Active Control of Submerged Systems by Moving Mass

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Abstract: In this study, the active vibration control of a rectangular plate submerged in water was investigated. Mass dampers were attached to the plate, and the system was modeled via assumed mode. Water is modeled as an inviscid fluid with moving boundaries at fluid–solid interaction surfaces and applied forces on the plate being calculated by Bernoulli equation. The natural frequencies of the plate in vacuum and in water (for partial and fully submerged cases) found from numerical calculations are compared with experimental results to prove the accuracy of the model. Subsequently, for frequency computations, particular frequencies were chosen and active damping was applied for them. To actively control the plate’s vibration by a moving mass with static stable methods, the displacement data of some points were used as input. First, to increase the damping of target mode at low-frequency, the negative acceleration feedback control algorithm in modal-space was applied. Then, the decentralized method was examined. Both methods were successful in suppressing vibration of the submerged rectangular plate.

Keywords: active control; vibration suppression; submerged plate; fluid–solid interaction

1. Introduction

The natural resources in the oceans and seas control the Earth’s energy and play an important role in civilization today. The discipline of underwater acoustic radiation is one of the applicable utensils in the study of oceans. They can propagate for $10^6$ m in comparison to electromagnetic waves, which can propagate around $10^2$ m in water. Fluid–solid interaction is important in many applications such as vibration suppression particularly for bioacoustics submerged structures [1]; energy harvesting by galloping [2–4]; physical acoustics by piezo fan [5], cavitation [6], sloshing [7]; acoustical oceanography, modal analysis of submerged structures [8]; structures under cavitation [9]; active vibration control of submerged structures for remote control of surveillance [10]; sound cancellation of submerged systems [11]; atomic force microscope energy harvesting [7]; transduction, sonar, acoustic signal processing [12]; underwater communications systems and networks [7–11], among others. A liquid–solid interaction happens when a structure vibrates in a liquid [8], and must be addressed using both fundamental science and engineering. There are many studies focusing on vibration suppression of a solid structure by piezo ceramic elements (PZT) [2]. The neutrino–seawater interaction can be sensed by acoustical methods. The piezoelectric effect delivers the aptitude to utilize these materials as both actuators and sensors. Piezo ceramic elements have been extensively used for active vibration control in the Neutrino Telescope [2,12]. The expansion in dormancy comes about because the smooth movement influences basic vibrations, with the assumption that the normal frequencies of a structure in a liquid are altogether lower than those in air [9,13]. This marvelous has been portrayed by presenting the idea of an additional virtual mass via a triangulation method. Active control strategies are regularly deficient to control the vibrations of structures, thus, we look for dynamic techniques to smoother vibrations to improve the presentation of the frameworks of intrigue; for example, for the piezo ceramic elements mounted on flexible string lines fixed at the seabed [14]. The fluid–solid interaction affects structures through a wide range of applications and sizes, from microscale MEMS struc-
tures to larger ship structures [15]. The dynamic conductivity of plate structures is critical to numerous applications running from cars to designing ventures. In addition, submerged plates are fundamental pieces of ship building, atomic, sea, and maritime designing [16]. The vibration qualities of the unblemished plate combined with liquid medium have been thoroughly treated and very much archived in important writing. It is in this way realized that vibrations of the submerged unblemished plate are not quite the same as those in vacuum [17]. Brilliant structure innovation has led to dynamic controls to react to outer aggravations and can offer upgrades in framework execution without essentially expanding the weight [18]. One advantage of utilizing a brilliant structure is that it can adapt to changes in nature by detecting outside unsettling influences [19,20]. In addition to piezo ceramic elements, eddy-current-tuned mass damper and pounding-tuned mass damper are used to suppress vibrations in submerged pipelines [21,22].

