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## Analytical solution of ground-borne vibration due to a spatially periodic harmonic moving load in a tunnel embedded in layered soil

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### S1. Formulation of coupled periodic tunnel-soil analytical model

#### S1.1 Model description

**Fig. S1** illustrates a tunnel embedded in a multilayered half-space in the global coordinate system. The model is periodic and comprises  $N+1$  parts, including  $(N-2)$  standard interior soil layers where both ascending and descending waves exist, one interior layer  $n$  with a cavity where ascending, descending, and outgoing (irregular) waves exist, one semi-infinite region  $N$  where only descending waves exist, and one hollow cylinder for the tunnel where outgoing and regular waves exist. In each part, the interfaces are bonded with their adjoining parts, implying that the tractions and deflections can be directly transferred to the adjoining parts. The external force  $p$  that is periodic in space with periodicity length  $L$  and harmonic in time with circular frequency  $\omega$  is applied at the bottom of the inner surface of the hollow cylinder and moves toward the positive  $z$ -axis at a constant speed of  $v$ . The material of each part is assumed to be isotropic, homogeneous, and viscoelastic; therefore, the integral transformation and superposition techniques can be applied in this case. Because the applied force is periodic in the  $z$ -direction, the entire system is periodic in the  $z$ -direction. This periodic dynamic problem can be solved by the utilisation of the generalised modal functions in the  $z$ -direction.

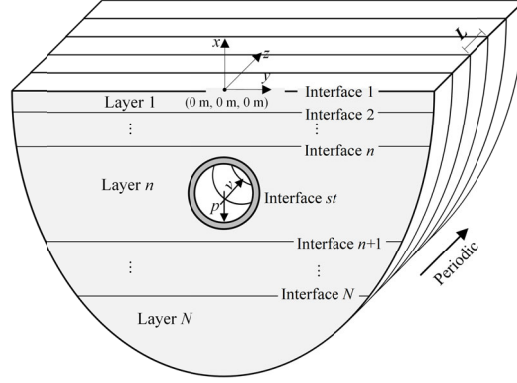
The geometry, local coordinate system, and state variables along the interface for each part are shown in **Fig. S2**. These parts can be further divided into four categories: standard layer, semi-infinite region, layer with a cavity, and hollow cylinder. The origin of the local coordinate system for the standard layer above the tunnel is located at its bottom interface, whereas that below the tunnel is located at its upper interface, as illustrated in **Figs. S2a** and **S2b**. The thickness of the standard layer is denoted as  $H_{i \text{ or } j}$  where  $i < n$  and

$j > n$ . The state variable  $\hat{\mathbf{S}}$  is defined as the collection of the displacement vector  $\hat{\mathbf{u}} = [\hat{u}_x, \hat{u}_y, \hat{u}_z]^T$  and

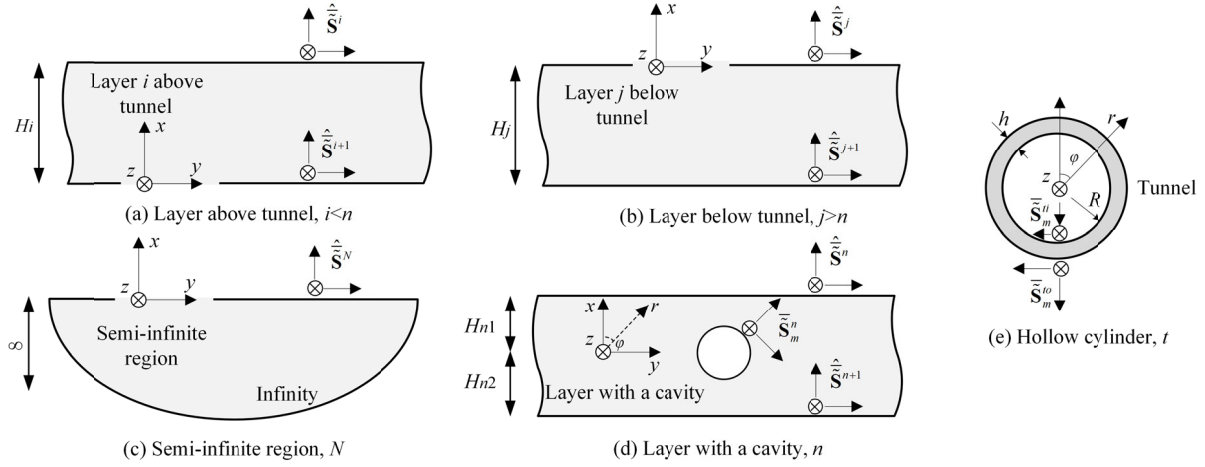
traction vector  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} = [\hat{\sigma}_{xx}, \hat{\sigma}_{yy}, \hat{\sigma}_{xz}]^T$  as  $\hat{\mathbf{S}} = [\hat{\mathbf{u}}^T \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}^T]^T$  which exists at both the upper and bottom interfaces.

The tilde, bar, and caret represent the Fourier transform with respect to time  $t$ , decomposition in the generalised modal space, and Fourier transform with respect to the  $y$ -coordinate, respectively. **Fig. S2c** shows the semi-infinite region, where the state variable only exists at the upper interface. **Fig. S2d** shows the layer with a cavity, where the local Cartesian and cylindrical coordinates are both located at the centre

39 of the cavity.  $H_{n1}$  and  $H_{n2}$  denote the distances between the centre and the upper and lower interfaces,  
 40 respectively. An additional state variable in terms of the cylindrical coordinate exists at the wall of the  
 41 cavity, expressed as  $\bar{\mathbf{S}}^m = [\bar{\mathbf{u}}^{mT} \bar{\mathbf{\sigma}}^{mT}]^T$  where  $\bar{\mathbf{u}}^m = [\bar{u}_r^m, \bar{u}_\phi^m, \bar{u}_z^m]^T$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{\sigma}}^m = [\bar{\sigma}_{rr}^m, \bar{\sigma}_{r\phi}^m, \bar{\sigma}_{rz}^m]^T$ . **Fig. S2e**  
 42 shows the hollow cylinder for the tunnel lining with an inner radius of  $R$  and a thickness of  $h$ . The local  
 43 polar coordinate system is located at the centre of the hollow cylinder, and the state variables exist at the  
 44 inner and outer interfaces.



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 46 **Fig. S1** Tunnel embedded in a multilayered half-space subjected to spatially periodic harmonic moving load  
 47  $p$  in a global coordinate system.  
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 50 **Fig. S2** The geometry, local coordinate system, and state variable at the corresponding interface of (a) and  
 51 (b) soil layer above and below tunnel, (c) the semi-infinite region, (d) soil layer with a cavity, and (e) hollow  
 52 cylinder for tunnel lining.  
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### 54 S1.2 The governing equation, Fourier transform, and generalised modal function

55 The motion of the isotropic, homogeneous, and viscoelastic continuum is governed by the free  
 56 elastodynamics equation, expressed in vector form as (Sheng et al., 2002):

$$57 \quad \mu \nabla^2 \mathbf{u} + (\lambda + \mu) \nabla (\nabla \cdot \mathbf{u}) = \rho \ddot{\mathbf{u}} \quad (\text{S1})$$

58 where  $\mathbf{u}$  is the displacement vector in Cartesian coordinates  $\mathbf{u} = [u_x, u_y, u_z]^T$ , or in cylindrical coordinates  
 59  $\mathbf{u} = [u_r, u_\phi, u_z]^T$ .  $\rho$  is the density of the material. The symbol “ $\ddot{\cdot}$ ” denotes the second-order derivative with  
 60 respect to time  $t$ .  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are the Lamé constants. Considering nondimensional material damping  $\zeta$ , the

61 Lamé constants can be rewritten as  $\lambda=\lambda(1+i\zeta)$  and  $\mu=\mu(1+i\zeta)$ .

62 To solve this equation in the frequency-wavenumber generalised modal space, the Fourier transforms  
63 with respect to time  $t$  and coordinate  $y$  are used:

$$64 \quad \tilde{f}(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt, f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \tilde{f}(\omega) e^{i\omega t} d\omega \quad (S2)$$

$$65 \quad \hat{f}(k_y) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} f(y) e^{-ik_y y} dy, f(y) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \hat{f}(k_y) e^{ik_y y} dk_y \quad (S3)$$

66 where  $\omega$  and  $k_y$  are the circular frequency and wavenumber.

