## TWO-STAGE ISOLATION FOR HARMONIC BASE EXCITATION Revision A

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## **Introduction**

Consider a base plate mass  $m_1$  and an avionics mass  $m_2$  modeled as two-degree-of-freedom. Evaluate the benefits and drawbacks of this two-stage isolation scheme.



Figure 1.

The system also has damping, but it is modeled as modal damping.

A free-body diagram of mass 1 is given in Figure 2. A free-body diagram of mass 2 is given in Figure 3.





Determine the equation of motion for mass 1.

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{m}_1 \,\ddot{\mathbf{x}}_1 \tag{1}$$

$$m_1 \ddot{x}_1 = k_2 (x_2 - x_1) - k_1 (x_1 - y)$$
(2)

$$m_1 \ddot{x}_1 + k_1 x_1 - k_2 (x_2 - x_1) = k_1 y$$
(3)

$$m_1 \ddot{x}_1 + k_1 x_1 + k_2 (x_1 - x_2) = k_1 y$$
(4)

$$m_1 \ddot{x}_1 + (k_1 + k_2)x_1 - k_2 x_2 = k_1 y$$
(5)



Figure 3.

Derive the equation of motion for mass 2.

$$\Sigma \mathbf{F} = \mathbf{m}_2 \, \ddot{\mathbf{x}}_2 \tag{6}$$

$$m_2 \ddot{x}_2 = -k_2 (x_2 - x_1) \tag{7}$$

$$m_2 \ddot{x}_2 + k_2 (x_2 - x_1) = 0 \tag{8}$$

$$m_2 \ddot{x}_2 + k_2 x_2 - k_2 x_1 = 0 \tag{9}$$

Assemble the equations in matrix form.

$$\begin{bmatrix} m_1 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{x}_1 \\ \ddot{x}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k_1 + k_2 & -k_2 \\ -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
(10)

Define a relative displacement z such that

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{z}_1 + \mathbf{y} \tag{11}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{z}_2 + \mathbf{y} \tag{12}$$

Substitute equations (11) and (12) into (10).

$$\begin{bmatrix} m_1 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{z}_1 + \ddot{y} \\ \ddot{z}_2 + \ddot{y} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k_1 + k_2 & -k_2 \\ -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 + y \\ z_2 + y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 & y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
(13)

$$\begin{bmatrix} m_1 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{z}_1 \\ \ddot{z}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} m_1 \ddot{y} \\ m_2 \ddot{y} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k_1 + k_2 & -k_2 \\ -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k_1 + k_2 & -k_2 \\ -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} y \\ y \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
(14)

$$\begin{bmatrix} m_1 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{z}_1 \\ \ddot{z}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} m_1 \ddot{y} \\ m_2 \ddot{y} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k_1 + k_2 & -k_2 \\ -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k_1 y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} k_1 y \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
(15)

$$\begin{bmatrix} m_1 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{z}_1 \\ \ddot{z}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k_1 + k_2 & -k_2 \\ -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -m_1 \ddot{y} \\ -m_2 \ddot{y} \end{bmatrix}$$
(16)

# Decoupling

Equation (16) is coupled via the stiffness matrix. An intermediate goal is to decouple the equation.

Simplify,

$$M \ \overline{\ddot{z}} + K \overline{z} = \overline{F}$$
(17)

where

$$\mathbf{M} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{m}_1 & \mathbf{0} \\ \mathbf{0} & \mathbf{m}_2 \end{bmatrix} \tag{18}$$

$$\mathbf{K} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2 & -\mathbf{k}_2 \\ -\mathbf{k}_2 & \mathbf{k}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
(19)

$$\overline{z} = \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
(20)

$$\overline{\mathbf{F}} = \begin{bmatrix} -\mathbf{m}_1 \ddot{\mathbf{y}} \\ -\mathbf{m}_2 \ddot{\mathbf{y}} \end{bmatrix}$$
(21)

Consider the homogeneous form of equation (17).

$$M \ \overline{\ddot{z}} + K \overline{z} = \overline{0} \tag{22}$$

Seek a solution of the form

$$\overline{z} = \overline{q} \exp(j\omega t) \tag{23}$$

The q vector is the generalized coordinate vector.

