

# Transient Response Analysis of an Elasto-Viscoplastic Beam Subjected to Transverse Impact

## — Application of a New Beam Bending Element for Elasto-Viscoplastic Analysis —

横衝撃を受ける弾 / 粘塑性梁の過渡応答解析

— 弾 / 粘塑性解析のための新しい梁の曲げ要素の応用 —

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### Summary

A new beam bending element for elasto-viscoplastic analysis is proposed in this note. This element consists of rigid bars which are connected by a rheological elasto-viscoplastic model composed of three elements, i.e. a spring, a slider, and a dashpot. As a numerical example transient response analysis of an elasto-viscoplastic beam subjected to transverse impact is carried out.

### 1. New Beam Bending Element for Elasto-Viscoplastic Analysis

The material of a beam is assumed to possess mechanical properties described by a one-dimen-

sional rheological elasto-viscoplastic model shown in Fig. 1. In case of perfectly plastic materials stress-strain relation in this model is given as follows:

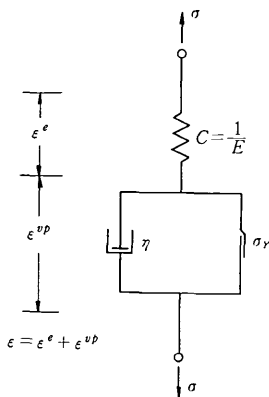
$$E\dot{\epsilon} = \dot{\sigma} + k(\sigma - \sigma_Y \text{sign } \sigma) \quad (1)$$

where

$$k \equiv \frac{E}{\eta} = 0 \quad \text{if } |\sigma| < \sigma_Y \quad (2)$$

Consider two rigid bars which are connected by an elasto-viscoplastic model resisting rotational motion as shown in Fig. 2. Relation between bending moment and relative rotational angle is expressed as follows:

$$\dot{\theta} = C_b \dot{M} + \frac{1}{\eta_b} (M - M_p \text{sign } M) \quad (3)$$



$\sigma_Y$ : static yield stress

Fig. 1 One-dimensional rheological elasto-viscoplastic model

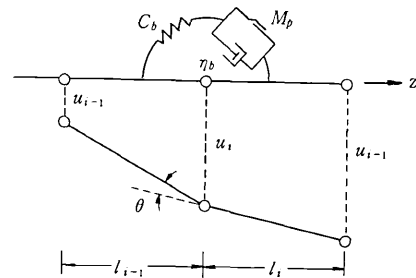


Fig. 2 A new beam bending element for elasto-viscoplastic analysis

where  $M_p$  is static plastic moment. Two parameters in Eq. (3) can be determined by using finite difference approximation of curvature as follows:

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \frac{1}{C_b} &= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2}(l_{i-1} + l_i) C} \\ \eta_b &= \frac{\eta}{\frac{1}{2}(l_{i-1} + l_i)} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (4)$$

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Solving Eq.(3), the increment of rotational angle is calculated as

$$\Delta\theta = C_b \Delta M + \frac{1}{\eta_b} \int_t^{t+\Delta t} \{M(\tau) - M_p \text{sign} M(\tau)\} d\tau \quad (5)$$

Time variation of bending moment is assumed to be linear during the time section  $[t, t + \Delta t]$ , that is

$$M(\tau) = M(t) + \frac{\Delta M}{\Delta t} (\tau - t) \quad (6)$$

Substituting Eq.(6) into Eq.(5), the following equation is obtained :

$$\Delta\theta = C_b \Delta M + \frac{1}{\eta_b} \left\{ M(t) + \frac{1}{2} \Delta M - M_p \text{sign} M(t) \right\} \Delta t \quad (7)$$

From Eq.(7) the following relation between the increment of bending moment and relative rotational angle is obtained :

$$\Delta M = \frac{1}{C_B(t)} \{ \Delta\theta - \Delta\theta^{vp} \} \quad (8)$$

where

$$C_B(t) = C_b + \frac{\Delta t}{2 \eta_b} \quad (9)$$

$$\Delta\theta^{vp} = \frac{1}{\eta_b} \{ M(t) - M_p \text{sign} M(t) \} \Delta t \quad (10)$$

