

# FREQUENCY RESPONSE FUNCTION FOR A MULTI-DEGREE-OF-FREEDOM SYSTEM WITH ENFORCED ACCELERATION

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## Variables

A	Enforced acceleration amplitude
M	Mass matrix
K	Stiffness matrix
F	Applied forces
F <sub>d</sub>	Forces at driven nodes
F <sub>f</sub>	Forces at free nodes
I	Identity matrix
Π	Transformation matrix
u	Displacement vector
u <sub>d</sub>	Displacements at driven nodes, time domain
u <sub>f</sub>	Displacements at free nodes, time domain
Ū <sub>d</sub>	Displacements at driven nodes, frequency domain
Ū <sub>f</sub>	Displacements at free nodes, frequency domain

## Derivation

The following method is adapted from Reference 1.

The equation of motion for a multi-degree-of-freedom system is

$$[M][\ddot{u}] + [K][u] = F \quad (1)$$

The displacement vector is

$$[\mathbf{u}] = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_d \\ \mathbf{u}_f \end{bmatrix} \quad (2)$$

Partition the matrices and vectors as follows

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M}_{dd} & \mathbf{M}_{df} \\ \mathbf{M}_{fd} & \mathbf{M}_{ff} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\mathbf{u}}_d \\ \ddot{\mathbf{u}}_f \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{dd} & \mathbf{K}_{df} \\ \mathbf{K}_{fd} & \mathbf{K}_{ff} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_d \\ \mathbf{u}_f \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{F}_d \\ \mathbf{F}_f \end{bmatrix} \quad (3)$$

Create a transformation matrix such that

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_d \\ \mathbf{u}_f \end{bmatrix} = \Pi \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_d \\ \mathbf{u}_w \end{bmatrix} \quad (4)$$

$$\Pi = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{T}_1 & \mathbf{T}_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (5)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M}_{dd} & \mathbf{M}_{df} \\ \mathbf{M}_{fd} & \mathbf{M}_{ff} \end{bmatrix} \Pi \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\mathbf{u}}_d \\ \ddot{\mathbf{u}}_w \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{dd} & \mathbf{K}_{df} \\ \mathbf{K}_{fd} & \mathbf{K}_{ff} \end{bmatrix} \Pi \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_d \\ \mathbf{u}_w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{F}_d \\ \mathbf{F}_f \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

Premultiply by  $\Pi^T$ ,

$$\Pi^T \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M}_{dd} & \mathbf{M}_{df} \\ \mathbf{M}_{fd} & \mathbf{M}_{ff} \end{bmatrix} \Pi \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\mathbf{u}}_d \\ \ddot{\mathbf{u}}_w \end{bmatrix} + \Pi^T \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{dd} & \mathbf{K}_{df} \\ \mathbf{K}_{fd} & \mathbf{K}_{ff} \end{bmatrix} \Pi \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_d \\ \mathbf{u}_w \end{bmatrix} = \Pi^T \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{F}_d \\ \mathbf{F}_f \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

Transform the equation of motion to uncouple the stiffness matrix so that the resulting stiffness matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{K}_{dd} & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{K}_{ww} \end{bmatrix} \quad (8)$$

$$\Pi^T \mathbf{K} \Pi = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{T}_1^T \\ 0 & \mathbf{T}_2^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{dd} & \mathbf{K}_{df} \\ \mathbf{K}_{fd} & \mathbf{K}_{ff} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & 0 \\ \mathbf{T}_1 & \mathbf{T}_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (9)$$

$$\Pi^T \mathbf{K} \Pi = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I} & \mathbf{T}_1^T \\ 0 & \mathbf{T}_2^T \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{dd} + \mathbf{K}_{df} \mathbf{T}_1 & \mathbf{K}_{df} \mathbf{T}_2 \\ \mathbf{K}_{fd} + \mathbf{K}_{ff} \mathbf{T}_1 & \mathbf{K}_{ff} \mathbf{T}_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (10)$$

$$\Pi^T \mathbf{K} \Pi = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{dd} + \mathbf{K}_{df} \mathbf{T}_1 + \mathbf{T}_1^T (\mathbf{K}_{fd} + \mathbf{K}_{ff} \mathbf{T}_1) & \mathbf{K}_{df} \mathbf{T}_2 + \mathbf{T}_1^T \mathbf{K}_{ff} \mathbf{T}_2 \\ \mathbf{T}_2^T (\mathbf{K}_{fd} + \mathbf{K}_{ff} \mathbf{T}_1) & \mathbf{T}_2^T (\mathbf{K}_{ff} \mathbf{T}_2) \end{bmatrix} \quad (11)$$

