

(1) Determine the natural frequency of the mass  $m$  placed at one end of a cantilever beam of negligible mass.

$$\text{Deflection} = \frac{Wx^3}{3EI}$$

Solution: stiffness =  $\frac{load}{deflection}$ .  
The stiffness of beam is given as.

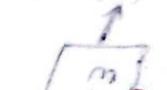
$$K = 3EI/l^3$$

where  $EI$  is the flexural rigidity of the beam

The general equation of motion for undamped free vibration is given as

$$m\ddot{x} + Kx = 0$$

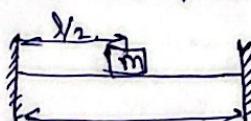
$$m\ddot{x} + \frac{3EI}{l^3}x = 0$$



$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{3EI}{l^3m}} \text{ rad/sec}$$

$$f_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{3EI}{m l^3}} \text{ Hz}$$

(2) Find the natural frequency of the system.



solution: The deflection at the centre of a bar fixed at both ends with load  $w$  at the centre,

$$\text{deflection} = \frac{wl^3}{192EI}$$

$$\text{stiffness} = \frac{192EI}{l^3}$$

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$$m\ddot{x} + Kx = 0$$

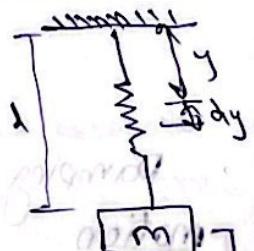
$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{192EI}{ml^3}} \text{ rad/sec}$$

$$f_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{192EI}{ml^3}} \text{ Hz.}$$

- (13) Determine the effect of the mass of the spring on the natural frequency of the system show in fig.

Solution

Let  $x$  be the displacement of mass  $m$  and so the velocity will be  $\dot{x}$ . The velocity of spring element at a distance  $y$  from the fixed end may be written as  $\frac{\dot{y}}{\lambda}x$  where  $\lambda$  is the total length of spring.



The kinetic energy of spring element  $dy$  is written as,

$$\frac{1}{2}(\rho dy)\left(\frac{y}{\lambda}\dot{x}\right)^2$$

where  $\rho$  being the mass of spring per unit length.

∴ Total kinetic energy of the system.

$$K_E = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}^2 + \int \frac{1}{2}(\rho dy)\left(\frac{y}{\lambda}\dot{x}\right)^2 \cdot \lambda$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2}\rho \dot{x}^2 \times \frac{1}{3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{6}m_s\dot{x}^2$$

$$m_s = \rho \lambda$$

Potential

$$= \frac{1}{2}Kx^2$$

energy of the system.

$$\text{Total} = K_E + P.E$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{6}m_s\dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2}Kx^2$$

$$+ m\ddot{x} + \frac{m_s\ddot{x}}{3} + Kx = 0$$

$$(m + \frac{m_s}{3})\ddot{x} + Kx = 0$$

$$\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{K}{m + m_s/3}} \text{ rad/sec}$$

$$f_n = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{K}{m + m_s/3}} \text{ Hz}$$