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7 Abstract: Umbrella suction anchor foundation, a novel suction foundation that applied to offshore wind turbines has been proved to be a much promising potential 8 9 foundation than most of the existing foundations including Gravity base, Monopile, Tripod, Jacket and so on. The dynamic analysis of the offshore foundation is more 10 complex, comparing with the one on the land. The work presented in this paper is to 11 conduct a comprehensive analysis on the dynamic characteristics of the umbrella 12 suction anchor foundation and determine its potential damage. The general finite 13 element program ANSYS is used in the analysis. The different model vibration modes 14 and vibration regularities of the master cylinder, the tube skirt and the anchor branches 15 of the structure were all obtained. The structural harmonic response under loads of $0 \sim$ 16 130 Hz was simulated and discussed. Additionally, the original structure vibration 17 response to wave loads was analyzed based on power spectrum density (PSD) method. 18 Both transient dynamic response process and damageable parts were thoroughly 19 studied, after two types of random loads (seismic and ice load) were applied on the 20 21 structure. Through the research, the basic dynamic responses of umbrella suction 22 anchor foundation to different external loads have been made clear. The results of the

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