$$\Pi^T \mathbf{K} \Pi = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{dd} + \mathbf{K}_{df} \mathbf{T}_1 + \mathbf{T}_1^T (\mathbf{K}_{fd} + \mathbf{K}_{ff} \mathbf{T}_1) & (\mathbf{K}_{df} + \mathbf{T}_1^T \mathbf{K}_{ff}) \mathbf{T}_2 \\ \mathbf{T}_2^T (\mathbf{K}_{fd} + \mathbf{K}_{ff} \mathbf{T}_1) & \mathbf{T}_2^T (\mathbf{K}_{ff} \mathbf{T}_2) \end{bmatrix} \quad (12)$$

$$\Pi^T \mathbf{K} \Pi = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{dd} + \mathbf{T}_1^T \mathbf{K}_{fd} + (\mathbf{K}_{df} + \mathbf{T}_1^T \mathbf{K}_{ff}) \mathbf{T}_1 & (\mathbf{K}_{df} + \mathbf{T}_1^T \mathbf{K}_{ff}) \mathbf{T}_2 \\ \mathbf{T}_2^T (\mathbf{K}_{fd} + \mathbf{K}_{ff} \mathbf{T}_1) & \mathbf{T}_2^T (\mathbf{K}_{ff} \mathbf{T}_2) \end{bmatrix} \quad (13)$$

Let

$$\mathbf{T}_2 = \mathbf{I} \quad (14)$$

$$\Pi^T \mathbf{K} \Pi = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{K}_{dd} + \mathbf{T}_1^T \mathbf{K}_{fd} + (\mathbf{K}_{df} + \mathbf{T}_1^T \mathbf{K}_{ff}) \Gamma_1 & (\mathbf{K}_{df} + \mathbf{T}_1^T \mathbf{K}_{ff}) \\ (\mathbf{K}_{fd} + \mathbf{K}_{ff} \mathbf{T}_1) & \mathbf{K}_{ff} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{K}}_{dd} & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{\mathbf{K}}_{ww} \end{bmatrix} \quad (15)$$

$$\mathbf{K}_{df} + \mathbf{T}_1^T \mathbf{K}_{ff} = 0 \quad (16)$$

$$\mathbf{T}_1^T = -\mathbf{K}_{df} \mathbf{K}_{ff}^{-1} \quad (17)$$

$$\mathbf{T}_1 = -\mathbf{K}_{ff}^{-1} \mathbf{K}_{fd} \quad (18)$$

$$\Pi = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_{dd} & 0 \\ \mathbf{T}_1 & \mathbf{I}_{ff} \end{bmatrix} \quad (19)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{K}}_{dd} = \mathbf{K}_{dd} + \mathbf{T}_1^T \mathbf{K}_{fd} + (\mathbf{K}_{df} + \mathbf{T}_1^T \mathbf{K}_{ff}) \Gamma_1 \quad (20)$$

$$\hat{\mathbf{K}}_{ww} = \mathbf{K}_{ff} \quad (21)$$

$$\Pi^T \mathbf{M} \Pi = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_{dd} & \mathbf{T}_1^T \\ 0 & \mathbf{I}_{ff} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{M}_{dd} & \mathbf{M}_{df} \\ \mathbf{M}_{fd} & \mathbf{M}_{ff} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{I}_{dd} & 0 \\ \mathbf{T}_1 & \mathbf{I}_{ff} \end{bmatrix} \quad (22)$$