Submerged structures in submerged systems characteristically originate from many engineering applications such as marine submerged, naval, energy harvesting, medicinal, and biological structures. When the plate is immersed in a fluid, its natural frequencies are reduced, mode shapes are changed, and damping is increased. It can usually be attained in practice by adapting the structure’s dynamic characteristic in passive approaches or by request of the organized secondary source of vibration in active approaches. The underlying investigations on control of flexible and smart structures have been performed in literature. Ensuing studies have widened their degree to incorporate an assortment of structures, for example, plates and shells. Vibrations in keen structures have been effectively constrained by utilizing piezoelectric materials with the Positive Position Feedback (PPF) controller [3], proposed by Jamalabadi (with PZT sensor and PZT actuator), the multi-input multi-output (MIMO) PPF controller [3], and the changed Linear Quadratic Regulator (LQG) controller [15]. To demonstrate the conductivity of platelike structures, Kwak and Yan [16] built up a condition for the incitation strain by utilizing the Rayleigh–Ritz technique for isotropy and anisotropy plates. Thus, liquid structure cooperation issues frequently require computation of liquid, including mass. They demonstrated that their hypothetical model was precise through a test with a bar-loved plate. Numerous studies have been done concerning dynamic vibration control of a plate. Be that as it may, dynamic vibration control of plates in contact with liquid has not been researched [7,8].

For a stack of n PZT sheets (with stiffness $K$, capacitance $C$, and piezoelectric charge coefficient $d_{33}$), the electric charge on the electrodes of the transducer and the total displacement have a linear relation with voltage and force as:

$$\begin{bmatrix} Q \\ \Delta \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} C \\ nd_{33} \\ 1/K \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V \\ F \end{bmatrix}$$  

(1)

This PZT effects narrates the mechanical stress, and electricity is used in the electrical energy storage of energy harvesters [2] or actuators [3]. The interpretive enunciation for the virtual mass for rectangular plates cannot be as adequately obtained with everything considered for indirect and annular plates or for a cylinder-formed shell, despite the way that rectangular plates have a fundamental geometry. Lindholm et al. [11] applied a strip system to find out the ordinary frequencies of a cantilever plate that was totally submerged in water, and further, theoretically investigated the abatement in the trademark frequencies of cantilever plates on account of the proximity of water. For the strip procedure, the rectangular plate is parceled into thin strips and each strip is seen as an unyielding body [12–15]. There are other researches in literature related to the application of a negative acceleration feedback (NAF) controller in a plate with fluid interaction [16–24].

The state-of-the-art related to the three-dimensional numerical models, present in the marine science and engineering applications, shows that many simulations have been done from decades before to the present [25]. Gallerano et al. [4,7] simulated the wave motion and wave-breaking-induced energy dissipation as well as hydrodynamic effects produced by submerged breakwaters in a coastal area with a curvilinear shoreline. Derakhht et al. [23] developed a code with consistent boundary conditions and turbulence
modeling for the marine science and ocean engineering application. The shock-capturing non-hydrostatic model for fully dispersive surface wave processes is done by Ma et al. [24]. The computational cost of numerical modeling of the submerged systems in terms of calculating structure-bending mode shapes coupled with fluid motion in full-scale 3D modeling of the submerged systems with all geometry details in hydroelasticity analysis is high [26], which leads to the simpler method for engineering applications. In particular, in the literature, there are numerical models that are able to simulate the phenomena on a time-moving curvilinear computational grid [4,7,23,24].

In this investigation, a comprehensive 3D model for a cantilever plate in air was joined with the virtual added-mass framework. Additionally, the sensor and the moving mass actuator conditions were included. These outcomes were utilized to give a total unique model to a hanged cantilever plate submerged into a liquid and outfitted with sensors and moving mass actuators. The recurrence reaction bends acquired by the hypothetical model are in great concurrence with the exploratory outcomes, along these lines approving the hypothetical model that is proposed in this investigation. The MIMO PPF controller was planned by utilizing a square opposite method and was executed for the plate by utilizing an advanced controller. The trial results demonstrated that the proposed controller can effectively stifle vibrations of the plate both in air and in water. Furthermore, the control execution anticipated by the hypothetical model was tentatively approved.

