

# REFLECTION AND TRANSMISSION OF QUASI-P WAVES THROUGH AN ORTHOTROPIC LAYER SANDWICHED BETWEEN TWO HALF-SPACES

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**Abstract.** In this paper, the reflection and transmission of a qP wave through an orthotropic elastic layer sandwiched between two orthotropic elastic half-spaces is investigated. The main aim is to derive the expressions in closed-form of the reflection and transmission coefficients. These expressions have been obtained by using the transfer matrix for an orthotropic layer. Based on the obtained expressions, some numerical examples are carried out to examine the dependence of the reflection and transmission coefficients on the incident angle, the wave frequency and the ratio of mass densities.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The reflection and transmission of elastic waves have long been an important research subject in various fields such as geophysics, acoustics, materials science, oil and gas exploration, design of ultrasonic transducer and so on due to its important role in practical applications. Extensive review of works on this research direction has been reported in well-known books on the elastic wave topic by Ewing et al. [1], Brekhovskikh [2], Brekhovskikh and Gordin [3], Ben-Menahem & Singh [4], Nayfeh [5], Borchardt [6]. Most of investigations on this topic devoted to the wave reflection and transmission in isotropic elastic media.

The wave reflection and transmission in anisotropic elastic media have attracted the attention of researchers only recently due to two reasons. Firstly, the anisotropic materials are now widely used in various fields of the modern technology. Secondly, the problems of wave reflection and transmission in anisotropic media is significantly different from that in isotropic media, such as the wave velocity depends on the wave propagation direction, for the longitudinal wave the direction of the displacement vector does not coincide with the wave propagation direction and so on. It should be noted that, the

main aim of the investigations of reflection and transmission of elastic waves is to derive expressions in closed-form of reflection and transmission coefficients.

The reflection of elastic waves at a surface of an anisotropic elastic half-space was studied by Chattopadhyay and Choudhury [7], Chatterjee et al. [8]. The reflection and transmission of elastic waves at an interface between two anisotropic elastic half-spaces was investigated by Rokhlin et al. [9], Chattopadhyay et al. [10–12]. The reflection and transmission of elastic waves through a layer sandwiched between two anisotropic elastic half-spaces, two inhomogeneous viscoelastic half-spaces [13], a more complicated problem, was investigated by Paswan and Sahu [14] for a fluid layer and by Kumari et al. [15] for an isotropic elastic layer. However, no investigation has been carried out so far for the case when the sandwiched elastic layer is anisotropic, to the best knowledge of the authors. Therefore, the main purpose of this paper is to consider the reflection and transmission of qP waves through an orthotropic elastic layer sandwiched between two orthotropic elastic half-spaces. In order to obtain the closed-form formulas for the reflection and transmission coefficients, the transfer matrix for an orthotropic elastic layer, established recently by Vinh et al. [16], Tuan and Trung [17], is employed. Based on the obtained formulas, some numerical examples are carried out to examine the dependence of the reflection and transmission coefficients on the incident angle, the incident wave frequency and the ratio of mass densities.

## 2. REFLECTION AND TRANSMISSION COEFFICIENTS

Consider an orthotropic elastic layer of thickness  $h$  sandwiched between two distinct orthotropic elastic half-spaces  $\Omega^+$  and  $\Omega^-$  as shown in Fig. 1. Here we use the orthogonal coordinate system  $0x_1x_2x_3$  in which the  $x_2$ -axis is perpendicular to the layer. The layer, the upper half-space  $\Omega^+$  and the lower half-space  $\Omega^-$  occupy the domain  $0 \leq x_2 \leq h$ ,  $x_2 \leq 0$  and  $x_2 \geq h$ , respectively (see Fig. 1). The material constants, mass density of the layer and two half-spaces are given by

$$c_{ij}, \rho = \begin{cases} c_{ij}^+, \rho^+ & \text{for } x_2 \leq 0 \\ c_{ij}^-, \rho^- & \text{for } x_2 \geq h \\ \bar{c}_{ij}, \bar{\rho} & \text{for } 0 \leq x_2 \leq h \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

