

FYS2150

Lab Report: Elasticity

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Abstract

Determining the Young's modulus of a brass rod by measuring the deflection in three-point bending and determining its root frequency. Comparing the two methods and investigating if their results overlap.

1 Introduction

2 Theory

2.1 Three-point bending

From the Euler-Bernoulli beam theory [4], it follows that the deflection of a beam supported by two points of distance l and a load mg halfway between the two knives is given by

$$h(m) = \frac{mgl^3}{48EI} \quad (1)$$

Where E denotes the Young's modulus [2] of the beam and I the second moment area given by

$$I = \frac{\pi d^4}{4 \cdot 2^4} \quad (2)$$

Where d denotes the diameter of the beam.

Further, Eqn. 1 can be rewritten in the following way

$$E = \frac{4l^3g}{3\pi|A|d^4} \quad (3)$$

Where $A \equiv h(m)/m$, which can be obtained as the gradient from a linear fit on the data gathered when varying the load subjected and on the beam and recording the resulting deflection. Which gives the following relationship

$$h(m) = Am + B \quad (4)$$

2.2 Sound emitted from a brass rod

When struck on its axial side, a metallic rod of certain specifications emit an audible sound made up of signals of varying frequencies. The most audible of which is the root tone. The root tones' frequency is determined by Eqn. 5 where d denotes the diameter of the rod, M its mass, L its length and E its Young's modulus.

$$f = \frac{d}{4} \sqrt{\frac{\pi E}{ML}} \quad (5)$$

2.3 Beats

$$f_S = \frac{|\omega - \omega'|}{2} \frac{1}{2\pi} \quad (6)$$

When two signals of similar frequencies, ω, ω' , superimpose, there is an audible beat of a certain frequency, f_S . The frequency of this audible beat is given by Eqn. 6, and becomes shorter the lower the difference in frequencies between the two signals.

2.4 Errors

When performing arithmetic operations on recorded data, the uncertainty in the data must also carry over to the derived results. How these uncertainties are propagated in different operations can be found in Practical Physics [1].

3 Experimental Procedure

3.1 Three-point flexural test

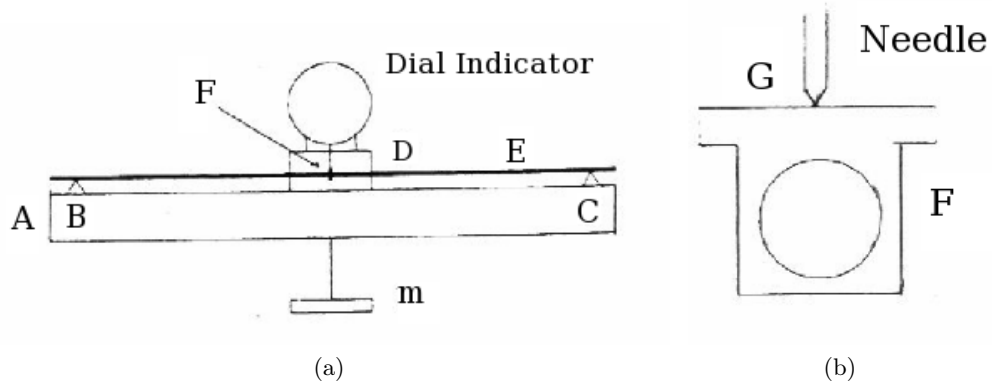


Figure 1: (a) shows the apparatus used for measuring the deflection of a rod and (b) a cross section of the apparatus at point F.

Using Fig. 1a as a reference; The brass rod, A, was laid on the "knives" B and C, in order to ensure that the dial gauge, manufactured by Baker¹, was positioned halfway between B and C, we measured the distance from the dial gauge to B and C using a measuring tape of type Lufkin pee wee 2m Y612CM with uncertainty $\pm 0.1\text{cm}$, adjusting the rod such that the difference in measurements would be sufficiently small. At the middle of the rod, there was a ring attached, as shown in Fig. 1b. The flat surface of the ring was in contact with the needle of the dial gauge at G. In order to ensure that the flat surface of the ring was at right angle with the needle, we turned the rod such that the reading of the dial gauge would be at a minimum, as the skewer the surface, the greater the reading. This process was repeated at the start of every attempt of the experiment.

