

**Problems and Solutions Section 3.5 (3.39 through 3.42)**

- 3.39** Calculate the mean-square response of a system to an input force of constant PSD,  $S_0$ , and frequency response function  $H(\omega) = \frac{10}{(3 + 2j\omega)}$

**Solution:**

Given:  $S_{ff} = S_0$  and  $H(\omega) = \frac{10}{3 + 2j\omega}$

The mean square of the response can be found from Eqs (3.66) and (3.68):

$$\bar{x}^2 = E[x^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |H(\omega)|^2 S_{ff}(\omega) d\omega$$

$$\bar{x}^2 = S_0 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{10}{3 + 2j\omega} \right|^2 d\omega$$

Using Eq. (3.67) yields

$$\bar{x}^2 = \frac{50\pi S_0}{3}$$

- 3.40** Consider the base excitation problem of Section 2.4 as applied to an automobile model of Example 2.4.1 and illustrated in Figure 2.16. In this problem let the road have a random stationary cross section producing a PSD of  $S_0$ . Calculate the PSD of the response and the mean-square value of the response.

**Solution:** Given:  $S_{ff} = S_0$

From example 2.4.1:  $m = 1007$  kg,  $c = 2000$  kg/s,  $k = 40,000$  N/m

$$\zeta = \frac{c}{2\sqrt{km}} = \frac{2000}{2\sqrt{40000 \cdot 1007}} = 0.157 \quad (\text{underdamped})$$

So,

$$H(\omega) = \frac{1}{k - m\omega^2 + jc\omega} = \frac{1}{4 \times 10^4 - 1007\omega^2 + 2000j\omega}$$

$$|H(\omega)|^2 = \frac{1}{(4 \times 10^4 - 1007\omega^2)^2 + (2000)^2 \omega^2}$$

$$|H(\omega)|^2 = \frac{1}{1.01 \times 10^6 \omega^4 - 4.06 \times 10^7 \omega^2 + 1.6 \times 10^9}$$

The PSD is found from equation (3.62):

$$S_{xx}(\omega) = |H(\omega)|^2 S_{ff}(\omega)$$

$$S_{xx}(\omega) = \frac{1}{1.01 \times 10^6 \omega^4 - 4.06 \times 10^7 \omega^2 + 1.6 \times 10^9}$$

The mean square value is found from equation (3.68):

$$\bar{x}^2 = E[x^2] = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |H(\omega)|^2 S_{ff}(\omega) d\omega$$

$$\bar{x}^2 = S_0 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \frac{1}{4 \times 10^4 - 1007\omega^2 + 2000j\omega} \right|^2 d\omega$$

Using equation (3.70) yields

$$\bar{x}^2 = \frac{\pi S_0}{8 \times 10^{10}}$$

- 3.41** To obtain a feel for the correlation functions, compute autocorrelation  $R_{xx}(\tau)$  for the deterministic signal  $A\sin\omega_n t$ .

**Solution:** The autocorrelation is found from

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_{xx}(\tau) &= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} A \sin(\omega_n t) A \sin(\omega_n (t + \tau)) dt \\
 &= \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A^2}{T} \int_{-\frac{T}{2}}^{\frac{T}{2}} \sin(\omega_n t) \sin(\omega_n t) \cos(\omega_n \tau) dt \\
 &\quad + \underbrace{\lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{A^2}{T} \int_0^T \sin(\omega_n t) \cos(\omega_n t) \sin(\omega_n \tau) dt}_{\rightarrow 0}
 \end{aligned}$$

Simplifying yields:

$$R_{xx}(\tau) = \frac{A^2 \cos(\omega_n \tau)}{2}$$

- 3.42** Verify that the average  $x - \bar{x}$  is zero by using the definition given in equation (3.47).

**Solution:**

The definition is  $\bar{f} = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T f(t) dt$ . Let

$$f(t) = x(t) - \bar{x},$$

$$\text{so that } \bar{f} = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T (x(t) - \bar{x}) dt$$

$$\bar{f} = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T x(t) dt - \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \bar{x} dt$$

$$= \bar{x} - \bar{x} \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T dt = \bar{x} - \bar{x} = 0$$