It is assumed that the principal material planes of the orthotropic layer and of two orthotropic half-spaces are identical and coincide with the coordinate planes. We are interested in the plain strain so that

$$u_i = u_i(x_1, x_2, t), \quad i = 1, 2, \quad u_3 \equiv 0. \quad (2)$$

Suppose that an incident quasi  $P$  wave ( $qP$  wave) with the amplitude  $\mathbf{R}_0(R_{01}, R_{02})$  propagates in the upper half-space  $\Omega^+$  and it is of the form [7, 11, 18]

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_{01} \\ u_{02} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} R_{01} \\ R_{02} \end{pmatrix} \exp[ik_0(x_1 p_{01} + x_2 p_{02} - c_0 t)], \quad (3)$$

where  $\theta_0$  is the incident angle,  $p_{01} = \sin \theta_0$ ,  $p_{02} = \cos \theta_0$  are components of the unit propagation vector,  $c_0$  is the velocity of wave and  $k_0 = \omega/c_0$  is the wave number,  $\omega$

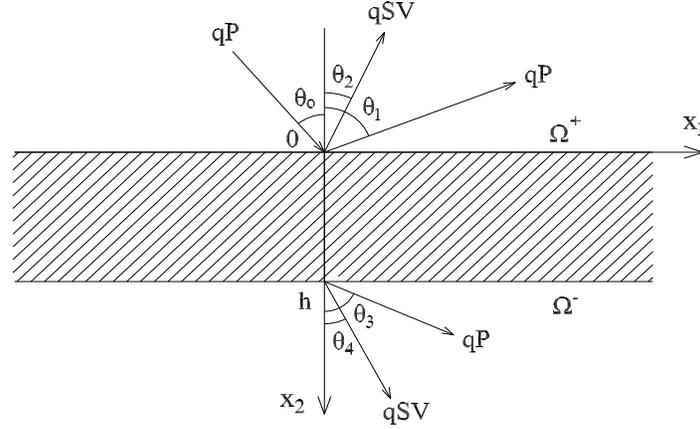


Fig. 1. An orthotropic elastic layer sandwiched between two orthotropic elastic half-spaces

is the circular frequency that is given. The velocity  $c_0$  of the incident  $qP$  wave is given by [7, 11, 18]

$$2\rho c_0^2 = (M_0 + P_0) + [(M_0 - P_0)^2 + 4(N_0)^2]^{1/2}, \quad (4)$$

in which

$$M_0 = c_{11}^+ p_{01}^2 + c_{66}^+ p_{02}^2, \quad N_0 = (c_{66}^+ + c_{12}^+) p_{01} p_{02}, \quad P_0 = c_{66}^+ p_{01}^2 + c_{22}^+ p_{02}^2. \quad (5)$$

When the  $qP$  wave strikes the layer it generates reflected  $qP$ ,  $qSV$  waves propagating in the half-space  $\Omega^+$  and transmitted  $qP$ ,  $qSV$  waves traveling in the half-space  $\Omega^-$  (see Fig. 1). The displacement fields of these waves are of the form [7, 11, 18] as follows:

For the reflected  $qP$  wave with amplitude  $\mathbf{R}_1(R_{11}, R_{12})$

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_{11} \\ u_{12} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} R_{11} \\ R_{12} \end{pmatrix} \exp[ik_1(x_1 p_{11} + x_2 p_{12} - c_1 t)]. \quad (6)$$

For the reflected  $qSV$  wave with amplitude  $\mathbf{R}_2(R_{21}, R_{22})$

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_{21} \\ u_{22} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} R_{21} \\ R_{22} \end{pmatrix} \exp[ik_2(x_1 p_{21} + x_2 p_{22} - c_2 t)]. \quad (7)$$

For the transmitted  $qP$  wave with amplitude  $\mathbf{R}_3(R_{31}, R_{32})$ :

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_{31} \\ u_{32} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} R_{31} \\ R_{32} \end{pmatrix} \exp[ik_3(x_1 p_{31} + x_2 p_{32} - c_3 t)]. \quad (8)$$

