

Dynamic Soil Structure Interaction

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Chapter 5 :

Basis for Calculation of

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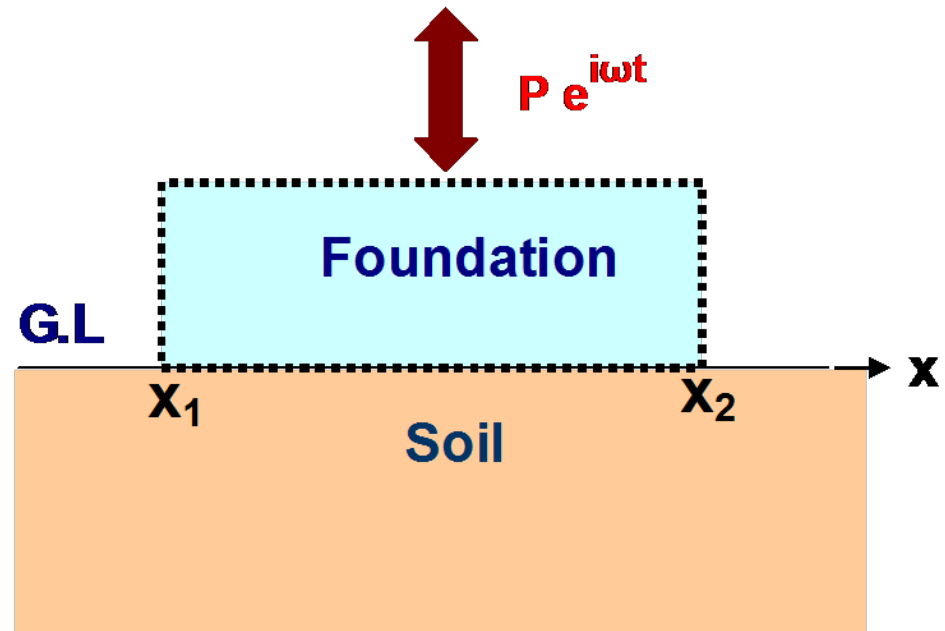
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Vertical Dynamic Impedance Function for Surface Foundation

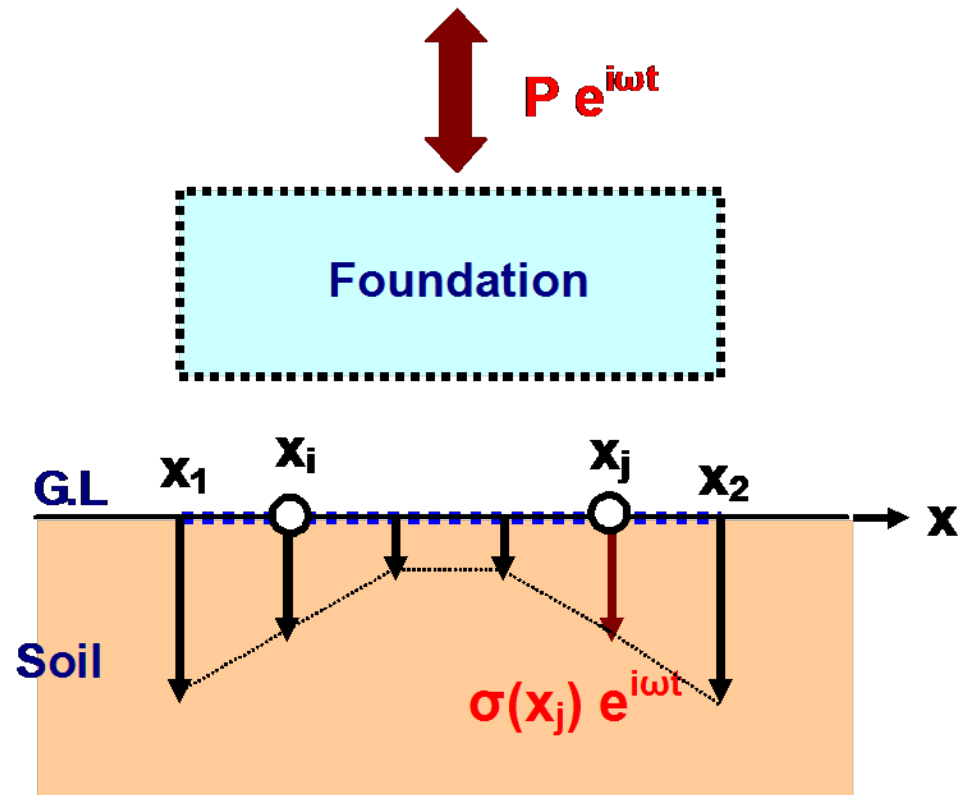
Let us consider how to calculate the dynamic impedance function.