2. Governing Equations

A flexible structure located inside of the liquid containers, the same as baffle structures, is considered here. Figure 1 shows the liquid level and tank specifications. Even though Jamalabadi [6] studied the coupled motion of sloshing and fluid–structure interaction, these problems were treated separately. In this study, the coupled sloshing and structural vibrations will be investigated. Let us consider a three-dimensional problem as shown below. The water is bounded by a rigid wall, a rigid bottom, and a flexible beam. Table 1 shows the parameters of the considered system. For the sloshing problem, in addition to considering the velocity potential founded from Laplace equation of the fluid, the solid dynamics outside of the fluid can affect the governing equations, especially at the interface of the structure and fluid. To extract the dynamic equation of the system and the basic equation in mode extraction from the classical eigenvalue problem, here, the energy approach is used. The boundary condition of inviscid fluid considered is slip boundary condition at the tank’s walls and kinematic boundary condition over the flexible submerged plate.
Figure 1. Schematic of the three-dimensional sloshing and structural vibrations front view.

Table 1. Experimental setup parameters [16].

| Parameter | Value | Unit | Description |
|-----------|-------|------|-------------|
| $t$       | 2     | mm   | Thickness of the aluminum plate |
| $\nu$     | 0.33  | –    | Poisson ratio of the aluminum plate |
| $\rho_p$  | 2700  | kg/m$^3$ | Density of the aluminum plate |
| $E_p$     | 68.9  | GPa  | Module of elasticity of the aluminum plate |
| $\rho_f$  | 1000  | kg/m$^3$ | Density of the fluid |
| $a$       | 900   | mm   | Dimension of the aluminum plate for draught of 50% |
| $b$       | 300   | mm   | Dimension of the fluid tank |
| $H$       | 450   | mm   | Dimension of the fluid tank |
| $L$       | 450   | mm   | Dimension of the fluid tank |

The kinetic energies of the system can be written as

$$T = \frac{\rho_pl}{2}q^T M_p q + \frac{\rho_f b^2}{2} q^T M_f q + \frac{m_a + m_p}{2} q^T M_a q + \frac{m_a}{2} \dot{q}^T \dot{q} + \frac{m_a}{2} \dot{u}^T \dot{u}$$

and potential energies of the system can be written as

$$V = \frac{Db}{2\rho_l} q^T K_p q + \frac{\theta^2}{2}$$

where $q(t)$ is a vector consisting of generalized coordinates, $u(t)$ is a vector consisting of moving mass displacements, $B$ is a vector consisting of plate displacement at the point of supporting mass, subscript $p$ represents the plate, $\rho_p$ is the mass density of the plate, $a$ is the plate height, $b$ is the plate width, $h$ is the thickness,

