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#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Vibration of a bridge structure due to the passage of vehicles is an important consideration in the design of bridges. Further, a common problem in bridge engineering practice in these years is the upgrading of minor highway bridges ( $\approx$ 5-20 m) to carry heavier loads partly due to a tendency of heavier trucks moving at larger speeds, and partly because the authorities want to permit transportation of special heavy goods at a larger part of the road net. These needs will in many cases cause that strengthening of the bridges becomes necessary. In order to keep the expenses of such strengthening projects at a minimum, it is necessary to perform accurate estimates of the dynamic amplification factor (defined as the dynamic load effect divided by the static load effect from the vehicles), so this quantity is neither over- nor underestimated.

For the minor highway bridges the critical design scenario occurs at the simultaneous passage of two heavy vehicles. According to the present Danish regulations these two heavy vehicles are taken as a 50 t and a heavier 100 - 150 t vehicle, Vejdirektoratet (1996). For both these vehicles the dynamic amplification factor is taken simultaneously as 1.25, which is an expensive generalization for the strengthening projects, and underlines the need for better estimation and more bridge specific determination of the dynamic amplification factor.

The principal aims of the present paper are to establish the numerical models for the mathematical models of the vehicles and the bridge from which the load amplification factors can be estimated assuming that the dynamic parameters of the vehicles and the modal parameters of the bridge are known. The vehicles may move in the same or in opposite directions, may enter the bridge at different instants of time or at different speeds. The lightweight vehicle consists of a 48 t Scania 3 axle tractor and a 3 axle trailer, jointed in a flexible hinge. Each axle is suspended on two elastic supports modelling the wheels. Further, support springs are supplied between the axle and the superstructure, modelling the suspension system of the vehicle. The heavyweight vehicle is taken as a 106t Goldhofer truck, with a 3 axle tractor and a 8 axle trailer, consisting of sub-vehicles jointed together in unflexible hinges. The dynamic response of the bridge is assumed rather insignificant for the present shortspan bridge. For this reason a truncated normal mode expansion is used, which preserves the basic quasi-static response of the bridge, and includes the dynamic response of the few lowest eigenmodes.

# 2. DESCRIPTION OF VEHICLES AND BRIDGE

The simulation model is based on simultaneous passage of two heavy vehicles on a typical Danish minor highway bridge. In the following the specifications of the vehicles and the bridge are given.

### 2.1 Description of the Vehicles

The heavy vehicles are a standard Scania heavy lorry (~ 48 t.) and a Goldhofer SKPH 8 special transportation (~106 t). These types of vehicles are chosen since they are some of the most common heavy vehicles in Denmark.

## 2.1.1 Description of the Scania Heavy Lorry

A Scania heavy lorry was chosen as the lightweight vehicle in the project. The Scania, see figure 2.1 consists of two modules, a truck-tractor and a trailer. The truck-tractor has three axles and the trailer 3 axles.

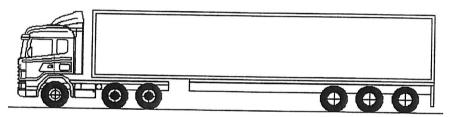


Figure 2.1 A Scania heavy vehicle

The Scania considered in the present study has the specifications given in table 2.1. (weight), table 2.2 (dimensions) and table 2.3 (axle load). These data are based on information from Ole M. Jørgensen, Scania Denmark.

Payload	Dead Weight	Gross Vehicle Load
kg	kg	kg
33839	14161	48000

Table 2.1 Weight of the Scania vehicle.

Width	Total Vehicle Length	Axle Spacing Tractor	Axle Spacing Trailer
m	m	m	m
2	16.5	2.35, 3.7	1.56

Table 2.2 Dimension of the Scania vehicle.

Tractor front	Tractor rear	5th Wheel Load	Trailer Axle Load
kg	kg	kg	kg
5249	9446, 9446	17642	7953

Table 2.3 Axle load for the Scania vehicle.

Based on the information from Scania the tractor has leaf springs in the front and air springs in the rear. No information about the trailer has been given, wherefore the trailer is assumed to have leaf springs. All wheels of the vehicle are assumed to have 295/80R22.5 tyres.

#### 2.1.2 Description of the Goldhofer SKPH 8 Special Transportation

A 106 t Goldhofer SKPH 8 semi low loader vehicle is selected as the heavy special transportation vehicle. The Goldhofer SKPH 8, see figure 2.2 consists of two modules, a truck-tractor and a trailer. The truck-tractor has 3 axles and the trailer 8 axles. The heavyweight trailer consists of 8 sub-vehicles jointed together in unflexible hinges.

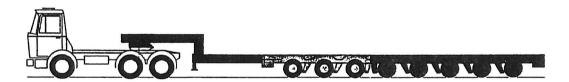


Figure 2.2 A Goldhofer SKPH 8.

The Goldhofer SKPH 8 considered in the present study has the specifications given in table 2.4, (weight), table 2.5 (dimensions) and table 2.6 (axle load). These data are based on information from a Goldhofer brochure. However, the axle load for the tractor is estimated assuming a tractor with the same weight and load distribution as the Scania tractor in table 2.30

Speed	Payload	Dead Weight	Gross Weight	Gross Vehicle Load
km/h	kg	kg	kg	kg
62	70500	27000	97500	106000

Table 2.4 Weight of the SKPH 8.

	Total Vehicle Length	Loading Height	Axle Spacing Tractor	Axle Spacing Trailer
m	m	m	m	m
275	219	0.985±0.150	2.75 , 4.1	1,36

Table 2.5 Dimension of the SKPH 8.

Speed	Tractor Front	Tractor Rear	Axle Load	5th Wheel Load
km/h	kg	kg	kg	kg
62	5142	10429,10429	8×10000	17500

Table 2.6 Axle load for the SKPH 8.

The Goldhofer SKPH 8 has a wide variety of standard equipment for steering and loading, such as:

- In conjunction with the hydraulic axle compensation unit the hydraulical lift- and lowerable *Gooseneck* allows lifting/lowering of the loading platform, i.e. a constant static loading of the tractor fifth wheel on uneven roads.
- A hydraulic axle compensation (± 150 mm) incorporating hydraulic cylinders with swivel bearings, ensures a minimum wear.

The SKPH 8 considered in this study is assumed to have axle compensation units at the bogies of the semi lowloader., i.e at all of the eight axles.

The axle compensation units at the bogies is effected by cylinders in vertical arrangement in the axle suspension units, connected with the bogie frame by means of a pivot bearing. The axle suspension units incorporate one spring unit, consisting of a dual gas pressure accumulator. The gas pressure accumulator consists of a pressure reservoir, a flexible diaphragm and a hydraulic body with a non-return valve. Upon deflection of the axle suspension units, the displaced oil from the axle compensation cylinder is supplied to the gas pressure accumulator. The diaphragm and the nitrogen of the gas-pressure accumulator damp the hydraulic oil flow, thus enabling the compression and rebound of the axle suspension units.

No information has been given for the tractor wherefore leaf springs in front and air springs in rear are assumed. All wheels of the trailer have 8.25R15PR18 tyres and the tractor wheels are assumed to have 295/80R22.5.

### 2.2 Description of the Bridge

The considered bridge, see figure 2.3, is a part of the road Åsvej in the municipality of Roskilde on the island Zealand in Denmark. The bridge is considered for the project since measurements of the road irregularities exist from the stationing 15.872 km (record no. 7722) to the stationing 15.672 km (record no. 9692) with 0.1 m between each record number., i.e. a road with a length of 200 m has been measured. In the present project these data have been analysed and a stochastic modelling of the surface irregularities is presented, see Nielsen et al. (1997). Elevation and cross-section details for the considered bridge are given in figures 2.3 and 2.4. The bridge super structure is a continuous deck over the supporting columns. The supports for the deck are pinned, with rollers at all but not at the columns. From figures 2.3 and 2.4 it is seen that the total length of the bridge deck is 31.280 m, the width is 12.3 m and the deck thickness is 0.75 m. The columns are approximately 4.3 m long with cross sectional dimensions  $1.0 \times 0.6 \text{ m}$ .

