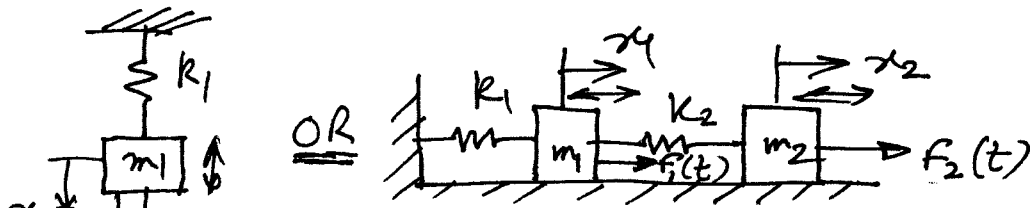


Two DOF systems:- (Undamped Systems)

The translational model we use is as follows:-

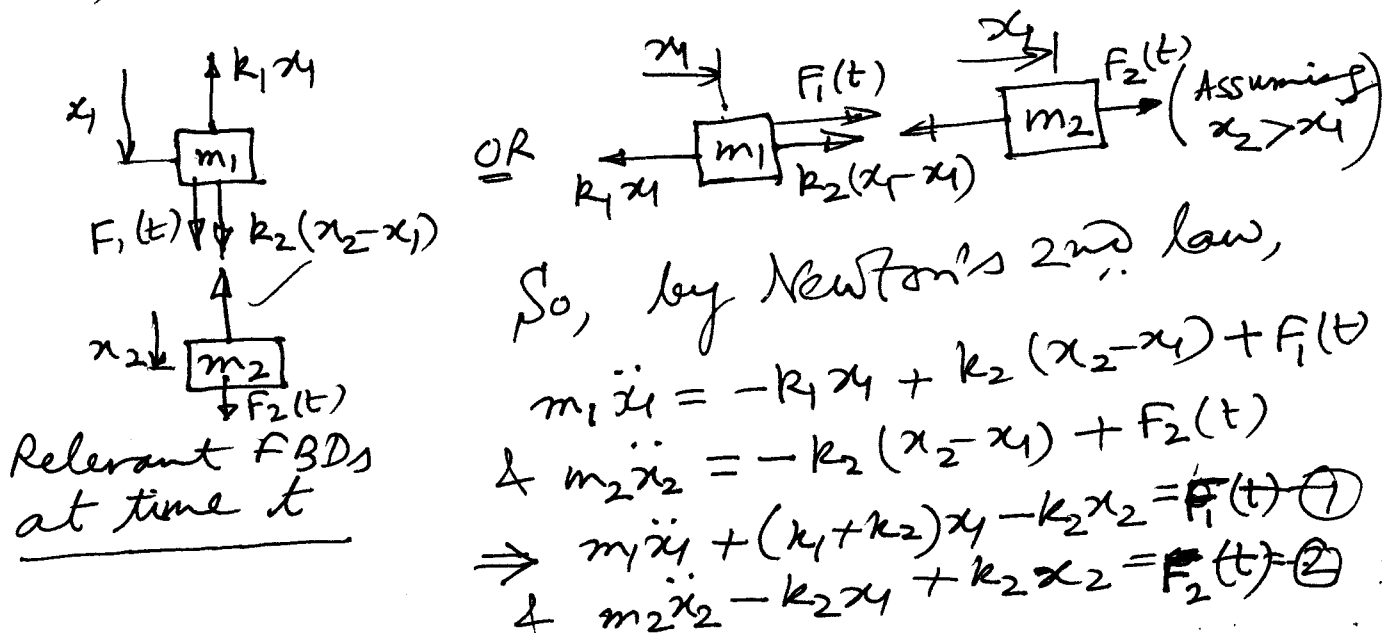


$x_1(t)$ & $x_2(t)$ are the generalized coordinates, measured from static equilibrium positions of the centres of mass of the blocks, +ive downward or, +ive towards the right. ~~These~~ These senses could be reversed also.

→ Like the single DOF case, the static forces in the springs for the vertical system are, at all times, balanced by the forces of gravity & hence these are not shown in the subsequent FBDs. (Verify this)

→ Derivation of the DEOM:-

(i) Newton's method:-



So, by Newton's 2nd law,

$$m_1 \ddot{x}_1 = -k_1 x_1 + k_2 (x_2 - x_1) + F_1(t)$$

$$\& m_2 \ddot{x}_2 = -k_2 (x_2 - x_1) + F_2(t)$$

$$\Rightarrow m_1 \ddot{x}_1 + (k_1 + k_2) x_1 - k_2 x_2 = F_1(t) \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$\& m_2 \ddot{x}_2 - k_2 x_1 + k_2 x_2 = F_2(t) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

(2)

① & ② are the required DEOM. Thus, there are two DEOM for the 2 DOF system, each being a second order ordinary differential equation with constant coefficients.

