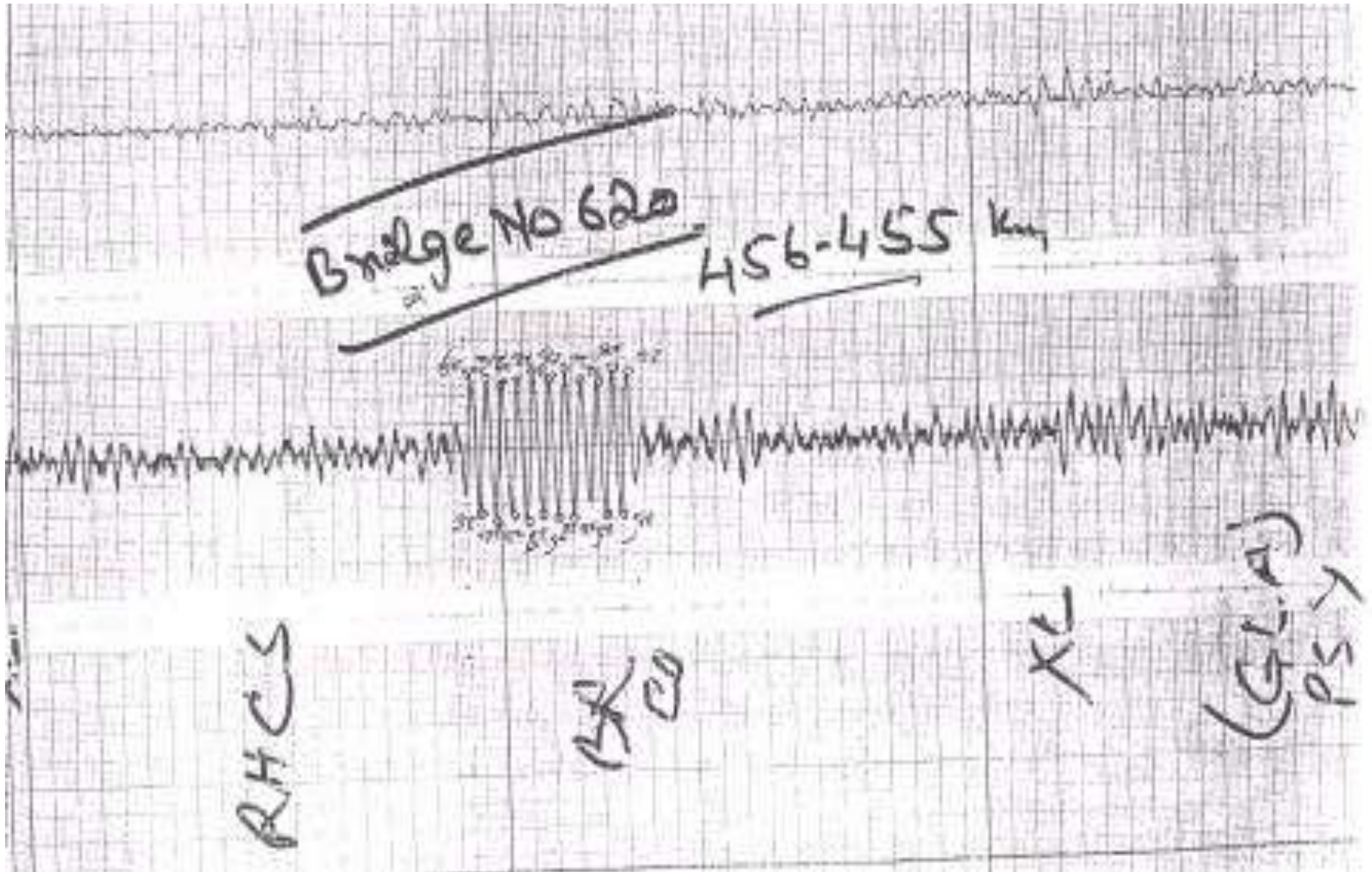
# Derailment

- Wheel climbing rail
  - Tight gauge
  - Due to excessive angle of attack
    - Sharp flange/Sharp curve -too much versine
  - Excessive lateral force- Nadal's formula
    - $H_y/Q = (\tan A - \mu) / (1 + \mu \tan A) = .997$ ,  
where,  $A$  = flange angle wrt to horizontal ;  $\mu = .27$
    - Friction assists **only** if angle of attack causes rail wheel rubbing to be advanced

# Derailment

- Wheel offloaded due to
  - Excessive spring deflection
    - Due to inadequate ballast
    - Unevenness of track
    - Poor quality ballast -caked up
  - **Resonance**
    - Poor damping
    - On multi-span bridges (more likely on steel girder type)

# Resonance





# Derailment

- Rail fractures due to
  - Inadequate stress relieving
  - Improper UFD
  - Inadequate ballast
  - Wheel flats?
- Shifting of sleepers
  - Prud Homme's Limit (wooden sleeper)
    - $H_{y_{2m}} < .85(1+P/3)$ ,
  - Wrong shape of ballast packing

