Vertical vibration of a rigid circular disc at the interface of a transversely isotropic bi-material

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Abstract

A theoretical formulation is presented for the determination of the dynamic interaction of a vertically loaded rigid disc embedded at the interface of a transversely isotropic bi-material full-space. With the aid of Hankel integral transforms, a relaxed treatment of the mixed-boundary value problem is formulated as dual integral equations, which can be reduced to a Fredholm integral equation of the second kind. The dynamic contact pressure under the disc and the impedance function are analytically evaluated in the general dynamic case. It is shown that the impedance functions are in exact agreement with the existing solutions for a an elastic half-space with isotropic material properties. To confirm the accuracy of the numerical evaluation of the integrals involved, numerical results are included for cases of different degrees of the material anisotropy and compared with previously published solutions.

1. Introduction

The increased use of composite materials in engineering applications in recent decades has become an incentive for extensive research, both basic and applied, into various failure modes of such materials. It was also recognized that the performance of composite materials was closely related to the effects occurring at the interface between the different components of the composite. Issues such as interfacial fracture and crack problems in bi-material systems are at the forefront of many investigations (Lambros and Rosakis, 1995). The reader is referred to Prasad et al. (2005) and Wu et al. (2003) for an extensive list of work in this area. In the field of geomechanics and foundation engineering, a thin embedded inclusion can serve as a basic model for an anchoring region, which can be created by the injection of a cementitious material (Lambros and Rosakis, 1995). The evaluation of the elastic stiffness of these embedded anchoring devices is of particular interest to predict the failure at either the interface or adjacent regions (Selvadurai, 1994). The introduction of the cementitious material under pressure can lead to hydraulic fracturing of the material in a plane normal to the least principal value of the geostatic stresses and the migration of the cementitious fluid within the narrow fracture invariably leads to a disc shaped anchoring region. Also the migration pattern of the viscous cementitious fluid within the fracture is a complex problem in itself. Often, the flat anchoring region will have an irregular shape that is largely determined by local inhomogeneities at the plane of the fracture (Selvadurai, 2003, 2000). As an idealized model of the anchoring region, Selvadurai (2003) studied the mechanics of a loaded rigid disc that is embedded in bonded contact at the interface between two dissimilar isotropic elastic media. The dynamic interaction of a rigid disc with an isotropic media, has also been studied (Gladwell, 1968; Luco and Mita, 1987; Pak and Gobert, 1991; Reissner and Sagoci, 1944; Robertson, 1966).

For many modern technological applications, however, the isotropic material model can sometimes be only a crude approximation. Numerous innovative, smart, and intelligent materials, such as composites, piezomagnetics and piezoelectrics, are anisotropic and in application should be modeled at least as an transversely isotropic or orthotropic material. Katebi et al. (2010) have made an in-depth investigation for the analytical solution of an axially symmetric interaction of a rigid disc with a homogenous transversely isotropic half-space in the static case. Also, Moghaddasi et al. (2012) solved the dual integral equations due to horizontal interaction of a rigid circular disc in a transversely isotropic half-space (also see, e.g. Kirkner David, 1982; Pak and Gobert, 1990). Rahman, 2001; Shahmohamadi et al., 2011a,b, 2012; Zeng and Rajapakse, 1999). In this paper, the vertical vibration of a rigid circular disc located at the interface of a transversely isotropic bi-material full-space is considered. Employing the Green’s
functions of a transversely isotropic bi-material full-space introduced by Khojasteh et al. (2008), the mixed boundary-value problem is transformed to a pair of integral equations, called Fredholm dual integral equations. In the different cases of dual integral equations, it can be referred to different researchers (Mandal and Mandal, 1999; Noble, 1963; Sneddon, 1966). The general solution for the Fredholm integral equation is numerically determined, and the dynamic vertical pressure under the disc, and the impedance function, are numerically evaluated. The impedance/compliance function for an isotropic full-space is degenerated from the present solutions and are identical to the solutions given by Luco and Mita (1987) and Pak and Gobert (1991) for any frequency. To show the effect of different material anisotropy and frequency of vibration, on the response selected numerical results are also given.

