

# Vibration Analysis of Canopies Using Elastic Damping Technique

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**Abstract:** The sheet metal structures (Canopy) used in DG sets are mostly susceptible to the various static and dynamic loads during their oscillation cycles. Due to this, they encountered resonance conditions at various operating frequencies. Resonance leads to harmonic excitation which further introduces the deformation and stresses leading to the failures of sheet metal structures. Reframing of sheet metal structure with the help of elastic material such as rubber, foam, bitumen, NBR latex etc. changes the stiffness of structure. Thus, stiffness alternation leads to change in dynamic characteristics like natural frequency, mode shapes, and harmonic response. Optimum distributions of damping material in shell structures subject to impact loads by topology optimization. The optimization aims at reducing the residual vibration responses after the application of impact loads. In particular, the dependence of both structural forced vibration and residual vibration on the damping layer distribution is considered by the transient dynamic responses-based optimization approach. Until now, optimum distributions of damping material are always carried out based on frequency domain responses or structural dynamic characteristics. Modal and Harmonic analysis will be simulated using FEA (Ansys Workbench). In experimentation, Impact hammer test and FFT analyzer will be used for the validation purpose. Natural frequencies for sheet metal structure with and without reinforcement will be calculated. Results and conclusions will be drawn by comparing analytical and experimental values. Suitable material will be suggested by analyzing the data along with future scope.

**Keywords:** Catia V5, FFT, Model Analysis, Hammer Test, etc.

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