

Final
Intro Math Modeling
Math 336
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Problem 1:

- (a) Figure 1 shows a simple pendulum with mass m , string length l , and the Earth gravitational acceleration g . Use the dimensional analysis method to determine the period τ of the pendulum as a function of m, l, g , determined up to a dimensionless constant α , i.e., $\tau = \alpha m^a l^b g^c$

Notice the following and let α be the dimensionless constant:

$$\tau = \alpha m^a l^b g^c$$
$$T = 1 \times M^a (L)^b (LT^{-2})^c = M^a L^{b+c} T^{-2c}$$

Now we get a simple system of equations:

$$\begin{aligned} a &= 0 \\ b + c &= 0 \\ -2c &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

Solving this, we get that $a = 0, b = \frac{1}{2}, c = -\frac{1}{2}$. Thus we get the following:

$$\tau = \alpha l^{1/2} g^{-1/2} = \alpha \sqrt{\frac{l}{g}}$$

- (b) Use the conservation law of energy to find an approximate value of α in Part (a) under the condition of $\sin x \approx x$ when x is close to be zero.

We can use a simple harmonic sine function to model a pendulums position:

$$\theta = A \sin(\omega t + B)$$

with A being the oscillation amplitude, B is the phase, and ω is the circular frequency. Suppose we release the pendulum at $t = 0$ and it reaches its highest points at $\theta = A$, then $B = \frac{\pi}{2}$ because $\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1$. The period of $\sin x$ is 2π , which is dimensionless. Our pendulum's period is τ , with its dimension being T . We know that the coefficient to t , inside a sine transformation, is always equal to the original period, 2π divided by the actual period, τ . So we get the following:

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{\tau}$$

Now we get the following equation:

$$\theta = A \sin\left(\frac{2\pi t}{\tau} + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

At the highest point of the pendulum mass, the height, h , relative to the reference point of the potential energy is the following with l , being the length of pendulum:

$$h = l - l \cos(A) = l(1 - \cos(A)) = 2l \sin^2\left(\frac{A}{2}\right)$$

Now we can find the pendulums velocity, as it is the derivative of its position function multiplied by the length of the pendulum, as velocity depends on the length:

$$v = l \frac{d\theta}{dt} = \frac{2lA\pi}{\tau} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi t}{\tau} + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

The pendulum reaches its maximum speed at its lowest point when $\cos\left(\frac{2\pi t}{\tau} + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1$, so we get:

$$v_{max} = \frac{2lA\pi}{\tau}$$

Now we know that the potential energy, $E_P = mgh$ at the highest point is equal to the kinetic energy, $E_K = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$ at the lowest point:

$$E_P = mg \left[2l \sin^2\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) \right] = \frac{1}{2}m \left[\frac{2lA\pi}{\tau} \right]^2 = E_K$$

Notice we can linearize our sine function to get the following:

$$\sin\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) = \frac{A}{2} - \frac{A^3}{2^3 3!} + \frac{A^5}{2^5 5!} + \cdots + (-1)^n \frac{A^{2n+1}}{2^{2n+1} (2n+1)!}$$

We can approximate this function now, for very small values of A , we can say that $\sin\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) = \frac{A}{2}$, such that we get the result:

$$\sin^2\left(\frac{A}{2}\right) = \left(\frac{A}{2}\right)^2$$

Now we can resubstitute this into our equation and get the following:

$$\begin{aligned} mg \left[2l \left(\frac{A}{2}\right)^2 \right] &= \frac{1}{2}m \left[\frac{2lA\pi}{\tau} \right]^2 \\ \frac{1}{2}mglA^2 &= 2ml^2 A^2 \pi^2 \tau^{-2} \\ \tau^2 &= \frac{4\pi^2 l}{g} \\ \tau &= 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{l}{g}} \end{aligned}$$

Thus we get that

$$\alpha = 2\pi$$

- (c) The string length is increased to $l_2 = 1.022l$ due to expansion in a higher temperature environment. The corresponding period is denoted by τ_2 , which is equal to $\tau_2 = k\tau$, where τ is found in Part (a) of this problem. Calculate the value of k ?

$$\tau_2 = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{1.022l}{g}} = 2\pi \sqrt{1.022} \sqrt{\frac{l}{g}} = \sqrt{1.022} \tau_1$$

