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# 1 Problem

Determine and plot the deformation response  $u(t)$  from a SDOF system with natural period of 2 sec and  $\zeta = 5\%$  to the El Centro ground motion N-S component. Implement one of the numerical time-stepping algorithms.

# 2 Solution

Derivation used was based on TextBook 'Structural Dynamics' 5th edition by Paz and Leigh. Page 185.

First, The El Centro data needed was downloaded from this web site

<http://nisee.berkeley.edu/data/>

Here is listing of the first few lines of the file:

Data for El Centro 1940 North South Component (Peknold Version)  
1559 points at equal spacing of 0.02 sec  
Points are listed in the format of 8F10.5, i.e., 8 points across in  
a row with 5 decimal places  
The units are (g)  
\*\*\* Begin data \*\*\*

0.00630	0.00364	0.00099	0.00428	0.00758	0.01087	0.00682	0.00277
-0.00128	0.00368	0.00864	0.01360	0.00727	0.00094	0.00420	0.00221
0.00021	0.00444	0.00867	0.01290	0.01713	-0.00343	-0.02400	-0.00992
0.00416	0.00528	0.01653	0.02779	0.03904	0.02449	0.00995	0.00961
0.00926	0.00892	-0.00486	-0.01864	-0.03242	-0.03365	-0.05723	-0.04534

We start by the equation of motion for SDOF system, using relative motion to support subjected to suppose acceleration of  $\ddot{u}_g$

$$m\ddot{u}_r + c\dot{u}_r + ku_r = \overbrace{-m\ddot{u}_g}^{\text{effective force}}$$

The ground acceleration  $\ddot{u}_g$  is given from the El-centro earthquake measurements.

Solve using the method of linear acceleration. We start by writing the above equation as

$$m\Delta\ddot{u}_i + c\Delta\dot{u}_i + k\Delta u_i = -m\Delta\ddot{u}_g$$

Where in the above all the mass displacement, velocity and acceleration are relative to the support and are not the absolute values.

Rewrite the above, to remove the unknown mass  $m$  as follows

$$\boxed{\Delta\ddot{u}_i + 2\zeta\omega_n \Delta\dot{u}_i + \omega_n^2 \Delta u_i = -\Delta\ddot{u}_{g_i}} \quad (1)$$

Following the analysis of the text book, from equation 6.36 on page 186, and using  $\Delta\ddot{u}_{g_i} = \ddot{u}_{g_{i+1}} - \ddot{u}_{g_i}$ , we have the following expression for the change of displacement at time step  $i$

$$\boxed{\Delta u_i = \frac{\overbrace{-(\ddot{u}_{g_{i+1}} - \ddot{u}_{g_i})}^{\Delta\ddot{u}_{g_i}} + \frac{6}{\Delta t}\dot{u}_i + 3\ddot{u}_i + 2\zeta\omega_n(3\dot{u}_i + \frac{\Delta t}{2}\ddot{u}_i)}{\omega_n^2 + \frac{6}{\Delta t^2} + \frac{3 \times 2\zeta\omega_n}{\Delta t}}}$$

and hence we can now find  $u_{i+1}$  using

$$u_{i+1} = u_i + \Delta u_i \quad (3)$$

Now, we can find  $\Delta\dot{u}_i$  from equation 6.31 in the book

$$\boxed{\Delta\dot{u}_i = \frac{3}{\Delta t}\Delta u_i - 3\dot{u}_i - \frac{\Delta t}{2}\ddot{u}_i}$$

Hence

$$\dot{u}_{i+1} = \dot{u}_i + \Delta\dot{u}_i \quad (5)$$

And  $\Delta\ddot{u}_i$  is obtained directly from equation (1) above

$$\boxed{\Delta\ddot{u}_i = -\Delta\ddot{u}_{g_i} - 2\zeta\omega_n \Delta\dot{u}_i - \omega_n^2 \Delta u_i}$$

Hence

$$\ddot{u}_{i+1} = \ddot{u}_i + \Delta\ddot{u}_i \quad (7)$$

Now that  $u_{i+1}$ ,  $\dot{u}_{i+1}$ ,  $\ddot{u}_{i+1}$  have been obtained, the process is repeated for the next step.

