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Course 1 outline



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Course syllabus

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Schedule:

- 5 lectures
- 5 workshops for civil eng. students
- 3 workshops for mech. eng. students

Final exam: January 25th, 2017

Online

Online

This course is available on ENT/AmeTice:

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- lecture slides
- workshops texts
- past exams

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A book

This course is included in a book (paper and pdf versions available):



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Course outline

- Introduction & harmonic oscillator
- Provide the second state of the second stat
- ID transverse and longitudinal waves
- 2D waves: vibration of plates
- beam vibration

Introduction

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Where to find waves and vibrations?

Short answer: everywhere:

- waves in fluids \rightarrow acoustics \rightarrow sound
- waves in fluids \rightarrow ripples, waves and tsunamis
- waves in solids → compression waves
- vibrations of structures \rightarrow planes, cars,

and many more

- electromagnetic waves \rightarrow light, radio, X-rays, γ -rays
- chemical oscillators
- population dynamics
- health issues due to vibrations

A few definitions

- wave: propagation of an oscillation or a vibration
- vibration: motion around an equilibrium state
- oscillation: motion of a body around an equilibrium point

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Introduction

Equilibrium



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t-periodical functions

$$F(t + \tau) = F(t), \quad \forall t$$

$$f = \tau^{-1}, \quad \omega = 2\pi f = 2\pi/\tau$$



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x-periodical functions

$$F(x + \lambda) = F(x), \quad \forall x$$

 $k = 2\pi/\lambda$



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The harmonic oscillator

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Example 1

The mass-spring system:



$$m\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + kx = 0$$

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Example 2



$$mL\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} + mg\sin\theta = 0$$

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Examples comparison



linear equation for x non linear equation for θ

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Linearization

For any (continuous and derivable) function F near x_0 :

$$F(x)_{x \approx x_0} = F(x_0) + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n!} \left(\frac{d^n f}{dx^n}\right) (x_0) (x - x_0)^n$$

for
$$F(\theta) = \sin \theta$$
, $x \approx 0$:
 $F(\theta) = \theta - \frac{\theta^3}{6} + \dots$

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Examples comparison



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The harmonic oscillator equation

The equation for a physical quantity A(t) (x or θ) is

$$\frac{d^2A}{dt^2} + \omega_0^2 A = 0$$

this is a 2nd order differential equation.

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The harmonic oscillator equation

$$\frac{d^2A}{dt^2} + \omega_0^2 A = 0$$

General solution:

$$A(t) = A_1 e^{i\omega_0 t} + A_2 e^{-i\omega_0 t} = B_1 \cos(\omega_0 t) + B_2 \sin(\omega_0 t)$$

With the initial conditions (A_0, \dot{A}_0)

$$A(t) = A_0 \cos(\omega_0 t) + \frac{A_0}{\omega_0} \sin(\omega_0 t)$$

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View of the solution



Energy

This equation describes a conservative system (no loss of energy):

$$\frac{d^2A}{dt^2} + \omega_0^2 A = 0$$

Back to the mass-spring example:

$$m\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + kx = 0$$

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Harmonic oscillator with damping

Introducing a fluid damping force (prop. to velocity):

$$\frac{d^2A}{dt^2} + \gamma \frac{dA}{dt} + \omega_0^2 A = 0$$

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Solution with damping

Testing function

$$A = e^{rt}$$

Characteristic equation:

$$r^2 + \gamma r + \omega_0^2 = 0$$

with 2 solutions

$$r_{1,2} = -\frac{\gamma}{2} \pm \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4\omega_0^2} = -\frac{\gamma}{2} \pm \alpha$$

and

$$A(t) = e^{-\gamma t/2} \left(A_1 e^{\alpha t} + A_2 e^{-\alpha t} \right)$$

Weak damping solution

$$\gamma^2 - 4\omega_0^2 < 0, \qquad \alpha = i\omega_1, \qquad \omega_1 = \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{4\omega_0^2 - \gamma^2}$$



Energy loss with damping

$$\frac{1}{2}\dot{A}^{2} + \frac{1}{2}\omega_{0}^{2} = -\gamma \int \dot{A}^{2}dt$$
$$E(t) = -\gamma \int \dot{A}^{2}dt$$
$$\frac{dE}{dt} = -\gamma \dot{A}^{2}$$