# Signal Processing

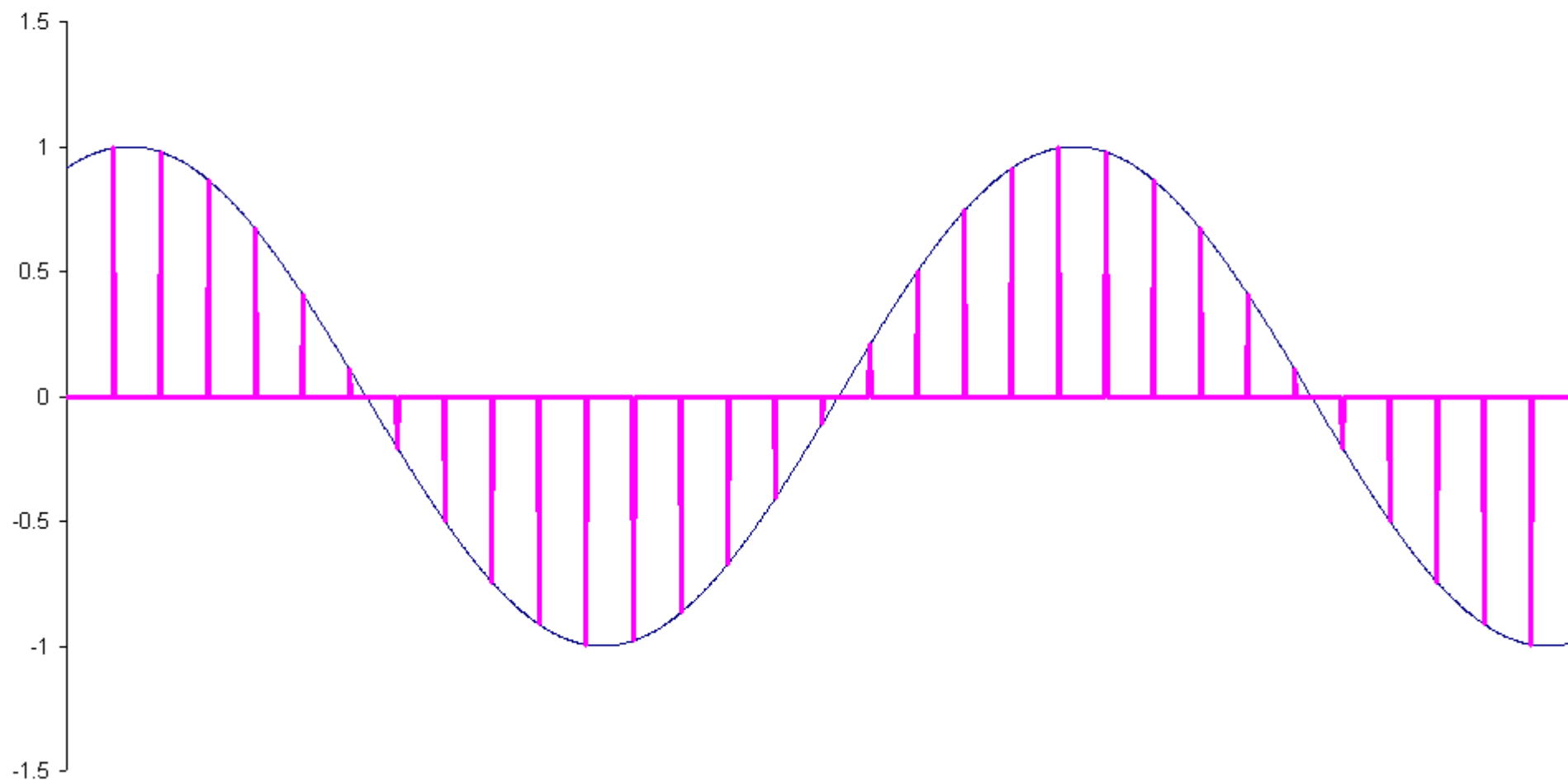
# Fourier Transformation

- Transformation of any time domain function into frequency domain
  - Sum of sin waves of various frequencies & phases
- Fast Fourier Transformation
  - Discrete data
  - Uses computationally efficient algorithm
  - Fundamental frequency =  $1/\text{observation time}$
  - Usually sum of harmonics of sin wave of fundamental frequency
  - Highest frequency =  $\frac{1}{2}$  sampling rate (Nyquist limit)

# Important DAQ Parameters

- Sampling rate
  - Min Nyquist limit
    - Usually 10 time highest signal frequency
  - Aliasing noise
    - Use of anti-aliasing filter
- Bit /sample
  - Higher value => lower digitizing noise
- Buffer size