2. Statement of the problem and the governing equations

With reference to Fig. 1, consider a rigid disc of radius a, embedded at an interface of a transversely isotropic, elastic bi-material full-space. The disc is assumed to be undergoing a prescribed time-harmonic vertical displacement, $\Delta \varepsilon^{\text{out}}$, with in $\Delta$ and $\omega$ being the amplitude and circular frequency of the motion, respectively. In view of the axial symmetry of the problem, it is natural to adopt the cylindrical coordinates $(r, \theta, z)$, so that the angular dependence of the solution can be suppressed. A relaxed treatment of this mixed boundary-value problem can be stated in terms of the components of the displacement vector $u$ and the Cauchy stress tensor $\sigma$ as follows:

\begin{align}
\boldsymbol{u}(r, z = 0) &= \Delta \quad r \leq a \\
\boldsymbol{u}(r, z = 0^+) - \boldsymbol{u}(r, z = 0^-) &= 0 \quad r > 0 \\
\sigma_{zz}(r, z = 0^+) - \sigma_{zz}(r, z = 0^-) &= 0 \quad r > 0 \\
\sigma_{zz}(r, z = 0^+) - \sigma_{zz}(r, z = 0^+) &= R^+ (r) \quad r \leq a \\
\sigma_{zz}(r, z = 0^+) - \sigma_{zz}(r, z = 0^+) &= 0 \quad r > a
\end{align}

Here, $R^+(r)$/$R^-$ represents the unknown net load distribution acting on the disc. The equations of time-harmonic motion for a homogeneously transversely isotropic elastic solid in terms of displacements and in the absence of body forces can be expressed as (Lekhnitskii, 1981)

\begin{align}
\frac{\partial^2 u_r}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u_r}{\partial r} - \frac{u_r}{r^2} + C_{66} \frac{\partial^2 u_{\theta}}{\partial \theta^2} + \left(C_{13} + C_{44}\right) \frac{\partial^2 u_z}{\partial z^2} + \rho \sigma^2 u_r = 0
\end{align}

\begin{align}
\frac{\partial^2 u_{\theta}}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial u_{\theta}}{\partial r} + \frac{u_{\theta}}{r^2} + C_{66} \frac{\partial^2 u_z}{\partial \theta^2} + \left(C_{13} + C_{44}\right) \frac{\partial^2 u_z}{\partial z^2} + \rho \sigma^2 u_{\theta} = 0
\end{align}

In a cylindrical coordinate system $(r, \theta, z)$, where $z$-axis is the axis of symmetry of the solid; $u_r$ and $u_{\theta}$ are the displacement components in the $r$ and $z$ directions, respectively; $\rho$ is the mass density of the solid; and $C_{ij}$ is the elasticity constant of the solid; and the time factor $e^{i\omega t}$ is suppressed. In order to uncouple Eqs. (8) and (9), a potential function $F$, introduced by Eskandari-Ghadi (2005), is used. Using the potential function $F$ and interfacial traction conditions, together with the displacement conditions across the interface, provides the equations required for the solutions for $u_r$ and $u_{\theta}$ in terms of the transformed Fourier component of the contact-load distribution $z_n$ (Khojasteh et al., 2008). In particular, one may verify that the radial and vertical displacements can in general be expressed as (Khojasteh et al., 2008)

\begin{align}
\mathbf{u}_{\mathbf{r}}(r) &= \int_0^\infty \left\{ \Omega_3(z, \mathbf{r}) \left[ \frac{z_n}{\partial \mathbf{r}^2} \right] \right\} \frac{d \mathbf{r}}{\mathbf{r}} \\
\mathbf{u}_{\mathbf{\theta}}(r) &= \int_0^\infty \left\{ -\gamma_3(z, \mathbf{r}) \left[ \frac{z_n}{\partial \mathbf{r}^2} \right] \right\} \frac{d \mathbf{r}}{\mathbf{r}}
\end{align}