$$D = E h^3 / 12 (1 - \nu^2)$$
$E$ is the Young’s modulus, and $\nu$ is Poisson’s ratio, subscript $f$ represents the fluid, $\rho_f$ is the mass density of the fluid, $H$ is the plate height inside the fluid, subscript $a$ represents the active mass damper (AMD), $m_s$ is the supporting mass of the AMD, $m_a$ is moving mass of the AMD, the nondimensionalized mass matrices of the solid plate are
\[
\frac{\mathbf{M}_p}{m_a} = \mathbf{X} \otimes \mathbf{Z}
\]
and the nondimensionalized stiffness of the solid plate is
\[
\frac{\mathbf{K}_p}{E} = \int_0^1 \Phi^T \Phi \, d\xi \otimes \int_{-0.5}^{0.5} \Psi^T \Psi \, d\zeta + \left( \frac{a}{f} \right) \int_0^1 \Phi^T \Phi \, d\xi \otimes \int_{-0.5}^{0.5} \Psi^T \Psi \, d\zeta + \left( \frac{a}{f} \right) \int_0^1 \Phi^T \Phi \, d\xi \otimes \int_{-0.5}^{0.5} \Psi^T \Psi \, d\zeta + \left( \frac{a}{f} \right) \int_0^1 \frac{(1 - \nu) \int_0^1 \Phi^T \Phi \, d\xi \otimes \int_{-0.5}^{0.5} \Psi^T \Psi \, d\zeta}{2}
\]
The analysis is made for the first modes. Block Lanczos method could be used for mode extraction. It uses an algorithm where the Lanczos recursion is performed with a block of vectors. Assuming an isotropic, homogeneous, and inviscid fluid flow for the sloshing liquid, the nondimensionalized mass matrices of the fluid are
\[
\frac{\mathbf{M}_f}{C e} = -a \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \sum_{r=1}^{\infty} \int_k^r \left( \frac{(2k-1)^2 \pi^2 \nu}{64 H^2} \right) I_k^T I_r
\]
and the components of $\Phi$ functions used in Equations (5) and (6) are
\[
\varphi_k = \begin{cases} 
\chi_1 & 1 \leq k \leq n \\
\chi_2 & n + 1 \leq k \leq 2n \\
\chi_3 & 2n + 1 \leq k \leq 3n \\
\vdots \\
\chi_n & (n - 1)n + 1 \leq k \leq n^2 
\end{cases}
\]
and the components of $\Psi$ functions used in Equations (5) and (6) are
\[
\psi_k = \begin{cases} 
\gamma_k & 1 \leq k \leq n \\
\gamma_{k-n} & n + 1 \leq k \leq 2n \\
\gamma_{k-2n} & 2n + 1 \leq k \leq 3n \\
\vdots \\
\gamma_{k-(n-1)n} & (n - 1)n + 1 \leq k \leq n^2 
\end{cases}
\]
Here, the $\chi_i$ ($i = 1, 2, \ldots, n$) admissible functions are considered as the eigenfunction of a torsional spring-free beam in x direction ($\xi = x/a$)
\[
\chi_i = \sinh \lambda_i \xi + (\cosh \lambda_i \xi + \cos \lambda_i \xi) \frac{EI}{\lambda_i} \left( \frac{\sinh \lambda_i - \sin \lambda_i}{\lambda_i} \right) + 2K_s \sin \lambda_i
\]
\[
(\sin \lambda_i \xi) \frac{EI}{\lambda_i} \left( \frac{\cosh \lambda_i - \cos \lambda_i}{\lambda_i} \right) + 2K_s \sin \lambda_i
\]

\[
(\cosh \lambda_i \xi + \cos \lambda_i \xi) \frac{EI}{\lambda_i} \left( \frac{\sinh \lambda_i - \sin \lambda_i}{\lambda_i} \right) + 2K_s \sin \lambda_i
\]
where \( \lambda_i = 4.5988, 7.6530, 10.7380, 13.8325, 20.0395, 23.1512 \), etc., and the \( \gamma_i (i = 1, 2, \ldots, n) \) admissible functions are considered as the eigenfunction of a free-free beam in \( z \) direction (\( \zeta = z/b \)) with two rigid-body modes

\[
\gamma_1 = 1 \\
\gamma_2 = \sqrt{12} \zeta
\]

and the normal modes (\( i = 1, 2, \ldots n - 2 \)) are

\[
\gamma_{i+2} = \cosh \lambda_i (\zeta + 0.5) + \cos \lambda_i (\zeta + 0.5) - \\
\cosh \lambda_i - \cos \lambda_i (\sinh \lambda_i (\zeta + 0.5) + \sin \lambda_i (\zeta + 0.5))
\]

where \( \lambda_i = 4.730, 7.853, 10.996, 14.137, \) etc.

Additionally, \( C_e \), in Equation (7) is the nonperiodic even Mathieu function (cosine-elliptic),

\[
I_{kr} = \int_{0}^{2\pi} \sinh se_{kr}(\eta, -\frac{(2k - 1)^2 \pi^2 b^2}{64 H^2}) \left( \frac{1}{2} \sin \eta \right) d\eta \\
\otimes \left[ \int_{0}^{1} \Phi(\frac{H \xi + a - H}{a}) \left( \frac{(2k - 1) \pi \xi}{2} \right) d\xi \right]
\]

where \( se_{kr} \) is the periodic Mathieu function (sin-elliptic). Elliptic functions used in Equations (7) and (14) are expressed by the following Fourier series

\[
ce_{kr}(z, q) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} A_{2m+1}^{r}(q) \cos (2m + 1)z \quad \text{when } r \text{ odd}
\]

\[
\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} A_{2m}^{r}(q) \cos 2mz \quad \text{when } r \text{ even}
\]

\[
se_{kr}(z, q) = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} B_{2m+1}^{r}(q) \sin (2m + 1)z \quad \text{when } r \text{ odd}
\]

\[
\sum_{m=0}^{\infty} B_{2m+2}^{r}(q) \sin (2m + 2)z \quad \text{when } r \text{ even}
\]

