

Advanced Noise and Vibration Analysis (ANVA)

Chapter 2

- Forced vibration problems
- Frequency response
- Direct solution
- Modal superposition

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Learning Objectives

1. Forced Vibration Problems :

- Understand the fundamental concepts of forced vibration in mechanical and structural systems.

2. Frequency Response

- Analyze the steady-state response of a system subjected to harmonic excitation.
- Define and interpret the frequency response function (FRF) and its significance in vibration analysis.

3. Direct Solution Method

- Apply the direct solution approach to solve the equations of motion under harmonic excitation.
- Derive the algebraic formulation of the forced vibration response in the frequency domain.
- Utilize numerical and analytical techniques to compute system responses.

4. Modal Superposition Method

- Explain the concept of mode shapes and natural frequencies in multi-degree-of-freedom (MDOF) systems.
- Decompose the system response into a sum of modal contributions.
- Solve forced vibration problems using modal superposition to simplify complex systems.

Forced Vibrations (Undamped)

- **Forced vibrations** in an undamped system are governed by the equation:

$$[\mathbf{M}]\{\ddot{\mathbf{D}}(t)\} + [\mathbf{K}]\{\mathbf{D}(t)\} = \{\mathbf{f}(t)\}$$

initial conditions $\{\mathbf{D}(0)\} = \{\mathbf{D}\}_0, \quad \{\dot{\mathbf{D}}(0)\} = \{\mathbf{V}\}_0$

Vibrations are caused by non-zero initial conditions and/or non-zero forcing terms

► Full Solution of the Forced Vibration Problem

The **general solution** consists of two parts: Full solution = Transient response + Forced response

1. **Transient response** (also called the **homogeneous solution**):

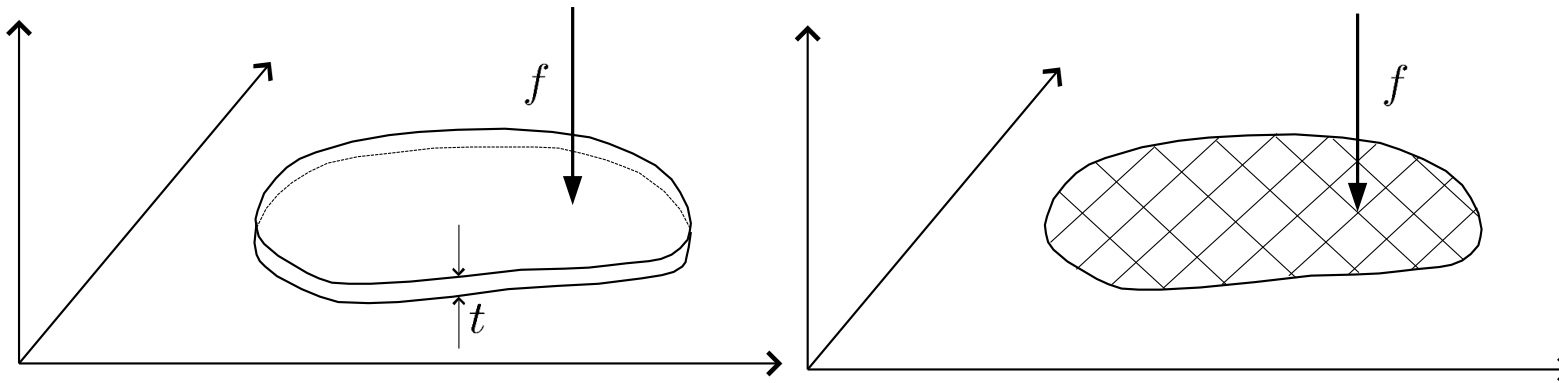
- Solution to the **free vibration** problem ($\{\mathbf{f}\}(t) = 0$).
- Captures the system's natural oscillations.
- Decays over time if damping is introduced (but in this case, we assume no damping).

2. **Forced response (particular solution)**:

- Accounts for **external forces** ($\{\mathbf{f}\}(t) \neq 0$).
- Depends on the frequency content of the applied force.
- Steady-state behavior remains even after transients decay.

Forcing types – point loads

► Point loading (for plates - in the vertical direction)

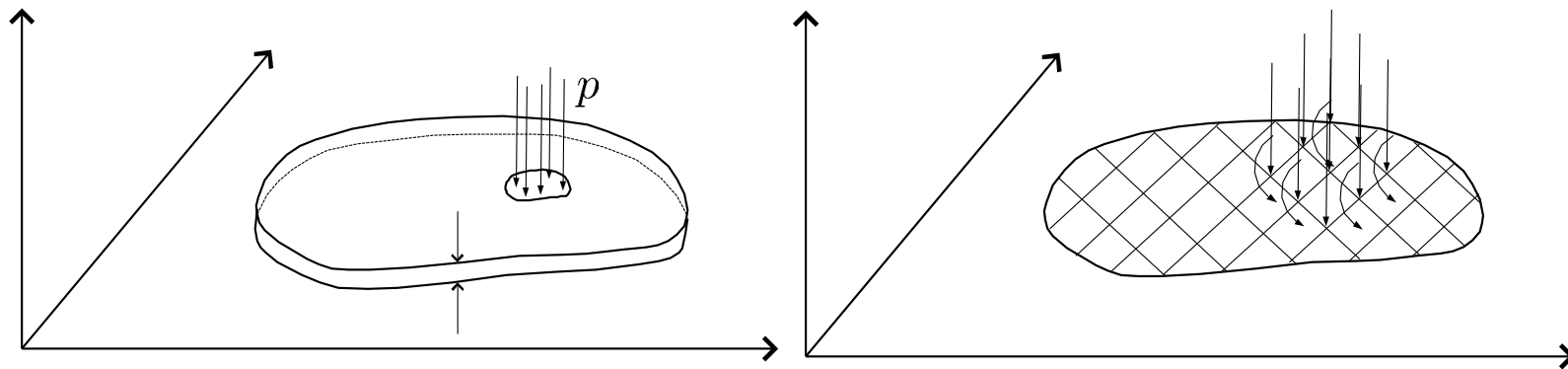


In the finite element formulation the force is included directly in the corresponding dof in the global force vector

$$\{\mathbf{f}(t)\} = \{0 \dots f \dots 0\}^T$$

Forcing types – distributed load

► Distributed load (again shown for the plate model)