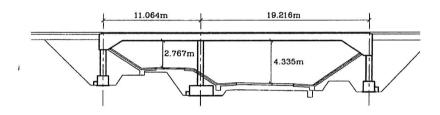


Figure 2.3 Elevation details for the considered bridge

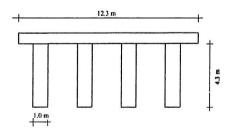


Figure 2.4 Cross-section details for the considered bridge

#### 3. MODELLING OF VEHICLES

Based on the specification of the vehicles given in sections 2.1 and 2.2, respectively, the governing differential equation for the dynamic vehicle response will be given in the following.

### 3.1 Modelling of the Scania Heavy Lorry

From the dynamic analysis point of view, the Scania vehicle is composed of the body, suspension system and tyres. The vehicle body is assumed represented by a distributed mass subjected to rigid-body motions. Vertical displacements, pitching and roll rotations will be considered. Figure 3.1 shows the mathematical model of the vehicle and the degrees of freedom needed to describe its movement.

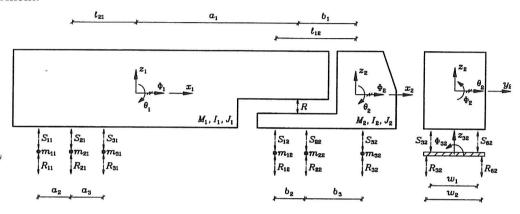


Figure 3.1 Vehicle model and definition of degrees-of-freedom of the Scania vehicle.

For the vehicle in figure 3.1 it is assumed that the two modules are linked together at a hinge, a socalled fifth wheel point, allowing rotations in all directions, so that only vertical forces are transmitted between the modules., i.e. the roll stiffness of the fifth wheel is neglected. The modules are assumed to be infinitely stiff with the coordinate axes  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  as principal axes of inertia. A local coordinate system is placed in the mass center of gravity of the modules with the three axes orientated in the vertical direction, the transverse direction and the longitudinal direction along the vehicle direction. The modules are free to move along the vertical direction and rotate about the two other axes. Hence, each module has three degrees of freedom, corresponding to the vertical displacements (heave)  $z_1(t)$ ,  $z_2(t)$ , rotations about the transverse axis (pitch)  $\theta_1(t)$ ,  $\theta_2(t)$ , and rotations about the longitudinal axis (roll)  $\phi_1(t)$ ,  $\phi_2(t)$ , respectively with sign defined in figure 3.1. These quantities are measured from the position of static equilibrium.  $I_1$ ,  $I_2$  signify the mass moments of inertia of rotation about the transverse axis and  $J_1$ ,  $J_2$  signify the mass moments of inertia of rotation about the longitudinal axis.  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$  are the masses of the modules. The modules are supported by spring forces  $S_{il}(t)$ ,  $S_{i2}(t)$  acting between the modules and the axles modelling the suspension system of the vehicle. The sign of the spring forces when acting on the modules and the axles is shown on figure 3.1. The spring forces are acting symmetrical about the longitudinal axis with a distance  $w_i$ in the transversal-direction. The abscissa, in the local coordinates centred at the mass centres, of the

springs attached to the axles are denoted  $l_{ij}$ ,  $l_{i2}$ . Each axle is free to move in the vertical direction and to rotate around the longitudinal axis. Hence, each axle has 2 degrees of freedom, which are selected as the rotations  $\phi_{i1}(t), \phi_{i2}(t)$  about the local centre of gravity in the longitudinal direction and the translations  $z_{il}(t)$ ,  $z_{i2}(t)$  in the vertical direction.  $J_{il}$ ,  $J_{i2}$  and  $m_{il}$ ,  $m_{i2}$  denote the mass moments of inertia and the masses of the axles, respectively. The mass of the axles, wheels and brakes are concentrated under the suspension system and over a set of reaction forces  $R_{il}(t)$ ,  $R_{i2}(t)$  between the axles and the road surface denoted with positive sign in the upward direction, when acting on the axles, and positive sign in the downward direction when acting on the road surface as shown in figure 3.1. The reaction forces are transmitted through wheels which act as secondary springs. The reaction forces are acting symmetrically about the longitudinal axis with a distance  $w_2$  in the transverse direction. The longitudinal distance between the mass center of gravity and the reaction forces  $R_{ij}(t)$ ,  $R_{i2}(t)$  is assumed to be the same as the distances to the spring force  $S_{ij}(t)$ ,  $S_{i2}(t)$ . As explained, the vehicle modules are linked together. For these modules an artificial degree of freedom  $z_0(t)$  is introduced, specifying the vertical displacement of the coupling point. The reaction force between the modules is termed R(t) which is considered positive when acting on the trailer module and in the upward direction. The distances to the coupling point from the mass centers of gravity for the two modules are denoted  $a_1$  and  $b_2$ , respectively. The distances between the wheel at the trailer module are denoted  $a_2$  and  $a_3$ , respectively, and  $b_2$  at the tractor module. Using the definitions given above the governing differential equations for the module responses can be written as follows when the distances  $l_{ib}$   $l_{i2}$  are used with sign and the wheels are numbered according to figure 3.1. Linear behaviour of all elements and small angular displacements are assumed. Further, spring and reaction forces are assumed to remain parallel to the vertical axis and transmit only compression and tensile forces.

$$M_I \ddot{z}_I - \sum_{i=1}^6 S_{iI} - R = 0$$
 (1)

$$M_2\ddot{z}_2 - \sum_{i=1}^6 S_{i2} + R = 0$$
(2)

$$I_{I}\ddot{\Theta}_{I} + \sum_{i=1}^{6} S_{iI}l_{iI} + Ra_{I} = 0$$
 (3)

$$I_2\ddot{\Theta}_2 + \sum_{i=1}^6 S_{i2}l_{i2} + Rb_1 = 0$$
 (4)

$$J_{I}\ddot{\Phi}_{I} - \sum_{i=I}^{6} S_{iI} w_{s,iI} = 0 \qquad \begin{cases} w_{s,iI} = -\frac{1}{2} w_{I}, & i = 1,2,3 \\ w_{s,iI} = \frac{1}{2} w_{I}, & i = 4,5,6 \end{cases}$$
 (5)

$$J_{2} \vec{\Phi}_{2} - \sum_{i=1}^{6} S_{i2} w_{s,i2} = 0 \qquad \begin{cases} w_{s,i2} = -\frac{1}{2} w_{I}, & i = 1,2,3 \\ w_{s,i2} = -\frac{1}{2} w_{I}, & i = 4,5,6 \end{cases}$$
 (6)

$$m_{il}\ddot{z}_{il} + S_{il} + S_{i+3,l} - R_{il} - R_{i+3,l} = 0 , i = 1,2,3$$
 (7)

$$m_{i2}\ddot{z}_{i2} + S_{i2} + S_{i+2,2} - R_{i2} - R_{i+2,2} = 0$$
,  $i = 1,2,3$  (8)

$$J_{iI}\ddot{\Phi}_{iI} - \frac{1}{2}w_I(S_{iI} - S_{i+3,I}) + \frac{1}{2}w_2(R_{iI} - R_{i+3,I}) = 0 , i = 1,2,3$$
(9)

$$J_{i2}\ddot{\Phi}_{i2} - \frac{1}{2}w_I(S_{i2} - S_{i+2,2}) + \frac{1}{2}w_2(R_{i2} - R_{i+2,I}) = 0 , i = 1,2,3$$
 (10)

