

# Joint Distribution of Eigenvalues of Linear Stochastic Systems

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# Random Eigenvalue Problem

The random eigenvalue problem of undamped or proportionally damped linear systems:

$$\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x})\phi_j = \omega_j^2 \mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x})\phi_j \quad (1)$$

$\omega_j$  natural frequencies;  $\phi_j$  eigenvectors;

$\mathbf{M}(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$  mass matrix and  $\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$  stiffness matrix.

$\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  is random parameter vector with pdf

$$p_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}) = e^{-L(\mathbf{x})}$$

$-L(\mathbf{x})$  is the log-likelihood function.

# The Objectives

- The aim is to obtain the joint probability density function of the natural frequencies and the eigenvectors
- in this work we look at the joint statistics of the eigenvalues
- while several papers are available on the distribution of individual eigenvalues, only first-order perturbation results are available for the joint pdf of the eigenvalues

# Exact Joint pdf

Without any loss of generality the original eigenvalue problem can be expressed by

$$\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x})\boldsymbol{\psi}_j = \omega_j^2\boldsymbol{\psi}_j \quad (2)$$

where

$$\mathbf{H}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{M}^{-1/2}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{x})\mathbf{M}^{-1/2}(\mathbf{x}) \in \mathbb{R}^{N \times N}$$

and  $\boldsymbol{\psi}_j = \mathbf{M}^{1/2}\boldsymbol{\phi}_j$

# Exact Joint pdf

The joint probability (following **Muirhead, 1982**) density function of the natural frequencies of an  $N$ -dimensional linear positive definite dynamic system is given by

$$p_{\Omega}(\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_N) = \frac{\pi^{N^2/2}}{\Gamma(N/2)} \prod_{i < j \leq N} (\omega_j^2 - \omega_i^2) \int_{O(N)} p_{\mathbf{H}}(\Psi \Omega^2 \Psi^T) (d\Psi) \quad (3)$$

where  $\mathbf{H} = \mathbf{M}^{-1/2} \mathbf{K} \mathbf{M}^{-1/2}$  &  $p_{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{H})$  is the pdf of  $\mathbf{H}$ .

# Limitations of the Exact Method

- the multidimensional integral over the orthogonal group  $O(N)$  is difficult to carry out in practice and exact closed-form results can be derived only for few special cases
- the derivation of an expression of the joint pdf of the system matrix  $p_{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{H})$  is non-trivial even if the joint pdf of the random system parameters  $\mathbf{x}$  is known

# Limitations of the Exact Method

- even one can overcome the previous two problems, the joint pdf of the natural frequencies given by Eq. (3) is ‘too much information’ to be useful for practical problems because
  - it is not easy to ‘visualize’ the joint pdf in the space of  $N$  natural frequencies, and
  - the derivation of the marginal density functions of the natural frequencies from Eq. (3) is not straightforward, especially when  $N$  is large.



# Eigenvalues of GOE Matrices

Suppose the system matrix  $\mathbf{H}$  is from a Gaussian orthogonal ensemble (GOE). The pdf of  $\mathbf{H}$ :

$$p_{\mathbf{H}}(\mathbf{H}) = \exp \left( -\theta_2 \text{Trace} (\mathbf{H}^2) + \theta_1 \text{Trace} (\mathbf{H}) + \theta_0 \right)$$

The joint pdf of the natural frequencies:

$$p_{\Omega} (\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_N) = \exp \left[ - \left( \sum_{j=1}^N \theta_2 \omega_j^4 - \theta_1 \omega_j^2 - \theta_0 \right) \right] \prod_{i < j} |\omega_j^2 - \omega_i^2|$$

# Perturbation Method

Taylor series expansion of  $\omega_j(\mathbf{x})$  about the mean  $\mathbf{x} = \boldsymbol{\mu}$

$$\begin{aligned}\omega_j(\mathbf{x}) \approx & \omega_j(\boldsymbol{\mu}) + \mathbf{d}_{\omega_j}^T(\boldsymbol{\mu}) (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu}) \\ & + \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})^T \mathbf{D}_{\omega_j}(\boldsymbol{\mu}) (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\mu})\end{aligned}$$

Here  $\mathbf{d}_{\omega_j}(\boldsymbol{\mu}) \in \mathbb{R}^m$  and  $\mathbf{D}_{\omega_j}(\boldsymbol{\mu}) \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  are respectively the gradient vector and the Hessian matrix of  $\omega_j(\mathbf{x})$  evaluated at  $\mathbf{x} = \boldsymbol{\mu}$ .

# Joint Statistics

Joint statistics of the natural frequencies can be obtained provided it is assumed that the  $\mathbf{x}$  is Gaussian. Assuming  $\mathbf{x} \sim N(\boldsymbol{\mu}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ , first few cumulants can be obtained as

$$\kappa_{jk}^{(1,0)} = \mathbb{E}[\omega_j] = \bar{\omega}_j + \frac{1}{2} \text{Trace}(\mathbf{D}_{\omega_j} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}),$$

$$\kappa_{jk}^{(0,1)} = \mathbb{E}[\omega_k] = \bar{\omega}_k + \frac{1}{2} \text{Trace}(\mathbf{D}_{\omega_k} \boldsymbol{\Sigma}),$$

$$\kappa_{jk}^{(1,1)} = \text{Cov}(\omega_j, \omega_k) = \frac{1}{2} \text{Trace}((\mathbf{D}_{\omega_j} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})(\mathbf{D}_{\omega_k} \boldsymbol{\Sigma})) + \mathbf{d}_{\omega_j}^T \boldsymbol{\Sigma} \mathbf{d}_{\omega_k}$$

# Multidimensional Integrals

We want to evaluate an  $m$ -dimensional integral over the unbounded domain  $\mathbb{R}^m$ :

$$\mathcal{J} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} e^{-f(\mathbf{x})} d\mathbf{x}$$

