

Qualifying Exam 2022
Select three problems

Dynamics

• **Problem 1: (10 points)**

Two particles with mass m are attached by a linear spring with a spring constant k and unstretched length $2r_0$, as shown in Figure 1. Assume that the system dynamics stays in a plane. There is no net external force on the system, so you can use the center of mass of the system is the origin of an inertial frame.

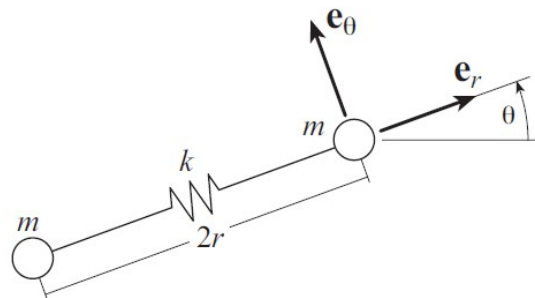


Figure 1

The goal is to obtain the possible motions of the system. Although not obvious at first, this system's dynamics can be reduced to a single ordinary differential equation.

- 1- Determine the second-order differential equations of motion whose solution would give $r(t)$ and $\theta(t)$ as functions of time; but do not solve them.
 - (a) Using Lagrange's principle (2.5 points)
 - (b) Using Newton's law (2.5 points)
- 2- Assume that the initial angular velocity is $\dot{\theta}_0$, the initial radial velocity is \dot{r}_0 , and the initial separation $2r_0$ is the same as the unstretched length of the spring, determine an expression that relates $\dot{\theta}$ and r and the initial conditions. (2 points)
- 3- Using the conservation of energy, find a single scalar expression relating \dot{r} and r of the form (3 points)

$$\dot{r}^2 = f(r)$$

• **Problem 2: (10 points)**

As shown in Figure 2, particles 1 and 2, each of mass m , are connected by a rigid massless rod of length l . Particle 1 can slide without friction along the floor while particle 2 can slide without friction on the wall. The dumbbell starts from rest with a lean angle $\theta=5^\circ$ and falls under the influence of gravity.

(a) For what value of the angle θ will the dumbbell lose contact with the wall? (2 points)

(Hint: start with two generalized coordinates, x and θ , where x is the distance from the wall to particle 2, but impose constraint $x = 0$)

(b) For all that follows, consider the situation after the dumbbell loses contact with the wall (i.e., $x > 0$). Find the 2nd-order equations of motion for x and θ . (3 points)

(c) Use the Routhian procedure to find a 2nd-order equation of motion for just the angle θ . (2 points)

(d) Using constants of motion and initial conditions, find a 1st-order equation of motion of the form: (3 points)

$$\dot{\theta} = f(\theta)$$

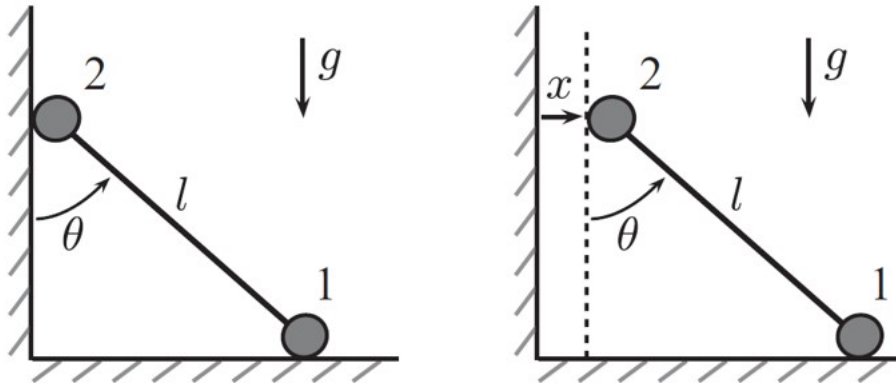


Figure 2

Vibrations

- **Problem 3: (10 points)**

A machine of mass M rests on a massless elastic floor, which is hinged at the wall, as shown in Figure 3(a). A shaker having total mass m_s and carrying two rotating unbalanced masses produces a vertical harmonic force $m_l \omega^2 \sin \omega t$, where the frequency of rotation may be varied. The floor is made of steel (Young's modulus, $E=200\text{GPa}$) with the cross-section of $b=40\text{cm}$ wide, $h=2\text{cm}$ thick, and $L=4\text{m}$ long; the total mass of the machine and shaker is $M_{eq}=100\text{kg}$; and the forcing magnitude is 500N when the operational speed of the shaker is at 300 rpm .