By using the artificial degree of freedom  $z_0(t)$  which specifies the vertical displacement of the coupling point the following relation between the two modules can be written

$$z_0(t) = z_1(t) - \theta_1(t)a_1 = z_2(t) + \theta_2(t)b_1$$
 (11)

which implies that  $\theta_2(t)$  is given by

$$\theta_2(t) = az(t)$$
,  $a = \{1/b_1, -a_1/b_1, -1/b_1\}$ ,  $z(t) = \{z_1(t), \theta_1(t), z_2(t)\}^T$  (12)

By using (4) the reaction force between the modules R(t) can be written

$$R(t) = -\frac{1}{b_{I}} \left( I_{2} a \ddot{z} + \sum_{i=1}^{4} S_{i2} l_{i2} \right)$$
 (13)

which can be used together with (1), (2) and (3), respectively, i.e. the number of degree of freedoms for the two modules can be reduced by one. By introducing a state vector for the Scania vehicle

$$z_{s}(t) = \{z_{1}, \theta_{1}, \phi_{1}, z_{2}, \phi_{2}, z_{11}, \phi_{11}, z_{21}, \phi_{21}, z_{31}, \phi_{31}, z_{12}, \phi_{12}, z_{22}, \phi_{22}, z_{32}, \phi_{32}\}^{T}$$

$$(14)$$

the governing response equations for the two modules can be written, see appendix A

$$M_s \ddot{z}_s + T_s = 0 \tag{15}$$

The spring forces  $S_{il}(t)$ ,  $S_{i2}(t)$  and the reaction forces  $R_{il}(t)$ ,  $R_{i2}(t)$  are modelled by the system shown in figure 3.2. This model is the most common description of vehicle suspension hysteresis characteristics used in vehicle simulation, but the accuracy of the model is often unsatisfactory, due to an overestimation of the response force, Kirkegaard et al. (1997). However, due to lack of information concerning the suspension system from the manufactures of the Scania and Goldhofer vehicles, it is chosen to use this model for the simulation model. The model for the spring forces consists of a linear spring with a spring constant  $k_{s,ij}$  in parallel with a linear viscous damping element with a damping constant  $c_{s,ij}$  and a constant Coulomb friction force  $F_{s,ij}$ . The model for the reaction forces modelling the tyres consists of a linear spring with a spring constant  $k_{t,ij}$  in parallel with a linear viscous damping element with a damping constant  $c_{t,ij}$ .

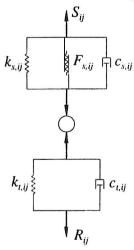


Figure 3.2 Model of the spring forces and the reaction forces.

The axial spring force in the suspension system for the two modules is written as follows, when the signs for  $w_{il}$  and  $w_{i2}$  given in (5) and (6) are used

$$S_{iI} = -\left(k_{s,iI}z_{s,iI} + c_{s,iI}\dot{z}_{s,iI} + F_{s,iI}\frac{\dot{z}_{s,iI}}{|\dot{z}_{s,iI}|}\right)$$
(16)

$$S_{i2} = -\left(k_{s,i2}z_{s,i2} + c_{s,i2}\dot{z}_{s,i2} + F_{s,i2}\frac{\dot{z}_{s,i2}}{|\dot{z}_{s,i2}|}\right)$$
(17)

$$z_{s,i2} = z_2 - l_{i2}\theta_2 + \frac{1}{2}w_{s,i2}\phi_2 - z_{i2} - \frac{1}{2}w_{s,i2}\phi_{i2}$$
 (18)

$$z_{s,iI} = z_I - l_{iI}\theta_I + \frac{1}{2}w_{s,iI}\phi_I - z_{iI} - \frac{1}{2}w_{s,iI}\phi_{iI}$$
 (19)

 $z_{s,ij}$  is the relative displacement between the *i*th axle and the module. The axial dynamic reaction force of the *i*th wheel between the bridge and the vehicle is given as

$$R_{iI} = -\left(k_{t,iI}Z_{t,iI} + c_{t,iI}\dot{Z}_{t,iI}\right)$$
 (20)

$$z_{t,il} = (z_{il} + \frac{1}{2}w_{t,il}\phi_{il} + u_{il} - r_{il})$$

$$\begin{cases} w_{t,il} = -\frac{1}{2}w_2, & i = 1,2,3 \\ w_{t,il} = \frac{1}{2}w_2, & i = 4,5,6 \end{cases}$$
(21)

$$R_{i2} = -\left(k_{t,i2}Z_{t,i2} + c_{t,i2}\dot{Z}_{t,i2}\right)$$
 (22)

$$z_{t,i2} = (z_{i2} + \frac{1}{2}w_{t,i2}\phi_{i2} + u_{i2} - r_{i2}) \begin{cases} w_{t,i2} = -\frac{1}{2}w_2, & i = 1,2,3 \\ w_{t,i2} = \frac{1}{2}w_2, & i = 4,5,6 \end{cases}$$
 (23)

 $z_{t,ij}$  is the displacement of the axle relative to the mean level of the surface irregularities.  $u_{ij}(x,t)$  and  $r_{ij}(x,t)$  are the vertical bridge displacement (positive downwards) and the road surface irregularity i.e. bump and road roughness (positive upwards) at the position of the reaction forces  $R_{ij}$ . It is assumed that the vehicle never loses contact with the bridge. The location x of the contact point at the time t is composed of coordinate axes  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  which are the longitudinal and the transverse direction of the bridge, respectively.

#### 3.1.1 Physical Parameters for the Scania Vehicle Model

The physical parameters for the Scania are listed in the following tables. The geometric and inertia properties are based on information from Ole M. Jørgensen, Scania Denmark and Tor Langhed, Scania Sweden.

Geometric	Properties
$a_{I}$ (m)	5.61
<i>a</i> <sub>2</sub> (m)	1.56
$a_3$ (m)	1.56
$l_{II}\left( \mathbf{m}\right)$	-4.76
$l_{21}$ (m)	-3.20
$l_{3l}$ (m)	-1.64
$b_{I}$ (m)	1.80
<i>b</i> <sub>2</sub> (m)	3.70
$l_{12}$ (m)	-2.45
l <sub>22</sub> (m)	1.25
<i>w</i> <sub>1</sub> (m)	1.60 (front axle)
w <sub>1</sub> (m)	0.77 (rear axle)
$w_{j}$ (m)	1.60 (trailer)

$w_2$ (m) 1.80 (front ax	
w <sub>2</sub> (m)	1.80 (rear axle)
w <sub>2</sub> (m)	1.80 (trailer)

Table 3.1 Geometry for the Scania.

Inertia Properties		
$I_{I}$ (kgm <sup>2</sup> )	20488	
$I_2$ (kgm <sup>2</sup> )	4604	
$J_I$ (kgm <sup>2</sup> )	425520	
$J_2  (\mathrm{kgm^2})$	41111	
$J_{iJ}$ (kgm $^2$ )	600	
$J_{i2}$ (kgm $^2$ )	600 (front axle)	
$J_{i2}$ (kgm $^2$ )	1000 (rear axle)	
$M_I$ (kg)	39400	
$M_2$ (kg)	4500	
<i>m<sub>il</sub></i> (kg )	700	
m <sub>i2</sub> (kg )	700 (front axle)	
m <sub>i2</sub> (kg )	1300 (rear axle)	

Table 3.2 Inertia properties for the Scania.

It is assumed that the 6 spring forces for the trailer are identical. Similarly, the 6 reaction forces are identically modelled. The parameters for the trailer are chosen equal to the parameters for the front suspension of the tractor. The rear suspension system has air springs. Parameters for the leaf springs were given from Scania in Sweden. Other parameters are based upon values given in the literature.