- Assume  $f(\mathbf{x})$  is smooth and at least twice differentiable
- The maximum contribution to this integral comes from the neighborhood where  $f(\mathbf{x})$  reaches its global minimum, say  $\boldsymbol{\theta} \in \mathbb{R}^m$

# Multidimensional Integrals

Therefore, at  $\mathbf{x} = \boldsymbol{\theta}$

$$\frac{\partial f(\mathbf{x})}{\partial x_k} = 0, \forall k \quad \text{or} \quad \mathbf{d}_f(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \mathbf{0}$$

Expand  $f(\mathbf{x})$  in a Taylor series about  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$ :

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{J} &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} e^{-\left\{f(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\theta})^T \mathbf{D}_f(\boldsymbol{\theta})(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\theta}) + \varepsilon(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})\right\}} d\mathbf{x} \\ &= e^{-f(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\theta})^T \mathbf{D}_f(\boldsymbol{\theta})(\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\theta}) - \varepsilon(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})} d\mathbf{x} \end{aligned}$$

# Multidimensional Integrals

The error  $\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta})$  depends on higher derivatives of  $f(\mathbf{x})$  at  $\mathbf{x} = \boldsymbol{\theta}$ . If they are small compared to  $f(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  their contribution will be negligible to the value of the integral. So we assume that  $f(\boldsymbol{\theta})$  is large so that

$$\left| \frac{1}{f(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \mathcal{D}^{(j)}(f(\boldsymbol{\theta})) \right| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for } j > 2$$

where  $\mathcal{D}^{(j)}(f(\boldsymbol{\theta}))$  is  $j$ th order derivative of  $f(\mathbf{x})$  evaluated at  $\mathbf{x} = \boldsymbol{\theta}$ . Under such assumptions  $\varepsilon(\mathbf{x}, \boldsymbol{\theta}) \rightarrow 0$ .

# Multidimensional Integrals

- Use the coordinate transformation:

$$\boldsymbol{\xi} = (\mathbf{x} - \boldsymbol{\theta}) \mathbf{D}_f^{-1/2}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

- The Jacobian:  $\|\mathbf{J}\| = \|\mathbf{D}_f(\boldsymbol{\theta})\|^{-1/2}$

- The integral becomes:

$$\mathcal{J} \approx e^{-f(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} \|\mathbf{D}_f(\boldsymbol{\theta})\|^{-1/2} e^{-\frac{1}{2}(\boldsymbol{\xi}^T \boldsymbol{\xi})} d\boldsymbol{\xi}$$

or

$$\mathcal{J} \approx (2\pi)^{m/2} e^{-f(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \|\mathbf{D}_f(\boldsymbol{\theta})\|^{-1/2}$$

# Moments of Single Eigenvalues

An arbitrary  $r$ th order moment of the natural frequencies can be obtained from

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_j^{(r)} &= \text{E} [\omega_j^r(\mathbf{x})] = \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} \omega_j^r(\mathbf{x}) p_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x} \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} e^{-(L(\mathbf{x}) - r \ln \omega_j(\mathbf{x}))} d\mathbf{x}, \quad r = 1, 2, 3 \dots\end{aligned}$$

- Previous result can be used by choosing  $f(\mathbf{x}) = L(\mathbf{x}) - r \ln \omega_j(\mathbf{x})$



# Moments of Single Eigenvalues

After some simplifications

$$\mu_j^{(r)} \approx (2\pi)^{m/2} \omega_j^r(\boldsymbol{\theta}) e^{-L(\boldsymbol{\theta})}$$

$$\left\| \mathbf{D}_L(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + \frac{1}{r} \mathbf{d}_L(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \mathbf{d}_L(\boldsymbol{\theta})^T - \frac{r}{\omega_j(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \mathbf{D}_{\omega_j}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \right\|^{-1/2}$$

$r = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

$\boldsymbol{\theta}$  is obtained from:

$$\mathbf{d}_{\omega_j}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) r = \omega_j(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \mathbf{d}_L(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

# Maximum Entropy pdf

Constraints for  $u \in [0, \infty]$ :

$$\int_0^{\infty} p_{\omega_j}(u) du = 1$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} u^r p_{\omega_j}(u) du = \mu_j^{(r)}, \quad r = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n$$

Maximizing Shannon's measure of entropy

$\mathcal{S} = - \int_0^{\infty} p_{\omega_j}(u) \ln p_{\omega_j}(u) du$ , the pdf of  $\omega_j$  is

$$p_{\omega_j}(u) = e^{-\{\rho_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i u^i\}} = e^{-\rho_0} e^{-\sum_{i=1}^n \rho_i u^i}, \quad u \geq 0$$

# Maximum Entropy pdf

Taking first two moments, the resulting pdf is a truncated Gaussian density function

$$p_{\omega_j}(u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}\sigma_j \Phi(\hat{\omega}_j/\sigma_j)} \exp\left\{-\frac{(u - \hat{\omega}_j)^2}{2\sigma_j^2}\right\}$$

where  $\sigma_j^2 = \mu_j^{(2)} - \hat{\omega}_j^2$

- Ensures that the probability of any natural frequencies becoming negative is zero

# Joint Moments of Two Eigenvalues

Arbitrary  $r - s$ -th order joint moment of two natural frequencies

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{jl}^{(rs)} &= \text{E} [\omega_j^r(\mathbf{x})\omega_l^s(\mathbf{x})] \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} \exp \{ - (L(\mathbf{x}) - r \ln \omega_j(\mathbf{x}) - s \ln \omega_l(\mathbf{x})) \} d\mathbf{x}, \\ &\quad r = 1, 2, 3 \dots\end{aligned}$$

- Choose  $f(\mathbf{x}) = L(\mathbf{x}) - r \ln \omega_j(\mathbf{x}) - s \ln \omega_l(\mathbf{x})$