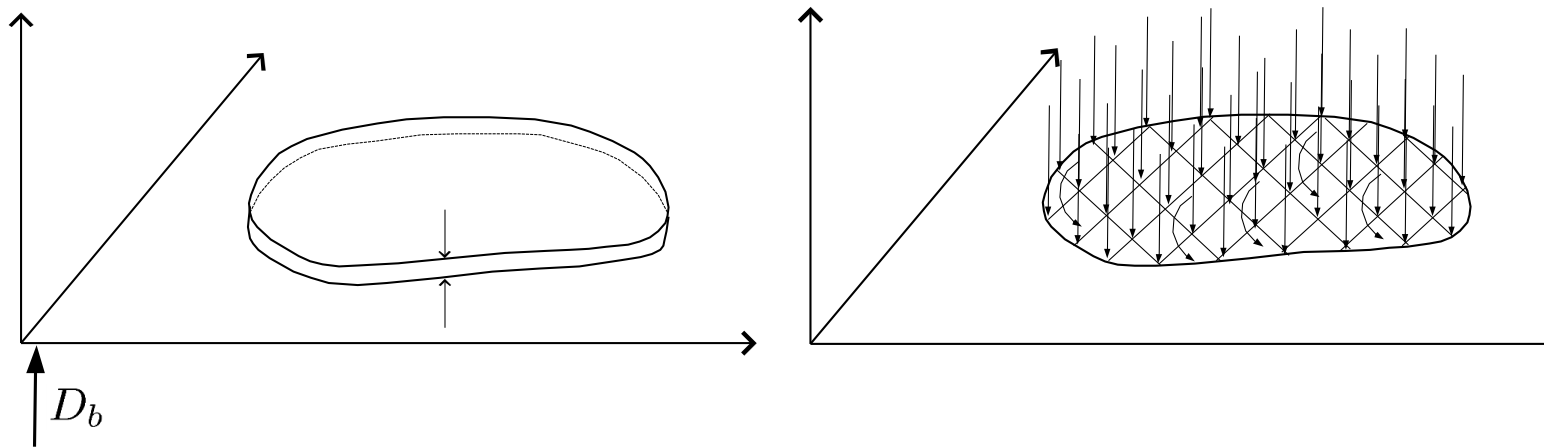
In the finite element formulation we build the consistent load vector by integrating over the element surface

$$\{\mathbf{f}(t)\} = \int_S [\mathbf{N}]^T p(t) dS = \{0 \dots f(t) M_x(t) M_y(t) \dots 0\}^T$$

Note that in the case of rectangular 12-dof Kirchhoff element (introduced in Chapter 1) the distributed pressure load gives rise to both forces and moments in the nodes

Forcing types – support excitation

► Support excitation



We express the displacements in the accelerated coordinate system and must express the inertial forces using the total acceleration

$$[\mathbf{M}](\{\ddot{\mathbf{D}}\} + \{\ddot{\mathbf{D}}_b\}) + [\mathbf{K}]\{\mathbf{D}\} = \{\mathbf{0}\}$$

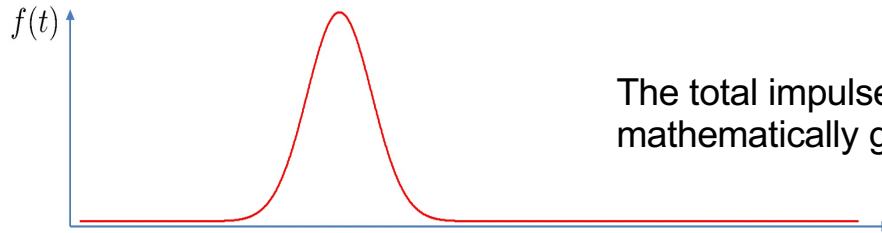
$$[\mathbf{M}]\{\ddot{\mathbf{D}}\} + [\mathbf{K}]\{\mathbf{D}\} = -[\mathbf{M}]\{\ddot{\mathbf{D}}_b\}$$

Support excitation results in a distributed excitation in the whole structure

Different types of external excitations in vibration analysis - 1

1. Impulse Loading

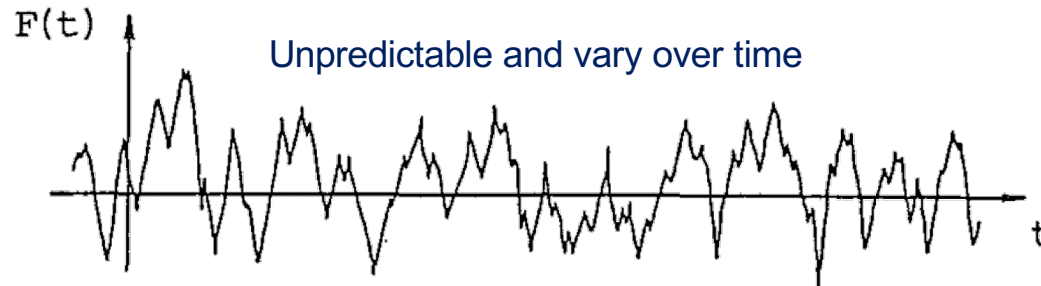
impulse force $f(t)$, which is a short-duration, high-intensity force applied to a system.



The total impulse applied is mathematically given by:
$$I = \int_0^T f(t) dt$$

- It can cause transient responses in structures, requiring both time-domain and frequency-domain analysis.
- An **earthquake**, where a sudden force is applied to buildings and infrastructure.

2. Random Excitation

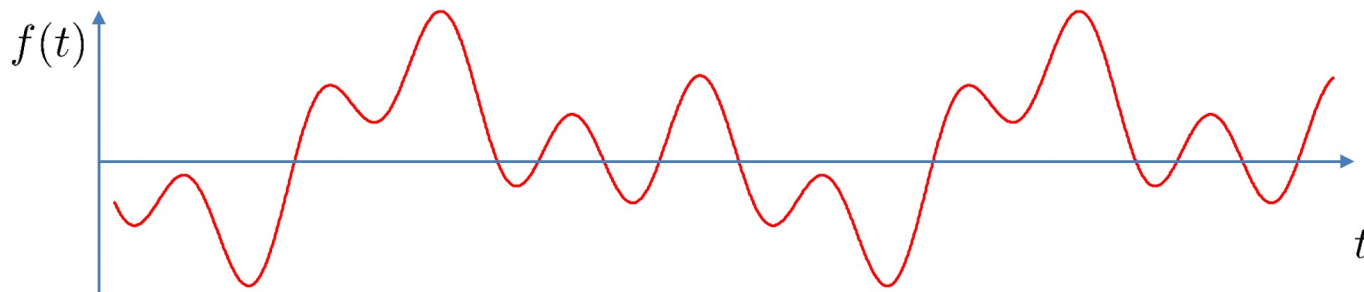


- These forces arise in environments with stochastic vibrations, such as:
 - Wind loads on tall buildings
 - Road-induced vibrations in vehicles
 - Turbulence effects on aerospace structures
- Because random excitation lacks periodicity, **statistical methods** like power spectral density (PSD) analysis or stochastic process modeling are necessary for analysis.

Different types of external excitations in vibration analysis - 2

3. Periodic Excitation

periodic forces, which repeat at regular intervals over time.



- Typical sources of periodic excitation include:
 - **Engine vibrations** due to rotating or reciprocating parts
 - **Mobile phone vibrators**, where an unbalanced rotating mass generates a sinusoidal force
 - **Ship rudder vibrations**, where hydrodynamic forces cause oscillatory motions
- These types of excitations are typically analyzed using **Fourier series** or **harmonic response analysis** to determine steady-state behavior.