By using the Lagrangian for the system

\[
L = T - V
\]

Lagrange’s equation

\[
\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{\partial L}{\partial \dot{q}} \right) - \frac{\partial L}{\partial q} = 0
\]

and introducing the disturbance (\( d \)), equations of motion can then be written as

\[
\left( \rho_p hab \dot{M}_p + \rho_p ab^2 \dot{M}_f + (m_s + m) a \dot{M}_a \right) \ddot{q} + \left( \frac{Db}{a^2} \dot{K}_p \right) \dot{q} = d - m_a B^T \ddot{u}
\]

By solving the free vibration problem of Equation (19), in regard to Table 1 with value parameters of the elements in the system, natural frequencies and mode shapes can be obtained. By neglecting \( M_f \), the natural frequencies and mode shapes for vibrating in vacuo (\( \omega_n \)) can be obtained. The eigenvector of matrix \( U \) satisfies the orthonormality condition:

\[
U^T K U = \Lambda, \ U^T M_a U = I
\]

where

\[
M_a = \rho_p hab \dot{M}_p + (m_s + m) a \dot{M}_a
\]
\[ K = \frac{Dh}{\alpha^3} K_p \]  
\[ \Lambda = \text{diag}(\omega_n^2) \]

If we apply the modal transformation, \( q_n = U_n V_n \), to the eigenvalue problem of the plate vibrating in a fluid, Equation (19), and premultiply it by \( U_n^T \), we can obtain

\[ \omega_f \approx \frac{\omega_0}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{\rho_f H b^2}{\rho_p h^2 \Gamma}}} \]

where the nondimensionalized added virtual mass incremental (NAVMI) factor represents the diagonal components of \( U^T M U \).

where

\[ M = \rho_p h a b \bar{M}_p + \rho_p a b^2 \bar{M}_f + (m_s + m_a) \bar{M}_d \]  

The following equations of motion are obtained in matrix form:

\[ \ddot{V} + 2Z\Omega \dot{V} + \Lambda V = \bar{d} - m_a \bar{B} \ddot{u} \]

where \( \bar{d} = U^T d \) and \( \bar{B} = B U \). Here, the mathematical model is similar to cantilever beams and uses one degree of freedom for modeling moving mass devices to apply the active control. As the paper regards the vibration dumping technique of a rectangular plate submerged in water, a controller design is conducted. To design a multi-input (applied acceleration of finite moving mass) multi-output (measured acceleration at finite node) system, a negative acceleration feedback control (NAF) is used. The components of Equation (26) are separated by a controlled (with subscript 1) and uncontrolled mode (with subscript 2) as

\[ \ddot{V}_1 + 2Z_1 \Omega_1 \dot{V}_1 + \Lambda_1 V_1 = \bar{d}_1 - m_a \bar{B}_1 \ddot{u} \]
\[ \ddot{V}_2 + 2Z_2 \Omega_2 \dot{V}_2 + \Lambda_2 V_2 = \bar{d}_2 - m_a \bar{B}_2 \ddot{u} \]

where NAF is coupled to the first group with its own damping factors \( \Omega_f \) and acceleration gain \( G \)

\[ \dot{Q} + 2Z_f \Omega_1 \dot{Q} + \Lambda_1 Q = -G \ddot{V}_1 \]

The balance equation is used to find the gain matrix

\[ m_a \bar{B}_1 V_1 = G Q \]

The final coupled equations are

\[ \begin{bmatrix} I & G & \bar{V}_1 \\ G & I & \bar{Q} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{V}_1 \\ \dot{Q} \end{bmatrix} + 2\Omega_1 \begin{bmatrix} Z_1 & 0 \\ 0 & Z_f \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{V}_1 \\ \dot{Q} \end{bmatrix} + \Lambda_1 \begin{bmatrix} I & 0 \\ 0 & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V_1 \\ Q \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{d}_1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \]

By reconstructing the components of \( V \) vector, controlled contains \([V_1 V_2] \), \( V \) with subscript 1 from Equation (31) and uncontrolled with subscript 2 from Equation (28), the decentralized multi-input multi-output (MIMO) negative acceleration feedback control (NAF) controller coupled equations are presented as

\[ \begin{bmatrix} I & m_a \bar{B}^T \\ G \bar{B} & I \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{V} \\ \ddot{u} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} 2Z\Omega & 0 \\ 0 & 2Z_f \Omega_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \dot{V} \\ \dot{u} \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} \Lambda & 0 \\ 0 & \Lambda_1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} V \\ u \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{d} \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} \]

Both controllers are static stable (frequency independent) if the determinant of the first matrix is positive.
3. Results and Discussion

This paper regards a numerical investigation on submerged systems by moving mass. The first step in this work is estimating the frequency response function of the free plate in air and comparing the numerical and experimental [16] results. A mechanical structure usually is modeled as an assembly of masses, springs, and dampers by modal method. The output analysis of modal method is usually plotted in frequency response function (FRF) which is the frequency response of the mechanical structure to the vibrational dynamic force. The FRF map is used to avoid resonance and noises. Figure 2 presents a comparison of magnitude of the frequency response function of the free plate, for both the theory and experiment. The FRF in Figure 2 can be considered as the superposition of the influence of vibration modes. In any case, the exchange work at a higher recurrence extend has an alternate size, which infers that the displaying precision crumbles for higher modes or the exploratory outcomes are bad for higher modes. Experimental modal analysis results in Figure 2 are based on the structure’s excitation with a calibrated PZT actuator and the measurement of its response with a calibrated PZT sensor submerged in water. From Figure 2, one can see some characteristic frequencies in the low recurrence run. This is most likely because of the sloshing modes, which were dismissed in the detailing.

By solving the free vibration problem of Equation (19), the eigenmodes of the system could be obtained. The inputs of the system of equations are thickness of the aluminum plate, Poisson ratio of the aluminum plate, density of the aluminum plate, module of elasticity of the aluminum plate, density of the fluid, dimension of the aluminum plate, observed point of vibration, moving mass of active mass damper, and dimensions (height, length, and depth) of the fluid tank. The numerical model presented here is just the needed number of required modes as input, there is no need for a computational grid as the analytical solution is provided. Moreover, the computational time is around 200 s for calculating the first 15 modes on a Core i7 PC.

![Figure 2](image_url)

*Figure 2. Comparison of magnitude of frequency response function of the free plate, for theory and experiment.*

Table 2 shows the numerical values of natural frequencies of the system for various draught ratios. At the draught of 10%, it was found that the first natural frequency of the test structure is 0.5558 Hz, while the second natural frequency of the structure is 1.3579. A modal control like NAF is based on the identification of natural frequencies of the system and uses this parameter to design a scheme of control. In Table 3, the numerical and experimental natural frequency values of the system are presented. In addition, Table 3
presents the comparison of the numerical and experimental values of natural frequencies of the system for 50% draught. As presented, the natural frequencies measured by observing the transfer function [16] and the theoretical results of the natural frequencies are consistent.

Table 2. Numerical values of natural frequencies of the system for various draught ratios.

|   | 10% Draught | 20% Draught | 30% Draught | 40% Draught | 50% Draught |
|---|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 1 | 3.4919      | 3.4664      | 3.4509      | 3.4417      | 3.4360      |
| 2 | 8.5322      | 14.8380     | 21.059      | 21.5038     | 21.4772     |
| 3 | 21.4308     | 21.5970     | 21.5427     | 27.6445     | 34.1324     |
| 4 | 27.3504     | 48.4160     | 60.4955     | 60.3272     | 60.2020     |
| 5 | 31.1654     | 60.5937     | 66.6982     | 85.4110     | 104.4240    |
| 6 | 54.4540     | 93.3672     | 118.9479    | 118.6553    | 118.3542    |
| 7 | 61.6181     | 93.7573     | 121.4258    | 151.4252    | 182.4435    |
| 8 | 64.5492     | 119.1964    | 188.4479    | 196.7060    | 196.2312    |
| 9 | 71.5548     | 127.6663    | 195.0043    | 227.2713    | 268.3955    |
|10 | 93.7973     | 154.1316    | 208.4070    | 322.2323    | 377.0116    |

