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CE-409: Introduction to Structural Dynamics and
Earthquake Engineering

MODULE 3:
***FUNDAMENTALS OF DYNAMIC ANALYSIS
FOR S.D.O.F SYSTEMS***

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Structural Degrees of Freedom

Degrees of freedom (DOF) of a system is defined as the number of ***independent*** variables required to completely determine the positions of all parts of a system at any instant of time.

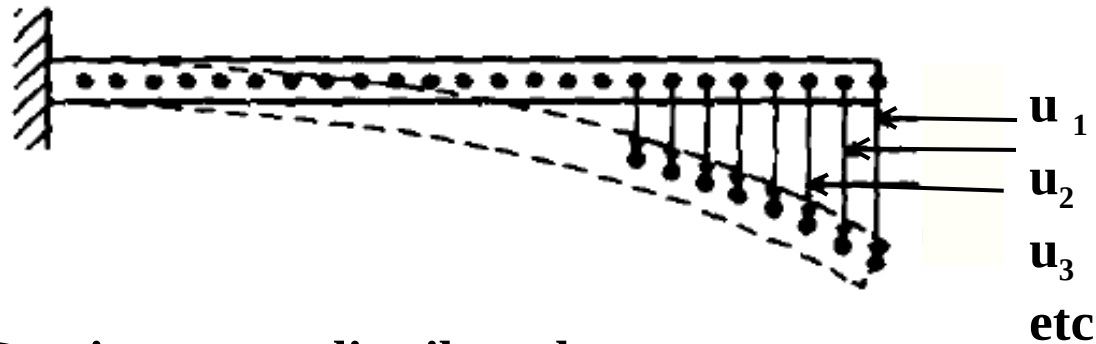


Discrete vs. Continuous systems

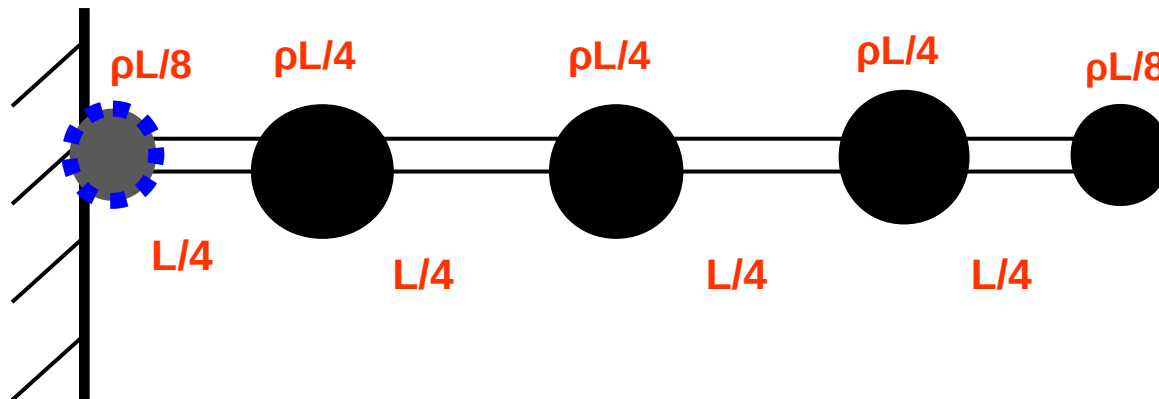
- Some systems, specially those involving continuous elastic members, have an infinite number of DOF. As an example of this is a cantilever beam with self weight only (*see next slide*). This beam has infinite mass points and need infinite number of displacements to draw its deflected shape and thus has an infinite DOF. Systems with infinite DOF are called ***Continuous or Distributed systems***.
- Systems with a finite number of degree of freedom are called ***Discrete or Lumped mass parameter systems***.



Discrete vs. Continuous systems



Continuous or distributed system



Corresponding lumped mass system of the above given cantilever beam with $\text{DOF} = 4$ (*How? there are 5 lumped masses.*)

$\rho = \text{Mass per unit length}$



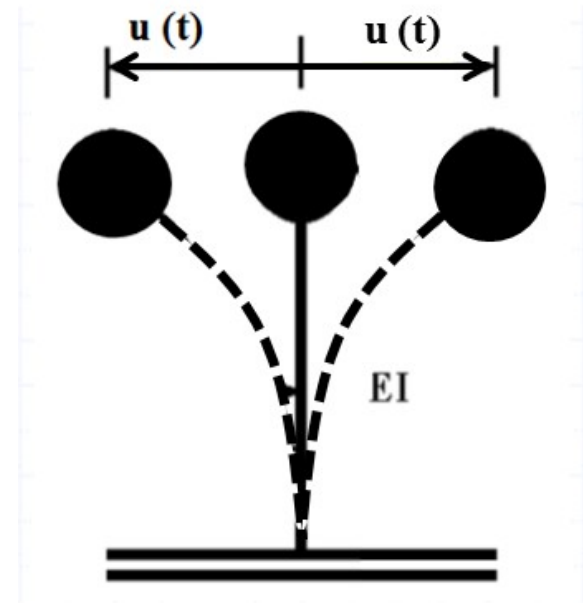
Single Degree-of-Freedom (SDOF) System

- ➡ In a single degree of freedom system, the deformation of the entire structure can be described by a single number equal to the displacement of a point from an **at-rest position**.
- ➡ Single Degree of freedom systems do not normally exist in real life. We live in a three-dimensional world and all mass is distributed resulting in systems that have an infinite number of degrees of freedom. There are, however, instances where a structure may be approximated as a single degree of freedom system.
- ➡ The study of SDOF systems is an integral step in understanding the responses of more complicated and realistic systems.



Idealization of a structural system as SDOF system

- ▶ This 3-dimensional water tower may be considered as a single degree of freedom system when one considers vibration in **one horizontal direction only**.