Suspension Properties			
	Tractor	Trailer	
$k_{s,ij}$ (10 <sup>3</sup> N/m).	1800 (front axle)	1800	
$k_{s,ij}$ (10 <sup>3</sup> N/m)	300 (rear axle)	-	
$c_{s,ij}$ (Ns/m)	5000	5000	
$F_{s,ij}$ (N)(pull)	4000	4000	

$F_{s,ij}$ (N)(comp)	2000	2000
$k_{t,ij} (10^3 \text{ N/m})$	1000 (front axle)	-
$k_{t,ij} (10^3  \text{N/m})$	2000	2000
$c_{\iota,ij}$ (Ns/m)	3000	3000

Table 3.3 Suspension properties for the Scania.

#### 3.2 Modelling of the Goldhofer SKPH 8 Special Transportation

The Goldhofer vehicle is modelled using the same assumptions as stated for the Scania vehicle, i.e. vertical displacements, pitching and roll rotations will be considered. Figure 3.3 shows the mathematical model for the Goldhofer vehicle and the degrees of freedom needed to describe its movement.

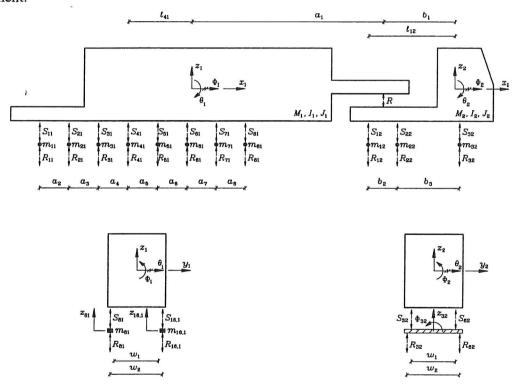


Figure 3.3 Vehicle model and definition of degrees of freedom for the Goldhofer SKPH 8 Special Transportation

For the vehicle in figure 3.3 it is assumed that the two modules are linked together at a hinge, a socalled fifth wheel point, allowing rotations in all directions, so that only vertical and horisontal forces are transmitted between the modules., i.e. that the roll stiffness of the fifth wheel is neglected. The modules are assumed to be infinitely stiff with the coordinate axes  $(x_1, y_1, z_1)$  and  $(x_2, y_2, z_2)$  as principal axes of inertia. A local coordinate system is placed in the mass center of gravity of the modules, with the three axes orientated in the vertical direction, the transverse and the longitudinal direction along

the vehicle direction. The modules are free to move along the vertical direction and rotate about the two other axes. Hence each modul has three degrees of freedom, corresponding to the vertical displacements (heave)  $z_1(t)$ ,  $z_2(t)$ , rotations about the transverse axis (pitch)  $\theta_1(t)$ ,  $\theta_2(t)$ , and rotations about the longitudinal axis (roll),  $\phi_1(t)$ ,  $\phi_2(t)$ , respectively, with sign defined in figure 3.3. These quantities are measured from the position of static equilibrium.  $I_1$ ,  $I_2$  signify the mass moments of inertia of rotation about the transverse axis and  $J_1$ ,  $J_2$  signify the mass moments of inertia of rotation about the longitudinal axis.  $M_1$ ,  $M_2$  are the masses of the modules. The modules are supported by spring forces  $S_{i,l}(t)$ ,  $S_{i,2}(t)$  acting between the modules and the axles modelling the suspension system of the vehicle. The sign of the spring forces when acting on the modules and the axles is shown on figure 3.3. The spring forces are acting symmetrically about the longitudinal axis at a distance  $w_i$  in the transverse-direction. The abscissa, in the local coordinates centered at the mass centres, of the springs attached to the axles are denoted  $l_{ij}$ ,  $l_{i2}$ . Each tractor axle is free to move in the vertical direction and to rotate around the longitudinal axis. Hence, each axle has 2 degrees of freedom, which are selected as the rotation  $\phi_{i2}(t)$  about the local centre of gravity in the longitudinal direction and the translation  $z_{i2}(t)$  in the vertical direction.  $J_{i2}$  and  $m_{i2}$  denote the mass moment of inertia and the mass of the axles, respectively. From figure 3.3 it is seen that each trailer wheel has its own axle which is modelled by one degree of freedom, i.e. the translations  $z_{il}(t)$  in the vertical direction.  $m_{il}$  denotes the mass of the trailer axle. The mass of the axles, wheels and brakes for the whole Goldhofer vehicle are assumed concentrated under the suspension system and over a set of reaction forces  $R_{il}(t)$ ,  $R_{i2}(t)$ between the axles and the road surface denoted with positive sign in the upward direction, when acting on the axles, and positive sign in the downward direction when acting on the road surface as shown in figure 3.3. The reaction forces are transmitted through wheels which act as secondary springs. The reaction forces are acting symmetrically about the longitudinal axis at a distance  $w_2$  in the transverse direction. The longitudinal distance between the mass center of gravity and the reaction forces  $R_{ij}(t)$ ,  $R_{i2}(t)$  is assumed to be the same as the distances to the spring force  $S_{il}(t)$ ,  $S_{i2}(t)$ . As explained, the vehicle modules are linked together. For these modules an artificial degree of freedom  $z_0(t)$  is introduced, specifying the vertical displacement of the coupling point. The reaction force between the modules is termed R(t) which is considered positive when acting on the trailer module and in the upward direction. The distances to the coupling point from the mass centers of gravity for the two modules are denoted  $a_1$  and  $b_1$ , respectively. The distances between the wheel at the trailer module are denoted  $a_2$ ,  $a_3$ ,  $a_4$ ,  $a_5$ ,  $a_6$ ,  $a_7$  and  $a_8$ , respectively, and  $b_2$  and  $b_3$  at the tractor module. Using the definitions given above the governing differential equations for the module responses can be written as follows when the distances  $l_{il}$ ,  $l_{i2}$  are used with sign and the wheels are numbered according to figure 3.3. Linear behaviour of all elements and small angular displacements are assumed. Further, the spring and reaction forces are assumed to remain parallel to the vertical axis and transmit only compression and tensile forces.

$$M_{I}\ddot{z}_{I} - \sum_{i=1}^{16} S_{iI} - R = 0$$
 (24)

$$M_2 \ddot{z}_2 - \sum_{i=1}^6 S_{i2} + R = 0 {25}$$

$$I_{j}\ddot{\Theta}_{j} + \sum_{i=1}^{16} S_{ij}I_{ij} + Ra_{j} = 0$$
 (26)

$$I_{2}\ddot{\Theta}_{2} + \sum_{i=1}^{6} S_{i2}I_{i2} + Rb_{I} = 0$$
 (27)

$$J_{I} \tilde{\Phi}_{I} - \sum_{i=1}^{16} S_{iI} w_{s,iI} = 0 \quad \begin{cases} w_{s,iI} = -\frac{1}{2} w_{I}, & i = 1,...,8 \\ w_{s,iI} = \frac{1}{2} w_{I}, & i = 9,...,16 \end{cases}$$
 (28)

$$J_{2}\ddot{\Phi}_{2} - \sum_{i=1}^{6} S_{i2}w_{s,i2} = 0 \qquad \begin{cases} w_{s,i2} = -\frac{1}{2}w_{I}, & i = 1,2,3\\ w_{s,i2} = -\frac{1}{2}w_{I}, & i = 4,5,6 \end{cases}$$
 (29)

$$m_{il}\ddot{z}_{il} + S_{il} - R_{il} = 0$$
,  $i = 1,2,...,16$  (30)

$$m_{i2}\ddot{z}_{i2} + S_{i2} + S_{i \to 3,2} - R_{i2} - R_{i \to 3,2} = 0$$
,  $i = 1,2,3$  (31)

$$J_{i2}\ddot{\Phi}_{i2} - \frac{1}{2}w_I(S_{i2} - S_{i+3,2}) + \frac{1}{2}w_2(R_{i2} - R_{i+3,I}) = 0 , i = 1,2,3$$
 (32)