# Joint Moments of Two Eigenvalues

After some simplifications

$$\mu_{jl}^{(rs)} \approx (2\pi)^{m/2} \omega_j^r(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \omega_l^s(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \exp \{-L(\boldsymbol{\theta})\} \|\mathbf{D}_f(\boldsymbol{\theta})\|^{-1/2}$$

where  $\boldsymbol{\theta}$  is obtained from:

$$\mathbf{d}_L(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{r}{\omega_j(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \mathbf{d}_{\omega_j}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + \frac{s}{\omega_l(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \mathbf{d}_{\omega_l}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

$$\text{and } \mathbf{D}_f(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \mathbf{D}_L(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + \frac{r}{\omega_j^2(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \mathbf{d}_{\omega_j}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \mathbf{d}_{\omega_j}(\boldsymbol{\theta})^T - \frac{r}{\omega_j(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \mathbf{D}_{\omega_j}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + \frac{s}{\omega_l^2(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \mathbf{d}_{\omega_l}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \mathbf{d}_{\omega_l}(\boldsymbol{\theta})^T - \frac{s}{\omega_l(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \mathbf{D}_{\omega_l}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

# Joint Moments of Multiple Eigenvalues

We want to obtain

$$\mu_{j_1 j_2 \dots j_n}^{(r_1 r_2 \dots r_n)} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^m} \{ \omega_{j_1}^{r_1}(\mathbf{x}) \omega_{j_2}^{r_2}(\mathbf{x}) \dots \omega_{j_n}^{r_n}(\mathbf{x}) \} p_{\mathbf{x}}(\mathbf{x}) d\mathbf{x}$$

It can be shown that

$$\mu_{j_1 j_2 \dots j_n}^{(r_1 r_2 \dots r_n)} \approx (2\pi)^{m/2} \{ \omega_{j_1}^{r_1}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \omega_{j_2}^{r_2}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \dots \omega_{j_n}^{r_n}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \} \exp \{ -L(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \} \|\mathbf{D}_f(\boldsymbol{\theta})\|^{-1/2}$$

# Joint Moments of Multiple Eigenvalues

Here  $\theta$  is obtained from

$$\mathbf{d}_L(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \frac{r_1}{\omega_{j_1}(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \mathbf{d}_{\omega_{j_1}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + \frac{r_2}{\omega_{j_2}(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \mathbf{d}_{\omega_{j_2}}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) + \cdots + \frac{r_n}{\omega_{j_n}(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \mathbf{d}_{\omega_{j_n}}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

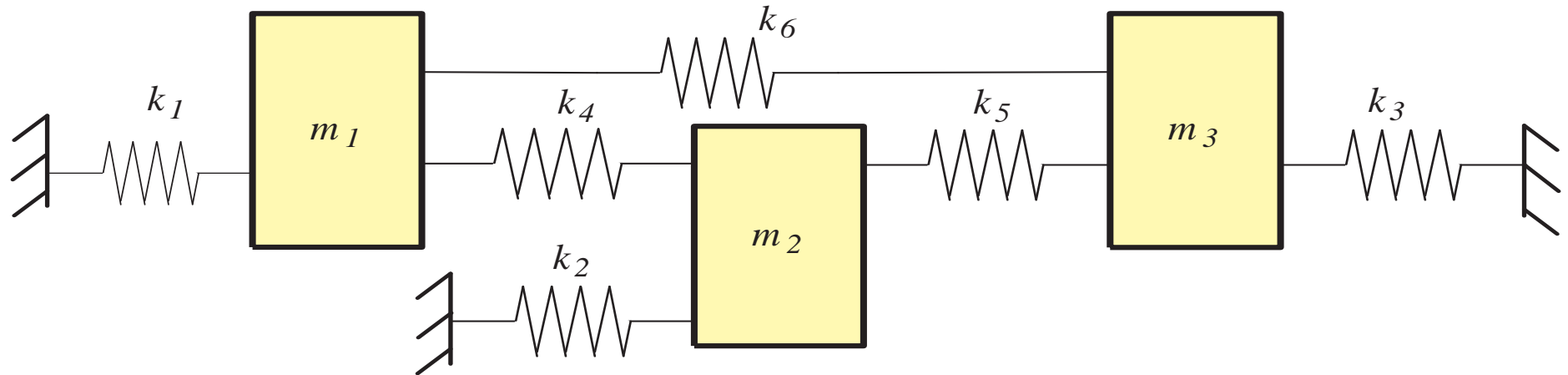
and the Hessian matrix is given by

$$\mathbf{D}_f(\boldsymbol{\theta}) = \mathbf{D}_L(\boldsymbol{\theta}) +$$

$$\sum_{\substack{j = j_1, j_2, \dots \\ r = r_1, r_2, \dots}}^{j_n, r_n} \frac{r}{\omega_j^2(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \mathbf{d}_{\omega_j}(\boldsymbol{\theta}) \mathbf{d}_{\omega_j}(\boldsymbol{\theta})^T - \frac{r}{\omega_j(\boldsymbol{\theta})} \mathbf{D}_{\omega_j}(\boldsymbol{\theta})$$

# Example System

Undamped three degree-of-freedom random system:



$\bar{m}_i = 1.0 \text{ kg}$  for  $i = 1, 2, 3$ ;  $\bar{k}_i = 1.0 \text{ N/m}$  for  $i = 1, \dots, 5$  and  $k_6 = 3.0 \text{ N/m}$



# Example System

$$m_i = \bar{m}_i (1 + \epsilon_m x_i), \quad i = 1, 2, 3$$

$$k_i = \bar{k}_i (1 + \epsilon_k x_{i+3}), \quad i = 1, \dots, 6$$

Vector of random variables:  $\mathbf{x} = \{x_1, \dots, x_9\}^T \in \mathbb{R}^9$