In the next steps, the frequency responses of the submerged plate with various insert lengths are compared with experimental setup results. The sloshing may happen in our investigation since the plate is drenched in the water tank, presented in Figure 3. As mentioned previously, measurement of the frequency response curve is carried out by the frequency analyzer. The characteristic frequencies can be distinguished by finding the pinnacles, and these are in great concurrence with the hypothetical regular frequencies, which empower us to quantify the adjustments in the normal frequencies coming about because of changes in the water tallness, as shown in Figure 3. Figure 3 presents a comparison of the magnitude of frequency response function of the partially submerged plate (H = 0.15 m). Figure 3 obviously demonstrates that the hypothetical forecasts are reliable with the consequences of the trial, which approves the sufficiency of the additional virtual mass framework.

Table 3. Numerical and experimental values of natural frequencies of the system for 50% draught.

|   | Numerical | Experimental |
|---|-----------|--------------|
| 1 | 3.4360    | 3.5068       |
| 2 | 21.4772   | 20.4717      |
| 3 | 34.1324   | 33.3710      |
| 4 | 60.2020   | 57.4699      |
| 5 | 104.4240  | 100.2170     |
| 6 | 118.3542  | 122.1825     |
| 7 | 182.4435  | 185.9980     |
| 8 | 196.2312  | 192.6422     |
| 9 | 268.3955  | 280.4793     |
|10 | 377.0116  | 359.4597     |

Figure 4 exposes the comparison of theory and experiment in the magnitude of frequency response function of the partially submerged plate (H = 0.3 m). Nevertheless, the frequency response function at higher frequencies has a diverted magnitude, which implies that the modeling accuracy worsens for higher modes. Experimental results are in good agreement with the predicted numerical results as shown in Figures 2–4. This proves that vibration of the plate structure can be theoretically modeled by using the proposed method.
Figure 3. Comparison of frequency response function magnitude of the partially submerged plate (H = 0.15 m), theory and experiment.

Figure 4. Comparison of frequency response function magnitude of the partially submerged plate (H = 0.3 m), theory and experiment.
After numerical model validation against the experimental results, the studies regarding vibration damping by a moving mass are conducted. Figures 5–7 show the vibrations versus frequency, demonstrated for the uncontrolled plate (blue lines) and the controlled plate (red line), using the methods defined earlier. Table 4 shows the control parameters. Figure 5 displays the magnitude and phase of the frequency response function of the partially submerged plate (H = 0.3 m) controlled by MIMO modal-space NAF. Figure 5 also shows natural mode shapes of the plate with and without MIMO modal-space NAF, since NAF control is operative in overwhelming the first natural mode. As shown in Figure 5, MIMO modal-space NAF affected only higher modes, particularly the sixth and seventh modes. The damping factor for all frequencies was assumed to be 0.005, and a filter damping factor of 0.4 was chosen. As shown in Figure 5, the introduction of MIMO modal-space NAF increased the damping of the three lowest modes. Uncontrolled peak-amplitudes could be abridged meaningfully once the system is controlled by the MIMO modal-space NAF control.

Table 4. Control parameters.

| Parameter | Description |
|-----------|-------------|
| ($x_p, y_p$) | Observed point of vibration |
| $m_a$ | Active mass damper |
| $u$ | Displacement of moving mass |
Figure 6. Frequency response function of the partially submerged plate (H = 0.3 m) controlled by decentralized MIMO modal-space NAF, (a) magnitude and (b) phase.
The immersed, elastic, thin-walled plate with normal thickness used in industry now can be controlled by the NAF method. The structural boundary condition at the top and the fluid interface, as well as the condition of moving mass, affect the control procedure. Active vibration control of a partially and completely submerged plate is presented in Figure 6. Figure 6 reveals the frequency response function of the partially submerged plate (H = 0.3 m) controlled by decentralized MIMO modal-space NAF, (a) magnitude and (b) phase. As shown in Figure 6, vibrations are rapidly suppressed by the fully coupled MIMO modal-space NAF controller. Figure 6 shows the frequency response function at the excitation point when the decentralized MIMO NAF controller is used. It is found that mistuning of the NAF controller cannot cause any destructive problems. Additionally, the advantage of using a NAF controller and AMD controller simultaneously is established hypothetically.

