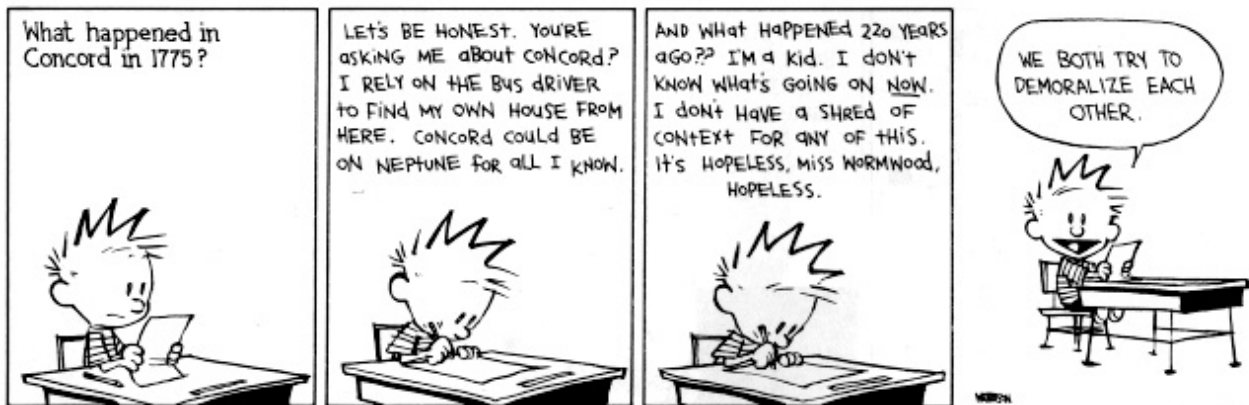


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ME161 Midterm. Tuesday October 26, 2004 1:15-2:45 p.m.

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- Print your name and sign the honor code statement
- You may use your course notes, homework, books, etc.
- Write your answers on this handout
- Where space is provided, show your work to get full credit
- If necessary, attach extra pages for scratch work

Problem	Value	Score
1	26	
2	38	
3	36	
Total	100	

**Midterm.1 (26 pts.) True/False, Multiple Choice, Definitions, etc.**

- (a) **(1 pt.)** Formulas involving *subtraction*, e.g.,  $\cos(a-b) = \cos(a)\cos(b) - \sin(a)\sin(b)$ , can always be derived using *negation* and *addition*, e.g.,  $\cos(a+-b) = \cos(a)\cos(-b) + \sin(a)\sin(-b)$ . **True/False**. If your answer is false, provide a counter-example.
- (b) **(2 pts.)** For all values of  $x$  on your calculator,  $\sqrt{x^2} = x$ . **True/False**. If your answer is false, provide a counter-example.
- (c) **(3 pts.)** Write the following expression in terms of the sine and cosine function.

$$e^{(-3+5i)*t} =$$

(d) (5 pts.) Put the following function into amplitude/phase form by filling in the blanks.

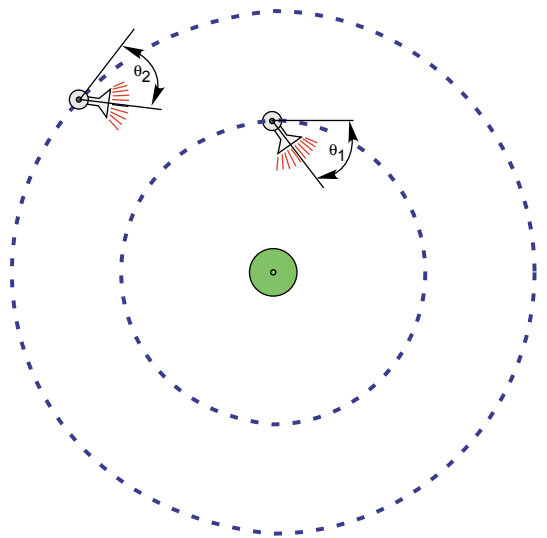
$$3*\sin(2t) - 4*\cos(2t + \frac{\pi}{3}) = \quad * \cos(2t + \quad )$$

(e) (5 pts.) **Minimum fuel-use orbit transfer**

To thrust a satellite from low circular orbit about Earth to a higher circular orbit, an impulse is provided at two instants. The first impulse can be directed radially outward, tangent to the satellite's circular orbit, or directed at some angle  $\theta_1$  from the satellite's orbital tangent. The second impulse is applied at apogee (when the satellite is furthest from Earth) and is directed at an angle  $\theta_2$  from the orbital tangent.

The first impulse puts the satellite into an elliptical orbit and the second changes the orbit from elliptical to circular.

Using your engineering insights, provide values for  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  that minimize the amount of fuel required for this orbital transfer. Explain your reason for choosing these values.