For a simple explanation, two dimensional rigid foundation resting on the soil surface is employed, which is subject to a vertical load $P e^{i\omega t}$.



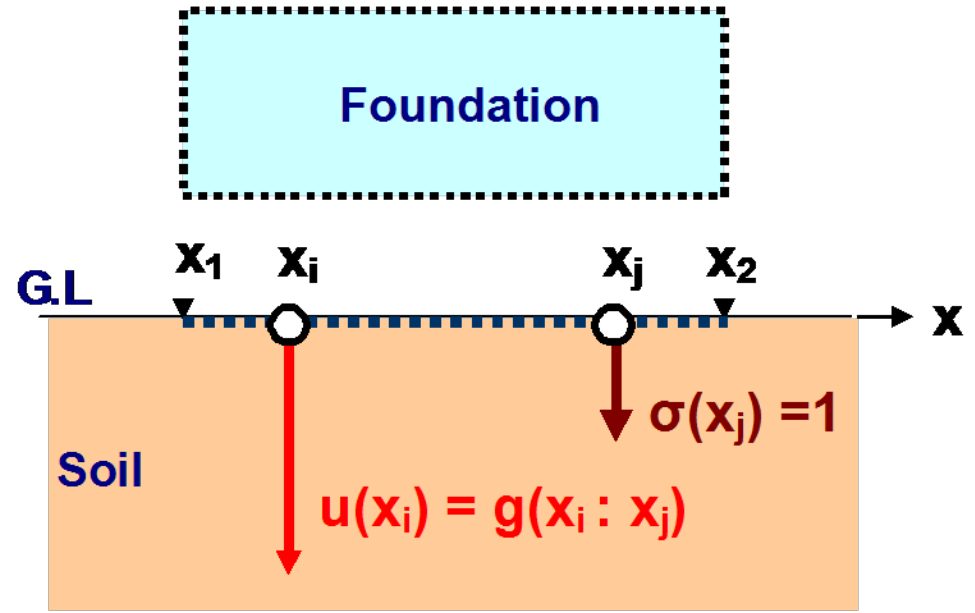
Surface Foundation subjected to a
Dynamic Vertical Load

During a vertical excitation $P e^{i\omega t}$, a vertical contact earth-pressure $\sigma(x_j) e^{i\omega t}$ is caused along the contact area ($x_1 < x_j < x_2$) between the foundation bottom and the soil surface.



Contact Earth-Pressure

Consider a displacement $u(x_i)$ at a point x_i due to an earth-pressure $\sigma(x_j)$ at a point x_j .



Green's Function

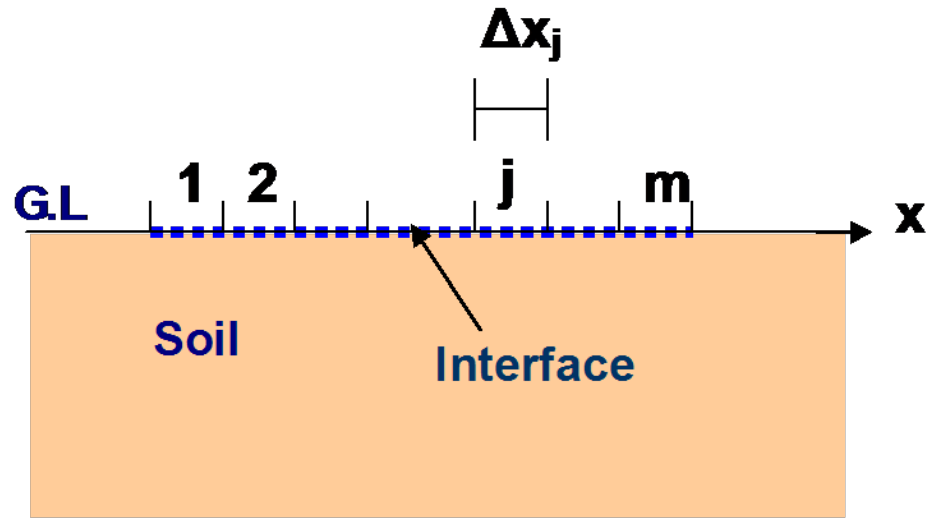
When $\sigma(x_j)=1$, a displacement $u(x_i)$ at a point x_i is called “**Green's Function**”, and expressed by:

$$u(x_i) = g(x_i : x_j) \quad (1)$$

The displacement at x_i due to whole contact earth pressure $\sigma(x_j)$, $x_1 < x_j < x_2$ is given by:

$$u(x_i) = \int_{x_1}^{x_2} g(x_i : x_j) \sigma(x_j) dx_j \quad (2)$$

Partition the interface between foundation and soil into m sub-regions.



Partition of the Interface

Then, Eq.(2) becomes,

$$u(x_i) \approx \sum_{j=1}^m g(x_i : x_j) \sigma(x_j) \Delta x_j \quad (3)$$

Put $\sigma(x_j)\Delta x_j = f_j$, Eq.(3):

$$u(x_i) \approx \sum_{j=1}^m g(x_i : x_j) \sigma(x_j) \Delta x_j \quad (3)$$

transformed to Eq.(4):

$$u(x_i) \approx \sum_{j=1}^m g(x_i : x_j) f_j \quad (4)$$

Arrange Eq.(4) from $i=1$ to m , Eq.(4) is expressed in a matrix form as:

$$\{u\} = [G]\{f\} \quad (5)$$

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where,

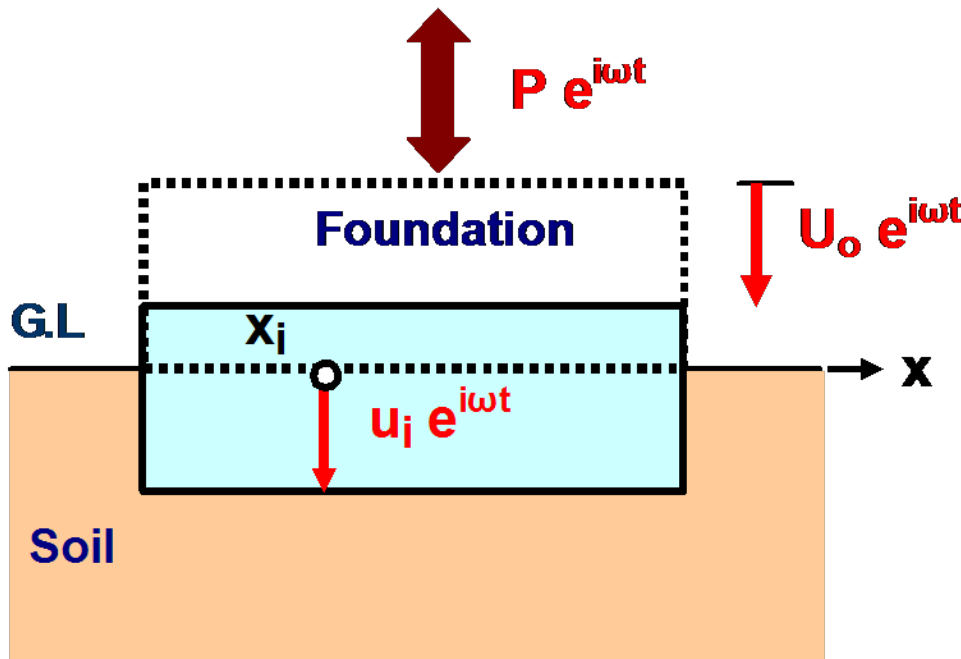
$$\{\mathbf{u}\}=\{u(x_1), u(x_2), \dots, u(x_m)\}^T \quad (6-1)$$