We start the process by using the initial conditions of

$$\begin{aligned} u_0 &= 0 \\ \dot{u}_0 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

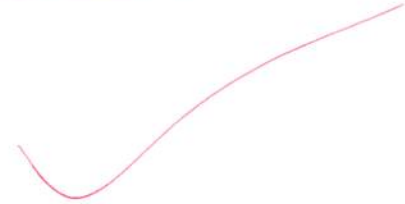
The El-centro data file gives the values of  $\ddot{u}_{g_i}$ , which we will use to solve this problem.  $\Delta t = 2$  sec for this data.

Hence the algorithm is as follows

1.  $i = 1$ ,  $u_i = \dot{u}_i = 0$

2. read  $\ddot{u}_{g_i}$  and  $\ddot{u}_{g_{i+1}}$  from El-centro file, and find  $\Delta\ddot{u}_{g_i} = \ddot{u}_{g_{i+1}} - \ddot{u}_{g_i}$
3. Find  $\Delta u_i$  from eq (2). Find  $u_{i+1}$  from eq (3)
4. Find  $\Delta\dot{u}_i$  from eq (4). Find  $\dot{u}_{i+1}$  from eq (5)
5. Find  $\Delta\ddot{u}_i$  from eq (6). Find  $\ddot{u}_{i+1}$  from eq (7)
6.  $i = i + 1$  and go to step 2. Stop when  $i$  is the length of the el-centro data less than 1

The following is a listing of the program and the output



## EL-Centro Earthquake 1940 N-S response analysis

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Remove["Global`*"];
SetDirectory["E:/nabbasi/data/nabbasi_web_Page/my_courses/
UCI_COURSES/CREDIT_COURSES/fall_2006/CEE_247/HWs/HW4"];

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- Load El-Centro data and plot the earthquake recorded acceleration

```
data = Import["el_centro.txt", "Table"];
dataLength = 8 Length[data];

g = Table[{0, 0}, {dataLength}];
t = Table[0, {dataLength}];
u = Table[{0, 0}, {dataLength}];
v = Table[{0, 0}, {dataLength}];
acc = Table[{0, 0}, {dataLength}];

delT = 0.02; (*sec*)
k = 0;
currentTime = 0;
For[i = 1, i ≤ Length[data], i = i + 1,
  For[j = 1, j ≤ 8, j = j + 1,
    {
      k = k + 1;

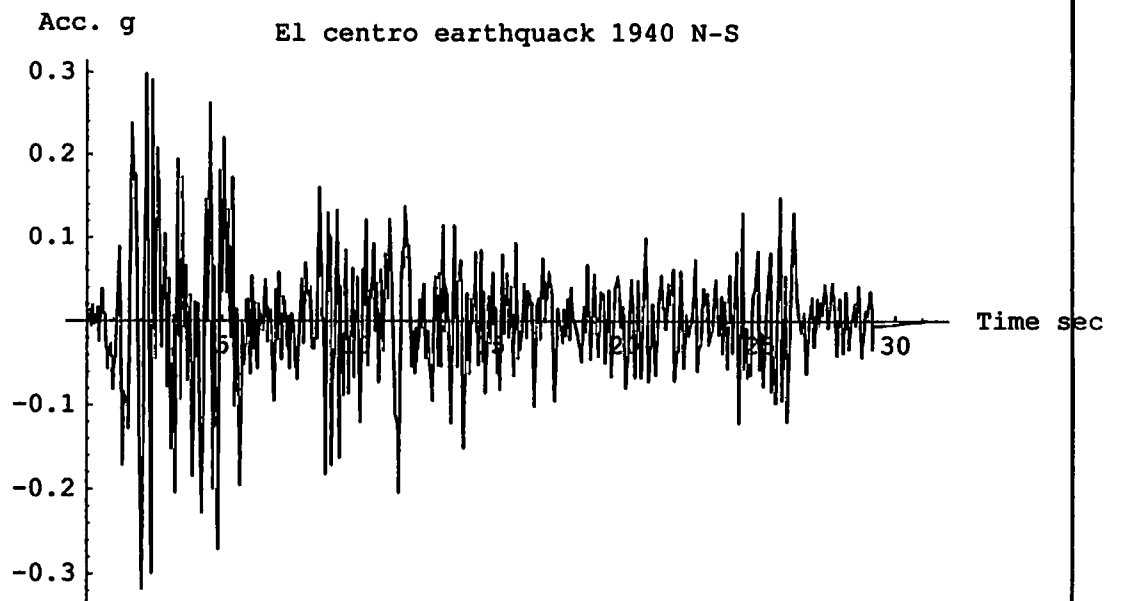
      g[[k, 1]] = currentTime;
      u[[k, 1]] = currentTime;
      v[[k, 1]] = currentTime;
      acc[[k, 1]] = currentTime;

      g[[k, 2]] = data[[i, j]];

      currentTime = currentTime + delT;
    }
  ]
];

ListPlot[g, PlotJoined → True,
  PlotRange → All, AxesLabel → {"Time sec", "Acc. g"},
  PlotLabel → "El centro earthquake 1940 N-S"];