In the above

\begin{align}
\gamma_3(z, \mathbf{r}) &= \frac{2\mathbf{c}_{44} \mathbf{c}_{55}^2}{5(z, \mathbf{r})} \left( \lambda_1 \mathbf{k}_2 \mathbf{e}^{-i\lambda_1 z} - \lambda_2 \mathbf{k}_1 \mathbf{e}^{-i\lambda_2 z} \right)
\end{align}

\begin{align}
\Omega_2(z, \mathbf{r}) &= \frac{-\mathbf{c}_{44}}{5(z, \mathbf{r})} \left( \mathbf{\vartheta}_1 \mathbf{k}_2 \mathbf{e}^{-i\vartheta_1 z} - \mathbf{\vartheta}_2 \mathbf{k}_1 \mathbf{e}^{-i\vartheta_2 z} \right)
\end{align}

and $\lambda_1$ and $\lambda_2$ are made single-valued by specifying the branch cuts emanating from the branch points $\xi_{i1} = \omega \sqrt{r}/C_{11}$ and $\xi_{i2} = \omega \sqrt{\rho}/C_{44}$ on the complex $\xi$-plane (see Fig. 2) such that the real parts of $\lambda_1$ and $\lambda_2$ are always non-negative (Khojasteh et al., 2008). Here

\begin{align}
\mathbf{Z}_0(\mathbf{z}) &= \mathbf{R}^0(\mathbf{z}) \\
\mathbf{\vartheta}_i &= \mathbf{\alpha}_3 \mathbf{\lambda}_2^i - \mathbf{\eta}_i \\
\mathbf{\eta}_i &= \left( \mathbf{\alpha}_3 - \mathbf{\alpha}_2 \right) \mathbf{\lambda}_2^i + \left(1 + \mathbf{\alpha}_1 \right) \mathbf{\lambda}_2^i - \frac{\mathbf{\rho} \mathbf{\alpha}_2 \mathbf{\lambda}_2^i}{\mathbf{C}_{66}} \\
\mathbf{\lambda}_i &= \mathbf{c}_{33} \left( \mathbf{\eta}_i - \mathbf{\alpha}_2 \mathbf{C}_{13} \mathbf{\lambda}_2^i - \mathbf{\alpha}_3 \mathbf{C}_{13} \mathbf{\lambda}_2^i \right) \mathbf{\lambda}_1 \quad (i = 1, 2)
\end{align}
\[ \lambda_i = \sqrt{a^2 + b + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{c_i^2 + d_i^2 + e}} \]

\[ \lambda_j = \sqrt{a^2 + b + \frac{1}{2} \sqrt{c_j^2 + d_j^2 + e}} \]

\[ a = \frac{1}{2} (s_1^2 + s_2^2), \quad b = -\frac{1}{2} \rho \alpha \left( \frac{1}{c_{ii}} + \frac{1}{c_{jj}} \right), \quad c = (s_1^2 - s_2^2) \]

\[ d = -2 \rho \alpha \left( \frac{1}{c_{ii}} \left| s_1^2 - s_2^2 \right| - \frac{1}{c_{jj}} \right), \quad e = \rho^2 \alpha \left( \frac{1}{c_{ii}} \right) \]

Here, \( s_1 \) and \( s_2 \) are the roots of following equation, which in view of the positive-definiteness of the strain energy are not zero or pure imaginary numbers (Lehkmann, 1981):

\[ c_{33}c_{44}^2 + (c_{44}^2 + 2c_{33}c_{44} - c_{11}c_{33})s_1^2 + c_{11}c_{44} = 0 \]

In expressions (10)-(20), \( c_{ii} \) and \( \rho \) are the piezoelectric constant elastic moduli and density, respectively, given by

\[ c_{ii} = \begin{cases} c_{ii}^{\rho}, & z < 0 \\ c_{ii}^{\sigma}, & z > 0 \end{cases}, \quad \rho = \begin{cases} \rho^1, & z < 0 \\ \rho^2, & z > 0 \end{cases} \]

Subsequently, the same expressions are valid for \( x_0, \lambda_i, \eta_i, \nu_i \) and \( \nu_i \).