Fourier Series Representation:

$$\{f(t)\} = \{f\}_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (\{f\}_i \cos \Omega_i t + \{g\}_i \sin \Omega_i t)$$

Since the system is **linear**, the response to a periodic excitation can be determined by **superposing** the individual responses to each sinusoidal component.

Direct Solution in Harmonic Analysis

The governing equation for a dynamic system is given by:

$$[\mathbf{M}]\{\ddot{\mathbf{D}}\}_j + [\mathbf{K}]\{\mathbf{D}\}_j = \{\mathbf{f}\}_j \cos \Omega_j t$$

where:

- $[\mathbf{M}]$ is the mass matrix
- $[\mathbf{K}]$ is the stiffness matrix
- $\{\mathbf{D}\}$ is the displacement response
- $\{\mathbf{f}\}$ is the applied force
- Ω is the excitation frequency

The solution can be assumed to be **harmonic**: $\{\mathbf{D}(t)\} = \{\mathbf{D}\} \cos \Omega t$

which inserted into the model equations gives

$$-\Omega^2[\mathbf{M}]\{\mathbf{D}\} + [\mathbf{K}]\{\mathbf{D}\} = \{\mathbf{f}\} \quad \text{The **frequency-domain equation** describing the response.}$$

- ✓ The system follows a time-harmonic response due to linearity.
- ✓ The equation transforms into an algebraic equation in the frequency domain.
- ✓ The solution provides insight into resonance and frequency response behavior.

Undamped Forced Vibrations

The resulting equations:

$$(-\Omega^2[\mathbf{M}] + [\mathbf{K}])\{\mathbf{D}\} = \{\mathbf{f}\}$$

Defining of system matrix (**dynamic stiffness matrix**): $[\mathbf{S}] = -\Omega^2[\mathbf{M}] + [\mathbf{K}]$

The equation then simplifies to:

$$[\mathbf{S}]\{\mathbf{D}\} = \{\mathbf{f}\} \quad \triangleright \text{ This equation resembles a static finite element equation but with a frequency-dependent matrix } [\mathbf{S}].$$

Properties:

- ✓ **Real Matrix:** $[\mathbf{S}]$ remains real in undamped cases but changes when damping is introduced.
- ✓ **Symmetric:** If both $[\mathbf{M}]$ and $[\mathbf{K}]$ are symmetric, then $[\mathbf{S}]$ is also symmetric.
- ✓ **Not Singular (in most cases):** Unlike $[\mathbf{K}]$, $[\mathbf{S}]$ is not necessarily singular unless boundary conditions dictate otherwise.
- ✓ **Not Positive Definite for Higher Frequencies:**
 - **For $\Omega < \omega_1$:** $[\mathbf{S}]$ is positive definite.
 - **For $\Omega > \omega_1$:** $[\mathbf{S}]$ is not positive definite, unlike the mass $[\mathbf{M}]$ and stiffness $[\mathbf{K}]$ matrices, which are usually positive definite.

Consequences:

- ◆ Efficient solvers for positive definite matrices cannot be used –Cholesky factorization (and also efficient iterative solvers for very large scale problems)
- ◆ The vibration response of an unsupported structure makes sense and can be computed

When the system matrix $[S]$ is positive definite

► Numerical Meaning:

1. Unique Solution Exists:

- The equation $[S]\{D\} = \{f\}$ always has a unique solution.
- Since $[S]$ is positive definite, it is **invertible**, meaning that $\{D\} = [S]^{-1} \{f\}$ exists and is well-defined.

2. Well-Conditioned System:

- A positive definite matrix generally leads to a **well-conditioned** system, meaning numerical methods (e.g., LU decomposition, Cholesky factorization) will be stable and efficient for solving the equation.

3. Cholesky Decomposition is Possible:

- Since $[S]$ is symmetric and positive definite, it can be factorized as:

$$[S] = [L][L]^T$$

where $[L]$ is a lower triangular matrix.

- This allows for efficient numerical solutions.

► Physical Meaning:

1. Stable and Stiff System:

- In **structural mechanics**, $[S]$ often represents the **stiffness matrix** $[K]$.
- If $[K]$ is positive definite, the structure is **stable** (i.e., no rigid body modes), and all deformations require positive energy.

2. Dynamic Systems and Natural Frequencies:

- If $[S]$ represents the **dynamic stiffness matrix** (e.g., $[K] - \Omega^2[M]$), then **all natural frequencies** Ω are **real and positive**.
- This ensures that the system does not have **unstable or imaginary frequencies**, which would indicate non-physical responses.

Solving the Equations in Forced Vibrations

The system equation for forced vibrations at frequency Ω

$$[\mathbf{S}(\Omega)]\{\mathbf{D}\} = \{\mathbf{f}\} \quad \text{where:}$$

- $[\mathbf{S}(\Omega)] = -\Omega^2[\mathbf{M}] + [\mathbf{K}]$ is the **dynamic stiffness matrix**.
- $\{\mathbf{D}\}$ is the **steady-state displacement vector**.
- $\{\mathbf{f}\}$ is the **forcing vector**.