67 As this case is a periodicity problem in the  $z$ -direction, generalised modal functions were applied in  
68 this study. Provided that the structure has a periodicity length of  $L$  under the harmonic load  $\omega_l$  moving at a  
69 constant speed of  $v$  in the  $z$ -direction, the responses of adjacent points with spacing  $L$  yield the following  
70 relationship (Belotserkovskiy, 1996; Belotserkovskiy, 1998; Hussein and Hunt, 2009):

$$71 \quad R(z+L, t+L/v) = e^{i\omega_l L/v} R(z, t) \quad (S4)$$

72 This is known as the periodic condition. It can be found that the response is both periodic in time and  
73 space. After applying a Fourier transform with respect to  $t$  and utilising the auxiliary periodic function of  
74 the first kind, the response in the frequency domain can be decomposed in the generalised modal space  
75 (Hussein and Hunt, 2009; Ma and Liu, 2018) as follows:

$$76 \quad \tilde{R}(z, \omega, \omega_l) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{n=+\infty} \tilde{R}_n(\omega) \Phi_n(z, \omega_l, \omega) \quad (S5)$$

77 where  $\Phi(z, \omega_l, \omega)$  is the generalised modal function, which takes form as follows:

$$78 \quad \Phi_n(z, \omega_l, \omega) = e^{i\lambda_n z}, \lambda_n = \frac{2\pi n}{L} + \frac{\omega_l - \omega}{v} \quad (S6)$$

79 With the aid of a generalised modal function, Eq. (S1) can be solved in Cartesian or cylindrical  
80 coordinates to provide the displacement and stress fields owing to the dynamic load.

### 81 **S1.3 Displacement and stress solutions for each part**

82 The governing equation of motion shown in Eq. (S1) can be solved using the techniques proposed by  
83 Schevenels (2007) and Kausel (2006). Furthermore, the expressions for displacements and stresses in both  
84 Cartesian and cylindrical coordinate systems derived in terms of the wave potential functions by Pilant  
85 (1979) can be directly applied to obtain general solutions with the aid of Eqs. (S2), (S3), and (S5).

86 First, the general solutions of the displacement for the standard interior layer illustrated in **Figs. S2a**  
87 and **S2b** in Cartesian coordinates can be derived as

$$88 \quad \hat{\mathbf{u}} = [\hat{u}_x, \hat{u}_y, \hat{u}_z]^T = \sum_{k=1}^3 \left( \hat{\Phi}_{ak} A_{ak} + \hat{\Phi}_{dk} A_{dk} \right) \quad (S7)$$

89 where vectors  $\hat{\Phi}_{ak}$  and  $\hat{\Phi}_{dk}$  are the ascending and descending plane wave potentials for the displacements,  
90 respectively.  $k=1, 2,$  and  $3$  represent P-, SH-, and SV-plane waves, respectively.  $A_{ak}$  and  $A_{dk}$  are the  
91 unknowns for ascending and descending waves, respectively. The ascending plane wave displacement  
92 potentials  $\hat{\Phi}_{ak}$  were derived as follows (Pilant, 1979):

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\Phi}_{a1} &= [ik_{xp} \quad ik_y \quad i\lambda_n]^T e^{ik_{xp}x} \\
\hat{\Phi}_{a2} &= [ik_y \quad -ik_{xs} \quad 0]^T e^{ik_{xs}x} \\
\hat{\Phi}_{a3} &= [-k_{xs}\lambda_n \quad -k_y\lambda_n \quad k_{xs}^2 + k_y^2]^T e^{ik_{xs}x}
\end{aligned} \tag{S8}$$

94 where  $k_{xj} = \sqrt{k_j^2 - k_y^2 - \lambda_n^2}$  ( $j=p$  or  $s$ ) represents the wavenumbers in the  $x$ -direction.  $k_j = \omega/c_j$  ( $j=p$  or  $s$ ) are  
95 the complete wavenumbers, where the P- and S-wave velocities are expressed as  $c_p = \sqrt{(\lambda + 2\mu)/\rho}$  and  
96  $c_s = \sqrt{\mu/\rho}$ , respectively. To ensure that the ascending plane waves decay from the bottom interface to the  
97 upper interface, the wavenumbers in the  $x$ -direction  $k_{xj}$  ( $j=p$  or  $s$ ) should meet the condition  $\text{Im}(k_{xj}) \geq 0$  ( $j=p$   
98 or  $s$ ).

99 According to the displacement-strain relationship and constitutive relationship, the traction vector can  
100 be obtained as follows by considering Eq. (S7),

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} = [\hat{\sigma}_{xx}, \hat{\sigma}_{xy}, \hat{\sigma}_{xz}]^T = \sum_{k=1}^3 \left( \hat{\Phi}_{ak} A_{ak} + \hat{\Phi}_{dk} A_{dk} \right) \tag{S9}$$

102 where  $\hat{\Phi}_{ak}$  and  $\hat{\Phi}_{dk}$  are the ascending and descending plane wave potentials for the tractions, respectively.

103 The ascending plane traction potentials  $\hat{\Phi}_{ak}$  can be explicitly expressed as follows (Pilant, 1979):

$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\Phi}_{a1} &= \mu [2k_p^2 - k_s^2 - 2k_{xp}^2 \quad -2k_{xp}k_y \quad -2k_{xp}\lambda_n]^T e^{ik_{xp}x} \\
\hat{\Phi}_{a2} &= \mu [-2k_{xs}k_y \quad k_{xs}^2 - k_y^2 \quad -k_y\lambda_n]^T e^{ik_{xs}x} \\
\hat{\Phi}_{a3} &= \mu [-2ik_{xs}^2\lambda_n \quad -2ik_{xs}k_y\lambda_n \quad ik_{xs}(k_{xs}^2 + k_y^2 - \lambda_n^2)]^T e^{ik_{xs}x}
\end{aligned} \tag{S10}$$

105 The descending plane wave potentials for displacements  $\hat{\Phi}_{dk}$  and tractions  $\hat{\Phi}_{dk}$  can be obtained by  
106 directly replacing  $k_{xj}$  ( $j=p$  or  $s$ ) with  $-k_{xj}$  ( $j=p$  or  $s$ ) in Eqs. (S8) and (S10).