After having prepared the apparatus, three masses of roughly 0.5g, 1kg and 2kg which we denoted m_a, m_b and m_c respectively. They were placed carefully in the tray denoted m in Fig. 1a, in different combinations so that we would get readings for the deflection of the rod at $\approx \{0.5, 1, 1.5, 2, 2.5, 3, 3.5\}\text{kg}$, recorded by reading the dial gauge.

Due to seemingly disturbing the system significantly when adding masses, we were worried that there might be a significant systematic error in the experiment. So we opted to repeat the readings in this experiment several times in order to investigate if the data in the later readings (when the system had been disturbed multiple times in succession) had an increase in its deviation.

Lastly, the distance between the knives, $l_{B,C}$, was measured using the measuring tape and a micrometer of type Moore & Wright 1965 MI with uncertainty $\pm 0.01\text{mm}$. The measuring tape was used to measure the distance between the outer edges of the "knives" at B and C, $l_{B\text{ outer}}, l_{C\text{ outer}}$. The micrometer was then used to measure the knives thickness l_{knife} , which was needed as the contact points between the rod and the knives are (assumed) at the middle of the identical knives. Since there are two contact points, $l_{B\text{ outer}, C\text{ outer}} - l_{knife} = l_{B,C}$

3.2 Measuring the speed of sound in the rod

The brass rod, with a ring attached to it (same as before), was laid to rest on the flat side of the ring on a solid surface such that the rod is held up by the ring, and nothing else. We also made sure that the rod was not to be disturbed in any way while it was vibrating. When hit with a hammer, it will emit a sound consisting of different frequencies. Following are the two different methods we used for determining the root frequency of the rod. During both experiments, we ensured there were no significant noise pollution during our recording (By which i mean people performing the same experiment as us).

¹I did not take note of the model number of the particular dial gauge that was used during the lab. While working on this report, i have become aware that each Baker dial gauge is individually calibrated. Therefore, i have no values for the instrumental error in the deflection measurements.

3.2.1 By hearing for beats

A speaker was connected to a signal generator. We started the signal generator at 1200Hz and hit the brass rod with a plastic hammer on the the flat surface on one end of the rod. By ear, there was an audible beat due to the superposition of the two signals. We adjusted the signal generator such that the the frequency of the beat was minimized, and there was essentially no audible difference between the two signals. We did this by trying above and below where we thought the root frequency was, eventually zeroing in on a value.

3.2.2 By Fourier transform

A USB microphone was placed close to the rod, and faced towards it. The microphone was connected to a computer running matlab, with a script that collects audio data from it and Fourier transforms it using FFT. The recordings made were made with a sampling frequency of 8×10^4 Hz and varying durations. As before, we hit the rod using a plastic hammer and recorded the data. A total of 7 recordings were made.

3.3 Other measurements

3.3.1 Mass

In order to accurately measure the mass of the rough loads and the rod, the balance scale (Ohaus triple beam balance) which we used had to be calibrated. We did this by weighing a set of three reference weights on the scale, and comparing their measured value to the measured value of the rough loads and the rod using a linear fit. When placing the masses on the scale, we made sure to position the masses in the center of the scale plate and not take a reading until the needle of the balance scale was not sufficiently stable.

3.3.2 Length and thickness of the rod

The length of the rod was measured using the measuring tape, and the thickness using the micrometer. In order to accurately determine the thickness, accounting for any irregularities in the rod due to deformation etc. The thickness was measured several times in different places on the rod, so that we could calculate the mean thickness.