SDOF model of water tank

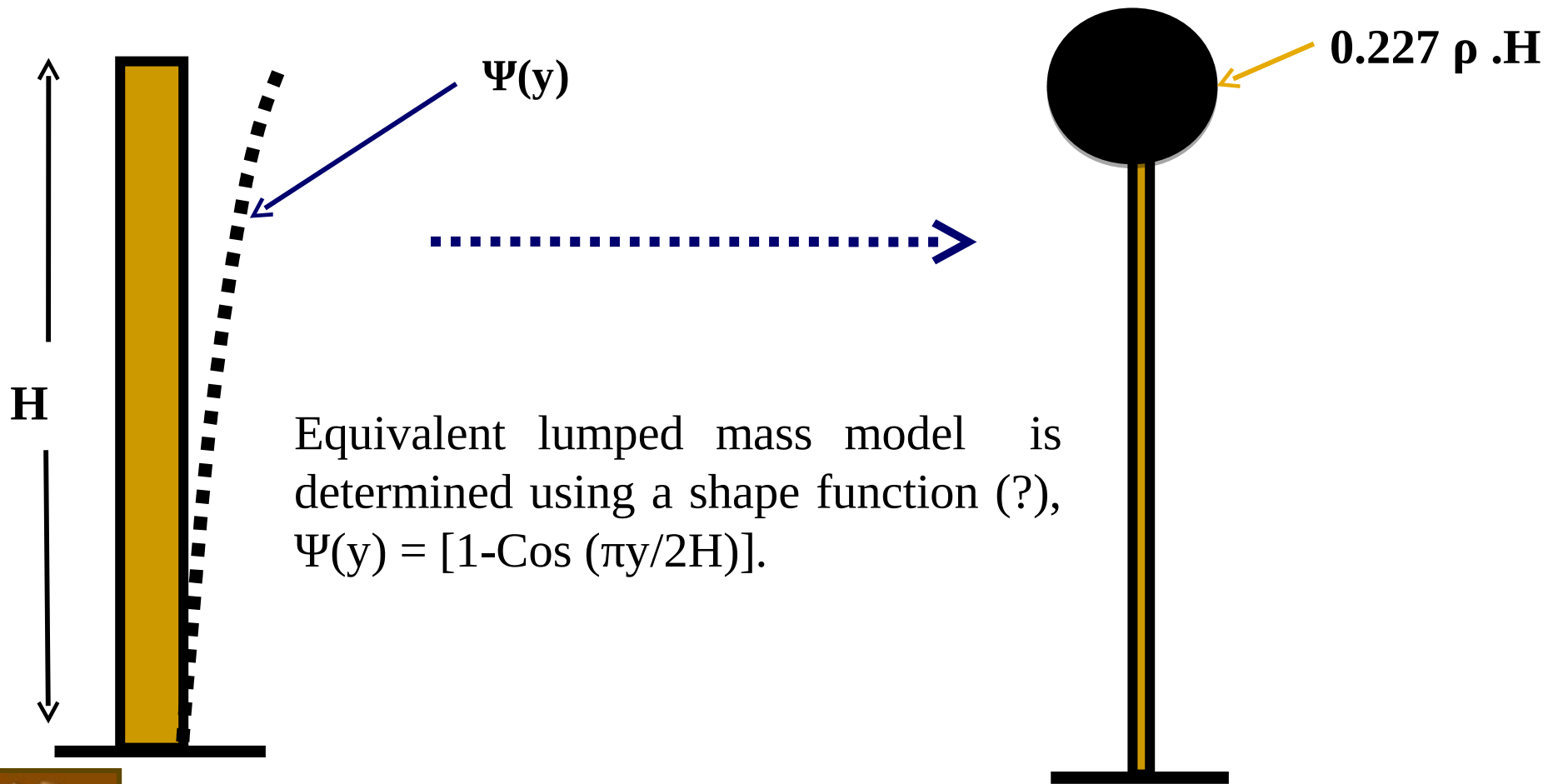


Idealization of a structural system as SDOF system

- The structural system of water tank may be simplified by assuming that the column has negligible mass along its length. This is reasonable, assuming that the tube is hollow and that the mass of the tube is insignificant when compared with the mass of the water tank and water at the top.
- This means that we can consider that the tank is a point mass



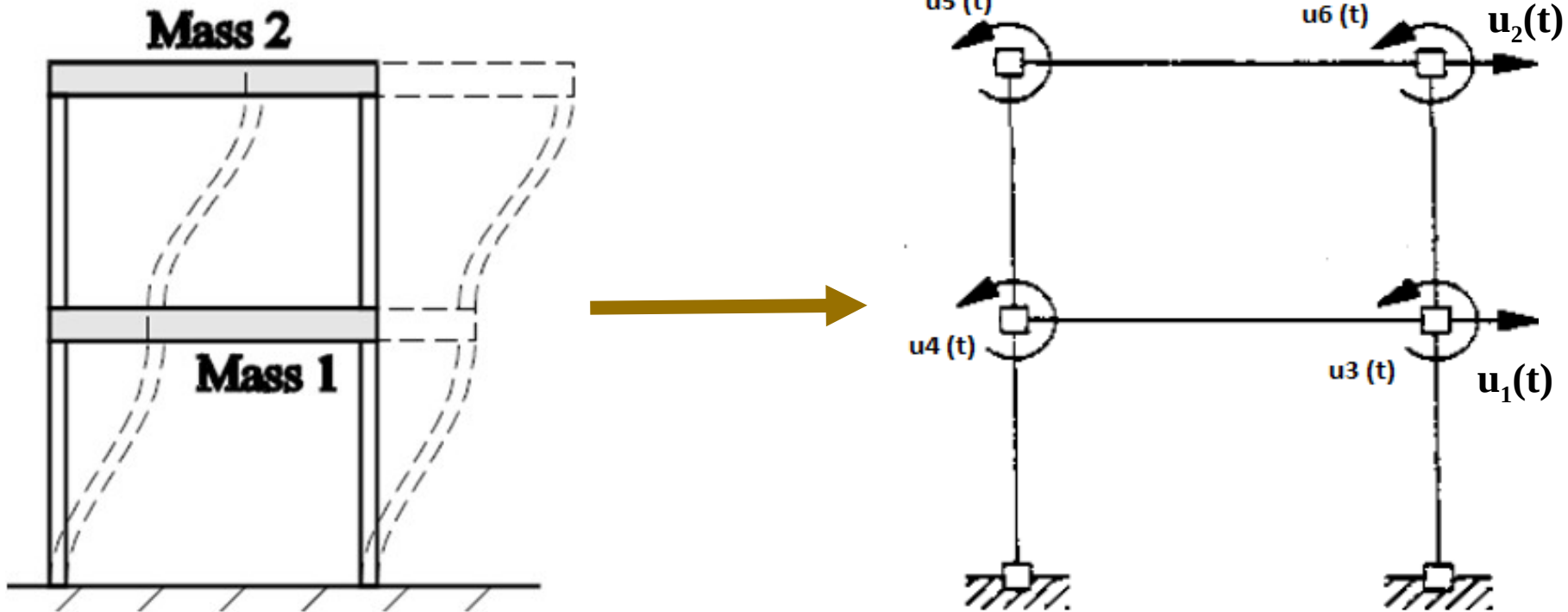
Equivalent lumped mass SDOF system of a cantilever wall with uniform x-sectional area



