

BENDING FREQUENCIES OF BEAMS, RODS, AND PIPES Revision K

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Introduction

The fundamental frequencies for typical beam configurations are given in Table 1. Higher frequencies are given for selected configurations.

Table 1. Bending Frequencies	
Configuration	Frequency (Hz)
Cantilever	$f_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{3.5156}{L^2} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}}$ $f_2 = 6.268 f_1$ $f_3 = 17.456 f_1$
Cantilever with End Mass m	$f_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{3EI}{(0.2235 \rho L + m)L^3}}$
Simply-Supported at both Ends (Pinned-Pinned)	$f_n = \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \right] \left[\frac{n\pi}{L} \right]^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}}, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
Free-Free	$f_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{22.373}{L^2} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}}$ $f_2 = 2.757 f_1$ $f_3 = 5.404 f_1$
Fixed-Fixed	Same as Free-Free
Fixed - Pinned	$f_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{15.418}{L^2} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}}$

where

- E is the modulus of elasticity.
- I is the area moment of inertia.
- L is the length.
- ρ is the mass density (mass/length).

The derivations and examples are given in the appendices per Table 2.

Table 2. Table of Contents			
Appendix	Title	Mass	Solution
A	Cantilever Beam I	End mass. Beam mass is negligible	Approximate
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C	Cantilever Beam III	Both beam mass and the end mass are significant	Approximate
D	Cantilever Beam IV	Beam mass only.	Eigenvalue
E	Beam Simply-Supported at Both Ends I	Center mass. Beam mass is negligible.	Approximate
F	Beam Simply-Supported at Both Ends II	Beam mass only	Eigenvalue
G	Free-Free Beam	Beam mass only	Eigenvalue
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I	Rocket Vehicle Example, Free-free Beam	Beam mass only	Approximate
J	Fixed-Fixed Beam	Beam mass only	Eigenvalue

Reference

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APPENDIX A

Cantilever Beam I

Consider a mass mounted on the end of a cantilever beam. Assume that the end-mass is much greater than the mass of the beam.

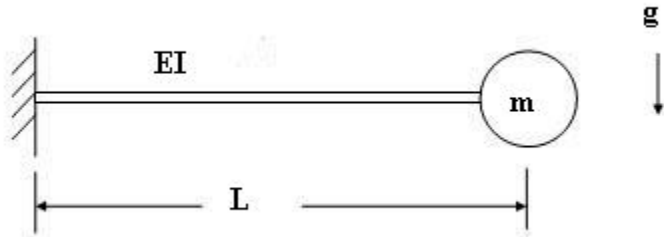


Figure A-1.

E is the modulus of elasticity.
 I is the area moment of inertia.
 L is the length.
 g is gravity.
 m is the mass.

The free-body diagram of the system is

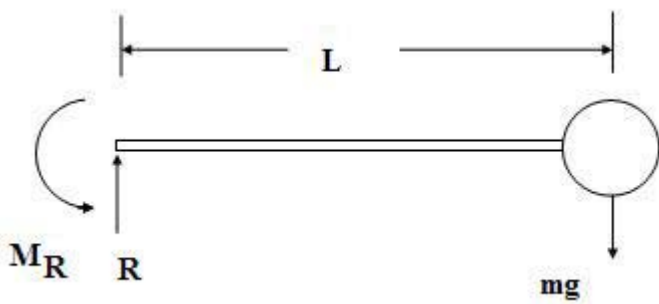


Figure A-2.

R is the reaction force.
 M_R is the reaction bending moment.

Apply Newton's law for static equilibrium.

$$+\uparrow \sum \text{forces} = 0 \quad (\text{A-1})$$

$$R - mg = 0 \quad (\text{A-2})$$

$$R = mg \quad (\text{A-3})$$

At the left boundary,

$$\curvearrowright + \sum \text{moments} = 0 \quad (\text{A-4})$$

$$M_R - mg L = 0 \quad (\text{A-5})$$

$$M_R = mg L \quad (\text{A-6})$$

Now consider a segment of the beam, starting from the left boundary.

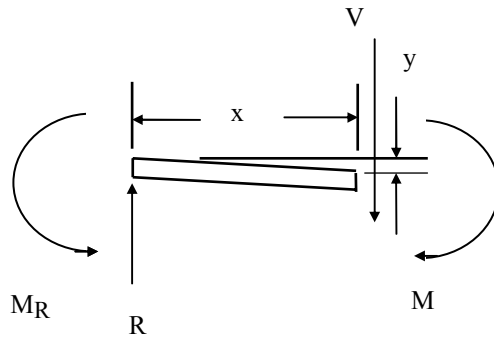


Figure A-3.

V is the shear force.

M is the bending moment.

y is the deflection at position x .

Sum the moments at the right side of the segment.

$$\curvearrowright + \sum \text{moments} = 0 \quad (\text{A-7})$$

$$M_R - R x - M = 0 \quad (\text{A-8})$$

$$M = M_R - R x \quad (\text{A-9})$$

The moment M and the deflection y are related by the equation

$$M = EI y'' \quad (\text{A-10})$$

$$EI y'' = M_R - R x \quad (\text{A-11})$$

$$EI y'' = mgL - mg x \quad (\text{A-12})$$

$$EI y'' = mg(L - x) \quad (\text{A-13})$$

$$y'' = \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] (L - x) \quad (\text{A-14})$$

Integrating,

$$y' = \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] \left[Lx - \left(\frac{x^2}{2} \right) \right] + a \quad (\text{A-15})$$

Note that “a” is an integration constant.

Integrating again,

$$y(x) = \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] \left[L \left(\frac{x^2}{2} \right) - \left(\frac{x^3}{6} \right) \right] + ax + b \quad (\text{A-16})$$

A boundary condition at the left end is

$$y(0) = 0 \quad (\text{zero displacement}) \quad (\text{A-17})$$

Thus

$$b = 0 \quad (\text{A-18})$$

Another boundary condition is

$$y'(0) = 0 \quad (\text{zero slope}) \quad (\text{A-19})$$

Applying the boundary condition to equation (A-16) yields,

$$a = 0 \tag{A-20}$$

The resulting deflection equation is

$$y(x) = \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] \left[L \left(\frac{x^2}{2} \right) - \left(\frac{x^3}{6} \right) \right] \tag{A-21}$$

The deflection at the right end is

$$y(L) = \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] \left[L \left(\frac{L^2}{2} \right) - \left(\frac{L^3}{6} \right) \right] \tag{A-22}$$

$$y(L) = \left[\frac{mgL^3}{3EI} \right] \tag{A-23}$$

Recall Hooke's law for a linear spring,

$$F = k y \tag{A-24}$$

F is the force.

k is the stiffness.

The stiffness is thus

$$k = F / y \tag{A-25}$$

The force at the end of the beam is mg. The stiffness at the end of the beam is

$$k = \left\{ \frac{mg}{\left[\frac{mgL^3}{3EI} \right]} \right\} \tag{A-26}$$

$$k = \frac{3EI}{L^3} \tag{A-27}$$

The formula for the natural frequency f_n of a single-degree-of-freedom system is

$$f_n = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \right) \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad (\text{A-28})$$

The mass term m is simply the mass at the end of the beam. The natural frequency of the cantilever beam with the end-mass is found by substituting equation (A-27) into (A-28).

$$f_n = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \right) \sqrt{\frac{3EI}{mL^3}} \quad (\text{A-29})$$

APPENDIX B

Cantilever Beam II

Consider a cantilever beam with mass per length ρ . Assume that the beam has a uniform cross section. Determine the natural frequency. Also find the effective mass, where the distributed mass is represented by a discrete, end-mass.