For the transmitted  $qSV$  wave with amplitude  $\mathbf{R}_4(R_{41}, R_{42})$

$$\begin{pmatrix} u_{41} \\ u_{42} \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} R_{41} \\ R_{42} \end{pmatrix} \exp[ik_4(x_1 p_{41} + x_2 p_{42} - c_4 t)], \quad (9)$$

where  $p_{n1}, p_{n2}$ , ( $n = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ) are components of the unit propagation vectors of the reflected waves  $qP, qSV$ , the transmitted waves  $qP, qSV$ , respectively, see Fig.1, that are determined by Singh et al [18],  $k_i, c_i$  are the wave numbers, the wave velocities whose

relation is:  $\omega = k_0 c_0 = k_1 c_1 = k_2 c_2 = k_3 c_3 = k_4 c_4$ . The velocities  $c_n$  ( $n = 1, 2, 3, 4$ ) are determined as follows [7, 11, 18].

a) For the longitudinal waves ( $qP$  waves)

$$2\rho c_n^2 = (M_n + P_n) + [(M_n - P_n)^2 + 4(N_n)^2]^{1/2}, \quad n = 1, 3. \quad (10)$$

b) For the transverse waves ( $qSV$  waves)

$$2\rho c_n^2 = (M_n + P_n) - [(M_n - P_n)^2 + 4(N_n)^2]^{1/2}, \quad n = 2, 4. \quad (11)$$

The expressions  $M_n, N_n, P_n$  for upper half-space ( $n = 1, 2$ ) are

$$M_n = c_{11}^+ p_{n1}^2 + c_{66}^+ p_{n2}^2, \quad N_n = (c_{66}^+ + c_{12}^+) p_{n1} p_{n2}, \quad P_n = c_{66}^+ p_{n1}^2 + c_{22}^+ p_{n2}^2. \quad (12)$$

The expressions  $M_n, N_n, P_n$  for lower half-space ( $n = 3, 4$ ) are similar to (12) in which the signs "(+)" are replaced by signs "(-)".

In Eqs (6)–(9), the components  $R_{i1}, R_{i2}$  of amplitudes  $\mathbf{R}_i$  are needed to be determined. In addition, they have relations [7, 11, 18]

$$F_i = \frac{R_{i1}}{R_{i2}} = \frac{N_i}{\rho^+ c_i^2 - M_i} = \frac{\rho^+ c_i^2 - P_i}{N_i}; \quad |\mathbf{R}_i| = \sqrt{R_{i1}^2 + R_{i2}^2} \quad i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4. \quad (13)$$

The reflection, transmission coefficients of reflected  $qP, qSV$  waves and transmitted  $qP, qSV$  waves are defined as

$$R_{qP} = \frac{|\mathbf{R}_1|}{|\mathbf{R}_0|} = \frac{\sqrt{1 + F_1^2} |R_{12}|}{\sqrt{1 + F_0^2} |R_{02}|}; \quad R_{qSV} = \frac{|\mathbf{R}_2|}{|\mathbf{R}_0|} = \frac{\sqrt{1 + F_2^2} |R_{22}|}{\sqrt{1 + F_0^2} |R_{02}|}, \quad (14)$$

for the reflected waves and

$$T_{qP} = \frac{|\mathbf{R}_3|}{|\mathbf{R}_0|} = \frac{\sqrt{1 + F_3^2} |R_{32}|}{\sqrt{1 + F_0^2} |R_{02}|}; \quad T_{qSV} = \frac{|\mathbf{R}_4|}{|\mathbf{R}_0|} = \frac{\sqrt{1 + F_4^2} |R_{42}|}{\sqrt{1 + F_0^2} |R_{02}|}, \quad (15)$$

for the transmitted waves.

### 3. FORMULAS IN CLOSED-FORM FOR THE REFLECTION AND TRANSMISSION COEFFICIENTS

In order to determine the reflection and transmission coefficients the transfer matrix for an orthotropic elastic layer derived recently by Vinh et al. [16] is used.

From (3)–(7), the displacement field of the upper half-space  $\Omega^+$  is expressed as

$$\begin{aligned} u_1^+ &= u_{01} + u_{11} + u_{21} = e^{i(\eta x_1 - \omega t)} (R_{01} e^{(ik_0 p_{02} x_2)} + R_{11} e^{(ik_1 p_{12} x_2)} + R_{21} e^{(ik_2 p_{22} x_2)}), \\ u_2^+ &= u_{02} + u_{12} + u_{22} = e^{i(\eta x_1 - \omega t)} (R_{02} e^{(ik_0 p_{02} x_2)} + R_{12} e^{(ik_1 p_{12} x_2)} + R_{22} e^{(ik_2 p_{22} x_2)}), \end{aligned} \quad (16)$$

where  $\eta$  is the horizontal wave-number.