4 Results

4.1 Length and mass measurements

Table 1: Mass of rough load and reference

Stated mass	Measured reference load	Measured rough load	Measured ring	Measured rod + ring
500g	500.0g	500.1g		
1000g	999.9g	1000.3g		
2000g	2000.1g	2000.5g		
n/a			34.4g	2482.5g

Table 2: Calibrated masses

Stated mass	Calibrated rough load	Calibrated rod
500g	$500.2 \pm 0.1\text{g}$	
1000g	$1000.3 \pm 0.1\text{g}$	
2000g	$2000.4 \pm 0.1\text{g}$	
n/a		$2447.9 \pm 0.1\text{g}$

Table 1 contains all of the masses measured by the balance scale. The measured mass of the reference weight (which is assumed to be its true mass) is fitted against its measured value with the balance scale using a least square fit, the gradient and zero point in this fit is used to calibrate the weight, and the corrected masses are given in table 2.

4.2 Results from Three-point flexural test

Table 3: Deflection of rod

Attempt no.	h(0kg) [mm]	h(0.5kg) [mm]	h(1kg) [mm]	h(1.5kg) [mm]	h(2.0kg) [mm]	h(2.5kg) [mm]	h(3.0kg) [mm]	h(3.5kg) [mm]
1	9.44	8.72	8.00	7.28	6.58	5.84	5.15	4.43
2	9.42	8.70	7.98	7.26	6.53	5.80	5.09	4.39
3	9.42	8.71	7.98	7.26	6.53	5.80	5.09	4.37
4	9.41	8.69	7.97	7.25	6.52	5.79	5.08	4.36
5	9.42	8.70	7.98	7.26	6.70	5.87	5.19	4.51

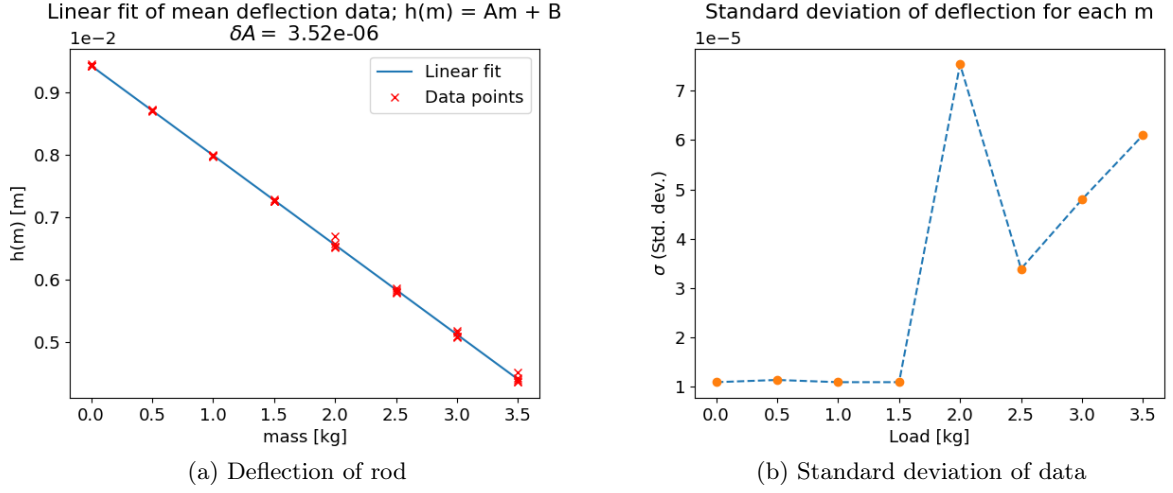


Figure 2: (a) Shows the deflection of the brass rod measured by the dial gauge. (b) Shows the standard deviation of the data points in (a) at their respective masses

Table 3 contains the deflection data recorded with the dial gauge where the loads listed are from the rough, uncalibrated masses. Their corrected value is listed in table 2.