Solution Using the Receptance Matrix

$$\{\mathbf{D}\} = [\mathbf{H}(\Omega)]\{\mathbf{f}\}$$

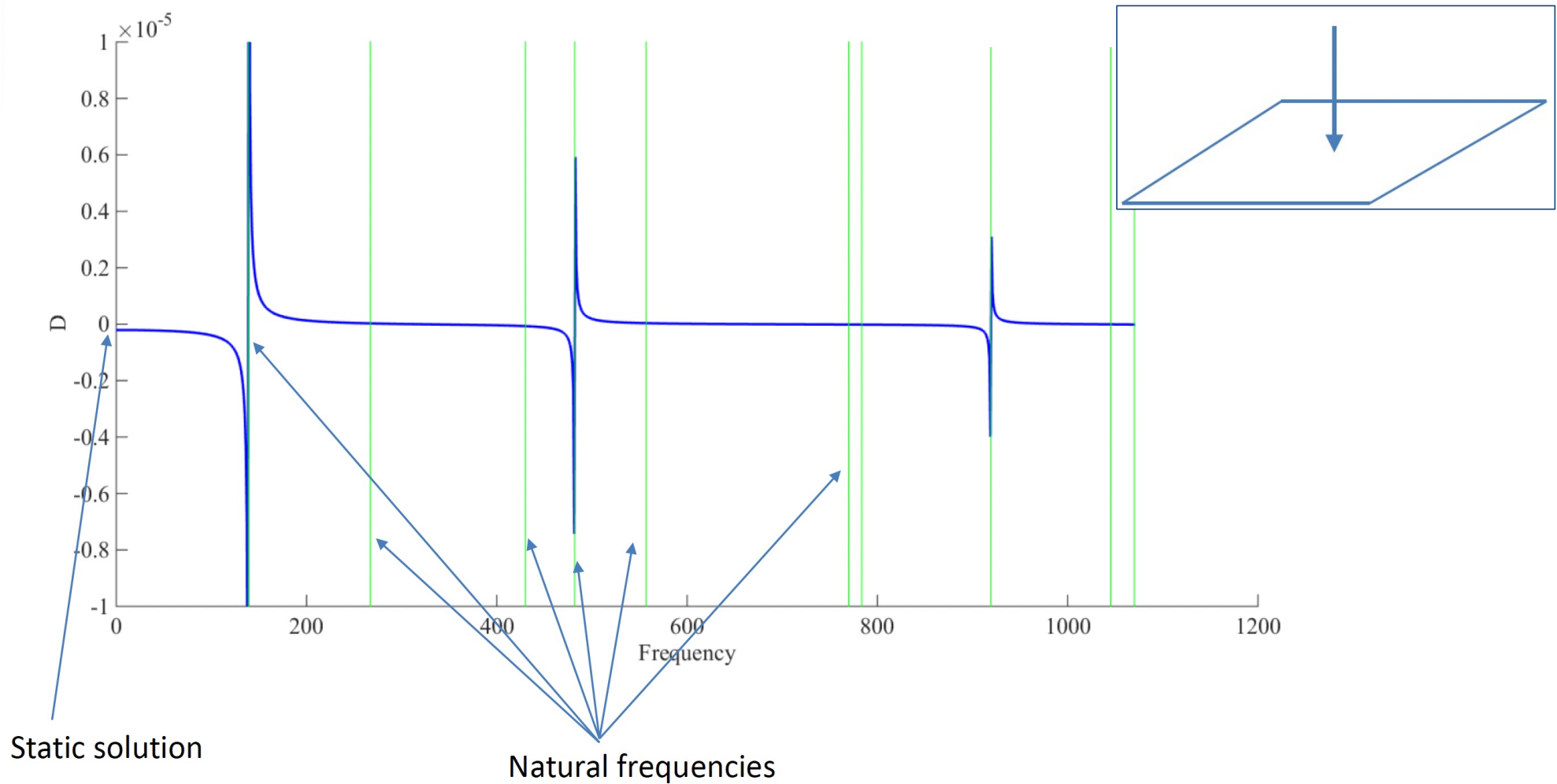
The **receptance matrix** (also called the frequency response function, FRF) is defined as:

$$[\mathbf{H}(\Omega)] = [\mathbf{S}(\Omega)]^{-1}$$

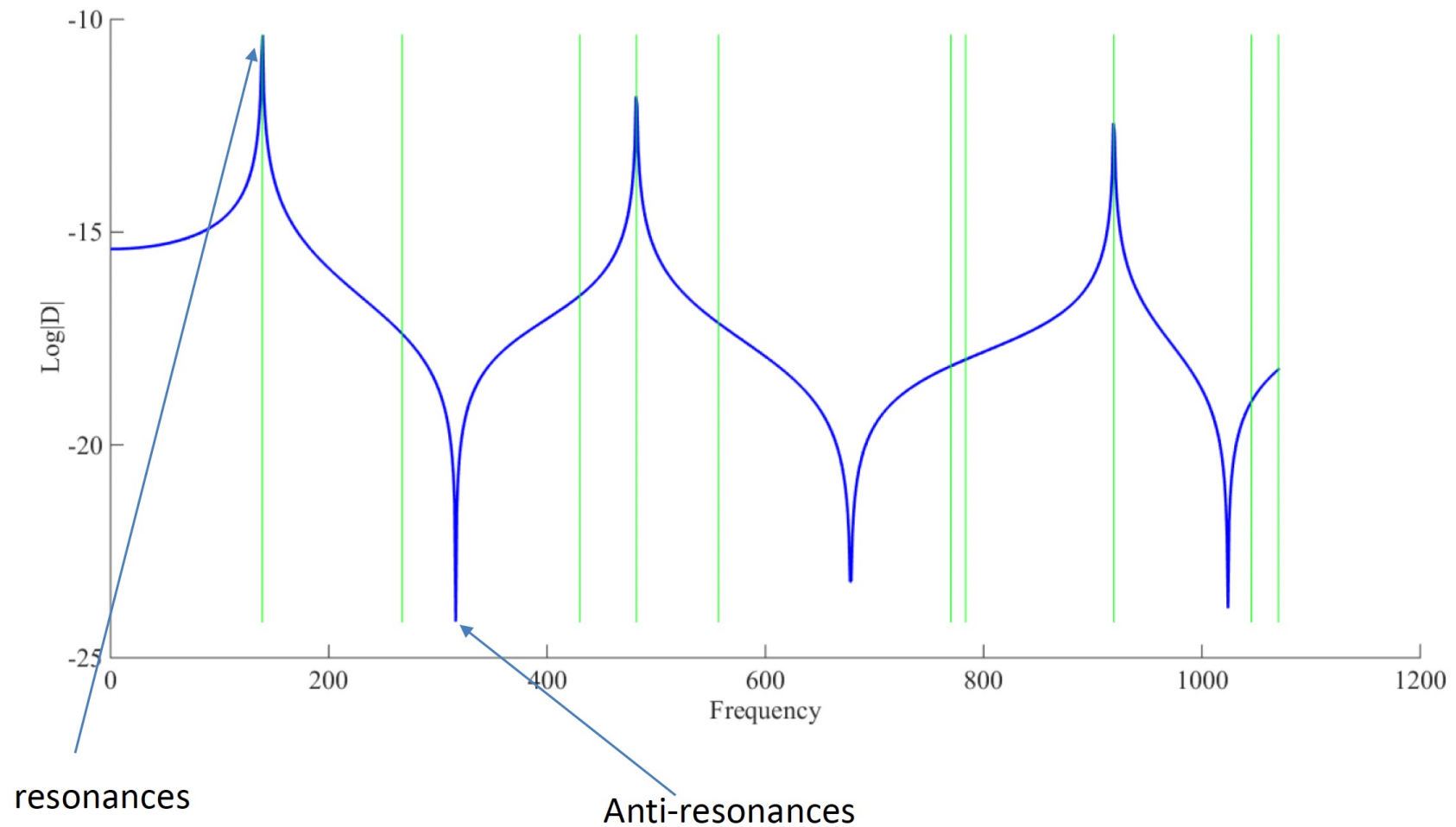
Computational Considerations

- **Important:** $[\mathbf{H}]$ is **not explicitly formed** because computing the full inverse matrix $[\mathbf{S}(\Omega)]^{-1}$ is computationally expensive, especially for large systems.
- Instead, **direct solvers** or **iterative methods** (such as LU factorization or Krylov subspace methods) are used to solve for $\{\mathbf{D}\}$ without explicitly forming $[\mathbf{H}]$.

