

Dynamics of structures

Titulaire

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Mnémonique du cours

CNST-H420

Crédits ECTS

4 crédits

Langue(s) d'enseignement

Anglais

Période du cours

Deuxième quadrimestre

Campus

Solbosch

compute their dynamic response due to different types of excitations.

The students will also develop a deep understanding of the effects of vibrations (positive or negative) on structures, and in particular resonance phenomena, and the possible design modifications and remedial measures.

Pré-requis et co-requis

Cours ayant celui-ci comme pré-requis

MEMO-H501 | Master thesis civil engineering | 24 crédits

Méthodes d'enseignement et activités d'apprentissages

The course is articulated around different case studies for which the students will learn to describe the source of excitation, how to model the problem and predict vibration levels, as well as propose the most adequate design and remedial measures when these levels are excessive. The course consists of 24h of lectures based on the principle of flipped classes. The students are asked to watch one or several short videos before the class, and the time in the class is dedicated to interactive activities such as woodlap sessions, group exercises and discussions

Contenu du cours

The course studies the time dependent behavior of constructions and buildings excited by dynamic forces.

The course starts with the analysis of systems with one, two and several degrees of freedom, with and without damping, and also deals with simple continuous structures (beams and bars).

The course continues with a short description of the different types of dynamic excitations including earthquakes, wind (including an introduction to self-excited vibrations and instabilities) and walking pedestrians.

The effects of these sources of excitations on civil engineering structures are discussed, together with modeling strategies including finite element models.

Design modifications and remedial measures are presented and illustrated for different case studies. A chapter is also dedicated to signal processing for experimental dynamics

Objectifs (et/ou acquis d'apprentissages spécifiques)

The students will learn how to model time dependent dynamic behavior of structures. Emphasis is put on understanding the nature of the excitation and the ability to derive simple models from real complex structures and to

about case studies to consolidate the theoretical knowledge.

The following topics are covered:

1. Introduction
2. One degree of freedom systems
3. Sources of vibrations
4. Multiple Degree of Freedom systems
5. Finite elements models
6. Continuous Systems
7. Equivalent SDOF systems
8. Flow induced vibrations
9. Vibrations problems
10. Dynamic response computation
11. Design and remedial measures
12. Damping
13. Tuned vibration absorbers
14. Vibration isolation
The exercise sessions are organized in 6 sessions (24h) using Matlab or Octave, as well as the finite element code FinElg. The first two sessions are dedicated to understanding

the basics of SDOF and MDOF systems, while the 4 remaining sessions are used for a project related to parasismic calculation according to Eurocode 8 and/or response to wind excitation (vortex induced vibration) applied to real civil engineering structures.

Contribution au profil d'enseignement

This teaching unit contributes to the following competences:

- > In-depth knowledge and understanding of exact sciences with the specificity of their application to engineering
- > Reformulate complex engineering problems in order to solve them (simplifying assumptions, reducing complexity)
- > Correctly report on research or design results in the form of a technical report or in the form of a scientific paper
- > Present and defend results in a scientifically sound way, using contemporary communication tools, for a national as well as for an international professional or lay audience
- > Collaborate in a (multidisciplinary) team
- > Combine computational modelling methods and experimental techniques to tackle complex structural and material analysis problems

Références, bibliographie et lectures recommandées

- > H. Bachmann, Vibration problems in Structures, Birkhauser Verlag, 1995
- > Inman, D.J - Engineering vibrations. Prentice Hall, 3d Edition, 2007-Gérardin M., Rixen D. Mechanical Vibrations - Theory and Application to Structural Dynamics. John Wiley & Sons, second edition, 1997

Support(s) de cours

Podcast et Syllabus

Autres renseignements

Lieu(x) d'enseignement

Solbosch

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Méthode(s) d'évaluation

Examen oral et Projet

Méthode(s) d'évaluation (complément)

The evaluation consists in an oral examination as well as the evaluation of the project (oral presentation).



Construction de la note (en ce compris, la pondération des notes partielles)

75% for the oral examination and 25% for the exercise sessions and project.

The presence at the exercise/project sessions is compulsory. The professor may refuse the participation to the oral

examination in case of non justified absence at the exercise sessions.

Langue(s) d'évaluation principale(s)
Anglais

Programmes

Programmes proposant ce cours à l'école polytechnique de Bruxelles

MA-IRCN | Master : ingénieur civil des constructions | finalité Spécialisée/bloc 1