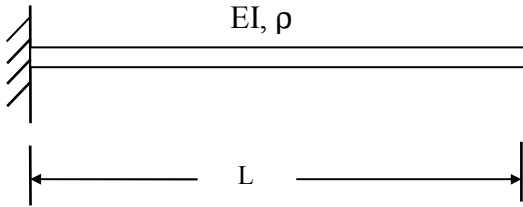


Figure B-1.

The governing differential equation is

$$-EI \frac{\partial^4 y}{\partial x^4} = \rho \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} \quad (\text{B-1})$$

The boundary conditions at the fixed end $x = 0$ are

$$y(0) = 0 \quad (\text{zero displacement}) \quad (\text{B-2})$$

$$\left. \frac{dy}{dx} \right|_{x=0} = 0 \quad (\text{zero slope}) \quad (\text{B-3})$$

The boundary conditions at the free end $x = L$ are

$$\left. \frac{d^2 y}{dx^2} \right|_{x=L} = 0 \quad (\text{zero bending moment}) \quad (\text{B-4})$$

$$\left. \frac{d^3 y}{dx^3} \right|_{x=L} = 0 \quad (\text{zero shear force}) \quad (\text{B-5})$$

Propose a quarter cosine wave solution.

$$y(x) = y_0 \left[1 - \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2L}\right) \right] \quad (\text{B-6})$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = y_0 \left(\frac{\pi}{2L}\right) \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{2L}\right) \quad (\text{B-7})$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} = y_0 \left(\frac{\pi}{2L}\right)^2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2L}\right) \quad (\text{B-8})$$

$$\frac{d^3y}{dx^3} = -y_0 \left(\frac{\pi x}{2L}\right)^3 \sin\left(\frac{\pi x}{2L}\right) \quad (\text{B-9})$$

The proposed solution meets all of the boundary conditions expect for the zero shear force at the right end. The proposed solution is accepted as an approximate solution for the deflection shape, despite one deficiency.

The Rayleigh method is used to find the natural frequency. The total potential energy and the total kinetic energy must be determined.

The total potential energy P in the beam is

$$P = \frac{EI}{2} \int_0^L \left(\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} \right)^2 dx \quad (\text{B-10})$$

By substitution,

$$P = \frac{EI}{2} \int_0^L \left[y_0 \left(\frac{\pi}{2L}\right)^2 \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2L}\right) \right]^2 dx \quad (\text{B-11})$$

$$P = \frac{EI}{2} \left[y_0 \left(\frac{\pi}{2L}\right)^2 \right]^2 \int_0^L \left[\cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{2L}\right) \right]^2 dx \quad (\text{B-12})$$

$$P = \frac{EI}{2} \left[y_0 \left(\frac{\pi}{2L}\right)^2 \right]^2 \int_0^L \left[\frac{1}{2} \right] \left[1 + \cos\left(\frac{\pi x}{L}\right) \right] dx \quad (\text{B-13})$$

$$P = \frac{EI}{2} \left[y_0 \left(\frac{\pi}{2L} \right)^2 \right]^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} \right] \left[x + \left(\frac{L}{\pi} \right) \sin \left(\frac{\pi x}{L} \right) \right] \Bigg|_0^L \quad (\text{B-14})$$

$$P = \frac{EI}{2} [y_0]^2 \left[\frac{\pi^4}{32L^4} \right] L \quad (\text{B-15})$$

$$P = \frac{1}{64} \pi^4 \left[\frac{EI}{L^3} \right] [y_0]^2 \quad (\text{B-16})$$

The total kinetic energy T is

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \rho \omega_n^2 \int_0^L [y]^2 dx \quad (\text{B-17})$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \rho \omega_n^2 \int_0^L \left\{ y_0 \left[1 - \cos \left(\frac{\pi x}{2L} \right) \right] \right\}^2 dx \quad (\text{B-18})$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \rho \omega_n^2 [y_0]^2 \int_0^L \left[1 - 2 \cos \left(\frac{\pi x}{2L} \right) + \cos^2 \left(\frac{\pi x}{2L} \right) \right] dx \quad (\text{B-19})$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \rho \omega_n^2 [y_0]^2 \int_0^L \left[1 - 2 \cos \left(\frac{\pi x}{2L} \right) + \cos^2 \left(\frac{\pi x}{2L} \right) \right] dx \quad (\text{B-20})$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \rho \omega_n^2 [y_0]^2 \int_0^L \left[1 - 2 \cos \left(\frac{\pi x}{2L} \right) + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos \left(\frac{\pi x}{L} \right) \right] dx \quad (\text{B-21})$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \rho \omega_n^2 [y_0]^2 \int_0^L \left[\frac{3}{2} - 2 \cos \left(\frac{\pi x}{2L} \right) + \cos \left(\frac{\pi x}{L} \right) \right] dx \quad (\text{B-22})$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \rho \omega_n^2 [y_0]^2 \left[\frac{3}{2} x - \left(\frac{4L}{\pi} \right) \sin \left(\frac{\pi x}{2L} \right) + \left(\frac{L}{\pi} \right) \sin \left(\frac{\pi x}{L} \right) \right] \Bigg|_0^L \quad (\text{B-23})$$

$$T = \frac{1}{2} \rho \omega_n^2 [y_0]^2 \left[\frac{3}{2} L - \left(\frac{4L}{\pi} \right) \right] \quad (\text{B-24})$$

$$T = \frac{1}{4} \rho \omega_n^2 [y_0]^2 L \left[3 - \left(\frac{8}{\pi} \right) \right] \quad (\text{B-25})$$

Now equate the potential and the kinetic energy terms.

$$\frac{1}{4} \rho \omega_n^2 [y_0]^2 L \left[3 - \left(\frac{8}{\pi} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{64} \pi^4 \left[\frac{EI}{L^3} \right] [y_0]^2 \quad (\text{B-26})$$

$$\rho \omega_n^2 L \left[3 - \left(\frac{8}{\pi} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{16} \pi^4 \left[\frac{EI}{L^3} \right] \quad (\text{B-27})$$

$$\omega_n^2 = \left\{ \frac{\pi^4 \left[\frac{EI}{L^3} \right]}{16\rho L \left[3 - \left(\frac{8}{\pi} \right) \right]} \right\} \quad (\text{B-28})$$

$$\omega_n = \left\{ \frac{\pi^4 \left[\frac{EI}{L^3} \right]}{16\rho L \left[3 - \left(\frac{8}{\pi} \right) \right]} \right\}^{1/2} \quad (\text{B-29})$$

$$f_n = \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \right\} \left\{ \frac{\pi^4 \left[\frac{EI}{L^4} \right]}{16\rho \left[3 - \left(\frac{8}{\pi} \right) \right]} \right\}^{1/2} \quad (\text{B-30})$$

$$f_n = \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \right\} \left\{ \frac{\pi^4 \left[\frac{EI}{L^4} \right]}{16\rho \left[3 - \left(\frac{8}{\pi} \right) \right]} \right\}^{1/2} \quad (\text{B-31})$$

$$f_n = \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \right\} \left\{ \frac{\pi^2}{4L^2} \right\} \left\{ \frac{EI}{\rho \left[3 - \left(\frac{8}{\pi} \right) \right]} \right\}^{1/2} \quad (\text{B-32})$$

$$f_n \approx \left\{ \frac{1}{2\pi} \right\} \left\{ \frac{3.664}{L^2} \right\} \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (\text{B-33})$$

Recall that the stiffness at the free of the cantilever beam is

$$k = \frac{3EI}{L^3} \quad (\text{B-34})$$

The effective mass m_{eff} at the end of the beam is thus

$$m_{\text{eff}} = \frac{k}{[2\pi f_n]^2} \quad (\text{B-35})$$

$$m_{\text{eff}} = \frac{3EI}{L^3 \left\{ 2\pi \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \right] \left[\frac{3.664}{L^2} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \right\}^2} \quad (\text{B-36})$$

$$m_{\text{eff}} = \frac{3EI}{\frac{L^3}{L^4} \{13.425\} \left\{ \frac{EI}{\rho} \right\}} \quad (\text{B-37})$$

$$m_{\text{eff}} = 0.2235\rho L \quad (\text{B-38})$$

APPENDIX C

Cantilever Beam III

Consider a cantilever beam where both the beam mass and the end-mass are significant.