In the equivalent/simplified spring-damper-mass system (see Figure 3(b)), the equivalent mass (M_{eq}) and stiffness (K_{eq}) are, respectively, equal to: $K_{eq}=\frac{48EI}{L^3}$, $I=\frac{bh^3}{12}$, and $M_{eq}=m_s+M$.

- 1- Using Figure 3(b), determine the equation of motion using Newton's second law and the natural frequency. (2 points)
- 2- For an undamped system ($c=0$), what is the resulting steady-state amplitude of the machine-shaker setup due to rotating unbalance? (2 points)
- 3- For a damped system, the resonant amplitude of the system is $X_r=3.41\text{cm}$, determine the damping coefficient c of this system. (3 points)
- 4- Suppose an additional component is rigidly attached to the machine. This component adds an additional mass of 25kg . Determine the particular solution amplitude of oscillation for the undamped system with this additional mass. (3 points)

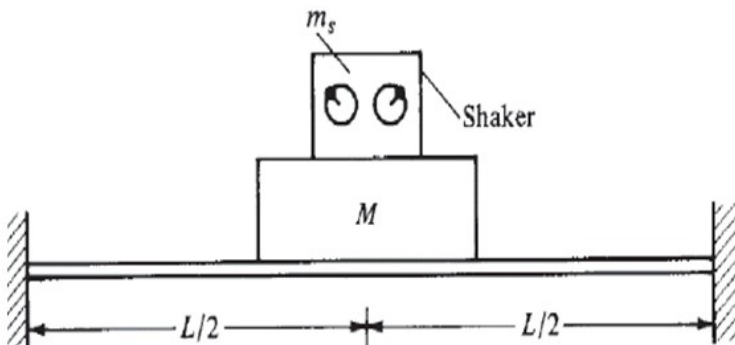


Figure 3(a)

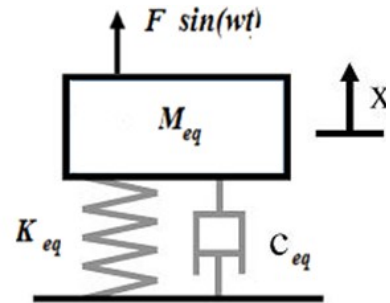


Figure 3(b)

• **Problem 4: (10 points)**

- 1- Considering l as the free length of the spring with a stiffness k , demonstrate that the equations of motion of a spring-pendulum system shown in Figure 4 can be expressed as: (3 points)

$$m\ddot{r} - m(l+r)\dot{\theta}^2 + kr - mg \cos(\theta) = 0$$

$$(l+r)\ddot{\theta} + 2\dot{r}\dot{\theta} + g \sin(\theta) = \frac{T(t)}{ml}$$

- 2- Determine the coupling terms and show their types (linear or nonlinear). Please justify. (1.5 points)
- 3- Assume small angles of oscillations, show that the linear form of the equations of motion can be expressed as: (1.5 points)

$$\begin{bmatrix} m & 0 \\ 0 & ml^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \ddot{r} \\ \ddot{\theta} \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k & 0 \\ 0 & mgl \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} r \\ \theta \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} mg \\ T(t) \end{Bmatrix}$$

- 4- Through a static analysis without any forcing, determine the equilibrium points (r_s, θ_s) of the linearized system. (2 points)
- 5- Determine the natural frequencies of the linearized system. (2 points)

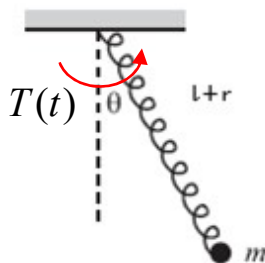


Figure 4

Formula Sheet

- Point P is fixed with the body

$$\frac{d\vec{op}^B}{dt} = 0, \text{ where: } \frac{d\vec{r}^N}{dt} = (\vec{\omega}_{(B/N)} \times \vec{r})$$

- P is moving w.r.t the body

$$\frac{d\vec{r}^N}{dt} = \frac{d\vec{op}^B}{dt} + (\vec{\omega}_{(B/N)} \times \vec{r})$$

