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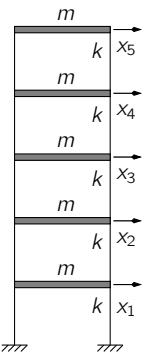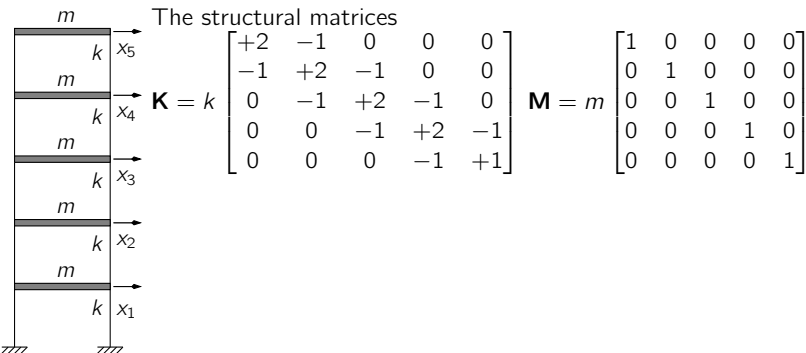
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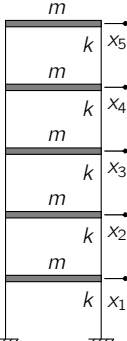# RR Example

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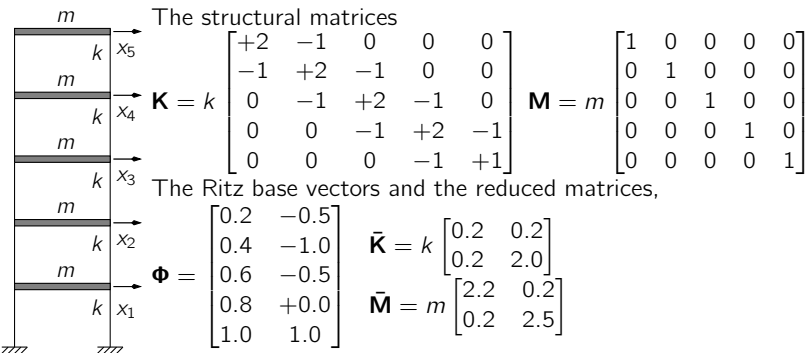
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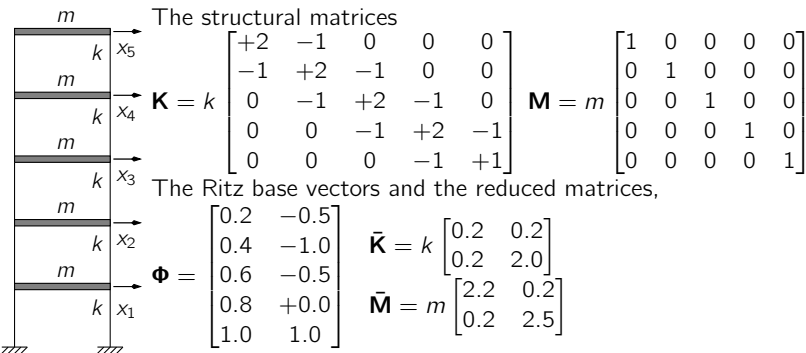
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The roots are $\rho_1 = 0.0824$, $\rho_2 = 0.800$, the frequencies are $\omega_1 = 0.287\sqrt{k/m} \, [= 0.285]$, $\omega_2 = 0.850\sqrt{k/m} \, [= 0.831]$, while the k/m normalized exact eigenvalues are $[0.08101405, 0.69027853]$.
The first eigenvalue is estimated with good approximation.

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It may be interesting to use $\hat{\mathbf{\Phi}} = \mathbf{K}^{-1}\mathbf{M}\,\mathbf{\Phi}$ as a new Ritz base to get a new estimate of the Ritz and of the structural eigenpairs.

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If one thinks of it, with a $M = 1$ base we could nevertheless
compute within arbitrary accuracy one eigenvector using
Matrix Iteration, isn't it? the trick is changing the base at
every iteration...

It happens that Matrix Iteration can be applied to a set of
trial vectors at once, under the name of *Subspace Iteration*.

Statement of the procedure

The first M eigenvalue equations can be written in matrix algebra, in terms of an $N \times M$ matrix of eigenvectors $\mathbf{\Phi}$ and an $M \times M$ diagonal matrix $\mathbf{\Lambda}$ that collects the eigenvalues

$$\underset{N \times N}{\mathbf{K}} \ \underset{N \times M}{\mathbf{\Phi}} = \underset{N \times N}{\mathbf{M}} \ \underset{N \times M}{\mathbf{\Phi}} \ \underset{M \times M}{\mathbf{\Lambda}}$$

Using again the hat notation for the unnormalized iterate, from the previous equation we can write

$$\mathbf{K}\hat{\mathbf{\Phi}}_1 = \mathbf{M}\mathbf{\Phi}_0$$

where $\mathbf{\Phi}_0$ is the matrix, $N \times M$, of the zero order trial vectors, and $\hat{\mathbf{\Phi}}_1$ is the matrix of the non-normalized first order trial vectors.

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These operations can be performed in different ways (e.g., ortho-normalization by Gram-Schmidt[1] procedure).
Another possibility to do both at once is solving a Rayleigh-Ritz eigenvalue problem, defined in the Ritz base constituted by the vectors in $\hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_{n+1}$.

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Associated Eigenvalue Problem

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Developing the procedure for $n = 0$, with the generalized matrices

$$\mathbf{K}_1^\star = \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_1{}^T \mathbf{K} \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_1$$

and

$$\mathbf{M}_1^\star = \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_1{}^T \mathbf{M} \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_1$$

the Rayleigh-Ritz eigenvalue problem associated with the orthonormalisation of $\hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_1$ is

$$\mathbf{K}_1^\star \hat{\mathbf{Z}}_1 = \mathbf{M}_1^\star \hat{\mathbf{Z}}_1 \boldsymbol{\Omega}_1^2.$$

After solving for the Ritz coordinates mode shapes, $\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_1$ and the frequencies $\boldsymbol{\Omega}_1^2$, using any suitable procedure, it is usually convenient to normalize the shapes, so that $\hat{\mathbf{Z}}_1{}^T \mathbf{M}_1^\star \hat{\mathbf{Z}}_1 = \mathbf{I}$. The ortho-normalized set of trial vectors at the end of the iteration is then written as

$$\boldsymbol{\Phi}_1 = \hat{\boldsymbol{\Phi}}_1 \hat{\mathbf{Z}}_1.$$

The entire process can be repeated for $n = 1$, then $n = 2$, $n = \dots$ until the eigenvalues converge within a prescribed tolerance.

Convergence

In principle, the procedure will converge to all the M lower eigenvalues and eigenvectors of the structural problem, but it was found that the subspace iteration method converges faster to the lower p eigenpairs, those required for dynamic analysis, if there is some additional trial vector; on the other hand, too many additional trial vectors slow down the computation without ulterior benefits.

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The subspace iteration method makes it possible to compute simultaneosly a set of eigenpairs within any required level of approximation, and is the preferred method to compute the eigenpairs of a complex dynamic system.

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In algebra textbooks, the eigenproblem is usually stated as

$$\mathbf{A}\,\mathbf{y} = \lambda\mathbf{y}$$

and all the relevant algorithms to actually compute the eigenthings
(Jacobi method, $\mathbf{Q}\,\mathbf{R}$ method, etc) are referred to the above
statement of the problem.
Our problem is, instead, formulated as

$$\mathbf{K}\,\mathbf{x} = \lambda\mathbf{M}\,\mathbf{x}.$$

Any symmetric, definite positive matrix $\mathbf{B}$ can be subjected to a unique
Choleski Decomposition (CD), $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{L}\,\mathbf{L}^T$ where $\mathbf{L}$ is a lower triangular
matrix. Applying CD to $\mathbf{M}$, the eigenvector equation is,

$$\mathbf{K}\,\mathbf{x} = \mathbf{K}\,\underbrace{(\mathbf{L}^T)^{-1}\mathbf{L}^T}_{\mathbf{I}}\,\mathbf{x} = \lambda\,\underbrace{\mathbf{L}\,\mathbf{L}^T}_{\mathbf{M}}\mathbf{x}.$$

Premultiplying by $\mathbf{L}^{-1}$, with $\mathbf{y} = \mathbf{L}^T\mathbf{x}$

$$\underbrace{\mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{K}(\mathbf{L}^T)^{-1}}_{\mathbf{A}}\underbrace{\mathbf{L}^T\mathbf{x}}_{\mathbf{y}} = \lambda\,\underbrace{\mathbf{L}^{-1}\mathbf{L}}_{\mathbf{I}}\underbrace{\mathbf{L}^T\mathbf{x}}_{\mathbf{y}} \qquad \rightarrow \qquad \mathbf{A}\mathbf{y} = \lambda\mathbf{y}.$$

How Many Eigenvectors

are needed to correctly represent the response of a MDOF
system to a time-varying load?

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To understand how many eigenvectors we have to use in a dynamic analysis, we must consider two aspects, the loading shape and the excitation frequency.

In the following, we'll consider *only* external loadings whose dependance on time and space can be separated, as in

$$\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{r}\, f(t),$$

so that we can discuss separately the two aspects of the problem.

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It is worth noting that earthquake loadings are precisely of this type:

$$\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}, t) = \mathbf{M}\tilde{\mathbf{r}}\,\ddot{u}_{\mathrm{g}}(t)$$

where the vector $\tilde{\mathbf{r}}$ is used to choose the structural dof's that are *excited* by the ground motion component under consideration.

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Multiplication of $\mathbf{M}$ by g (the acceleration of gravity) and division of $\ddot{u}_g$ by g, serves to show a dimensional load vector multiplied by an adimensional function.

$$\mathbf{p}(\mathbf{x}, t) = g\,\mathbf{M}\tilde{\mathbf{r}}\,\frac{\ddot{u}_g(t)}{g}$$
$$= \mathbf{r}^g f_g(t)$$

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with the modal mass $M_i = \boldsymbol{\psi}_i^T \mathbf{M}\boldsymbol{\psi}_i$.

It is apparent that the modal response amplitude depends

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Note that both the definitions of modal partecipation give it the dimensions of an acceleration.

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For a given loading $\mathbf{r}$ the modal partecipation factor Γ_i is proportional to the work done by the modal displacement $q_i\boldsymbol{\psi}_i^T$ for the given loading $\mathbf{r}$:
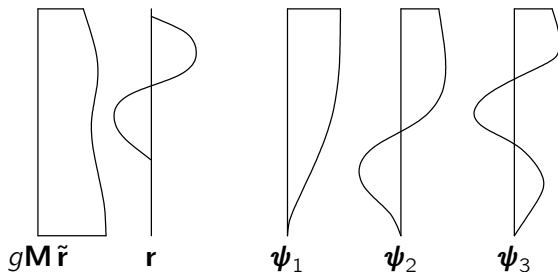
► if the mode shape and the loading shape are approximately equal (equal signs, component by component), the work (dot product) is maximized,

► if the mode shape is significantly different from the loading (different signs), there is some amount of cancellation and the value of the Γ's will be reduced.

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Consider a shear type building, with mass distribution approximately constant over its height:

$$\tilde{\mathbf{r}} = \{1, 1, \ldots, 1\}^T \quad \text{and} \quad g\,\mathbf{M}\tilde{\mathbf{r}} \approx mg\{1, 1, \ldots, 1\}^T.$$

an external loading and the first 3 eigenvectors as sketched below:

$g\mathbf{M}\,\tilde{\mathbf{r}} \qquad \mathbf{r} \qquad\qquad \boldsymbol{\psi}_1 \qquad \boldsymbol{\psi}_2 \qquad \boldsymbol{\psi}_3$

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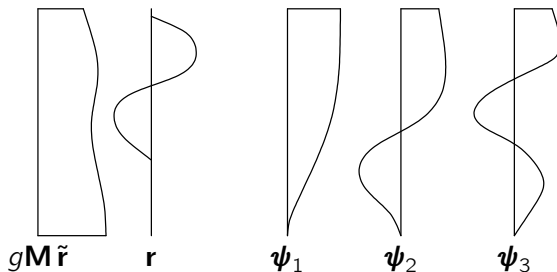
For *EQ* loading, Γ_1 is relatively large for the first mode, as loading components and displacements have the same sign, with respect to other Γ_i's, where the oscillating nature of the higher eigenvectors will lead to increasing cancellation. On the other hand, consider the external loading, whose peculiar shape is similar to the 3rd mode. Γ_3 will be more relevant than Γ_i's for lower or higher modes.

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We define the modal load contribution as

$$\mathbf{r}_i = \mathbf{M}\,\boldsymbol{\psi}_i a_i$$

and express the load vector as a linear combination of the modal contributions

$$\mathbf{r} = \sum_i \mathbf{M}\,\boldsymbol{\psi}_i a_i = \sum_i \mathbf{r}_i.$$

If we premultiply by $\boldsymbol{\psi}_j^T$ the above equation,

$$\boldsymbol{\psi}_j^T \mathbf{r} = \boldsymbol{\psi}_j^T \sum_i \mathbf{M}\,\boldsymbol{\psi}_i a_i = \sum_i \delta_{ij} M_i a_i = M_j a_j$$

1. a modal load component works *only* for the displacements associated with the corresponding eigenvector,
2. comparing with the definition of $\Gamma_i = \boldsymbol{\psi}_i^T \mathbf{r}/M_i$, we conclude that

$$\mathbf{r}_i = \mathbf{M}\,\boldsymbol{\psi}_i \Gamma_i$$

$$\mathbf{R} = \mathbf{M}\,\boldsymbol{\Psi}\,\mathrm{diag}(\boldsymbol{\Gamma})$$

Equivalent Static Forces

For mode i, the equation of motion is

$$\ddot{q}_i + 2\zeta_i\omega_i\dot{q}_i + \omega_i^2 q_i = \Gamma_i f(t)$$

with $q_i = \Gamma_i D_i$,[†] we can write, to single out the dependency on the modulating function,

$$\ddot{D}_i + 2\zeta_i\omega_i\dot{D}_i + \omega_i^2 D_i = f(t)$$

The modal contribution to displacement is

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \Gamma_i \boldsymbol{\psi}_i D_i(t)$$

and the modal contribution to elastic forces $\mathbf{f}_i = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{x}_i$ can be written (being $\mathbf{K}\boldsymbol{\psi}_i = \omega_i^2\mathbf{M}\boldsymbol{\psi}_i$) as

$$\mathbf{f}_i = \mathbf{K}\mathbf{x}_i = \Gamma_i\mathbf{K}\boldsymbol{\psi}_i D_i = \omega_i^2(\Gamma_i\mathbf{M}\boldsymbol{\psi}_i)D_i = \mathbf{r}_i\omega_i^2 D_i$$

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[1][†] D_i (dimensionally the square of a time), is called *pseudo-displacement*.

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The modal contribution to displacement is

$$\mathbf{x}_i = \Gamma_i\boldsymbol{\psi}_i D_i(t)$$

and the modal contribution to elastic forces $\mathbf{f}_i = \mathbf{K}\,\mathbf{x}_i$ can be written (being $\mathbf{K}\boldsymbol{\psi}_i = \omega_i^2\mathbf{M}\boldsymbol{\psi}_i$) as

$$\mathbf{f}_i = \mathbf{K}\,\mathbf{x}_i = \Gamma_i\mathbf{K}\,\boldsymbol{\psi}_i D_i = \omega_i^2(\Gamma_i\mathbf{M}\,\boldsymbol{\psi}_i)D_i = \mathbf{r}_i\omega_i^2 D_i$$

[1†] D_i (dimensionally the square of a time), is called *pseudo-displacement*.

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This formulation is particularly apt to our discussion of different contributions to response components.

Modal Contribution Factors (MCF)

Say that the static response due to $\mathbf{r}$ is denoted by s^{st}, then $s_i(t)$, the modal contribution to response $s(t)$, can be written

$$s_i(t) = s_i^{\text{st}} \omega_i^2 D_i(t) = s^{\text{st}} \frac{s_i^{\text{st}}}{s^{\text{st}}} \omega_i^2 D_i(t) = \bar{s}_i s^{\text{st}} \omega_i^2 D_i(t).$$

We have introduced $\bar{s}_i = \frac{s_i^{\text{st}}}{s^{\text{st}}}$, the *modal contribution factor*, the ratio of the modal static contribution to the total static response.

The $\bar{s}_i$ are dimensionless, are indipendent on the eigenvector scaling procedure and their sum is unity, $\sum \bar{s}_i = 1$.

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Denote by D_{i0} the maximum absolute value (or *peak*) of the pseudo displacement time history,

$$D_{i0} = \max_t \{|D_i(t)|\}.$$

It will be

$$s_{i0} = \bar{s}_i s^{\text{st}} \omega_i^2 D_{i0}$$

Eventually, the dynamic response factor for mode i, $\mathfrak{R}_{di}$ is defined by

$$\mathfrak{R}_{di} = \frac{D_{i0}}{D_{i0}^{\text{st}}}$$

where D_{i0}^{st} is the peak value of the static pseudo-displacement

$$D_i^{\text{st}} = \frac{f(t)}{\omega_i^2}, \quad D_{i0}^{\text{st}} = \frac{f_0}{\omega_i^2}$$

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With $f_0 = \max\{|f(t)|\}$ the peak p-displacement is

$$D_{i0} = \mathfrak{R}_{di} f_0 / \omega_i^2$$

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The first two terms are independent of the mode, the last are independent from each other and their product is the factor that influences the modal contributions.

Note that this product has the sign of $\bar{s}_i$, as the dynamic response factor is always positive.

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Note that:

1. for any given $\mathbf{r}$, the base shear is more influenced by higher modes, and
2. for any given response quantity, the second, *skewed* $\mathbf{r}$ gives greater
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Note that for steady-state motion the sum of the elastic and inertial force ratios is constant and equal to 1, as in

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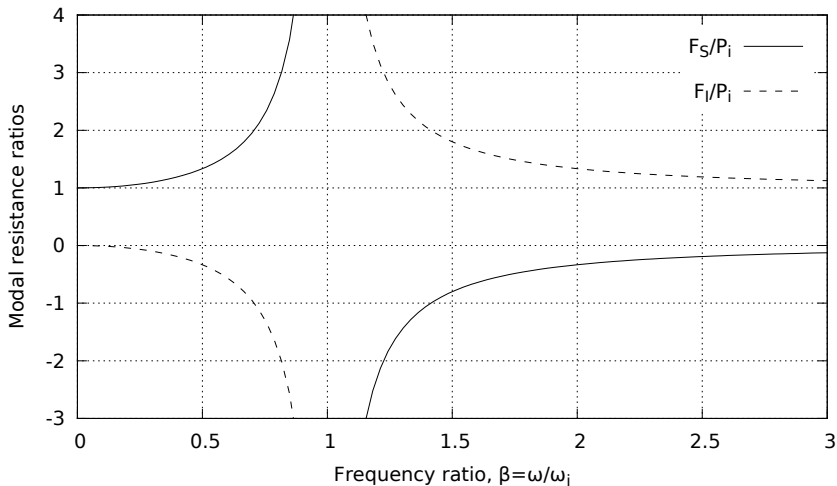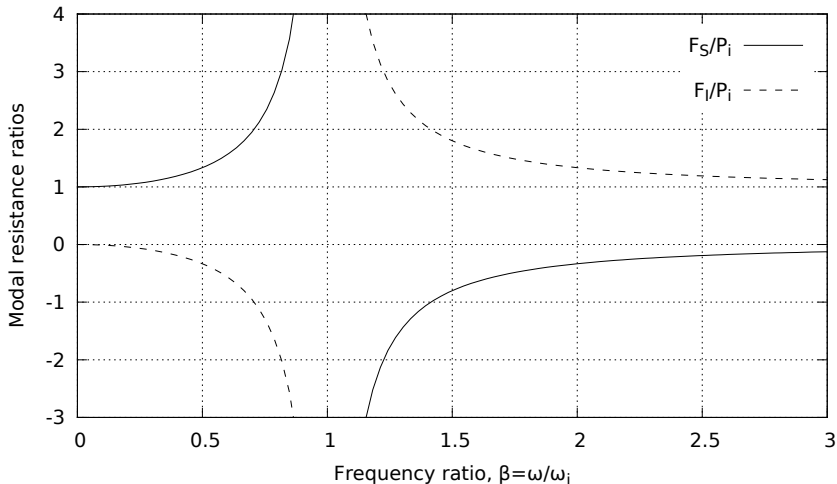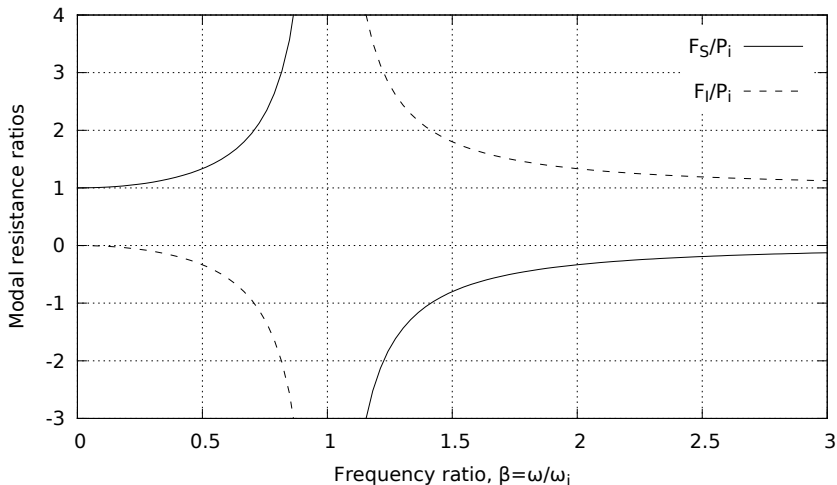
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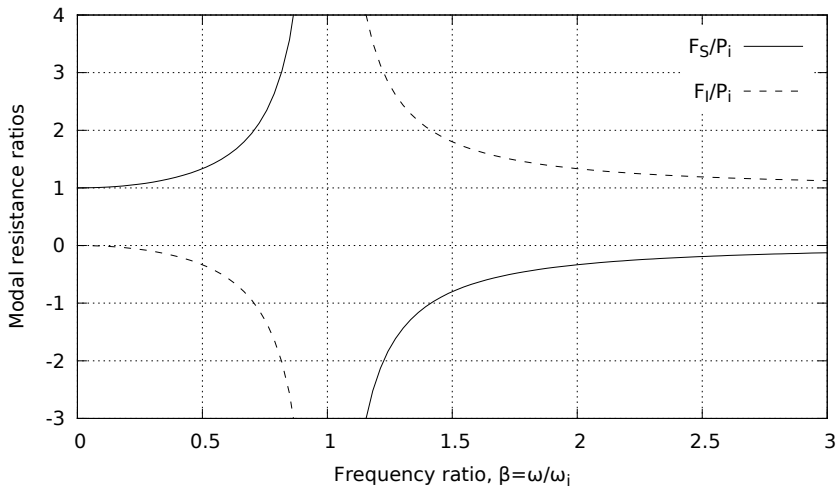
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For a system where $q_i(t) \approx \dfrac{p_i(t)}{K_i}$ for $i > n_{\text{dy}}$,

n_{dy} being the number of dynamically responding modes, we can write

$$\mathbf{x}(t) \approx \mathbf{x}_{\text{dy}}(t) + \mathbf{x}_{\text{st}}(t) = \sum_{1}^{n_{\text{dy}}} \boldsymbol{\psi}_i q_i(t) + \sum_{n_{\text{dy}}+1}^{N} \boldsymbol{\psi}_i \frac{p_i(t)}{K_i}$$

where the response for each of the first n_{dy} modes can be computed as usual.

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The static modal displacement component $\mathbf{x}_j, j > n_{\text{dy}}$ can be written

$$\mathbf{x}_j(t) = \boldsymbol{\psi}_j q_j(t) \approx \frac{\boldsymbol{\psi}_j \boldsymbol{\psi}_j^T}{K_j} \mathbf{p}(t) = \mathbf{F}_j \mathbf{p}(t)$$

The *modal flexibility matrix* is defined by

$$\mathbf{F}_j = \frac{\boldsymbol{\psi}_j \boldsymbol{\psi}_j^T}{K_j}$$

and is used to compute the j-th mode static deflections due to the applied load vector.

The total displacements, the dynamic contributions and the static correction, for $\mathbf{p}(t) = \mathbf{r}\, f(t)$, are then

$$\mathbf{x} \approx \sum_1^{n_{\text{dy}}} \boldsymbol{\psi}_j q_j(t) + f(t) \sum_{n_{\text{dy}}+1}^N \mathbf{F}_j \mathbf{r}.$$

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To use the above formula all mode shapes, all modal stiffnesses and all modal flexibility matrices must be computed, undermining the efficiency of the procedure.

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Note that the *constant term* following $f(t)$ can be computed with information already in our possess at the end of the dynamic analysis.

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