Thus we get $k = \sqrt{1.022}$

- (d) Given that the period $\tau = 1.0$ [seconds] , and $g = 9.79525$ [m/s^2], calculate the string length l with unit in centimeters.

$$1 = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{l}{9.79525}}, \quad l = \left(\frac{\sqrt{9.79525}}{2\pi}\right)^2 = \frac{9.79525}{4\pi^2} = .2481165m = \mathbf{24.81165cm}$$

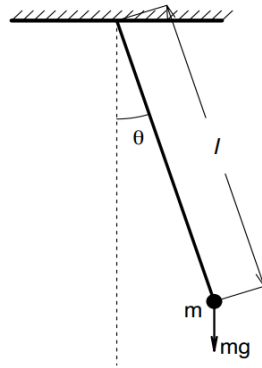


Figure 1: Simple pendulum of mass m and length l under the action of Earth's gravitational force.

Problem 2: The SVD result of a matrix A is below

```
svdA=svd(A)
```

```
svdA$d
```

```
[1] 3.0 1.0
```

```
svdA$u
```

```
      [,1] [,2]
[1,]    0    1
[2,]    1    0
```

```
svdA$v
```

```
      [,1] [,2]
[1,]  0.0    1
[2,]  0.6    0
[3,]  0.8    0
```

- (a) Write down three matrices U, D, V in the SVD formula $A = UDV'$ where V' denotes the transpose matrix of V .

$$U = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}, D = \begin{bmatrix} 3.0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1.0 \end{bmatrix}, V = \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 1 \\ 0.6 & 0 \\ 0.8 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) Use the SVD formula $A = UDV'$ to recover the original matrix A by hand calculation for the multiplication of the three matrices

$$\begin{aligned} A = UDV' &= \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3.0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1.0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.6 & 0.8 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1.0 \\ 3.0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 0.0 & 0.6 & 0.8 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \\ &= \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.0 & 1.8 & 2.4 \end{bmatrix} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 3: The Buffon's needle problem: A needle of length l is dropped onto a floor with equally spaced parallel lines, as shown in Figure 2. The distance between each nearby two lines is d .

- (a) Derive the formula to calculate the probability of the needle crossing, or touching a line when $l < d$, i.e., the case of short needles. Express your formula in terms of l and d .

Requirements: You must draw a diagram of a needle and two lines, clearly mark the needle's position using symbols y and θ for its relevant distance and angle. You must draw a figure on the $\theta - y$ plane to formulate a geometric probability problem. Write down the needle cross condition in terms of y, θ, d and l .

Notice the following:

Let y be position of the lower end of the needle, d be the gap between the two lines, and $\ell < d$ be the length of the needle.

We have the probability region be in the space $[-\pi/2, \pi/2] \times [0, d]$. Thus we get the probability region is $A = \pi d$.

We can use the following equation to determine when the line will cross the top line:

$$y + \ell \cos \theta \geq d, \quad y \geq d - \ell \cos \theta$$

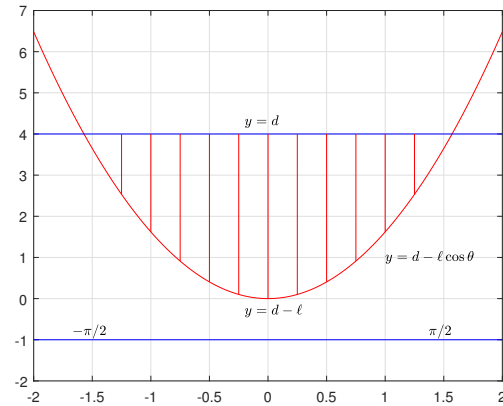
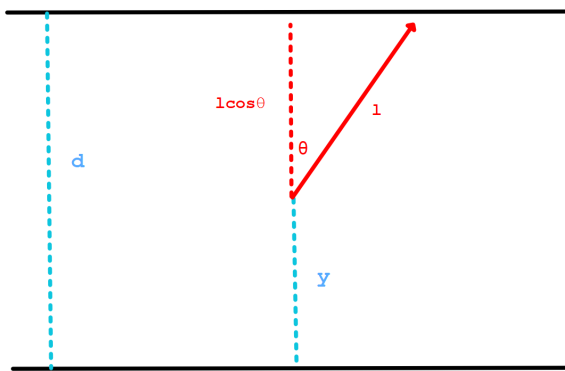
When $\theta = 0$, the line will cross the top line if $y \geq d - \ell$.