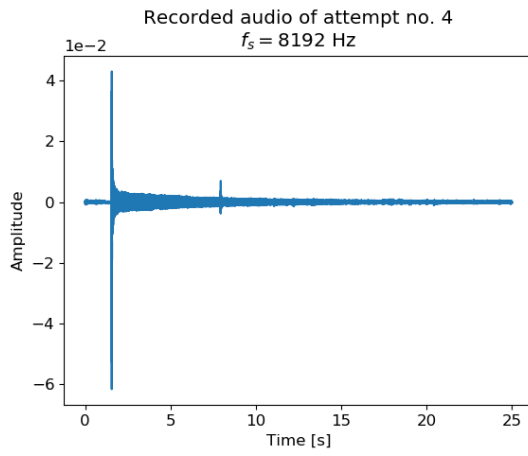
Fig. 2a contains all the recorded data, as well as a linear fit on the mean deflection for each load using corrected values for the mass, m . The error of the linear fit, $h(m) = Am + B$, $\delta A = 3.52e - 06$. Fig. 2b contains the standard deviation of the deflection values for each load.

From the stated data and their given uncertainties, using Eqn. 3 as well as summing the error, the Young's modulus determined by deflection is as follows

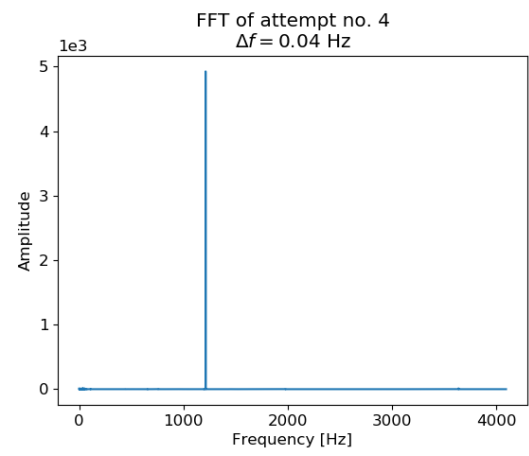
$$E_{deflection} = 105.8 \pm 0.4\% \text{ GPa} \quad (7)$$

4.3 Results from measuring the speed of sound in the rod

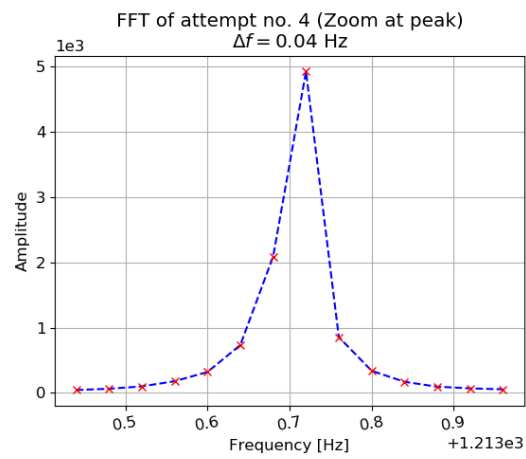
When hearing for beats, me and my lab-partner decided that the root frequency was ≈ 1240 Hz.



(a) Time domain



(b) Frequency domain



(c) Zoomed frequency domain

Figure 3: All of the plots generated for attempt no. 4

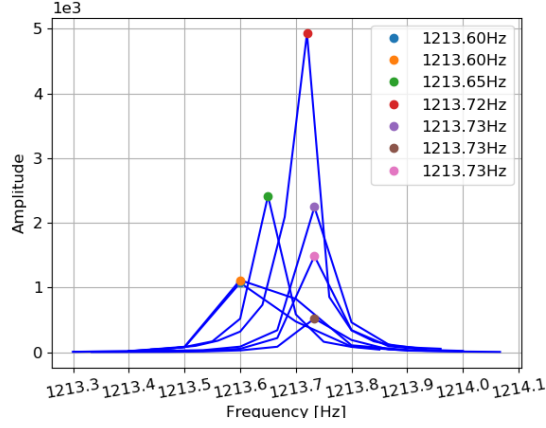


Figure 4: Zoomed frequency plot for all 7 attempts.

Fig. 3 contains the data and derived results from our fourth attempt of the experiment. We performed a total of 7 attempts, all of which yielded in similar results to attempt no. 4. The data yielded from all of the attempts is summarized in Fig. 4 which shows the peaks in the frequency domain in one plot. Table 4 contains all of the relevant numbers related to each attempt, where f denotes the root frequency, Δf the resolution of the frequency domain, t the time of the recording and f_s the sampling frequency.]