An artificial degree of freedom  $z_0(t)$  which specifies the vertical displacement of the coupling point is introduced. The relation (27) implies that the reaction force R(t) between the two modules can be written using (12)

$$R(t) = -\frac{1}{b_{I}} \left( I_{2} a \ddot{z} + \sum_{i=1}^{6} S_{i2} I_{i2} \right)$$
 (33)

which can be used together with (24), (25) and (26), respectively, i.e. the number of degree of freedom for the two modules can be reduced by one. By introducing a state vector

$$z_{s}(t) = \{z_{1}, \theta_{1}, \varphi_{1}, z_{2}, \varphi_{2}, z_{11}, z_{21}, z_{31}, z_{41}, z_{51}, z_{61}, z_{71}, z_{81}, z_{91}, z_{101}, z_{111}, z_{121}, z_{131}, z_{141}, z_{151}, z_{161}, z_{12}, \varphi_{12}, z_{22}, \varphi_{22}, z_{22}, \varphi_{32}\}^{T}$$

$$(34)$$

the governing response equations for the two modules can be written, see appendix B

$$M_g \ddot{z}_g + T_g = 0 \tag{35}$$

The spring forces  $S_{il}(t)$ ,  $S_{i2}(t)$  and the reaction forces  $R_{il}(t)$ ,  $R_{i2}(t)$  are modelled by the system used for the Scania vehicle shown in figure 3.2, i.e. the axial spring force in the suspension system for the two modules can be written

$$S_{iI} = -\left(k_{s,iI}Z_{s,iI} + c_{si}\dot{Z}_{s,iI} + F_{s,iI}\frac{\dot{Z}_{s,iI}}{|\dot{Z}_{s,iI}|}\right)$$
(36)

$$S_{i2} = -\left(k_{s,i2}Z_{s,i2} + c_{s,i2}\dot{Z}_{s,i2} + F_{s,i2}\frac{\dot{Z}_{s,i2}}{|\dot{Z}_{s,i2}|}\right)$$
(37)

$$z_{s,iI} = z_I - l_{iI}\theta_I + \frac{1}{2}w_{s,iI}\phi_I - z_{iI}$$
(38)

$$z_{s,i2} = z_2 - l_{i2}\theta_2 + \frac{1}{2}w_{s,i2}\phi_2 - z_{i2} - \frac{1}{2}w_{s,i2}\phi_{i2}$$
(39)

 $z_{s,ij}$  is the relative displacement between the *i*th axle and the module. The axial dynamic reaction force of the *i*th wheel between the bridge and the vehicle is given as

$$R_{il} = -\left(k_{t,il}z_{t,il} + c_{t,il}\dot{z}_{t,il}\right)$$
 (40)

$$z_{iil} = z_{il} + u_{il} - r_{il} (41)$$

$$R_{i2} = -\left(k_{t,i2}Z_{t,i2} + C_{t,i2}\dot{Z}_{t,i2}\right) \tag{42}$$

$$z_{t,i2} = z_{i2} + \frac{1}{2}w_{t,i2}\phi_{i2} + u_{i2} - r_{i2}$$

$$\begin{cases} w_{t,i2} = -\frac{1}{2}w_{I}, & i = 1,2,3 \\ w_{t,i2} = -\frac{1}{2}w_{I}, & i = 4,5,6 \end{cases}$$

$$(43)$$

 $z_{t,ij}$  is the displacement of the axle relative to the mean level of the surface irregularities.  $u_{ij}(x,t)$  and  $r_{ij}(x,t)$  are the vertical bridge displacement (positive downwards) and the road surface irregularity i.e. bump and road roughness (positive upwards) at the position of the reaction forces  $R_{ij}$ . It is assumed that the vehicle never loses contact with the bridge. The location x of the contact point at the time t is composed of coordinate axes  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  which are the longitudinal and the transverse direction of the bridge, respectively.

### 3.2.1 Physical Parameters for the Goldhofer Vehicle Model

The physical parameters for the Goldhofer SKPH 8 are listed in the following tables. Due to lack of information from Goldhofer, it is chosen to use the parameters for a Scania tractor for the Goldhofer tractor. These data were available from Scania. The stiffness data for the trailer are based on information from BPW, Germany, who is the manufactor of the axles for the trailer.

Geometric	Properties				
$a_{I}$ (m)	9.45				
<i>a</i> <sub>2</sub> (m)	1.36				
$a_3$ (m)	1.36				
$a_4$ (m)	1.36				
$a_{5}$ (m)	1.36				
$a_6$ (m)	1.36				
<i>a</i> <sub>7</sub> (m)	1.36				
<i>a</i> <sub>8</sub> (m)	1.36				
$l_{II}$ (m)	-6.85				

l <sub>21</sub> (m)	-5.49				
$l_{31}$ (m)	-4.13				
$l_{41}$ (m)	-2.77				
$l_{51}$ (m)	-1.41				
<i>l</i> <sub>61</sub> (m)	-0.5				
l <sub>71</sub> (m)	1.31				
$l_{8I}$ (m)	2.67				
$b_{I}$ (m)	1.99				
$b_2$ (m)	1.36				
$b_3$ (m)	2.75 -2.71				
$l_{12}$ (m)					
$l_{22}$ (m)	-1.36				
$l_{32}$ (m)	1.39				
<i>w</i> <sub>1</sub> (m)	1.60 (front axle)				
<i>w<sub>1</sub></i> (m)	0.77 (rear axle)				
<i>w<sub>1</sub></i> (m)	1.80 (trailer)				
w <sub>2</sub> (m)	1.80 (front axle)				
w <sub>2</sub> (m)	1.80 (rear axle)				
w <sub>2</sub> (m)	1.80 (trailer)				

Table 3.4 Geometry for the Goldhofer SKPH 8.

Inertia Properties						
$I_I$ (kgm <sup>2</sup> )	484034					
$I_2  (\mathrm{kgm^2})$	5320					
$J_I$ (kgm <sup>2</sup> )	1005307					
$J_2$ (kgm $^2$ )	47506					
$J_{i2}$ (kgm $^2$ )	600 (front axle)					
$J_{i2}$ (kgm $^2$ )	1000 (rear axle)					

$M_I$ (kg)	93084			
M <sub>2</sub> (kg)	5200			
<i>m<sub>il</sub></i> (kg)	276			
m <sub>i2</sub> (kg )	700 (front axle)			
m <sub>i2</sub> (kg )	1300 (rear axle)			

Table 3.5 Inertia properties for the Goldhofer SKPH 8.

It is assumed that the spring forces for the trailer are identical, i.e. the parameters  $k_{s,ij}$ ,  $c_{s,ij}$  and  $F_{s,ij}$  are identical. Similarly, the reaction forces are identically modelled.

Suspension Properties						
	Tractor	Trailer				
$k_{s,ij}$ (10 <sup>3</sup> N/m)	1800 (front axle)	1800				
$k_{s,ij}$ (10 <sup>3</sup> N/m)	300 (rear axle)	-				
$c_{s,ij}$ (Ns/m)	5000	5000				
$F_{s,ij}$ (N)(pull)	4000	4000				
$F_{s,ij}$ (N)(comp)	2000	2000				
$k_{t,ij}$ (10 <sup>3</sup> N/m)	1000 (front axle)	-				
$k_{t,ij} (10^3 \text{ N/m})$	2000	2000				
$c_{t,ij}$ (Ns/m)	3000	3000				

Table 3.6 Suspension properties for the Goldhofer SKPH 8.

#### 4. MODELLING OF BRIDGE RESPONSE TO VEHICLE LOADS

Based on the specification of the bridge given in section 2.2 the governing differential equation for the dynamic bridge response will be given in the following. The dynamic response of the bridge is rather insignificant for the present short-span bridges. For this reason a truncated normal mode expansion is used, which preserves the basic quasi-static response of the bridge and includes the dynamic response of the few lowest eigenmodes.