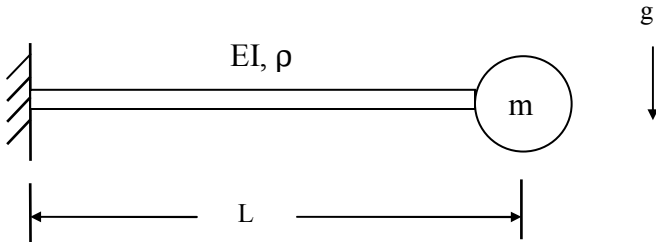


Figure C-1.

The total mass m_t can be calculated using equation (B-38).

$$m_t = 0.2235\rho L + m \quad (\text{C-1})$$

Again, the stiffness at the free of the cantilever beam is

$$k = \frac{3EI}{L^3} \quad (\text{C-2})$$

The natural frequency is thus

$$f_n \approx \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{3EI}{(0.2235\rho L + m)L^3}} \quad (\text{C-3})$$

APPENDIX D

Cantilever Beam IV

This is a repeat of part II except that an exact solution is found for the differential equation. The differential equation itself is only an approximation of reality, however.

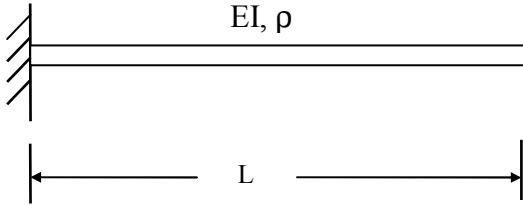


Figure D-1.

The governing differential equation is

$$-EI \frac{\partial^4 y}{\partial x^4} = \rho \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} \quad (\text{D-1})$$

Note that this equation neglects shear deformation and rotary inertia.

Separate the dependent variable.

$$y(x, t) = Y(x)T(t) \quad (\text{D-2})$$

$$-EI \frac{\partial^4 [Y(x)T(t)]}{\partial x^4} = \rho \frac{\partial^2 [Y(x)T(t)]}{\partial t^2} \quad (\text{D-3})$$

$$-EI T(t) \left\{ \frac{d^4}{dx^4} Y(x) \right\} = \rho Y(x) \left\{ \frac{d^2}{dt^2} T(t) \right\} \quad (\text{D-4})$$

$$\left\{ \frac{-EI}{\rho} \right\} \frac{\left\{ \frac{d^4}{dx^4} Y(x) \right\}}{Y(x)} = \frac{\left\{ \frac{d^2}{dt^2} T(t) \right\}}{T(t)} \quad (D-5)$$

Let c be a constant

$$\left\{ \frac{-EI}{\rho} \right\} \frac{\left\{ \frac{d^4}{dx^4} Y(x) \right\}}{Y(x)} = \frac{\left\{ \frac{d^2}{dt^2} T(t) \right\}}{T(t)} = -c^2 \quad (D-6)$$

Separate the time variable.

$$\frac{\left\{ \frac{d^2}{dt^2} T(t) \right\}}{T(t)} = -c^2 \quad (D-7)$$

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} T(t) + c^2 T(t) = 0 \quad (D-8)$$

Separate the spatial variable.

$$\left\{ \frac{-EI}{\rho} \right\} \frac{\left\{ \frac{d^4}{dx^4} Y(x) \right\}}{Y(x)} = -c^2 \quad (D-9)$$

$$\frac{d^4}{dx^4} Y(x) - c^2 \left\{ \frac{\rho}{EI} \right\} Y(x) = 0 \quad (D-10)$$

A solution for equation (D-10) is

$$Y(x) = a_1 \sinh(\beta x) + a_2 \cosh(\beta x) + a_3 \sin(\beta x) + a_4 \cos(\beta x) \quad (D-11)$$

$$\frac{dY(x)}{dx} = a_1\beta \cosh(\beta x) + a_2\beta \sinh(\beta x) + a_3\beta \cos(\beta x) - a_4\beta \sin(\beta x) \quad (D-12)$$

$$\frac{d^2 Y(x)}{dx^2} = a_1\beta^2 \sinh(\beta x) + a_2\beta^2 \cosh(\beta x) - a_3\beta^2 \sin(\beta x) - a_4\beta^2 \cos(\beta x) \quad (D-13)$$

$$\frac{d^3 Y(x)}{dx^3} = a_1\beta^3 \cosh(\beta x) + a_2\beta^3 \sinh(\beta x) - a_3\beta^3 \cos(\beta x) + a_4\beta^3 \sin(\beta x) \quad (D-14)$$

$$\frac{d^4 Y(x)}{dx^4} = a_1\beta^4 \sinh(\lambda x) + a_2\beta^4 \cosh(\beta x) + a_3\beta^4 \sin(\beta x) + a_4\beta^4 \cos(\beta x) \quad (D-15)$$

Substitute (D-15) and (D-11) into (D-10).

$$\begin{aligned} & \left\{ a_1\beta^4 \sinh(\beta x) + a_2\beta^4 \cosh(\beta x) + a_3\beta^4 \sin(\beta x) + a_4\beta^4 \cos(\beta x) \right\} \\ & - c^2 \left\{ \frac{\rho}{EI} \right\} \left\{ a_1 \sinh(\beta x) + a_2 \cosh(\beta x) + a_3 \sin(\beta x) + a_4 \cos(\beta x) \right\} = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (D-16)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \beta^4 \left\{ a_1 \sinh(\beta x) + a_2 \cosh(\beta x) + a_3 \sin(\beta x) + a_4 \cos(\beta x) \right\} \\ & - c^2 \left\{ \frac{\rho}{EI} \right\} \left\{ a_1 \sinh(\beta x) + a_2 \cosh(\beta x) + a_3 \sin(\beta x) + a_4 \cos(\beta x) \right\} = 0 \end{aligned} \quad (D-17)$$

The equation is satisfied if

$$\beta^4 = c^2 \left\{ \frac{\rho}{EI} \right\} \quad (D-18)$$

$$\beta = \left\{ c^2 \frac{\rho}{EI} \right\}^{1/4} \quad (D-19)$$

The boundary conditions at the fixed end $x = 0$ are

$$Y(0) = 0 \quad (\text{zero displacement}) \quad (\text{D-20})$$

$$\left. \frac{dY}{dx} \right|_{x=0} = 0 \quad (\text{zero slope}) \quad (\text{D-21})$$

The boundary conditions at the free end $x = L$ are

$$\left. \frac{d^2Y}{dx^2} \right|_{x=L} = 0 \quad (\text{zero bending moment}) \quad (\text{D-22})$$

$$\left. \frac{d^3Y}{dx^3} \right|_{x=L} = 0 \quad (\text{zero shear force}) \quad (\text{D-23})$$

Apply equation (D-20) to (D-11).

$$a_2 + a_4 = 0 \quad (\text{D-24})$$

$$a_4 = -a_2 \quad (\text{D-25})$$

Apply equation (D-21) to (D-12).

$$a_1 + a_3 = 0 \quad (\text{D-26})$$

$$a_3 = -a_1 \quad (\text{D-27})$$

Apply equation (D-22) to (D-13).

$$a_1 \sinh(\beta L) + a_2 \cosh(\beta L) - a_3 \sin(\beta L) - a_4 \cos(\beta L) = 0 \quad (\text{D-28})$$

Apply equation (D-23) to (D-14).

