Theory exam in Structural Dynamics 2014-03-04 kl.10-12

The test consists of 6 questions giving the maximum of 15 points. Each question should be answered on a separate paper. No helping aids are permitted on this test, except calculator. Do not forget to write your name on each submitted paper.

1) (2 p)

A point mass is connected to a light cantilever beam and a linear viscous damper according to the figure. The tip displacement δ of the beam when subjected to a force *F* is also given.

Determine by using free body diagrams the equation of motion for the structure. Also give expressions for the natural angular frequency ω_n and the natural period time T_n .

2) (2 p)

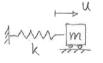
Free and forced response of a single degree of freedom (undamped) system should be determined. Parameter values; k = 20kN/m and m = 100kg.

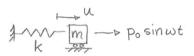
- a) The mass in the figure is displaced $u_0=10$ mm and released from rest. Determine the displacement function u(t). Give values of the amplitude (in mm) and frequency (in Hz).
- b) If the same system is subjected to a sinusoidal force according to the figure above. Determine the steady state displacement amplitude for the values below. Also determine the quasi-static displacement amplitude (in steady state) using the same force amplitude if the force amplitude $p_0 = 600$ N and the angular frequency $\omega = 10$ rad/s.



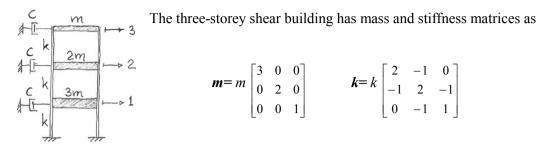
Consider the two degree of freedom system below with system matrices defined as

- a) Determine without using modal analysis the steady state displacements for harmonic loading acting only in dof 1 with an amplitude p_0 and a forcing angular frequency $\omega^2 = 3 \frac{k}{m}$.
- b) Determine the natural angular frequencies and the corresponding mode shapes for the system.





4) (2p)



- a) Determine the damping matrix *c*. Is it Rayleigh damping in this case? Motivate your answer.
- b) Use a linear deflection shape to determine an approximation of the lowest natural angular frequency ω_l . (Put c=0.) Is this frequency higher or lower than the exact one? Note; it is not necessary to do the calculations of the exact frequency.

5) (2 p)

This concerns transmissibility of vibrations and conditions for application of tuned dampers.

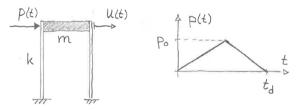
A steel spring is to be used as a vibration isolator for vertical vibrations of a machine with a mass of m=100kg. The spring has a stiffness k=10kN/m.

- a) Decide how much (in %) of the disturbing force from the machine that runs through the spring down into the foundation at an angular frequency of the machine $\omega = 50$ rad/s.
- b) You have a rubber spring with stiffness $k_d = 500$ N/m to put on top of the machine in connection with another mass m_d . If you want to protect the machine from accidental loading at resonance, what would be your choice of m_d ?

6) (3 p)

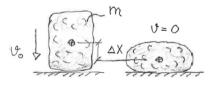
This question concerns pulse loading and impact.

a) A shear building with k=0.8MN/m and $m=25\cdot10^3$ kg is subjected to two cases of pulse loading according to the figure. The first load case is from a tsunami wave with a pulse duration of $t_d=10$ s and with amplitude $p_0=0.1$ MN. The second load case is a blast load with a pulse duration $t_d=5$ ms and with amplitude $p_0=2$ MN. Assume a



symmetric triangular pulse and calculate an estimate of the maximum deflection u_0 of the building in the two cases (some damping is also present). Which is the worst case?

b) A sack of potatoes with m=50kg is dropped from five meters giving it a velocity $v_0=10$ m/s when it hits a concrete floor. The force pulse between the floor and the sack is assumed to be symmetric and triangular according to a). Estimate the maximum force p_0 and the time duration t_d of the pulse if it comes to a stop in a distance $\Delta x=0.2$ m.



Hint: Use the law of impulse and momentum and the law of work and kinetic energy.