- $\mathbf{x}$  is standard Gaussian,  $\boldsymbol{\mu} = \mathbf{0}$  and  $\boldsymbol{\Sigma} = \mathbf{I}$
- Strength parameters  $\epsilon_m = 0.15$  and  $\epsilon_k = 0.20$

# Computational Methods

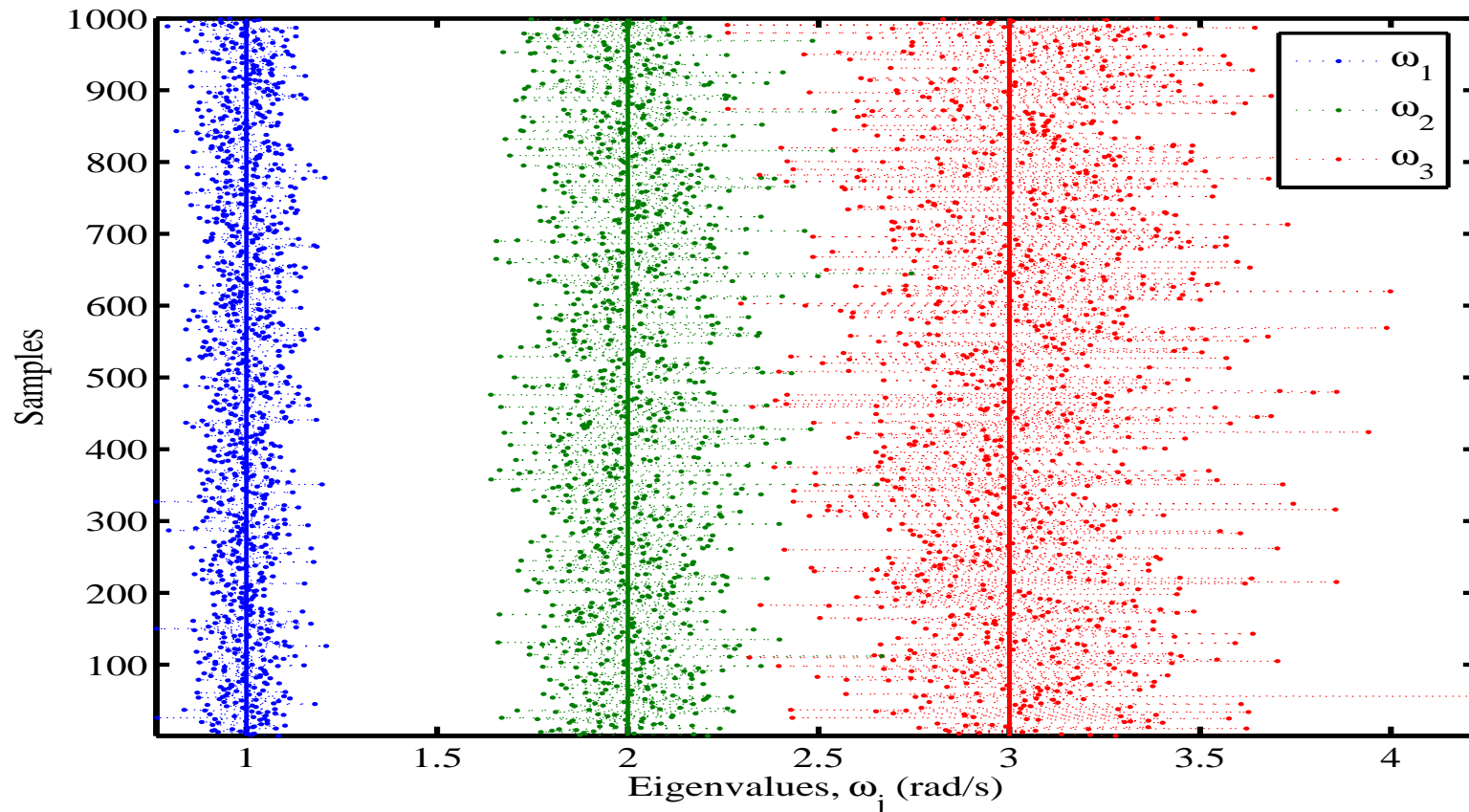
Following four methods are compared

1. *First-order perturbation*
2. *Second-order perturbation*
3. *Asymptotic method*
4. *Monte Carlo Simulation (15K samples)* - can be considered as benchmark.

The percentage error:

$$\text{Error} = \frac{(\bullet) - (\bullet)_{\text{MCS}}}{(\bullet)_{\text{MCS}}} \times 100$$