$$a_1 \cosh(\beta L) + a_2 \sinh(\beta L) - a_3 \cos(\beta L) + a_4 \sin(\beta L) = 0 \quad (\text{D-29})$$

Apply (D-25) and (D-27) to (D-28).

$$a_1 \sinh(\beta L) + a_2 \cosh(\beta L) + a_1 \sin(\beta L) + a_2 \cos(\beta L) = 0 \quad (\text{D-30})$$

$$a_1 \{\sin(\beta L) + \sinh(\beta L)\} + a_2 \{\cos(\beta L) + \cosh(\beta L)\} = 0 \quad (\text{D-31})$$

Apply (D-25) and (D-27) to (D-29).

$$a_1 \cosh(\beta L) + a_2 \sinh(\beta L) + a_1 \cos(\beta L) - a_2 \sin(\beta L) = 0 \quad (\text{D-32})$$

$$a_1 \{\cos(\beta L) + \cosh(\beta L)\} + a_2 \{-\sin(\beta L) + \sinh(\beta L)\} = 0 \quad (\text{D-33})$$

Form (D-31) and (D-33) into a matrix format.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sin(\beta L) + \sinh(\beta L) & \cos(\beta L) + \cosh(\beta L) \\ \cos(\beta L) + \cosh(\beta L) & -\sin(\beta L) + \sinh(\beta L) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{D-34})$$

By inspection, equation (D-34) can only be satisfied if $a_1 = 0$ and $a_2 = 0$. Set the determinant to zero in order to obtain a nontrivial solution.

$$\{-\sin^2(\beta L) + \sinh^2(\beta L)\} - \{\cos(\beta L) + \cosh(\beta L)\}^2 = 0 \quad (\text{D-35})$$

$$\{-\sin^2(\beta L) + \sinh^2(\beta L)\} - \{\cos^2(\beta L) + 2\cos(\beta L)\cosh(\beta L) + \cosh^2(\beta L)\} = 0 \quad (\text{D-36})$$

$$-\sin^2(\beta L) + \sinh^2(\beta L) - \cos^2(\beta L) - 2\cos(\beta L)\cosh(\beta L) - \cosh^2(\beta L) = 0 \quad (\text{D-37})$$

$$-2 - 2\cos(\beta L)\cosh(\beta L) = 0 \quad (\text{D-38})$$

$$1 + \cos(\beta L)\cosh(\beta L) = 0 \quad (\text{D-39})$$

$$\cos(\beta L)\cosh(\beta L) = -1 \quad (\text{D-40})$$

There are multiple roots which satisfy equation (D-40). Thus, a subscript should be added as shown in equation (D-41).

$$\cos(\beta_n L) \cosh(\beta_n L) = -1 \quad (D-41)$$

The subscript is an integer index. The roots can be determined through a combination of graphing and numerical methods. The Newton-Rhapson method is an example of an appropriate numerical method. The roots of equation (D-41) are summarized in Table D-1, as taken from Reference 1.

Table D-1. Roots	
Index	$\beta_n L$
n = 1	1.87510
n = 2	4.69409
n \geq 3	$(2n-1)\pi/2$

Note: the root value formula for $n \geq 3$ is approximate.

Rearrange equation (D-19) as follows

$$c^2 = \beta_n^4 \left[\frac{EI}{\rho} \right] \quad (D-42)$$

Substitute (D-42) into (D-8).

$$\frac{d^2}{dt^2} T(t) + \left[\beta_n^4 \left(\frac{EI}{\rho} \right) \right] T(t) = 0 \quad (D-43)$$

Equation (D-43) is satisfied by

$$T(t) = b_1 \sin \left[\left(\beta_n^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \right) t \right] + b_2 \cos \left[\left(\beta_n^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \right) t \right] \quad (D-44)$$

The natural frequency term ω_n is thus

$$\omega_n = \beta_n^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (D-45)$$

Substitute the value for the fundamental frequency from Table D-1.

$$\omega_1 = \left[\frac{1.87510}{L} \right]^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (D-46)$$

$$f_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{3.5156}{L^2} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (D-47)$$

Substitute the value for the second root from Table D-1.

$$\omega_2 = \left[\frac{4.69409}{L} \right]^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (D-48)$$

$$f_2 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{22.034}{L^2} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (D-49)$$

$$f_2 = 6.268 f_1 \quad (D-50)$$

Compare equation (D-47) with the approximate equation (B-33).

The effective mass m_{eff} at the end of the beam for the fundamental mode is thus

$$m_{\text{eff}} = \frac{k}{[2\pi f_1]^2} \quad (D-51)$$

$$m_{\text{eff}} = \frac{3EI}{L^3 \left\{ 2\pi \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \right] \left[\frac{3.5156}{L^2} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \right\}^2} \quad (D-52)$$

$$m_{\text{eff}} = \frac{3EI}{\frac{L^3}{L^4} \{12.3596\} \left\{ \frac{EI}{\rho} \right\}} \quad (\text{D-53})$$

$$m_{\text{eff}} = 0.2427 \rho L \quad (\text{D-54})$$

APPENDIX E

Beam Simply-Supported at Both Ends I

Consider a simply-supported beam with a discrete mass located at the middle. Assume that the mass of the beam itself is negligible.

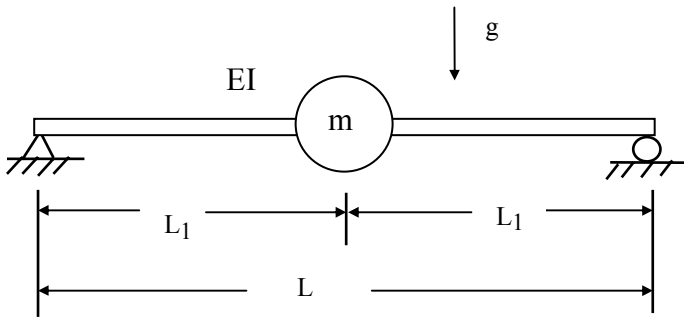


Figure E-1.

The free-body diagram of the system is

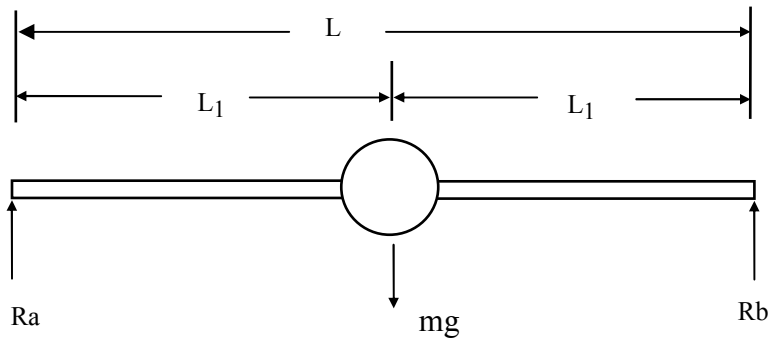


Figure E-2.