- Translating & Rotating frame

$$\vec{R} + \vec{e} = \vec{r}$$

$$\left(\vec{v}^P\right)_N = \left(\vec{v}^B\right)_N + \frac{d\vec{p}^B}{dt} + (\vec{\omega}_{(B/N)} \times \vec{e})$$

- 5-part acceleration formula

$$\left(\vec{a}^P\right)_N = \left(\vec{a}^B\right)_N + \frac{d^N}{dt} \left(\frac{d\vec{e}^B}{dt} + (\vec{\omega}_{(B/N)} \times \vec{e}) \right)$$

$$\left(\vec{a}^P\right)_N = \left(\vec{a}^P\right)_B + \left(\vec{a}^B\right)_N + \left(2\vec{\omega}_{(B/N)} \times \left(\vec{v}^P\right)_B\right) + \left(\vec{\omega}_{(B/N)} \times \left(\vec{\omega}_{(B/N)} \times \vec{e}\right)\right) + \left(\alpha_{(B/N)} \times \vec{e}\right)$$

- Newton's 2nd Law

$$\sum \vec{F} = m\vec{a}$$

- Conservation of Energy

$$E = T + V ; E(t = t_1) = E(t = t_2)$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(E) = 0$$

- Conservation of Angular Momentum

$$\vec{H}_o = m\vec{r} \times \dot{\vec{r}}$$

$$\dot{\vec{H}}_o = m\vec{r} \times \ddot{\vec{r}} = \vec{M}_o$$

$$\overline{H_p} = \sum_{i=1}^N \overline{\sigma_i} X m \dot{\overline{\sigma_i}}$$

$$\dot{\overline{H_p}} = \overline{M_p} + \sum_{i=1}^N m_i \ddot{\overline{r_p}} X \overline{\sigma_i}$$

- D'Alembert's Principle

$$\sum_{i=1}^N (\overline{f_{ia}} - m_i \ddot{\overline{r_i}}) \cdot \overline{B_{ij}} = 0 \quad \text{For } j=1,2,\dots,n$$

$$\text{where } \overline{B_{ij}} = \frac{\partial \overline{r_i}}{\partial q_j}$$

- Euler-Lagrange

$$L = T - V$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} = Q_{nc-i}$$

Formula sheet - Final -

- Constrained version of Lagrange's equations:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} = Q_{nc-i} + C_i \rightarrow \text{constraint forces.}$$

$\underbrace{\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i}}_{\text{Kinetic and conservative forces.}} + \underbrace{C_i}_{\text{Nonconservative forces.}}$

$$C_i = \sum_{j=1}^m \lambda_j a_{ji} \quad / \quad i = \{1, \dots, m\}$$

Where $a_{ji} = \frac{\partial \phi_j}{\partial q_i}$

λ_j : Lagrange multipliers.

m : number of constraints.

n : number of generalized coordinates.

$n - m$: number of degrees of freedom.

$$C_i = \sum_{k=1}^N \vec{f}_{ck} \cdot \vec{\beta}_{ki} \quad / \quad i = \{1, \dots, m\}$$

$$Q_{nc-i} = \sum_{k=1}^N \vec{f}_{ck} \cdot \vec{\beta}_{ki}$$

\rightarrow applied forces.

$$\vec{\beta}_{ki} = \frac{\partial \vec{r}_k}{\partial q_i} = \frac{\partial \vec{r}_k}{\partial q_i}$$

* Constraints

\rightarrow Holonomic: Constraints are function of position $\phi_j(q) = 0 \quad / \quad j = 1, \dots, m$

\rightarrow Non-holonomic: Constraints cannot be put into above form.

Most of them can be put in linear non-holonomic form:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_{ji}(q) \dot{q}_i = 0 \quad / \quad j = 1, \dots, m$$

number of constraints \leftarrow

\hookrightarrow find a_{ji} ?

Routh method:

\hookrightarrow for handling "Ignorable coordinates".