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Oscillator with energy input

$$\frac{d^2A}{dt^2} + \gamma \frac{dA}{dt} + \omega_0^2 A = A_F \cos(\omega t)$$

with A_F the forcing amplitude, and ω the forcing angular frequency.

proposed long time solution:

$$A(t) = A_1 \cos(\omega t + \varphi)$$

Now find A_1 and $\varphi \dots$

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Solution

$$A(t) = A_1 \cos(\omega t + \varphi)$$

$$\frac{A_1}{A_F} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + \omega^2 \gamma^2}}$$

$$\varphi = \arctan\left(\frac{-\omega\gamma}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}\right)$$

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The harmonic oscillator

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Coupled oscillators





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2 identical oscillators + coupling spring

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Coupled equations

Reminder: x_i variables are perturbations out of equilibrium.

$$m\ddot{x}_{1}(t) = -kx_{1} - k_{c}(x_{1} - x_{2})$$

$$m\ddot{x}_{2}(t) = -kx_{2} - k_{c}(x_{2} - x_{1})$$

or

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{x}_1(t) &= -\omega_0^2 x_1 - \omega_c^2 (x_1 - x_2) \\ \ddot{x}_2(t) &= -\omega_0^2 x_2 - \omega_c^2 (x_2 - x_1) \end{aligned}$$

with oscillating solutions:

$$x_1 = X_1 \exp(i\omega t), \quad x_2 = X_2 \exp(i\omega t)$$

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Coupled equations as a linear problem

$$\begin{pmatrix} \omega_0^2 - \omega^2 + \omega_c^2 & -\omega_c^2 \\ -\omega_c^2 & \omega_0^2 - \omega^2 + \omega_c^2 \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} X_1 \\ X_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

- trivial solution: $X_1 = X_2 = 0$, static equilibrium
- non trivial solution $X_1 \neq 0, X_2 \neq 0$

det(M) = 0

Two natural frequencies:

$$\omega_g = \omega_0$$
$$\omega_u = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 + 2\omega_c^2}$$

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View of the solutions



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Complete solution

The complete solution of the coupled oscillators problem is

$$x_1(t) = A_g \cos(\omega_g t + \varphi_g) + A_u \cos(\omega_u t + \varphi_u)$$
$$x_2(t) = A_g \cos(\omega_g t + \varphi_g) - A_u \cos(\omega_u t + \varphi_u)$$

The 4 constants A_g , A_u , φ_g and φ_u are to be determined by 4 initial conditions:

- $x_1(t=0)$ and $x_2(t=0)$
- $\dot{x}_1(t=0)$ and $\dot{x}_2(t=0)$

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N coupled oscillators

For a set of N coupled oscillators, we can write a set of N equations

$$\ddot{x}_i = -\omega_0^2 x_i - \sum_{j \neq i}^N \omega_c^2 (x_i - x_j)$$

with harmonic solutions

$$x_i = X_i \exp(i\omega t)$$

The problem writes

$$M\overrightarrow{X}=0$$

with M a $N \times N$ matrix and $\overrightarrow{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_N)$ an amplitude vector.

N coupled oscillators

- trivial solution: $\vec{X} = 0$, static equilibrium
- non trivial solution $X_i \neq 0$

det(M) = 0

which leads to N natural frequencies $\omega_i, \ldots, \omega_N$ and the complete solution is a linear combination of these N individual solutions:

$$x_i = \sum_j A_i \cos(\omega_j t + \varphi_i)$$

the 2*N* constants A_i and φ_i are to be determined with 2*N* initial conditions.

Partial conclusion

- *N* = 2 easy
- N = 3 less easy but possible
- $N \ge 4$ computer help is needed

1D infinite chain of oscillators

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$N \to \infty$

For a very large number of oscillators, the previous method is too expensive!

$$-\underbrace{\underbrace{}}_{n-2}^{m}\underbrace{\underbrace{}}_{n-1}^{k}\underbrace{}_{n-1}^{k}\underbrace{}_{n}\underbrace{}_{n+1}^{k}\underbrace{}_{n+2}^{k}\underbrace{$$