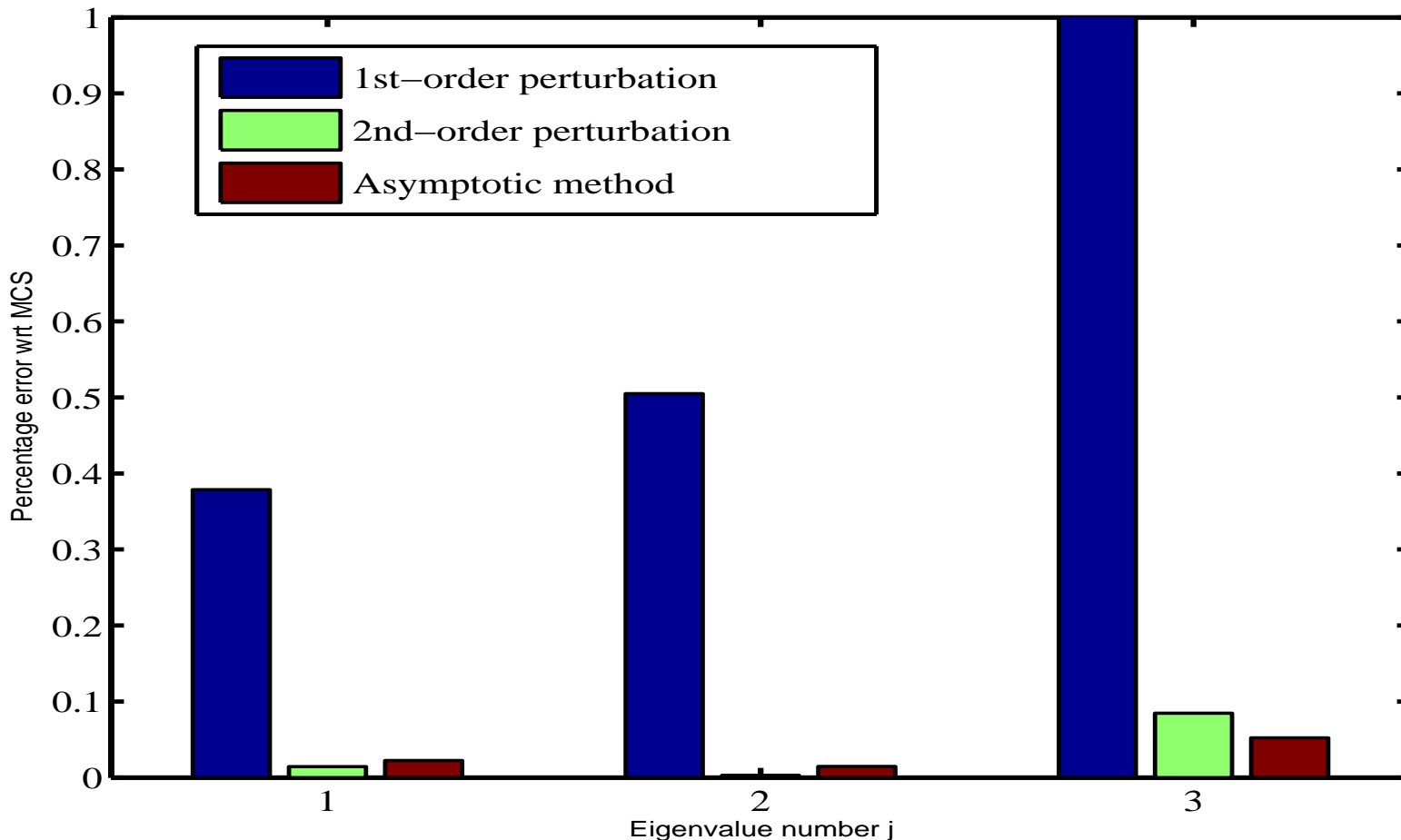
# Scatter of the Eigenvalues



Statistical scatter of the natural frequencies

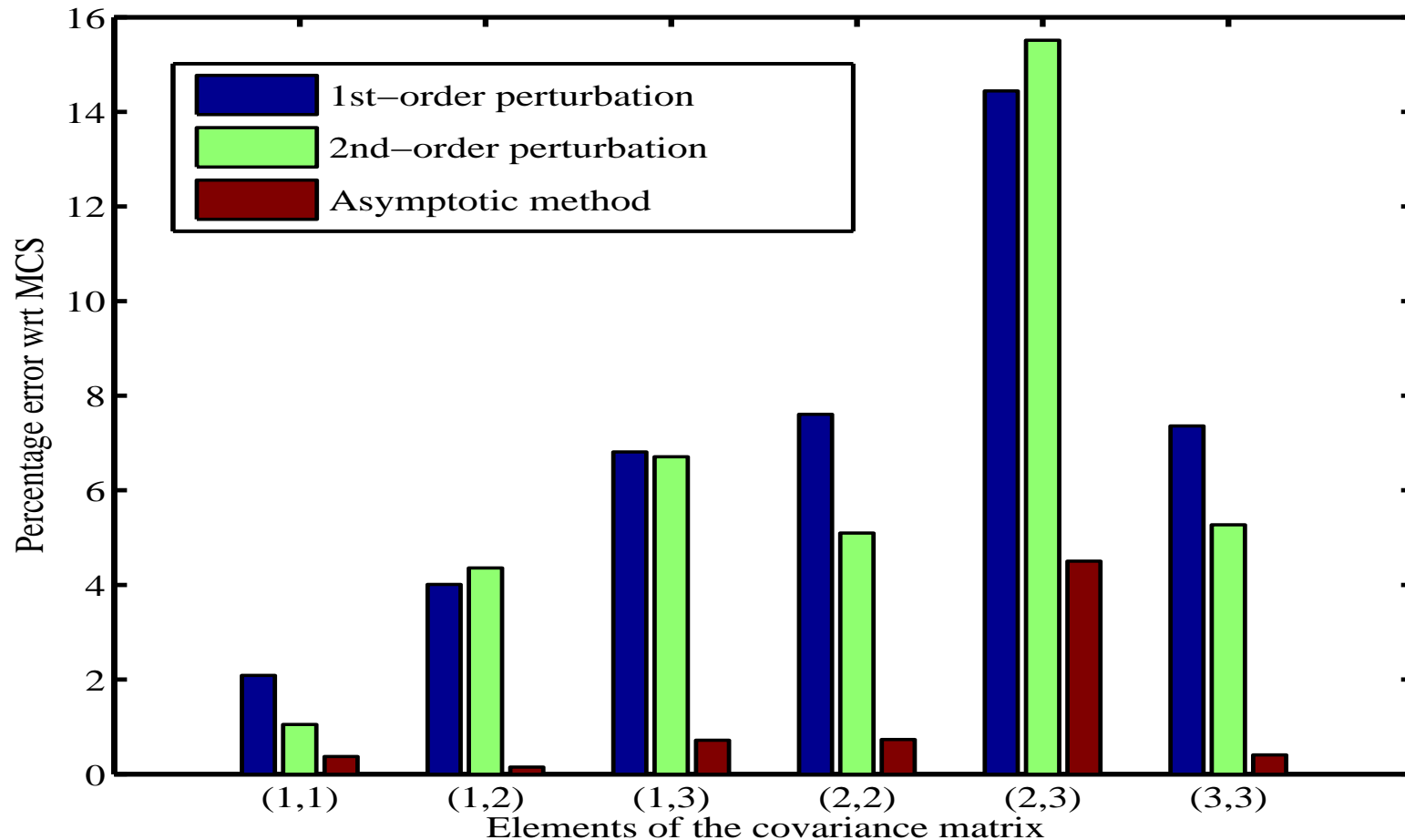
$$\bar{\omega}_1 = 1, \quad \bar{\omega}_2 = 2, \quad \text{and} \quad \bar{\omega}_3 = 3$$

