



# OpenSD2025

Open-source Scientific Computing in Structural Dynamics

## OpenSD2025: Summer School program

Four individual tracks are planned for the OpenSD2025 Summer School:

1. **Vibration fatigue**
2. **High-speed camera identification**
3. **Substructuring**
4. **Collaboration on open-source projects**



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On Wednesday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, all tracks will attend shared introductory classes.  
On Thursday, June 19<sup>th</sup>, participants will split into four groups based on their chosen tracks.

### Detailed Summer School tracks breakdown:

#### **Wednesday June 18<sup>th</sup> - Summer school common track**

Intro to Python, numerical methods, signal processing.

*3h of lectures, 3h of hands-on work.*

- The Python Ecosystem
  - Basic data types and operators
  - Error handling in Python
  - Functions and Control Flow (If, For, While)
  - Objects and Modules in Python
- Essential numerical tools in Python
  - Basic numerical packages: Numpy, Scipy, Matplotlib
  - Interpolation and Approximation
  - Numerical Differentiation and Integration
  - Systems of linear equations
- Signal processing basics for vibration engineers
  - The Fast Fourier Transform
  - Windowing, the Welch's method and Convolution
  - Experimental Modal Analysis (FRFs, Curve fitting and Reconstruction)

## Thursday June 19<sup>th</sup> - Summer School individual tracks:

### Track 1: Vibration fatigue

*3h of lectures, 4h of hands-on work.*

- Stress response of dynamic structures under base excitation
  - Excitation signal types (deterministic, random, non-gaussian, non-stationary)
  - Stress response (time waveform, power-spectral density)
  - Methods for fatigue life estimation (spectral methods, rainflow)
- Signal preparation and fatigue life estimation (open-source packages pyExSi, FLife)
- Vibration fatigue test (Part 1):
  - Electro-dynamic shaker setup
  - Signal generation
  - Acceleration acquisition, evaluation of damage rate
- Vibration fatigue test (Part 2):
  - Dynamic specimen setup, mounting, strain-gage
  - Setup of numerical model
  - Stress-response acquisition in the fatigue zone
  - Damage rate estimation (from experiment and numerical model)

### Track 2: High-speed camera identification

*3h of lectures, 4h of hands-on work.*

- Identification of motion from image data
  - Simplified Optical Flow
  - Lucas-Kanade
- Vibration test case (pyIDI)
- Image-based EMA
  - Basic experimental skills (lighting, surface preparation, focus,...)
- Experimental work
  - Experiment preparation (speckle pattern, lighting, ...)
  - Experiment execution (high-speed camera, modal hammer, accelerometer)
  - Analysis (SDyPy, hybrid method)

### Track 3: Substructuring

*3h of lectures, 4h of hands-on work.*

- Theoretical background:
  - Frequency based substructuring (interface conditions, weakening).
  - Transfer path analysis (on the use of blocked forces to characterize the source).
- Experimental work (for the purpose of in-situ TPA):
  - FRF test on pre-prepared setup.
  - Operational test.
- In-situ TPA:
  - Source characterization, transferability to modified assemblies and identification of critical transfer paths.

### Track 4: Collaboration on open-source projects

*3h of lectures, 4h of hands-on work.*

- Git and GitHub basics
  - Setting up and working with code repositories
  - Git workflow: clone, add, commit, push, Forks and Pull requests
  - Collaborating on open-source projects: hands-on example
- Code Documentation, Testing and Continuous Integration
  - Docstrings, project documentation using sphinx and autodoc
  - Automatic code testing using pytest and GitHub Actions
- Preparing and distributing Python packages
  - The pyproject.toml file
  - Generating project distribution archives (wheel)
  - Uploading to PyPi