→ Note that ① & ② can be written in the matrix form as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} m_1 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \ddot{x}_1 \\ \ddot{x}_2 \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k_1+k_2 & -k_2 \\ -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} F_1(t) \\ F_2(t) \end{Bmatrix} \quad \text{--- ③}$$

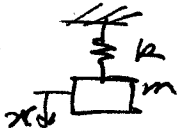
or, as: $[m] \{\ddot{x}\} + [k] \{x\} = \{F(t)\} \quad \text{--- ④}$

Where $[m] = \begin{bmatrix} m_1 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2 \end{bmatrix}$ is the mass matrix or the inertia matrix, $[k] = \begin{bmatrix} k_1+k_2 & -k_2 \\ -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix}$ is the stiffness matrix or elastic matrix, $\{\ddot{x}\} = \begin{Bmatrix} \ddot{x}_1 \\ \ddot{x}_2 \end{Bmatrix}$ is the acceleration vector, $\{x\} = \begin{Bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{Bmatrix}$ is the displacement vector and $\{F(t)\} = \begin{Bmatrix} F_1(t) \\ F_2(t) \end{Bmatrix}$ is the force vector. Note that $[m]$ & $[k]$ are symmetric, $[m]$ is diagonal.

⑤ Free-vibration of undamped 2-DOF systems: ~ For free-vibration response, We have to consider the homogeneous DEOM (i.e., we set $F_1(t)=0, F_2(t)=0$)

$$\begin{aligned} m_1 \ddot{x}_1 + (k_1+k_2)x_1 - k_2 x_2 &= 0 \quad \text{--- (i)} \\ m_2 \ddot{x}_2 - k_2 x_1 + k_2 x_2 &= 0 \quad \text{--- (ii)} \end{aligned}$$

There are formal ways of solving (i) & (ii) simultaneously, like the Laplace Transform method. However, we shall obtain $x_1(t)$ & $x_2(t)$ heuristically, that is, we shall use

our experience with the single dof undamped system  whose free vibration response is given as $x = X \sin(\omega_n t + \phi)$.

→ So, here also, we assume that m_1 executes harmonic oscillations & take $x_1(t) = X_1 \sin(\omega t + \phi)$. Then, $\ddot{x}_1 = -X_1 \omega^2 \sin(\omega t + \phi)$.
Substituting these in (i), we get,

$$-m_1 X_1 \omega^2 \sin(\omega t + \phi) + (k_1 + k_2) X_1 \sin(\omega t + \phi) = k_2 x_2$$

$$\text{or, } x_2 = \left[\frac{(k_1 + k_2) - m_1 \omega^2}{k_2} \right] X_1 \sin(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$= X_2 \sin(\omega t + \phi) \text{ --- (iv)}$$

From (iii) & (iv), we conclude that if m_1 executes simple harmonic free vibrations, m_2 does the same with same frequency & no difference in phase but with a different amplitude (unless $(k_1 + k_2 - m_1 \omega^2)/k_2 = 1$).

So far, we have not reached any contradiction anywhere & we go ahead with the assumptions:

$$x_1 = X_1 \sin(\omega t + \phi) \text{ --- (ii)}$$

$$x_2 = X_2 \sin(\omega t + \phi) \text{ --- (iv)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \ddot{x}_1 = -\omega^2 x_1 \sin(\omega t + \phi) \text{ --- (v)} \\ \ddot{x}_2 = -\omega^2 x_2 \sin(\omega t + \phi) \text{ --- (vi)} \end{cases}$$

Substituting these in (i) & (ii), we get:

$$\left[(k_1 + k_2 - m_1 \omega^2) X_1 - k_2 X_2 \right] \sin(\omega t + \phi) = 0 \text{ --- (vii)}$$

$$\& \left[-k_2 X_1 + (k_2 - m_2 \omega^2) X_2 \right] \sin(\omega t + \phi) = 0 \text{ --- (viii)}$$

→

Since $\sin(\omega t + \phi) \neq 0$ at all times, for (vii) & (viii) to be true, we must have

$$(k_1 + k_2 - m_1 \omega^2) x_1 - k_2 x_2 = 0 \quad \text{--- (ix)}$$

$$\& \quad -k_2 x_1 + (k_2 - m_2 \omega^2) x_2 = 0 \quad \text{--- (x)}$$

Solving (ix) & (x), we should be able to find x_1 & x_2 , the amplitudes of m_1 & m_2 for free vibration.