By similarity, the transformed mass matrix is

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{m}_{dd} & \hat{m}_{dw} \\ \hat{m}_{wd} & \hat{m}_{ww} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} M_{dd} + T_1^T M_{fd} + (M_{df} + T_1^T M_{ff}) T_1 & (M_{df} + T_1^T M_{ff}) \\ (M_{fd} + M_{ff} T_1) & M_{ff} \end{bmatrix} \quad (23)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{F}_d \\ \hat{F}_w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{dd} & T_1 \\ 0 & I_{ff} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} F_d \\ F_f \end{bmatrix} \quad (24)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{F}_d \\ \hat{F}_w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} I_{dd} F_d + T_1 F_f \\ I_{ff} F_f \end{bmatrix} \quad (25)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{F}_d \\ \hat{F}_w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} F_d + T_1 F_f \\ F_f \end{bmatrix} \quad (26)$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{m}_{dd} & \hat{m}_{dw} \\ \hat{m}_{wd} & \hat{m}_{ww} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{u}_d \\ \ddot{u}_w \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \hat{K}_{dd} & 0 \\ 0 & \hat{K}_{ww} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_d \\ u_w \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{F}_d \\ \hat{F}_w \end{bmatrix} \quad (27)$$

$$\hat{m}_{wd} \ddot{u}_d + \hat{m}_{ww} \ddot{u}_w + \hat{K}_{ww} u_w = \hat{F}_w \quad (28)$$

The equation of motion is thus

$$\hat{m}_{ww} \ddot{u}_w + \hat{K}_{ww} u_w = \hat{F}_w - \hat{m}_{wd} \ddot{u}_d \quad (29)$$

Assume that the external forces are zero.

$$\hat{m}_{ww} \ddot{u}_w + \hat{K}_{ww} u_w = -\hat{m}_{wd} \ddot{u}_d \quad (30)$$

Consider the homogeneous form of equation (30).

$$\hat{m}_{ww} \ddot{u}_w + \hat{K}_{ww} u_w = \bar{0} \quad (31)$$

Seek a solution of the form

$$\bar{u}_w = \bar{q} \exp(j\omega t) \quad (32)$$

The q vector is the generalized coordinate vector.

Note that

$$\bar{\dot{u}} = j\omega \bar{q} \exp(j\omega t) \quad (33)$$

$$\bar{\ddot{u}} = -\omega^2 \bar{q} \exp(j\omega t) \quad (34)$$

By substitution,

$$-\omega^2 \hat{m}_{ww} \bar{q} \exp(j\omega t) + \hat{K}_{ww} \bar{q} \exp(j\omega t) = \bar{0} \quad (35)$$

$$\left\{ -\omega^2 \hat{m}_{ww} \bar{q} + \hat{K}_{ww} \bar{q} \right\} \exp(j\omega t) = \bar{0} \quad (36)$$

$$\left\{ -\omega_n^2 \hat{m}_{ww} \bar{q} + \hat{K}_{ww} \bar{q} \right\} \exp(j\omega_n t) = \bar{0} \quad (37)$$

$$\left\{ -\omega^2 \hat{m}_{ww} + \hat{K}_{ww} \right\} \bar{q} = \bar{0} \quad (38)$$

$$\left\{ \hat{K}_{ww} - \omega^2 \hat{m}_{ww} \right\} \bar{q} = \bar{0} \quad (39)$$

Equation (39) is an example of a generalized eigenvalue problem. The eigenvalues can be found by setting the determinant equal to zero.

$$\det \left\{ \hat{K}_{ww} - \omega^2 \hat{m}_{ww} \right\} = 0 \quad (40)$$

The eigenvectors are found via the following equations.

$$\left\{ \hat{\mathbf{K}}_{\text{ww}} - \omega_i^2 \hat{\mathbf{m}}_{\text{ww}} \right\} \bar{\mathbf{q}}_i = \bar{\mathbf{0}} \quad (41)$$

An eigenvector matrix Q can be formed. The eigenvectors are inserted in column format.

$$\mathbf{Q} = [\bar{\mathbf{q}}_1 \mid \bar{\mathbf{q}}_2 \mid \dots \mid \bar{\mathbf{q}}_n] \quad (42)$$

where n is the number of degrees-of-freedom

The eigenvectors represent orthogonal mode shapes. Assume that the eigenvectors are mass-normalized such that

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{M} \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{I} \quad (43)$$

and

$$\mathbf{Q}^T \mathbf{K} \mathbf{Q} = \mathbf{\Omega} \quad (44)$$

where

superscript T represents transpose

I is the identity matrix

$\mathbf{\Omega}$  is a diagonal matrix of eigenvalues

Now define a modal coordinate  $\eta(t)$  such that

$$\bar{\mathbf{u}} = \mathbf{Q} \bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}} \quad (45)$$

Let  $q_{ij}$  represent the elements of Q.