Similarly, from (8) and (9), the displacement field of lower half-space  $\Omega^-$  is given by

$$\begin{aligned} u_1^- &= u_{31} + u_{41} = e^{i(\eta x_1 - \omega t)} (R_{31} e^{(ik_3 p_{32} x_2)} + R_{41} e^{(ik_4 p_{42} x_2)}), \\ u_2^- &= u_{32} + u_{42} = e^{i(\eta x_1 - \omega t)} (R_{32} e^{(ik_3 p_{32} x_2)} + R_{42} e^{(ik_4 p_{42} x_2)}). \end{aligned} \quad (17)$$

From Snell's law we have the following identities [11, 19]

$$\eta = k_0 p_{01} = k_1 p_{11} = k_2 p_{21} = k_3 p_{31} = k_4 p_{41}. \quad (18)$$

The constitutive equations for orthotropic material are of form [20]

$$\sigma_{11} = c_{11}u_{1,1} + c_{12}u_{2,2}, \quad \sigma_{22} = c_{12}u_{1,1} + c_{22}u_{2,2}, \quad \sigma_{12} = c_{66}(u_{2,1} + u_{1,2}). \quad (19)$$

From (16), (17) and (19), the stress components  $\sigma_{11}^+, \sigma_{12}^+, \sigma_{22}^+$  and  $\sigma_{11}^-, \sigma_{12}^-, \sigma_{22}^-$  of the upper and the lower half-spaces are derived.

We introduce a new unknown vector given by  $\xi(x_2) = [u_1, u_2, \sigma_{12}, \sigma_{22}]^T$ . By  $\xi^+, \xi^-$  and  $\xi^L$  we denote the corresponding values of  $\xi$  for the upper half-space, the lower half-space and the layer respectively. Suppose that the layer and the half-spaces are perfectly bonded to each other. Then, the displacements and stresses are required to be continuous through the interfaces  $x_2 = 0$  and  $x_2 = h$ , i. e.

$$\xi^+(0) = \xi^L(0), \quad \xi^-(h) = \xi^L(h), \quad (20)$$

where

$$\xi^+(0) = \begin{bmatrix} u_1^+(0) \\ u_2^+(0) \\ \sigma_{12}^+(0) \\ \sigma_{22}^+(0) \end{bmatrix}, \quad \xi^-(h) = \begin{bmatrix} u_1^-(h) \\ u_2^-(h) \\ \sigma_{12}^-(h) \\ \sigma_{22}^-(h) \end{bmatrix}, \quad (21)$$

and (we assign  $R_{i2} = B_i, i = 0, 1, 2, 3, 4$ )

$$\begin{aligned} u_1^+(0) &= F_0 B_0 + F_1 B_1 + F_2 B_2; & u_2^+(0) &= B_0 + B_1 + B_2, \\ \sigma_{12}^+(0) &= c_{66}^+ i (F_0 B_0 k_0 p_{02} + F_1 B_1 k_1 p_{12} + F_2 B_2 k_2 p_{22} + B_0 k_0 p_{01} + B_1 k_1 p_{11} + B_2 k_2 p_{21}), \\ \sigma_{22}^+(0) &= i (c_{12}^+ (F_0 B_0 k_0 p_{01} + F_1 B_1 k_1 p_{11} + F_2 B_2 k_2 p_{21}) \\ &\quad + c_{22}^+ (B_0 k_0 p_{02} + B_1 k_1 p_{12} + B_2 k_2 p_{22})), \\ u_1^-(h) &= F_3 B_3 \cdot \exp(ik_3 p_{32} h) + F_4 B_4 \cdot \exp(ik_4 p_{42} h), \\ u_2^-(h) &= B_3 \cdot \exp(ik_3 p_{32} h) + B_4 \cdot \exp(ik_4 p_{42} h), \\ \sigma_{12}^-(h) &= c_{66}^- i (F_3 B_3 k_3 p_{32} \cdot \exp(ik_3 p_{32} h) + F_4 B_4 k_4 p_{42} \cdot \exp(ik_4 p_{42} h) \\ &\quad + B_3 k_3 p_{31} \cdot \exp(ik_3 p_{32} h) + B_4 k_4 p_{41} \cdot \exp(ik_4 p_{42} h)), \\ \sigma_{22}^-(h) &= c_{12}^- i (F_3 B_3 k_3 p_{31} \cdot \exp(ik_3 p_{32} h) + F_4 B_4 k_4 p_{41} \cdot \exp(ik_4 p_{42} h)) \\ &\quad + c_{22}^- i (B_3 k_3 p_{32} \cdot \exp(ik_3 p_{32} h) + B_4 k_4 p_{42} \cdot \exp(ik_4 p_{42} h)). \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