## 4.1 Modelling of the Bridge

The considered bridge constitutes the part  $l_0$  of the road with the length L as shown in figure 4.1. The bridge is a two span typical Danish highway bridge with supporting columns as described in section 2.2.

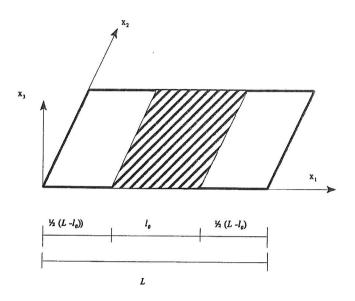


Figure 4.1 Definition of the bridge part (hatched) of the road

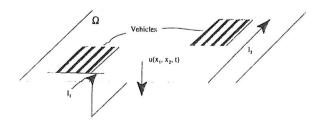


Figure 4.2 Idealized description of bridge

Figure 4.2 shows an idealized model of the linear elastic bridge with two vehicles. The vehicles move in the  $x_1$ -direction in the distances  $l_1$  and  $l_2$  from the edge of the bridge corresponding to the  $x_2$ -axis. The stiffness and the mass are assumed isotropic and homogeneous. Further, viscous damping is assumed. Using modal decomposition to the order N the vertical deflection  $u(x_1, x_2, t)$  can be written

$$u(x_{1},x_{2},t) = \sum_{j=i}^{N} q_{j}(t) \Phi^{(j)}(x_{1},x_{2}) + \sum_{i=1}^{N_{w}} \int_{\Omega} I_{u} \left(x_{1},x_{2};x_{1,i}(t),x_{2,i}(t)\right) \delta(x_{1} - x_{1,i}(t)) \delta(x_{2} - x_{2,i}(t)) F_{i}(x_{1}(t),x_{2}(t),t) J_{i}(t) dx_{1} dx_{2}$$

$$(44)$$

where

$$I_{u}(x_{1},x_{2};y_{1},y_{2}) = I(x_{1},x_{2};y_{1},y_{2}) - \sum_{j=1}^{N} \frac{1}{\omega_{j}^{2} M_{j}} \Phi^{(j)}(x_{1},x_{2}) \Phi^{(j)}(y_{1},y_{2})$$

$$(45)$$

 $N_w$  is the number of wheels,  $F_i(t)$  is the *i*th wheel load from  $R_{ij}$ ,  $J_i(t)$  is an indicator function equal 1 when the *i*th wheel is on the bridge and  $x_{l,i}(t)$ ,  $x_{2,i}(t)$  signifies its position at the time *t*.  $I(x_1,x_2;y_1,y_2)$  is the statical influence function respresenting the displacement at  $(x_1,x_2)$  from a unit static force at  $(y_1,y_2)$ . (45) is derived based on the eigenmode expansion of  $I(x_1,x_2;y_1,y_2)$  (Mercer's theorem), see Nielsen (1993).  $\Phi^{(j)}(x_1,x_2)$  is the *j*th mode shape,  $\omega_j$  is the *j*th undamped circular eigenfrequency and  $M_j$  is the *j*th modal mass. The modal coordinates  $q_j(t)$  are assumed to be decoupled as given by the following differential equantions

$$\ddot{q}_{j} + 2\zeta\omega_{j}\dot{q}_{j} + \omega_{j}^{2}q_{j} = \frac{1}{M_{j}}\sum_{i=1}^{N_{w}}\int_{\Omega}\Phi^{(j)}(x_{j},x_{2})\delta(x_{1} - x_{1,i}(t))\delta(x_{2} - x_{2,i}(t))F_{i}(x_{1}(t),x_{2}(t),t)J_{i}(t)dx_{1}dx_{2}(46)$$

By introducing a state vector for the model quantities

$$z_b(t) = \{q_1, q_2, ..., q_N\}^T \tag{47}$$

the governing response equations for the bridge can be written

$$\ddot{z}_b + T_b = 0 \tag{48}$$

where the jth elements of  $T_h$  are given by

$$T_b^j = 2\zeta \omega_j \dot{q}_j + \omega_j^2 q_j - \frac{1}{M_j} \sum_{i=1}^{N_w} \int_{Q} \Phi^{(j)}(x_1, x_2) \delta(x_1 - x_{1,i}(t)) \delta(x_2 - x_{2,i}(t)) F_i(t) J_i(t) dx_1 dx_2$$
 (49)

#### 5. COMPUTATIONAL PROCEDURES

Based on the modelling of the vehicles and the bridge a MATLAB program has been developed. The following sections give an outline of the developed program.

### 5.1 The MATLAB program

This program makes it possible to simulate the bridge response where the speed of the vehicles, their mutual position at the opposite entrance of the bridge, the surface irregularities, the height and wavelength of the bumps, and the parameters of the vehicles can be varied. The following crossing scenarios can be considered

- one Scania vehicle at a given velocity moves across the bridge along a given straight path
- one Goldhofer vehicle at a given velocity moves across the bridge along a given straight path
- two Scania vehicles at given velocities move across the bridge along given straight paths, both in the same direction or one in each direction
- two Goldhofer vehicles at given velocities move across the bridge along given straight paths, both in the same direction or one in either direction
- one Scania and one Goldhofer vehicle at given velocities move across the bridge along given straight paths, both in the same direction or one in either direction

The the moving paths for the vehicles can be chosen different for each crossing scenario. Further, the program allows simulation of

- a given number of moving forces, moving masses or moving sprung masses which move across a bridge along given straight paths
- the bridge response for a given bridge structure when the mode shapes have been estimated by FEM

The program has been developed for use with PC-MATLAB 4.2

#### 5.2 Numerical Solution Methods

Based on the equations (15), (35) and (48) the following set of coupled first order differential equations can be obtained.

$$\frac{d}{dt} \begin{bmatrix} z_b \\ z_s \\ z_g \\ \dot{z}_b \\ \dot{z}_s \\ \dot{z}_g \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \dot{z}_b \\ \dot{z}_s \\ \dot{z}_g \\ -T_b \\ -M_s^{-1} T_s \\ -M_g^{-1} T_g \end{bmatrix}$$
(50)

In order to solve (50) the bridge displacement response has to be estimated for each time step using the modal decomposition (44) which is implemented using quasi-static correction. This implies that only a limited number of modes for the full problem shall be determined, and the effect of the remaining - undetermined - modes is included by an approximated static analysis. The basis of this method is that a large number of high frequency modes essentially respond in a quasi-static way and therefore only modes which give rise to dynamic amplification are taken into account in the reduced modal decomposition for the structural systems, i.e. the state vector  $z_b$  can be reduced to only some few quantities N.

By using (44) the bending moment  $M(x_1,x_2,t)$  and shear force  $Q(x_1,x_2,t)$  at a point  $(x_1,x_2,t)$  typically located over the intermediate supports and the midspan for the moment and at the entrance to the bridge for the shear force are estimated as

$$M(x_{I},x_{2},t) = \sum_{j=i}^{N} q_{j}(t) M^{(j)}(x_{I},x_{2}) + \sum_{j=i}^{N_{w}} \int_{\Omega} I_{M} \langle x_{I},x_{2};x_{I,i}(t),x_{2,i}(t) \rangle \delta(x_{I} - x_{I,i}(t)) \delta(x_{2} - x_{2,i}(t)) F_{i}(x_{I}(t),x_{2}(t),t) J_{i}(t) dx_{I} dx_{2}$$
(51)

$$Q(x_{1},x_{2},t) = \sum_{j=i}^{N} q_{j}(t) Q^{(j)}(x_{1},x_{2}) + \sum_{j=i}^{N_{w}} \int_{\Omega} I_{Q}(x_{1},x_{2};x_{1,i}(t),x_{2,i}(t)) \delta(x_{1} - x_{1,i}(t)) \delta(x_{2} - x_{2,i}(t)) F_{i}(x_{1}(t),x_{2}(t),t) J_{i}(t) dx_{1} dx_{2}$$
(52)