N equations

$$m\frac{d^2A_n}{dt^2} = -k(A_n - A_{n+1}) - k(A_n - A_{n-1})$$

or

$$\frac{d^2 A_n}{dt^2} = -\omega_0^2 (A_n - A_{n+1}) - \omega_0^2 (A_n - A_{n-1})$$
$$= \omega_0^2 (A_{n+1} - 2A_n + A_{n-1})$$

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Continuous description



$$A_n(t) = A(z,t)$$

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Continuous description

Two neighboring oscillator have a very close behavior

$$A_{n+1} = A(z+\delta z) = A(z) + \delta z \left(\frac{\partial A}{\partial z}\right) + \frac{(\delta z)^2}{2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial z^2}\right) + \dots$$
$$A_{n-1} = A(z-\delta z) = A(z) - \delta z \left(\frac{\partial A}{\partial z}\right) + \frac{(\delta z)^2}{2} \left(\frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial z^2}\right) + \dots$$

summing these 2 equations gives

$$A_{n+1} + A_{n-1} = 2A(z) + (\delta z)^2 \left(\frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial z^2}\right)$$

then

$$A_{n+1} - 2A_n + A_{n-1} = (\delta z)^2 \left(\frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial z^2}\right)$$

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Motion equation

Back to the motion equation

$$\frac{d^2 A_n}{dt^2} = \omega_0^2 (A_{n+1} - 2A_n + A_{n-1})$$

with the continuous approach

$$\frac{d^2 A_n}{dt^2} \longrightarrow \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial t^2}$$
$$A_{n+1} - 2A_n + A_{n-1} = (\delta z)^2 \left(\frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial z^2}\right)$$

and the motion equation is now

$$\frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial z^2} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial t^2} = 0, \quad c = \omega_0 \delta z$$

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Wave equation

It is a 1D wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial z^2} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

with a constant velocity c.

If a 3D propagation is needed, the wave equation writes

$$\Delta A - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

with the laplacian operator

$$\Delta \equiv \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$$

The wave equation general solution

The wave eq. can be written as (remember $a^2 - b^2 = (a - b)(a + b)$):

$$\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial z} - \frac{1}{c}\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right)\left(\frac{\partial}{\partial z} + \frac{1}{c}\frac{\partial}{\partial t}\right)A = 0$$

The solution of the wave eq. is the sum of two functions:

$$A(z,t) = F(z-ct) + G(z+ct)$$

F and G are arbitrary functions.

Proof on the board ...

Example



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- Let F a function such that
 - *F* = 1 if -1 < z < 1
 - F = 0 elsewhere
- With c = 3, draw F for
 - t=0
 - t=1
 - t=2

The complete wave solution

The complete solution needs:

- the initial condition A(z,0)
- the boundary conditions

but since the WE is linear, its solutions can be written as a sum of elementary solutions

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Lecture 3 outline



Compression waves

- 2 Vibration of a tensioned string
 - Static equilibrium of a string
 - Vibration of a string

Compression waves

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Linear elasticity



Hooke's law:

$$\frac{\Delta L}{L} = \frac{1}{E}\frac{F}{S} = \frac{\sigma}{E}$$

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1D compression waves



For u(x) the displacement of a section located at x:

$$\frac{u(x) - u(x + dx)}{dx} = \frac{F}{SE}$$

hence:

$$F(x) = -SE\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

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1D compression waves

Newton's equation for the elementary mass dm

$$dm \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = F(x) - F(x + dx)$$
$$\rho S \, dx \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = ES \left[\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)_{x + dx} - \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)_x \right]$$

which writes as a wave equation

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2} = 0, \quad c = \sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho}}$$

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Compression waves velocities

Examples and order of magnitude of compression velocity:

Matériau	ρ (kg.m ⁻³)	E (GPa)	<i>c</i> (m/s)
acier	7 900	200	5 000
cuivre	8920	124	3 700
béton	2 500	2,7	1 000
plexiglass	1 200	2,4	1 400
verre	2 500	70	5 300

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Vibration of a tensioned string

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Static equilibrium of a string

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Modeling

- 1D system: $L_x \gg L_y$, $L_x \gg L_z$, $L_y \approx L_z$
- without rigidity (for the moment, see lecture # 5)
- tension force:





 $dm \overrightarrow{g} + \overrightarrow{T}(x) + \overrightarrow{T}(x + dx) = 0$

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Projection on the x- and y-axis

$$-T(x)\cos\theta(x) + T(x+dx)\cos\theta(x+dx) = 0$$

$$-dmg - T(x)\sin\theta(x) + T(x+dx)\sin\theta(x+dx) = 0$$

The x-axis equation means

$$T(x)\cos\theta(x) = T_0 = constant$$

Combining with the y-axis eq. leads

$$-dmg + T_0[\tan\theta(x+dx) - \tan\theta(x)] = 0$$

or

$$-\frac{mg}{LT_0} + \frac{d}{dx}\tan\theta = -\frac{mg}{LT_0} + \frac{d\theta}{dx}\frac{d\tan\theta}{d\theta} = 0$$

Writing

$$\tan \theta = \frac{dy}{dx}$$

gives

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} = \left(\frac{mg}{LT_0}\right) \sqrt{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2}$$

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Using a variable u = dy/dx, one can finally find

$$y(x) = L_c \left[\cosh\left(\frac{x}{L_c}\right) - \cosh\left(\frac{d}{2L_c}\right) \right], \quad L_c = \frac{LT_0}{mg}$$

the shape of the string of length L, mass m, attached between two fixed points with a d distance.

Maximum bending at the center of the string:

$$y_m = L_c \left[\cosh\left(\frac{d}{2L_c}\right) - 1 \right]$$

Tension of a string at equilibrium

The tensile force is

$$T(x) = \frac{T_0}{\cos \theta} = T_0 \cosh\left(\frac{x}{L_c}\right)$$

and the tensile force variation along the rope is

$$\frac{\Delta T}{T_0} = \frac{y_m}{L} \frac{mg}{T_0}$$

This variation is thus negligible when the string is under tension $(y_m \ll L)$

Vibration of a string

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Motion equation

The local motion equation is

$$dm\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = -T(x)\sin\theta(x) + T(x+dx)\sin\theta(x+dx) - dmg$$

For a string under strong tension, the weight is negligible and the tension is constant:

$$\frac{m}{L}dx\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = T_0\left[\sin\theta(x+dx) - \sin\theta(x)\right]$$

Assuming only a weak deviation from the equilibrium (y = 0 anddy/dx = 0

$$\sin\theta \approx \tan\theta \approx \frac{\partial y}{\partial x}$$

we obtain

$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = 0, \quad c = \sqrt{\frac{T_0}{\rho_L}}, \quad \rho_L = \frac{m}{L}$$

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Boundary conditions

The string is attached in two points:

- y(x=0) = 0
- y(x = L) = 0

Meaning that the wave propagation is confined between 0 and L. This gives a steady wave

$$y(x,t) = A(x)\cos(\omega t + \varphi)$$

introducing an amplitude function A(x).
Vibration of a string

Amplitude equation

$$\frac{d^2A}{dx^2} + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2}A = 0$$

Its general solution is

$$A = A_1 \cos(kx) + A_2 \sin(kx)$$

and the constants A_1 and A_2 are to be determined with BC

$$\longrightarrow A_1 = 0, \quad A_2 \neq 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sin(kL) = 0$$

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Vibration modes

The vibration is thus possible for a discrete set of k and ω values:

$$k=n\frac{\pi}{L}, \quad \text{and} \quad \omega=n\frac{\pi}{L}c$$

and finally the vibration may be represented as

$$y(x,t) = \sum_{n} C_{n} \sin\left(\frac{n\pi x}{L}\right) \cos\left(\frac{nc\pi}{L}t + \varphi_{n}\right)$$

with an integer $n = 1, 2, 3 \dots$

The C_n and φ_n constants are to be determined by the initial conditions (IC).