ρ = Mass per unit height, H = total height, y = Any distance along height and k = lateral stiffness of cantilever member = EI/H^3

Multiple Degree-of-Freedom (MDOF) System

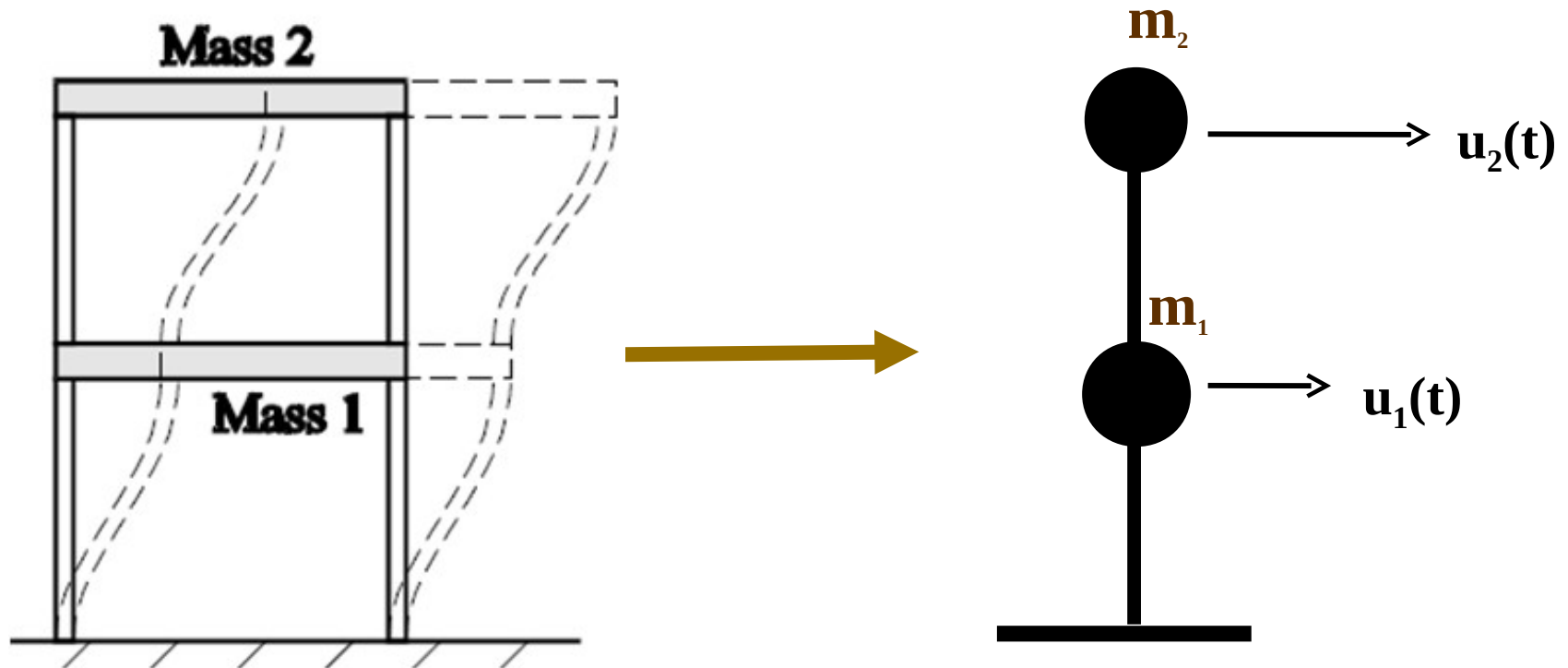
In a Multi degree of freedom system, the deformation of the entire structure cannot be described by a single displacement. More than one displacement coordinates are required to completely specify the displaced shape.