107 Similarly, the general solutions of displacement for the hollow cylinder of the tunnel, as illustrated in  
108 **Fig. S2e**, in the cylindrical coordinate can be written as

$$\bar{\mathbf{u}} = [\bar{u}_r, \bar{u}_\varphi, \bar{u}_z]^T = \sum_{m=0}^M \sum_{k=1}^3 \left( \bar{\chi}_{ok}^m B_{ok}^m + \bar{\chi}_{rk}^m B_{rk}^m \right) \tag{S11}$$

110 where  $\bar{\chi}_{ok}^m$  and  $\bar{\chi}_{rk}^m$  denote the  $m$ -th order outgoing and regular cylindrical wave potentials for  
111 displacements, respectively.  $k=1, 2,$  and  $3$  represent the P-, SH-, and SV-waves in the cylindrical coordinate  
112 system, respectively. This series converges rapidly with respect to  $m$ , implying that using  $M$  terms in the  
113 calculation can produce satisfactory results.  $B_{ok}^m$  and  $B_{rk}^m$  are the unknown coefficients for the outgoing  
114 and regular waves, respectively.  $\bar{\chi}_{ok}^m$  has the following explicit expressions (Pilant, 1979):

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{\boldsymbol{\chi}}_{o1}^m &= \left[ k_{rp} H_m^{(1)'}(k_{rp} r) \cos m\varphi \quad -\frac{m}{r} H_m^{(1)}(k_{rp} r) \sin m\varphi \quad i\lambda_n H_m^{(1)}(k_{rp} r) \cos m\varphi \right]^T \\
\bar{\boldsymbol{\chi}}_{o2}^m &= \left[ \frac{m}{r} H_m^{(1)}(k_{rs} r) \cos m\varphi \quad -k_{rs} H_m^{(1)'}(k_{rs} r) \sin m\varphi \quad 0 \right]^T \\
\bar{\boldsymbol{\chi}}_{o3}^m &= \left[ ik_{rs} \lambda_n H_m^{(1)'}(k_{rs} r) \cos m\varphi \quad -i\lambda_n \frac{m}{r} H_m^{(1)}(k_{rs} r) \sin m\varphi \quad k_{rs}^2 H_m^{(1)}(k_{rs} r) \cos m\varphi \right]^T
\end{aligned} \tag{S12}$$

where  $k_{rj} = \sqrt{k_j^2 - \lambda_n^2}$  ( $j=p$  or  $s$ ) represents the wavenumbers in the  $r$ -direction. Similarly, the wavenumbers in the  $r$ -direction  $k_{rj}$  ( $j=p$  or  $s$ ) should satisfy the condition  $\text{Im}(k_{rj}) \geq 0$  ( $j=p$  or  $s$ ).  $H_m^{(1)}(\bullet)$  is the Hankel function of the first kind. The superscript prime represents the derivative with respect to  $k_{rj}r$  ( $j=p$  or  $s$ ).

Furthermore, considering the displacement–strain and constitutive relationships, the corresponding traction vector can be calculated as follows:

$$\bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} = [\bar{\sigma}_{rr}, \bar{\sigma}_{r\varphi}, \bar{\sigma}_{rz}]^T = \sum_{m=0}^M \sum_{k=1}^3 (\bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{ok}^m B_{ok}^m + \bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{rk}^m B_{rk}^m) \tag{S13}$$

where  $\bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{ok}^m$  and  $\bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{rk}^m$  are the  $m$ -th order outgoing and regular cylindrical wave potentials for tractions, respectively. The outgoing cylindrical wave displacement potentials have the following forms (Pilat, 1979):

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{o1}^m &= \mu \left\{ \left[ (2k_p^2 - k_s^2) H_m^{(1)}(k_{rp} r) + 2k_{rp}^2 H_m^{(1)''}(k_{rp} r) \right] \cos m\varphi \quad \frac{2m}{r^2} \left[ H_m^{(1)}(k_{rp} r) - k_{rp} r H_m^{(1)'}(k_{rp} r) \right] \sin m\varphi \quad 2i\lambda_n k_{rp} H_m^{(1)'}(k_{rp} r) \cos m\varphi \right\}^T \\
\bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{o2}^m &= \mu \left\{ \frac{2m}{r^2} \left[ k_{rs} r H_m^{(1)'}(k_{rs} r) - H_m^{(1)}(k_{rs} r) \right] \cos m\varphi \quad -k_{rs}^2 \left[ 2H_m^{(1)''}(k_{rs} r) + H_m^{(1)}(k_{rs} r) \right] \sin m\varphi \quad \frac{i\lambda_n m}{r} H_m^{(1)}(k_{rs} r) \cos m\varphi \right\}^T \\
\bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{o3}^m &= \mu \left\{ 2i\lambda_n k_{rs}^2 H_m^{(1)''}(k_{rs} r) \cos m\varphi \quad \frac{2i\lambda_n m}{r^2} \left[ H_m^{(1)}(k_{rs} r) - k_{rs} r H_m^{(1)'}(k_{rs} r) \right] \sin m\varphi \quad k_{rs} (k_{rs}^2 - \lambda_n^2) H_m^{(1)'}(k_{rs} r) \cos m\varphi \right\}^T
\end{aligned} \tag{S14}$$

The regular cylindrical wave potentials for displacement  $\bar{\boldsymbol{\chi}}_{rk}^m$  and traction  $\bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{rk}^m$  can be derived by directly replacing the Hankel function of the first kind  $H_m^{(1)}(\bullet)$  with the Bessel function of the first kind  $J_m^{(1)}(\bullet)$  in Eqs. (S12) and (S14), respectively.

In the semi-infinite region, as illustrated in **Fig. S2c**, only descending waves exist such that  $A_{dk}=0$ . Therefore, the displacement and traction vectors for the semi-infinite region are reduced to the following formulations from Eqs. (S7) and (S9) as follows:

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{u}} = [\hat{u}_x, \hat{u}_y, \hat{u}_z]^T = \sum_{k=1}^3 \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_{dk} A_{dk} \tag{S15}$$

$$\hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} = [\hat{\sigma}_{xx}, \hat{\sigma}_{xy}, \hat{\sigma}_{xz}]^T = \sum_{k=1}^3 \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_{dk} A_{dk} \tag{S16}$$

As shown in **Fig. S2d**, in the soil layer with a cavity where the tunnel is embedded, ascending, descending, and outgoing waves exist. Therefore, the displacement and traction vectors for the soil layer with a cavity in the frequency-wavenumber ( $\omega$ - $\lambda_n$ ) domain can be expressed as:

$$\bar{\boldsymbol{u}} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \sum_{k=1}^3 \left( \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_{dk} A_{dk} + \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_{dk} A_{dk} \right) e^{ik_y y} dk_y + \sum_{m=0}^M \sum_{k=1}^3 \bar{\boldsymbol{\chi}}_{ok}^m B_{ok}^m \tag{S17}$$

$$\bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \sum_{k=1}^3 \left( \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_{dk} A_{dk} + \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_{dk} A_{dk} \right) e^{ik_y y} dk_y + \sum_{m=0}^M \sum_{k=1}^3 \bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{ok}^m B_{ok}^m \tag{S18}$$

The above formulations show the general solutions of the displacements and tractions for the four

141 categories stated in **Subsection 1.1**, where the boundary conditions have not yet been considered. The  
 142 unknown coefficients were determined from the boundary conditions in the following derivations.

#### 143 **S1.4 Interactions between standard soil layers and semi-infinite region**

144 Commonly used techniques to analytically model layered media are the transfer matrix method  
 145 proposed by Thomson (1950) and Haskell (1953) and the dynamic stiffness matrix method used by Kausel  
 146 (2006) and Schevenels (2007). These techniques have been successfully used in multilayered half-spaces  
 147 (He et al., 2017) or tunnels embedded in half-spaces (He et al., 2018). As transformations between plane  
 148 waves and cylindrical waves were performed in this study, the transfer matrix method was adopted to  
 149 analytically solve the multilayered half-space, which was also applied by He et al. (2018). The coupled  
 150 tunnel-soil system is considered homogeneous in the loading direction in the study by He et al. (2018),  
 151 whereas it is periodic in the current study.