Note that

$$\overline{\dot{z}} = j\omega \,\overline{q} \exp(j\omega t) \tag{24}$$

$$\overline{\ddot{z}} = -\omega^2 \,\overline{q} \exp(j\omega t) \tag{25}$$

Substitute equations (23) through (25) into equation (22).

$$-\omega^2 M \,\overline{q} \exp(j\omega t) + K \overline{q} \exp(j\omega t) = \overline{0}$$
<sup>(26)</sup>

$$\left\{ -\omega^2 M \,\overline{q} + K \,\overline{q} \right\} \exp(j\omega t) = \overline{0} \tag{27}$$

$$-\omega_{n}^{2}M \ \overline{q} + K \overline{q} = \overline{0}$$
<sup>(28)</sup>

$$\left\{-\omega^2 M + K\right\}\overline{q} = \overline{0}$$
<sup>(29)</sup>

$$\left\{ \mathbf{K} - \boldsymbol{\omega}^2 \mathbf{M} \right\} \overline{\mathbf{q}} = \overline{\mathbf{0}}$$
(30)

Equation (30) is an example of a generalized eigenvalue problem. The eigenvalues can be found by setting the determinant equal to zero.

$$\det\left\{K - \omega^2 M\right\} = 0 \tag{31}$$

$$\det \left\{ \begin{bmatrix} k_1 + k_2 & -k_2 \\ -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} - \omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} m_1 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2 \end{bmatrix} \right\} = 0$$
(32)

$$\det \begin{bmatrix} (k_1 + k_2) - \omega^2 m_1 & -k_2 \\ -k_2 & k_2 - \omega^2 m_2 \end{bmatrix} = 0$$
(33)

$$\left[ \left( k_{1} + k_{2} \right) - \omega^{2} m_{1} \right] \left[ k_{2} - \omega^{2} m_{2} \right] - k_{2}^{2} = 0$$
(34)

$$\omega^4 m_1 m_2 - \omega^2 [m_1 k_2 + m_2 (k_1 + k_2)] - k_2^2 = 0$$
(35)

The eigenvalues are the roots of the polynomial.

$$\omega_1^2 = \frac{-b - \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$
(36)

$$\omega_2^2 = \frac{-b + \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$
(37)

where

$$a = m_1 m_2 \tag{38}$$

$$\mathbf{b} = -[\mathbf{m}_1 \mathbf{k}_3 + \mathbf{m}_2 (\mathbf{k}_1 + \mathbf{k}_2)] \tag{39}$$

$$c = -k_2^2 \tag{40}$$

The eigenvectors are found via the following equations.

$$\left\{ \mathbf{K} - \omega_1^2 \mathbf{M} \right\} \overline{\mathbf{q}}_1 = \overline{\mathbf{0}}$$
(41)

$$\left\{ \mathbf{K} - \omega_2^2 \mathbf{M} \right\} \overline{\mathbf{q}}_2 = \overline{\mathbf{0}}$$
(42)

where

$$\overline{\mathbf{q}}_{1} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_{11} \\ \mathbf{q}_{12} \end{bmatrix} \tag{34}$$

$$\overline{\mathbf{q}}_{2} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_{21} \\ \mathbf{q}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \tag{44}$$

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

$$Q = \begin{bmatrix} \overline{q}_1 & | & \overline{q}_2 \end{bmatrix}$$
(45)

$$\mathbf{Q} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{q}_{11} & \mathbf{q}_{21} \\ \mathbf{q}_{12} & \mathbf{q}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \tag{46}$$

The eigenvectors represent orthogonal mode shapes.

Each eigenvector can be multiplied by an arbitrary scale factor. A mass-normalized eigenvector matrix  $\hat{Q}$  can be obtained such that the following orthogonality relations are obtained.

$$\hat{Q}^{T}M\hat{Q} = I \tag{47}$$

and

$$\hat{\mathbf{Q}}^{\mathrm{T}}\mathbf{K}\hat{\mathbf{Q}} = \mathbf{\Omega} \tag{48}$$

where

superscript T represents transpose

I is the identity matrix

 $\Omega$  is a diagonal matrix of eigenvalues

Note that

$$\hat{\mathbf{Q}} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{11} & \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{12} \\ \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{21} & \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$
(49a)  
$$\hat{\mathbf{Q}}^{\mathrm{T}} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{11} & \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{21} \\ \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{12} & \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{22} \end{bmatrix}$$
(49b)

Rigorous proof of the orthogonality relationships is beyond the scope of this tutorial. Further discussion is given in References 5 and 6.

Nevertheless, the orthogonality relationships are demonstrated by an example in this tutorial. Now define a modal coordinate  $\eta(t)$  such that

$$\overline{z} = \hat{Q} \ \overline{\eta} \tag{50a}$$

$$z_1 = \hat{q}_{11} \eta_1 + \hat{q}_{12} \eta_2 \tag{50b}$$

$$z_2 = \hat{q}_{21} \eta_1 + \hat{q}_{22} \eta_2 \tag{50c}$$

Recall

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{z}_1 + \mathbf{y} \tag{51a}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{z}_2 + \mathbf{y} \tag{51b}$$

The displacement terms are

$$\mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{y} + \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{11} \,\eta_1 + \hat{\mathbf{q}}_{12} \,\eta_2 \tag{52a}$$

$$\mathbf{x}_{2} = \mathbf{y} + \hat{q}_{21} \eta_{1} + \hat{q}_{22} \eta_{2}$$
 (52b)

The velocity terms are

$$\dot{x}_1 = \dot{y} + \hat{q}_{11} \dot{\eta}_1 + \hat{q}_{12} \dot{\eta}_2$$
 (53a)

$$\dot{x}_2 = \dot{y} + \hat{q}_{21} \dot{\eta}_1 + \hat{q}_{22} \dot{\eta}_2$$
 (53b)

The acceleration terms are

$$\ddot{x}_1 = \ddot{y} + \hat{q}_{11} \ddot{\eta}_1 + \hat{q}_{12} \ddot{\eta}_2$$
(54a)

$$\ddot{x}_{2} = \ddot{y} + \hat{q}_{21} \ddot{\eta}_{1} + \hat{q}_{22} \ddot{\eta}_{2}$$
(54b)

Substitute equation (50a) into the equation of motion, equation (17).

$$M\hat{Q} \ \overline{\eta} + K\hat{Q} \ \overline{\eta} = \overline{F}$$
(55)

Premultiply by the transpose of the normalized eigenvector matrix.

$$\hat{Q}^{T} M \hat{Q} \ \overline{\eta} + \hat{Q}^{T} K \hat{Q} \ \overline{\eta} = \hat{Q}^{T} \overline{F}$$
(56)

The orthogonality relationships yield

$$I \ \overline{\ddot{\eta}} + \Omega \ \overline{\eta} = \hat{Q}^T \overline{F}$$
(57)

For the sample problem, equation (57) becomes

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\eta}_1 \\ \ddot{\eta}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \omega_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{q}_{11} & \hat{q}_{21} \\ \hat{q}_{12} & \hat{q}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -m_1 \ddot{y} \\ -m_2 \ddot{y} \end{bmatrix}$$
(58)

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

Now assume modal damping by adding an uncoupled damping matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{\eta}_1 \\ \ddot{\eta}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2\xi_1 \,\omega_1 & 0 \\ 0 & 2\xi_2 \,\omega_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{\eta}_1 \\ \dot{\eta}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1^2 & 0 \\ 0 & \omega_2^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \eta_1 \\ \eta_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{q}_{11} & \hat{q}_{21} \\ \hat{q}_{12} & \hat{q}_{22} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} -m_1 \ddot{y} \\ -m_2 \ddot{y} \end{bmatrix}$$
(59)

Equation (59) yields two equations

$$\ddot{\eta}_1 + 2\xi_1 \omega_1 + \omega_1^2 \eta_1 = -[\hat{q}_{11}m_1 + \hat{q}_{21}m_2] \ddot{y}$$
(60)

$$\ddot{\eta}_2 + 2\xi_2 \,\omega_2 + \omega_2^2 \,\eta_2 = -\left[\hat{q}_{12}m_1 + \hat{q}_{22}m_2\right]\ddot{y} \tag{61}$$

Now assume a harmonic base input.

$$\ddot{\mathbf{y}} = \mathbf{A} \exp(\mathbf{j}\omega \mathbf{t}) \tag{62}$$

Assume a harmonic modal displacement.

 $\eta_i = \psi_i \exp(j\omega t) \tag{63}$ 

$$\dot{\eta}_{i} = j \omega_{i} \psi_{i} \exp(j\omega t)$$
(64)

$$\ddot{\eta}_{i} = -\omega_{i}^{2} \psi_{i} \exp(j\omega t)$$
(65)