Table 4: FFT data

Attempt no.	f [Hz]	Δf [Hz]	t [s]	f_s [Hz]
1	1213.60	0.10	10	8192
2	1213.60	0.10	10	8192
3	1213.65	0.05	20	8192
4	1213.72	0.04	25	8192
5	1213.72	0.04	25	8192
6	1213.72	0.07	15	8192
7	1213.73	0.07	15	8192

Using the root frequency gathered from attempt 4 and 5 (which are identical), the Young's modulus, using Eqn. ?? is

$$E_{sound} = 103.7 \pm 0.2\% \text{ GPa} \quad (8)$$

5 Discussion

Note STD.DEV of deflection increases with m (system is disturbed). Assume the disturbance is normally distributed, therefore error \rightarrow given by STD. DEV.

6 Conclusion

References

- [1] G. L. Squires. *Practical Physics 4th Edition*. Cambridge University Press, 2001.
- [2] https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Young's_modulus
- [3] [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Beat_\(acoustics\)#Mathematics_and_physics_of_beat_tones](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Beat_(acoustics)#Mathematics_and_physics_of_beat_tones).
- [4] https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Euler%E2%80%93Bernoulli_beam_theory#Three-point_bending.
- [5] <http://www.uio.no/studier/emner/matnat/fys/FYS2150/v18/kursmaterieell/elastisitet/elastisitet.pdf>

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A Code

All of the code used to produce this report. Anything noteworthy should already be mentioned in the main body of the report. Note that when this code was written, readability was not a huge concern, so some of it may not be very easy to interpret.

scripts/FFTlyd.py

```
1 #!/usr/bin/env python
2 # -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
3 """
4 Generates the same figures as FFTlyd.m
5 author: Nicholas Karlsen
6 """
7 import scipy.io as sio
8 import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
9 import numpy as np
10
11
12 # Sets font size of matplot
13 plt.rcParams.update({'font.size': 12})
14
15
16 def import_matlab(filename):
17     # Opens .mat file
```

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18     mfile = sio.loadmat(filename)
19     # Fetches data
20     data = mfile.get("data")
21     energi = mfile.get("energi")
22     fut = mfile.get("fut")
23     L = mfile.get("L")
24     t = mfile.get("t")
25
26     return data, energi, fut, L, t
27
28
29 rel_path = "data/"
30 n = 1
31 mat_file = "forsok%i.mat" % n
32
33
34 def raw_fig(filename):
35     data, energi, fut, L, t = import_matlab(filename)
36     plt.plot(t, data)
37     plt.xlabel("Time [s]")
38     plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
39     plt.ticklabel_format(style='sci', axis='y', scilimits=(0,0))
40
41
42 raw_fig(rel_path + "forsok1.mat")
43 plt.title("Recorded audio of attempt no. 1\n$f_s = 8192$ Hz")
44 plt.savefig("raw_exp2_1.png")
45 plt.close()
46
47 raw_fig(rel_path + "forsok4.mat")
48 plt.title("Recorded audio of attempt no. 4\n$f_s = 8192$ Hz")
49 plt.savefig("raw_exp2_4.png")
50 plt.close()
51
52
53 def figure1(filename):
54     data, energi, fut, L, t = import_matlab(filename)
55     fut = np.transpose(fut)
56     fh = int(len(energi) / 2.0) # half lenght of data
57     # Only plot first half of data, as FF mirrors in half-way point.
58     plt.plot(fut[:fh], energi[:fh])
59     plt.xlabel("Frequency [Hz]")
60     plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
61     plt.ticklabel_format(style='sci', axis='y', scilimits=(0,0))
62
63
64 figure1(rel_path + "forsok1.mat")
65 plt.title("FFT of attempt no. 1\n$\Delta f=0.10$ Hz")
66 plt.savefig("energy_exp2_1.png")
67 plt.close()
68
69 figure1(rel_path + "forsok4.mat")
70 plt.title("FFT of attempt no. 4\n$\Delta f=0.04$ Hz")