Note that $x_1 = 0$ & $x_2 = 0$ satisfy (ix) & (x). But then $x_1 = 0$ & $x_2 = 0$ at all times and we are not interested in these. For ~~non-zero~~ (ix) & (x) to have non-zero solution, we must have

$$\begin{vmatrix} (k_1 + k_2 - m_1 \omega^2) & -k_2 \\ -k_2 & (k_2 - m_2 \omega^2) \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

(ix) & (x) are like

$$\begin{aligned} a_{11} x_1 + a_{12} x_2 &= 0 \\ \& \ a_{21} x_1 + a_{22} x_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

So, $x_2/x_1 = -\frac{a_{11}}{a_{12}} = -\frac{a_{21}}{a_{22}}$

So, $a_{11} a_{22} - a_{12} a_{21} = 0$

or, $\begin{vmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} \end{vmatrix} = 0$

The determinant on the LHS is called the characteristic determinant of the system.

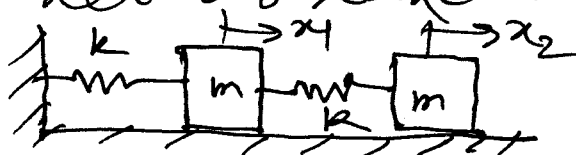
and the above equation, when expanded, gives the characteristic eqn or the frequency eqn of the system.

Hence, the frequency equation of our system is:

$$(k_1 + k_2 - m_1 \omega^2)(k_2 - m_2 \omega^2) - k_2^2 = 0 \quad \text{--- (xi)}$$

Its solution gives the natural frequencies ω_1 & ω_2 .

→ Let us take a specific example problem:



So here $k_1 = k_2 = k$
& $m_1 = m_2 = m$

Hence, the DEOM of this system is: (5)
(You derive it separately)

$$\left. \begin{aligned} m\ddot{x}_1 + 2Kx_1 - Kx_2 &= 0 \quad \text{--- (a)} \\ \& \quad m\ddot{x}_2 - Kx_1 + Kx_2 = 0 \quad \text{--- (b)} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{(For free-vibration)}$$

Let $x_1 = X_1 \sin(\omega t + \phi)$ --- (c)

& $x_2 = X_2 \sin(\omega t + \phi)$ --- (d)

Then, from (a) & (b), we get

$$(2K - m\omega^2)X_1 - KX_2 = 0 \quad \text{--- (e)}$$

& $-KX_1 + (K - m\omega^2)X_2 = 0 \quad \text{--- (f)}$

For non-trivial X_1 & X_2 , we must have:

$$\begin{vmatrix} (2K - m\omega^2) & -K \\ -K & (K - m\omega^2) \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (2K - m\omega^2)(K - m\omega^2) - K^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 2K^2 - 3Km\omega^2 + m^2\omega^4 - K^2 = 0 \quad \text{--- (g)}$$

$$\Rightarrow m^2\omega^4 - 3Km\omega^2 + K^2 = 0 \quad \leftarrow \text{A quadratic in } \omega^2, \text{ note}$$

This is the frequency equation

Hence, $\omega^2 = \frac{3Km \pm \sqrt{9K^2m^2 - 4K^2m^2}}{2m^2} = \frac{3Km \pm \sqrt{5}Km}{2m^2}$

Let $\omega_1^2 = \frac{(3 - \sqrt{5})Km}{2m^2} = \left(\frac{3 - \sqrt{5}}{2}\right) \frac{K}{m}$

& $\omega_2^2 = \left(\frac{3 + \sqrt{5}}{2}\right) \frac{K}{m}$

The positive square roots of these are:

$\omega_1 = 0.618 \sqrt{\frac{K}{m}} \rightarrow \text{The fundamental or first natural frequency}$

& $\omega_2 = 1.618 \sqrt{\frac{K}{m}} \rightarrow \text{The second natural frequency}$

IMPORTANT:- If you are using your calculator

to get ω_1^2 & ω_2^2 , it may so happen ⑥
 that it gives ω_2^2 first & then ω_1^2
 and so, you might ^{mistakenly} designate as ω_2
 what is actually ω_1 ! Don't do
 this. Remember that the smaller
 of the natural frequencies here is
 ω_1 & the larger one is ω_2 .