In addition, \( \kappa_i \) is function defined as

\[ \kappa_i = [c_{aa}^2(c_{ii}^{\rho} - \eta_i^{\rho} + \eta_i^{\sigma})/\eta_i^{\sigma} + c_{cc}^2(c_{ii}^{\sigma} - \eta_i^{\sigma} + \eta_i^{\rho})/\eta_i^{\rho} - c_{aa}^{\sigma}(\eta_i^{\rho} - \eta_i^{\sigma})/\eta_i^{\sigma}] \]

in the upper medium, and

\[ \kappa_i = [c_{aa}^2(c_{ii}^{\rho} - \eta_i^{\rho} + \eta_i^{\sigma})/\eta_i^{\sigma} + c_{cc}^2(c_{ii}^{\sigma} - \eta_i^{\sigma} + \eta_i^{\rho})/\eta_i^{\rho} - c_{aa}^{\sigma}(\eta_i^{\rho} - \eta_i^{\sigma})/\eta_i^{\sigma}] \]

in the lower medium. Also

\[ S_i(x) = \left[ \frac{\lambda_i + \mu_i}{\mu_i} \right]^2 \left( \frac{\lambda_j + \mu_j}{\mu_j} \right)^2 \alpha_i^2 \alpha_j^2 \Omega_i(\xi) \]

is associated Stoneley wave function. In the case of an isotropic material Eq. (25) reduces to the following expression

\[ \left( \lambda_i + \mu_i \right)^2 \left( \lambda_j + \mu_j \right)^2 \alpha_i^2 \alpha_j^2 \Omega_i(\xi) \]

where

\[ \Omega_i(\xi) = \left\{ \begin{array}{l} 4\xi^2(\mu_i^2 - \lambda_i^2)(\xi^2 - \lambda_i^2 \mu_i^2) + 4\xi^2 \alpha_i^2(\mu_i^2 - \lambda_i^2)(\xi^2 - \lambda_i^2 \alpha_i^2) + \xi^2 \alpha_i^2(\mu_i^2 - \lambda_i^2 \mu_i^2) + \xi^2 \alpha_i^2(\mu_i^2 - \lambda_i^2 \alpha_i^2) \end{array} \right\} \]

Again in the above expressions, superscripts \( I \) and \( II \) denote the quantities in media I and II, respectively; \( \lambda \) and \( \mu \) are Lamé constants of elasticity;

\[ \sqrt{\lambda^2 - \rho \alpha^2/(\lambda + 2\mu)} \]}

\( \beta = \sqrt{\lambda^2 - \rho \alpha^2/\mu} \).

Eq. (26) degenerates exactly to the expression given in Pak and Guzina (2002) for the Stoneley wave function corresponding to the interface between two adjacent isotropic layers. On substituting the inverted Fourier components of the displacements and stresses into the corresponding angular eigenfunction expansions, the desired formal solution to the general bi-material problem under consideration can be obtained. With the aid of the relations (10) and (14), it can be shown that the remaining two conditions (1) and (7) of the mixed boundary-value problem are equivalent to

\[ \int_0^\infty \Omega_i(x, z) \frac{\Omega_i(x)}{\text{C}_{44}} J_0(r_i) \text{d}z_i = \Delta \quad r \leq a \quad \text{(27)} \]

and

\[ \int_0^\infty Z_0(\xi) \frac{\Omega_i(x, z)}{\text{C}_{44}} J_0(r_i) \text{d}z = 0 \quad r > a \quad \text{(28)} \]

which are a pair of dual integral equations. By setting \( z = 0 \) for the surface disc in the integrand of (27) and (28), the formulation degenerates to