Considering all DOFs



Multiple Degree-of-Freedom (MDOF) System

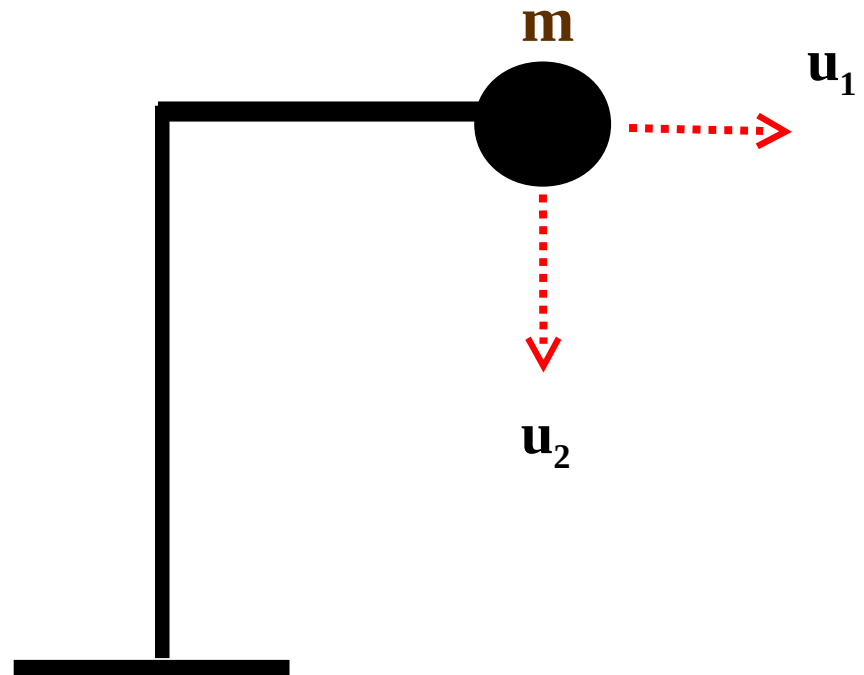
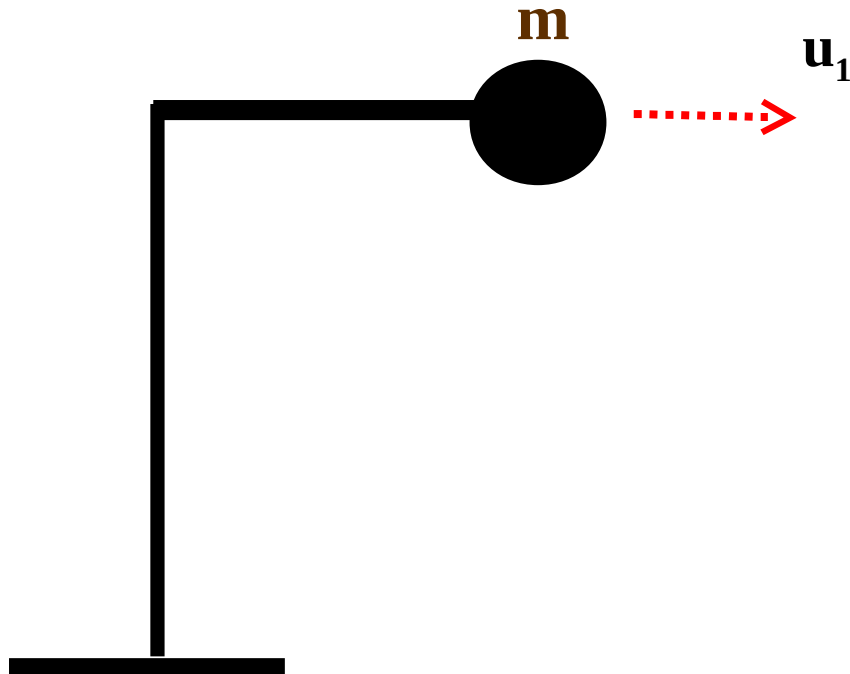


Lumped mass model of building (DOF=2). $u_3(t)$ to $u_6(t)$ (shown on previous slide) got eliminated by lumping the masses at mid length of beam.



Multiple Degree-of-Freedom (MDOF) System

What is the DOF for this system...?

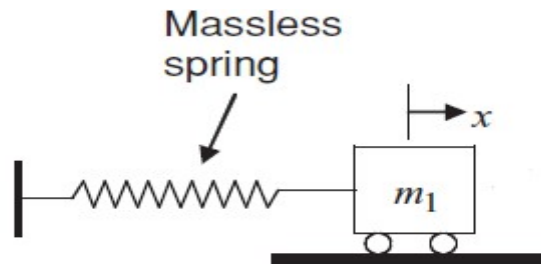


DOF may be taken 1 when flexural stiffness of beam is taken infinite/ too high

DOF is 2 when we have a flexible beam

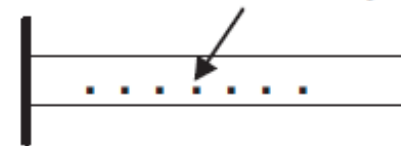
Home Assignment No. M3H1

Determine the DOF of systems shown in given figures. Support your answer with argument(s)



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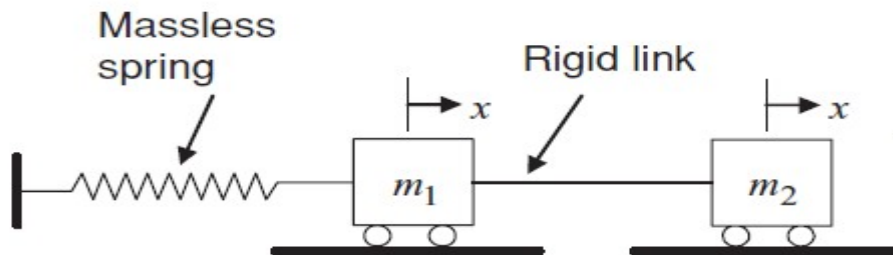
Point masses connected by rigid links



Rigid beam

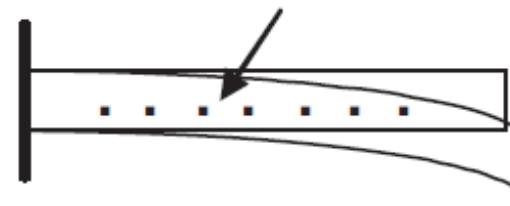
(d)

A rigid beam fixed at one end



(b)

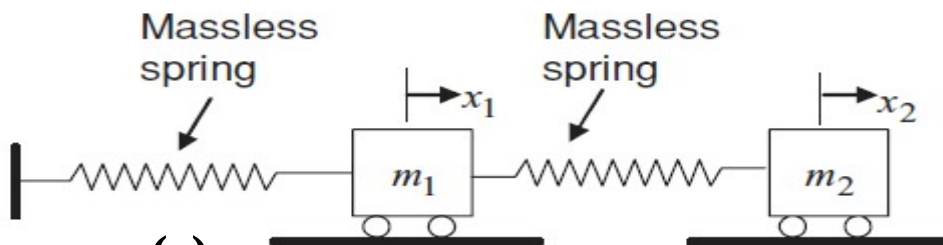
Point masses connected by flexible links



Flexible beam

(e)