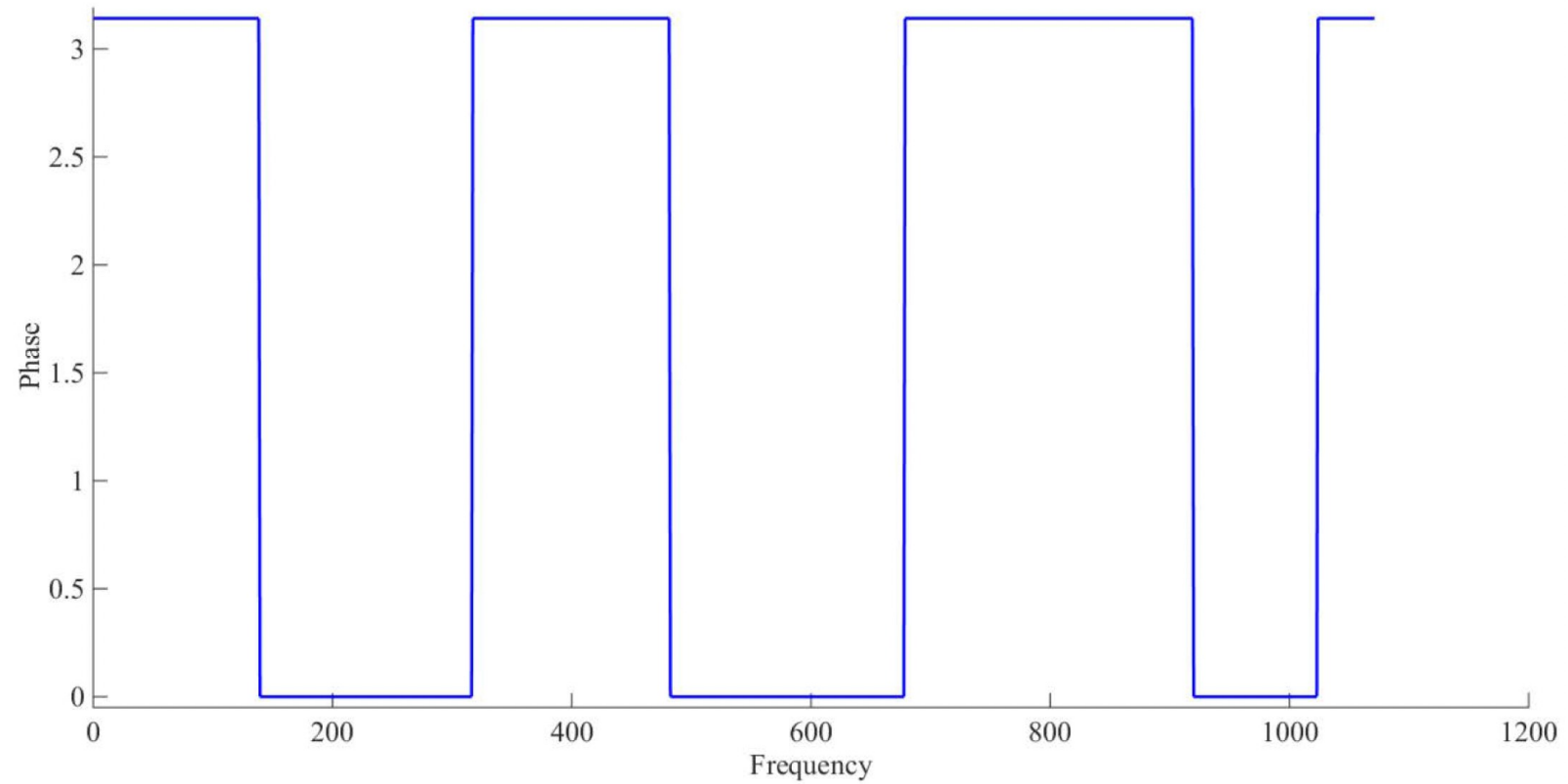
Frequency response



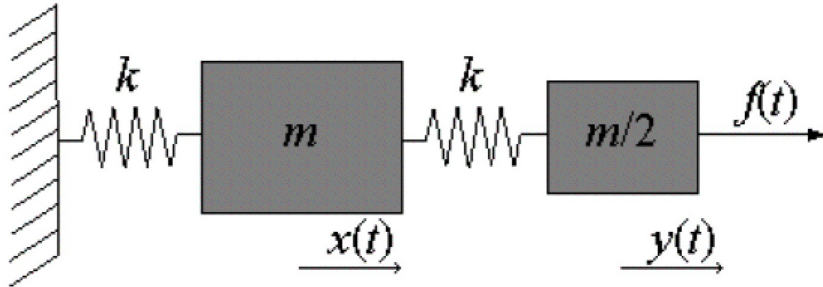
Frequency response ($\log(|D|)$)



Phase



2-Degree-of-Freedom (2DOF) System: Equation of Motion



Equation for Mass m $m\ddot{x} = -kx - k(x - y)$

Equation for Mass $m/2$ $\frac{m}{2}\ddot{y} + ky - kx = f(t)$

Writing in Matrix Form

$$\begin{bmatrix} m & 0 \\ 0 & m/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \ddot{x} \\ \ddot{y} \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2k & -k \\ -k & k \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x \\ y \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ f(t) \end{Bmatrix}$$

$$[M]\{\ddot{q}\} + [K]\{q\} = \{F\}$$

Mass Matrix:

$$[M] = \begin{bmatrix} m & 0 \\ 0 & m/2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Stiffness Matrix:

$$[K] = \begin{bmatrix} 2k & -k \\ -k & k \end{bmatrix}$$

Displacement Vector:

$$\{q\} = \begin{Bmatrix} x \\ y \end{Bmatrix}$$

Forcing Vector:

$$\{F\} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ f(t) \end{Bmatrix}$$

Eigenvalue Problem for the 2DOF System

The equation of motion for the **undamped free vibration** of the system is:

$$[M]\{\ddot{q}\} + [K]\{q\} = 0$$

Substituting the **mass matrix** and **stiffness matrix**:

$$\begin{bmatrix} m & 0 \\ 0 & m/2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \ddot{x} \\ \ddot{y} \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2k & -k \\ -k & k \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x \\ y \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

Assuming **harmonic motion**:

$$\{q(t)\} = \{Q\}e^{j\omega t}, \quad \{\ddot{q}(t)\} = -\omega^2\{Q\}e^{j\omega t}$$

Substituting into the equation:

$$([K] - \omega^2[M])\{Q\} = 0 \quad \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2k & -k \\ -k & k \end{bmatrix} - \omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} m & 0 \\ 0 & m/2 \end{bmatrix} \right) \begin{Bmatrix} X \\ Y \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{Bmatrix}$$

For a non-trivial solution, the determinant of the coefficient matrix must be **zero**:

$$\det \left(\begin{bmatrix} 2k - \omega^2 m & -k \\ -k & k - \frac{1}{2}\omega^2 m \end{bmatrix} \right) = 0$$

Eigenvalue Problem for the 2DOF System

Solving for Natural Frequencies $(2k - \omega^2 m) \left(k - \frac{1}{2} \omega^2 m \right) - k^2 = 0$