When $|\theta| = \pi/2$, the line will cross if $y = d$

Thus, we get that the area in which the line can be to cross the top line would be as long as $y < d$, and $y \geq d - \ell \cos \theta$

So we can calculate the probability of that happening with the following equation:

$$P = \frac{1}{\pi d} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} d - (d - \ell \cos \theta) d\theta = \frac{2\ell}{\pi d}$$



(b) Compute the probability of crossing or touching when $l = 0.2$ [meter] and $d = 0.3$ [meter].

$$P = \frac{2\ell}{\pi d} = \frac{2(0.2)}{\pi(0.3)} = .4244 = 42.44\%$$

(c) Given $d = 0.25$ [meter], what is the needle length l so that the the probability of crossing or touching is 0.5?

$$P = \frac{2\ell}{\pi d} = \frac{2\ell}{\pi(0.25)} = 0.5, \quad \ell = \frac{0.5\pi(0.25)}{2} = .1963$$

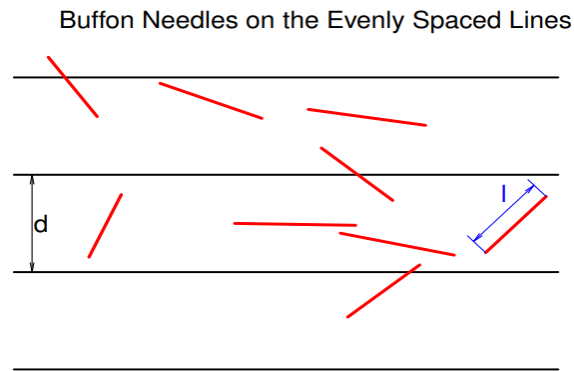


Figure 3: The Buffon's needle problem: a geometric probability example.

Problem 4:

- (a) Derive a formula for the monthly mortgage payment x , expressed in terms of the principal amount P , monthly interest rate r , and total number of months of the loan n . Show your work and the detailed steps. The answer for this problem (a) is a formula.

Let P_k represent the principal amount owed after k months, such that:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_1 &= P(1+r) - x \\
 P_2 &= P(1+r)^2 - x(1+r) - x \\
 P_3 &= P(1+r)^3 - x(1+r)^2 - x(1+r) - x \\
 P_k &= P(1+r)^k - x \sum_{i=0}^{k-1} (1+r)^i \\
 &= P(1+r)^k - x \left(\frac{1 - (1+r)^k}{1 - (1+r)} \right) \\
 &= P(1+r)^k + x \left(\frac{1 - (1+r)^k}{r} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

Notice that at the end of n months, the principal will be \$0, thus we get:

$$\begin{aligned}
 P_n = 0 &= P(1+r)^n + x \left(\frac{1 - (1+r)^n}{r} \right) \\
 x \left(\frac{(1+r)^n - 1}{r} \right) &= P(1+r)^n \\
 x &= \frac{P(1+r)^n r}{(1+r)^n - 1}
 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Given the following data: The principal amount (i.e., the total loan) is $P = \$400,000$, the annual interest rate is 3.0% (converted into the monthly rate 0.25%), and the loan is to be paid off in 30 years (equivalent to 360 months). Use the above derived formula and the data to compute the monthly mortgage payment x by a calculator or R. The answer should be an amount of money per month. You do not need to submit the R code for this problem.

$$x = \frac{400,000(1 + .0025)^{360}(.0025)}{(1 + .0025)^{360} - 1} = \$1686.42$$

- (c) If the annual rate is reduced to 2.95% in the above data, what is the monthly mortgage payment?

With an annual rate of 2.95%, the monthly rate becomes $r = .002458\%$.

$$x = \frac{400,000(1 + .002458)^{360}(.002458)}{(1 + .002458)^{360} - 1} = \$1675.65$$

- (d) If the principal is increased to $P = \$470,000$, the annual rate is 2.875%, and the loan period is still 30 years, what is the the monthly mortgage payment now?