A flexible beam fixed at one end



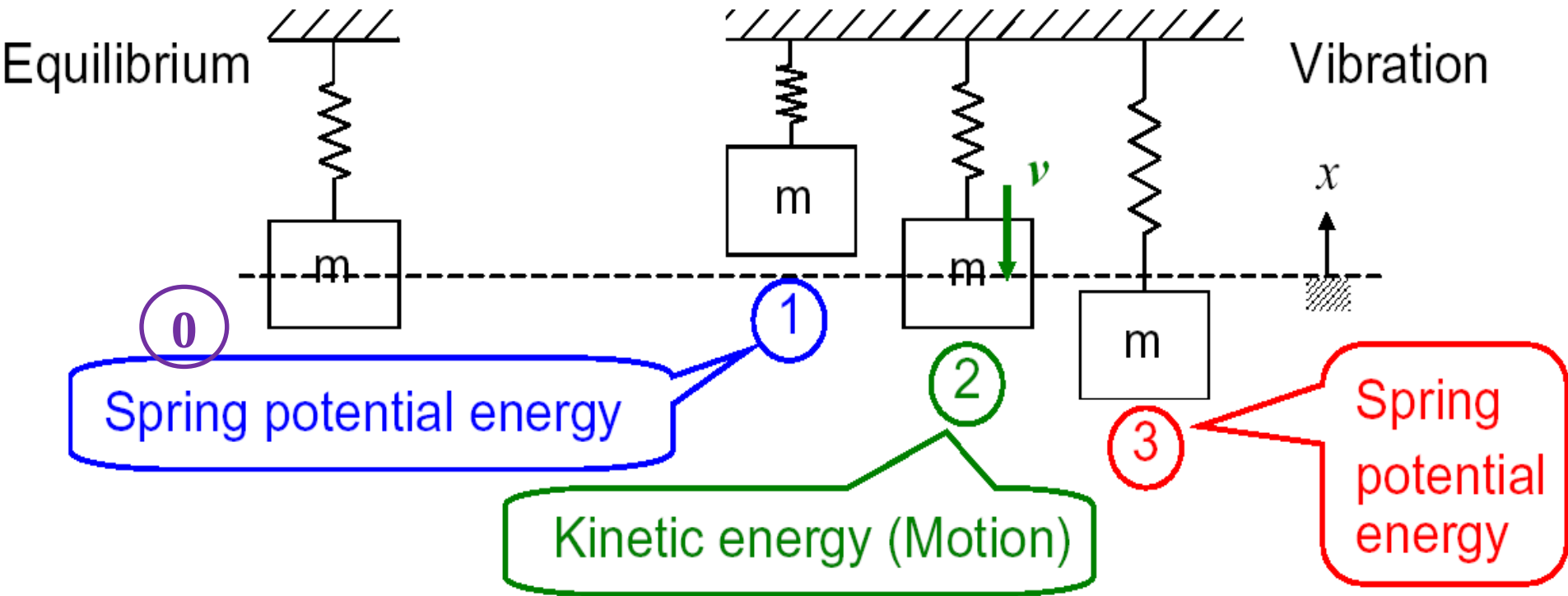
(c)

Vibrations vs. Oscillations

- ➡ **Vibration is “the rapid to and fro motion of an elastic /inelastic system whose equilibrium is disturbed”**
- ➡ *Vibrations are oscillations due to an elastic restoring force.*
- ➡ A flexible beam or string **vibrates** while a pendulum **oscillates**.
- ➡ In most of the text books written on the subject, vibration and oscillations are interchangeably used



Physical Explanation of Vibration

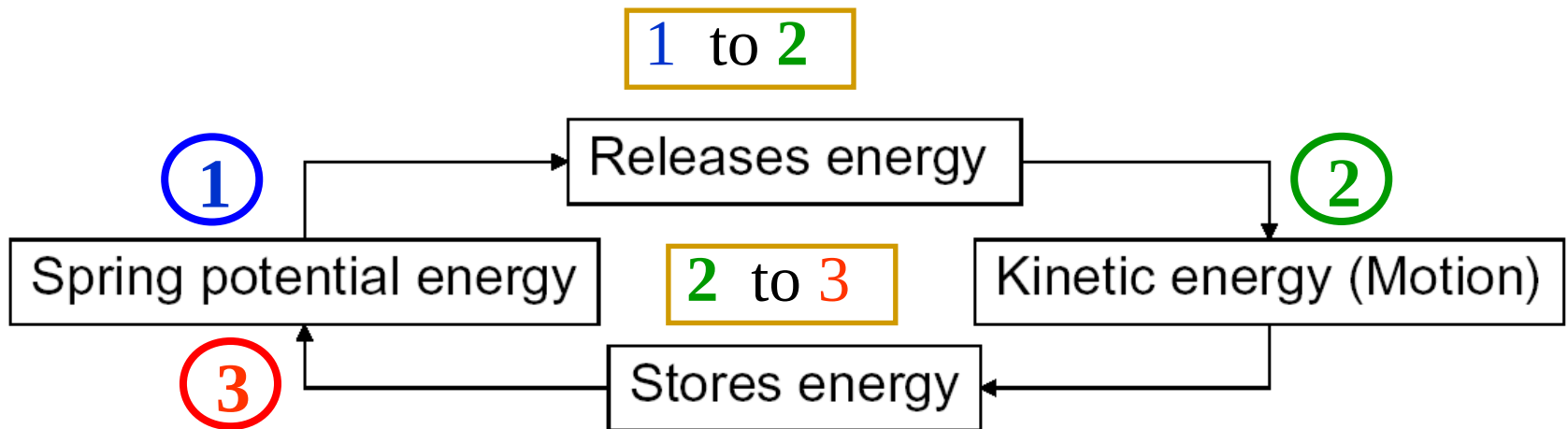
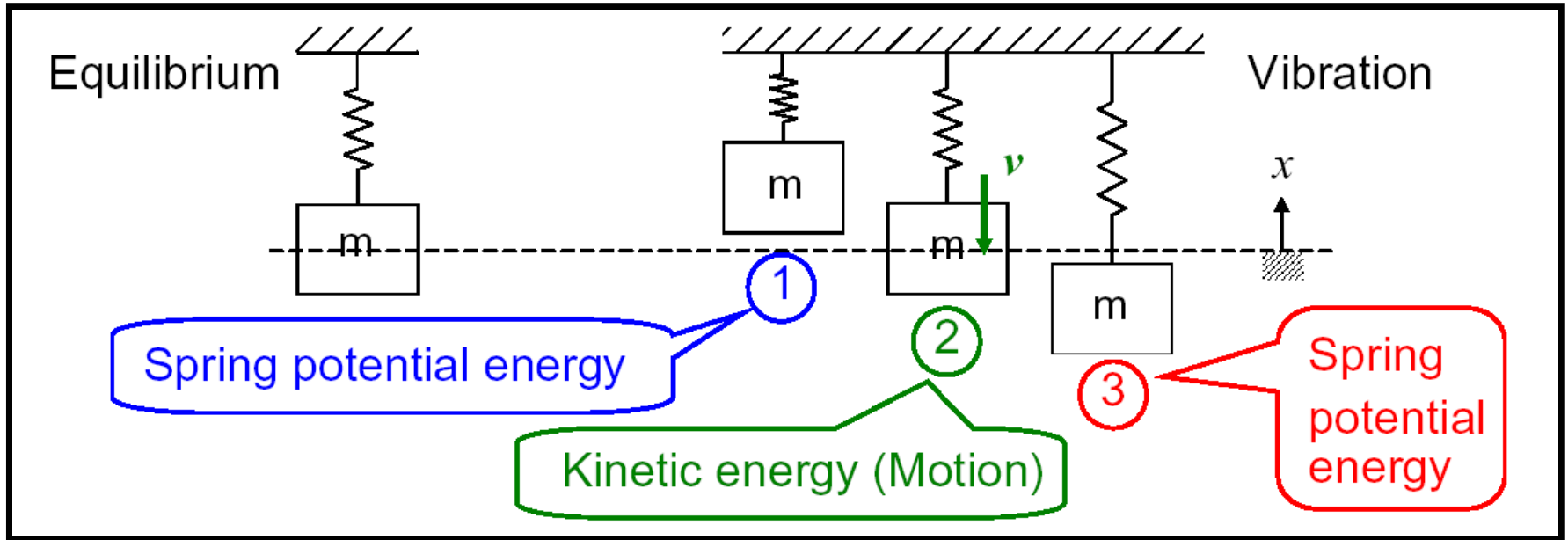