# Error in the Mean Values



Error in the mean values

# Error in Covariance Matrix



Error in the elements of the covariance matrix

# Mean and Covariance

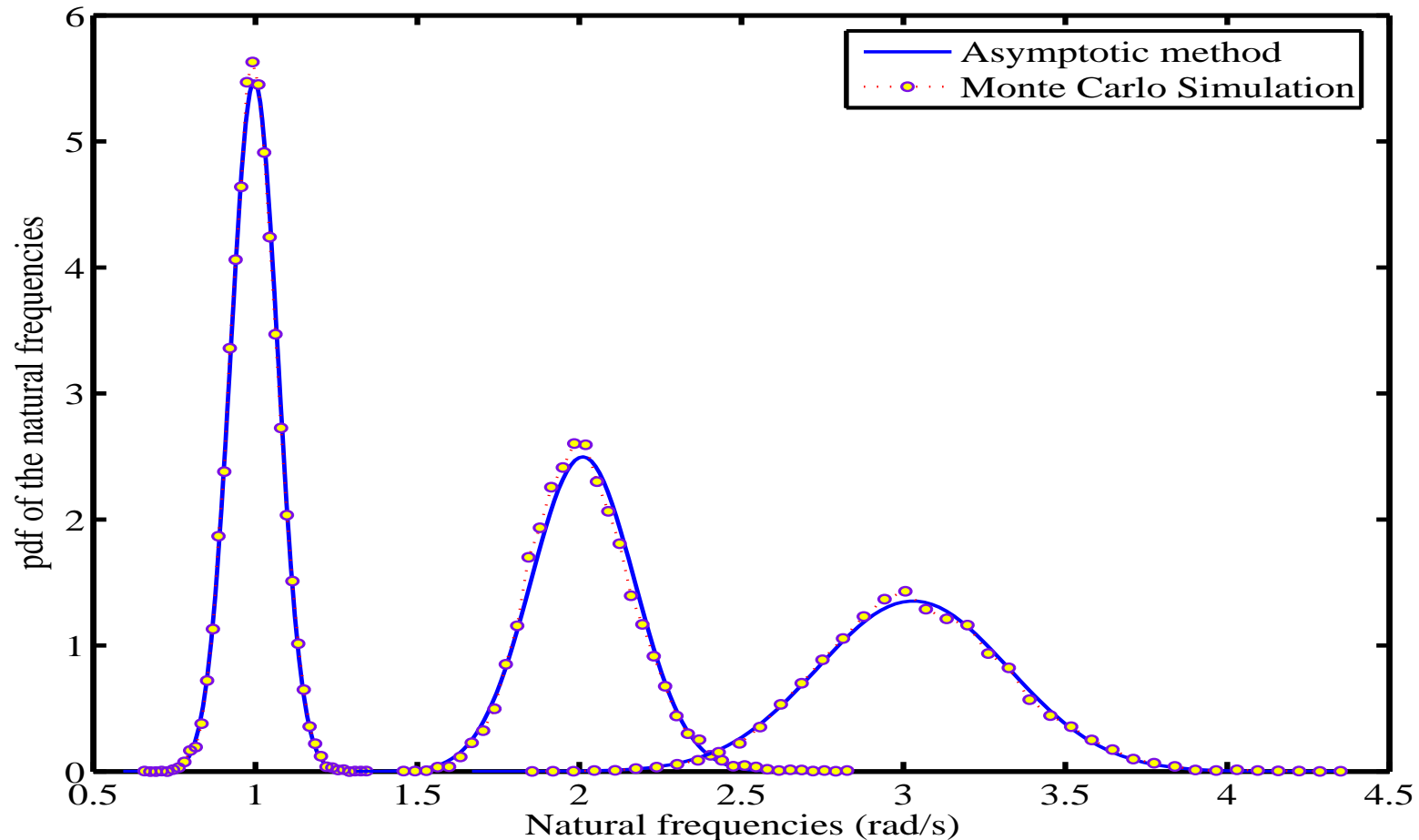
Using the asymptotic method, the mean and covariance matrix of the natural frequencies are obtained as

$$\mu_{\Omega} = \{0.9962, 2.0102, 3.0312\}^T$$

$$\text{and } \Sigma_{\Omega} = \begin{bmatrix} 0.5319 & 0.5643 & 0.7228 \\ 0.5643 & 2.5705 & 0.9821 \\ 0.7228 & 0.9821 & 8.7292 \end{bmatrix} \times 10^{-2}$$