Rearranging into a quadratic equation in ω^2 $\frac{1}{2} \omega^4 m^2 - 2\omega^2 mk + k^2 = 0$ Solving for ω^2 using the **quadratic formula**

Thus, the **natural frequencies** are $\omega_1 = \sqrt{\frac{(2 - \sqrt{2})k}{m}}$, $\omega_2 = \sqrt{\frac{(2 + \sqrt{2})k}{m}}$

► Finding the Mode Shapes

For each ω , we solve for **relative displacement** Φ .

$$\begin{bmatrix} (2 - (2 - \sqrt{2}))k & -k \\ -k & ((1 - \frac{1}{2}(2 - \sqrt{2}))k) \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} X \\ Y \end{Bmatrix} = 0$$

For $\omega_1^2 = \frac{(2 - \sqrt{2})k}{m}$: $\{\Phi_1\} = \begin{Bmatrix} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{m}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} \end{Bmatrix}$

✓ **First mode** Φ_1

- The two masses move **in phase** (same direction but with different amplitudes).

For $\omega_2^2 = \frac{(2 + \sqrt{2})k}{m}$: $\{\Phi_2\} = \begin{Bmatrix} -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2\sqrt{m}} \\ \frac{1}{\sqrt{m}} \end{Bmatrix}$

✓ **Second mode** Φ_2

- The two masses move **out of phase** (opposite directions).

Receptance Matrix for the 2DOF System

The **dynamic stiffness matrix** (also called the system matrix) for the **2-degree-of-freedom (2DOF) system** is:

$$[\mathbf{S}] = \begin{bmatrix} 2k - \Omega^2 m & -k \\ -k & k - \frac{1}{2}\Omega^2 m \end{bmatrix}$$

► Definition of the Receptance Matrix

The **receptance matrix** (also called the **frequency response function matrix**) is the **inverse of the system matrix**.

$$[\mathbf{H}] = [\mathbf{S}]^{-1} \quad [\mathbf{S}]^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det([\mathbf{S}])} \text{adj}([\mathbf{S}]) \quad \text{where:}$$

- $\det([\mathbf{S}])$ is the determinant of $[\mathbf{S}]$,
- $\text{adj}([\mathbf{S}])$ is the adjugate (cofactor matrix transpose) of $[\mathbf{S}]$.

$$\det([\mathbf{S}]) = m^2 \Omega^4 - 4mk\Omega^2 + 2k^2 \quad \text{or} \quad \det([\mathbf{S}]) = m(\Omega^2 - \omega_1^2)(\Omega^2 - \omega_2^2)$$

$$\text{adj}([\mathbf{S}]) = \begin{bmatrix} k - \frac{1}{2}\Omega^2 m & k \\ k & 2k - \Omega^2 m \end{bmatrix}$$

$$[\mathbf{H}] = \frac{1}{m(\Omega^2 - \omega_1^2)(\Omega^2 - \omega_2^2)} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2k}{m} - \Omega^2 & \frac{2k}{m} \\ \frac{2k}{m} & 2\left(\frac{2k}{m} - \Omega^2\right) \end{bmatrix}$$

Solution to the Vibration Problem for the 2DOF System

For a **linear system** subjected to harmonic excitation, the displacement response can be expressed as:

$$[\mathbf{S}]\{\mathbf{D}\} = \{\mathbf{f}\}$$

$$[\mathbf{H}] = [\mathbf{S}]^{-1}$$

$$\{\mathbf{D}\} = [\mathbf{H}]\{\mathbf{f}\}$$

$$[\mathbf{H}] = \frac{1}{m(\Omega^2 - \omega_1^2)(\Omega^2 - \omega_2^2)} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2k}{m} - \Omega^2 & \frac{2k}{m} \\ \frac{2k}{m} & 2\left(\frac{2k}{m} - \Omega^2\right) \end{bmatrix}$$

For our **2DOF system**, this equation simplifies to:

$$\begin{Bmatrix} x \\ y \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} H_{11} & H_{12} \\ H_{21} & H_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} f_x \\ f_y \end{Bmatrix}$$

where:

- H_{ij} are the elements of the **receptance matrix** $[\mathbf{H}]$,
- f_x and f_y are the external forces applied to the two masses,
- x and y are the displacement responses of the masses.

Expanding: $x = H_{11}f_x + H_{12}f_y$

$$y = H_{21}f_x + H_{22}f_y$$

Resonance Condition

► What Happens at Natural Frequencies?

$$[\mathbf{H}] = \frac{1}{m(\Omega^2 - \omega_1^2)(\Omega^2 - \omega_2^2)} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{2k}{m} - \Omega^2 & \frac{2k}{m} \\ \frac{2k}{m} & 2\left(\frac{2k}{m} - \Omega^2\right) \end{bmatrix}$$

- The **denominator** of $[\mathbf{H}]$ contains the product $(\Omega^2 - \omega_1^2)(\Omega^2 - \omega_2^2)$
- When the excitation frequency **matches a natural frequency** ($\Omega = \omega_1$ or $\Omega = \omega_2$), the denominator **approaches zero**, causing:

$$H_{11}, H_{12}, H_{21}, H_{22} \rightarrow \infty$$

- This means that the displacement **tends to infinity**, leading to **resonance**

► Key Observations

- ✓ **Resonance is Global:** It affects **all degrees of freedom** (x and y).
- ✓ **Coupled Behavior:** Due to the **off-diagonal terms** (H_{12}, H_{21}), even if a force is applied to **one mass**, both masses respond.
- ✓ **Practical Implications:**
 - Structures and machines should **avoid operating** near natural frequencies.
 - **Damping** is introduced in real-world systems to **reduce resonance effects**.

Anti-Resonances in a 2DOF System

► Definition of Anti-Resonance

- The **receptance matrix** $[H]$ describes how the system responds to external forces at different frequencies.
- When a diagonal element of $[H]$ becomes **zero**, the system does not respond to forces applied at that degree of freedom.
- These frequencies are called **anti-resonance frequencies**.

$$H_{11} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Omega = \sqrt{\frac{2k}{m}} \qquad H_{22} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \Omega = \sqrt{\frac{2k}{m}}$$

► What Does This Mean?

- At **anti-resonance frequencies**, a force applied at a given mass **does not contribute to its vibration**.
- Unlike resonance, where the system vibrates excessively, **anti-resonance results in no vibration** at that degree of freedom.

► How Does Anti-Resonance Occur?

- Anti-resonances arise due to **destructive interference** in the dynamic system.
- The motion of one mass cancels out the effect of an external force at that frequency.