On the other hand, using the transfer matrix of an orthotropic layer we have [16]

$$\xi^L(0) = \mathbf{T} \xi^L(h), \quad (23)$$

in which

$$\mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{[\tilde{\gamma}; \text{ch}\varepsilon]}{[\tilde{\gamma}]} & \frac{-i[\tilde{\beta}; \text{sh}\varepsilon]}{[\tilde{\alpha}; \tilde{\beta}]} & \frac{-[\tilde{\alpha}; \text{sh}\varepsilon]}{[\tilde{\alpha}; \tilde{\beta}]} & \frac{-i[\text{ch}\varepsilon]}{[\tilde{\gamma}]} \\ \frac{-i[\tilde{\gamma}; \tilde{\alpha}\text{sh}\varepsilon]}{[\tilde{\gamma}]} & \frac{[\tilde{\alpha}\text{ch}\varepsilon; \tilde{\beta}]}{[\tilde{\alpha}; \tilde{\beta}]} & \frac{-i\tilde{\alpha}_1\tilde{\alpha}_2[\text{ch}\varepsilon]}{[\tilde{\alpha}; \tilde{\beta}]} & \frac{-[\tilde{\alpha}\text{sh}\varepsilon]}{[\tilde{\gamma}]} \\ \frac{-[\tilde{\gamma}; \tilde{\beta}\text{sh}\varepsilon]}{[\tilde{\gamma}]} & \frac{-i\tilde{\beta}_1\tilde{\beta}_2[\text{ch}\varepsilon]}{[\tilde{\alpha}; \tilde{\beta}]} & \frac{[\tilde{\alpha}; \tilde{\beta}\text{ch}\varepsilon]}{[\tilde{\alpha}; \tilde{\beta}]} & \frac{i[\tilde{\beta}\text{sh}\varepsilon]}{[\tilde{\gamma}]} \\ \frac{-i\tilde{\gamma}_1\tilde{\gamma}_2[\text{ch}\varepsilon]}{[\tilde{\gamma}]} & \frac{[\tilde{\beta}; \tilde{\gamma}\text{sh}\varepsilon]}{[\tilde{\alpha}; \tilde{\beta}]} & \frac{-i[\tilde{\alpha}; \tilde{\gamma}\text{sh}\varepsilon]}{[\tilde{\alpha}; \tilde{\beta}]} & \frac{[\tilde{\gamma}\text{ch}\varepsilon]}{[\tilde{\gamma}]} \end{bmatrix}, \quad (24)$$