With an annual rate of 2.875%, the monthly rate becomes $r = .002396\%$.

$$x = \frac{470,000(1 + .002396)^{360}(.002396)}{(1 + .002396)^{360} - 1} = \$1949.99$$

Problem 5:

- (i) Use R to solve the following linear equations for x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 :

$$\begin{cases} -x_1 + 2.9x_2 + x_3 - x_4 &= 1 \\ -2.5x_1 - 1.9x_2 + x_3 &= 2.1 \\ 2.1x_1 - 3.8x_2 - 4x_3 - 3x_4 &= 0 \\ x_1 - x_2 - 3.1x_3 - 8.6x_4 &= 2.5 \end{cases}$$

Copy your R solution result to your R code as comment lines after #

```
1 a = c(-1,-2.5,2.1,1, 2.9,-1.9,-3.8,-1, 1,1,-4,-3.1, -1,0,-3,-8.6)
2 b = c(1, 2.1, 0, 2.5)
3
4 A = matrix(a , ncol=4)
5 B = matrix(b,ncol = 1)
6
7 C = solve(A,b)
8 # x1          x2          x3          x4
9 # -0.963747260 0.009707986 -0.290922978 -0.299022560
```

- (ii) Write an R code of Monte Carlo simulation to approximately evaluate the volume of a ball of radius equal to 1.0 in 6-dimensional space. Please use at least 100,000 points.

```
1 MCSim = function(dim, n = 1e6) {
2   x = matrix(runif(dim*n, min= -1, max = 1), ncol = dim)
3   k = 0
4   for (i in 1 : n) {
5     if ( (t(x[i,]) %*% x[i,]) < 1) { k = k + 1 }
6   }
7   return( (k/n) * 2^dim )
8 }
9
10 MCExact = function(n,R=1) {
11   numer = pi^(n/2)
12   denom = gamma((n/2) + 1)
13   return((numer/denom)*(R^n))
14 }
15
16
17 MCSim(6, 1e6) # 5.16736
18 MCExact(6)    # 5.167713
```

- (iii) Use Monte Carlo method to approximately evaluate the following integral

$$\int_1^2 \frac{1 - x^2 + 9 \cos x}{x(1 + x + \sin x)} dx \quad ((0.1))$$

Please use at least 100,000 points.

```
1 integrateMc = function(f, lowBound, highBound, n = 1e6) {  
2   x = runif(n, lowBound, highBound)  
3   return ((highBound - lowBound) * mean(f(x)))  
4 }  
5  
6  
7 f = function(x) { (1 - (x^2) + (9*cos(x))) / (x*(1 + x + sin(x))) }  
8  
9 integrateMc(f, 1, 2, 1e6)      # 0.05252009  
10 integrate(f,1,2)              # 0.05297656
```

- (iv) Figure 3 shows the history of the global average December mean temperature anomalies. Use R and the dataset `EarthTemperatureData.txt` or `EarthTemperatureData.csv` downloadable from BB's Assignment/Final Exam block to plot a similar figure but for November and with the following requirements.

- Replace "Samuel Shen" and "December" in the main title by your name and November.
- Change the curve's color from black to orange and use `lwd=3`.
- Compute the linear trend of the November temperature anomalies for the period from 1901 to 2000 using R command `lm()`. Please note that this is NOT the entire data time period of 1850-2015. Hint: See Fig. 3.6 in the textbook for reference.
- Plot the trend line from 1901 to 2000 in the blue color. The blue trend line must be limited within the time period of 1901-2000, not the entire data time period of 1850-2015. Use `lwd=3` for the trend line.
- Change the text "December trend = 0.52 deg C/century" to "1901-2000 November trend = ?? deg C per century", and use the trend calculated from Step (c) in the position "??".
- Find the hottest and coldest November temperature anomalies. Which years did they occur?

We got the coolest November temperature anomaly of -0.753°C in the year 1862.