\[ \int_0^\infty \Omega_i(x, z = 0) \frac{\Omega_i(x)}{\text{C}_{44}} J_0(r_i) \text{d}z = \Delta \quad r \leq a \quad \text{(29)} \]

and

\[ \int_0^\infty Z_0(\xi) \frac{\Omega_i(x, z)}{\text{C}_{44}} J_0(r_i) \text{d}z = 0 \quad r > a \quad \text{(30)} \]

where

\[ \Omega_i(x, z = 0) = -\frac{\text{C}_{44}}{\Omega_i(x)} (\nu_1 \kappa_2 - \nu_2 \kappa_1) \quad \text{(31)} \]

Eq. (31) has the properties that

\[ \lim_{z \to -\infty} \Omega_i(x, z = 0) = 0 \quad \text{(32)} \]

In the upper limit, \( L \) is a modifier for this function to make the condition at infinity to be satisfied and both sides of the first equation in dual integral equations should be divided by this modifier. The quantities of \( L \) in the general dynamic case are a function of combination of different full-space properties.

### 3. Reduction of system of dual integral equations

For the treatment of the dual integral Eqs. (29) and (30) in the general problem, it is convenient to re-write them as:

\[ \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{z} [1 + H(\xi; \omega)] B(\xi; \omega) J_0(r_i) \text{d}z = \delta_i \quad r \leq a \quad \text{(33)} \]

and

\[ \int_0^\infty B(\xi; \omega) J_0(r_i) \text{d}z = 0 \quad r > a \quad \text{(34)} \]

where

\[ B(\xi; \omega) = \frac{\Omega_i(\xi) \frac{\text{C}_{44}}{\alpha_i^2}}{\Omega_i(\xi)} \quad \text{(35)} \]

\[ H(\xi; \omega) = \Omega_i(x, z = 1) - \delta_i \quad \Delta = L \quad \text{(36)} \]

With the aid of Sonine’s integrals (Noble, 1963), one can show that the integrals (33) and (34) is transformed to

\[ \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{z} [1 + H(\xi; \omega)] B(\xi; \omega) J_{1/2}(r_i) \text{d}z = \frac{1}{2^{1/2} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \delta_i \quad r \leq a \quad \text{(37)} \]

and

\[ \int_0^\infty \xi^{-1/2} B(\xi; \omega) J_{1/2}(r_i) \text{d}z = 0 \quad r > a \quad \text{(38)} \]

In (37), \( \Gamma(\chi) \) is the Gamma function. For further reduction, it is useful to define a function \( \theta \) through

\[ B(\xi; \omega) = \frac{\xi^{1-2} \theta(\xi; \omega)}{2^{1/2} \Gamma(\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^\infty \xi^{1-2} \theta(\xi; \omega) J_{1/2}(r_i) \text{d}q \quad \xi \in [0, \infty) \quad \text{(39)} \]

which, on inversion, gives

\[ \theta(r; \omega) = \frac{1}{2^{1/2}} \int_0^r \xi^{1/2} B(\xi; \omega) J_{1/2}(r_i) \text{d}z \quad 0 \leq r \leq a \quad \text{(40)} \]

With the aid of (39) and (40), the dual integral equations in (37) and (38) can be reduced to a Fredholm integral equation of the second kind.
\( \theta(r; \omega) + \int_0^a K(r, \rho) \theta(q; \omega) \, dq = \delta_3 \quad 0 \leq r < a \) (41)

where

\[
K(r, \rho) = (r \rho)^{1/2} \int_0^1 \frac{d^2 H(\xi; \omega) J_{-1/2}(r \xi)}{J_{-1/2}(\rho \xi)} d\xi \quad 0 \leq r < a, \quad 0 \leq \rho < a
\] (42)

Writing \( J_{-1/2}(\eta) \) in terms of cosine function as \( J_{-1/2}(\eta) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \cos(\eta) \), Eq. (42) can be written as

\[
K(r, \rho) = 2 \int_0^1 \frac{H(\xi; \omega) \cos(\xi) \cos(\rho \xi) \, d\xi}{0 \leq r < a, \quad 0 \leq \rho < a}
\] (43)

Eq. (41) with (42) or (43) can be numerically solved for \( \theta(r; \omega) \).