where the influence functions  $I_M(x_1,x_2;x_1(t),x_2(t))$  and  $I_Q(x_1,x_2;x_1(t),x_2(t))$  are estimated as described for the influence function for the displacement (45).  $M^{(j)}(x_1,x_2)$  and  $Q^{(j)}(x_1,x_2)$  are the bending moment and the shear force when the bridge deck is deformed according to the *j*th mode shape  $\Phi^{(j)}(x_1,x_2)$ . However, these functions were not available from the FEM solution. Therefore, the bending moment  $M_i^j = M^j(x_1,x_2)$  at point *i* at position  $(x_1,x_2)$  has been estimated as

$$M_{i}^{j} = \sum_{k=1}^{N_{n}} M_{i}^{0} \Phi_{k}^{j} \omega_{j}^{2} m_{k}$$
 (53)

where  $\Phi_k^j$  is the value of the *j*th mode shape at a node *k* with the nodal mass  $m_k$ . The mode shape is assumed to be discretized into  $N_n$  nodes.  $M_i^0$  is a static influence value for a unit force. The shear force  $Q_i^j = Q^j(x_1, x_2)$  at point *i* at position  $(x_1, x_2)$  has been estimated as

$$Q_{i}^{j} = \sum_{k=1}^{N_{n}} Q_{i}^{0} \Phi_{k}^{j} \omega_{j}^{2} m_{k}$$
 (54)

where  $Q_i^0$  is a static influence value for a unit force.

The surface roughness profile has been implemented by three different approaches as

- a sum of series of sinusoidal waves generated with random phase angles with uniform distribution in the interval  $\{0;2\pi\}$ . The amplitudes of the waves are related to a Power Spectral Density function.
- the measured road surface profile, see Nielsen et al. (1997).
- simulated road surface profiles given by the model proposed in Nielsen et al. (1997)

In order to model bumps at the entrance to the bridge half a sine function r(x) given as

$$r(x_1) = \alpha_0 [H(x_1 - s_1) - H(x_1 - s_2)] \sin \frac{\pi(s_2 - x_1)}{s_2 - s_1}$$
 (55)

is used where  $\alpha_0$  characterizes the amplitude of the local irregularity while  $s_1$  and  $s_2$  are the abscissas of the points and H(•) is the unit step function. Due to the piecewise differentiability of the irregularity function (55), the domain of the irregularity function with respect to  $x_1$  is divided into three intervals;  $x_1 \le s_1$ ,  $s_1 < s_2$ ,  $s_1 < s_2$ ,  $s_1 < s_2$ . The derivative within  $s_1 < s_2$  can be expressed as

$$\dot{r}(x_1) = -\alpha_0 [H(x_1 - s_1) - H(x_1 - s_2)] \frac{\pi(s_2 - x_1)}{s_2 - s_1} \cos \frac{\pi(s_2 - x_1)}{s_2 - s_1}$$
(56)

It should be noted that in order to avoid mathematical difficulties in the numerical implementation it is ensured that the vehicle position and discontinuities in the surface irregularity function at  $x_1 = s_1$  and  $x_1 = s_2$  do not coincide.

## 5.3 FEM of the Bridge

The mode shape information used as input to the MATLAB program was obtained by modelling the bridge using the finite-element program STAAD-111, STAAD-111 (1993), assuming that the bridge

can be modelled as a linear model based on a finite number of modes. STAAD-111 is equipped with a state-of-the-art plate finite element formulation. This includes plane stress, plate bending, out of plane shear and flat shell triangular (three nodes) or quadrilateral (four node) elements. Variable thicknesses at different nodes are allowed. The bridge deck is modelled by isotropic plate elements, see figure 5.1, where a complete quadratic stress distribution is assumed, see STAAD-III (1993). 45 and 8 elements have been used in the longitudinal and transverse direction, respectively. Each column has been modelled by 5 beam elements assumed to have fixed supports. The connections between the columns and the bridge deck have also been modelled as fixed. The supports at the ends of the bridges are modelled as pinned with rollers.

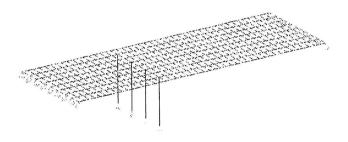


Figure 5.1 Finite element model of the bridge.

The reinforced concrete is considered as an isotropic material with the following properties: Young's modulus = 28000 MPa, Poisson's ratios = 0.3 and mass density 2800 kg/m<sup>3</sup>. Cross-sectional quantities were calculated by the FEM program. The first 20 mode shapes are presented in appendix C. Table 5.1 gives the natural frequencies for the first 20 modes. Based on these values it is decided to take the first three modes into consideration in the calculation of the responses, since the dynamic wheel load is assumed to be in the range 0-10 Hz, see Kirkegaard et al. (1997).

Mode	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Hz	3.43	6.75	10.18	12.41	15.03	15.79	17.70	24.82	25.63	26.89
atoric	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	10
Hz	31.38	34.81	38.09	39.67	41.04	42.96	45.25	47.34	51.91	53.42

Table 5.1 First 20 natural frequencies for the bridge.

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# APPENDIX A: Elements of $M_s$ and $T_s$

$$M_s^{I,I} = M_I + \frac{1}{b_I^2} I_2$$

$$M_s^{I,2} = -\frac{a_I}{b_I^2} I_2$$

$$M_s^{I,4} = -\frac{1}{b_I^2} I_2$$

$$M_s^{2,1} = -\frac{a_1}{b_1^2} I_2$$

$$M_s^{2,2} = I_I + \frac{a_I^2}{b_I^2} I_2$$

$$M_s^{2,4} = \frac{a_I}{b_I^2} I_2$$

$$M_s^{3,3} = J_I$$

$$M_s^{4,I} = -\frac{1}{b_I}I_2$$

$$M_s^{4,2} = \frac{a_1}{b_1} I_2$$

$$M_s^{4,4} = M_2 + \frac{1}{b_I} I_2$$

$$M_s^{5,5} = J_2$$

$$M_s^{6,6} = m_{11}$$

$$M_s^{7,7} = J_{II}$$

$$M_s^{8,8} = m_{21}$$

$$M_s^{9,9} = J_{21}$$

$$M_s^{10,10} = m_{31}$$

All other elements in  $M_s$  are zero.

$$M_s^{II,II} = J_{3I}$$

$$M_s^{12,12} = m_{12}$$

$$M_s^{13,13} = J_{12}$$

$$M_s^{14,14} = m_{22}$$

$$M_s^{15,15} = J_{22}$$

$$M_s^{16,16} = m_{32}$$

$$M_s^{17,17} = J_{32}$$

$$T_{s}^{I} = -\sum_{i=1}^{6} S_{ii}I_{ii}$$

$$T_{s}^{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{6} S_{ii}I_{ii}$$

$$T_{s}^{3} = -\sum_{i=1}^{4} S_{i2}w_{ii}$$

$$T_{s}^{4} = -\sum_{i=1}^{4} S_{i2}w_{i2}$$

$$T_{s}^{5} = -\frac{1}{2}w_{I}(S_{II} - S_{4I}) + \frac{1}{2}w_{2}(R_{II} - R_{4I})$$

$$T_{s}^{7} = -\frac{1}{2}w_{I}(S_{2I} - S_{5I}) + \frac{1}{2}w_{2}(R_{2I} - R_{5I})$$

$$T_{s}^{10} = S_{31} + S_{61} - R_{31} - R_{61}$$

$$T_{s}^{11} = -\frac{1}{2}w_{I}(S_{31} - S_{6I}) + \frac{1}{2}w_{2}(R_{31} - R_{6I})$$

$$T_{s}^{12} = S_{12} + S_{32} - R_{12} - R_{32}$$

$$T_{s}^{13} = -\frac{1}{2}w_{I}(S_{12} - S_{32}) + \frac{1}{2}w_{2}(R_{12} - R_{32})$$

$$T_{s}^{14} = S_{22} + S_{42} - R_{22} - R_{42}$$

$$T_{s}^{15} = -\frac{1}{2}w_{I}(S_{22} - S_{42}) + \frac{1}{2}w_{2}(R_{22} - R_{42})$$

$$T_{s}^{16} = S_{32} + S_{62} - R_{32} - R_{62}$$

$$T_{s}^{17} = -\frac{1}{2}w_{I}(S_{32} - S_{62}) + \frac{1}{2}w_{2}(R_{32} - R_{62})$$

All other elements in  $T_s$  are zero.

