

**Math 2250**  
**Earthquake project**  
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Project 3. Please fill in all areas below marked ????? and solve problems 3.1 to 3.6. The problem headers:

- \_\_\_\_\_ PROBLEM 3.1. BUILDING MODEL FOR AN EARTHQUAKE.
- \_\_\_\_\_ PROBLEM 3.2. TABLE OF NATURAL FREQUENCIES AND PERIODS.
- \_\_\_\_\_ PROBLEM 3.3. UNDETERMINED COEFFICIENTS STEADY-STATE PERIODIC SOLUTION.
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**3.1. BUILDING MODEL FOR AN EARTHQUAKE.**

Refer to the textbook of Edwards-Penney, section 7.4, page 437. Consider a building with 7 floors.

Let the mass in slugs of each story be  $m=1000.0$  and let the spring constant be  $k=10000.0$  (lbs/foot). Define the 7 by 7 mass matrix  $M$  and Hooke's matrix  $K$  for this system and convert  $Mx''=Kx$  into the system  $x''=Ax$  where  $A$  is defined by textbook equation (1) , page 437.

**PROBLEM 3.1**

Find the eigenvalues of the matrix  $A$  to six digits, using the Maple command "eigenvals(A)." Justify in particular that all seven eigenvalues are negative by direct computation.

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# Sample Maple code for a model with 4 floors.  
# Use maple help to learn about augment, stackmatrix, diag, transpose, evalm.  
A1:=diag(-20,-20,-20,-10);  
A2:=augment(vector([0,0,0,0]),stackmatrix(diag(1,1,1),matrix([[0,0,0]]))):  
A3:=transpose(A2);  
A:=evalm(A1+10*A2+10*A3);  
evalf(eigenvals(A));
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[ > # Problem 3.1
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**3.2. TABLE OF NATURAL FREQUENCIES AND PERIODS.**

Refer to figure 7.4.17, page 437.

**PROBLEM 3.2.**

Find the natural angular frequencies  $\omega=\sqrt{-\lambda}$  for the seven story building and also the corresponding periods

$2\pi/\omega$ , accurate to six digits. Display the answers in a table .

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# Sample code for a 4x3 table.
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# Use maple help to learn about printf.
ev:=[-38.3,-33.4,-26.2,-17.9]: n:=4:
Omega:=lambda -> sqrt(-lambda):
format:="%10.6f %10.6f %10.6f\n":
seq(printf(format,ev[i],Omega(ev[i]),2*evalf(Pi)/Omega(ev[i])),i=1..n);
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[ > # Problem 3.2
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### 3.3. UNDETERMINED COEFFICIENTS STEADY-STATE PERIODIC SOLUTION.

Consider the forced equation  $x' = Ax + \cos(\omega t)b$  where  $b$  is a constant vector. The earthquake's ground vibration is accounted for by the extra term  $\cos(\omega t)b$ , which has period  $T = 2\pi/\omega$ .

The solution  $x(t)$  is the 7-vector of excursions from equilibrium of the corresponding 7 floors. Sought here is not the general solution, which certainly contains transient terms, but rather the steady-state periodic solution, which is known from the theory to have the form  $x(t) = \cos(\omega t)c$  for some vector  $c$  that depends only on  $A$  and  $b$ .

#### PROBLEM 3.3.

Define  $b := (1/4) * \omega * \omega * \text{vector}([1,1,1,1,1,1,1])$ : in Maple and find the vector  $c$  in the undetermined coefficients solution  $x(t) = \cos(\omega t)c$ . Vector  $c$  depends on  $\omega$ . As outlined in the textbook, vector  $c$  can be found by solving the linear algebra problem  $-\omega^2 c = Ac + b$ ; see page 433. Don't print  $c$ , as it is too complex; instead, print  $c[1]$  as an illustration.

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# Sample code for defining b and A, then solving for c in the 4-floor case.
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w:='w':
b:=0.25*w*w*vector([1,1,1,1]):
A1:=diag(-20,-20,-20,-10):
A2:=augment(vector([0,0,0,0]),stackmatrix(diag(1,1,1),matrix([[0,0,0]]))):
A:=evalm(A1+10*A2+10*transpose(A2));
c:=linsolve(evalm(A+w*w*diag(1,1,1,1)),-b):
evalf(c[1]);
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[ > # PROBLEM 3.3
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### 3.4 PRACTICAL RESONANCE.

Consider the forced equation  $x' = Ax + \cos(\omega t)b$  of 3.3 above with  $b := 0.25 * \omega * \omega * \text{vector}([1,1,1,1,1,1,1])$ . Practical resonance can occur if a component of  $x(t)$  has large amplitude compared to the vector norm of  $b$ . For example, an earthquake might cause a small 3-inch excursion on level ground, but the building's floors might have 50-inch excursions, enough to destroy the building.

#### PROBLEM 3.4.

Let  $\text{Max}(c)$  denote the maximum modulus of the components of vector  $c$ . Plot  $g(T) = \text{Max}(c(\omega))$  with  $\omega = T/(2 * \pi)$

for periods  $T=0$  to  $T=6$ , ordinates  $\text{Max}=0$  to  $\text{Max}=10$ , the vector  $c(\omega)$  being the answer produced in 3.3 above.

Compare your figure to the textbook Figure 7.4.18, page 438.

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# Sample maple code to define the function Max(c), 4-floor building.
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# Use maple help to learn about "norm."
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with(linalg):
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Max:= c -> norm(c,infinity);
B:=w*w*diag(1,1,1,1): b:=0.25*w*w*vector([1,1,1,1]):
C:=ww -> subs(w=ww,linsolve(evalm(A+B),-b)):
plot(Max(C(2*Pi/r)),r=0..6,0..10);

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[ > # PROBLEM 3.4
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### 3.5. EARTHQUAKE DAMAGE.

The maximum amplitude plot of 3.4 can be used to detect the likelihood of earthquake damage for a given ground vibration of period  $T$ . A ground vibration  $(1/4)\cos(\omega t)$ ,  $T=2\pi/\omega$ , will be assumed, as in 3.4.

#### PROBLEM 3.5.

Replot the amplitudes in 3.4 for periods 0 to 6 and amplitudes 5 to 10. Determine approximate ranges for the period  $T$  such that some floor in the building will undergo excursions from equilibrium in excess of 5 feet.

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[ > # PROBLEM 3.5
[ > # Plot it.
[ > # Print period ranges ???

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### 3.6. THREE FLOORS.

Consider a building with only three floors each weighing 20 tons. Assume each floor corresponds to a restoring Hooke's force with constant  $k=4$  tons/foot. Assume that ground vibrations from the earthquake are modeled by  $(1/4)\cos(\omega t)$  with period  $T=2\pi/\omega$  (same as the 7-floor model above).

#### PROBLEM 3.6.

Model the 3-floor problem in Maple. Plot the maximum amplitudes against the period 0 to 6 and amplitude 4 to 10. Determine from the graphic the period ranges which cause the amplitude plot to spike above 4 feet.

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[ > # PROBLEM 3.6
[ > # Define k=??? and m=???, then matrix A=???.
[ > # Amplitude plot for T=0..6,C=4..10
[ > # From the graphics, T-ranges are ???
[   # which give amplitude spikes above 4 feet. These are
[   # determined by mouse-clicks on the graph, so they
[   # are approximate values only.
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