The precondition to the AMD–NAF controller is accurate knowledge of the moving mass. It is found that the controller which was effective in controlling the AC servo motor was not as effective as the linear servo motor experimentally [20]. Hence, the AMD–NAF technique is measured to touch the requested location. Figure 7 illustrates the impulse response by decentralized MIMO NAF controller of the partially submerged plate (H = 0.3 m). The fast damping of the impulse response of the vibration in Figure 7 is clear. It can be seen that the decentralized MIMO NAF controller is actually an effective method for suppressing vibrations. In addition, numerical results demonstrated that the NAF technique can be effective in tracking control of the moving mass of the AMD.
4. Conclusions

In this study, active vibration control of a rectangular plate submerged in water was investigated. Mass dampers were attached to the plate, and the system is modeled via the assumed mode. Water is modeled as an inviscid fluid with moving boundaries at fluid–solid interaction surfaces, and applied forces on the plate are calculated by Bernoulli equation. The natural frequency of the plate in vacuum and in water (for partial and submerged cases) found from numerical calculations are compared with experimental results to prove the accuracy of the model. To actively control the plate vibration by a moving mass with static stable methods, the displacement data of some points were used as input. The advantage of the AMD–NAF controller is that it does not need an extra procedure to calculate displacement or velocity from the input signal. The following results are obtained:

- Inviscid fluid modeling with fluid–solid interaction by Bernoulli forces is an effective approach to frequency response modeling of sloshing systems coupled by structure.
- The negative acceleration feedback control algorithm in modal-space is an effective approach to controlling the vibrating plate problem submerged in a vessel.
- The decentralized negative acceleration feedback control algorithm in modal-space is an effective approach to controlling the vibrating plate problem submerged in a vessel.

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**Abbreviations**

- \( a \) Dimension of the aluminum plate for draught of 50% (m)
- \( b \) Length of the fluid tank (m)
- \( B \) vector consisting of plate displacement at the point of supporting mass
- \( C \) capacitance
- \( C_{er} \) nonperiodic even Mathieu function (cosine-elliptic)
- \( d_{33} \) piezoelectric charge coefficient
- \( E \) Young’s modulus, Module of elasticity (GPa)
- \( F \) force
- \( g \) Gravity constant (ms\(^{-2}\))
- \( H \) Height of the fluid tank (m)
- \( K \) stiffness
- \( L \) Depth of the fluid tank (m)
- \( q(t) \) vector consisting of generalized coordinates
- \( p \) pressure (Pa)
- \( Q \) electric charge on the electrodes of the transducer
- \( s_{er} \) periodic Mathieu function (sin-elliptic)
- \( t \) thickness of the aluminum plate (m)
- \( u(t) \) vector consisting of moving mass displacements
- \( V \) voltage
Greek symbols

\[ \Delta \] \hspace{1cm} \text{total displacement} \\
\[ \rho \] \hspace{1cm} \text{density (kg/m³)} \\
\[ \nu \] \hspace{1cm} \text{Poisson ratio of the aluminum plate} \\
\[ \chi_i (i = 1, 2, \ldots, n) \] \hspace{1cm} \text{eigenfunction of a torsional Spring-free beam in x direction} \\
\[ \lambda_i \] \hspace{1cm} \text{eigenvalues of a free-free beam in z direction} \\
\[ \gamma_i (i = 1, 2, \ldots, n) \] \hspace{1cm} \text{eigenfunction of a free-free beam in z direction} \\

Subscript

\[ a \] \hspace{1cm} \text{moving mass of the active mass damper} \\
\[ f \] \hspace{1cm} \text{base fluid} \\
\[ p \] \hspace{1cm} \text{aluminum plate} \\
\[ s \] \hspace{1cm} \text{supporting mass}

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