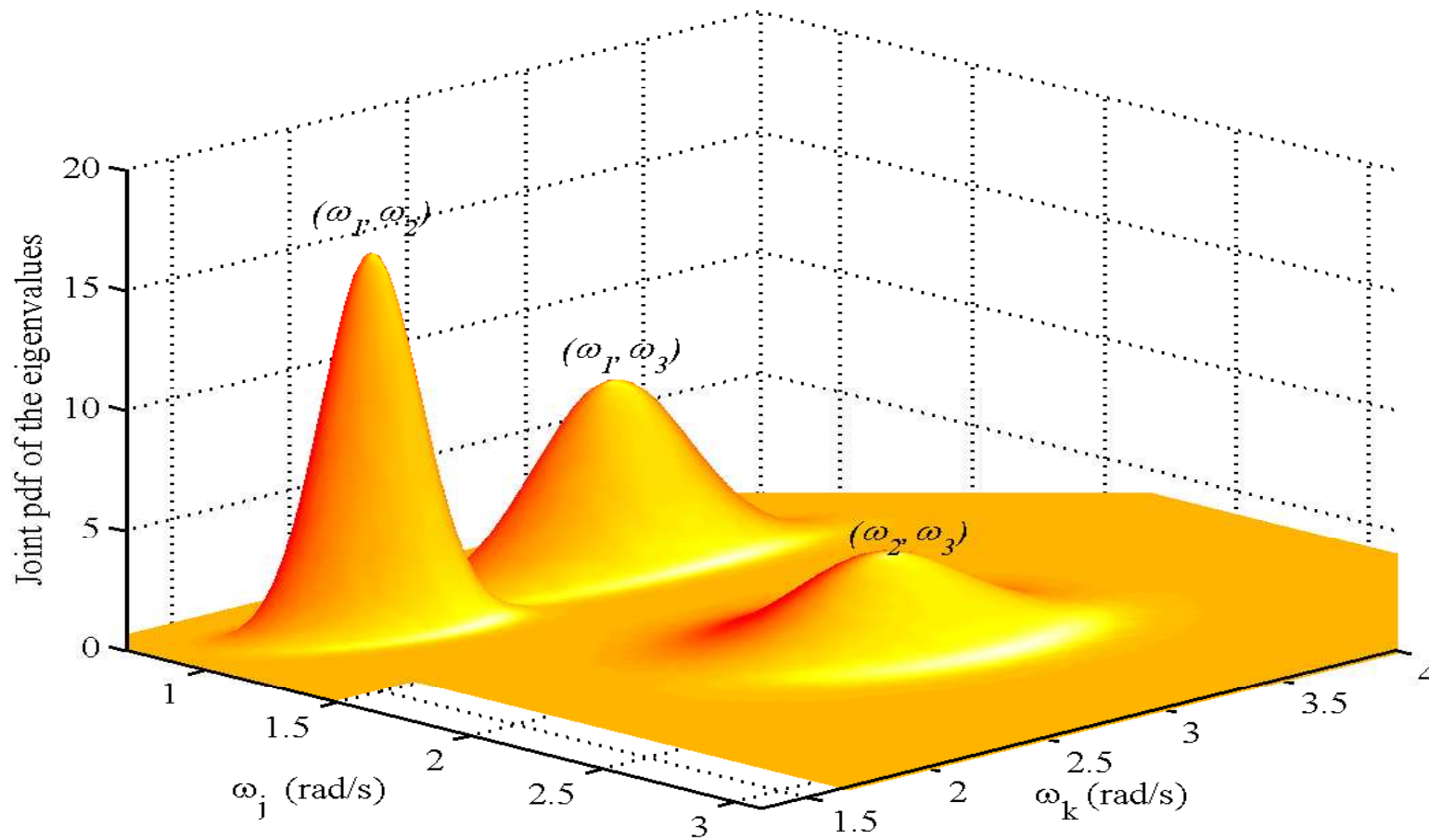
Individual pdf and joint pdf of the natural frequencies are computed using these values.