4.3. Homogeneous isotropic half-space

The material constants for an isotropic medium can be reduced to

\[
c_{11} = c_{33} = \mu + 2\nu, \quad c_{12} = c_{13} = \lambda, \quad c_{44} = c_{66} = \mu
\] (52)

where \( \lambda \) and \( \mu \) are the Lamé's constants of the isotropic solid.

Using these relations, the kernel functions (12) and (13) can be reduced to

\[
\gamma_3(\xi, z) = \frac{\xi}{2\xi_{a}^2} \left( e^{-\xi z} - e^{-\xi \rho} \right) + \frac{\xi}{2\xi_{a}^2} R(\xi) \left( e^{-\xi z} + e^{-\xi \rho} \right)
\]

\[
- \frac{2\lambda(2\xi_{a}^2 - \xi_{l}^2)}{k_{R}^2 R(\xi)} \left( \xi^2 e^{-\xi z} + \xi \rho e^{-\xi \rho} \right)
\] (54)

\[
\Omega_2(\xi, z) = -\frac{\alpha}{2k_{R}^2} e^{-\xi z} + \frac{\xi^2}{2\beta k_{R}^2} e^{-\xi \rho} - \frac{1}{2k_{R}^2} R(\xi) \left( \gamma e^{-\xi z} + \frac{\xi^2}{\beta} e^{-\xi \rho} \right)
\]

\[
+ \frac{2\alpha^2(2\xi_{a}^2 - \xi_{l}^2)}{k_{R}^2 R(\xi)} (e^{-\xi z} + e^{-\xi \rho})
\] (55)

where

\[ R(\xi) = (2\xi_{a}^2 - \xi_{l}^2)^2 \pm 4\xi_{a}^2 \xi \rho \]

The above kernel functions are exactly the same as those presented by Pak and Gobert (1991).

5. Response of the transversely isotropic bi-material full-space

As noted in (10) and (14), the vertical displacement field can be expressed as

\[
u_z(r, z; \omega) = \int_0^\infty \Omega_2(\xi, z) \frac{\xi^2 R(\xi)}{c_{44}} J_0(\xi \rho) \, d\xi
\] (57)

Correspondingly, with the aid of (11) and (14), it can be shown that the radial displacement field can be written as

\[
u_r(r, z; \omega) = \int_0^\infty -\gamma_3(\xi, z) \frac{\xi^2 R(\xi)}{c_{44}} J_1(\xi \rho) \, d\xi
\] (58)

With the aid of (14), (35), (39), and \( J_{-1/2}(\eta) = \sqrt{2} \pi \cos(\eta) \), the transformed contact load distribution can be expressed as

\[
\tilde{R}(\xi) = \frac{c_{44} B(\xi; \omega)}{\xi} = \frac{2c_{44}}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \theta(q; \omega) \cos(\xi q) \, dq
\] (59)

The displacement field can be directly obtained in terms of rotations by substituting (59) into (57) and (58). Analogous to displacements, stress field can also be obtained as (Khajesteh et al., 2008)

\[
\sigma_{zz}(r, z; \omega) = \int_0^\infty \left\{ c_{33} \frac{d\Omega_2}{dz} - c_{13} \gamma_3 \right\} \frac{\xi^2 R(\xi)}{c_{44}} J_0(\xi \rho) \, d\xi
\] (60)

where

\[
K_{zz}(\omega) = F/\Delta
\] (61)
In Section 3, the Fredholm integral equation (40), was expressed in terms of $h(t, x)$. In general, these integral equations cannot be carried out in exact closed forms, as a result a numerical quadrature technique usually has to be adopted in such evaluations (see, e.g. Apsel and Luco, 1983; Khojasteh et al., 2008; Pak and Gobert, 1991; Pak and Saphores, 1991; Rahimian et al., 2007; Rajapake and Wang, 1993). For numerical purposes, the equation may be converted to a set of linear algebraic equations in the form of

$$M_{ij}h_j = f_i,$$

where $M_{ij}$ and $f_i$ are given in (45) and (46). To evaluate $K_0 = k(r_0, q_0)$ from the line integral (43), an adaptive numerical quadrature approach is adopted and coded in MATHEMATICA software.