By substitution,

$$\left\{ -\omega^{2} + j 2\xi_{1}\omega_{1}\omega + \omega_{1}^{2} \right\} \psi_{1} \exp(j\omega t) = -\left[\hat{q}_{11}m_{1} + \hat{q}_{21}m_{2}\right] \operatorname{A} \exp(j\omega t)$$
(66)

$$\left\{-\omega^{2} + j 2\xi_{2}\omega_{2}\omega + \omega_{2}^{2}\right\}\psi_{2}\exp(j\omega t) = -\left[\hat{q}_{12}m_{1} + \hat{q}_{22}m_{2}\right]\operatorname{Aexp}(j\omega t)$$
(67)

$$\left\{ \left[ \omega_1^2 - \omega^2 \right] + j 2\xi_1 \omega_1 \omega \right\} \psi_1 \exp(j\omega t) = -\left[ \hat{q}_{11}m_1 + \hat{q}_{21}m_2 \right] A \exp(j\omega t)$$
(68)

$$\left\{ \left[ \omega_2^2 - \omega^2 \right] + j 2\xi_2 \omega_2 \omega \right\} \psi_2 \exp(j\omega t) = -\left[ \hat{q}_{12}m_1 + \hat{q}_{22}m_2 \right] \operatorname{Aexp}(j\omega t)$$
(69)

$$\eta_{1} = \psi_{1} \exp(j\omega t) = \frac{-\left[\hat{q}_{11}m_{1} + \hat{q}_{21}m_{2}\right]}{\left\{\left[\omega_{1}^{2} - \omega^{2}\right] + j 2\xi_{1}\omega_{1}\omega\right\}} \operatorname{Aexp}(j\omega t)$$
(70)

$$\eta_{2} = \psi_{2} \exp(j\omega t) = \frac{-\left[\hat{q}_{12}m_{1} + \hat{q}_{22}m_{2}\right]}{\left\{\left[\omega_{2}^{2} - \omega^{2}\right] + j\,2\xi_{2}\,\omega_{2}\,\omega\right\}} \operatorname{Aexp}(j\omega t)$$
(71)

The modal velocity is

$$\dot{\eta}_{1} = \frac{-j\omega \left[\hat{q}_{11}m_{1} + \hat{q}_{21}m_{2}\right]}{\left\{ \left[\omega_{1}^{2} - \omega^{2}\right] + j 2\xi_{1}\omega_{1}\omega\right\}} \operatorname{Aexp}(j\omega t)$$
(72)

$$\dot{\eta}_{2} = \frac{-j\omega[\hat{q}_{12}m_{1} + \hat{q}_{22}m_{2}]}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_{2}^{2} - \omega^{2} \right] + j2\xi_{2}\omega_{2}\omega \right\}} \operatorname{Aexp}(j\omega t)$$
(73)

The modal acceleration is

$$\ddot{\eta}_{1} = \frac{\omega^{2} \left[ \hat{q}_{11} m_{1} + \hat{q}_{21} m_{2} \right]}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_{1}^{2} - \omega^{2} \right] + j \, 2 \, \xi_{1} \, \omega_{1} \, \omega \right\}} \quad \text{A} \exp(j\omega t)$$
(74)

$$\ddot{\eta}_{2} = \frac{\omega^{2} \left[ \hat{q}_{12} m_{1} + \hat{q}_{22} m_{2} \right]}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_{2}^{2} - \omega^{2} \right] + j 2 \xi_{2} \omega_{2} \omega \right\}} \quad \text{Aexp}(j\omega t)$$
(75)

Recall

$$\ddot{x}_{1} = \ddot{y} + \hat{q}_{11} \ddot{\eta}_{1} + \hat{q}_{12} \ddot{\eta}_{2}$$
(76)

$$\ddot{x}_{2} = \ddot{y} + \hat{q}_{21} \ddot{\eta}_{1} + \hat{q}_{22} \ddot{\eta}_{2}$$
(77)

$$\ddot{x}_{1}(t) = \left\{ 1 + \frac{\omega^{2} \hat{q}_{11} [\hat{q}_{11}m_{1} + \hat{q}_{21}m_{2}]}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_{1}^{2} - \omega^{2} \right] + j 2\xi_{1} \omega_{1} \omega \right\}} + \frac{\omega^{2} \hat{q}_{12} [\hat{q}_{12}m_{1} + \hat{q}_{22}m_{2}]}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_{2}^{2} - \omega^{2} \right] + j 2\xi_{2} \omega_{2} \omega \right\}} \right\} A \exp(j\omega t)$$
(78)

$$\ddot{x}_{2}(t) = \left\{ 1 + \frac{\omega^{2}\hat{q}_{21}[\hat{q}_{11}m_{1} + \hat{q}_{21}m_{2}]}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_{1}^{2} - \omega^{2} \right] + j 2\xi_{1}\omega_{1}\omega \right\}} + \frac{\omega^{2}\hat{q}_{22}[\hat{q}_{12}m_{1} + \hat{q}_{22}m_{2}]}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_{2}^{2} - \omega^{2} \right] + j 2\xi_{2}\omega_{2}\omega \right\}} \right\} A \exp(j\omega t)$$
(79)

