

Apply the Newton's second law as

$$\begin{aligned}\sum \vec{F} &= m \vec{a}_G = m a_c = m \ddot{x}_c \\ -k_1(x_c - a\theta) - k_2(x_c + b\theta) &= m \ddot{x}_c \\ m \ddot{x}_c + (k_1 + k_2)x_c - (k_1 a - k_2 b)\theta &= 0 \quad \dots\dots\dots (1)\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sum \vec{M}_c &= I_c \alpha = I_c \ddot{\theta} \\ I_c \ddot{\theta} - (k_1 a - k_2 b)x_c + (k_1 a^2 - k_2 b^2)\theta &= 0 \quad \dots\dots\dots (2)\end{aligned}$$

$m$ :- is the mass of the slab

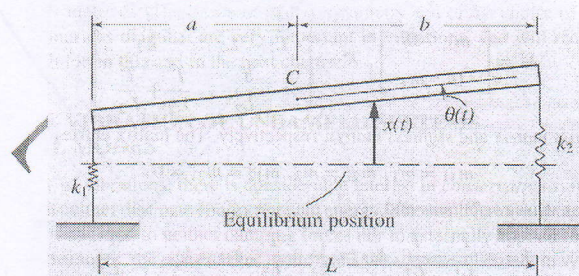
$I_c$ :- is the mass moment of inertia of the slab about the center  $C$ .

where  $\mathbf{x} = [x_c \quad \theta]^T$  is two dimensional displacement vector

Equations (1) and (2) are **equations of motion**, Equations (1) and (2) have the matrix form

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} m & 0 \\ 0 & I_c \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 + k_2 & -(k_1 a - k_2 b) \\ -(k_1 a - k_2 b) & k_1 a^2 - k_2 b^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Consider the simplified model of an automobile shown in Figure, let the parameter have the values = 1500 kg,  $I_c = 2000 \text{ kg m}^2$ ,  $k_1 = 36000 \text{ kg/m}$ ,  $k_2 = 40000 \text{ kg/m}$ ,  $a = 1.3 \text{ m}$  and  $b = 1.7 \text{ m}$ , calculate the natural modes of the system and write the expression for the response.



**Solution**

To calculate the natural modes, we must solve the eigenvalue problem for the system, which is based on the free vibration equations, so let  $F = 0$  in Equation (7), we can write the free vibration equations in the matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1500 & 0 \\ 0 & 2000 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{x}_c \\ \ddot{\theta} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 76000 & 21200 \\ 21200 & 176440 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_c \\ \theta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots\dots\dots (a)$$

But, free vibration is harmonic, so that by analogy with Equations () and () we can write

$$\begin{aligned}x_c(t) &= A_1 e^{i\omega t}, & \theta(t) &= A_2 e^{i\omega t} & \dots\dots\dots (b) \\ \ddot{x}_c(t) &= -A_1 \omega^2 e^{i\omega t}, & \ddot{\theta}(t) &= -A_2 \omega^2 e^{i\omega t}\end{aligned}$$

Then from the equations (1) and (2)



Substituting Equations (b) in Equation (a) and dividing through by  $e^{i\omega t}$ , we obtain the eigenvalue problem

$$-\omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} 1500 & 0 \\ 0 & 2000 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \\ A_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 76000 & 21200 \\ 21200 & 176440 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \\ A_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots\dots\dots (c)$$

Hence, according to Equation (33), the characteristic Equation for the problem at hand is

$$\Delta(\omega^2) = \det \begin{bmatrix} 76000 - 1500\omega^2 & 21200 \\ 21200 & 176440 - 2000\omega^2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

$$= 3 \times 10^6 (\omega^4 - 138.887\omega^2 + 4.320) \quad \dots\dots\dots (d)$$

which has the solution

$$\omega_1^2 = 69.443 \mp \sqrt{(69.443)^2 - 4.320}$$

$$\omega_2^2 = 69.443 \mp 22.414 = \begin{cases} 47.0296 & (\text{rad/sec})^2 \\ 91.8571 & (\text{rad/sec})^2 \end{cases} \quad \dots\dots\dots (e)$$

so that the natural frequencies are

$$\omega_1 = 6.858 \text{ rad/sec} \quad , \quad \omega_2 = 9.58421 \text{ rad/sec} \quad \dots\dots\dots (f)$$

The natural modes can be obtained by replacing  $\omega^2$  by  $\omega_1^2$  and  $\omega_2^2$  in Equation (c), To this end, we substituting  $\omega^2 = \omega_1^2$  in the top row of Equation (c) and write

$$(76000 - 1500 \times 47.0296)A_1 + 21200A_2 = 0 \quad \dots\dots\dots (g)$$

which yields

$$\left(\frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^{(1)} = -\frac{5455.636}{21200} = -0.257341 \text{ rad/m} \quad \dots\dots\dots (h)$$