```



### ■ Implementation of Linear Acceleration step-by-step algorithm

```

u[[1, 2]] = 0.;
v[[1, 2]] = 0.;
acc[[1, 2]] = 0.;

ξ = 0.05;
ω = π;

gConversionFactor = 32.174 * 12;

For[i = 1, i < dataLength, i = i + 1,
{
  delg = (g[[i + 1, 2]] - g[[i, 2]]) gConversionFactor;
  delU =  $\frac{1}{\omega^2 + \frac{6}{\text{delT}^2} + \frac{3*2\xi\omega}{\text{delT}}} \left( -\text{delg} + \frac{6}{\text{delT}} v[[i, 2]] + \right.$ 
     $\left. 3 \text{acc}[[i, 2]] + 2 \xi \omega \left( 3 v[[i, 2]] + \frac{\text{delT}}{2} \text{acc}[[i, 2]] \right) \right)$ ;
  u[[i + 1, 2]] = u[[i, 2]] + delU;
  delV =  $\frac{3}{\text{delT}} \text{delU} - 3 v[[i, 2]] - \frac{\text{delT}}{2} \text{acc}[[i, 2]]$ ;
  v[[i + 1, 2]] = v[[i, 2]] + delV;
  delAcc = -delg - 2 ξ ω delV - ω2 delU;
  acc[[i + 1, 2]] = acc[[i, 2]] + delAcc;
}
];

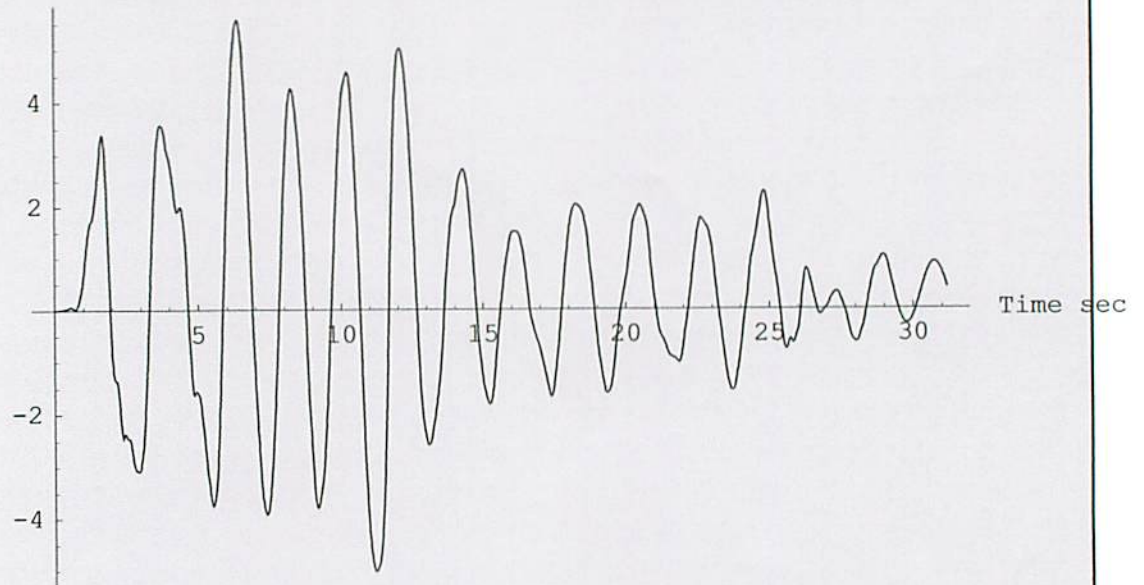