Activity....

Graphically represent the position of mass for positions 0,1,2, 3

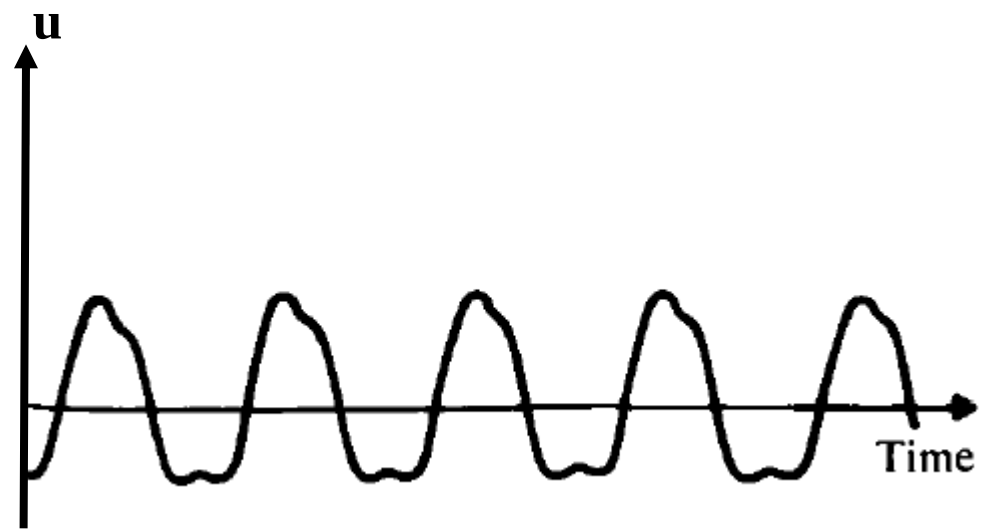
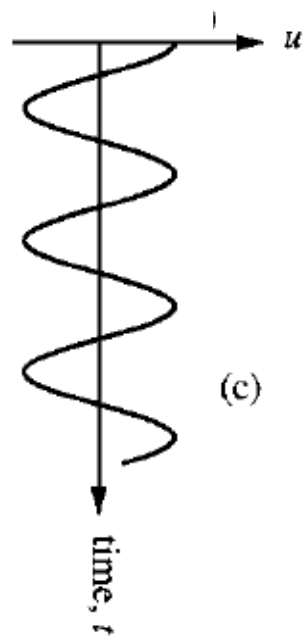
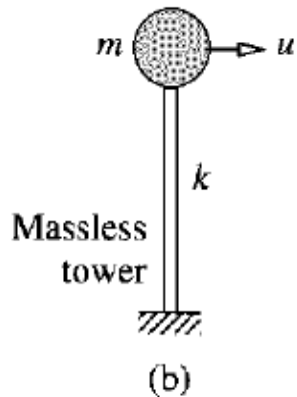


Physical Explanation of Vibration



Periodic and Random vibrations

- The vibration can be Periodic (cyclic) or Random (arbitrary).
- If the motion is repeated after equal intervals of time, it is called **Periodic motion**.
- The simplest type of periodic motion is Harmonic motion.