Similarly, introducing  $\omega^2 = \omega_2^2$  in the top row of Equation (c), we have

$$(76000 - 1500 \times 91.857)A_1 + 21200A_2 = 0 \quad \dots\dots\dots (i)$$

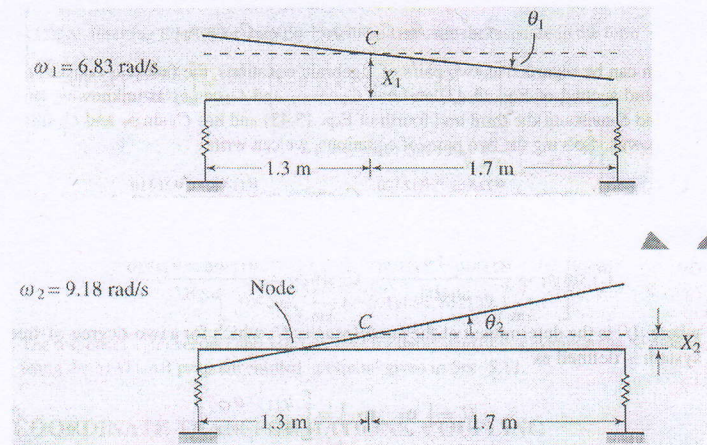
From which we obtain

$$\left(\frac{A_1}{A_2}\right)^{(2)} = \frac{61785.638}{21200} = 2.9144 \text{ rad/m} \quad \dots\dots\dots (j)$$

Hence, letting arbitrarily  $A_1 = 1$ , the natural modes become

$$\mathbf{u}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \\ A_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ -0.257341 \end{bmatrix} \quad , \quad \mathbf{u}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} A_1 \\ A_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2.9144 \end{bmatrix} \quad \dots\dots\dots (k)$$





H.W If the two equations of motions for the system shown in Figure (2) are

$$m\ddot{x}_1 + \frac{3mg}{l}x_1 - \frac{mg}{l}x_2 = 0$$

$$m\ddot{x}_2 - \frac{mg}{l}x_1 + \frac{mg}{l}x_2 = 0$$

Then, the natural frequencies of the system are

a-  $\sqrt{0.586 \frac{g}{l}}$   $\sqrt{4.414 \frac{g}{l}}$

b-  $\sqrt{0.686 \frac{g}{l}}$   $\sqrt{4.414 \frac{g}{l}}$

c-  $\sqrt{0.586 \frac{g}{l}}$   $\sqrt{3.414 \frac{g}{l}}$

d  $\sqrt{0.686 \frac{g}{l}}$   $\sqrt{3.414 \frac{g}{l}}$

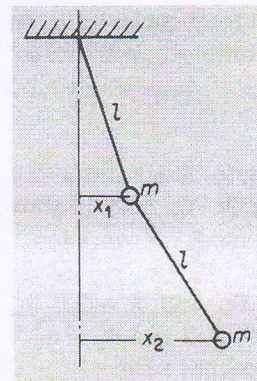


Figure (2)



**Matrices**

$$[a_{ij}] = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

where

$$i = \text{row}, \quad j = \text{column}$$

**Row matrix** When the matrix has one row the matrix called row matrix

$$[B_i] = [b_1 \quad b_2 \quad b_3]$$

**Column matrix or vector** A column matrix has  $j = 1$  called column matrix

$$[C_j] = \begin{bmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Unit matrix [I]**

$$[I] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Diagonal matrix**

$$\text{diagonal matrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & a_{22} & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Transpose** The transpose  $[A_{ij}]^T$  of a matrix  $[A_{ij}]$  is a matrix in which the rows and columns are interchanged i.e.,

$$[A_{ij}] = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}, \quad [A_{ij}]^T = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{21} & a_{31} \\ a_{12} & a_{22} & a_{32} \\ a_{13} & a_{23} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

**Minor** A minor  $M_{ij}$  of a matrix  $[A_{ij}]$  is formed by deleting the  $i$ -th row and  $j$ -th column from the determinant of the original matrix. If

$$[a_{ij}] = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{32} & a_{33} \end{bmatrix} \quad \text{then} \quad M_{12} = \begin{vmatrix} a_{21} & a_{23} \\ a_{31} & a_{33} \end{vmatrix} = a_{21}a_{33} - a_{23}a_{31}$$

**Cofactor** The cofactor  $C_{ij}$  is equal to the signed  $(-1)^{i+j}M_{ij}$ , for example

$$c_{12} = (-1)^{1+2}M_{12} = -M_{12}$$

**Adjoint matrix** An adjoint matrix of a square matrix  $[A_{ij}]$  is a transpose of the matrix of cofactor of  $[A_{ij}]$  i.e.,



$$\text{adj}[A_{ij}] = [C_{ij}]^T = \begin{bmatrix} c_{11} & c_{21} & c_{31} \\ c_{12} & c_{22} & c_{32} \\ c_{13} & c_{23} & c_{33} \end{bmatrix}$$

Inverse matrix

$$[A_{ij}]^{-1} = \frac{\text{adj}[A_{ij}]}{|A_{ij}|}$$

Note that

$$[A_{ij}]^{-1}[A_{ij}] = [I]$$

### Forced Harmonic Vibration of Two Degree Freedom Systems