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## ■ Plot results

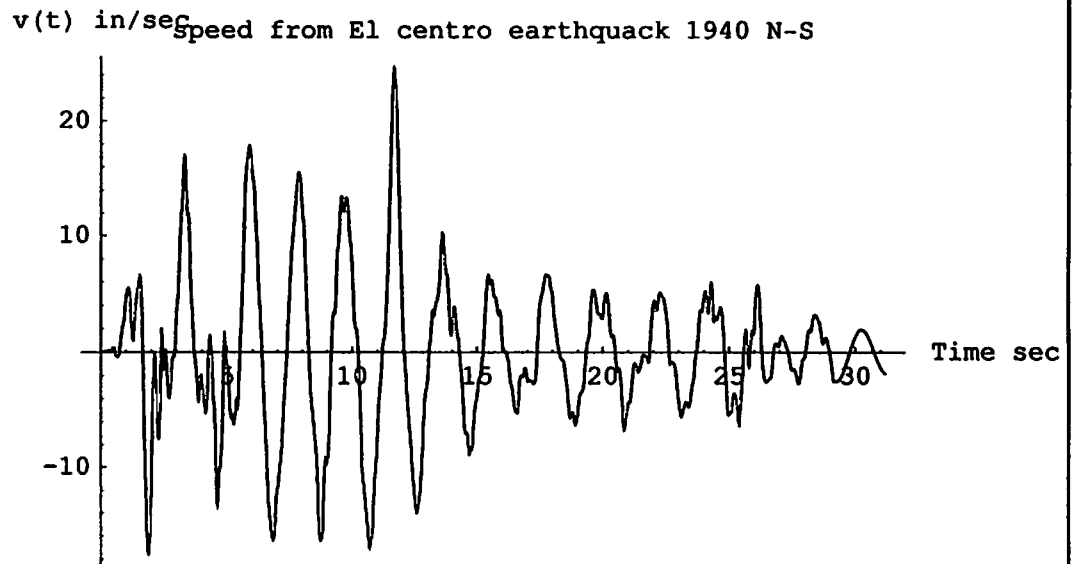
```
ListPlot[u, PlotJoined -> True,  
PlotRange -> All, AxesLabel -> {"Time sec", "u(t) inch"},  
PlotLabel -> "Displacment from El centro earthquack 1940 N-S"];
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u(t) inch Displacment from El centro earthquack 1940 N-S



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Super!

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ListPlot[v, PlotJoined -> True,  
PlotRange -> All, AxesLabel -> {"Time sec", "v(t) in/sec"},  
PlotLabel -> "speed from El centro earthquack 1940 N-S"];
```



```
ListPlot[acc / (32 * 12), PlotJoined -> True,  
PlotRange -> All, AxesLabel -> {"Time sec", "acc(t) g"},  
PlotLabel -> "accelaration from El centro earthquack 1940 N-S"];
```

