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ANALYSIS OF THE MODIFICATION OF THE MODAL FREQUENCIES OF RESONANCE ACCORDING TO THE ELASTIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THE LAND AT VIBRATION COMPACTION FOR ROAD STRUCTURES

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***Abstract:** This paper presents the elastic characteristics of the composite road structures composed of proportionate mixtures of clay, gravel, sand with a direct influence on the resonant frequencies for the vibratory-land roller system. Thus, for four categories of land, defined by proportionate compositions, there has been determined the rigidity on a vibration-excited trial device. In this case, there have been determined the k^* dynamic stiffnesses which were subsequently converted into dynamic stiffnesses k for the compactor vibrating roller.*

For a four degree of freedom compaction item of equipment, in the case of the CVA10 vibrating roller, there have been established the resonant frequencies related to the functional excitation frequency of the vibrator.

***Key words:** resistance modulus, land dynamic rigidity, modal frequencies of vibration, vibration technological regime composite land*

1. INTRODUCTION

The elastic characteristics of the land are determined with a trial dynamic device that has a 0.3 x 0.3 m contact plate and an electrodynamic exciter with variable frequency from zero to 500 Hz.

Based on the experimental conditions in the field, reaching the resonance regime, the dynamic rigidity k^* is determined corresponding to the contact surface with S^* area.

The value of the rigidity that corresponds to the vibrating roller in contact with the land for S area emerges based on the elastic deformations relations specific to the analyzed field.

In this context, four categories of soil (lands) were established for which the elastic parameters k and E were determined, corresponding to the vibrating roller system - land.

Based on the dynamic analysis of the CVA10 vibrating compactor, using the experimental elastic parameters, the resonance frequencies were established.

Eventually, assessments can be made on the modification of the four resonance frequencies of the own vibration modes, with practical conclusions necessary to establish the vibration regime. [1, 2, 3, 4]

2. THE PARAMETRIC VALUES OF THE ELASTIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THE LAND

In order to assess the elastic parametric dimensions of land it was taken into account the rheological behavior during vibration. Thus, the mechanical models analyzed and frequently used in the rheological analysis of the roller-vibrator land system highlight the following properties with major weight in the following

order: elasticity, viscosity, plasticity and hysteretic amortization.

The complex models used in the analysis of the dynamic behavior of soils are: Voigt-Kelvin, Zener, Maxwell, Bathelt, Hartman, Bouc-Wen. [5, 6, 7, 8, 9]

The effective working pressure at the vibrator roller-land contact is within (0,5 ÷ 1,5) daN/cm² range of values and the technological vibrations with the amplitude of (0.25 ÷ 1.5) mm are the essential factors in achieving the dynamic compaction process.

Taking into account the behavior at reversible elastic deformations of the vibrating roller-land with the *S* contact surface (contact footprint), the *k* land rigidity can be written as follows:

$$k = SC_z \tag{1}$$

For the rectangular contact area assimilated with a rectangular plate, the *C_z* uniform elastic contraction coefficient can be expressed as:

$$C_z = \alpha \frac{E}{1-\nu^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{S}} \tag{2}$$

where α is the influence coefficient of the geometry of the plane contact area;

E – the dynamic elasticity (resistance) modulus of soil;

S- the area of the contact surface between the roller and the soil;

ν – Poisson’s coefficient.

Rigidity *k** is experimentally determined, corresponding to the *S** area contact surface, using the rectangular contact plate dynamic device, with dynamic resonance excitation, can be calculated as follows:

$$k^* = \alpha \frac{E}{1-\nu^2} \sqrt{S^*} \tag{3}$$

Rigidity *k* of the soil underneath the vibrating roller, corresponding to the *S* area real contact surface, in dynamic regime, is given by the relation

$$k = \alpha \frac{E}{1-\nu^2} \sqrt{S} \tag{4}$$

From relations (3) and (4) there emerges the calculating formula for the operational dynamic

rigidity of the land (soil) under the compactor vibrating roller, as follows

$$k = k^* \sqrt{\frac{S}{S^*}} \tag{5}$$

The dynamic elasticity (resistance) modulus or the Young *E* modulus results from relation (4) as

$$E = k \frac{1-\nu^2}{\alpha \sqrt{S}} \tag{6}$$

For the dynamic trial device with the area *S**=0,09 m² and coefficient $\alpha = 0,95$, as well as for the real roller-land contact surface *S* = 1 m² there were determined the elastic characteristics given in Table 1. Poisson’s coefficients, for each category of land, are presented in table 1. [1, 2, 10, 11, 12, 13]