152 For the standard interior soil layer, as shown in **Figs. S2a** and **S2b**, the state variable  $\hat{\mathbf{S}}^l$  ( $l=i$  or  $j$ )  
 153 written in matrix form according to Eqs. (S7) and (S9) yields:

$$154 \quad \hat{\mathbf{S}}^l(x^l) = [\hat{\mathbf{u}}^T \quad \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}^T]^T = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_a^l(x^l) & \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_d^l(x^l) \\ \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_a^l(x^l) & \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_d^l(x^l) \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_a^l \\ \mathbf{A}_d^l \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{M}(x^l) \mathbf{A}^l \quad (\text{S19})$$

155 where the superscript  $l$  denotes the  $l$ -th layer ( $l=i$  or  $j$ ).  $x^l$  is the  $x$ -coordinate in the local coordinate system,

156 as shown in **Fig. S2**.  $\hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_a^l(x^l) = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_{a1}^l(x^l) & \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_{a2}^l(x^l) & \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_{a3}^l(x^l) \end{bmatrix}$ . The other matrices have similar matrix forms.  $\mathbf{A}_a^l$

157 and  $\mathbf{A}_d^l$  are the ascending and descending wave coefficient vectors for the  $l$ -th soil layer, respectively,

158  $\mathbf{A}_a^l = [\mathbf{A}_{a1}^l \ \mathbf{A}_{a2}^l \ \mathbf{A}_{a3}^l]^T$  and  $\mathbf{A}_d^l = [\mathbf{A}_{d1}^l \ \mathbf{A}_{d2}^l \ \mathbf{A}_{d3}^l]^T$ .

159 To determine the unknown coefficients, the boundary and continuous conditions between each part  
 160 should be considered. Because the upper interface of the first layer ( $i=1$ ) is a free surface, the tractions  
 161 along this interface should satisfy the following relationship:

$$162 \quad \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}^T(x^1 = H_1) = \mathbf{0} \quad (\text{S20})$$

163 Substituting Eq. (S19) into Eq. (S20), the following relationship is obtained:

$$164 \quad \mathbf{A}_a^1 = -\hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_a^{-1}(x^1 = H_1) \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_d(x^1 = H_1) \mathbf{A}_d^1 = \mathbf{R}_{ad}^1 \mathbf{A}_d^1 \quad (\text{S21})$$

165 According to the compatibility and equilibrium conditions, the state variables of the standard interior  
 166 layers and semi-infinite region should satisfy the following relationships because no external loads are  
 167 applied at these interfaces:

$$168 \quad \hat{\mathbf{S}}^{i-1}(x^{i-1} = 0) = \hat{\mathbf{S}}^i(x^i = H_i), \quad i < n \quad (\text{S22})$$

$$169 \quad \hat{\mathbf{S}}^j(x^j = -H_j) = \hat{\mathbf{S}}^{j+1}(x^{j+1} = 0), \quad j > n \quad (\text{S23})$$

170 The local coordinate system of the layer above the tunnel differed from that below the tunnel.  
 171 Substituting Eq. (S19) into Eq. (S22) and considering each value of  $i=2, 3, \dots, n-1$ , the relationship between  
 172 coefficients  $\mathbf{A}^1$  and  $\mathbf{A}^{n-1}$  can be derived as follows:

$$173 \quad \mathbf{A}^1 = \mathbf{T}_{(1,n-1)} \mathbf{A}^{n-1} \quad (\text{S24})$$

174 where the transfer matrix  $\mathbf{T}_{(1,n-1)}$  is expressed as,

$$175 \quad \mathbf{T}_{(1,n-1)} = \left\{ \mathbf{M}^{-1}(x^1 = 0) \mathbf{M}(x^2 = H_2) \right\} \left\{ \mathbf{M}^{-1}(x^2 = 0) \mathbf{M}(x^3 = H_3) \right\} \left\{ \dots \right\} \left\{ \mathbf{M}^{-1}(x^{n-2} = 0) \mathbf{M}(x^{n-1} = H_{n-1}) \right\} \quad (\text{S25})$$

176 For a semi-infinite region, the unknown coefficients should satisfy  $\mathbf{A}_a^N = \mathbf{0}$ . Similarly, by substituting  
 177 Eq. (S19) into Eq. (S23) and considering each value of  $j=n+1, n+2, \dots, N$ , the relationship between the  
 178 coefficients  $\mathbf{A}^N$  and  $\mathbf{A}^{n+1}$  can be derived as follows:

$$179 \quad \mathbf{A}^N = \mathbf{T}_{(N,n+1)} \mathbf{A}^{n+1} \quad (\text{S26})$$

180 where the transfer matrix  $\mathbf{T}_{(N,n+1)}$  has the expression,

$$181 \quad \mathbf{T}_{(N,n+1)} = \left\{ \mathbf{M}^{-1}(x^N = 0) \mathbf{M}(x^{N-1} = -H_{N-1}) \right\} \left\{ \mathbf{M}^{-1}(x^{N-1} = 0) \mathbf{M}(x^{N-2} = -H_{N-2}) \right\} \dots \left\{ \mathbf{M}^{-1}(x^{n+2} = 0) \mathbf{M}(x^{n+1} = -H_{n+1}) \right\} \quad (\text{S27})$$

182 Based on Eqs. (S21), (S24), and (S26), and  $\mathbf{A}_a^N = \mathbf{0}$  for the semi-infinite region, the responses of the  
 183 multilayered half-space under the spatially periodic harmonic moving load can be solved completely if  
 184 there is no tunnel structure. Additional derivations should be performed to consider the effects of the tunnel  
 185 structure.

### 186 **S1.5 Interaction between standard interior layers and layer with a cavity**

187 Three types of waves exist in the soil layer with a cavity: the ascending plane, descending plane, and  
 188 outgoing cylindrical waves. To analytically model the coupled tunnel-soil system, transformations between  
 189 plane and cylindrical waves should be performed, as summarised by Boström (1991). These transformation  
 190 properties were successfully adopted by Yuan et al. (2017) and He et al. (2018) in a tunnel embedded in a  
 191 half-space and multilayered half-space, respectively, where these models are homogeneous in the  
 192 longitudinal direction.

193 To couple the standard layer and the layer with a cavity, the outgoing cylindrical wave should be  
 194 converted into ascending or descending plane waves. These transformation properties were proposed by  
 195 Boström (1991), and the transformations between wave potentials can be written as

$$196 \quad \begin{aligned} \bar{\chi}_{oj}^m &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\hat{\Phi}_{dj} e^{ik_y y}}{k_{xj}} T_{mj}^- dk_y \\ \bar{\chi}_{oj}^m &= \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\hat{\Phi}_{dj} e^{ik_y y}}{k_{xj}} T_{mj}^+ dk_y \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S28})$$

197 where the cylindrical waves are converted into ascending and descending plane waves.  $k_{xj} = k_{xp}$  if  $j=1$  and  
 198  $k_{xj} = k_{xs}$  if  $j=2, 3$ .  $T_{mj}^-$  and  $T_{mj}^+$  are expressed as

$$199 \quad \begin{aligned} T_{mj}^- &= i^{-m} \begin{cases} \cos(m\beta_1), \beta_1 = \arcsin(k_y/k_{rp}), j=1 \\ \sin(m\beta_2), \beta_2 = \arcsin(k_y/k_{rs}), j=2 \\ \cos(m\beta_3), \beta_3 = \arcsin(k_y/k_{rs}), j=3 \end{cases} \\ T_{mj}^+ &= i^m \begin{cases} \cos(m\beta_1), \beta_1 = \arcsin(k_y/k_{rp}), j=1 \\ -\sin(m\beta_2), \beta_2 = \arcsin(k_y/k_{rs}), j=2 \\ \cos(m\beta_3), \beta_3 = \arcsin(k_y/k_{rs}), j=3 \end{cases} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{S29})$$