The virtual work equation is expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} \delta\Delta\theta \cdot \Delta M - \{ \delta\Delta u \}^t \{ \Delta F \} &= \delta\Delta\theta \cdot \frac{1}{C_B(t)} \\ (\Delta\theta - \Delta\theta^{vp}) - \{ \delta\Delta u \}^t \{ \Delta F \} &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

where

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \theta &= [R] \{ u \} \{ u \}^t = [u_{i-1} u_i u_{i+1}] \\ [R] &= \left[ \frac{1}{l_{i-1}} - \left( \frac{1}{l_{i-1}} + \frac{1}{l_i} \right) \frac{1}{l_i} \right] \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (12)$$

From Eq.(11) the following equilibrium equation is derived :

$$[K] \{ \Delta u \} = \{ \Delta F \} + \frac{1}{C_B(t)} \Delta\theta^{vp} \{ R \} \quad (13)$$

where

$$[K] = \frac{1}{C_B(t)} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{l_{i-1}^2} & \text{sym.} \\ -\frac{1}{l_{i-1}} \left( \frac{1}{l_{i-1}} + \frac{1}{l_i} \right) \left( \frac{1}{l_{i-1}} + \frac{1}{l_i} \right)^2 \\ \frac{1}{l_{i-1} l_i} & -\frac{1}{l_i} \left( \frac{1}{l_{i-1}} + \frac{1}{l_i} \right) \frac{1}{l_i^2} \end{bmatrix} \quad (14)$$

## 2. Results of Numerical Analysis

As a numerical example transient response of a simply supported beam subjected to concentrated transverse impact at the midspan is analyzed. Consistent mass matrix is used and Newmark's  $\beta$  method with  $\beta = 1/6$  is applied to numerical time integration. Numerical analysis is made by using the following input data :

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \text{Dimension} &= 50 \times 0.953 \times 2.54 \text{ cm} \\ \text{Young's modulus} &= 2.11 \times 10^6 \text{ kg/cm}^2 \\ \text{Static plastic moment} &= 0.922 \times 10^4 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{cm} \\ \text{Density} &= 0.8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ kg} \cdot \text{sec}^2/\text{cm}^4 \\ \text{Impact velocity} &= 30.5 \text{ m/sec} \\ \text{Total number of elements} &= 40 \\ \text{Time increment} &= 0.25 \mu\text{sec} \end{aligned} \right.$$

As for the value of  $k$ , the following three cases are analyzed :

$$\left. \begin{aligned} \text{i) } k &= 1.0 \\ \text{ii) } k &= 0.5 \\ \text{iii) } k &= 0.1 \end{aligned} \right\} \times 10^6 \text{ sec}^{-1}$$

The loading/unloading criterion used in present analysis is as follows :

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} |M| &> M_p \text{ for loading} \\ |M| &\leq M_p \text{ for unloading} \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (15)$$

Fig. 3 - 7 show results of numerical analysis compared with those of elastic or elasto-plastic analysis neglecting strain rate effect. The variation of deflection curves with time is shown in Fig. 3, from which it can be seen that two types of viscoplastic hinges will be formed. Fig. 4 shows the bending moment-curvature variation at the impact point. The maximum value of bending moment increases with decreasing value of  $k$ . In case of  $k = 0.1 \times 10^6 \text{ sec}^{-1}$ , it is about twice as large as the value of static plastic moment. Time variation of the position of moving hinges is shown in Fig. 5. It is seen from Fig. 5 that the velocity of moving hinges increases with decreasing value of  $k$ . Deflection curves and bending moment distribution near the impact point at  $t = 30 \mu\text{sec}$  are shown in Fig. 6 and 7 respectively. Results of elasto-viscoplastic analysis are between the corresponding curves of elastic analysis and of elasto-plastic analysis respectively.

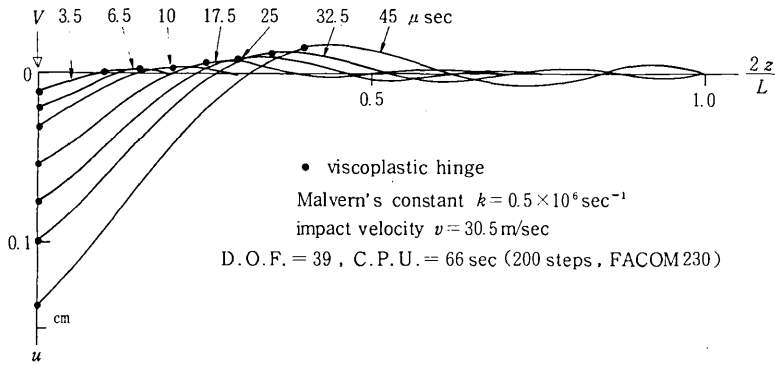


Fig. 3 Transient response of an elastic-viscoplastic beam subjected to transverse impact (deflected shapes)

