STABILITY OF A BEAM ON ELASTIC FOUNDATION UNDER DYNAMIC LOAD

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The subject of the theoretical study is a homogeneous beam on elastic foundation under dynamic compression load. The length of the beam is L, the thickness is h and the width is b. The analytical model of the beam on elastic foundation with taking into account its reaction described by a function $c(x) \cdot v(x)$ is formulated. The coefficient c(x) is the property-foundation constant and v(x) is the deflection of the beam. The property relation is a trigonometric power function.

The equation of motion is in the following form:

$$bh\rho \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial t^2} + EI_z \frac{\partial^4 v}{\partial x^4} + F_0(t) \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + c(x) \cdot v(x) = 0$$

and it is reduced by applying the Galerkin method to ordinary differential equation by substituting the function of deflection $v(x, t) = v_a(t) \cdot sin(m\pi x/L) \cdot sin^k(\pi x/L)$, where $v_a(t)$ is an amplitude of the deflection of the beam, k - power index and m is a natural number. Obtained equation of motion is a second order equation and it is numerically solved with the use of the Runge-Kutta method. The starting impulse is linear or trigonometric function. Dynamic equilibrium paths for the example of the beam with a wide range of parameters are determined and compared.

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