Apply Newton's law for static equilibrium.

$$+\uparrow \sum \text{forces} = 0 \quad (\text{E-1})$$

$$R_a + R_b - mg = 0 \quad (\text{E-2})$$

$$R_a = mg - R_b \quad (\text{E-3})$$

At the left boundary,

$$\curvearrowright + \sum \text{moments} = 0 \quad (\text{E-4})$$

$$R_b L - mg L_1 = 0 \quad (\text{E-5})$$

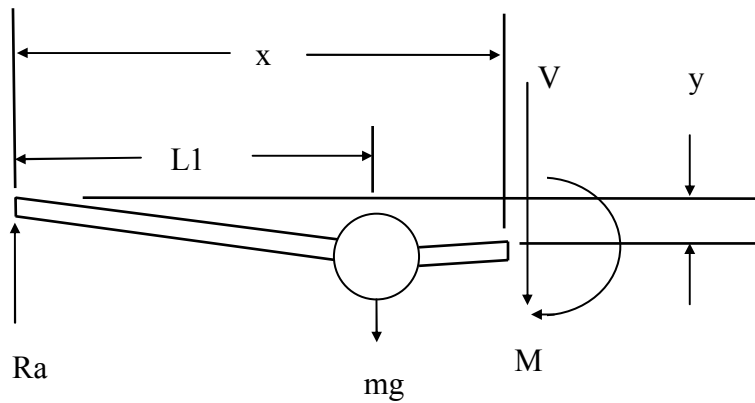
$$R_b = mg (L_1 / L) \quad (\text{E-6})$$

$$R_b = (1/2) mg \quad (\text{E-6})$$

Substitute equation (E-6) into (E-3).

$$R_a = mg - (1/2)mg \quad (\text{E-7})$$

$$R_a = (1/2)mg \quad (\text{E-8})$$



Sum the moments at the right side of the segment.

$$\curvearrowright + \sum \text{moments} = 0 \quad (\text{E-9})$$

$$- R_a x + mg \langle x - L_1 \rangle - M = 0 \quad (\text{E-10})$$

Note that $\langle x-L_1 \rangle$ denotes a step function as follows

$$\langle x - L_1 \rangle = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{for } x < L_1 \\ x - L_1, & \text{for } x \geq L_1 \end{cases} \quad (\text{E-11})$$

$$M = -R_a x + mg \langle x-L_1 \rangle \quad (\text{E-12})$$

$$M = -(1/2)mg x + mg \langle x-L_1 \rangle \quad (\text{E-13})$$

$$M = [-(1/2)x + \langle x-L_1 \rangle] [mg] \quad (\text{E-14})$$

$$EIy'' = [-(1/2)x + \langle x-L_1 \rangle] [mg] \quad (\text{E-15})$$

$$y'' = [-(1/2)x + \langle x-L_1 \rangle] \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] \quad (\text{E-16})$$

$$y' = \left[-\frac{1}{4}x^2 + \frac{1}{2}\langle x-L_1 \rangle^2 \right] \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] + a \quad (\text{E-17})$$

$$y(x) = \left[-\frac{1}{12}x^3 + \frac{1}{6}\langle x-L_1 \rangle^3 \right] \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] + ax + b \quad (\text{E-18})$$

The boundary condition at the left side is

$$y(0) = 0 \quad (\text{E-19})$$

This requires

$$b = 0 \quad (\text{E-20})$$

Thus

$$y(x) = \left[-\frac{1}{12}x^3 + \frac{1}{6}\langle x-L_1 \rangle^3 \right] \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] + ax \quad (\text{E-18})$$

The boundary condition on the right side is

$$y(L) = 0 \quad (\text{E-21})$$

$$\left[-\frac{1}{12}L^3 + \frac{1}{6}\langle L - L_1 \rangle^3 \right] \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] + aL = 0 \quad (\text{E-22})$$

$$\left[-\frac{1}{12}L^3 + \frac{1}{48}L^3 \right] \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] + aL = 0 \quad (\text{E-23})$$

$$\left[-\frac{4}{48}L^3 + \frac{1}{48}L^3 \right] \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] + aL = 0 \quad (\text{E-24})$$

$$\left[-\frac{3}{48}L^3 \right] \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] + aL = 0 \quad (\text{E-25})$$

$$\left[-\frac{1}{16}L^3 \right] \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] + aL = 0 \quad (\text{E-26})$$

$$aL = \left[\frac{1}{16}L^3 \right] \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] \quad (\text{E-27})$$

$$a = \left[\frac{1}{16}L^2 \right] \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] \quad (\text{E-28})$$

Now substitute the constant into the displacement function

$$y(x) = \left[-\frac{1}{12}x^3 + \frac{1}{6}\langle x - L_1 \rangle^3 \right] \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] + \left[\frac{1}{16}L^2 \right] \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] [x] \quad (\text{E-29})$$

$$y(x) = \left[-\frac{1}{12}x^3 + \frac{1}{16}xL^2 + \frac{1}{6}\langle x - L_1 \rangle^3 \right] \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] \quad (\text{E-30})$$

The displacement at the center is

$$y\left(\frac{L}{2}\right) = \left[-\frac{1}{12}\left(\frac{L}{2}\right)^3 + \frac{1}{16}\left(\frac{L}{2}\right)L^2 + \frac{1}{6}\left\langle \frac{L}{2} - L_1 \right\rangle^3 \right] \left[\frac{mg}{EI} \right] \quad (\text{E-31})$$

$$y\left(\frac{L}{2}\right) = \left[-\frac{1}{96} + \frac{1}{32}\right] \left[\frac{mgL^3}{EI}\right] \quad (\text{E-32})$$

$$y\left(\frac{L}{2}\right) = \left[-\frac{1}{96} + \frac{3}{96}\right] \left[\frac{mgL^3}{EI}\right] \quad (\text{E-33})$$

$$y\left(\frac{L}{2}\right) = \left[\frac{2}{96}\right] \left[\frac{mgL^3}{EI}\right] \quad (\text{E-34})$$

$$y\left(\frac{L}{2}\right) = \left[\frac{1}{48}\right] \left[\frac{mgL^3}{EI}\right] \quad (\text{E-35})$$

Recall Hooke's law for a linear spring,

$$F = k y \quad (\text{E-36})$$

F is the force.

k is the stiffness.

The stiffness is thus

$$k = F / y \quad (\text{E-37})$$

The force at the center of the beam is mg. The stiffness at the center of the beam is

$$k = \left\{ \frac{mg}{\left[\frac{mgL^3}{48EI}\right]} \right\} \quad (\text{E-38})$$

$$k = \frac{48EI}{L^3} \quad (\text{E-39})$$

The formula for the natural frequency f_n of a single-degree-of-freedom system is

$$f_n = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \right) \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad (\text{E-40})$$

The mass term m is simply the mass at the center of the beam.

$$f_n = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \right) \sqrt{\frac{48 EI}{mL^3}} \quad (\text{E-41})$$

$$f_n = \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \right) (6.928) \sqrt{\frac{EI}{mL^3}} \quad (\text{E-42})$$

APPENDIX F

Beam Simply-Supported at Both Ends II

Consider a simply-supported beam as shown in Figure F-1.

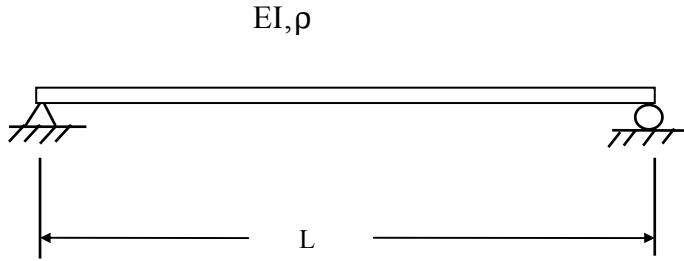


Figure F-1.