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Vibration modes



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A few definitions

• A nodal point (node):

$$A = 0, \ 0 < x < L, \ \forall t$$

• antinodal points (antinodes):

$$\frac{dA}{dx} = 0, \ 0 < x < L, \ \forall t$$

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A few properties

- The mode with the lowest frequency is the fundamental mode
- mode n has n antinodes and n-1 nodes
- for a 1D system, nodes are points (0D objects)
- for a ND system, nodes are objects of (N-1)D dimension

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Movies



View movies:

- mode 1
- mode 3
- modes 1+3+5

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Static of a beam

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Beam characteristics

• geometry:

$$L_x > L_y \approx L_z$$

- cross-section S
- quadratic moment of inertia I
- material:

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Beam setup



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Force balance



$$\vec{F}_{1\to 2} + \vec{F}_2 + \vec{F}_{3\to 2} = 0$$

-T + S dx \rhog g + (T + dT) = 0
$$\frac{dT}{dx} = -S\rho g \qquad (1$$

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Torque balance



$$-C + (C + dC) + T\frac{dx}{2} + (T + dT)\frac{dx}{2} = 0$$
$$\frac{dC}{dx} = -T$$

$$\frac{d^2C}{dx^2} = S\rho g \tag{2}$$

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Elasticity of the beam



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Torque

$$-C = \iint_{S} y \, dF = -\frac{E}{R} \iint_{S} y^{2} \, dS$$
$$C = \frac{E}{R} \iint_{S} y^{2} \, dS = \frac{E}{R} I$$

The curvature radius is defined as

$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{\frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}}{\left[1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2\right]^{3/2}} \approx \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}$$
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Quadratic moment of inertia

Calculate *I* for a rectangular cross-section:



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Quadratic moment of inertia



$$I = \frac{WH^3}{12} \qquad \qquad I = \frac{\pi D^4}{64} \qquad \qquad I = \frac{WH^3 - wh^3}{12} \quad I = \frac{WH^3 - wh^3}{12}$$

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Static shape of a beam

Combining equations (1)-(4) gives

$$\frac{d^4y}{dx^4} = \frac{S\rho g}{IE} = a$$

Easily integrated as a polynomial function with 4 integration constants.

4 BC needed !

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Static shape of a beam



BC:

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$$y = 0$$
 and $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$ at $x = 0$

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Static shape of a beam

$$y(x) = \frac{a}{2}x^{2}\left(\frac{x^{2}}{12} - \frac{Lx}{3} + \frac{L^{2}}{2}\right)$$

The maximum deviation is at x = L

$$y_{max} = \frac{aL^4}{8}$$

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Vibration of a beam

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Vibration equation

Out of static equilibrium, the motion equation is

$$\frac{d^2C}{dx^2} = \rho S\left(g - \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2}\right)$$

Other geometric equations remain unchanged

$$\frac{1}{R} = \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2}, \quad C = \frac{IE}{R}$$
$$\frac{\partial^4 y}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\rho S}{\rho S} \left(\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\sigma}{2} \right) = \frac{1}{R}$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^4} + \frac{\beta^3}{IE} \left(\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} - g \right) = 0$$

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Hypothesis

We assume that

$$g \ll \left| \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} \right|$$

so that the vibration equation is

$$\frac{\partial^4 y}{\partial x^4} + \frac{1}{r^2 c^2} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

with

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho}}, \quad r = \sqrt{\frac{I}{S}}$$

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Gyration radius

The gyration radius r is defined by

$$I=\frac{\pi(2r)^4}{64}$$

or

$$r = \left(\frac{4I}{\pi}\right)^{1/4}$$

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Amplitude equation

We seek solution written as

$$y(x,t) = A(x)e^{i\omega t}$$

leading to an amplitude equation

$$\frac{d^4A}{dx^4} - \frac{\omega^2}{c^2r^2}A = 0$$

The amplitude A(x) is

 $A(x) = B_1 \cosh(\alpha x) + B_2 \sinh(\alpha x) + B_3 \cos(\alpha x) + B_4 \sin(\alpha x)$

with

$$\alpha = \sqrt{\omega/cr}$$

the wave number.

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The B_i are determined through the BC :

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$$dA/dx = 0$$
 at $x = 0$

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$$B_1 = -B_3$$
 $B_2 = -B_4$

$$\begin{pmatrix} \cosh(\alpha L) + \cos(\alpha L) & \sinh(\alpha L) + \sin(\alpha L) \\ \sinh(\alpha L) - \sin(\alpha L) & \cosh(\alpha L) + \cos(\alpha L) \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \end{pmatrix} = 0$$

The equation for α is

$$\cosh(\alpha L)\cos(\alpha L) + 1 = 0$$

or

$$\cos(\alpha L) = -\frac{1}{\cosh(\alpha L)}$$

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Graphical solution



Vibration modes for the beam

Fundamental mode:

$$\alpha_0 \approx 1.2 \frac{\pi}{2L}, \quad \omega_0 = \frac{1.44\pi^2}{4L^2} \sqrt{\frac{IE}{\rho S}}$$