200 Substituting Eqs. (S28) and (S29) into Eqs. (S17) and (S18) for layer  $n$  with a cavity, the displacement  
 201 and traction vectors along its upper interface can be expressed in the following forms after some  
 202 manipulations:

$$\begin{aligned}
203 \quad \hat{\mathbf{u}}(x^n = H_{n1}) &= \hat{\Phi}_a(x^n = H_{n1}) \mathbf{A}_a^n + \hat{\Phi}_d(x^n = H_{n1}) \mathbf{A}_d^n + 2 \sum_{m=0}^M \hat{\Phi}_a(x^n = H_{n1}) \mathbf{T}_m^- \mathbf{A}_o^m \\
\hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}(x^n = H_{n1}) &= \hat{\Phi}_a(x^n = H_{n1}) \mathbf{A}_a^n + \hat{\Phi}_d(x^n = H_{n1}) \mathbf{A}_d^n + 2 \sum_{m=0}^M \hat{\Phi}_a(x^n = H_{n1}) \mathbf{T}_m^- \mathbf{A}_o^m
\end{aligned} \tag{S30}$$

$$204 \quad \text{where } \mathbf{T}_m^- = \text{diag} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{T_{m1}^-}{k_{xp}} & \frac{T_{m2}^-}{k_{xs}} & \frac{T_{m3}^-}{k_{xs}} \end{bmatrix}.$$

205 Analogously, displacement and traction vectors along the bottom interface can be expressed as

$$\begin{aligned}
206 \quad \hat{\mathbf{u}}(x^n = -H_{n2}) &= \hat{\Phi}_a(x^n = -H_{n2}) \mathbf{A}_a^n + \hat{\Phi}_d(x^n = -H_{n2}) \mathbf{A}_d^n + 2 \sum_{m=0}^M \hat{\Phi}_d(x^n = -H_{n2}) \mathbf{T}_m^+ \mathbf{A}_o^m \\
\hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}(x^n = -H_{n2}) &= \hat{\Phi}_a(x^n = -H_{n2}) \mathbf{A}_a^n + \hat{\Phi}_d(x^n = -H_{n2}) \mathbf{A}_d^n + 2 \sum_{m=0}^M \hat{\Phi}_d(x^n = -H_{n2}) \mathbf{T}_m^+ \mathbf{A}_o^m
\end{aligned} \tag{S31}$$

$$207 \quad \text{where } \mathbf{T}_m^+ = \text{diag} \begin{bmatrix} \frac{T_{m1}^+}{k_{xp}} & \frac{T_{m2}^+}{k_{xs}} & \frac{T_{m3}^+}{k_{xs}} \end{bmatrix}.$$

208 The compatibility and equilibrium conditions along the upper and bottom interfaces of the layer with a  
209 cavity with adjoining layers can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}
210 \quad \hat{\mathbf{u}}(x^{n-1} = 0) &= \hat{\mathbf{u}}(x^n = H_{n1}), \quad \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}(x^{n-1} = 0) = \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}(x^n = H_{n1}), \quad \text{upper interface} \\
\hat{\mathbf{u}}(x^{n+1} = 0) &= \hat{\mathbf{u}}(x^n = -H_{n2}), \quad \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}(x^{n+1} = 0) = \hat{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}(x^n = -H_{n2}), \quad \text{bottom interface}
\end{aligned} \tag{S32}$$

211 Considering Eqs. (S7), (S9), (S31), (S32), and the formulations in **Subsection 1.4**, the relationship  
212 between the unknown coefficient  $\mathbf{A}^n$  for the plane waves and that  $\mathbf{A}_o = [\mathbf{A}_o^1 \mathbf{A}_o^2 \cdots \mathbf{A}_o^M]^T_{(3(M+1) \times 1)}$  for the  
213 cylindrical waves for the layer with a cavity can be derived by only matrix manipulation. For simplicity, the  
214 relationship between  $\mathbf{A}^n$  and  $\mathbf{A}_o$  can be expressed as

$$215 \quad \mathbf{A}^n = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_a^n \\ \mathbf{A}_d^n \end{bmatrix} = \mathbf{T}_{(\mathbf{A}^n, \mathbf{A}_o)} \mathbf{A}_o = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{T}^a \\ \mathbf{T}^d \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_o \tag{S33}$$

216 where  $\mathbf{T}_{(\mathbf{A}^n, \mathbf{A}_o)}$  is a  $6 \times 3(M+1)$  coefficient matrix.

217 Furthermore, considering Eqs. (S24), (S32), and (S33), the relationship between  $\mathbf{A}^1$  and  $\mathbf{A}_o$  is obtained  
218 as follows:

$$219 \quad \mathbf{A}^1 = \mathbf{T}_{(\mathbf{A}^1, \mathbf{A}_o)} \mathbf{A}_o \tag{S34}$$

220 where  $\mathbf{T}_{(\mathbf{A}^1, \mathbf{A}_o)}$  is a  $6 \times 3(M+1)$  coefficient matrix as well.

221 It can be observed that, if the unknown vector  $\mathbf{A}_o$  is calculated, the unknown vector  $\mathbf{A}^1$  for the first  
222 standard layer can be directly determined using Eq. (S34). Subsequently, by substituting  $\mathbf{A}^1$  into Eq. (S19)  
223 yields the displacement responses of the ground surface induced by a dynamic load. The unknown vector  
224  $\mathbf{A}_o$  is determined from the coupling between the layer with a cavity and the hollow cylinder which suffers  
225 from the spatially periodic harmonic moving load at its inner interface.

## 226 1.6 Interaction between the layer with a cavity and hollow cylinder

227 To couple the layer with a cavity and hollow cylinder, the ascending and descending plane wave  
228 potentials should be expanded in terms of regular cylindrical wave potentials. The transformation  
229 properties have been proposed by Boström (1991) and can be written as



$$\begin{aligned}
\hat{\phi}_{aj} \mathbf{e}^{ik_y y} &= \sum_{m=0}^M \varepsilon_m \tilde{\chi}_{rj}^m T_{mj}^+ \\
\hat{\phi}_{dj} \mathbf{e}^{ik_y y} &= \sum_{m=0}^M \varepsilon_m \tilde{\chi}_{rj}^m T_{mj}^-
\end{aligned} \tag{S35}$$

where  $\varepsilon_m$  is the Neumann factor,  $\varepsilon_m=1$  for  $m=0$  and  $\varepsilon_m=2$  for  $m \geq 1$ .

Substituting Eq. (S35) into Eqs. (S17) and (S18) for layer  $n$  with a cavity, the displacement and traction vector along the inner interface ( $r=R+h$ ) of the cavity can be obtained after some manipulations as follows:

$$\begin{aligned}
\bar{\mathbf{u}}_m^n(r=R+h) &= \left[ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \varepsilon_m \tilde{\chi}_r^m(r=R+h) (\mathbf{T}_m^+ \mathbf{T}^a + \mathbf{T}_m^- \mathbf{T}^d) dk_y + \tilde{\chi}_o^{m*}(r=R+h) \right] \mathbf{A}_o = \mathbf{C}_m^n(r=R+h) \mathbf{A}_o \\
\bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}_m^n(r=R+h) &= \left[ \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \varepsilon_m \tilde{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_r^m(r=R+h) (\mathbf{T}_m^+ \mathbf{T}^a + \mathbf{T}_m^- \mathbf{T}^d) dk_y + \tilde{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_o^{m*}(r=R+h) \right] \mathbf{A}_o = \mathbf{D}_m^n(r=R+h) \mathbf{A}_o
\end{aligned} \tag{S36}$$

where  $\mathbf{C}_m^n$  and  $\mathbf{D}_m^n$  are  $3 \times 3(M+1)$  matrices.  $\tilde{\chi}_r^m = [\tilde{\chi}_{r1}^m \quad \tilde{\chi}_{r2}^m \quad \tilde{\chi}_{r3}^m]$  and  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_r^m = [\tilde{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{r1}^m \quad \tilde{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{r2}^m \quad \tilde{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{r3}^m]$ .  $\tilde{\chi}_o^{m*}$  and  $\tilde{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_o^{m*}$  have the following expressions:

$$\begin{aligned}
\tilde{\chi}_o^{m*} &= \left[ \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} \quad \cdots \quad \tilde{\chi}_{o, 3 \times 3}^m \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} \right]_{3 \times 3(M+1)} \\
\tilde{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_o^{m*} &= \left[ \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} \quad \cdots \quad \tilde{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_{o, 3 \times 3}^m \quad \cdots \quad \mathbf{0}_{3 \times 3} \right]_{3 \times 3(M+1)}
\end{aligned} \tag{S37}$$