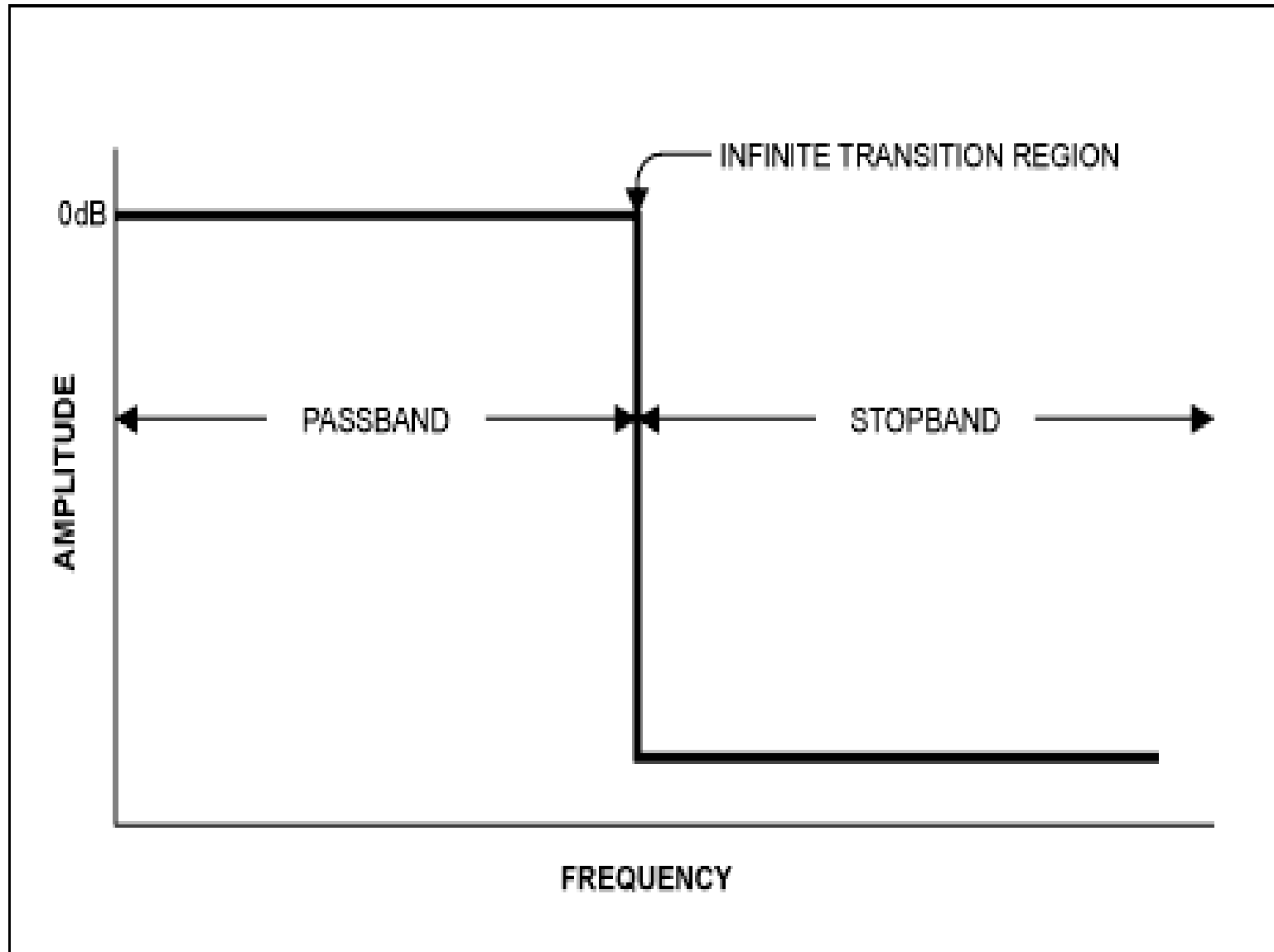
Sampling of Signal of 0.1  
Hz  
at 0.5 sec sampling interval