Other (higher) modes:

$$\alpha_{n\geq 1}=(2n+1)\frac{\pi}{2L},\quad \omega_{n\geq 1}\frac{(2n+1)^2\pi^2}{4L^2}\sqrt{\frac{lE}{\rho S}}$$

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Back to the hypothesis

$$\left| \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} \right| = \omega A^2 \approx y_m \omega^2$$
$$\frac{g}{\left| \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} \right|} = \frac{g}{y_m \omega^2} = \frac{128}{(2n+1)^4 \pi^4}$$
$$\boxed{\begin{array}{c|c}n & 0 & 1 & 2 & 3\\\hline g/y_m \omega^2 & 0.64 & 0.02 & 2 \times 10^{-3} & 5 \times 10^{-4}\end{array}}$$

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Concluding remarks

- The shape of the beam in the fundamental mode (n = 0) is very close to the shape of the static beam under gravity.
- The shape of the beam of mode $n \ge 1$ has *n* nodes



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Lecture 5 outline

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Equation of vibration of membranes

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Membrane setup

- 2D system: $L_x \approx L_y$, $L_x \gg L_z$, $L_y \gg L_z$
- without rigidity



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Tension of a membrane



$$F = \sigma L_y L_z = T_1 L_y$$

 T_1 is a tension per unit length (in N·m⁻¹)

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Equation of vibration of membranes

Evidence of the internal tension of a membrane



The force needed to close the fracture is

 $F = T_1 \times L_{fracture}$

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Motion equation

Hypothesis:

- gravity force is negligible compared to tension force
- tension is uniform and isotropic

We derive the motion equation from the dynamic balance of a small element of the membrane:

$$dm\frac{d^2\vec{r}}{dt^2} = \int_C \vec{T}_1 dC$$

along the *z*-axis:

$$dm\frac{d^{2}z}{dt^{2}} = \left(\oint_{C} \vec{T}_{1}dC\right)_{z}$$
$$= T_{1}\oint \cos\alpha dC$$
$$= T_{1}\oint \left(\frac{dz}{dn}\right)dC$$

Motion equation

Using the Green's theorem:

$$\oint \left(\frac{dz}{dn}\right) dC = \iint_{S} \left(\frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial x^{2}} + \frac{\partial^{2}}{\partial y^{2}}\right) z \, dS = S\left(\frac{\partial^{2}z}{\partial x^{2}} + \frac{\partial^{2}z}{\partial y^{2}}\right)$$

we obtain

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2}\right) - \frac{1}{c^2}\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

which is a 2D wave equation with a velocity

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{T_1}{\rho_S}}$$

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with $\rho_S = M/S$ the surface density of the membrane.

About wave velocities

• compression waves (see lecture #3):

$$c_{comp} = \sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho}}$$

• transversal waves of a string:

$$c_{string} = \sqrt{\frac{T_0}{\rho_L}}$$

• transversal waves of a membrane:

$$C_{membrane} = \sqrt{\frac{T_1}{\rho_S}}$$

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About wave velocities

• compression waves (see lecture #3):

$$c_{comp} = \sqrt{\frac{E}{\rho}}$$

• transversal waves of a string (see lecture #3): with $T_0 = \sigma L_y L_z$ and $\rho_L = M/L_x = \rho L_y L_z$

$$c_{string} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{\rho}}$$

 transversal waves of a membrane: with T₁ = σL_z and ρ₅ = M/(L_xL_y) = ρL_z

$$C_{membrane} = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{\rho}}$$

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Solving method

What we want to know

From the vibration equation

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2}\right) - \frac{1}{c^2} \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

we want to know:

- the natural frequencies of the membrane
- the shape of the deformed membrane under vibration
- nodes and anti-nodes

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Method of the solution

Wee look for the z(x,y,t) solution of

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial y^2}\right) - \frac{1}{c^2}\frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} = 0$$

Separating space and time variables gives

$$z(x,y,t) = A(x,y)\cos(\omega t)$$

and the motion equation writes as an amplitude equation

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}\right) A(x,y) + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} A(x,y) = 0$$