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71 plt.savefig("energy_exp2_4.png")
72 plt.close()
73
74 eigenfreqs = []
75
76
77 def figure2(filename, style="-", cross=0):
78     data, energi, fut, L, t = import_matlab(filename)
79     fut = np.transpose(fut)
80
81     fh = int(len(energi) / 2.0) # half lenght of data
82     ipeak = np.argmax(energi[:fh])
83
84     eigenfreqs.append(fut[ipeak])
85
86     i = ipeak
87     while energi[i] > np.amax(energi[:fh]) * 0.01:
88         i -= 1
89
90     j = ipeak
91     while energi[j] > np.amax(energi[:fh]) * 0.01:
92         j += 1
93
94     plt.plot(fut[i:j], energi[i:j], color="blue", linestyle=style)
95     if cross == 1:
96         plt.plot(fut[i:j], energi[i:j], "rx")
97     else:
98         plt.plot(fut[ipeak], energi[ipeak], "o", label="%.2fHz" % fut[ipeak])
99
100     plt.grid("on")
101
102 figure2(rel_path + "forsok1.mat", style="—", cross=1)
103 plt.xlabel("Frequency [Hz]")
104 plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
105 plt.ticklabel_format(style='sci', axis='y', scilimits=(0,0))
106 plt.xticks(rotation=10)
107 plt.title("FFT of attempt no. 1 (Zoom at peak)\n$\Delta f=0.10$ Hz")
108 plt.savefig("freq_exp2_1.png")
109 plt.close()
110
111
112 figure2(rel_path + "forsok4.mat", style="—", cross=1)
113 plt.xlabel("Frequency [Hz]")
114 plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
115 plt.ticklabel_format(style='sci', axis='y', scilimits=(0,0))
116 plt.xticks(rotation=10)
117 plt.title("FFT of attempt no. 4 (Zoom at peak)\n$\Delta f=0.04$ Hz")
118 plt.savefig("freq_exp2_4.png")
119 plt.close()
120
121
122 for i in range(1, 8):

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123     figure2(rel_path + "forsok%i.mat" % i)
124
125     plt.xlabel("Frequency [Hz]")
126     plt.ylabel("Amplitude")
127     plt.legend()
128     plt.ticklabel_format(style='sci', axis='y', scilimits=(0,0))
129     plt.xticks(rotation=10)
130     plt.savefig("freq_exp2_all.png")
131     plt.close()