Recall that the governing differential equation is

$$-EI \frac{\partial^4 y}{\partial x^4} = \rho \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} \quad (\text{F-1})$$

The spatial solution from section D is

$$Y(x) = a_1 \sinh(\beta x) + a_2 \cosh(\beta x) + a_3 \sin(\beta x) + a_4 \cos(\beta x) \quad (\text{F-2})$$

$$\frac{d^2 Y(x)}{dx^2} = a_1 \beta^2 \sinh(\beta x) + a_2 \beta^2 \cosh(\beta x) - a_3 \beta^2 \sin(\beta x) - a_4 \beta^2 \cos(\beta x) \quad (\text{F-3})$$

The boundary conditions at the left end $x = 0$ are

$$Y(0) = 0 \quad (\text{zero displacement}) \quad (\text{F-4})$$

$$\left. \frac{d^2 Y}{dx^2} \right|_{x=0} = 0 \quad (\text{zero bending moment}) \quad (\text{F-5})$$

The boundary conditions at the free end $x = L$ are

$$Y(L) = 0 \quad (\text{zero displacement}) \quad (\text{F-6})$$

$$\left. \frac{d^2 Y}{dx^2} \right|_{x=L} = 0 \quad (\text{zero bending moment}) \quad (\text{F-7})$$

Apply boundary condition (F-4) to (F-2).

$$a_2 + a_4 = 0 \quad (\text{F-8})$$

$$a_4 = -a_2 \quad (\text{F-9})$$

Apply boundary condition (F-5) to (F-3).

$$a_2 - a_4 = 0 \quad (\text{F-10})$$

$$a_2 = a_4 \quad (\text{F-11})$$

Equations (F-8) and (F-10) can only be satisfied if

$$a_2 = 0 \quad (\text{F-12})$$

and

$$a_4 = 0 \quad (\text{F-13})$$

The spatial equations thus simplify to

$$Y(x) = a_1 \sinh(\beta x) + a_3 \sin(\beta x) \quad (\text{F-14})$$

$$\frac{d^2 Y(x)}{dx^2} = a_1 \beta^2 \sinh(\beta x) - a_3 \beta^2 \sin(\beta x) \quad (\text{F-15})$$

Apply boundary condition (F-6) to (F-14).

$$a_1 \sinh(\beta L) + a_3 \sin(\beta L) = 0 \quad (\text{F-16})$$

Apply boundary condition (F-7) to (F-15).

$$a_1\beta^2 \sinh(\beta L) - a_3\beta^2 \sin(\beta L) = 0 \quad (\text{F-17})$$

$$a_1 \sinh(\beta L) - a_3 \sin(\beta L) = 0 \quad (\text{F-18})$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sinh(\beta L) & \sin(\beta L) \\ \sinh(\beta L) & -\sin(\beta L) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{F-19})$$

By inspection, equation (F-19) can only be satisfied if $a_1 = 0$ and $a_3 = 0$. Set the determinant to zero in order to obtain a nontrivial solution.

$$-\sin(\beta L) \sinh(\beta L) - \sin(\beta L) \sinh(\beta L) = 0 \quad (\text{F-20})$$

$$-2 \sin(\beta L) \sinh(\beta L) = 0 \quad (\text{F-21})$$

$$\sin(\beta L) \sinh(\beta L) = 0 \quad (\text{F-22})$$

Equation (F-22) is satisfied if

$$\beta_n L = n\pi, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad (\text{F-23})$$

$$\beta_n = \frac{n\pi}{L}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad (\text{F-24})$$

The natural frequency term ω_n is

$$\omega_n = \beta_n^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (\text{F-25})$$

$$\omega_n = \left[\frac{n\pi}{L} \right]^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad (\text{F-26})$$

$$f_n = \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \right] \left[\frac{n\pi}{L} \right]^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad (\text{F-27})$$

$$f_n = \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \right] \left[\frac{n\pi}{L} \right]^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad (\text{F-28})$$

Now calculate effective mass at the center of the beam for the fundamental frequency.

$$\omega_1 = \left[\frac{\pi}{L} \right]^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (\text{F-29})$$

Recall the natural frequency equation for a single-degree-of-freedom system.

$$\omega_1 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad (\text{F-30})$$

Recall the beam stiffness at the center from equation (E-39).

$$k = \frac{48EI}{L^3} \quad (\text{F-31})$$

Substitute equation (F-31) into (F-30).

$$\omega_1 = \sqrt{\frac{48EI}{mL^3}} \quad (\text{F-32})$$

Substitute (F-32) into (F-29).

$$\sqrt{\frac{48EI}{mL^3}} = \left[\frac{\pi}{L} \right]^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (\text{F-33})$$

$$\frac{48EI}{mL^3} = \left[\frac{\pi}{L} \right]^4 \frac{EI}{\rho} \quad (\text{F-34})$$

$$\frac{48}{mL^3} = \left[\frac{\pi}{L} \right]^4 \frac{1}{\rho} \quad (\text{F-35})$$

$$\frac{1}{m} = \left[\frac{\pi^4}{48\rho L} \right] \quad (\text{F-36})$$

The effective mass at the center of the beam for the first mode is

$$m = \frac{48\rho L}{\pi^4} \tag{F-37}$$

APPENDIX G

Free-Free Beam

Consider a uniform beam with free-free boundary conditions.

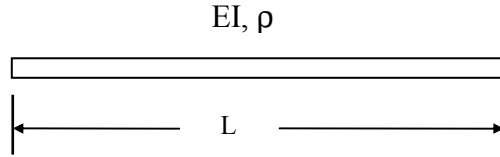


Figure G-1.

The governing differential equation is

$$-EI \frac{\partial^4 y}{\partial x^4} = \rho \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} \quad (G-1)$$

Note that this equation neglects shear deformation and rotary inertia.

The following equation is obtain using the method in Appendix D

$$\frac{d^4}{dx^4} Y(x) - c^2 \left\{ \frac{\rho}{EI} \right\} Y(x) = 0 \quad (G-2)$$

The proposed solution is

$$Y(x) = a_1 \sinh(\beta x) + a_2 \cosh(\beta x) + a_3 \sin(\beta x) + a_4 \cos(\beta x) \quad (G-3)$$

$$\frac{dY(x)}{dx} = a_1 \beta \cosh(\beta x) + a_2 \beta \sinh(\beta x) + a_3 \beta \cos(\beta x) - a_4 \beta \sin(\beta x) \quad (G-4)$$

$$\frac{d^2 Y(x)}{dx^2} = a_1 \beta^2 \sinh(\beta x) + a_2 \beta^2 \cosh(\beta x) - a_3 \beta^2 \sin(\beta x) - a_4 \beta^2 \cos(\beta x) \quad (G-5)$$

$$\frac{d^3 Y(x)}{dx^3} = a_1 \beta^3 \cosh(\beta x) + a_2 \beta^3 \sinh(\beta x) - a_3 \beta^3 \cos(\beta x) + a_4 \beta^3 \sin(\beta x) \quad (G-6)$$

Apply the boundary conditions.

$$\left. \frac{d^2 Y}{dx^2} \right|_{x=0} = 0 \quad (\text{zero bending moment}) \quad (\text{G-7})$$

$$a_2 - a_4 = 0 \quad (\text{G-8})$$

$$a_4 = a_2 \quad (\text{G-9})$$

$$\left. \frac{d^3 Y}{dx^3} \right|_{x=0} = 0 \quad (\text{zero shear force}) \quad (\text{G-10})$$

$$a_1 - a_3 = 0 \quad (\text{G-11})$$

$$a_3 = a_1 \quad (\text{G-12})$$

$$\frac{d^2 Y(x)}{dx^2} = a_1 \beta^2 [\sinh(\beta x) - \sin(\beta x)] + a_2 \beta^2 [\cosh(\beta x) - \cos(\beta x)] \quad (\text{G-13})$$

$$\frac{d^3 Y(x)}{dx^3} = a_1 \beta^3 [\cosh(\beta x) - \cos(\beta x)] + a_2 \beta^3 [\sinh(\beta x) + \sin(\beta x)] \quad (\text{G-14})$$

$$\left. \frac{d^2 Y}{dx^2} \right|_{x=L} = 0 \quad (\text{zero bending moment}) \quad (\text{G-15})$$

$$a_1[\sinh(\beta L) - \sin(\beta L)] + a_2[\cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L)] = 0 \quad (\text{G-16})$$

$$\left. \frac{d^3 Y}{dx^3} \right|_{x=L} = 0 \quad (\text{zero shear force}) \quad (\text{G-17})$$

$$a_1[\cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L)] + a_2[\sinh(\beta L) + \sin(\beta L)] = 0 \quad (\text{G-18})$$

Equation (G-16) and (G-18) can be arranged in matrix form.