Eq. (S36) can be calculated using the numerical quadrature technique. The state variable  $\bar{\mathbf{S}}_m^n$  at the cavity interface can be defined as:

$$\bar{\mathbf{S}}_m^n = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{u}}_m^n(r=R+h) \\ \bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}_m^n(r=R+h) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{C}_m^n(r=R+h) \\ \mathbf{D}_m^n(r=R+h) \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_o \tag{S38}$$

For a hollow cylinder, the state variable  $\bar{\mathbf{S}}_m^{to}$  can be defined according to Eqs. (S11) and (S13), expressed as follows:

$$\bar{\mathbf{S}}_m^{to} = \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\mathbf{u}}_m^t(r=R+h) \\ \bar{\boldsymbol{\sigma}}_m^t(r=R+h) \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\chi}_o^m(r=R+h) & \tilde{\chi}_r^m(r=R+h) \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_o^m(r=R+h) & \tilde{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_r^m(r=R+h) \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}^m \tag{S39}$$

where  $\mathbf{B}^m = \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{B}_o^m \\ \mathbf{B}_r^m \end{bmatrix}$ .

According to the compatibility and equilibrium conditions along the interface  $\bar{\mathbf{S}}_m^n = \bar{\mathbf{S}}_m^{to}$ , the following equation can be obtained

$$\mathbf{B}^m = \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\chi}_o^m(r=R+h) & \tilde{\chi}_r^m(r=R+h) \\ \tilde{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_o^m(r=R+h) & \tilde{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_r^m(r=R+h) \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{C}_m^n(r=R+h) \\ \mathbf{D}_m^n(r=R+h) \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_o \tag{S40}$$

The unknown coefficients  $\mathbf{B}^m$  for the tunnel structure and  $\mathbf{A}_o$  for the layer with a cavity are related by Eq. (S40). Once  $\mathbf{A}_o$  is known,  $\mathbf{B}^m$  can be immediately calculated. Subsequently, the dynamic responses of the tunnel structure under the moving load can be determined using Eqs. (S11) and (S13).

## 252 S1.7 Moving load applied at the inner interface of the tunnel structure

253 The applied external load is periodic in space with a periodicity length  $L$ , harmonic in time with a  
 254 circular frequency  $\omega$ , and moves at a constant speed of  $v$  in the  $z$ -direction. The force applied at the  
 255 inverted arch of the tunnel structure can be mathematically expressed as (Xu and Ma, 2022)

$$256 \quad p(r, \varphi, z, t) = \frac{1}{R} \delta(r-R) \delta(\varphi-\pi) \delta(z-vt) e^{i\xi_n z} e^{i\omega t}, \xi_n = \frac{2\pi n}{L} \quad (\text{S41})$$

257 The origin of the moving load is located at  $(R, \pi, 0)$  m. By performing a Fourier transform with respect  
 258 to  $t$ , the force in the frequency domain can be obtained as

$$259 \quad \tilde{p}(r, \varphi, z, \omega) = \frac{1}{vR} \delta(r-R) \delta(\varphi-\pi) e^{i\xi_n z} \quad (\text{S42})$$

260 Considering the orthogonality of the generalised modal function, the components of the spatially  
 261 periodic harmonic moving load can be expressed as follows:

$$262 \quad \bar{p}_q(r, \varphi, \omega) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{vR} \delta(r-R) \delta(\varphi-\pi), & q = n \\ 0 & , q \neq n \end{cases} \quad (\text{S43})$$

263 This means that only the  $n$ -th order components must be considered in the calculation of the spatially  
 264 periodic harmonic load. Furthermore, the  $n$ -th order component should be expanded in terms of the  
 265 trigonometric series, yielding

$$266 \quad \bar{p}_n(r, \varphi, \omega) = \sum_{m=0}^M \bar{p}_m(r=R) = \sum_{m=0}^M \frac{\varepsilon_m}{2\pi vR} (-1)^m \delta(r-R) \cos m\varphi \quad (\text{S44})$$

267 Therefore, the external load vector can be expressed as

$$268 \quad \bar{\mathbf{t}}_m(r=R) = [\bar{p}_m(r=R) \quad 0 \quad 0]^T \quad (\text{S45})$$

269 According to the stress boundary condition of the inner interface of the tunnel structure, the following  
 270 formulation can be obtained:

$$271 \quad [\bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_o^m(r=R) \quad \bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_r^m(r=R)] \mathbf{B}^m = \bar{\mathbf{t}}_m(r=R) \quad (\text{S46})$$

272 Substituting Eq. (S40) into Eq. (S46) yields the following equation:

$$273 \quad [\bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_o^m(r=R) \quad \bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_r^m(r=R)] \begin{bmatrix} \bar{\boldsymbol{\chi}}_o^m(r=R+h) & \bar{\boldsymbol{\chi}}_r^m(r=R+h) \\ \bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_o^m(r=R+h) & \bar{\boldsymbol{\eta}}_r^m(r=R+h) \end{bmatrix}^{-1} \begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{C}_m^n(r=R+h) \\ \mathbf{D}_m^n(r=R+h) \end{bmatrix} \mathbf{A}_o = \bar{\mathbf{t}}_m(r=R) \quad (\text{S47})$$

274 This resulted in three equations for each  $m$ . After considering  $m=0, 1, 2, \dots, M$ , there are  $3(M+1)$   
 275 equations where there are  $3(M+1)$  unknowns  $\mathbf{A}_o$  as well. Therefore, the unknown coefficients  $\mathbf{A}_o$  can be  
 276 uniquely determined by solving Eq. (S47). Thereafter, the unknown coefficients for the tunnel structure  $\mathbf{B}^m$   
 277 and first layer  $\mathbf{A}^1$  can be derived based on Eqs. (S40) and (S34), respectively. Consequently, the dynamic  
 278 response can be constructed by considering the corresponding formulations in **Subsection 1.3**. Notably, the  
 279 formulations derived above were programmed in MATLAB, where  $M=12$  was considered to obtain the  
 280 convergence result. A rapid analysis of ground-borne vibrations from a tunnel under a spatially periodic  
 281 harmonic moving load can be achieved using this program.

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## 283 S2. Material parameters and additional cases in the validation

### 284 S2.1 Material parameters

285 To demonstrate the efficiency and accuracy of the proposed model, the ground-borne vibrations from  
 286 the model in which the tunnel is embedded in a homogeneous and multilayered half-space were compared

287 with those from the literature (He et al., 2018; Yuan et al., 2017). The material parameters involved were  
 288 given below.

289 In the first case (Yuan et al., 2017), the soil in the half-space had a longitudinal wave velocity of  
 290  $c_p=146$  m/s, a shear wave velocity of  $c_s=78$  m/s, a material density of  $\rho=1900$  kg/m<sup>3</sup>, and hysteretic  
 291 material damping  $\zeta=0.05$ . The tunnel was made of concrete with a Young's modulus of  $E=25$  GPa,  
 292 Poisson's ratio  $\nu=0.2$ , material density  $\rho=2400$  kg/m<sup>3</sup>, and hysteretic material damping  $\zeta=0.02$ . The inner  
 293 radius and thickness of the tunnel structure were  $R=2.75$  m and  $h=0.25$  m, respectively. The distance  
 294 between the axis of the tunnel and the ground surface was  $d=15$  m.