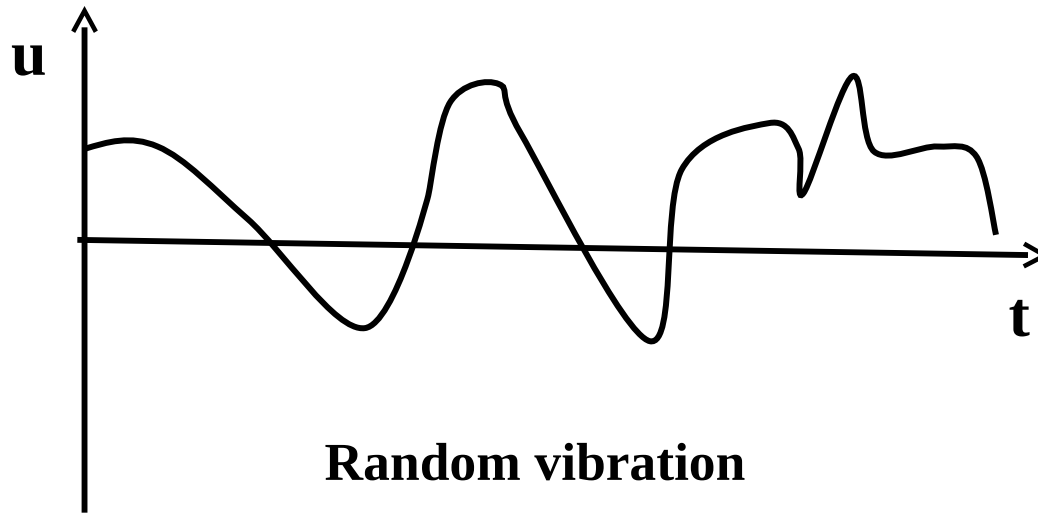


Periodic vibration (**Harmonic vibration**)

Periodic vibration (Non-harmonic vibration)



Periodic and Random vibrations

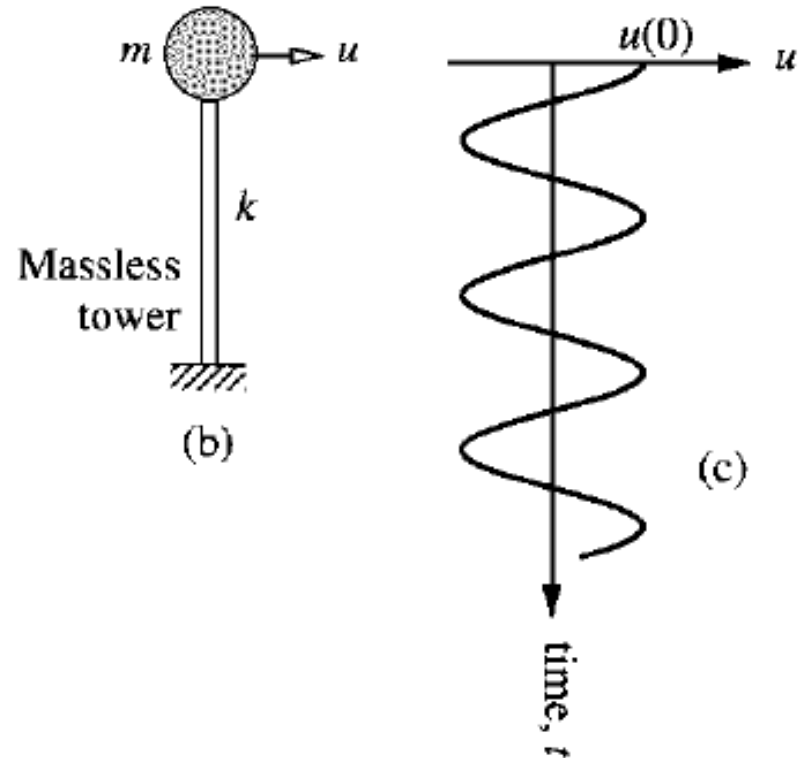


- ➡ Such type of vibrations are produced in a system due to wind, earthquake, traffic etc



Free vibrations vs. Forced vibrations

- ➡ When a structure vibrates without any externally applied forces, such as when it is pulled out of position, and then released.
- ➡ The vibration of strings on a musical instrument after they are struck is a common example of free vibration.



Free vibration of a SDOF lumped mass system when released after being stretched by a displacement $u(0)$ at the top end .



Free vibrations vs. Forced vibrations

- ▶ Vibration of a system subjected to an external force is known as Forced vibration.
- ▶ The vibration that arises in machine such as diesel engines is an example of Forced vibration.
- ▶ As stated above vibration of a system in the absence of external force is known as Free vibration. Free vibration continues to occur after forced vibration. e.g., vibration of rotating machines continues to occur for some time after power supply is switched off. Similarly, a structure subjected to earthquake continues to vibrate for some time after there are no seismic waves to impart energy.



Undamped free vibration

If no energy is lost or dissipated in friction or other resistance during vibration, the vibration is known as ***Undamped vibration***

Undamped vibration is a hypothetical phenomena which help in providing an understanding of the Damped vibration.

Damped free vibration

In actual system the energy is always lost due to a number of mechanisms. Such type of vibration is known as ***Damped vibrations***



Damping

- ➡ Any energy that is dissipated during motion will reduce the kinetic and potential (or strain) energy available in the system and eventually bring the system to rest unless additional energy is supplied by external sources.
- ➡ The term ***Damping*** is used to describe all types of energy dissipating mechanisms.



Damping

- In structures many mechanism contributes to the damping. In a vibrating building these include friction at steel connections, opening and closing of microcracks in concrete, and friction between the structures itself and nonstructural elements such as partition walls.
- Since there is considerable uncertainty regarding the exact nature and magnitude of energy dissipating mechanisms in most structural systems, the simple model of a *dashpot* is often used to quantify damping.

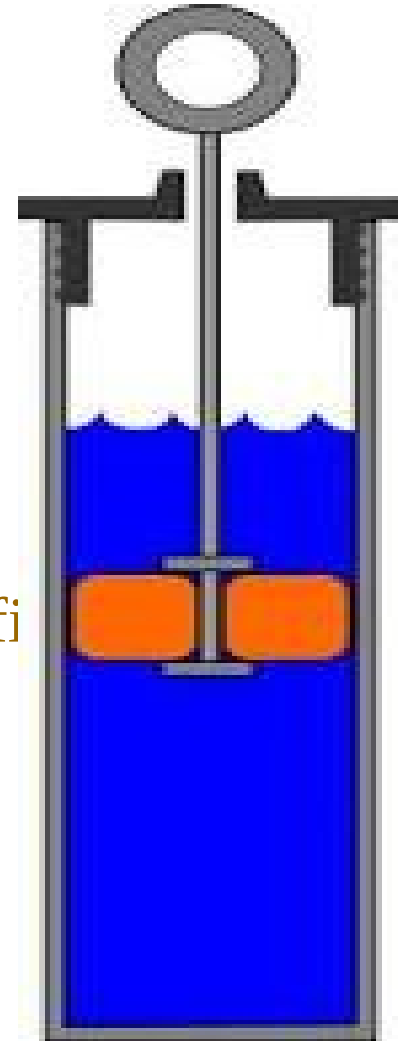


Damping

➡ The Dashpot or viscous damper is a **'device'** that limit or retard vibrations.



