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Numerical computation of dispersion relations

• Interest in the modal behavior of various structures: metaporous surfaces/interfaces and composite multilayer • Influence of the losses in poroelastic materials (PEM): viscoelastic (from the elastic part), the viscothermal (from the fluid part) and leakage (in the structure and from the structure to the surrounding medium) • Investigation of these mechanisms using (\tilde{k},ω) dispersion relations: complex wavenumber and real frequency

Spectral collocation method

• Decomposition of fields as polynomials **Basis functions:**

• Need of robust, versatile and easy to use numerical methods to compute the dispersion relations in these different configurations

Root-finding with Müller method

• Secant-based method with quadratic approximation • Search of roots from an analytical description of the system $\det(\boldsymbol{M}(k,\omega)) = 0$

- Sensitivity to initial values and conditioning of M
- Slow and computationally expensive method
- No certainty of finding all roots at a given ω



- Discretization across the layers of the structure



• Chebyshev nodes: roots of the polynomials

 $\mathbf{u}(x_2) \approx \sum \alpha_n \psi_n(x_m)$

• Residue at the nodes $r(x_m) = 0$

• Quasi-guided wave ansatz $\mathbf{u}(\mathbf{x}) = \mathbf{u}(x_2)e^{ik_1x_1}e^{-i\omega t}$

2 - Construction of the multilayer numerical scheme



Solution of the eigenvalue problem $(A - \gamma B) S' = 0$

- Linearization: change of variable for k_1 and k_2 to go from a nonlinear problem to a polynomial problem
- Recovery of the physical fields mode shapes at no additional computational cost.

Poroelastic materials (PEM)

- Biphasic material: fluid and solid phases
- Full Biot model accounting for the skeleton motion

• Formulation (u^s, p) used to express the motion equations, involving 3 physical fields in the PEM





Results

• Aluminium plate: $h_2 = 1 \text{ mm}$, $M_2 = 5$ • Melamine foam: h_1 =5 cm, M_1 = 17

• Symmetry in the results, with $\tilde{k}_1 = -\tilde{k}_1^{\star}$ A0 mode with a cutoff frequency \bullet from the rigid-backing (0)

• Large attenuation for most branches: fluid-coupling and losses in the material • Aluminium plate modes not visible in this frequency range: large thickness difference

Dispersion of waves in a bilayer aluminium-melamin structure

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Overview of the SCM

- Numerical computation of dispersion relations for general multilayer structures
- Computationally very efficient and garanties to yield all solutions of the system
- Further developments: experimental validation and study of similar structures with embedded periodic inclusions

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