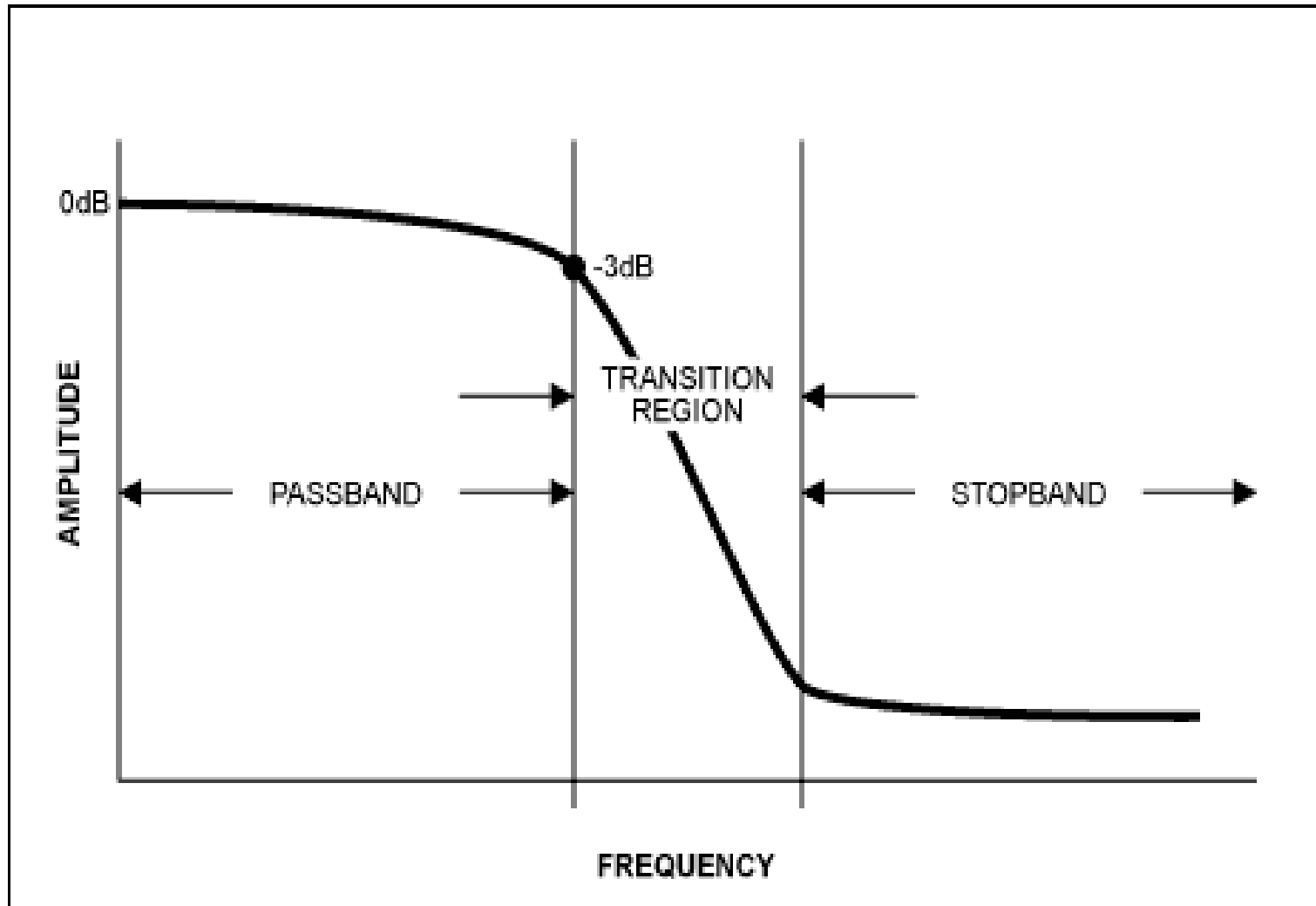
# Filters

- Anti-aliasing to filter out frequencies above sampling rate
- Before ADC conversion
- Higher order filters cause phase shift