is the transfer matrix of orthotropic layer given by Vinh et al. [16] and

$$[f; g] := f_2g_1 - f_1g_2, [f] := f_2 - f_1, \quad (25)$$

denote the jump of quantities inside bracket. Furthermore,

$$\begin{aligned} c &= c_0 / \sin(\theta_0), \quad k = k_0 \sin(\theta_0), \quad \varepsilon = kh, \\ \tilde{\alpha}_k &= -\frac{(\bar{c}_{12} + \bar{c}_{66})\bar{b}_k}{\bar{c}_{22}\bar{b}_k^2 - \bar{c}_{66} + \bar{X}}, \quad k = 1, 2, \quad \bar{X} = \bar{\rho}c^2 \\ \bar{b}_1 &= \sqrt{\frac{\bar{S} + \sqrt{\bar{S}^2 - 4\bar{P}}}{2}}, \quad \bar{b}_2 = \sqrt{\frac{\bar{S} - \sqrt{\bar{S}^2 - 4\bar{P}}}{2}}, \\ \bar{S} &= \frac{\bar{c}_{22}(\bar{c}_{11} - \bar{X}) + \bar{c}_{66}(\bar{c}_{66} - \bar{X}) - (\bar{c}_{12} + \bar{c}_{66})^2}{\bar{c}_{22}\bar{c}_{66}}, \\ \bar{P} &= \frac{(\bar{c}_{11} - \bar{X})(\bar{c}_{66} - \bar{X})}{\bar{c}_{22}\bar{c}_{66}}, \\ \bar{\beta}_n &= \bar{c}_{66}(\bar{b}_n - \tilde{\alpha}_n), \quad \tilde{\gamma}_n = \bar{c}_{12} + \bar{c}_{22}\bar{b}_n\tilde{\alpha}_n, \quad n = 1, 2. \end{aligned} \quad (26)$$

The components  $t_{ij}$  of the transfer matrix  $T$  have properties [16]

$$t_{11} = t_{33}, \quad t_{12} = t_{43}, \quad t_{14} = t_{23}, \quad t_{21} = t_{34}, \quad t_{22} = t_{44}, \quad t_{32} = t_{41}. \quad (27)$$

Using (20), (23), and taking into account (21), (24), we have

$$\begin{bmatrix} u_1^+(0) \\ u_2^+(0) \\ \sigma_{12}^+(0) \\ \sigma_{22}^+(0) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} t_{11} & t_{12} & t_{13} & t_{14} \\ t_{21} & t_{22} & t_{23} & t_{24} \\ t_{31} & t_{32} & t_{33} & t_{34} \\ t_{41} & t_{42} & t_{43} & t_{44} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} u_1^-(h) \\ u_2^-(h) \\ \sigma_{12}^-(h) \\ \sigma_{22}^-(h) \end{bmatrix}. \quad (28)$$

Therefore, we have 4 equations for 4 unknowns  $B_1; B_2; B_3; B_4$  (taking into account (22)), namely

$$\begin{cases} a_1B_1 + a_2B_2 + a_3B_3 + a_4B_4 = a_5, \\ a_6B_1 + a_7B_2 + a_8B_3 + a_9B_4 = a_{10}, \\ a_{11}B_1 + a_{12}B_2 + a_{13}B_3 + a_{14}B_4 = a_{15}, \\ a_{16}B_1 + a_{17}B_2 + a_{18}B_3 + a_{19}B_4 = a_{20}. \end{cases} \quad (29)$$