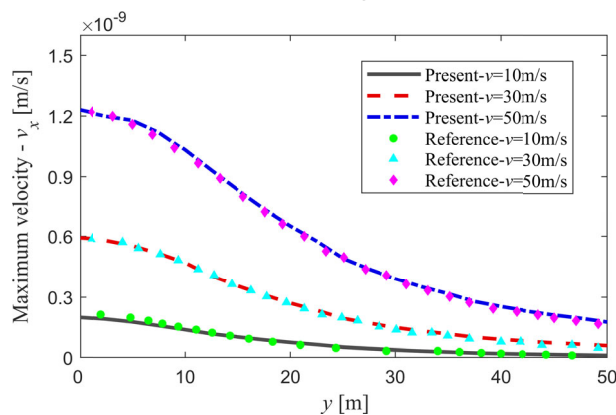
295 In the second case (He et al., 2018), the multilayered half-space had three soil layers, the third of  
 296 which was termed the half-space that extends to infinity. The first two layers had thicknesses of  $H=5$  and  
 297 10 m, respectively. Soils in the half-space had shear velocities of  $v_s=50, 100, \text{ and } 150$  m/s, longitudinal  
 298 velocities of  $v_p=100, 200, \text{ and } 300$  m/s, material density of  $\rho=1800$  kg/m<sup>3</sup>, and hysteretic material damping  
 299 of  $\zeta=0.04$ . The centre of the tunnel was buried at a depth of  $d=15$  m and had an inner radius of  $R=2.75$  m  
 300 and a thickness of  $h=0.25$  m. The Young's modulus of the tunnel concrete was  $E=50$  GPa, Poisson's ratio  
 301  $\nu=0.3$ , material density  $\rho=2500$  kg/m<sup>3</sup>, and hysteretic material damping  $\zeta=0.03$ .

### 302 S2.2 Additional comparisons

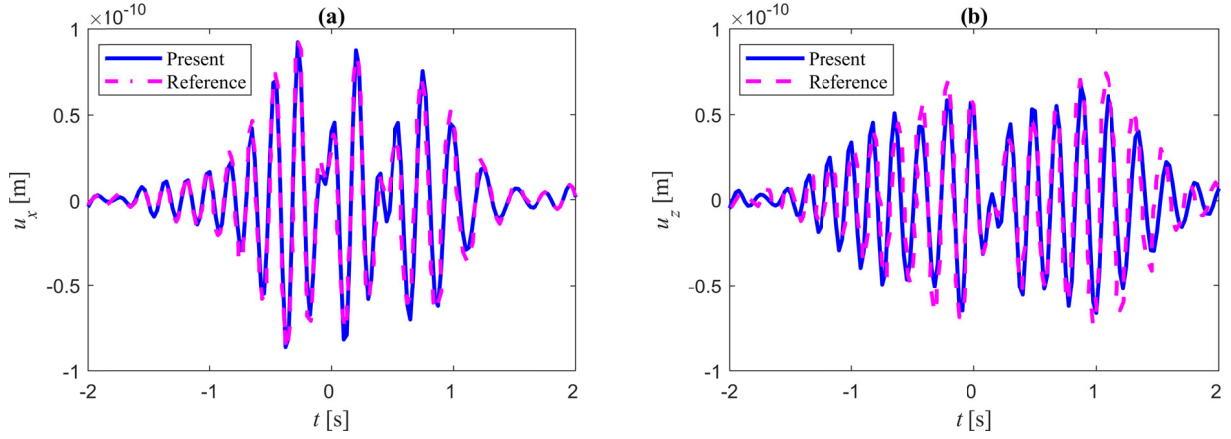
303 Additional comparisons of the calculated results with those from the analytical solution (Yuan et al.,  
 304 2017) were given in the subsection.

305 Comparisons of vertical maximum velocities at the ground surface along the  $y$ -coordinate owing to the  
 306 constant load  $f_0=0$  Hz moving at the speed of  $v=10, 30, \text{ and } 50$  m/s with those from the analytical solution  
 307 (Yuan et al., 2017) are shown in **Fig. S3**. Good agreements were observed from the results. The vertical  
 308 maximum vibration attenuated along the  $y$ -coordinate under these circumstances.

309 **Fig. S4** presents the comparison of the vertical and longitudinal displacements at (0 m, 0 m, 0 m)  
 310 subjected to the harmonic load  $f_0=5$  Hz moving at the speed of  $v=30$  m/s with those from the analytical  
 311 solution (Yuan et al., 2017). Again, results from the current model agreed well with those from the  
 312 reference. At the time instant  $t=0$  s when the load moved to the position beneath the observation point, the  
 313 vertical displacement reached the maximum while the longitudinal one reached the minimum.



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 315 **Fig. S3** Comparison of vertical maximum velocity along the  $y$ -axis at the ground under the constant load  
 316 ( $f_0=0$  Hz) moving at the speed of 10, 30, and 50 m/s.



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318 **Fig. S4** Comparison of (a) vertical and (b) longitudinal displacement history  $u_x$  and  $u_z$  at (0 m, 0 m, 0 m)  
 319 under moving harmonic load ( $v=30$  m/s,  $f_0=5$  Hz).  
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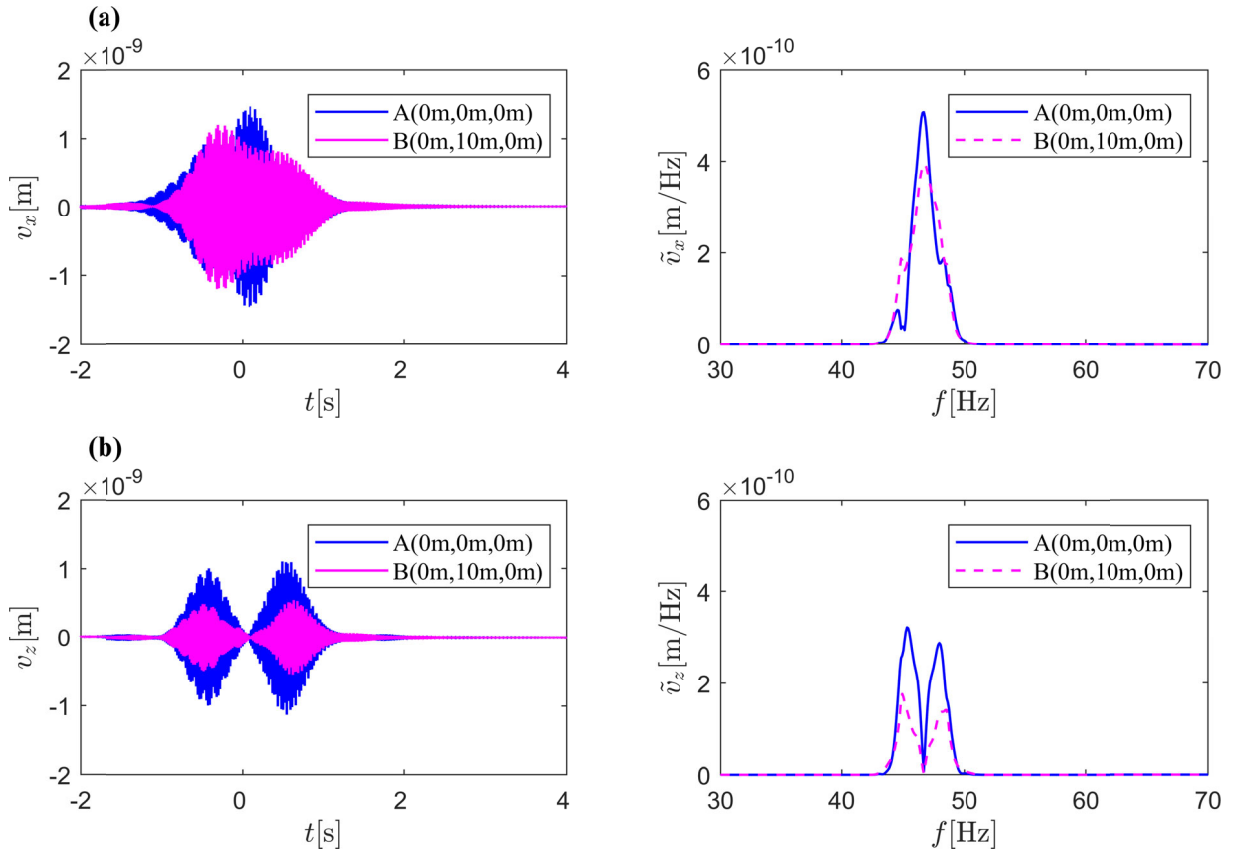
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### 321 **S3. Additional numerical results**