# Ideal Low Pass Filter

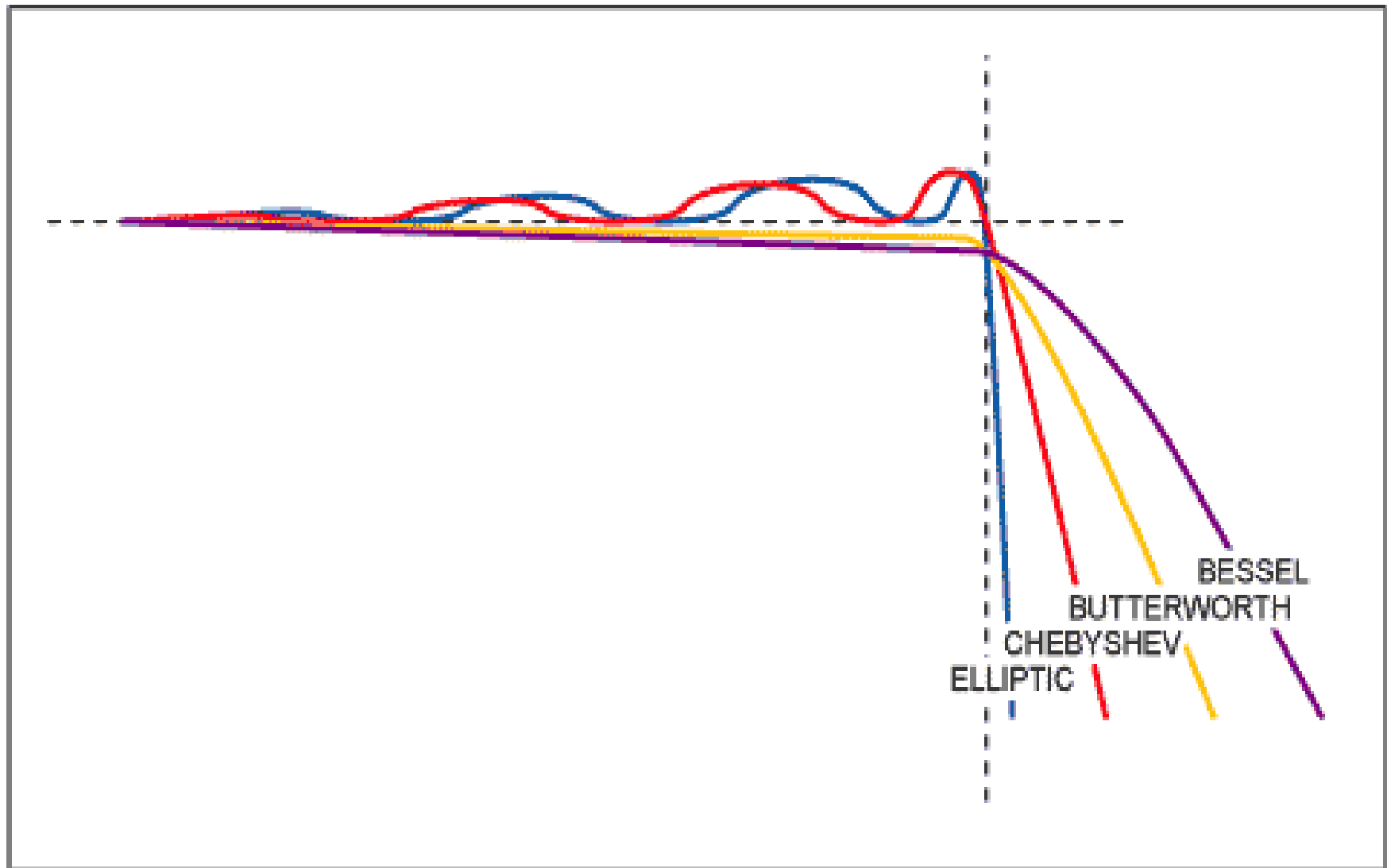


# Desired Low Pass Filter

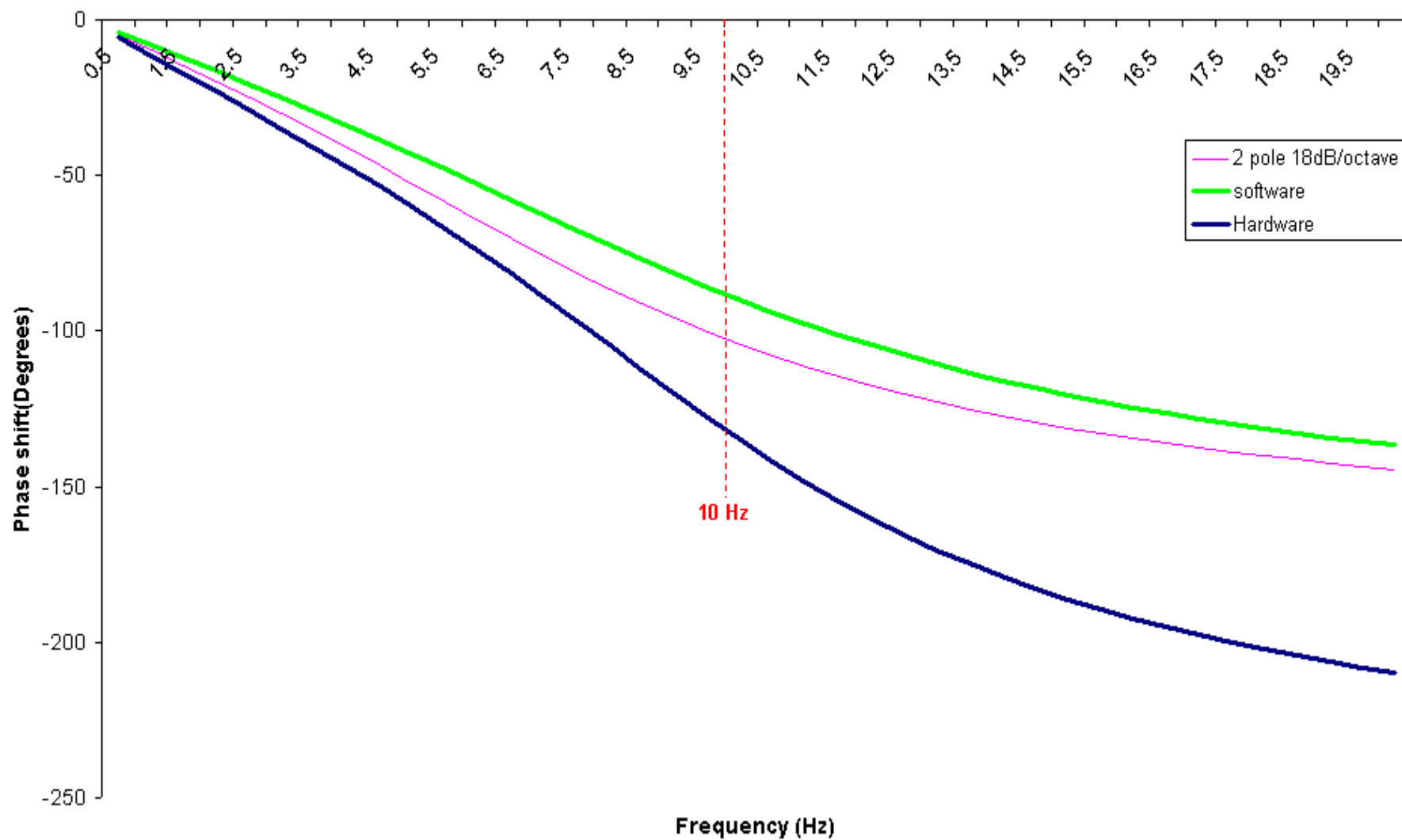




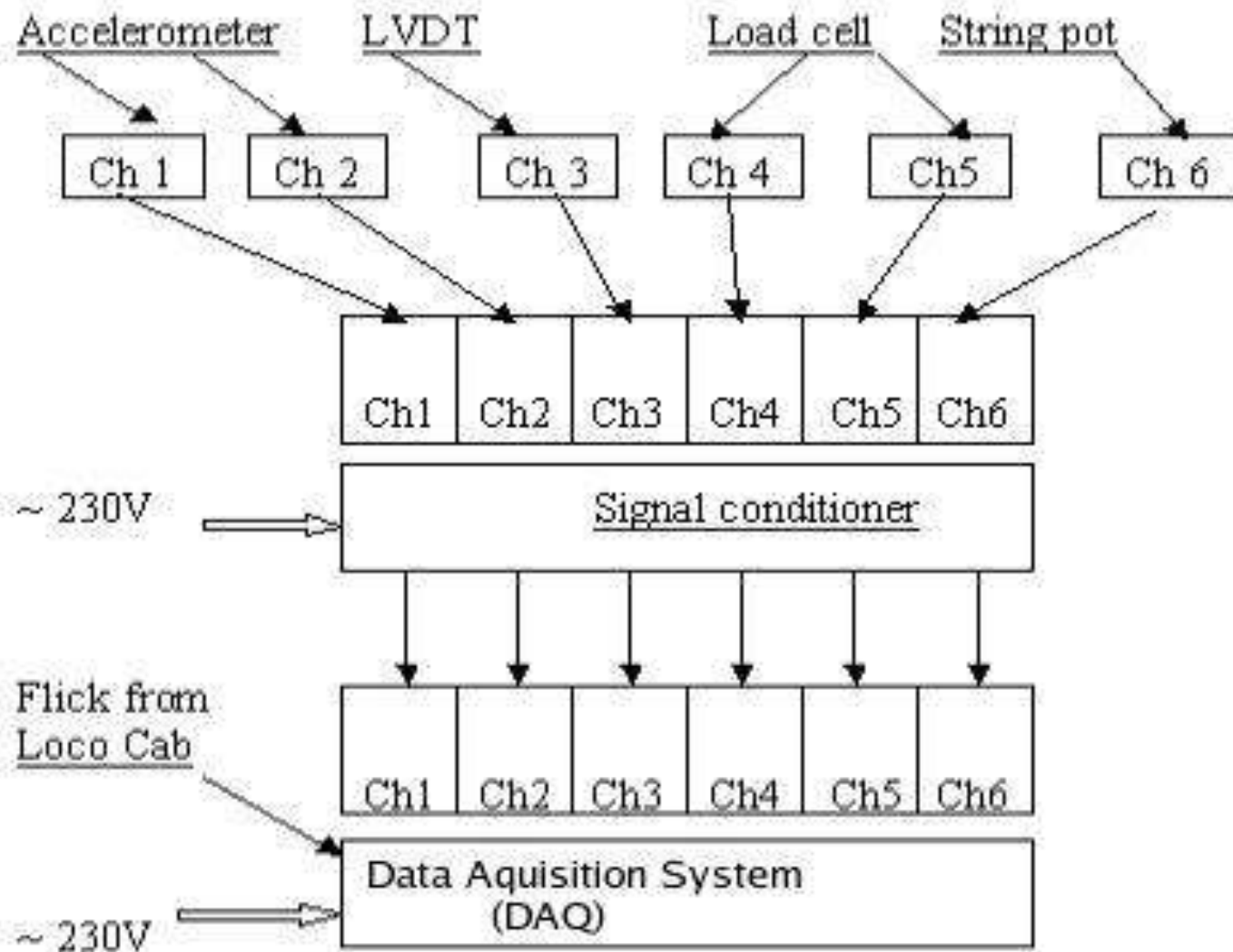
# Low Pass Filters



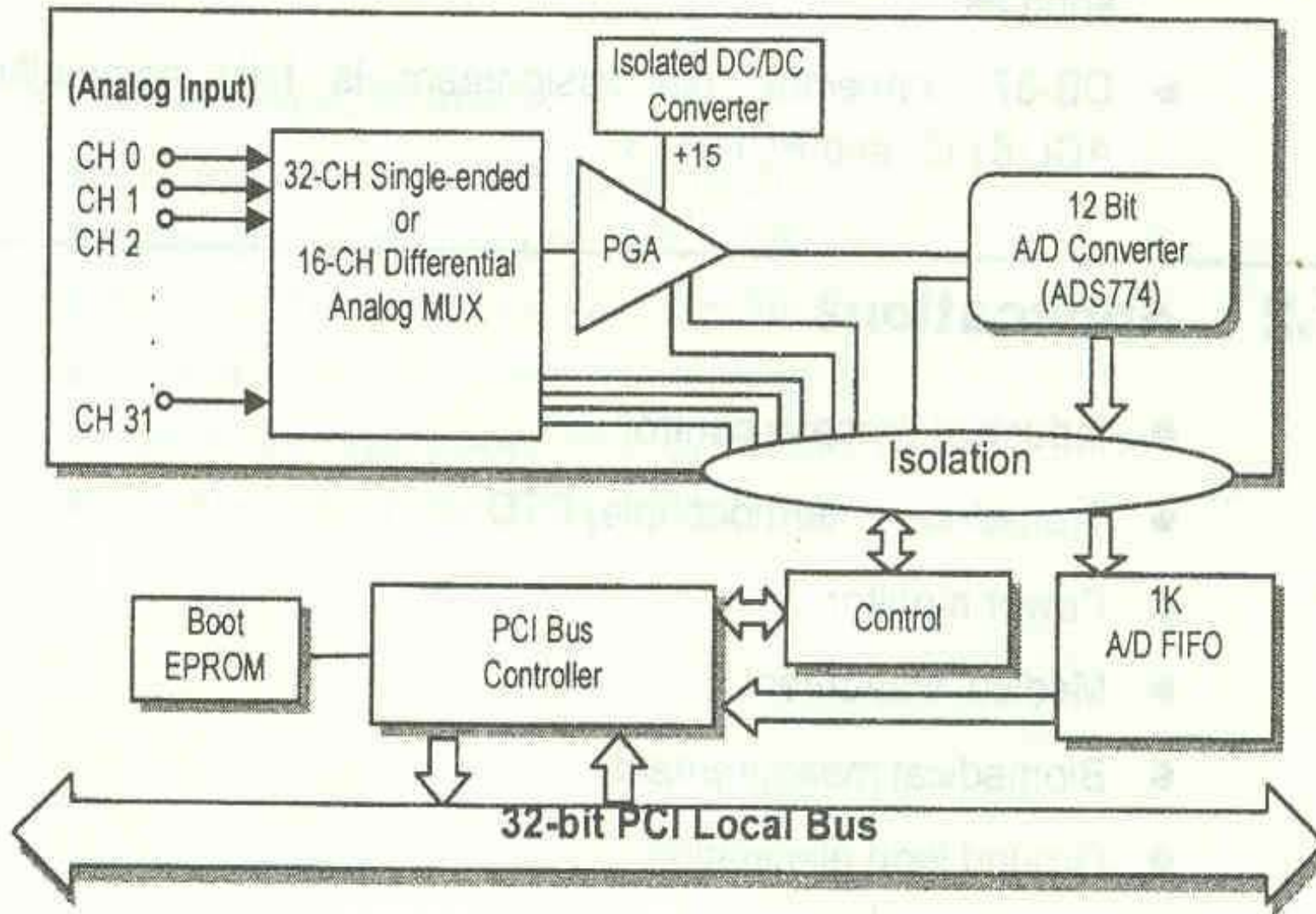
Phase shift vs Frequency



# Data Acquisition System



# Data Acquisition Card



# Oscillation trials of Rolling Stock





# 3<sup>rd</sup> Report of Standing Criteria Committee dated January 2000

- To evolve criteria for assessment of stability of rolling stock on IR,
- Composition
  - ED s RDSO
- Formulates oscillation trial procedure and Evaluation criteria

# Test Track

- Straight 1 Km X 2
  - Station yard
  - 700-800 m Curve of about 2 degree