# Individual pdf



Individual pdf of the natural frequencies

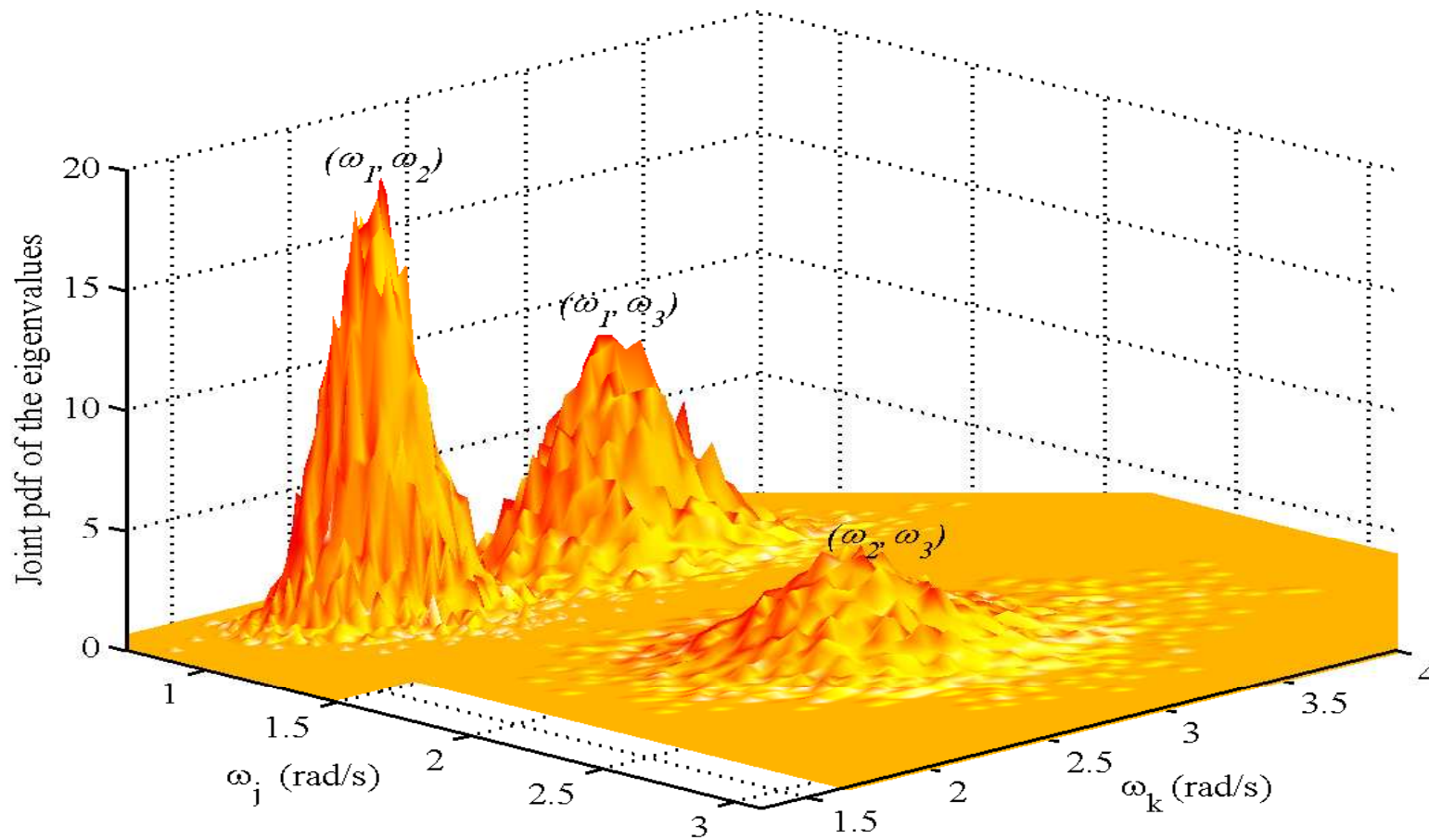
# Analytical Joint pdf



Joint pdf using asymptotic method

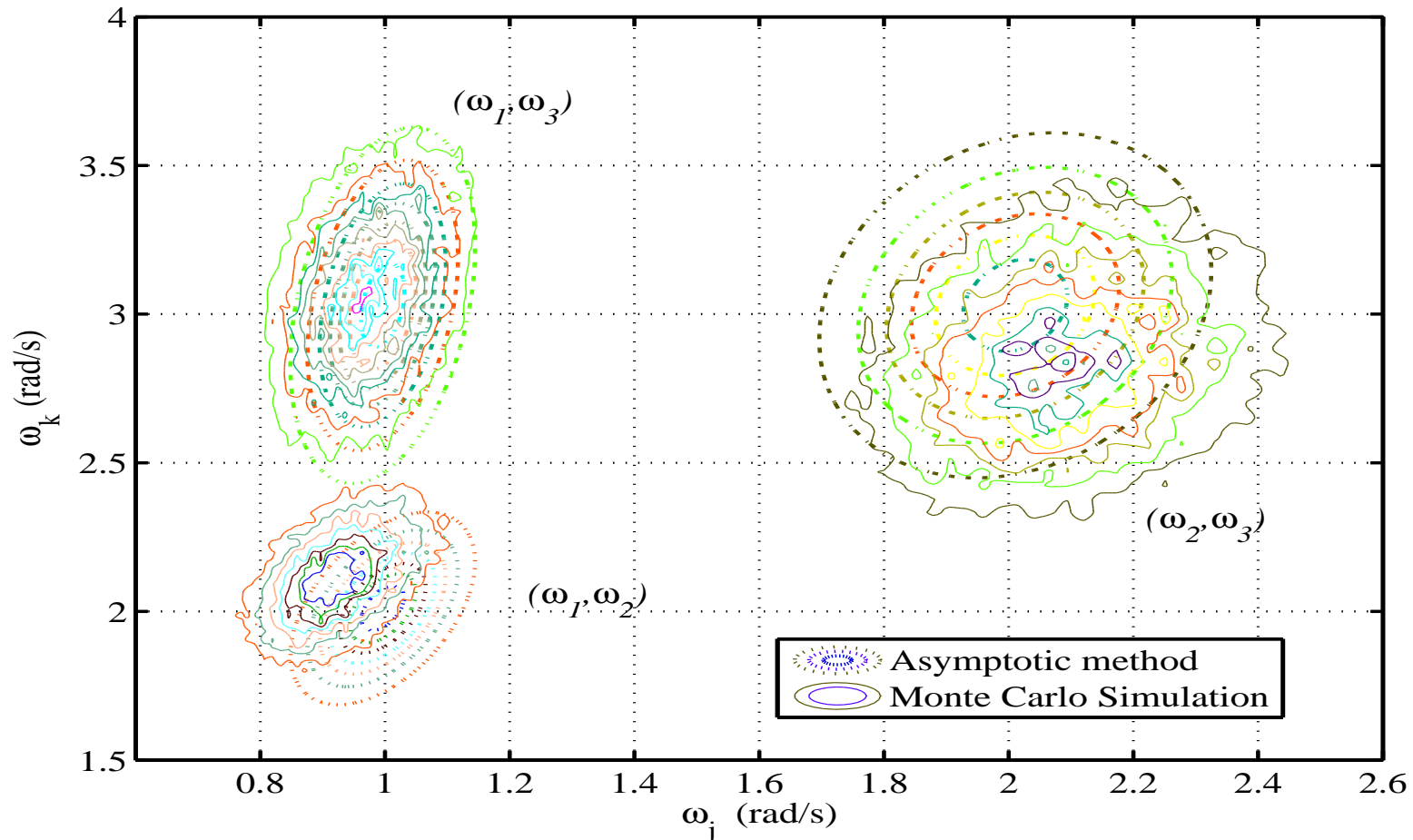


# Joint pdf from MCS



Joint pdf from Monte Carlo Simulation

# Contours of the joint pdf



## Contours of the joint pdf

# Conclusions

- Statistics of the natural frequencies of linear stochastic dynamic systems has been considered
- usual assumption of small randomness is not employed in this study.
- a general expression of the joint pdf of the natural frequencies of linear stochastic systems has been given

# Conclusions

- a closed-form expression is obtained for the general order joint moments of the eigenvalues
- it was observed that the natural frequencies are *not* jointly Gaussian even they are so individually
- future studies will consider joint statistics of the eigenvalues and eigenvectors and dynamic response analysis using eigensolution distributions

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