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Method of the solution

This amplitude equation $(\Delta_2 A + k^2 A = 0)$ can be (a priori) solved explicitly with the knowledge of

- the boundary conditions (BC)
- the initial conditions (IC)

There is no analytical solution of the membrane vibration for an arbitrary shape! We know solutions for simple shapes:

- a rectangular membrane (or square)
- a circular membrane

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Vibration of rectangular membranes



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A rectangular frame



amplitude solution (extension from string amplitudes solution):

$$A(x,y) = A_{mn} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L_x}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L_y}\right)$$

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Vibration freq. of a rectangular membrane

Combining

$$\left(\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2}\right) A(x,y) + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} A(x,y) = 0$$

with

$$A(x,y) = A_{mn} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L_x}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L_y}\right)$$

gives

$$f_{mn} = \frac{\omega_{mn}}{2\pi} = \frac{c}{2} \sqrt{\left(\frac{m}{L_x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{n}{L_y}\right)^2}$$

The fundamental frequency is for m = 1 and n = 1 and is

$$f_{11} = \frac{c}{2} \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{L_x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{1}{L_y}\right)^2}$$

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Viewing a few modes



Complete solution

The complete solution of the linear vibration equation for a rectangular membrane is

$$z(x,y,t) = \sum_{(m,n)} A_{mn} \sin\left(\frac{m\pi x}{L_x}\right) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi y}{L_y}\right) \cos(\omega_{mn}t + \varphi_{mn})$$

with

$$\omega_{mn} = c\pi \sqrt{\left(\frac{m}{L_x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{n}{L_y}\right)^2}, \quad c = \sqrt{\frac{\sigma}{\rho}}$$

and A_{mn} , φ_{mn} determined through IC.

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Nodes and anti-nodes

• A nodal line (or curve) is the set of points where

$$A(x,y) = 0, \quad 0 < x < L_x, \quad 0 < y < L_y$$

- A mode (m,n) has m + n 2 nodal lines
- anti-nodes are points where the amplitude is extremal.

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Vibration of a square membrane

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Square membrane

Taking $L_x = L_y$ describes a square membrane, with natural frequencies

$$f_{mn} = \frac{\omega_{mn}}{2\pi} = \frac{c}{2L_x}\sqrt{m^2 + n^2}$$

important remark:

$$f_{mn} = f_{nm}$$

for example $f_{21} = f_{12}$.

DEF: degenerated frequency: when two (or more) modes have the same frequency.

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Square membrane





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Circular membranes

The amplitude equation

$$\Delta_2 A + k^2 A = 0$$

written in polar (r,θ) coordinates is

$$\frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial A}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial^2 A}{\partial \theta^2} + \frac{\omega^2}{c^2} = 0$$

with BC

$$A(r=R,\theta)=0$$

Separating r and θ , the amplitude is

$$A(r,\theta) = \sum_{n} A_n(r) \cos(n\theta + \varphi_n)$$

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Circular membranes

Step to solution: variable change

$$x = \frac{\omega r}{c}$$

the amplitude equation writes now as a Bessel equation

$$\frac{d^2 A_n}{dx^2} + \frac{1}{x} + \left(1 - \frac{n^2}{x^2}\right) A_n = 0$$

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Bessel equations and Bessel functions

$$A_n(x) = \alpha_n J_n(x) + \beta_n Y_n(x)$$

with

$$J_n(x) = \left(\frac{x}{2}\right)^n \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-x^2/4)^m}{m!\Gamma(n+m+1)}$$
$$Y_n(x) = \frac{J_n(x)\cos(n\pi) - J_{-n}(x)}{\sin(n\pi)}$$
$$\Gamma(k) = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-t} t^{k-1} dt$$

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Bessel functions

for n = 0, the J_0 and Y_0 Bessel functions are



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Circular vibration modes

$$z(r,\theta,t) = \cos(\omega t) \sum_{n} \alpha_{n} J_{n}(kr) \cos(n\theta + \varphi_{n})$$



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Vibration of a plate

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Vibration of a rigid membrane

Combining membrane + beam gives

$$\frac{Eh^2}{12\rho(1-\nu^2)}\Delta^2 z + \frac{\partial^2 z}{\partial t^2} = 0.$$

where h is the thickness of the plate

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