- Rundown track worse than 90% of IR track
- On main line track
  - Include high speed (C&M I vol I) for speed >110kmph
- Long confirmatory run for 10-50kms with resonance check on hard spots like L-Xing, Culverts, Bridges



# Procedure

- Test Speed (Loaded & Empty)
  - Start with low speed (60kmph/80kmph)
  - Increase speed in increments of 5/10Kmph
    - Stop if any limit is exceeded
  - Max speed 10% higher than the proposed speed
- Test vehicle to be last vehicle (except loco)
- Free end bogie (leading bogie for loco) usually instrumented
- Data acquisition system usually in oscillograph car







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# RIDE INDEX CALCULATION

*Calculation for samples from 18553 to 21549*

Channel

3

DC Offset

0.0000

Conversion Factor

1.0000

Scan

100

Type of Vehicle

Loco/Carriage

Mode

Lateral

Mean Acceleration

0.022

Standard Deviation

0.017

RMS Acceleration

0.028

Percentile Max. 99.85/0.15

0.093

Max. Acceleration

0.102

Average Ride Index

2.729

## UIC Percentile Values

99.85%

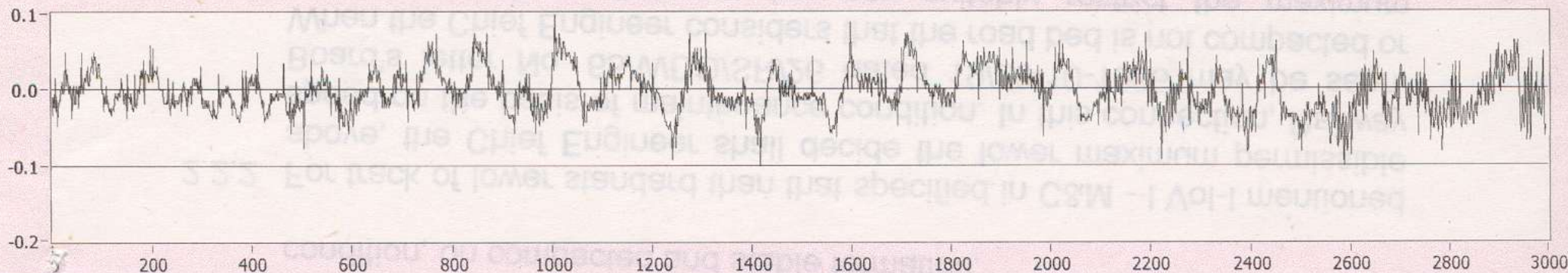
50.00%

0.15%

0.073

-0.005

-0.093



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# Criteria for Carriage

- Ride index  $< 3.5$ ,
  - preferred 3.25
  - upto 4 for EMU/DMU
- $< .3g$  accelerations in vertical & lateral directions
- Isolated peak upto  $.35g$  if no resonance