The displacement, velocity and acceleration terms are

$$u_i = \sum_{j=1}^n q_{ij} \eta_j \quad (46)$$

$$\dot{u}_i = \sum_{j=1}^n q_{ij} \dot{\eta}_j \quad (47)$$

$$\ddot{u}_i = \sum_{j=1}^n q_{ij} \ddot{\eta}_j \quad (48)$$

By substitution

$$\hat{m}_{ww} Q \ddot{\eta} + \hat{K}_{ww} Q \bar{\eta} = -\hat{m}_{wd} \ddot{u}_d \quad (49)$$

Premultiply by the transpose of the normalized eigenvector matrix.

$$Q^T \hat{m}_{ww} Q \ddot{\eta} + Q^T \hat{K}_{ww} Q \bar{\eta} = -\hat{Q}^T \hat{m}_{wd} \ddot{u}_d \quad (50)$$

The orthogonality relationships yield

$$I \ddot{\eta} + \Omega \bar{\eta} = -\hat{Q}^T \hat{m}_{wd} \ddot{u}_d \quad (51)$$

Note that the two equations are decoupled in terms of the modal coordinate.

Now assume modal damping by adding an uncoupled damping matrix.

$$I \ddot{\eta} + D \dot{\eta} + \Omega \bar{\eta} = -\hat{Q}^T \hat{m}_{wd} \ddot{u}_d \quad (52)$$

$$D_{ij} = \begin{cases} 2\xi_i \omega_i^2, & \text{for } i = j \\ 0, & \text{for } i \neq j \end{cases} \quad (53)$$



Now assume a harmonic base input. Assume that it is uniform if it is applied at multiple locations.

$$\ddot{y} = A \exp(j\omega t) \quad (54)$$

Assume a common harmonic modal displacement.

$$\eta_i = \psi_i \exp(j\omega t) \quad (55)$$

$$\dot{\eta}_i = j\omega_i \psi_i \exp(j\omega t) \quad (56)$$

$$\ddot{\eta}_i = -\omega_i^2 \psi_i \exp(j\omega t) \quad (57)$$

Let  $C$  be a column vector of ones. The number of rows in  $C$  is equal to the number of drive points.

By substitution,

$$\left\{ -\omega^2 + j2\xi_i \omega_i \omega + \omega_i^2 \right\} \psi_i \exp(j\omega t) = - \left\{ \left[ Q^T \hat{m}_{wd} \right]_{row i} C \right\} A \exp(j\omega t) \quad (58)$$

$$\left\{ \left[ \omega_i^2 - \omega^2 \right] + j2\xi_i \omega_i \omega \right\} \psi_i \exp(j\omega t) = - \left\{ \left[ Q^T \hat{m}_{wd} \right]_{row i} C \right\} A \exp(j\omega t) \quad (59)$$

The modal displacement is

$$\eta_i = \psi_i \exp(j\omega t) = \frac{- \left\{ \left[ Q^T \hat{m}_{wd} \right]_{row i} C \right\}}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_i^2 - \omega^2 \right] + j2\xi_i \omega_i \omega \right\}} A \exp(j\omega t) \quad (60)$$

The modal velocity is

$$\dot{\eta}_i = \frac{-j\omega \left\{ \left[ Q^T \hat{m}_{wd} \right]_{row i} C \right\}}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_i^2 - \omega^2 \right] + j 2 \xi_i \omega_i \omega \right\}} A \exp(j\omega t) \quad (61)$$

The modal acceleration is

$$\ddot{\eta}_i = \frac{\omega^2 \left\{ \left[ Q^T \hat{m}_{wd} \right]_{row i} C \right\}}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_i^2 - \omega^2 \right] + j 2 \xi_i \omega_i \omega \right\}} A \exp(j\omega t) \quad (62)$$

Recall

$$\ddot{u}_i = \sum_{p=1}^n q_{ip} \ddot{\eta}_p \quad (63)$$

$$\ddot{u}_i = \sum_{p=1}^n \left\{ q_{ip} \frac{\omega^2 \left\{ \left[ Q^T \hat{m}_{wd} \right]_{row i} C \right\}}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_p^2 - \omega^2 \right] + j 2 \xi_p \omega_p \omega \right\}} A \exp(j\omega t) \right\} \quad (64)$$

$$\ddot{u}_i = A \exp(j\omega t) \sum_{p=1}^n \left\{ q_{ip} \frac{\omega^2 \left\{ \left[ Q^T \hat{m}_{wd} \right]_{row i} C \right\}}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_p^2 - \omega^2 \right] + j 2 \xi_p \omega_p \omega \right\}} \right\} \quad (65)$$