**Result:**

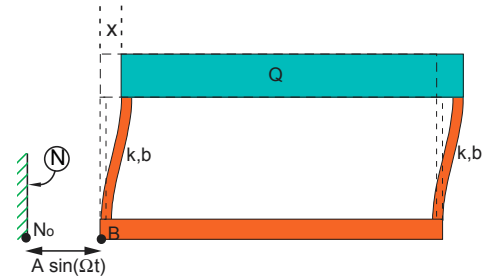
$$\theta_1 = \quad^\circ \quad \theta_2 = \quad^\circ$$

**Reason:**

(f) (10 pts.) **Dynamic response of a building in an earthquake**

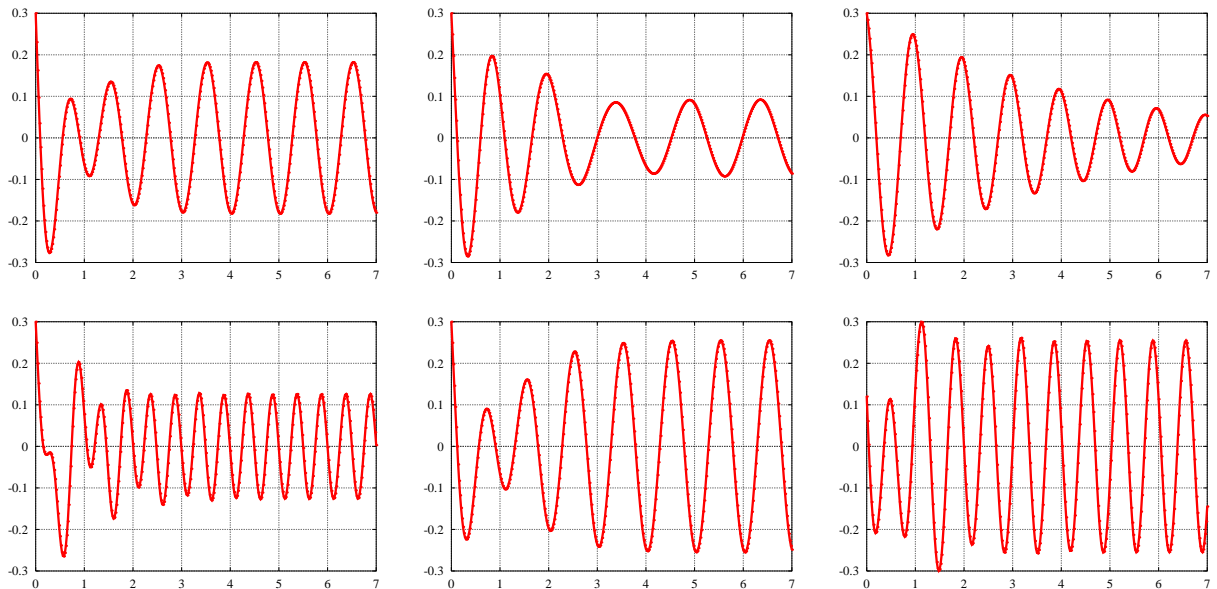
The base of a building vibrates because of an earthquake. The earth's horizontal motion is modeled as  $A \sin(\Omega t)$  where  $A$  is the magnitude of the ground motion and  $\Omega$  is the earthquake's frequency. The equation governing the horizontal displacement  $x$  of the building's roof is

$$\ddot{x} + 2.4 \dot{x} + 36 x = 0.1 \Omega^2 \sin(\Omega t)$$



(5 pts.) Circle the graph of  $x(t)$  that corresponds to  $\Omega = 1 \text{ Hz} = 6.2832 \text{ rad/sec}$ .

(5 pts.) Explain:



Midterm.2 (38 pts.) System response

- (a) (2 pts.) Circle all the phrases that describe a pole at the origin of the complex plane.

Stable	Neutrally stable	Unstable	Slow	Fast
Grow	Constant amplitude	Decay	Oscillatory	Damped

- (b) (2 pts.) As a pole moves away from the imaginary axis to the left, it is more (circle all that apply)

Stable	Neutrally stable	Unstable	Slow	Fast
Grow	Constant amplitude	Decay	Oscillatory	Damped

- (c) (2 pts.) As a pole moves away from the imaginary axis to the right, it is more

Stable	Neutrally stable	Unstable	Slow	Fast
Grow	Constant amplitude	Decay	Oscillatory	Damped

- (d) (2 pts.) As a pole moves away (up or down) from the real axis, it is more

Stable	Neutrally stable	Unstable	Slow	Fast
Grow	Constant amplitude	Decay	Oscillatory	Damped

- (e) (2 pts.) As a pole moves away from the origin (in any direction), it is more

Stable	Neutrally stable	Unstable	Slow	Fast
Grow	Constant amplitude	Decay	Oscillatory	Damped

- (f) (2 pts.) A pole at  $0.2 + 0.1*i$  is

Stable	Neutrally stable	Unstable	Slow	Fast
Grow	Constant amplitude	Decay	Oscillatory	Damped

- (g) (2 pts.) A pole at  $-2 + 30*i$  is

Stable	Neutrally stable	Unstable	Slow	Fast
Grow	Constant amplitude	Decay	Oscillatory	Damped

- (h) (24 pts.) Consider the following ODEs and answer the questions about  $y(t)$  with A, B, or C.

**A**  $\ddot{y} + 6\dot{y} + 16y = 0$

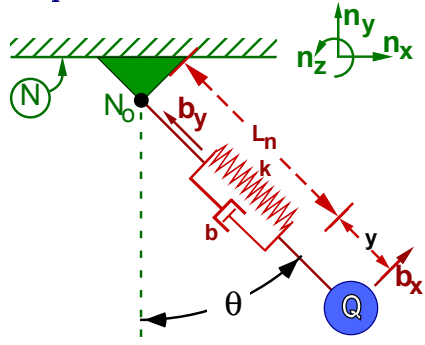
**B**  $\ddot{y} + 3.2\dot{y} + 4y = 0$

**C**  $\ddot{y} + 1.6\dot{y} + 4y = 0$

Largest natural frequency $\omega_n$	
Largest damping ratio $\zeta$	
Smallest damped natural frequency $\omega_d$	
Longest time to damp out	
Jiggles (oscillates) the fastest	
Settles the fastest	
Fastest peak time	
Largest maximum overshoot	
Largest decay ratio	
Smallest decay ratio	
Most stable	
Least stable	

**Midterm.3 (36 pts.) Equations of motion for a swinging spring-damper**

A straight, massless, spring-damper connects a particle  $Q$  to a point  $N_o$  which is fixed in a Newtonian reference frame  $N$ . Right-handed orthogonal unit vectors  $\mathbf{n}_x, \mathbf{n}_y, \mathbf{n}_z$  are fixed in  $N$  with  $\mathbf{n}_x$  directed horizontally to the right,  $\mathbf{n}_y$  vertically upward, and  $\mathbf{n}_z$  perpendicular to the plane in which  $Q$  moves in  $N$ . Right-handed orthogonal unit vectors  $\mathbf{b}_x, \mathbf{b}_y, \mathbf{b}_z$  are fixed in a reference frame  $B$  with  $\mathbf{b}_y$  directed from  $Q$  to  $N_o$  and  $\mathbf{b}_z = \mathbf{n}_z$ .



Other relevant identifiers are shown in the following table.

Quantity	Identifier	Type
Local gravitational constant	$g$	constant
Mass of $Q$	$m$	constant
Natural spring length	$L_n$	constant
Linear spring constant	$k$	constant
Linear damping constant	$b$	constant
Aerodynamic dynamic	$b_{air}$	constant
Spring stretch	$y$	dependent variable
Angle between $\mathbf{n}_y$ and $\mathbf{b}_y$	$\theta$	dependent variable
Time	$t$	independent variable

${}^bR^n$	$\mathbf{n}_x$	$\mathbf{n}_y$	$\mathbf{n}_z$
$\mathbf{b}_x$			
$\mathbf{b}_y$			
$\mathbf{b}_z$			

- (a) (8 pts.) Complete the previous rotation table  ${}^bR^n$ . Find the angular velocity and angular acceleration of  $B$  in  $N$  and express them in terms of  $\mathbf{b}_x, \mathbf{b}_y, \mathbf{b}_z$ .  
**Result:**

$${}^N\boldsymbol{\omega}^B = \quad \quad \quad {}^N\boldsymbol{\alpha}^B =$$

- (b) (12 pts.) Find the position vector of  $Q$  from  $N_o$  and the velocity and acceleration of  $Q$  in  $N$ .  
**Result:**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{r}^{Q/N_o} &= \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{b}_x + \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{b}_y \\ {}^N\mathbf{v}^Q &= \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{b}_x + \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{b}_y \\ {}^N\mathbf{a}^Q &= \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{b}_x + \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{b}_y \end{aligned}$$

- (c) **(6 pts.)** Find  $\mathbf{F}^Q$ , the resultant of all *contact* and *distance* forces on  $Q$ . Model the aerodynamic damping force on  $Q$  with  $-b_{air} ({}^N\mathbf{v}^Q \cdot \mathbf{b}_x) \mathbf{b}_x$ .

**Result:**

$$\mathbf{F}^Q = \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{n}_y + \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{b}_x + \quad \quad \quad \mathbf{b}_y$$

- (d) **(4 pts.)** After using Newton's law to form a vector equation of motion for  $Q$  in  $N$ , form scalar equations of motion by dot-multiplying with  $\mathbf{b}_x$  and  $\mathbf{b}_y$ .

**Result:**

- (e) **(4 pts.)** Classify the previous equations by picking the relevant qualifiers from the list below.

Uncoupled	Linear	Homogeneous	Constant-coefficient	1st-order	Algebraic
Coupled	Nonlinear	Inhomogeneous	Variable-coefficient	2nd-order	Differential

- (f) **(2 pts.)** In a sentence, describe how the previous equations are solved to find  $\theta(t)$  and  $y(t)$ .

**Result:**