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Given,

masses m_1, m_2, m_3

vertical displacement

as shown in the below figure

W.K.T

by Hooke's law

$$F = -kx$$

where

x = extension in spring's

and gravity (mg) is acting downwards.

Thus,

Equation's of Motion's

$$\begin{aligned} -k_2(y_2 - y_1) + k_1 y_1 &= -m_1 \ddot{y}_1 \\ &= -m_1 \ddot{y}_2 \end{aligned}$$

$$k_2(y_2 - y_1) - k_1 y_1 = m_1 \ddot{y}_1$$

$$k_3(y_3 - y_2) - k_2(y_2 - y_1) = m_2 \ddot{y}_2$$

$$-k_3(y_3 - y_2) = m_3 \ddot{y}_3$$

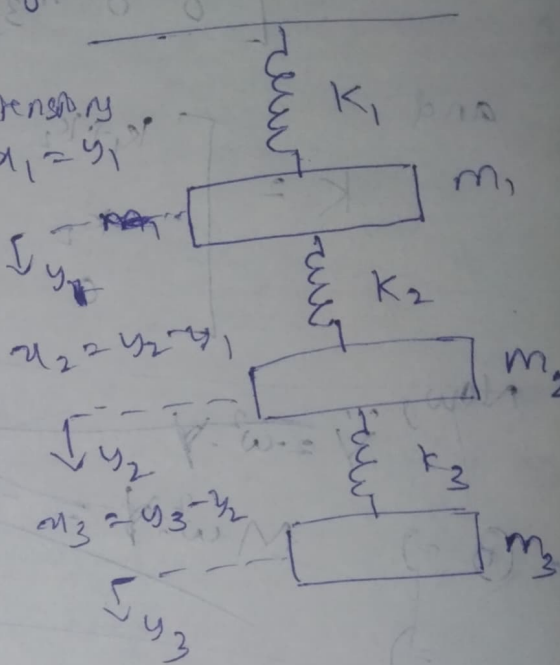
Thus,

$$(k_1 + k_2)y_1 + k_2 y_2 = m_1 \ddot{y}_1$$

$$k_2 y_1 + (k_2 + k_3)y_2 + k_3 y_3 = m_2 \ddot{y}_2$$

$$k_3 y_2 - k_3 y_3 = m_3 \ddot{y}_3$$

y_1, y_2, y_3



Thus,

$$F = -KX$$

Conus

$$M\ddot{Y} = -KY \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

where

$$M = \begin{bmatrix} m_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_3 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \ddot{Y} = \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{y}_1 \\ \ddot{y}_2 \\ \ddot{y}_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

and

$$K = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 + k_2 & -k_2 & 0 \\ -k_2 & k_2 + k_3 & -k_3 \\ 0 & -k_3 & k_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

Now,

~~$\ddot{Y} = -\omega^2 Y$ displacement~~
 ~~$M\omega^2 Y = -KY$~~

Now let

let

$$Y = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 e^{i\omega t} \\ a_2 e^{i\omega t} \\ a_3 e^{i\omega t} \end{bmatrix} = A e^{i\omega t}$$

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{Y} = \frac{d^2}{dt^2} A e^{i\omega t} = A (i\omega)(i\omega) e^{i\omega t} = -A\omega^2 e^{i\omega t}$$

$$\Rightarrow M\ddot{Y} = -KY$$

$$\Rightarrow M(-A\omega^2 e^{i\omega t}) = -K A e^{i\omega t}$$

$$\Rightarrow (K - M\omega^2) A e^{i\omega t} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (K - M\omega^2) \cdot A = 0$$

Now, ignore the trivial solution $A=0$ (~~non~~)

Then

$$|K - M\omega^2| = 0$$

Given,

$$k_1 = k_2 = k_3 = 1,$$

$$m_1 = m_2 = 2,$$

$$m_3 = 4.$$

Now

$$K - M\omega^2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix} - \omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix} = \omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} 2-2\omega^2 & -1 & 0 \\ -1 & 2-2\omega^2 & -1 \\ 0 & -1 & 1-4\omega^2 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$|K - M\omega^2| = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2-2\omega^2) \left((2-2\omega^2)(1-4\omega^2) - 1 \right) + ((4\omega^2-1)) + 0 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2-2\omega^2) (2-8\omega^2-2\omega^2+8\omega^4-1) + 4\omega^2-1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2-2\omega^2) (8\omega^4-10\omega^2+1) + 4\omega^2-1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 16\omega^4 - 20\omega^2 + 2 + 16\omega^6 + 20\omega^4 - 2\omega^2 + 4\omega^2 - 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -16\omega^6 + 36\omega^4 - 18\omega^2 + 1 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 16\omega^6 + 36\omega^4 + 18\omega^2 - 1 = 0$$

On solving we get

$$\omega = \pm 1.24, \pm \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}, \pm \sqrt{\frac{3}{4}}, \pm \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$\omega = \pm 1.24, \pm 1.24, \pm 0.79, \pm 0.25$$

$$\omega = 1.24, 0.79, 0.25$$

thus we get 3 frequencies $\Rightarrow \omega_1 = 1.24, 0.79, 0.25$