This equation system leads to

$$\begin{pmatrix} B_1 \\ B_2 \\ B_3 \\ B_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & a_4 \\ a_6 & a_7 & a_8 & a_9 \\ a_{11} & a_{12} & a_{13} & a_{14} \\ a_{16} & a_{17} & a_{18} & a_{19} \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} a_5 \\ a_{10} \\ a_{15} \\ a_{20} \end{pmatrix}, \quad (30)$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} a_1 &= -F_1; a_2 = -F_2; a_5 = F_0 B_0; a_6 = a_7 = -1; a_{10} = B_0; a_{15} = c_{66}^+ i B_0 (F_0 p_{02} + p_{01}), \\ a_3 &= (t_{11} F_3 + t_{12} + t_{13} c_{66}^- i k_3 (F_3 p_{32} + p_{31}) + t_{14} i k_3 (c_{12}^- F_3 p_{31} + c_{22}^- p_{32})) \exp(i k_3 p_{32} h), \\ a_4 &= (t_{11} F_4 + t_{12} + t_{13} c_{66}^- i k_4 (F_4 p_{42} + p_{41}) + t_{14} i k_4 (c_{12}^- F_4 p_{41} + c_{22}^- p_{42})) \exp(i k_4 p_{42} h), \\ a_8 &= (t_{21} F_3 + t_{22} + t_{14} c_{66}^- i k_3 (F_3 p_{32} + p_{31}) + t_{24} i k_3 (c_{12}^- F_3 p_{31} + c_{22}^- p_{32})) \exp(i k_3 p_{32} h), \\ a_9 &= (t_{21} F_4 + t_{22} + t_{14} c_{66}^- i k_4 (F_4 p_{42} + p_{41}) + t_{24} i k_4 (c_{12}^- F_4 p_{41} + c_{22}^- p_{42})) \exp(i k_4 p_{42} h), \\ a_{11} &= c_{66}^+ i k_1 (F_1 B_1 p_{12} + B_1 p_{11}); a_{12} = c_{66}^+ i k_2 (F_2 B_2 p_{22} + B_2 p_{21}), \\ a_{13} &= (t_{31} F_3 + t_{11} + t_{14} c_{66}^- i k_3 (F_3 p_{32} + p_{31}) + t_{21} i k_3 (c_{12}^- F_3 p_{31} + c_{22}^- p_{32})) \exp(i k_3 p_{32} h), \\ a_{14} &= (t_{31} F_4 + t_{32} + t_{11} c_{66}^- i k_4 (F_4 p_{42} + p_{41}) + t_{21} i k_4 (c_{12}^- F_4 p_{41} + c_{22}^- p_{42})) \exp(i k_4 p_{42} h), \\ a_{16} &= c_{12}^+ i k_1 (F_1 B_1 p_{11} + B_1 p_{12}); a_{17} = c_{12}^+ i k_2 (F_2 B_2 p_{21} + B_2 p_{22}), \\ a_{18} &= (t_{32} F_3 + t_{42} + t_{12} c_{66}^- i k_3 (F_3 p_{32} + p_{31}) + t_{22} i k_3 (c_{12}^- F_3 p_{31} + c_{22}^- p_{32})) \exp(i k_3 p_{32} h), \\ a_{19} &= (t_{32} F_4 + t_{42} + t_{12} c_{66}^- i k_4 (F_4 p_{42} + p_{41}) + t_{22} i k_4 (c_{12}^- F_4 p_{41} + c_{22}^- p_{42})) \exp(i k_4 p_{42} h), \\ a_{20} &= i k_0 B_0 (c_{12}^+ F_0 p_{01} + c_{22}^+ p_{02}). \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

For an incident  $qP$  wave,  $\theta_0$  is given and, therefore,  $c_0(\theta_0)$  is computed by (4). The terms  $p_{i1} = \cos \theta_i$ ;  $p_{i2} = \sin \theta_i$ ;  $k_i$  and  $F_i$  are computed by (18). The detail of procedure for the calculation of other quantities is represented in papers [7, 11, 16]. Finally, the reflection, transmission coefficients are calculated by (14), (15).

The formulas (14), (15), in which  $R_{i2} \equiv B_i$  given by (30), are closed-form expressions for the reflection, transmission coefficients.

#### 4. NUMERICAL RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

In this section, the influence of incident angle, wave frequency, ratio of mass density on the reflection and transmission coefficients is illustrated. From (14), (15) we can see that the reflection and transmission coefficients depend on dimensionless parameters defined as

$$\begin{aligned} e_{11} &= \frac{c_{11}^+}{c_{66}^+}; e_{21} = \frac{c_{22}^+}{c_{66}^+}; e_{31} = \frac{c_{12}^+}{c_{66}^+}; e_{12} = \frac{c_{11}^-}{c_{66}^-}; e_{22} = \frac{c_{22}^-}{c_{66}^-}; e_{32} = \frac{c_{12}^-}{c_{66}^-}, \\ e_1 &= \frac{\bar{c}_{11}}{\bar{c}_{66}}; e_2 = \frac{\bar{c}_{22}}{\bar{c}_{66}}; e_3 = \frac{\bar{c}_{12}}{\bar{c}_{66}}; r = \frac{\rho^-}{\rho^+}; r_\mu = \frac{c_{66}^-}{c_{66}^+}; r_L = \frac{\bar{\rho}}{\rho^+}; r_{\mu L} = \frac{\bar{c}_{66}}{c_{66}^+}; \epsilon = k_0 h. \end{aligned} \quad (32)$$

As an example, we choose a model with the dimensionless parameters (being not relative to any particular material) as

$$\begin{aligned}
 e_{11} &= 33.8333; e_{21} = 40.8333; e_{31} = 12.5000; e_{12} = 2.4787; e_{22} = 2.9255, \\
 e_{32} &= 0.8511; e_1 = 2.9999; e_2 = 2.9999; e_3 = 0.9999; r = 1.5745; r_\mu = 15.6667, \\
 r_L &= 0.0017; r_{\mu L} = 48.3750; \epsilon = 1.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{33}$$