Key Observations

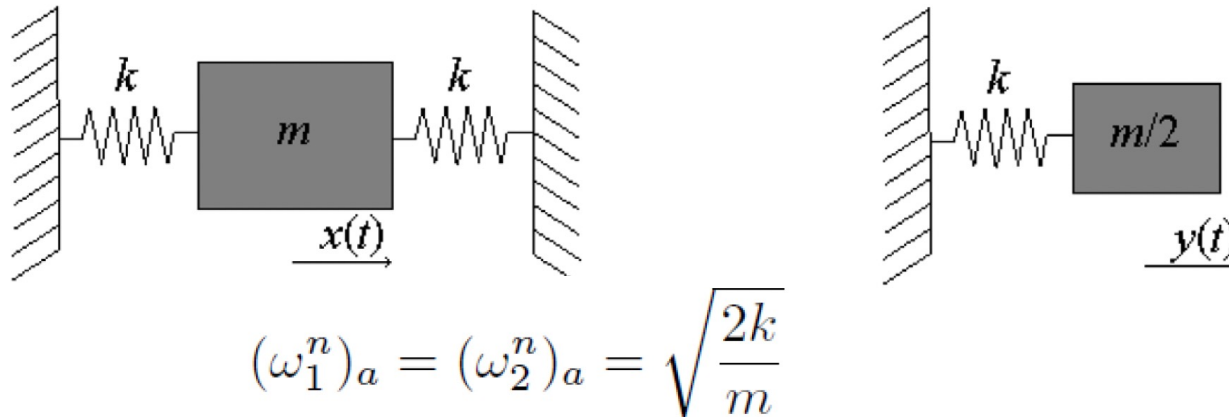
- ✓ **Anti-resonance frequencies are system-dependent**, determined by the mass and stiffness properties.
- ✓ **Each mass has its own anti-resonance behavior**, but they may coincide in some cases.
- ✓ **Practical Implications:**
 - Anti-resonance is **useful for vibration isolation**, where systems can be designed to **avoid transmission of forces**.

Anti-Resonances in a 2DOF System

► Anti-Resonance vs. Resonance

- **Resonance occurs when** the excitation frequency Ω matches a **natural frequency** ω_j , causing **maximum response**.
- **Anti-resonance occurs when** the excitation frequency matches a frequency where the response at a particular mass is **completely canceled**.

The **anti-resonance frequency** for a given mass corresponds to the **resonance frequency of a modified system** where that mass is fixed.



Thus, the **anti-resonance frequency of the original 2DOF system** is the **natural frequency of the simplified system with one mass fixed**.

Modal Superposition Method - 1

The **modal superposition method** is a powerful approach for solving the **equations of motion** for multi-degree-of-freedom (MDOF) systems by utilizing **mode shapes and natural frequencies**.

The general equation of motion for a system subjected to **harmonic excitation** is:

$$[\mathbf{M}]\{\ddot{\mathbf{D}}\} + [\mathbf{K}]\{\mathbf{D}\} = \{\mathbf{f}\} \cos \Omega t$$

► Modal Expansion of the Solution

- Using **modal superposition**, we expand the displacement vector in terms of **mode shapes**:

$$\{\mathbf{D}\} = \sum_{j=1}^n \{\Phi\}_j \varphi_j = [\mathbf{P}]\{\varphi\}$$

where:

- $\{\Phi\}_j$ are the **mode shape vectors** (eigenvectors),
- φ_j are the **generalized coordinates** (modal displacements),
- $[\mathbf{P}]$ is the **modal matrix**, composed of the eigenvectors:

$$[\mathbf{P}] = [\{\Phi\}_1 \quad \{\Phi\}_2 \quad \dots \quad \{\Phi\}_n]$$

Since the mode shapes are **mass-normalized**, they satisfy:

$$[\mathbf{P}]^T [\mathbf{M}] [\mathbf{P}] = [\mathbf{I}]$$

$$[\mathbf{P}]^T [\mathbf{K}] [\mathbf{P}] = [\Lambda]$$

where $[\Lambda]$ is the **diagonal matrix of eigenvalues**.

Modal Superposition Method - 2

Substituting **modal expansion** into the original equation: $[\mathbf{P}]^T [\mathbf{M}] [\mathbf{P}] = [\mathbf{I}]$

$$[\mathbf{M}] [\mathbf{P}] \{\ddot{\varphi}\} + [\mathbf{K}] [\mathbf{P}] \{\varphi\} = \{\mathbf{f}\} \cos \Omega t \quad [\mathbf{P}]^T [\mathbf{K}] [\mathbf{P}] = [\mathbf{\Lambda}]$$

Multiplying by $[\mathbf{P}]^T$ from the left:

$$[\mathbf{I}] \{\ddot{\varphi}\} + [\mathbf{\Lambda}] \{\varphi\} = [\mathbf{P}]^T \{\mathbf{f}\} \cos \Omega t$$

$$[\mathbf{P}]^T [\mathbf{M}] [\mathbf{P}] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \quad [\mathbf{P}]^T [\mathbf{K}] [\mathbf{P}] = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1^2 & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & \omega_2^2 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & \omega_n^2 \end{bmatrix} \quad [\mathbf{P}]^T \{\mathbf{f}\} = \begin{Bmatrix} \{\Phi\}_1^T \{\mathbf{f}\} \\ \{\Phi\}_2^T \{\mathbf{f}\} \\ \vdots \\ \{\Phi\}_n^T \{\mathbf{f}\} \end{Bmatrix}$$

Since $[\mathbf{I}]$ is the **identity matrix**, we get **n independent single-degree-of-freedom (SDOF) equations**:

$$\ddot{\varphi}_j + \lambda_j \varphi_j = [\mathbf{P}]_j^T \{\mathbf{f}\} \cos \Omega t \quad \text{where:}$$

- $\lambda_j = \omega_j^2$ is the **eigenvalue corresponding to mode j** .

Each equation can be solved **independently** using standard **SDOF vibration solutions**.

Decoupled Modal Equations

The **modal superposition method** simplifies the equations of motion for **multi-degree-of-freedom (MDOF) systems** by transforming them into a set of **independent equations** for each mode

$$\ddot{\varphi}_1 + \omega_1^2 \varphi_1 = g_1 \cos \Omega t$$

$$\ddot{\varphi}_2 + \omega_2^2 \varphi_2 = g_2 \cos \Omega t \quad \text{where: } g_i = \{\Phi\}_i^T \{\mathbf{f}\}$$

$$\ddot{\varphi}_n + \omega_n^2 \varphi_n = g_n \cos \Omega t$$

► Physical Interpretation

Excitation of Modes

- The **response in each mode is independent** and follows the equation of motion for a **forced vibration system**.
- The **modal force** g_i determines the **participation of each mode** in the response.
- **Not all modes are excited by a given force distribution!** If the force vector $\{\mathbf{f}\}$ is **orthogonal** to a mode shape $\{\Phi\}$, then:

$$g_i = \{\Phi\}_i^T \{\mathbf{f}\} = 0$$

meaning that **mode i will not be excited**.

Nodal Points and Symmetric Loading

- If an external force **acts at a nodal point** of a mode, that mode will **not be excited**.
- **Symmetric loads cannot excite asymmetric modes**, and vice versa.