Table 1

No.	Composite soil	Elastic parameters			Poisson’s coefficient
		Rigidity, MN/m	Dynamic resistance	E	
1.	Slightly cohesive soil (40%) containing sand (30%) sorted gravel (3 ÷ 7) mm (30%)	13.2	44.00	37.00	0.450
2.	Slightly cohesive soil (30%), fine clayey sand (20%), sorted gravel (7 ÷15) m, m (50%)	20,25	67,50	55,30	0.458
3.	Greasy clay (30%), sorted gravel (7÷15) mm (30%), clayey fine sand (40%)	27.00	90.00	74.70	0.460
4.	Greasy clay (30%), sorted gravel (7÷15) mm (30%), clayey fine sand (10%)	36.00	120.00	97.80	0.475

3. MODAL FREQUENCIES FOR THE VIBRATING ROLLER IN INTERACTION WITH THE COMPACTION SOIL

The case study was conducted on a vibrating roller with a mass of 10 t and the maximum rotating disturbance force $F_0 = m_0 r \omega^2$, with the value of 100 kN at the excitation frequency of 50 Hz. The static moment of the vibration system is $m_0 r = 1$ kgm.

The dynamic structure of equipment is a multibody system with four degrees of dynamic freedom, the inertial, elastic and amortization characteristics being presented in the paper.

Using the dedicated calculation program for RV (Roller Vibration) compactor vibrating rollers where the Table 1 soil rigidity values were used, there were determined the frequencies presented in Table 2. [14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19]

Table 2

No.	Rigidity k , MN/m	Own frequency (modal), Hz			
1	44.00	2.458	19.369	20.682	26.491
2	67.50	2.468	19.413	22.442	32.341
3	90.00	2.470	19.536	25.195	37.419
4	120.00	2.471	19.428	28.818	42.733

The analysis of the data in table 2 shows that the discrete variation of rigidity, on distinct categories of land, keeps unchanged the first two modal frequencies f_1 and f_2 , leading to a slightly increasing variation of the modal frequency f_3 and to a consistent variation of the modal frequency $f_4 > f_3 > f_2 > f_1$.

These values of the (own) modal frequencies are particularly important for the positioning of the compaction technological regime in post-resonance with the excitation frequency $f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} > f_4$.

4. CONCLUSIONS

The assessment on experimental bases of soil rigidity for road structures emphasizes the influence of proportions (dosages) of the component materials (clay, gravel, sand) and Poisson's coefficient on the dynamic resistance modulus and on the dynamic rigidity of the soil layer subjected to the compaction process.

- a) In the process of dynamic compacting with vibrating rollers, the dynamic resistance modulus and the dynamic rigidity changes after each pass, so that after a number of 4-6 passages, the variation of the specified parameters is significant with relative increases from 10% up to 80% of the initial values. [20, 21, 22, 23]
- b) The research carried out on layers with a thickness of 0.4-0.5 m, from four categories of mixed soils, with controlled dosages, showed that the modulus of resistance and rigidity are dependent both on the composition of the soil, on the Poisson's coefficient as well as the area of the contact surface between the vibrating roller and the land. [24, 25, 26]
- c) Based on the experimental values as well as on the parameters of the vibrating roller, table 1 presents the modulus of resistance and the rigidity of the soils for four distinct categories. It is found that the higher the percentage of clay, and the quantity of the gravel has a significant weight, the dynamic rigidity increases significantly.
- d) The discrete variation of the dynamic rigidity, according to the data in table 1, enabled the assessment of the modal resonance frequencies for a vibrating roller with four degrees of freedom. [27, 28, 29]

Thus, it is found that in table 2 the own modal frequencies of the first and second order, that is f_1 and f_2 remain unchanged at the discrete variation of rigidity, while the modal own frequencies of the third and fourth order that is f_3 and f_4 change significantly.

In this case, it results that the assurance of the technological vibration regime in post resonance is conditioned by the discrete variation of rigidity.

For a quality compaction there must be correlated the discrete variation of rigidity with the last modal frequency so that $f_4 < \frac{\omega}{2\pi}$, where ω is the pulsation of the disturbing force with

harmonic excitation of the vibrating roller. [13,14,16,18,19,20,21]

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**Analiza modificării frecvențelor modale de
rezonanță în funcție de caracteristicile elastice ale terenului
la compactarea prin vibrație pentru structuri de drumuri**

Rezumat: În lucrare se prezintă caracteristicile elastice ale structurilor rutiere compozite alcătuite din amestecuri proporționale din argilă, pietriș, nisip cu influență directă asupra frecvențelor de rezonanță pentru sistemul rului vibrator-teren.

Astfel, pentru patru categorii de teren, definite prin compoziții proporționale a fost determinată rigiditatea pe un dispozitiv de probă excitat în regim de vibrații. În acest caz, au fost determinate rigiditățile dinamice k^* care apoi au fost convertite în rigidități dinamice k pentru rului vibrator compactor.

Pentru un echipament de compactare cu patru grade de libertate, în cazul rului vibrator CVA10, au fost stabilite frecvențele de rezonanță raportate la frecvența funcțională de excitație a vibratorului.

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