In Fig. 2, the modulus of amplitudes of reflected, transmitted waves against the incident angle  $\theta_0$  for  $\epsilon = 1$  are plotted. It can be seen from Fig. 2 that:

- i) The modulus  $R_{qP}$  is almost unchange for  $\theta_0 < 50^\circ$  then increases strongly when the incident angle tends to  $90^\circ$ . Conversely, the modulus  $T_{qP}$  decreases sharply at  $\theta_0 = 45^\circ$  from value 0.85 to value 0.
- ii) In domain of  $20^\circ < \theta_0 < 70^\circ$ , the reflected qSV wave is dominant over  $qP$  wave.

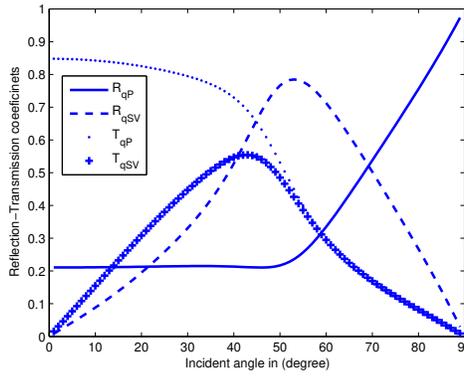


Fig. 2. The reflection, transmission coefficients as a function of incident angles

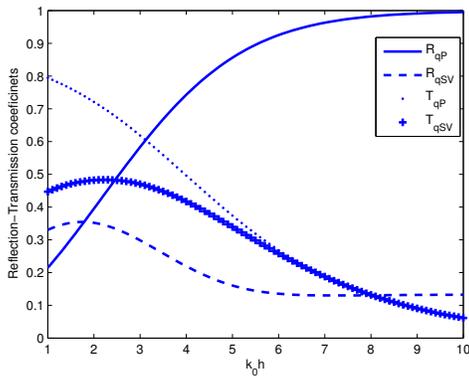


Fig. 3. The reflection, transmission coefficients as a function of wave frequency

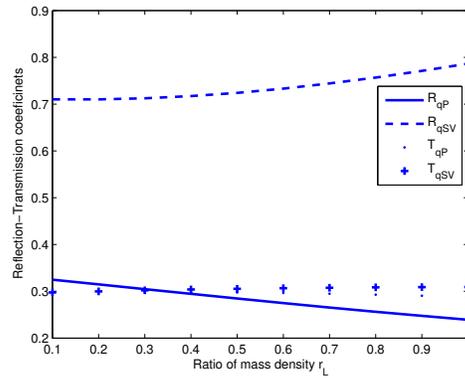


Fig. 4. The reflection, transmission coefficients as a function of ratio of mass density

Fig. 3 depicts the variation of modulus of amplitudes of reflected and transmitted waves with respect to the wave frequency  $\epsilon$  when  $\theta_0 = \pi/6$ . We observed that the

amplitude  $R_{qP}$  increases in range  $1 \leq \epsilon \leq 10$  while  $T_{qP}$  decreases. The modulus of reflection, transmission coefficients of  $qSV$  waves decrease in  $1 \leq \epsilon \leq 10$ .

The dependence of amplitudes of reflected, transmitted waves on  $r_L$  with  $\epsilon = 1$  and  $\theta_0 = \pi/3$  is represented in Fig. 4. It is shown that in domain  $0 < r_L \leq 1$  the reflected  $qP$  wave is dominant.

## 5. CONCLUSIONS

In this paper, problem of the reflection and transmission of a  $qP$  wave through an orthotropic layer sandwiched between two orthotropic elastic half-spaces is investigated and the closed-form expressions for the reflection, transmission coefficients have been obtained by using the transfer matrix for an orthotropic elastic layer. As an illustration of the application of obtained expressions, numerical results are carried to indicate the dependence of the reflection, transmission coefficients on the incident angle, wave frequency and ratio of mass density. It is shown that the reflection and transmission coefficients depend strongly on the incident angle, wave frequency and considerably on the ratio of mass density.

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