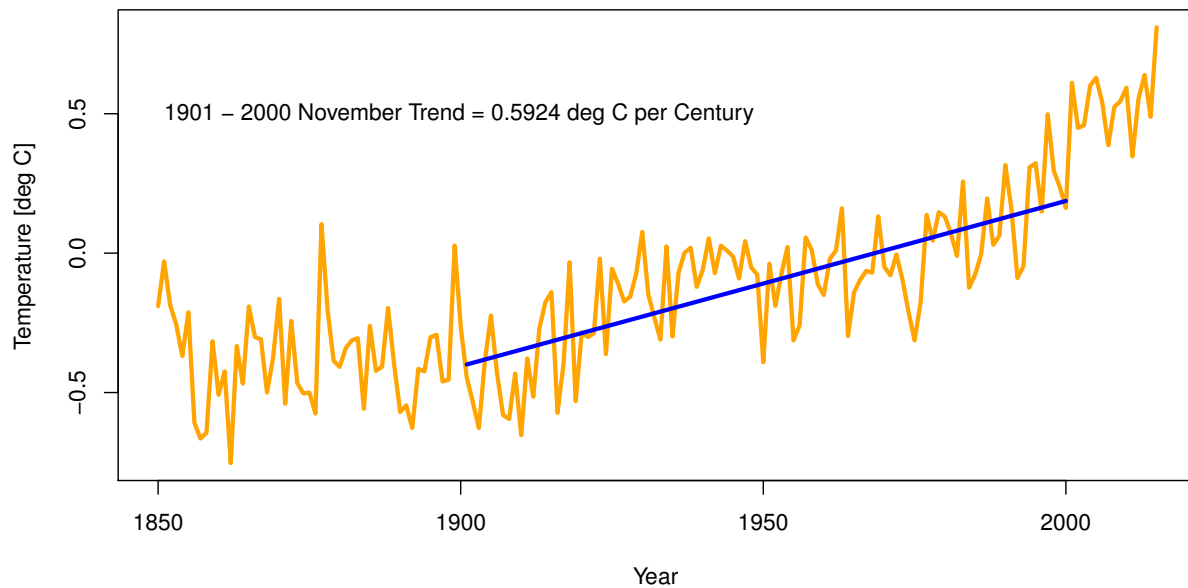
We got the hottest November temperature anomaly of 0.81°C in the year 2015.

```

1 time = matrix(readData['YEAR'][[1]],nrow = 1)
2 NovData = matrix(readData['NOV'][[1]],nrow = 1)
3
4 plot(time, NovData, 'l',main = 'Stephen Giangs plot of November
   Temperature Anomalies', ylab = 'Temperature [deg C]',
5     xlab = 'Year', col = 'orange', lwd = 3)
6
7 trendLineData = subset(readData, YEAR >= 1901 & YEAR <= 2000)
8 tlTime = trendLineData['YEAR'][[1]]
9 tlNov = trendLineData['NOV'][[1]]
10 linMod = lm(tlNov ~ tlTime)
11 intercept = linMod$coefficients[1]
12 slope = linMod$coefficients[2]
13
14 tL = slope*tlTime + intercept
15 lines(tlTime, tL, col = 'blue', lwd = 3)
16
17 trendLabel = paste0('1901 - 2000 November Trend = ', round(slope * 100,4)
18     , ' deg C per Century')
19 text(1900, .5, trendLabel)
20 minTemp = min(NovData) # -0.753
21 minTime = 1849 + which(NovData == minTemp) # 1862
22 maxTemp = max(NovData) # 0.81
23 maxTime = 1849 + which(NovData == maxTemp) # 2015

```

Stephen Giang's plot of November Temperature Anomalies



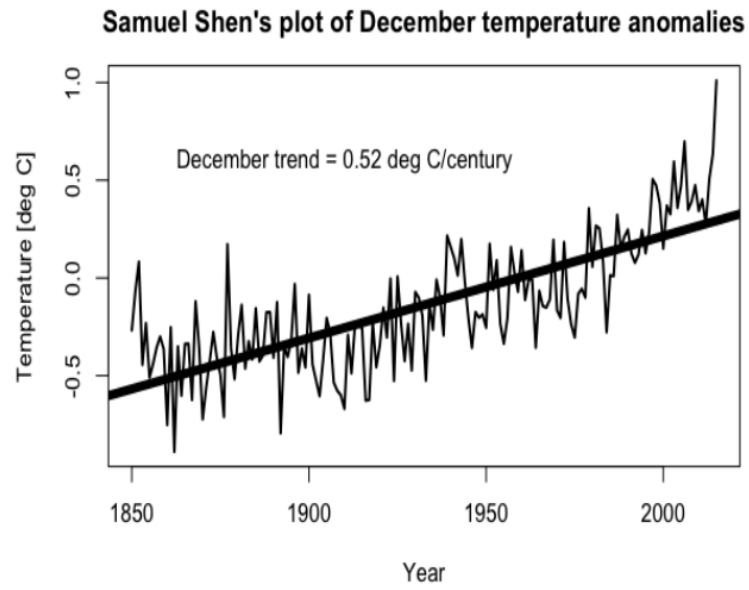


Figure 4: Global average December mean global average surface air temperature anomalies from 1850-2015.