

**On Optimal Control of a Quasivariational Inequality Arising From a Viscoelastic Contact Problem****O.P. Layeni**, A.P. Akinola*Department of Mathematics, Obafemi Awolowo University*

We consider the problem of dynamic unilateral contact of a viscoelastic material of the Kelvin-Voigt type with a rigid foundation under the assumption of isotropy and small deformation. The mathematical formulation is a hyperbolic variational inequality which under a transformation yields a quasivariational inequality. We minimize a pertinent cost functional subject to this quasivariational inequality. The case of an elastic composite foundation is also considered using an appropriate energy function under large deformation.

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