Solving the Modal Equations in Forced Vibration

Each **decoupled modal equation** is of the form:

$$\ddot{\varphi}_j + \omega_j^2 \varphi_j = g_j \cos \Omega t$$

The steady-state **particular solution** of this equation is:

$$\varphi_j(t) = \frac{g_j}{\omega_j^2 - \Omega^2} \cos \Omega t \quad \checkmark \text{ This shows that **each mode responds independently** to the forcing function.}$$

Since the total displacement $\{\mathbf{D}(t)\}$ is obtained by summing the contributions from all modes:

$$\{\mathbf{D}(t)\} = \sum_{j=1}^n \{\Phi\}_j \varphi_j(t)$$

$$[\mathbf{P}] = [\{\Phi\}_1 \quad \{\Phi\}_2 \quad \dots \quad \{\Phi\}_n]$$

Expressing this in **matrix form**:

$$\{\mathbf{D}(t)\} = [\mathbf{P}] \begin{Bmatrix} \varphi_1 \\ \varphi_2 \\ \vdots \\ \varphi_n \end{Bmatrix} = [\mathbf{P}] \begin{Bmatrix} \frac{g_1}{\omega_1^2 - \Omega^2} \\ \frac{g_2}{\omega_2^2 - \Omega^2} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{g_n}{\omega_n^2 - \Omega^2} \end{Bmatrix} \cos \Omega t$$

Solving the Modal Equations in Forced Vibration

$$\{\mathbf{D}(t)\} = [\mathbf{P}] \left\{ \frac{g_1}{\omega_1^2 - \Omega^2} \quad \frac{g_2}{\omega_2^2 - \Omega^2} \quad \cdots \quad \frac{g_n}{\omega_n^2 - \Omega^2} \right\}^T \cos \Omega t$$

The **denominators** $\omega_j^2 - \Omega^2$ indicate how each mode responds to excitation.

► Resonance Condition

- If the excitation frequency Ω is **close to a natural frequency** ω_j :

$$\omega_j^2 - \Omega^2 \approx 0$$

then the displacement $\{\mathbf{D}(t)\}$ **diverges** (i.e., becomes very large), leading to **resonance**.

► Mode Participation

- The contribution of each mode **depends on the modal force** g_i .
- If $g_i = 0$ for a certain mode, that mode **does not participate** in the response.
- The total response is a **linear combination of modal contributions**, weighted by the **force distribution and frequency response**.

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► Final Expression for the Amplitude Vector

Using **modal superposition**, the displacement vector is given by:

$$\{\mathbf{D}\} = [\mathbf{P}] \begin{Bmatrix} \frac{g_1}{\omega_1^2 - \Omega^2} \\ \frac{g_2}{\omega_2^2 - \Omega^2} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{g_n}{\omega_n^2 - \Omega^2} \end{Bmatrix} = \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{g_j}{\omega_j^2 - \Omega^2} \{\Phi\}_j$$
$$g_i = \{\Phi\}_i^T \{\mathbf{f}\}$$
$$[\mathbf{P}] = [\{\Phi\}_1 \quad \{\Phi\}_2 \quad \dots \quad \{\Phi\}_n]$$

This expression shows that **each mode contributes to the total displacement**, weighted by its **modal force** and frequency response function.

► Truncation of Modal Expansion

In practice, using **all modes** (n) is not always necessary. Instead, we approximate the displacement response using only the **first N dominant modes**:

$$\{\mathbf{D}\} \approx \{\mathbf{D}\}_N = \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{g_j}{\omega_j^2 - \Omega^2} \{\Phi\}_j$$

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► How to Choose N ?

The number of modes N should be chosen based on the following factors:

$$\{\mathbf{D}\} \approx \{\mathbf{D}\}_N = \sum_{j=1}^N \frac{g_j}{\omega_j^2 - \Omega^2} \{\Phi\}_j$$

✓ Low-Frequency Dominance:

- In most **structural vibration problems**, **lower-order modes** contribute the most to the response.
- Higher-frequency modes are **less excited** unless the excitation frequency is high.

✓ Frequency Range of Interest:

- If the **excitation frequency** Ω is **close to a specific mode** ω_j , that mode must be included.

✓ Energy Contribution of Modes:

- Higher modes may have very **small modal forces** ($g_i \approx 0$), meaning they contribute little to the response.

✓ Engineering Approximation:

- For **practical applications**, a small number of modes (e.g., **first 5–10 modes**) is often **sufficient**

► Practical Engineering Considerations

- If $\Omega \approx \omega_j$ for a certain mode, that mode **dominates the response**, and it must be included in the truncation.
- Higher-order modes are often **important in acoustic, aerospace, and impact problems**, where high-frequency effects cannot be ignored.

Modal Acceleration Method (Static Correction)

► Motivation for Static Correction

- When using **truncated modal expansion**, higher-order modes are **neglected**, which can lead to **errors in displacement estimation**.
- A **static correction** accounts for the **missing contributions** of the truncated modes, improving accuracy **without computing additional high-frequency modes**.

► Static Correction Formula

- The **corrected displacement** is given by:

$$\{\mathbf{D}\}_a = \{\mathbf{D}\}_N + \{\mathbf{D}\}_{sc}$$

where:

- $\{\mathbf{D}\}_a$ is the **accurate displacement including static correction**.
- $\{\mathbf{D}\}_N$ is the **truncated modal expansion** (sum of NNN modal contributions).
- $\{\mathbf{D}\}_{sc}$ is the **static correction displacement**.

► Static Correction as a Static Problem

The static correction $\{\mathbf{D}\}_{sc}$ is obtained by solving a **static equilibrium equation**:

$$[\mathbf{K}]\{\mathbf{D}\}_{sc} = \{\mathbf{f}\}_{sc}$$

where:

- $[\mathbf{K}]$ is the **stiffness matrix**,
- $\{\mathbf{f}\}_{sc}$ is the **static correction load**.

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► Computation of the Static Correction Load

The static correction load is given by:

$$\{\mathbf{f}\}_{sc} = \{\mathbf{f}\} - [\mathbf{M}][\mathbf{P}]_N\{\mathbf{g}\}_N$$

which can be expanded as:

$$\{\mathbf{f}\}_{sc} = \{\mathbf{f}\} - \sum_{j=1}^N g_j [\mathbf{M}]\{\Phi\}_j$$

where:

- $\{\mathbf{f}\}$ is the **original force vector**,
- $g_j = \{\Phi\}_j^T \{\mathbf{f}\}$ is the **modal force for mode j**
- $[\mathbf{M}]$ is the **mass matrix**,
- $\{\Phi\}_j$ are the **mode shape vectors** for the included modes.

► Practical Importance

- ✓ **Reduces error from modal truncation** by approximating the effect of **neglected high-frequency modes**.
- ✓ **Improves accuracy of displacement calculations**, especially for **low-frequency approximations**.
- ✓ **Commonly used in structural and vibration analysis**, particularly in **FEA applications** where computing all modes is impractical.