

ON NON-LINEAR DYNAMICS BEHAVIOUR OF A FIXED OFFSHORE PLATFORM FOR ENERGY HARVESTING

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Abstract. In this work we analyze the dynamic behavior of an offshore platform system using piezoelectric material in its structure for a possible energy harvesting. We analyzed the behavior of the average power produced, together with the Maximum Lyapunov Exponent and Bifurcation diagram. Another analysis performed was for a given set of parameters the basins of attraction in which we detected the presence of two attractors for the initial conditions in range of $[-5.5]$, we also analyzed the behavior of the amplitude dynamics (A) of the sea wave applied to the system with parameter (p) related to the damping coefficient of the structure and thus we determine the regions in which the system is chaotic or periodic. With this we calculate the average power for p in $[0,5]$ and for values of $p \rightarrow 5$ there is an increase in the average power of the system with a value of $A = 2.5$.

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1. Introduction

In the last decades, the demand for energy consumption has been growing and several ways to obtain a clean and sustainable energy have been researched. Some examples for obtaining clean and sustainable energy are wind energy, solar energy, etc [1]. However, an energy that is being exploited is obtained by the waves of the sea waves [2]. Thus, we analyzed the behavior of a mathematical model of an oil platform under the action of an external force of the type $F_{ext}(t) = A\sin(\omega_1 t) + B\sin(\omega_2 t)$, where A and B is amplitude of wave sea and ω_1 and ω_2 are the frequencies of wave and applying piezoceramic patches to its structure for possible power generation. The analyzed model is proposed by [2] and described by:

$$\begin{aligned} I\ddot{\varphi} + \mu\dot{\varphi} + c(\varphi + \theta) - p\sin(\varphi + \theta) &= c\theta_0 + F_{ext}(t) + Xv \\ \dot{v} + \lambda v + \kappa\varphi &= 0 \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

where θ_0 is an initial imperfection (for a perfect model $\theta_0 = 0$); φ , $\dot{\varphi}$ and $\ddot{\varphi}$ represent the perturbed displacement, velocity and acceleration, respectively, I is the generalized inertia, μ is the damping coefficient p is the load parameter and g is the acceleration of gravity, χ is the coupling term of the piezoelectric, κ is the reciprocal temporal constant in electrical circuit, $\lambda \approx 1/RC$ is the reciprocal of the dimensionless time constant of electrical circuit, R is load resistance, C capacitance and v is the dimensionless voltage in load resistor [2, 3]. Figure (1) represents a scheme of platform structure with a piezoelectric material for energy harvesting.

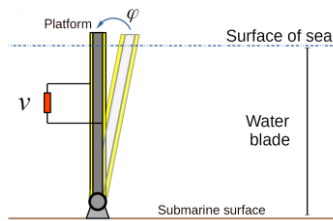


Fig. 1: Scheme of offshore platform structure, adapted to [2].

2. Numerical Results and Discussion

For the numerical analysis of the simplified model, we used the following parameters $\mu=0.1$, $c=0.5$, $\theta=0.95$, $\theta_0=0.009485$, $\chi=0.5$, $\omega_1=2\pi f_1$, $\omega_2=2\pi f_1+0.2$, $f_1=0.2$, $\kappa=0.05$, $B=2.5$ and $\gamma=0.01$. Figure 2. (a) show the basin of attraction for the initial conditions between and with $p = 0.5$, 2 (b) represents the parameter space of the Lyapunov Maximum Exponent for $p \times A$ in $[0, 2.5] \times [0, 5]$ and initial condition $[0, 0, 0]$, 2 (c) show Maximum Lyapunov exponent for $A = 2.5$ and p in $[0, 5]$ and initial condition $[0, 0, 0]$, 2 (d) the bifurcation diagram for $A = 2.5$ and p

in $[0, 5]$ and initial condition $[0, 0, 0]$ and 2 (e) the average power of the systems $P_{avg} = \frac{\lambda^2}{\pi} \int v^2(t) dt$ same initial

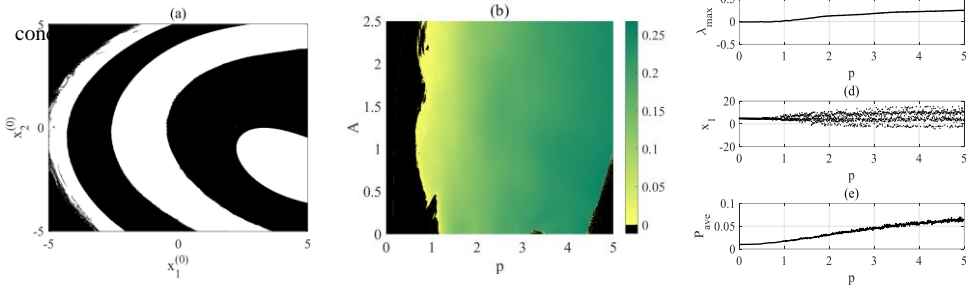


Fig. 2: (a) Basins of attraction of eqs. (1), (b) Maximum Lyapunov Exponent $p \times A$ in $[0, 2.5] \times [0, 5]$, (c) Maximum Lyapunov Exponent for $A=2.5$ and p in $[0, 5]$, (d) Diagram Bifurcation for $A=2.5$ and p in $[0, 5]$ and (e) Average Power for $A=2.5$ and p in $[0, 5]$

3. Concluding Remarks

We analyzed basins of attraction for $p = 0.5$, which revealed the emergence of two attractors. In this way, we establish the initial condition $[0,0,0]$ and analyze the Maximum Lyapunov exponent for parameters A (amplitude of the sea wave) and p (the damping coefficient of the structure) and determine the chaotic and periodic regions. with this we calculate the average power for p at $[0,5]$ and for values of $p \rightarrow 5$ there is an increase in the average power of the system with a value of $A = 2.5$. Future works will be related to erosion of the basis of attractions.

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