# APPENDIX B: Elements of $M_g$ and $T_g$

$$M_g^{I,I} = M_I + \frac{1}{b_I^2} I_2$$

$$M_g^{1,2} = -\frac{a_I}{b_I^2} I_2$$

$$M_g^{I,4} = -\frac{1}{b_I^2} I_2$$

$$M_g^{2,1} = -\frac{a_1}{b_1^2} I_2$$

$$M_g^{2,2} = I_I + \frac{a_I^2}{b_I^2} I_2$$

$$M_g^{2,4} = \frac{a_I}{b_I^2} I_2$$
  
 $M_g^{3,3} = J_I$ 

$$M_g^{3,3} = J_I^{i}$$

$$M_g^{4,I} = -\frac{1}{b_I^2}I_2$$

$$M_g^{4,2} = \frac{a_I}{b_I^2} I_2$$

$$M_g^{4,4} = M_2 + \frac{1}{b_I^2} I_2$$

$$M_g^{5,5} = J_2$$

$$M_g^{6,6} = m_{11}$$

$$M_g^{7,7} = m_{21}$$

$$M_g^{8,8} = m_{31}$$

$$M_g^{9,9} = m_{41}$$

$$M_g^{10,10} = m_{51}$$

All other elements in  $M_g$  are zero.

$$M_g^{11,11} = m_{61}$$

$$M_g^{12,12} = m_{71}$$

$$M_g^{13,13} = m_{81}$$

$$M_g^{14,14} = m_{91}$$

$$M_g^{15,15} = m_{10,1}$$

$$M_g^{16,16} = m_{11,1}$$

$$M_g^{17,17} = m_{12,1}$$

$$M_g^{18,18} = m_{13,1}$$

$$M_g^{19,19} = m_{14,1}$$

$$M_g^{20,20} = m_{15,1}$$

$$M_g^{21,21} = m_{16,1}$$

$$M_g^{22,22} = m_{12}$$

$$M_g^{23,23} = J_{12}$$

$$M_g^{24,24} = m_{22}$$

$$M_g^{25,25} = J_{22}$$

$$M_g^{26,26} = m_{32}$$

$$M_g^{27,27} = J_{32}$$

$$T_{g}^{I} = -\sum_{i=1}^{16} S_{iI}$$

$$T_{g}^{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{16} S_{iI} l_{iI}$$

$$T_{g}^{3} = -\sum_{i=1}^{16} S_{iI} w_{iI}$$

$$T_{g}^{4} = -\sum_{i=1}^{6} S_{i2} w_{i2}$$

$$T_{g}^{5} = -\sum_{i=1}^{6} S_{i2} w_{i2}$$

$$T_{g}^{6} = S_{II} - R_{II}$$

$$T_{g}^{7} = S_{2I} - R_{2I}$$

$$T_{g}^{8} = S_{3I} - R_{3I}$$

$$T_{g}^{9} = S_{4I} - R_{4I}$$

$$T_{g}^{10} = S_{5I} - R_{5I}$$

$$T_{g}^{II} = S_{6I} - R_{6I}$$

$$T_{g}^{I2} = S_{7I} - R_{7I}$$

$$T_{g}^{I3} = S_{8I} - R_{8I}$$

$$T_{g}^{I4} = S_{9I} - R_{9I}$$

$$T_{g}^{I5} = S_{10,1} - R_{10,1}$$

$$T_{g}^{16} = S_{11,1} - R_{11,1}$$

$$T_{g}^{17} = S_{12,1} - R_{12,1}$$

$$T_{g}^{18} = S_{13,1} - R_{13,1}$$

$$T_{g}^{19} = S_{14,1} - R_{14,1}$$

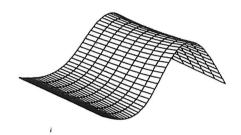
$$T_{g}^{20} = S_{15,1} - R_{15,1}$$

All other elements in  $T_g$  are zero.

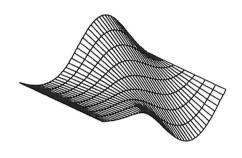
$$\begin{split} T_g^{21} &= S_{16,1} - R_{16,1} \\ T_g^{22} &= S_{I2} + S_{42} - R_{I2} - R_{42} \\ T_g^{23} &= -\frac{1}{2} w_I (S_{I2} - S_{42}) + \frac{1}{2} w_2 (R_{I2} - R_{42}) \\ T_g^{24} &= S_{22} + S_{52} - R_{22} - R_{52} \\ T_g^{25} &= -\frac{1}{2} w_I (S_{22} - S_{52}) + \frac{1}{2} w_2 (R_{22} - R_{52}) \\ T_g^{26} &= S_{32} + S_{62} - R_{32} - R_{62} \\ T_g^{27} &= -\frac{1}{2} w_I (S_{32} - S_{62}) + \frac{1}{2} w_2 (R_{32} - R_{62}) \end{split}$$

# APPENDIX C: FEM results - first 20 mode shapes

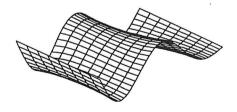
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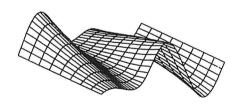
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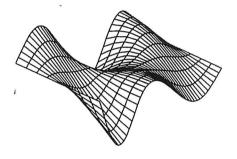
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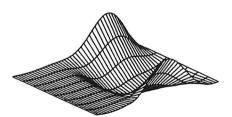
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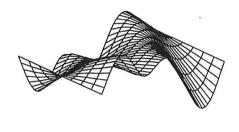
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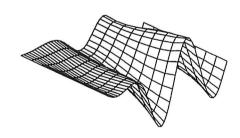
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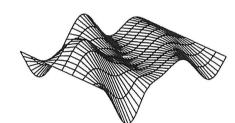
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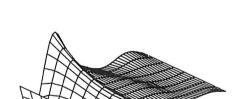


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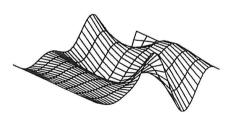


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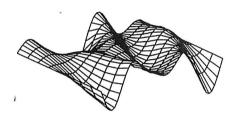
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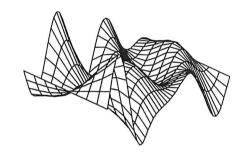
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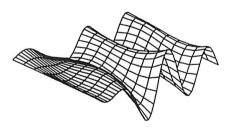
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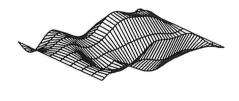
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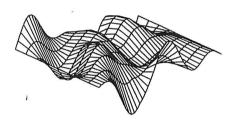
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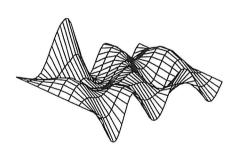
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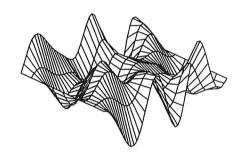
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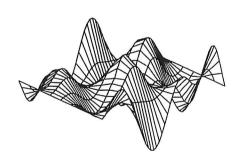
Mode19: 51.91 [Hz]



Mode18: 47.34 [Hz]



Mode20 : 53.42 [Hz]



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