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scripts/FYS2150lib.py

```

1  #!/usr/bin/env python
2  # -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
3  """
4  A collection of commonly used functions in FYS2150.
5  author: Nicholas Karlsen
6  """
7  import numpy as np
8
9
10 def stddev(x):
11     """
12     Finds the standard deviation, and standard deviation of
13     a 1D array of data x.
14     See. Eqn D. Page 24 squires
15     """
16     n = len(x)
17     sigma = np.sqrt((np.sum(x**2) - 1.0 / n * np.sum(x)**2) / (n - 1))
18     sigma_m = np.sqrt((np.sum(x**2) - 1.0 / n * np.sum(x)**2) / (n * (n - 1)))
19
20     return sigma, sigma_m
21
22
23 def linfit(x, y):
24     """
25     Finds the line of best-fit in the form y=mx+c given two
26     1D arrays x and y.
27     """
28     n = np.size(y)
29     D = np.sum(x**2) - (1.0 / n) * np.sum(x)**2
30     E = np.sum(x * y) - (1.0 / n) * np.sum(x) * np.sum(y)
31     F = np.sum(y**2) - (1.0 / n) * np.sum(y)**2
32
33     dm = np.sqrt(1.0 / (n - 2) * (D * F - E**2) / D**2)
34     dc = np.sqrt(1.0 / (n - 2) * (float(D) / n + np.mean(x)) *
35                 ((D * F - E**2) / (D**2)))
36     m = float(E) / D
37     c = np.mean(y) - m * np.mean(x)
38
39     return m, c, dm, dc

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1 #!/usr/bin/env python
2 # -*- coding: utf-8 -*-
3 """
4 Contains all of the data collected in the
5 Elasticity lab, module 2 of FYS2150
6 author: Nicholas Karlsen
7 """
8
9 from pylab import *
10 import scipy.constants as const
11 import FYS2150lib as fys
12
13
14 rcParams.update({'font.size': 13}) # Sets font size of plots
15
16 def weight_data(set=1):
17     "set decides which data set the function returns."
18     set = set.lower() # Forces lowercase
19     sets = ["masses", "rod"]
20     # Mass of weights measured with balance
21     m_a_balance = 500.1e-3
22     m_b_balance = 1000.3e-3
23     m_c_balance = 2000.5e-3
24
25     # Mass of reference weights
26     m_reference = array([0.5, 1.0, 2.0])
27     m_reference_balance = array([500.0e-3, 999.9e-3, 2000.1e-3]) # Weighed
28
29     # Using linear fit to correct for error in balance
30     a, b, da, db = fys.linfit(m_reference, m_reference_balance)
31     # Corrected masses
32     m_a = (m_a_balance - b) / a # approx 500g
33     m_b = (m_b_balance - b) / a # approx 1000g
34     m_c = (m_c_balance - b) / a # approx 2000g
35
36     # print "\nref weight \n", (m_reference_balance - b) / a
37     print "\ncalibrated rough", m_a, m_b, m_c
38     print "error rough", da
39     print
40
41     m_rod_ring = np.array([2482.7, 2482.5, 2482.1]) * 1e-3
42     m_ring = 34.4 * 1e-3 # kg
43     m_rod_ring_c = (mean(m_rod_ring) - b) / a # kg
44     m_ring_c = (m_ring - b) / a # kg
45     m_rod_c = m_rod_ring_c - m_ring_c
46
47
48     print mean(m_rod_ring)
49     print "\ncalibrated rod", m_rod_c
50     print "mass rod error", np.sqrt(2 * da**2)
51     print
52

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53     if set == sets[0]: # Return corrected masses
54         return m_a, m_b, m_c
55
56     if set == sets[1]:
57         return m_rod_c
58
59     if set not in sets:
60         print "Invalid set"
61         print "List of valid sets:", sets
62         print "exiting..."
63         exit()
64
65
66 def E_sound(f, L, d, M):
67     '''
68     Returns youngs modulus given
69     f = root frequency
70     L = lenght between knives
71     d = diameter of rod
72     M = mass of rod
73     '''
74     return (16.0 * M * L * f**2) / (np.pi * d**2)
75
76
77 def E_sound_error(E, sd, sf, sL, sM, d, f, L, M):
78     return E * np.sqrt((2 * sd / d)**2 + (2 * sf / f)**2 +
79                       (2 * sL / L)**2 + (2 * sM / M)**2)
80
81
82 d = np.array([15.98, 15.99, 15.99, 16.00,
83              15.99, 15.99, 15.98, 15.99,
84              15.99, 15.99]) * 1e-3
85 d_mean = np.mean(d)
86 d_err = np.sqrt(fys.stddev(d)[1]**2 + (0.01e-3)**2) # Std dev of mean +
87 instrumentation error