$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \phi} = 0 \Rightarrow \phi$ is an ignorable coordinate

ϕ generalized coordinate

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial \phi} = Q_{nc-\phi}$$

in case $Q_{nc-\phi} = 0$

$$\hookrightarrow \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}} \right) = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{\phi}} = \text{const} = \beta_\phi$$

* Construct the Routhian function R :

$$R = L(\theta, \dot{\theta}, \dot{\phi}) - \beta_\phi \dot{\phi}$$

generalized coordinate

\rightarrow Routh equation:

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial R}{\partial \dot{\theta}} \right) - \frac{\partial R}{\partial \theta} = 0$$

\hookrightarrow looks like Lagrange's equation with $L \rightarrow R$

Formula Sheet

- **Euler-Lagrange equations:**

$$L = T - V$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{x}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial x} = Q_{nc,x}$$

- **SDOF spring-mass-damper system: free vibration**

$$\ddot{x} + 2\xi\omega_n\dot{x} + \omega_n^2 x = 0$$

$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \text{ and } \frac{c}{m} = 2\xi\omega_n$$

- Undamped free vibration ($\xi = 0$)

$$x(t) = A\cos(\omega_n t) + B\sin(\omega_n t)$$

- Damped free vibration ($\xi \neq 0$)

Overdamped case: $\xi > 1$

λ_1 and λ_2 are negative and real

$$x(t) = Ae^{\lambda_1 t} + Be^{\lambda_2 t}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_{1,2} &= \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a} \\ &= -\xi\omega_n \pm \omega_n\sqrt{\xi^2 - 1} \end{aligned}$$

Critically-damped case: $\xi = 1$

λ_1 and λ_2 are equal (Repeated root)

$$x(t) = (A + Bt)e^{-\omega_n t}$$

Underdamped case: $0 < \xi < 1$

λ_1 and λ_2 are complex conjugates

$$x(t) = e^{-\xi\omega_n t} [A\cos(\omega_d t) + B\sin(\omega_d t)] = Xe^{-\xi\omega_n t} \sin(\omega_d t + \phi)$$

where $X = \sqrt{x_0^2 + \frac{(v_0 + \xi \omega_n x_0)^2}{\omega_d^2}}$; $\phi = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x_0 \omega_d}{v_0 + \xi \omega_n x_0} \right)$; $\omega_d = \omega_n \sqrt{1 - \xi^2} = \frac{2\pi}{t_d}$

- Logarithmic decrement

$$\delta = \frac{1}{n-1} \ln \left(\frac{x_1}{x_n} \right) = \frac{2\pi\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi^2}} ; \xi = \sqrt{\frac{1}{1 + \left(\frac{2\pi}{\delta}\right)^2}}$$

- **Linearization**

$\cos(\theta) \approx 1$ and $\sin(\theta) \approx \theta$

- **Forced excitations**

- EoM

$$\ddot{x} + 2\xi\omega_n\dot{x} + \omega_n^2x = F_0 \cos(\omega t)$$

- Particular solution (general form)

$$x_p = X_1 \cos(\omega t) + X_2 \sin(\omega t) = X \sin(\omega t + \phi)$$

where

$$X_1 = \frac{(\omega_n^2 - \omega^2)F_0}{(\omega_n^2 - \omega^2)^2 + (2\xi\omega_n\omega)^2} \text{ and } X_2 = \frac{(2\xi\omega_n\omega)F_0}{(\omega_n^2 - \omega^2)^2 + (2\xi\omega_n\omega)^2}$$

$$X = \sqrt{X_1^2 + X_2^2} \text{ and } \phi = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{X_1}{X_2} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\omega_n^2 - \omega^2}{2\xi\omega_n\omega} \right)$$

- Amplitude of oscillations

$$\frac{X}{\Delta_{st}} = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{(1-r^2)^2 + (2\xi r)^2}} \right) \text{ where } r = \frac{\omega}{\omega_n} \text{ and } \Delta_{st} = \frac{F}{k}$$

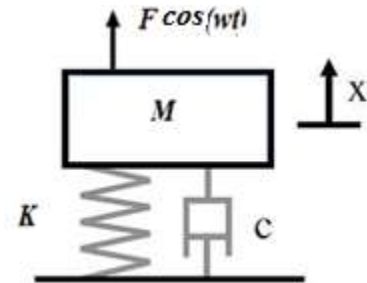
- Resonant frequency and amplitude

$$r_{peak} = \frac{\omega_r}{\omega_n} = \sqrt{1 - 2\xi^2} \text{ and } \frac{X_r}{\Delta_{st}} = \frac{1}{2\xi\sqrt{1-\xi^2}}$$

- Quality factor

$$Q = \frac{\omega_r}{\Delta\omega} = \frac{f_r}{\Delta f} \text{ and } Q \approx \frac{1}{2\xi} \text{ for small } \xi$$

$$\text{where } f_r = \frac{\omega_r}{2\pi}$$



Formula Sheet

- $\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$
- $\frac{c}{m} = 2\xi\omega_n$
- $f_n = \frac{\omega_n}{2\pi}$

