

10.1 Wave propagation in a beam

Governing Equations for a Beam

Statics

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \left[EI \frac{\partial^2 v(x)}{\partial x^2} \right] = p(x)$$

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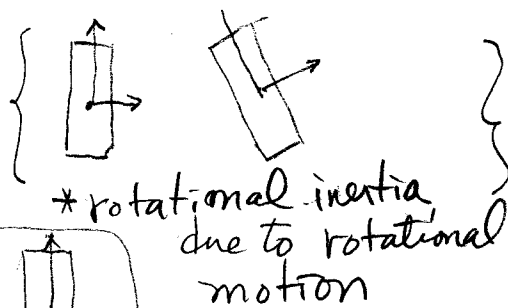
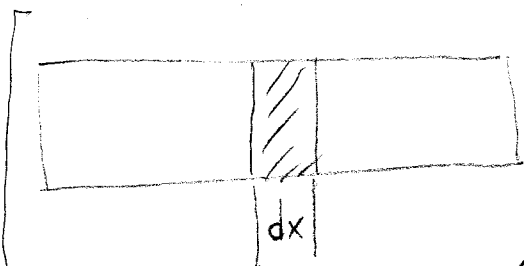
Dynamics

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \left[EI \frac{\partial^2 v(x,t)}{\partial x^2} \right] = p(x,t) - m \frac{\partial^2 v(x,t)}{\partial t^2}$$

$m = \rho A$ (10.1)

$$\bar{p}(x,t) = \underbrace{p(x,t)}_{\text{applied force}} + \underbrace{\left[-m \frac{\partial^2 v(x,t)}{\partial t^2} \right]}_{\text{inertia force (it is a resisting force according to Newton)}}$$

* modification for rotatory inertia



The term $\left(-m \frac{\partial^2 v(x,t)}{\partial t^2} \right)$ represents only translational motion.

Equation (10.1) models only the translational inertia. Hence, the rotational inertia needs to be added to (10.1):

rotational velocity: $\dot{\theta} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} (\theta(x,t)) \doteq \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \left[\frac{\partial v(x,t)}{\partial x} \right]$

So that we have:

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \left[EI \frac{\partial^2 v(x,t)}{\partial x^2} \right] = p(x,t) - m \frac{\partial^2 v(x,t)}{\partial t^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x \partial t} \left[I_p \frac{\partial^2 v(x,t)}{\partial x \partial t} \right] \quad (10.2)$$