The Fourier transform equation is

$$\hat{U}_i(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \ddot{u}_i(t) \exp[-j\omega t] dt \quad (66)$$

$$\ddot{u}_i = A \exp(j\omega t) \sum_{p=1}^n \left\{ q_{ip} \frac{\omega^2 \left\{ \left[ Q^T \hat{m}_{wd} \right]_{row i} C \right\}}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_p^2 - \omega^2 \right] + j 2 \xi_p \omega_p \omega \right\}} \right\} \quad (67)$$

The absolute acceleration transfer function is

$$\hat{A}_i(f)/A = \sum_{p=1}^n \left\{ q_{ip} \frac{\omega^2 \left\{ \left[ Q^T \hat{m}_{wd} \right]_{row i} C \right\}}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_p^2 - \omega^2 \right] + j 2 \xi_p \omega_p \omega \right\}} \right\} \quad (68)$$

The absolute velocity transfer function is

$$\hat{V}_i(f)/A = \sum_{p=1}^n \left\{ q_{ip} \frac{\omega \left\{ \left[ Q^T \hat{m}_{wd} \right]_{row i} C \right\}}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_p^2 - \omega^2 \right] + j 2 \xi_p \omega_p \omega \right\}} \right\} \quad (69)$$

The absolute displacement transfer function is

$$\hat{D}_i(f)/A = \sum_{p=1}^n \left\{ q_{ip} \frac{\left\{ \left[ Q^T \hat{m}_{wd} \right]_{row i} C \right\}}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_p^2 - \omega^2 \right] + j 2 \xi_p \omega_p \omega \right\}} \right\} \quad (70)$$

The relative displacement transfer function is

$$\hat{R}_i(f)/A = -\frac{1}{\omega^2} + \sum_{p=1}^n \left\{ q_{ip} \frac{\left\{ \left[ Q^T \hat{m}_{wd} \right]_{row i} C \right\}}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_p^2 - \omega^2 \right] + j 2 \xi_p \omega_p \omega \right\}} \right\} \quad (71)$$

Recall

$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_d \\ \mathbf{u}_f \end{bmatrix} = \Pi \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{u}_d \\ \mathbf{u}_w \end{bmatrix} \quad (72)$$

The equivalent format for the frequency domain is

$$\begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{U}}_d \\ \hat{\mathbf{U}}_f \end{bmatrix} = \Pi \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{U}}_d \\ \hat{\mathbf{U}}_w \end{bmatrix} \quad (73)$$

The final step is to rearrange the degrees-of-freedom in the proper order.

### References

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## APPENDIX A

### Example

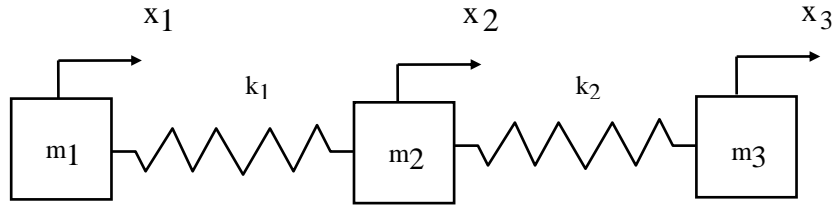


Figure A-1.

Parameter	Value
$m_1$	1 lbm
$m_2$	2 lbm
$m_3$	1 lbm
$k_1$	2000 lbf/in
$k_2$	1500 lbf/in

Assume uniform 5% modal damping.

The equation of motion is

$$\begin{bmatrix} m_1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & m_3 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{x}_1 \\ \ddot{x}_2 \\ \ddot{x}_3 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k_1 & -k_1 & 0 \\ -k_1 & k_1 + k_2 & -k_2 \\ 0 & -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \quad (\text{A-1})$$

Set mass 1 as the base drive node.

The analysis performed using Matlab script: `mdof_base_accel_frf_fea.m`

The mass matrix converted to (lbf sec<sup>2</sup>/in) is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.0026 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0.0052 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.0026 \end{bmatrix}$$

The stiffness (lbf/in) is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2000 & -2000 & 0 \\ -2000 & 3500 & -1500 \\ 0 & -1500 & 1500 \end{bmatrix}$$

The natural frequencies of the base-driven system are

n	fn(Hz)
1	73.8
2	162.3

The transmissibility results are shown in the following figures.