1- Forced excitations

- EoM

$$\ddot{x} + 2\xi\omega_n\dot{x} + \omega_n^2x = F_0 \cos(\omega t)$$

- Particular solution (general form)

$$x_p = X_1 \cos(\omega t) + X_2 \sin(\omega t) = X \sin(\omega t + \phi)$$

where

$$X_1 = \frac{(\omega_n^2 - \omega^2)F_0}{(\omega_n^2 - \omega^2)^2 + (2\xi\omega_n\omega)^2} \text{ and } X_2 = \frac{(2\xi\omega_n\omega)F_0}{(\omega_n^2 - \omega^2)^2 + (2\xi\omega_n\omega)^2}$$

$$X = \sqrt{X_1^2 + X_2^2} = X = \frac{F_0}{\sqrt{(\omega_n^2 - \omega^2)^2 + (2\xi\omega_n\omega)^2}} \text{ and}$$

$$\phi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{X_1}{X_2}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\omega_n^2 - \omega^2}{2\xi\omega_n\omega}\right)$$

- Amplitude of oscillations

$$\frac{X}{\Delta_{st}} = \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{(1-r^2)^2 + (2\xi r)^2}}\right) \text{ where } r = \frac{\omega}{\omega_n} \text{ and } \Delta_{st} = \frac{F}{k} \text{ and } F_0 = \frac{F}{M}$$

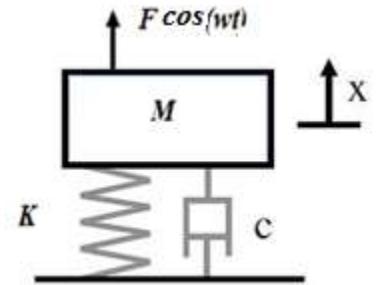
- Resonant frequency and amplitude

$$r_{peak} = \sqrt{1 - 2\xi^2} \text{ and } \frac{X_r}{\Delta_{st}} = \frac{1}{2\xi\sqrt{1-\xi^2}} \text{ and } \omega_r = \omega_n\sqrt{1 - 2\xi^2}$$

- Beating phenomenon ($\xi = 0 \Rightarrow \omega_r = \omega_n$)

$$\sin\left(\alpha + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = \cos(\alpha)$$

$$\cos(\alpha) - \cos(\beta) = -2 \sin\left(\frac{\alpha + \beta}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\alpha - \beta}{2}\right)$$



2 – Base excitations

- EoM

$$\ddot{x} + 2\xi\omega_n(\dot{x} - \dot{y}) + \omega_n^2(x - y) = 0$$

- $F_0 = Y\omega^2$
- Particular solution (general form)

$$z(t) = x(t) - y(t)$$

$$z(t) = Z_1 \cos(\omega t) + Z_2 \sin(\omega t) = Z \sin(\omega t + \Psi)$$

where

$$\frac{Z_1}{Y} = \frac{(1-r^2)r^2}{(1-r^2)^2 + (2\xi r)^2}, \quad \frac{Z_2}{Y} = \frac{2\xi r^3}{(1-r^2)^2 + (2\xi r)^2}, \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{Z}{Y} = \frac{r^2}{\sqrt{(1-r^2)^2 + (2\xi r)^2}}$$

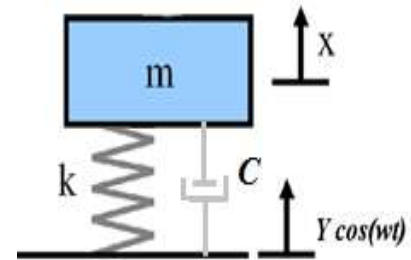
$$\Psi = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\omega_n^2 - \omega^2}{2\xi\omega_n\omega} \right)$$