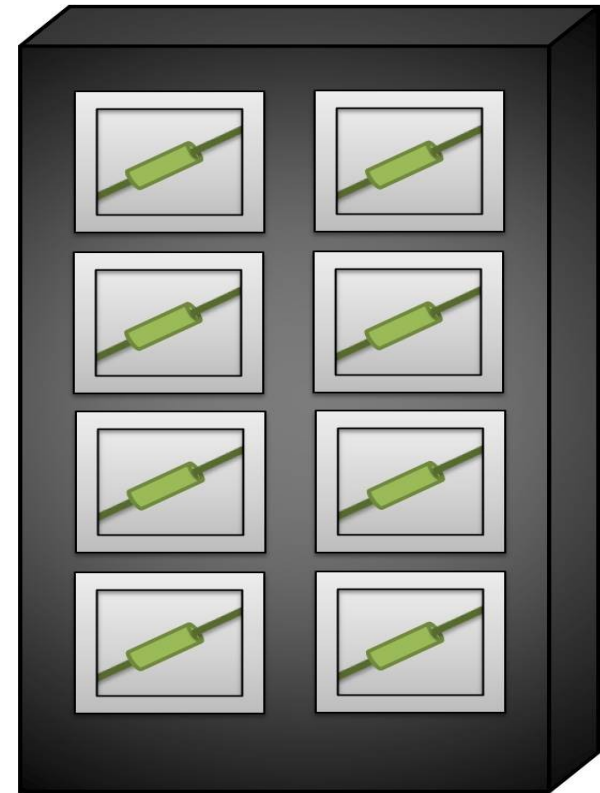
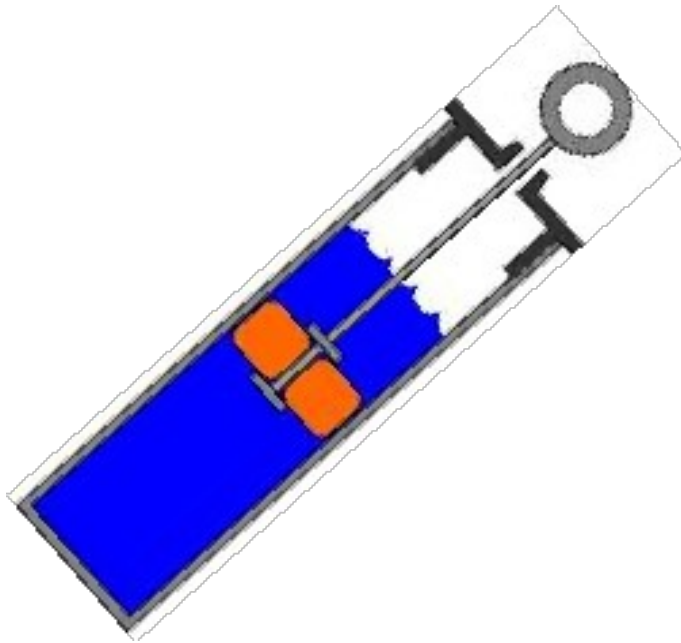
Dashpot can be imagined as a cylinder filled with viscous fluid and



Simplified diagram of linear dashpot



Damping

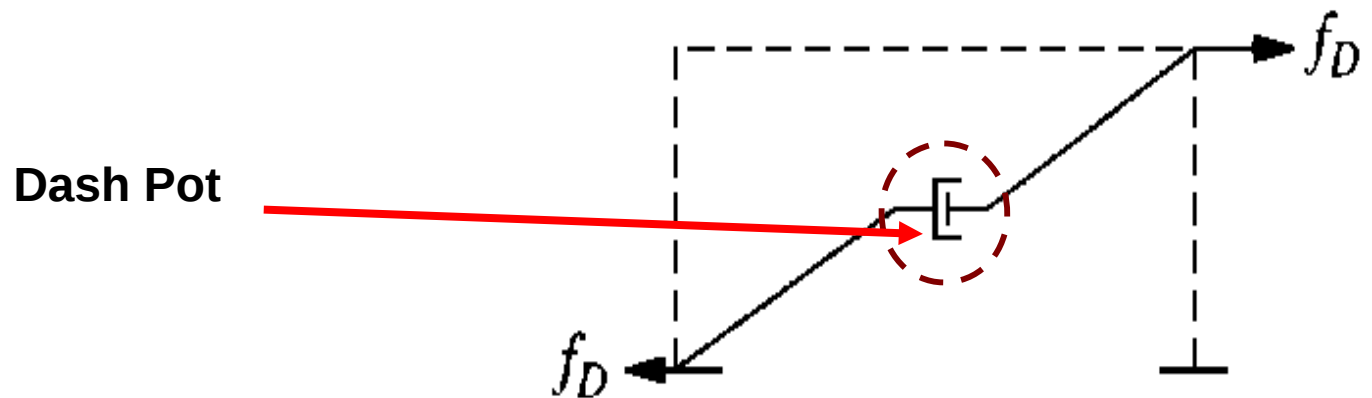


Dash pots are *imagined* to exist diagonally in a building for dissipating energy .



Damping

- Simple dashpots as shown schematically in below given figure exert a force f_D whose magnitude is proportional to the velocity of the vibrating mass



Damping

Figure **a** shows a linear viscous damper subjected to a force \mathbf{f}_D along the DOF \mathbf{u} . The internal force in the damper is equal and opposite to the external force \mathbf{f}_D (Figure **b**). The damping force \mathbf{f}_D is related to the velocity $\dot{\mathbf{u}}$ across the linear viscous damper by:

$$\mathbf{f}_D = \mathbf{c}\dot{\mathbf{u}}$$

Where the constant \mathbf{c} is the *viscous damping coefficient*