So, Never do this:— $\omega_1 = 1.618\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$ $\omega_2 = 0.618\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$ This is wrong!
Designating these wrongly create problems which may not be obvious to you at this moment

→ You can now see that our 2-DOF system has two natural frequencies, which are unequal.

Some special systems may have $\omega_1 = \omega_2$. Some systems may even have $\omega_1 = 0$, $\omega_2 > 0$. We shall illustrate these later.

→ After ω_1 & ω_2 are obtained, we get back to the amplitude equations [(ix) & (x) on page 4 and (e) & (f), page 5] to get information about the amplitudes X_1 & X_2 . Note that these equations are valid for both ω_1 & ω_2 . We take $\omega = \omega_1$ first.

Equation (e) becomes: $(2k - m\omega_1^2)X_1 - kX_2 = 0$

" (f) " $-kX_1 + (k - m\omega_1^2)X_2 = 0$

→ We now introduce a special notation for the amplitudes. We shall designate X_1 as X_{11} & X_2 as X_{21} where the second

subscript 1 means these are amplitudes corresponding to ω_1 . (7)

$$\text{So, } (2K - m\omega_1^2) X_{11} - K X_{21} = 0 \quad \dots (h)$$
$$\& \quad -K X_{11} + (K - m\omega_1^2) X_{21} = 0 \quad \dots (i)$$

~~X_{11}~~ Note that you cannot find any unique values of X_{11} & X_{21} from (h) & (i). There is infinitely many solutions & all we can do is obtain the ratio $\frac{X_{21}}{X_{11}}$. We can use either (h) or (i) because both will give the same ratio.

$$\text{Using (h), } \frac{X_{21}}{X_{11}} = \frac{2K - m\omega_1^2}{K} = \frac{2K - 0.3819K}{K} = 1.618$$

$$\text{" (i), } \frac{X_{21}}{X_{11}} = \frac{K}{K - m\omega_1^2} = \frac{K}{K - 0.3819K} = 1.618$$

So, ~~as~~ you use either of the amplitude equations find $\frac{X_{21}}{X_{11}}$.

This amplitude ratio is often denoted as μ_1 , that is, $\mu_1 = \frac{X_{21}}{X_{11}} = 1.618$

→ So, when $\omega = \omega_1$, $X_{21} = \mu_1 X_{11} = 1.618 X_{11}$ and the masses have the following response:-

$$\left. \begin{aligned} x_1 &= X_{11} \sin(\omega_1 t + \phi_1) \\ \& \quad x_2 &= X_{21} \sin(\omega_1 t + \phi_1) \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \phi_1 = \text{value} \\ \text{of } \phi \text{ for} \\ \omega = \omega_1 \end{array}$$

OR

$$x_1 = X_{11} \sin(\omega_1 t + \phi)$$
$$\& \quad x_2 = \mu_1 X_{11} \sin(\omega_1 t + \phi) = 1.618 X_{11} \sin(\omega_1 t + \phi)$$

(8)

When this motion occurs, we say that the system is executing the first principal mode or first normal mode of vibration.

→ We now take $\omega = \omega_2$. With this, we have

$$\begin{aligned} (2K - m\omega_2^2) X_{12} - K X_{22} &= 0 \\ \& \quad -K X_{12} + (K - m\omega_1^2) X_{22} &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \end{array} \right\} \leftarrow \text{Carefully note the notations for amplitudes.}$$

& proceeding as before, we shall get

$\mu_2 = \frac{X_{22}}{X_{12}} = -0.618$, where μ_2 is the amplitude ratio corresponding to the second principal mode of vibration.

Here X_{22} = Amplitude of m_2 corresponding to the 2nd principal mode &

X_{12} = Amplitude of m_1 corresponding to the 2nd principal mode.

to the 2nd principal mode.

→ The motion corresponding to the 2nd principal mode are:

$$x_1(t) = X_{12} \sin(\omega_2 t + \phi_2)$$

$$\& \quad x_2(t) = X_{22} \sin(\omega_2 t + \phi_2) = \mu_2 X_{12} \sin(\omega_2 t + \phi_2)$$

where ϕ becomes ϕ_2 for the 2nd pr. mode.

→ So, remember the following:-

X_{11} = Amplitude of m_1 corr. to 1st pr. mode.

X_{21} = " " m_2 " " " " "

X_{12} = Amplitude of m_1 corr. to 2nd pr. mode

X_{22} = " " m_2 " " " " "

————— X —————