#### 322 **S3.1 General velocity results**

323 **Fig. S5** shows the corresponding velocity responses at points A (0 m, 0 m, 0 m) and B (0 m, 10 m, 0 m)  
 324 on the ground surface in both the time and frequency domains, from which the observations from  
 325 displacements in **Fig. S7 in the main manuscript** can also be noticed. Notably, the velocity vibrations  
 326 were much stronger than the displacement vibrations. This is because the velocity  $\tilde{\mathbf{v}}$  in frequency domain  
 327 can be deduced from the displacement  $\tilde{\mathbf{u}}$  in frequency domain, obeying the relation  $\tilde{\mathbf{v}} = i2\pi f\tilde{\mathbf{u}}$ , and the  
 328 frequency  $f$  spreads around the critical frequency  $f_{cr}$ .  
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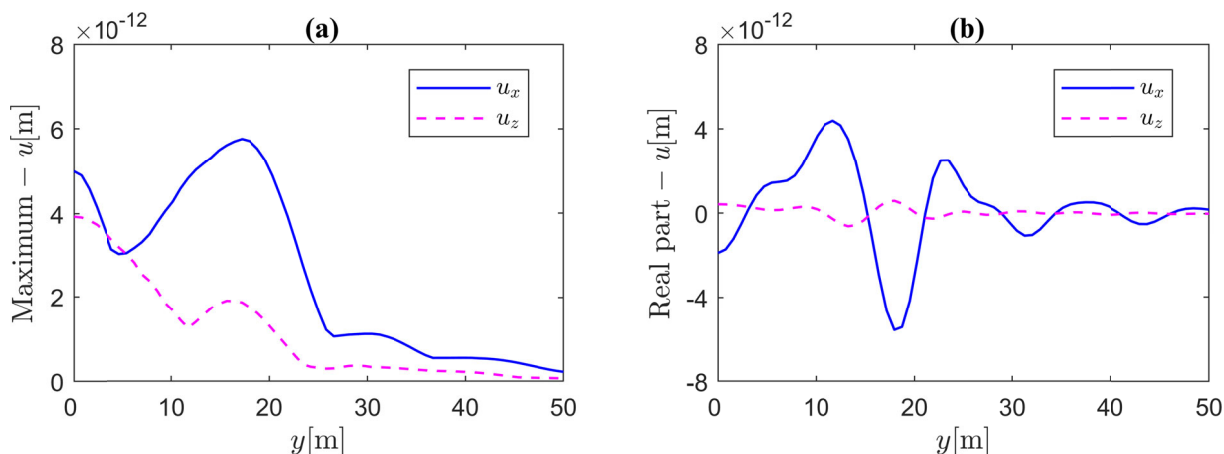
331 **Fig. S5** (a) Vertical velocity  $v_x$  and (b) longitudinal velocity  $v_z$  in time and frequency domain at A (0 m, 0 m,  
 332 0 m) and B (0 m, 10 m, 0 m) of the ground surface.

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### 334 S3.2 Maximum and instantaneous displacements along the y-axis

335 The maximum and instantaneous displacements at  $t=0$  s along the y-axis under a spatially periodic  
 336 harmonic moving load are presented in **Fig. S6**. Unlike the ground vibration which is consistently  
 337 weakened by the soil along the y-axis under a moving constant load (Yuan et al., 2017), the vibration under  
 338 the spatially periodic harmonic moving load shows undulating behaviours similar to those under a  
 339 harmonic moving load, as shown in **Fig. S6a**. The highest vertical vibration level along the ground surface  
 340 appears at a point with a lateral distance of approximately 18 m owing to the propagating waves emanating  
 341 from the tunnel. The longitudinal vibration is generally weaker and attenuates more quickly than the  
 342 vertical vibration, which can also be observed in **Fig. S6b**. The wavelengths of the vertical and longitudinal  
 343 displacements were almost the same, and the propagating waves were excited, even under a load velocity  
 344 of  $v=25$  m/s.

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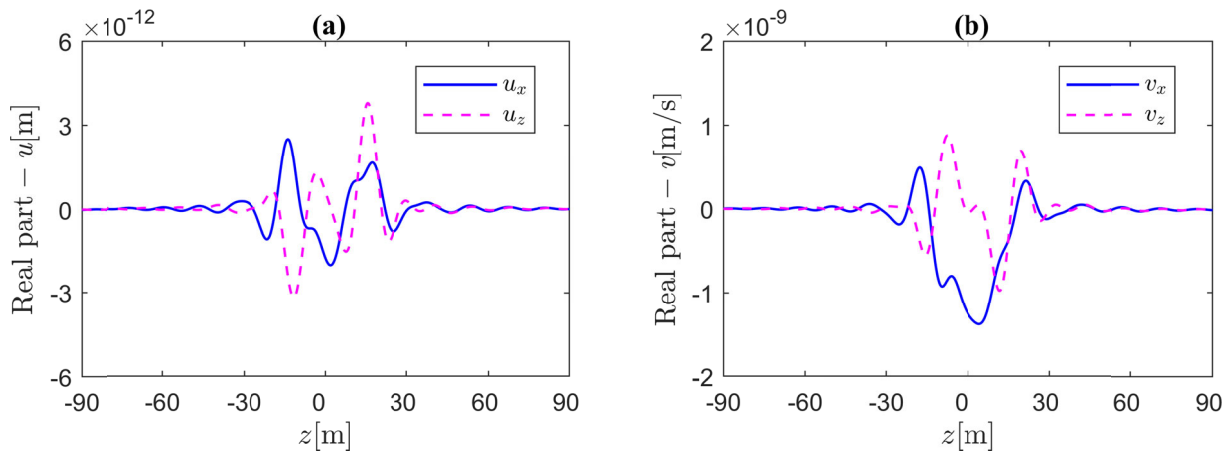
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347 **Fig. S6** (a) maximum displacement and (b) instantaneous displacement at the time instant  $t=0$  s on the  
 348 ground surface in both vertical and longitudinal direction along the y-axis.

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### 350 S3.3 Instantaneous displacements and velocities along the z-axis

351 **Fig. S7** shows the instantaneous displacements and velocities at the time instant  $t=0$  s along the z-axis  
 352 under a spatially periodic harmonic load. It can be observed that the vibrations mainly exist within a certain  
 353 area and decay quickly along the z-axis. Clearly, the vertical displacement and velocity at  $t=0$  s are not  
 354 perfectly symmetric with respect to  $z=0$ , whereas the longitudinal displacement and velocity at  $t=0$  s are not  
 355 perfectly antisymmetric owing to the Doppler effect. The velocity responses were much stronger than the  
 356 displacement responses, and similar observations were found by Yuan et al. (2017). In some areas,  
 357 longitudinal vibrations are stronger than vertical vibrations. The wavelengths of the vertical and  
 358 longitudinal vibrations were almost the same, and propagating waves could be observed. Comparing the  
 359 results from **Fig. S7a** and **Fig. S6b**, wavelengths along the z-axis are larger than those along the y-axis,  
 360 which is because the waves in the tunnel structure travel much faster than those in the soil.



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 362 **Fig. S7** Instantaneous (a) displacement and (b) velocity at the time instant  $t=0$  s on the ground surface in  
 363 both vertical and longitudinal direction along the  $z$ -axis.

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