The Fourier transform equation is

$$\hat{X}_{i}(f) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \ddot{x}_{i}(t) \exp[-j\omega t] dt$$
(80)

Take the Fourier transform of each side of equations (78) and (79).

$$\hat{X}_{1}(f) / A = \left\{ 1 + \frac{\omega^{2} \hat{q}_{11} [\hat{q}_{11}m_{1} + \hat{q}_{21}m_{2}]}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_{1}^{2} - \omega^{2} \right] + j 2\xi_{1} \omega_{1} \omega \right\}} + \frac{\omega^{2} \hat{q}_{12} [\hat{q}_{12}m_{1} + \hat{q}_{22}m_{2}]}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_{2}^{2} - \omega^{2} \right] + j 2\xi_{2} \omega_{2} \omega \right\}} \right\}$$

$$(81)$$

$$\hat{X}_{2}(f)/A = \left\{ 1 + \frac{\omega^{2}\hat{q}_{21}[\hat{q}_{11}m_{1} + \hat{q}_{21}m_{2}]}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_{1}^{2} - \omega^{2} \right] + j \, 2\xi_{1} \, \omega_{1} \, \omega \right\}} + \frac{\omega^{2}\hat{q}_{22}[\hat{q}_{12}m_{1} + \hat{q}_{22}m_{2}]}{\left\{ \left[ \omega_{2}^{2} - \omega^{2} \right] + j \, 2\xi_{2} \, \omega_{2} \, \omega \right\}} \right\}$$
(82)

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#### APPENDIX A

### EXAMPLE 1

Normal Modes Analysis





A 5-lbm avionics component  $(m_2)$  is mounted on a 2-lbm base plate  $(m_1)$ . Each spring stiffness is 4.6e+04 lbf/in. Analyze the energy transmitted to the avionics mass with and without the base plate stage.

Table A-1. Parameters	
Variable	Value
m <sub>1</sub>	2 lbm
m <sub>2</sub>	5 lbm
k <sub>1</sub>	4.6e+04 lbf/in
k <sub>2</sub>	4.6e+04 lbf/in

Furthermore, assume that each mode has a damping value of 5%.

$$\begin{bmatrix} m_1 & 0 \\ 0 & m_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{z}_1 \\ \ddot{z}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k_1 + k_2 & -k_2 \\ -k_2 & k_2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} -m_1 \ddot{y} \\ -m_2 \ddot{y} \end{bmatrix}$$
(A-1)

Solve for the acceleration response time histories. The homogeneous, undamped problem is

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2/386 & 0 \\ 0 & 5/386 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{z}_1 \\ \ddot{z}_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 9.2e + 04 & -4.6e + 04 \\ -4.6e + 04 & 4.6e + 04 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} z_1 \\ z_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}$$
(A-2)

The natural frequencies are

$$f_1 = 201.3 \text{ Hz}$$
 (A-3)

$$f_2 = 706.5 \text{ Hz}$$
 (A-4)

# FRF Analysis



Figure A-2.



Figure A-3.

The Single-Stage curve represents the avionics mass and its spring by themselves.

The results are mixed. The optimum design depends on the base excitation frequency.

# APPENDIX B

## EXAMPLE 2

Repeat the example from Appendix A but with the base plate and avionics mass both at 5 lbm.

Table B-1. Parameters	
Variable	Value
m <sub>1</sub>	5 lbm
m2	5 lbm
k <sub>1</sub>	4.6e+04 lbf/in
k <sub>2</sub>	4.6e+04 lbf/in

The natural frequencies are

$$f_1 = 185.4 \text{ Hz}$$
 (B-1)

$$f_2 = 485.3 \text{ Hz}$$
 (B-2)



Figure B-2.



Figure B-3.

The Single-Stage curve represents the avionics mass and its spring by themselves.

Again, the results are mixed. The optimum design depends on the base excitation frequency.

# APPENDIX C

# EXAMPLE 3

Repeat the example from Appendix A but with the base plate at 15 lbm.

Table C-1. Parameters	
Variable	Value
m <sub>1</sub>	15 lbm
m <sub>2</sub>	5 lbm
k <sub>1</sub>	4.6e+04 lbf/in
k <sub>2</sub>	4.6e+04 lbf/in

The natural frequencies are

$$f_1 = 144.6 \text{ Hz}$$
 (C-1)

$$f_2 = 359.2 \text{ Hz}$$
 (C-2)



Figure C-1.



Figure C-2.

The Single-Stage curve represents the avionics mass and its spring by themselves.

The Two-Stage design provides greater attenuation above an excitation frequency of 200 Hz.