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sinh(\beta L) - \sin(\beta L) & \cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L) \\ \cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L) & \sinh(\beta L) + \sin(\beta L) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{G-19})$$

Set the determinant equal to zero.

$$[\sinh(\beta L) - \sin(\beta L)][\sinh(\beta L) + \sin(\beta L)] - [\cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L)]^2 = 0 \quad (\text{G-20})$$

$$\sinh^2(\beta L) - \sin^2(\beta L) - \cosh^2(\beta L) + 2 \cosh(\beta L) \cos(\beta L) - \cos^2(\beta L) = 0 \quad (\text{G-21})$$

$$+ 2 \cosh(\beta L) \cos(\beta L) - 2 = 0 \quad (\text{G-22})$$

$$\cosh(\beta L) \cos(\beta L) - 1 = 0 \quad (\text{G-23})$$

The roots can be found via the Newton-Raphson method, Reference 1. The first root is

$$\beta L = 4.73004 \quad (\text{G-24})$$

$$\omega_n = \beta_n^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (G-25)$$

$$\omega_1 = \left[\frac{4.73004}{L} \right]^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (G-26)$$

$$\omega_1 = \left[\frac{22.373}{L^2} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (G-27)$$

The second root is

$$\beta L = 7.85320 \quad (G-28)$$

$$\omega_n = \beta_n^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (G-29)$$

$$\omega_2 = \left[\frac{7.85320}{L} \right]^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (G-30)$$

$$\omega_2 = \left[\frac{61.673}{L^2} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (G-31)$$

$$\omega_2 = 2.757 \omega_1 \quad (G-32)$$

The third root is

$$\beta L = 10.9956 \quad (G-33)$$

$$\omega_n = \beta_n^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (G-34)$$

$$\omega_3 = \left[\frac{10.9956}{L} \right]^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (G-35)$$

$$\omega_3 = \left[\frac{120.903}{L^2} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (G-36)$$

$$\omega_3 = 5.404 \omega_1 \quad (G-37)$$

Equation (G-18) can be expressed as

$$a_2 = a_1 \left[\frac{-\cosh(\beta L) + \cos(\beta L)}{\sinh(\beta L) + \sin(\beta L)} \right] \quad (G-38)$$

Recall

$$a_4 = a_2 \quad (G-39)$$

$$a_3 = a_1 \quad (G-40)$$

The displacement mode shape is thus

$$Y(x) = a_1 [\sinh(\beta x) + \sin(\beta x)] + a_2 [\cosh(\beta x) + \cos(\beta x)] \quad (G-41)$$

$$Y(x) = a_1 \left\{ [\sinh(\beta x) + \sin(\beta x)] + \left[\frac{-\cosh(\beta L) + \cos(\beta L)}{\sinh(\beta L) + \sin(\beta L)} \right] [\cosh(\beta x) + \cos(\beta x)] \right\} \quad (G-42)$$

An alternate form is

$$Y(x) =$$

$$\hat{a}_1 \{ [\sinh(\beta L) + \sin(\beta L)] [\sinh(\beta x) + \sin(\beta x)] + [-\cosh(\beta L) + \cos(\beta L)] [\cosh(\beta x) + \cos(\beta x)] \}$$

(G-43)

The first derivative is

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

$$\hat{a}_1 \beta \{ [\sinh(\beta L) + \sin(\beta L)] [\cosh(\beta x) + \cos(\beta x)] + [-\cosh(\beta L) + \cos(\beta L)] [\sinh(\beta x) - \sin(\beta x)] \}$$

(G-44)

The second derivative is

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} =$$

$$\hat{a}_1 \beta^2 \{ [\sinh(\beta L) + \sin(\beta L)] [\sinh(\beta x) - \sin(\beta x)] + [-\cosh(\beta L) + \cos(\beta L)] [\cosh(\beta x) - \cos(\beta x)] \}$$

(G-45)

APPENDIX H

Pipe Example

Consider a steel pipe with an outer diameter of 2.2 inches and a wall thickness of 0.60 inches. The length is 20 feet. Find the natural frequency for two boundary condition cases: simply-supported and fixed-fixed.

The area moment of inertia is

$$I = \frac{\pi}{64} [D_o^4 - D_i^4] \quad (\text{H-1})$$

$$D_o = 2.2 \text{ in} \quad (\text{H-2})$$

$$D_i = 2.2 - 2(0.6) \text{ in} \quad (\text{H-3})$$

$$D_i = 2.2 - 1.2 \text{ in} \quad (\text{H-4})$$

$$D_i = 1.0 \text{ in} \quad (\text{H-5})$$

$$I = \frac{\pi}{32} [2.2^4 - 1.0^4] \text{ in}^4 \quad (\text{H-6})$$

$$I = 1.101 \text{ in}^4 \quad (\text{H-7})$$

The elastic modulus is

$$E = 30(10^6) \frac{\text{lbf}}{\text{in}^2} \quad (\text{H-8})$$

The mass density is

$$\rho = \text{mass per unit length.} \quad (\text{H-9})$$

$$\rho = \left[0.282 \frac{\text{lbm}}{\text{in}^3} \right] \left[\frac{\pi}{4} [2.2^2 - 1.0^2] \text{in}^2 \right] \quad (\text{H-10})$$

$$\rho = 0.850 \frac{\text{lbm}}{\text{in}} \quad (\text{H-11})$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} = \sqrt{\frac{30(10^6) \frac{\text{lbf}}{\text{in}^2} 1.101 \text{ in}^4 \left(\frac{1 \text{ slug ft/sec}^2}{1 \text{ lbf}} \right) \left(\frac{12 \text{ in}}{1 \text{ ft}} \right)}{0.850 \frac{\text{lbm}}{\text{in}} \left(\frac{1 \text{ slug}}{32.2 \text{ lbm}} \right)}$$

$$(\text{H-12})$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} = 1.225 (10^5) \frac{\text{in}^2}{\text{sec}} \quad (\text{H-13})$$

The natural frequency for the simply-supported case is

$$f_n = \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \right] \left[\frac{n\pi}{L} \right]^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}}, \quad n = 1, 2, 3, \dots \quad (\text{H-14})$$

Substitute equation (H-13) into (H-14).

$$f_1 = \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \right] \left[\frac{\pi}{(20 \text{ ft}) \left(\frac{12 \text{ in}}{1 \text{ ft}} \right)} \right]^2 1.225 (10^5) \frac{\text{in}^2}{\text{sec}} \quad (\text{H-15})$$

$$f_1 = 3.34 \text{ Hz} \quad (\text{simply-supported}) \quad (\text{H-16})$$

The natural frequency for the fixed-fixed case is

$$f_1 = \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \right] \left[\frac{22.37}{L^2} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (\text{H-17})$$

$$f_1 = \left[\frac{1}{2\pi} \right] \left[\frac{22.37}{\left[(20 \text{ ft}) \left(\frac{12 \text{ in}}{1 \text{ ft}} \right) \right]^2} \right] 1.225 (10^5) \frac{\text{in}^2}{\text{sec}} \quad (\text{H-18})$$

$$f_1 = 7.58 \text{ Hz} \quad (\text{fixed-fixed}) \quad (\text{H-19})$$

APPENDIX I

Suborbital Rocket Vehicle

Consider a rocket vehicle with the following properties.

$$\text{mass} = 14078.9 \text{ lbm} \quad (\text{at time} = 0 \text{ sec})$$

$$L = 372.0 \text{ inches.}$$

$$\rho = \frac{14078.9 \text{ lbm}}{372.0 \text{ inches}}$$

$$\rho = 37.847 \frac{\text{lbm}}{\text{in}}$$

The average stiffness is

$$EI = 63034 (10^6) \text{ lbf in}^2$$

The vehicle behaves as a free-free beam in flight. Thus

$$f_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{22.37}{L^2} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \tag{I-1}$$

$$f_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{22.37}{(372 \text{ in})^2} \right] \sqrt{\frac{\left[63034 \times 10^6 \text{ lbf in}^2 \right] \left[\frac{\text{slug ft} / \text{sec}^2}{\text{lbf}} \right] \left[\frac{12 \text{ in}}{\text{ft}} \right] \left[\frac{32.2 \text{ lbm}}{\text{slugs}} \right]}{37.847 \frac{\text{lbm}}{\text{in}}}} \tag{I-2}$$

$$f_1 = 20.64 \text{ Hz} \quad (\text{at time} = 0 \text{ sec}) \tag{I-3}$$

Note that the fundamental frequency decreases in flight as the vehicle expels propellant mass.