The function $S(\xi)$ defined in (24) yields a pole at $\xi = 0$, which corresponds to the Stoneley wave number. The pole is obtained by setting $S(\xi) = 0$. Depending on the elasticity constants and mass density of the two bonded half-spaces, a Stoneley wave may or may not exist. When it does exist in the subsonic regime, only one such interfacial wave is possible and it travels at a speed larger than the smaller of the Rayleigh speeds associated with the two half-spaces (Barnett et al., 1985, 2000; Destrade and Fu, 2006; Khojasteh et al., 2008). In other words, the Stoneley wave number must be smaller than the larger of the Rayleigh wave numbers.
associated with the two half-spaces. As a result the path of integration may be free of poles or not. Once the locations of the singular points are determined, the path of integration is deformed by semi-circles of radius \( \varepsilon \) around them (see Fig. 2).
Fig. 8. Normalized vertical displacement for $\epsilon_0 = 3.0$ at $r = 0$ in terms of depth for different transversely isotropic bimaterials.

Fig. 9. Comparison of real and imaginary parts of vertical impedance function for isotropic material with $\nu = 1/3$.

Fig. 10. Comparison of real and imaginary parts of vertical impedance function for isotropic material with $\nu = 0.45$. 
While the kernel of the inversion integral is weakly singular at the branch points, it is strongly singular at the pole if it exists. Thus, the integral over the limiting small semi-circle at the pole should be evaluated using the residua theory of integration (Churchill and Brown, 1990). Since the pole at $n_S$ is an interior singular point of the first order, the integrand may be written in the form $q(n)/S(n)$, where $q(n)$ is analytic at $n_S$ where $n_S$ is the root of the equation $S(n) = 0$ (Khojasteh et al., 2008). Therefore the integral over the limiting small semi-circle at the pole is equal to $/C_0 p_i \text{Res}(n_S)$, where $\text{Res}(n_S) = \lim_{n \to n_S} q(n) dS(n)/dn$.$^2 C_{16}/C_{17}$. The procedure adopted in this study involves: (1) locating the pole and branch points associated with branch cuts that render all functions single valued and consistent with the regularity condition; (2) integrating from zero to a point behind the pole and continuing the integration from a point after the pole to a sufficiently large value; and (3) adding the contribution from the residue at the pole to the final sum.

In order to validate the present solutions and their accuracy, numerical solutions presented by Luco and Mita (1987) and Pak and Gobert (1991) for the isotropic case are used in the comparison. It needs to be pointed out that all the numerical results presented here are dimensionless, with a nondimensional frequency defined as $\omega_0 = \omega a \sqrt{c_{44}/E}$. To demonstrate the influence of the degree of the material anisotropy a parametric study is conducted. Several synthetic types of isotropic material and transversely isotropic materials are considered to constitute basic materials. The material properties are given in Table 1, where $E$ and $E'$ are the Young’s moduli with respect to directions lying in the plane of isotropy and perpendicular to it; $v$ is the Poisson’s ratio which characterizes the effect of horizontal strain on the complementary vertical strain; $v'$ is the Poisson’s ratio which characterizes the effect of vertical strain on the horizontal one; and $c_{44}$ is the shear modulus in the plane normal to the plane of isotropy. The relation of these parameters to the elasticity constants, $c_{ij}$ can be found in Rahimian et al. (2007). Regarding the positive definiteness of the strain energy, the subsequent restrictions for material constants $c_{ij}$ have been checked (Payton, 1983), $c_{11} > |c_{12}|(c_{11} + c_{12})/2c_{13}$, $c_{44} > 0$. To determine the vertical impedance function $K_{zz}$ ($\omega$), one needs to find the vertical resultant force, $F$, applied from the disc on the bi-material full-space, from Eq. (62). Then, the vertical impedance function is found from (61).

