

ECOR 2606 Lab Test #2 v8

A simplified model of the suspension of a car consists of a mass m , a spring with stiffness k , and a damper with damping coefficient, c . A bumpy road can be modeled by a sinusoidal up-and-down motion of the wheel $y = Y \sin(\omega t)$. From the solution of the equation of motion for this model, the steady-state up-and-down motion of the car is given by $x = X \sin(\omega t - \phi)$. The ratio between amplitude X and amplitude Y is given by:

$$ratioXY = \sqrt{\frac{(c\omega)^2 + k^2}{(k - m\omega^2)^2 + (c\omega)^2}}$$

where $ratioXY$ = is the ratio of X/Y of the amplitudes (dimensionless)
 ω = is the frequency of the bumps (in radians/s)
 k = spring stiffness for the suspension (in N/m)
 c = damping coefficient of damper (Ns/m)
 m = car mass (kg)

Part 1: Write an m-file function that, given values for $ratioXY$, m , k and c , computes and returns ω . Your function must be called *calcOmega*. Your function may assume that ω (omega) is between 0.01rad/s and 15rad/s. Have it generate an error if the value of m is less than or equal to zero.

Note: If ω and other parameters are known, the formula makes it easy to calculate $ratioXY$. Your function is to do the reverse: it is given $ratioXY$ and other parameters and must calculate ω .

Part 2: Assume that $m = 2000$ kg, $k = 500,000$ N/m and $c = 28 \times 10^3$ Ns/m. Produce a script file (script.m) that

i) Uses function *calcOmega* to create a plot (figure 1) of ω vs $ratioXY$ for $ratioXY$ from 1.1 to 1.4. You are expected to label the axes and so on.

ii) Outputs a table giving ω for $ratioXY$ from 1.1 to 1.4 m in steps of 0.025. $ratioXY$ should be output with 1 decimal place and ω with 3 (as shown below).

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ratioX/Y   Omega (rad/s)
1.100      d.dddd
1.125      d.dddd
1.150      d.dddd
... (and so on)
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Part 3: Demonstrate your understanding of "no input/no output" functions and subfunctions by producing a single file (quiz2.m) that combines your answers to parts 1 and 2. When executed, script.m and quiz2.m should produce exactly the same results.

Submit calcOmega.m, script.m, and quiz2.m.