$$\{\mathbf{f}\}=\{f_1, f_2, \dots, f_m\}^T \quad (6-2)$$

$$[\mathbf{G}] = \begin{bmatrix} g(x_1 : x_1) & g(x_1 : x_2) & \cdot & \cdot & g(x_1 : x_m) \\ g(x_2 : x_1) & g(x_2 : x_2) & \cdot & \cdot & g(x_2 : x_m) \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot & \cdot \\ g(x_m : x_1) & g(x_m : x_2) & \cdot & \cdot & g(x_m : x_m) \end{bmatrix} \quad (6-3)$$

Under rigid foundation condition, displacements $\{u\}$ at the interface can be expressed by representative displacement U_0 of the foundation.

$$\{u\} = \{1, 1, \dots, 1\}^T U_0 \quad (7)$$



Eq.(7) is rewritten as:

$$\{u\} = \{R\} U_0 \quad (8)$$

Where,

$$\{R\} = \{1, 1, \dots, 1\}^T \quad (9)$$

$$\{\mathbf{u}\} = \{\mathbf{R}\} \mathbf{U}_0 \quad (8)$$

$$\{\mathbf{R}\} = \{1, 1, \dots, 1\}^T \quad (9)$$

$\{\mathbf{R}\}$ is called **Restraint Vector**, which relates the representative displacement \mathbf{U}_0 of the foundation to the displacement vector $\{\mathbf{u}\}$ at the interface.

In multi-degrees of freedom cases, the restraint vector $\{\mathbf{R}\}$ becomes **Restraint Matrix** $[\mathbf{R}]$.

The applied force **P** coincides with combined contact earth pressure (sum of contact earth-pressure) .

$$\mathbf{F}(=\mathbf{P}) = f_1 + f_2 + \dots + f_m = \{1, 1, \dots, 1\} \{ \mathbf{f} \} \\ = \{\mathbf{R}\}^T \{ \mathbf{f} \} \quad (10)$$

Eq.(5) :

$$\{ \mathbf{u} \} = [\mathbf{G}] \{ \mathbf{f} \} \quad (5)$$

gives,

$$\{ \mathbf{f} \} = [\mathbf{G}]^{-1} \{ \mathbf{u} \} \quad (11)$$

Substitute Eq.(11):

$$\{ \mathbf{f} \} = [\mathbf{G}]^{-1} \{ \mathbf{u} \} \quad (11)$$

into Eq.(10):

$$\mathbf{F}(=\mathbf{P}) = \{ \mathbf{R} \}^T \{ \mathbf{f} \} \quad (10)$$

then, we obtain Eq.(12):

$$\mathbf{F}(=\mathbf{P}) = \{ \mathbf{R} \}^T \{ \mathbf{f} \} = \{ \mathbf{R} \}^T [\mathbf{G}]^{-1} \{ \mathbf{u} \} \quad (12)$$

Furthermore, the substitution of Eq.(8) :

$$\{ \mathbf{u} \} = \{ \mathbf{R} \} \mathbf{U}_0 \quad (8)$$

into Eq.(12) gives Eq.(13):

$$\mathbf{F}(=\mathbf{P}) = \{ \mathbf{R} \}^T [\mathbf{G}]^{-1} \{ \mathbf{R} \} \mathbf{U}_0 \quad (13)$$

Because Eq.(13):

$$\mathbf{F}(=\mathbf{P}) = \{\mathbf{R}\}^T [\mathbf{G}]^{-1} \{\mathbf{R}\} \mathbf{U}_0 \quad (13)$$

relates the applied force $\mathbf{F}(=\mathbf{P})$ to the representative displacement \mathbf{U}_0 of the foundation,

the coefficient in a right hand side of Eq.(13) can be denoted by **Dynamic Impedance Function \mathbf{K}** .

That is:

$$\mathbf{F}(=\mathbf{P}) = \mathbf{K} \mathbf{U}_0 \quad (15)$$

where,

$$\mathbf{K} = \{\mathbf{R}\}^T [\mathbf{G}]^{-1} \{\mathbf{R}\} \quad (16)$$

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