Fig. 11. Comparison of real and imaginary parts of vertical compliance function for isotropic material with $v = 0.25$ and $v = 0.4$.

Fig. 12. Real and imaginary parts of vertical impedance function for different transversely isotropic materials.
dimensionless frequencies $\omega_0 = 0.5$ and $3$ are shown in Figs. 3 and 4. From the illustration, it is apparent that the contact load distribution tends to become more accentuated at the edge of the disc as $E/E$ and $C_G/C$ increases when other engineering properties are kept constant. The influences of the degree of the material anisotropy on vertical variations of $\sigma_z$ are illustrated in Figs. 5 and 6 for $\omega_0 = 0.5$ and 3. Note that in the determination of $\sigma_z$ the engineering constant $E$ is the dominant component, and since its value for the material I is the largest, the value of $Re(\sigma_z)$ in this material is the highest for different bimaterials at constant delta. Figs. 7 and 8 show the vertical displacement at $z = 0$ in terms of radial distance, and at $r = 0$ in terms of depth, respectively, for $\omega_0 = 3$. As indicated in Fig. 7, the vertical displacement from $z = 0$ to $z = a$ should be equal to $\Delta$ as inferred from Eq. (1). Outside the disc, the displacement shows an oscillatory behavior as expected. As seen in Fig. 8, although the displacement is continuous at $z = 0$, its derivative with respect to depth is not continuous as indicated in (6) and illustrated in Figs. 5 and 6. As indicated in Figs. 5, 6 and 8, both real and imaginary parts of the vertical displacement and vertical stress tend to zero with increasing depth. As frequency increases, both real and imaginary parts show oscillatory variation with the depth.

The oscillatory behavior of the response is clear from Figs. 5–8. The wave number/wave length in the vertical and horizontal direction is a function of $E$ and $C_G$, respectively. As $C_G$ is the same for all materials, the wave number is the same for all cases. However, there exist a clear difference between the wave number in vertical direction in the lower half-space, where the material changes from case to case.

The impedance/compliance function is a very important parameter in the subject of soil-structure-interaction. Because of this, the vertical impedance function is numerically evaluated in this study. Figs. 9–11 show the real and imaginary parts of the vertical impedance function and compliance function obtained from the present study and the results of Luco and Mita (1987) and Pak and Gobert (1991) for four isotropic materials $v = 0.25, 1/3, 0.4$ and $0.45$ for a high range of dimensionless frequency. In Figs. 9 and 10, the results of impedance function have been compared with the case of isotropic half-space for the Poisson's ratio $1/3$ and $0.45$. Also, in Fig. 11 the results of compliance function have been compared with the case of isotropic full-space for the Poisson's ratio 0.25 and 0.4. As seen, there exists an excellent agreement between these two results, which shows the accuracy of the numerical evaluation in different steps. Finally, Fig. 12 provide the vertical impedance function for different transversely isotropic bimaterials at the interface ($z = 0$). As can be seen, the value of vertical impedance function for the case Mat I–Mat I is the highest since $E/E$ in material I is the largest. This can be seen an increase in the real part and the imaginary part.

7. Conclusions

In this paper, a mathematical analysis is presented for the vertical vibration of a massless rigid circular disc located at the interface of a transversely isotropic bi-material full-space. With the aid of Hankel transforms and a method of potentials, the mixed boundary-value problem is formulated as dual integral equations, which, in turn, are reduced to a Fredholm integral equation of the second kind. The Fredholm integral equation have been numerically solved. It is shown that the impedance functions are analytically in exact agreement with the existing solutions for a half-space with isotropic material properties. The impedance functions have been evaluated numerically, which can be used in the soil-structure-interaction problems.

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