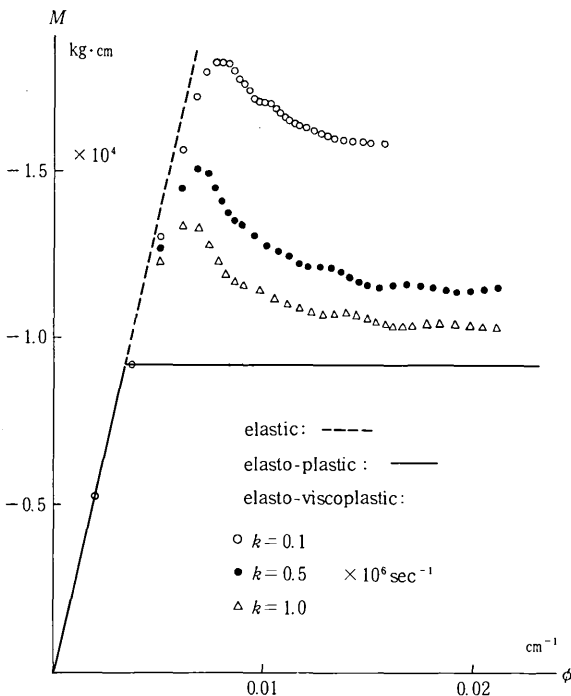


Fig. 4 Bending moment-curvature variation (at midspan)

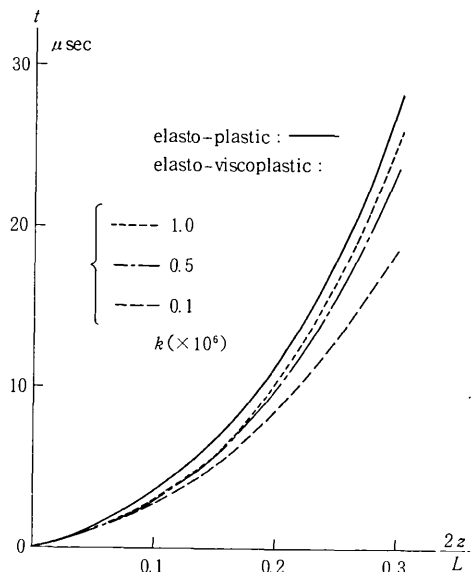


Fig. 5 Time variation of the position of moving hinges

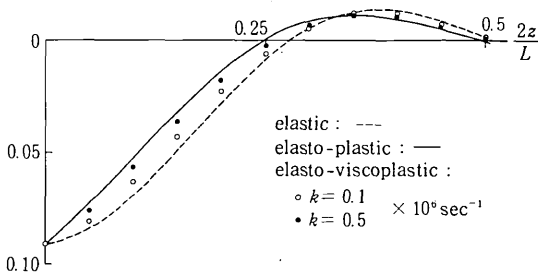


Fig. 6 Deflection curves at  $t = 30 \mu \text{ sec}$

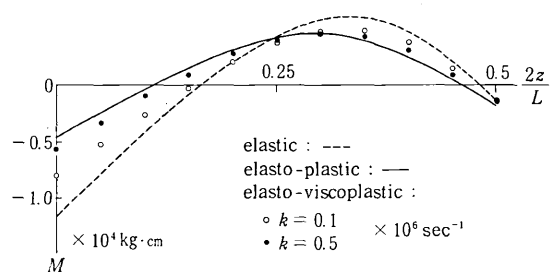


Fig. 7 Bending moment distribution at  $t = 30 \mu \text{ sec}$

## 3. Conclusion

A new beam bending element for elasto-viscoplastic analysis was proposed in this note. In this element the material property is lumped, so that the size of the stiffness matrix is 1/2 of the conventional finite element and concept of the viscoplastic hinge is easily introduced.

Transient response analysis of an elasto-viscoplastic beam subjected to transverse impact was made successfully with very short computing time by using this element. The result obtained duly justified validity of the present method in elasto-viscoplastic dynamic analysis of framed structures.

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