
SHAKE2000

***A Computer Program for the 1-D Analysis of
Geotechnical Earthquake Engineering Problems***

User's Manual

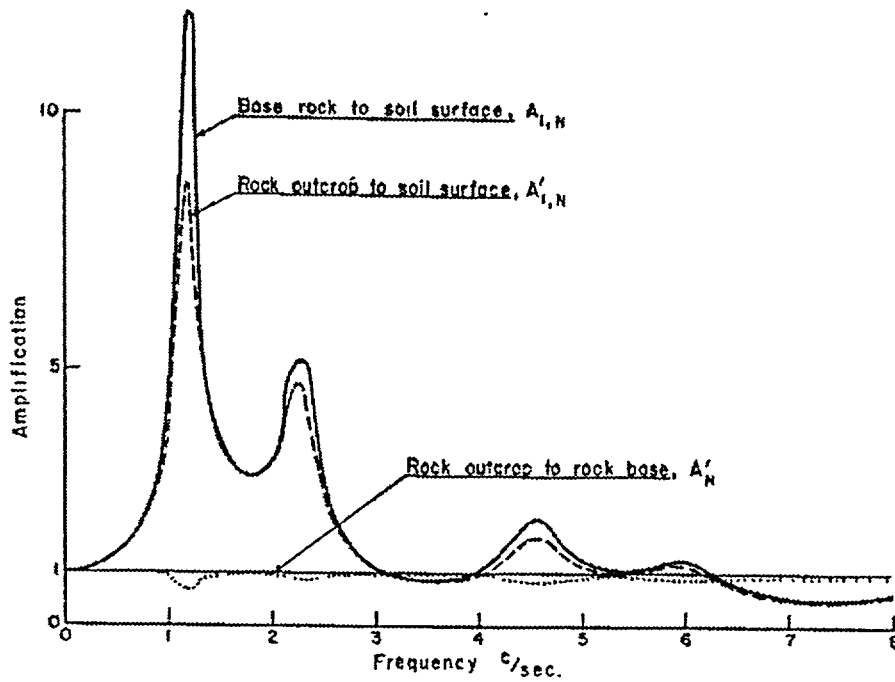


Figure 4: Transfer Functions (after Schnabel, et al. 1972).

the halfspace. This is the case for example, in sedimentary rock layers overlying a crystalline rock base. For a more accurate solution, the motion in outcropping layers must be computed in a separate system from the motion in the halfspace.

2.5 Transient Motion

The expressions developed above are valid for steady state harmonic motions. The theory can be extended to transient motions through the use of Fourier transformation.

A digitized seismogram with n equidistant acceleration values, $\ddot{u}_j(j \Delta t)$, $j = 0, \dots, n-1$, can be represented by a finite sum of harmonic motions:

$$\ddot{u}(t) = \sum_{s=0}^{n/2} (a_s e^{i\omega_s t} + b_s e^{-i\omega_s t}) \quad (27)$$

where ω_s , $s = 0, \dots, n/2$ are the equidistant frequencies:

$$\omega_s = \frac{2\pi}{n \cdot \Delta t} \cdot s \quad (28)$$

a_s and b_s designate the complex Fourier coefficients: