

# Matrix Iteration

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Dynamic analysis of *MDOF* systems based on modal superposition is both simple and efficient

- ▶ simple: the modal response can be easily computed, analytically or numerically, with the techniques we have seen for *SDOF* systems,
- ▶ efficient: in most cases, only the modal responses of a few lower modes are required to accurately describe the structural response.

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We will discuss how it is possible to compute the eigenpairs of arbitrary dynamic systems using the so called *Matrix Iterations* procedure and a number of variations derived from this fundamental idea.

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In equilibrium terms, the elastic forces are equal to the inertial forces when the systems oscillates with frequency  $\omega_j$  and mode shape  $\boldsymbol{\psi}_j$

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In the generative equation above we miss a fundamental part, the square of the free vibration frequency  $\omega_i^2$ .

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Of course the division of two vectors is not an option, so we want to twist it into something useful.

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(if memory helps, this is equivalent to the  $R_{11}$  approximation, that we introduced studying Rayleigh quotient refinements).

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2. The inertial forces, assuming that the system is vibrating according to the fundamental frequency, are

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{f}_{l,n=0} &= \omega_1^2 \mathbf{M} (\boldsymbol{\psi}_1 q_{1,0} + \boldsymbol{\psi}_2 q_{2,0} + \boldsymbol{\psi}_3 q_{3,0} + \dots) \\ &= \mathbf{M} \left( \omega_1^2 \boldsymbol{\psi}_1 q_{1,0} \frac{\omega_1^2}{\omega_1^2} + \omega_2^2 \boldsymbol{\psi}_2 q_{2,0} \frac{\omega_1^2}{\omega_2^2} + \dots \right). \end{aligned}$$

3. The deflections due to these forces (no hat!, we have multiplied by  $\omega_1^2$ ) are

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4. Using  $\omega_j^2 \mathbf{M} \boldsymbol{\psi}_j = \mathbf{K} \boldsymbol{\psi}_j$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{x}_{n=1} &= \mathbf{K}^{-1} \left( \mathbf{K} \boldsymbol{\psi}_1 q_{1,0} \frac{\omega_1^2}{\omega_1^2} + \mathbf{K} \boldsymbol{\psi}_2 q_{2,0} \frac{\omega_1^2}{\omega_2^2} + \mathbf{K} \boldsymbol{\psi}_3 q_{3,0} \frac{\omega_1^2}{\omega_3^2} + \dots \right) \\ &= \boldsymbol{\psi}_1 q_{1,0} \frac{\omega_1^2}{\omega_1^2} + \boldsymbol{\psi}_2 q_{2,0} \frac{\omega_1^2}{\omega_2^2} + \boldsymbol{\psi}_3 q_{3,0} \frac{\omega_1^2}{\omega_3^2} + \dots \end{aligned}$$

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6. repeating the procedure for  $n$  times starting from  $\mathbf{x}_0$ , we have

$$\mathbf{x}_n = \boldsymbol{\psi}_1 q_{1,0} \left( \frac{\omega_1^2}{\omega_1^2} \right)^n + \boldsymbol{\psi}_2 q_{2,0} \left( \frac{\omega_1^2}{\omega_2^2} \right)^n + \boldsymbol{\psi}_3 q_{3,0} \left( \frac{\omega_1^2}{\omega_3^2} \right)^n + \dots$$

Going to the limit,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{x}_n = \boldsymbol{\psi}_1 q_{1,0}$$

because

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{\omega_1^2}{\omega_j^2} \right)^n = \delta_{1j}$$

Consequently,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|\mathbf{x}_n|}{|\hat{\mathbf{x}}_n|} = \omega_1^2$$

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# Purified Vectors

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and premultiply by the (known)  $\boldsymbol{\psi}_1^T \mathbf{M}$ :

$$\boldsymbol{\psi}_1^T \mathbf{M} \mathbf{x}_{n=0} = M_1 q_{1,n=0}$$

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Knowing the amplitude of the 1st modal contribution to  $\mathbf{x}_{n=0}$  we can write a *purified* vector,

$$\mathbf{y}_{n=0} = \mathbf{x}_{n=0} - \boldsymbol{\psi}_1 q_{1,n=0}.$$

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# Convergence (?)

It is easy to demonstrate that using  $\mathbf{y}_{n=0}$  as our starting vector

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Due to numerical errors in the determination of fundamental mode and in the procedure itself, using a plain matrix iteration the procedure however converges to the 1st eigenvector, so to preserve convergence to the 2nd mode it is necessary that the iterated vector  $\mathbf{y}_n$  is *purified* at each step  $n$ .

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This is known as *matrix iteration with sweeps*.

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Using again the idea of purifying the iterated vector, starting with the knowledge of the first and the second eigenpair,

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The conclusion is that the sweeping matrix and the modified dynamic matrix to be used to compute the 3rd eigenvector are

$$\mathbf{S}_2 = \mathbf{S}_1 - \frac{1}{M_2} \boldsymbol{\psi}_2 \boldsymbol{\psi}_2^T \mathbf{M}, \quad \mathbf{D}_3 = \mathbf{D} \mathbf{S}_2.$$

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# Generalization to Higher Modes

The results obtained for the third mode are easily generalised. It is easy to verify that the following procedure can be used to compute all the modes.

Define  $\mathbf{S}_0 = \mathbf{I}$ , let  $i = 1$ ,

1. compute the modified dynamic matrix to be used for mode  $i$ ,

$$\mathbf{D}_i = \mathbf{D}\mathbf{S}_{i-1}$$

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# Generalization to Higher Modes

The results obtained for the third mode are easily generalised. It is easy to verify that the following procedure can be used to compute all the modes.

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Well, we finally have a method that can be used to compute all the eigenpairs of our dynamic problems, full circle!

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The method of matrix iteration with sweeping is not used in production because

1.  $\mathbf{D}$  is a full matrix, even if  $\mathbf{M}$  and  $\mathbf{K}$  are banded matrices, and the matrix product that is the essential step in every iteration is computationally onerous,
2. the procedure is however affected by numerical errors.

While it is possible to compute all the eigenvectors and eigenvalues of a large problem using our iterative procedure, we can first optimize our procedure and later seek for different, more efficient iterative procedures.

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# Definition of $LU$ decomposition

Every symmetric, banded matrix can be subjected to a so called  $LU$  decomposition, that is, for  $\mathbf{K}$  we write

$$\mathbf{K} = \mathbf{L}\mathbf{U}$$

where  $\mathbf{L}$  and  $\mathbf{U}$  are, respectively, a lower- and an upper-banded matrix.

If we denote with  $b$  the **bandwidth** of  $\mathbf{K}$ , we have

$$\mathbf{L} = [l_{ij}] \quad \text{with } l_{ij} \equiv 0 \text{ for } \begin{cases} i < j \\ j < i - b \end{cases}$$

and

$$\mathbf{U} = [u_{ij}] \quad \text{with } u_{ij} \equiv 0 \text{ for } \begin{cases} i > j \\ j > i + b \end{cases}$$



# Twice the equations?

In this case, with  $\mathbf{w}_n = \mathbf{M} \mathbf{x}_n$ , the recursion can be written

$$\mathbf{L} \mathbf{U} \mathbf{x}_{n+1} = \mathbf{w}_n$$

or as a system of equations,

$$\mathbf{U} \mathbf{x}_{n+1} = \mathbf{z}_{n+1}$$

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Apparently, we have doubled the number of unknowns, but the  $z_j$ 's can be easily computed by the procedure of *back substitution*.

Temporarily dropping the  $n$  and  $n + 1$  subscripts, we can write

$$z_1 = (w_1)/l_{11}$$

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Inverse iteration can be applied to each step of matrix iteration with sweeps, or to each step of a different procedure intended to compute all the eigenpairs, the *matrix iteration with shifts*.

If we write

$$\omega_i^2 = \mu + \lambda_i,$$

where  $\mu$  is a *shift* and  $\lambda_i$  is a *shifted eigenvalue*, the eigenvalue problem can be formulated as

$$\mathbf{K} \boldsymbol{\psi}_i = (\mu + \lambda_i) \mathbf{M} \boldsymbol{\psi}_i$$

or

$$(\mathbf{K} - \mu \mathbf{M}) \boldsymbol{\psi}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{M} \boldsymbol{\psi}_i.$$

If we introduce a modified stiffness matrix

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we recognize that we have a *new* problem, that has *exactly* the same eigenvectors and *shifted* eigenvalues,

$$\bar{\mathbf{K}} \boldsymbol{\phi}_i = \lambda_i \mathbf{M} \boldsymbol{\phi}_i,$$

where

$$\boldsymbol{\phi}_i = \boldsymbol{\psi}_i, \quad \lambda_i = \omega_i^2 - \mu.$$

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The shifted eigenproblem can be solved, e.g., by matrix iteration and the procedure will converge to the *smallest absolute value* shifted eigenvalue and to the associated eigenvector. After convergence is reached,

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$$\lambda_{i,n+1} = \frac{\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{n+1}^T \mathbf{M} \mathbf{x}_n}{\hat{\mathbf{x}}_{n+1}^T \mathbf{M} \hat{\mathbf{x}}_n},$$

to improve the modified stiffness matrix to be used in the following iterations,

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equating the maxima, we have

$$\omega^2 = \frac{\boldsymbol{\phi}^T \mathbf{K} \boldsymbol{\phi}}{\boldsymbol{\phi}^T \mathbf{M} \boldsymbol{\phi}} = \frac{k^*}{m^*}.$$

Take note that  $\boldsymbol{\phi}$  is an assumed shape vector, not an eigenvector.

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For a  $N$  DOF system, an *approximation* to a displacement vector  $\mathbf{x}$  can be written in terms of a set of  $M < N$  assumed shape, linearly independent vectors,

$$\boldsymbol{\phi}_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, M < N$$

and a set of *Ritz coordinates*  $z_i, i = 1, \dots, M < N$ :

$$\mathbf{x} = \sum_i \boldsymbol{\phi}_i z_i = \boldsymbol{\Phi} \mathbf{z}.$$

We say *approximation* because a linear combination of  $M < N$  vectors cannot describe every point in a  $N$ -space.

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We can write the Rayleigh quotient as a function of the Ritz coordinates,

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$$\frac{\partial \omega^2(\mathbf{z})}{\partial z_j} = \frac{\bar{m}(\mathbf{z}) \frac{\partial \bar{k}(\mathbf{z})}{\partial z_j} - \bar{k}(\mathbf{z}) \frac{\partial \bar{m}(\mathbf{z})}{\partial z_j}}{(\bar{m}(\mathbf{z}))^2} = 0, \quad \text{for } i = 1, \dots, M < N$$

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Substituting these results in  $\frac{\partial \bar{k}(\mathbf{z})}{\partial z_i} - \omega^2(\mathbf{z}) \frac{\partial \bar{m}(\mathbf{z})}{\partial z_i} = 0$  we can write a *new homogeneous system* in the Ritz coordinates, whose non trivial solutions are the solutions of a *reduced eigenvector problem* in the  $M$  DOF Ritz coordinates space, with reduced  $M \times M$  matrices:

$$\bar{\mathbf{K}} \mathbf{z} - \omega^2 \bar{\mathbf{M}} \mathbf{z} = \mathbf{0}.$$

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After solving the reduced eigenproblem, we have a set of  $M$  eigenvalues  $\bar{\omega}_i^2$  and a corresponding set of  $M$  eigenvectors  $\bar{\mathbf{z}}_i$ . What is the relation between these results and the eigenpairs of the original problem?

The  $\bar{\omega}_i^2$  clearly are approximations from above to the real eigenvalues, and if we write  $\bar{\boldsymbol{\psi}}_i = \boldsymbol{\Phi} \bar{\mathbf{z}}_i$  we see that, being

$$\bar{\boldsymbol{\psi}}_i^T \mathbf{M} \bar{\boldsymbol{\psi}}_j = \bar{\mathbf{z}}_i^T \underbrace{\boldsymbol{\Phi}^T \mathbf{M} \boldsymbol{\Phi}}_{\bar{\mathbf{M}}} \bar{\mathbf{z}}_j = \bar{M}_i \delta_{ij},$$

the approximated eigenvectors  $\bar{\boldsymbol{\psi}}_i$  are orthogonal with respect to the structural matrices and can be used in ordinary modal superposition techniques.

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One last question: how many  $\bar{\omega}_i^2$  and  $\bar{\psi}_i$  are *effective* approximations to the true eigenpairs? Experience tells that an effective approximation is to be expected for the first  $M/2$  eigenthings.

If we collect all the eigenvalues into a diagonal matrix  $\mathbf{\Lambda}$ , we can write the following equation,

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where every matrix is a square,  $N \times N$  matrix.

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Should we proceed naively down this road, though, all the columns in  $\Phi_n$  would converge to the first eigenvector, subspace iteration being only an expensive manner of applying matrix iteration without sweeps or shifts...

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Different options that comes to mind:

1. force all step  $n$  non-normalized vectors to be orthogonal with respect to  $\mathbf{M}$ , difficult, essentially we have to solve an eigenvalue problem...
2. use the step  $n$  non-normalized vectors as a reduced base for the Rayleigh-Ritz procedure, solve an eigenvalue problem

$$\bar{\mathbf{K}}_n = \hat{\Phi}_n^T \mathbf{K} \hat{\Phi}_n = \hat{\Phi}_n^T \mathbf{M} \Phi_{n-1}$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{M}}_n = \hat{\Phi}_n^T \mathbf{M} \hat{\Phi}_n$$

$$\bar{\mathbf{K}}_n \bar{\mathbf{Z}}_n = \bar{\mathbf{M}}_n \bar{\mathbf{Z}}_n \bar{\Lambda}_n$$

whose outcome  $\bar{\Lambda}_n, \bar{\mathbf{Z}}_n$  is correlated to the structural eigenvalues, and use the normalized  $\bar{\mathbf{Z}}_n$  eigenvectors as the normalized, un-hatted  $\Phi_n$ .

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The second procedure is exactly what we want: we use  $\bar{\mathbf{Z}}$  to start an iteration that will lead to a new set of base vectors that, being computed from the equation of dynamic equilibrium, will be a *better* base for the successive estimation of the eigenvectors, a new *subspace* where the eigenvectors can be more closely approximated.

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The procedure converges very fast and with excellent approximation to a number of eigenvalues and eigenvector  $p$ ,  $p = M - q$  where  $q$  is the number of required *guard* eigenpairs.

Experience shows that we can safely use  $q = \min\{p, 8\}$ .