88
89 f_root = 1213.72
90 f_err = 0.04 # resolution of FFT
91
92 M_err = 9.8974331835e-05 # from linfit above (da)
93
94
95 l_rod = 144.4e-2 # m
96 l_rod_err = 0.1e-2
97
98 E_sound = E_sound(f=f_root,
99                  L=l_rod,
100                 d=d_mean,
101                 M=weight_data("rod"))
102
103 print "E from root f = %e" % E_sound
104
105 E_sound_err = E_sound_error(E=E_sound,
106                             sd=d_err,
107                             sf=f_err,

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105         sL=l_rod_err ,
106         sM=M_err ,
107         d=d_mean ,
108         f=f_root ,
109         L=l_rod ,
110         M=weight_data("rod"))
111 print "E_err root = %e" % E_sound_err
112
113 print "error percentage = %.3f percent" % ((E_sound_err / E_sound) * 100)
114
115 # Experiment 1
116
117 m_a, m_b, m_c = weight_data("masses")
118 mass_dat = array(
119     [0, m_a, m_b, m_a + m_b, m_c, m_a + m_c,
120      m_b + m_c, m_a + m_b + m_c])      # [Kg]
121
122 # Round 1:
123 h_1 = array([9.44, 8.72, 8.00, 7.28, 6.58, 5.84, 5.15, 4.43]) * 1e-3 # [m]
124 # Round 2:
125 h_2 = array([9.42, 8.70, 7.98, 7.26, 6.53, 5.80, 5.09, 4.39]) * 1e-3 # [m]
126 # Round 3:
127 h_3 = array([9.42, 8.71, 7.98, 7.26, 6.53, 5.80, 5.09, 4.37]) * 1e-3 # [m]
128 # Round 4:
129 h_4 = array([9.41, 8.69, 7.97, 7.25, 6.52, 5.79, 5.08, 4.36]) * 1e-3 # [m]
130 # Round 5:
131 h_5 = array([9.42, 8.70, 7.98, 7.26, 6.70, 5.87, 5.19, 4.51]) * 1e-3 # [m]
132
133 h_mean = (h_1 + h_2 + h_3 + h_4 + h_5) / 5.0
134
135 A, B, dA, dB = fys.linfit(mass_dat, h_mean)
136
137 mass = linspace(0, 3.5, 8)
138 h_mass = A * mass + B # h(m)
139
140
141 def plotdata():
142     h_sets = [h_1, h_2, h_3, h_4, h_5]
143     plot(mass, h_mass, label="Linear fit")
144     # errorbar(mass, m * mass + c, yerr=dm, color='blue', fmt='o', label='Error Range')
145
146     for dat in h_sets:
147         plot(mass_dat, dat, "x", color="r")
148     plot(NaN, NaN, "xr", label="Data points")
149     xlabel("mass [kg]")
150     ylabel("h(m) [m]")
151     ticklabel_format(style='sci', axis='y', scilimits=(0,0))
152     legend()
153     title("Linear fit of mean deflection data;  $h(m) = Am + B$  \n  $\Delta A = \$$ 
154            $%.2e$  % dA)
155     savefig("figs/h_m_fig.png")
156     close()

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156 plotdata()
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158 def plot_stddev():
159     """Plots the standard deviation of h(m)
160     as m is increased"""
161     deviation = np.zeros(len(h_1))
162     for i in xrange(len(h_1)):
163         deviation[i] = fys.stddev(array([h_1[i],
164                                         h_2[i],
165                                         h_3[i],
166                                         h_4[i],
167                                         h_5[i]])) [0])
168     plot(mass_dat, deviation, linestyle="--")
169     plot(mass_dat, deviation, "o")
170     ticklabel_format(style='sci', axis='y', scilimits=(0,0))
171     title("Standard deviation of deflection for each m\n")
172     xlabel("Load [kg]")
173     ylabel("$\sigma$ (Std. dev.)")
174     savefig("figs/h_m_deviation.png")
175     close()
176 plot_stddev()
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178
179 l_BC_outer = 133.9 * 1e-2
180 l_knife_diameter = 4.09 * 1e-3
181 l_BC = l_BC_outer - l_knife_diameter
182 s_l_BC = np.sqrt((0.1e-2)**2 + (0.01e-3)**2)
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187 E_deflect = (4.0 * l_BC**3 * const.g / (3 * pi * abs(A) * d_mean**4))
188 print "\nE from deflection = %e"%E_deflect
189 S_E = E_deflect * np.sqrt((dA / A)**2 + (4.0 * d_err / d_mean)**2 + (3.0 *
190     s_l_BC / l_BC)**2)
191 print "error in deflection E = %e" % S_E
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195 print "percentage error in deflection = %.3f percent\n" %(100 * S_E /
196     E_deflect)
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