- Amplitude of oscillations

$$X = \frac{\sqrt{1+(2\xi r)^2}}{\sqrt{(1-r^2)^2 + (2\xi r)^2}} Y$$

- Resonant frequency

$$r_{peak} = \frac{\sqrt{\sqrt{1+8\xi^2}-1}}{2\xi}$$



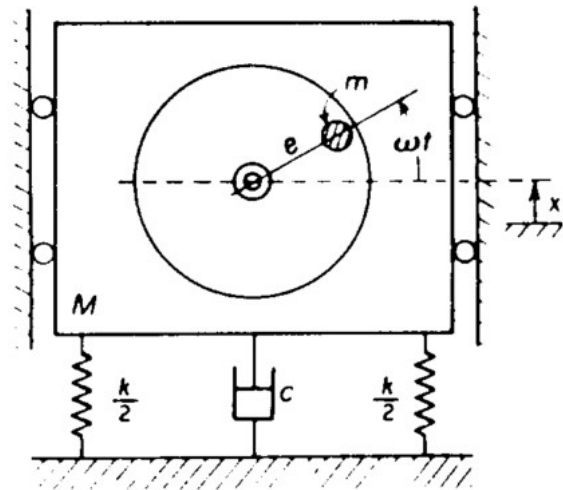
3 – Rotating unbalance

- EoM

$$\ddot{x} + 2\xi\omega_n\dot{x} + \omega_n^2 x = \frac{m}{M} e\omega^2 \sin(\omega t)$$

- $F_0 = \frac{F}{M} = \frac{me}{M}$
- Centrifugal force

$$F_{centrifugal} = m \frac{v^2}{r}$$



- Amplitude of oscillations

$$X = \frac{me}{M} \frac{r^2}{\sqrt{(1-r^2)^2 + (2\xi r)^2}} = \frac{me}{M} \frac{\omega^2}{\sqrt{(\omega_n^2 - \omega^2)^2 + (2\xi \omega_n \omega)^2}} = \frac{F_0}{\sqrt{(\omega_n^2 - \omega^2)^2 + (2\xi \omega_n \omega)^2}}$$

$$\psi = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2\xi \omega_n \omega}{\omega_n^2 - \omega^2} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2\xi r}{1 - r^2} \right)$$

- Resonant frequency and amplitude

$$r_p = \frac{\omega_r}{\omega_n} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - 2\xi^2}} \text{ and } \frac{MX_r}{me} = \frac{1}{2\xi \sqrt{1 - \xi^2}}$$

Formula sheet

1. Equations of Motion

$$[M]\{\ddot{x}\} + [K]\{x\} = \{F(t)\}$$

- Euler-Lagrange equations of a system having $q_1, q_2 \dots \dots q_n$ as degrees of freedom ($L=T-V$)

$$\frac{d\left(\frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}_i}\right)}{dt} - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q_i} = Q_{nci}$$

- Law of Cosines

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc * \cos(A)$$

2. Eigenvalue Problem (Free vibrations)

$$\{x(t)\} = \{X\}e^{j\omega t}$$

- Substitute EVP into EoM
- Solve for ω_1 and ω_2 (natural frequencies)
- Solve for X_1 and X_2 (always set $X_1 = 1$) to find Modal Vectors

3. General Solution/Normal Mode Vibrations

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = (A \cos \omega_1 t + B \sin \omega_1 t) \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix}_{\omega=\omega_1} + (C \cos \omega_2 t + D \sin \omega_2 t) \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix}_{\omega=\omega_2}$$

4. Forced vibrations

$$[M] \begin{pmatrix} \ddot{x}_1 \\ \ddot{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} + [K] \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A \cos(\Omega t + phi) \\ B \cos(\Omega t + phi) \end{pmatrix}$$

- In complex form:

$$[M] \begin{pmatrix} \ddot{x}_1 \\ \ddot{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} + [K] \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A e^{j(\Omega t + phi)} \\ B e^{j(\Omega t + phi)} \end{pmatrix}$$

- Steady-state solutions (X_1, X_2)
- $\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = \cos(\Omega t + phi) \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix}$

$$\begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix} = e^{j(\Omega t + \phi)} \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \ddot{x}_1 \\ \ddot{x}_2 \end{pmatrix} = -\Omega^2 e^{j(\Omega t + \phi)} \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$(-\Omega^2[M] + [K]) \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix} e^{j(\Omega t + \phi)} = \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \end{pmatrix} e^{j(\Omega t + \phi)}$$

$$(-\Omega^2[M] + [K]) \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \end{pmatrix}$$

$$[A0] \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} A \\ B \end{pmatrix}$$

- $\begin{pmatrix} x_1(t) \\ x_2(t) \end{pmatrix} = \cos(\Omega t + \phi) \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix}$
- Inverse of a matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}^{-1} = \frac{1}{ad - bc} \begin{bmatrix} d & -b \\ -c & a \end{bmatrix}$$