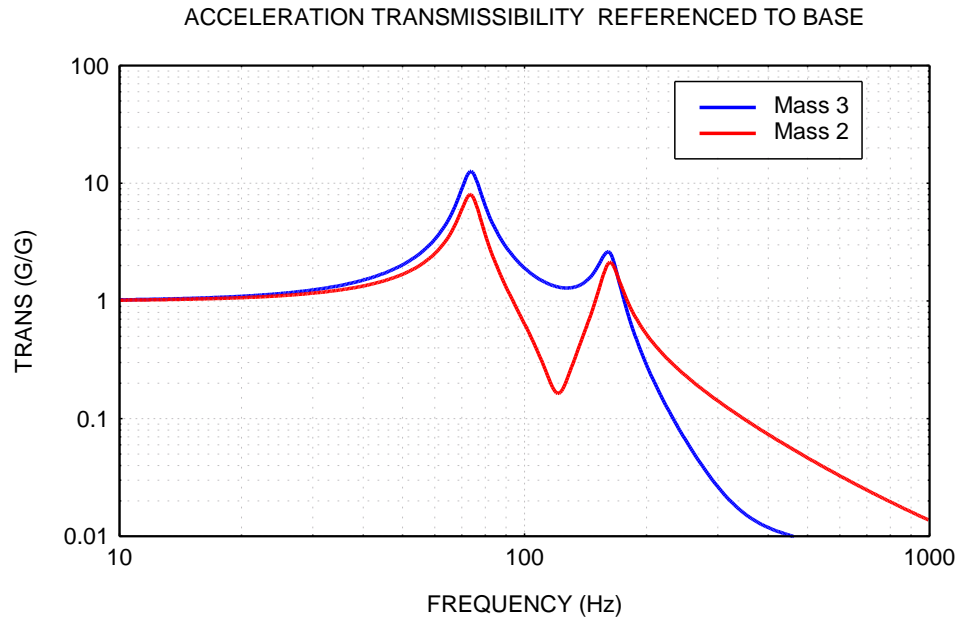


Figure A-2.

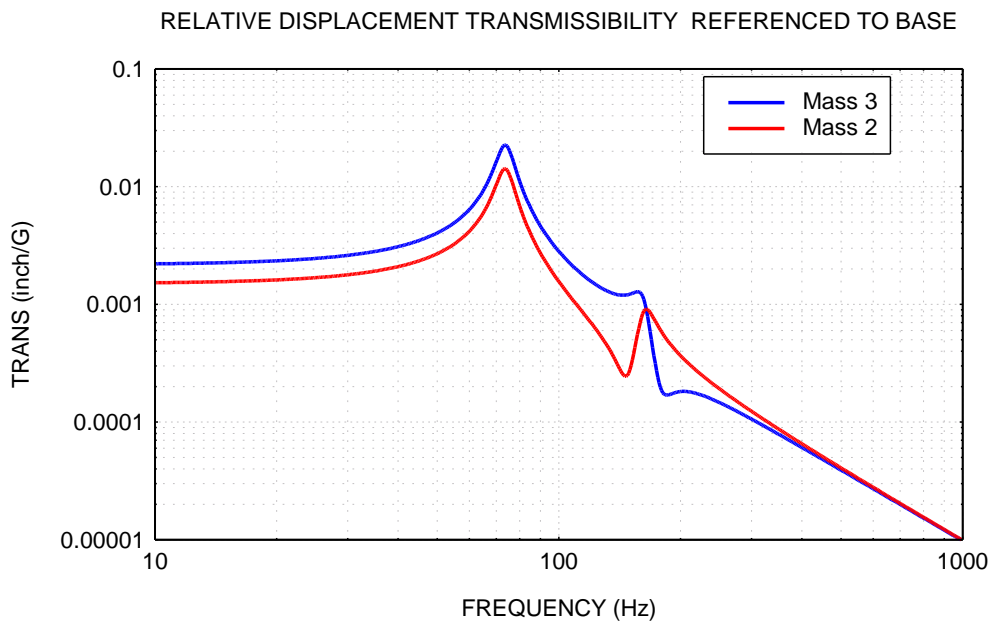


Figure A-3.