# Criteria for wagons

- $H_{y_{2m}} < .85(1 + P/3)$ ,  $P$  = axle load (Prud Homme's limit)
- $H_y/Q$  (for  $> 1/20$  sec)  $< 1$
- In case  $H_y$  cannot be measured,
  - Ride index  $< 4.5$ , preferred 4.25
- General stable running characteristics based on
  - Accelerations
  - Spring deflections

# Other Tests Related to Coaches

- Squeeze test
  - Check buffing /pay loads
  - Measure deflections, stresses and permanent sets
- Crash worthy tests
  - Withstand impact at 60 km/h
  - In passenger area
  - Actual crashes carried out

# Example of Squeeze Test

- BG BEML shell (model 816)
- Requirements
  - Max stress 90% of lower YP
  - No permanent set at 102 mT load
  - Max shell deflection (lateral & vertical)
    - 10 mm at centre
    - 6 mm at ends
  - No weld failure

# Test Fixtures







# Loading Devices







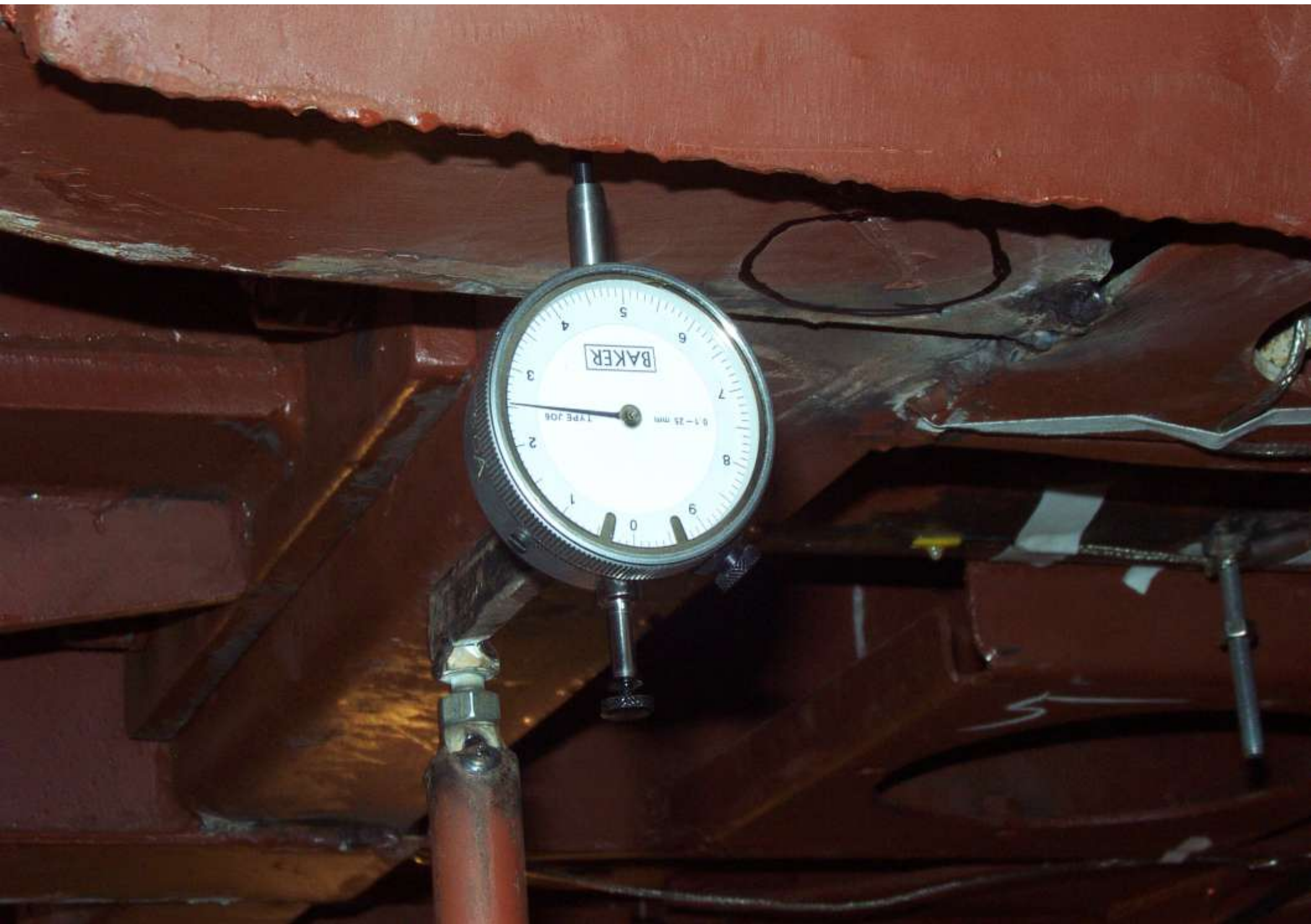


# Deflection Measurement









# Stress Measurement













Crash Test video



Thank You!!!