APPENDIX J

Fixed-Fixed Beam

Consider a fixed-fixed beam with a uniform mass density and a uniform cross-section. The governing differential equation is

$$-EI \frac{\partial^4 y}{\partial x^4} = \rho \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2} \quad (\text{J-1})$$

The spatial equation is

$$\frac{d^4}{dx^4} Y(x) - c^2 \left\{ \frac{\rho}{EI} \right\} Y(x) = 0 \quad (\text{J-2})$$

The boundary conditions for the fixed-fixed beam are:

$$Y(0) = 0 \quad (\text{J-3})$$

$$\left. \frac{dY(x)}{dx} \right|_{x=0} = 0 \quad (\text{J-4})$$

$$Y(L) = 0 \quad (\text{J-5})$$

$$\left. \frac{dY(x)}{dx} \right|_{x=L} = 0 \quad (\text{J-6})$$

The eigenvector has the form

$$Y(x) = a_1 \sinh(\beta x) + a_2 \cosh(\beta x) + a_3 \sin(\beta x) + a_4 \cos(\beta x) \quad (\text{J-7})$$

$$\frac{dY(x)}{dx} = a_1 \beta \cosh(\beta x) + a_2 \beta \sinh(\beta x) + a_3 \beta \cos(\beta x) - a_4 \beta \sin(\beta x) \quad (\text{J-8})$$

$$\frac{d^2 Y(x)}{dx^2} = a_1 \beta^2 \sinh(\beta x) + a_2 \beta^2 \cosh(\beta x) - a_3 \beta^2 \sin(\beta x) - a_4 \beta^2 \cos(\beta x) \quad (J-9)$$

$$Y(0) = 0 \quad (J-10)$$

$$a_2 + a_4 = 0 \quad (J-11)$$

$$-a_2 = a_4 \quad (J-12)$$

$$\left. \frac{dY(x)}{dx} \right|_{x=0} = 0 \quad (J-13)$$

$$a_1 \beta + a_3 \beta = 0 \quad (J-14)$$

$$a_1 + a_3 = 0 \quad (J-15)$$

$$-a_1 = a_3 \quad (J-16)$$

$$Y(x) = a_1 [\sinh(\beta x) - \sin(\beta x)] + a_2 [\cosh(\beta x) - \cos(\beta x)] \quad (J-17)$$

$$\frac{dY(x)}{dx} = a_1 \beta [\cosh(\beta x) - \cos(\beta x)] + a_2 \beta [\sinh(\beta x) + \sin(\beta x)] \quad (J-18)$$

$$Y(L) = 0 \quad (J-19)$$

$$a_1 [\sinh(\beta L) - \sin(\beta L)] + a_2 [\cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L)] = 0 \quad (J-20)$$

$$\left. \frac{dY(x)}{dx} \right|_{x=L} = 0 \quad (J-21)$$

$$a_1 \beta [\cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L)] + a_2 \beta [\sinh(\beta L) + \sin(\beta L)] = 0 \quad (J-22)$$

$$a_1 [\cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L)] + a_2 [\sinh(\beta L) + \sin(\beta L)] = 0 \quad (\text{J-23})$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \sinh(\beta L) - \sin(\beta L) & \cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L) \\ \cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L) & \sinh(\beta L) + \sin(\beta L) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{J-24})$$

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} \sinh(\beta L) - \sin(\beta L) & \cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L) \\ \cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L) & \sinh(\beta L) + \sin(\beta L) \end{bmatrix} = 0 \quad (\text{J-25})$$

$$[\sinh(\beta L) - \sin(\beta L)][\sinh(\beta L) + \sin(\beta L)] - [\cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L)]^2 = 0 \quad (\text{J-26})$$

$$\sinh^2(\beta L) - \sin^2(\beta L) - \cosh^2(\beta L) + 2 \cos(\beta L) \cosh(\beta L) - \cos^2(\beta L) = 0 \quad (\text{J-27})$$

$$2 \cos(\beta L) \cosh(\beta L) - 2 = 0 \quad (\text{J-28})$$

$$\cos(\beta L) \cosh(\beta L) - 1 = 0 \quad (\text{J-29})$$

The roots can be found via the Newton-Raphson method, Reference 1. The first root is

$$\beta L = 4.73004 \quad (\text{J-30})$$

$$\omega_n = \beta_n^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (\text{J-31})$$

$$\omega_1 = \left[\frac{4.73004}{L} \right]^2 \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (J-32)$$

$$\omega_1 = \left[\frac{22.373}{L^2} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (J-33)$$

$$f_1 = \frac{1}{2\pi} \left[\frac{22.373}{L^2} \right] \sqrt{\frac{EI}{\rho}} \quad (J-34)$$

$$a_1 [\cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L)] = -a_2 [\sinh(\beta L) + \sin(\beta L)] \quad (J-35)$$

$$\text{Let } a_2 = 1. \quad (J-36)$$

$$a_1 [\cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L)] = -[\sinh(\beta L) + \sin(\beta L)] \quad (J-37)$$

$$a_1 = \frac{-\sinh(\beta L) - \sin(\beta L)}{\cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L)} \quad (J-38)$$

$$Y(x) = [\cosh(\beta x) - \cos(\beta x)] + \left[\frac{-\sinh(\beta L) - \sin(\beta L)}{\cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L)} \right] [\sinh(\beta x) - \sin(\beta x)] \quad (J-39)$$

$$Y(x) = [\cosh(\beta x) - \cos(\beta x)] - \left[\frac{\sinh(\beta L) + \sin(\beta L)}{\cosh(\beta L) - \cos(\beta L)} \right] [\sinh(\beta x) - \sin(\beta x)] \quad (J-40)$$

The mode shape for a fixed-fixed beam is

$$Y_n(x) = [\cosh(\beta_n x) - \cos(\beta_n x)] - \sigma_n [\sinh(\beta_n x) - \sin(\beta_n x)] \quad (J-41)$$

where

$$\sigma_n = \left[\frac{\sinh(\beta_n L) + \sin(\beta_n L)}{\cosh(\beta_n L) - \cos(\beta_n L)} \right] \quad (J-42)$$

n	$\beta_n L$
1	4.73004
2	10.9956
3	14.13717
4	17.27876

The first derivative is

$$\frac{d}{dx} Y_n(x) = \beta_n [\sinh(\beta_n x) + \sin(\beta_n x)] - \sigma_n \beta_n [\cosh(\beta_n x) - \cos(\beta_n x)] \quad (J-43)$$

The second derivative is

$$\frac{d^2}{dx^2} Y_n(x) = \beta_n^2 [\cosh(\beta_n x) + \cos(\beta_n x)] - \sigma_n \beta_n^2 [\sinh(\beta_n x) + \sin(\beta_n x)] \quad (J-44)$$