

Homework #10 (on chapters 8, 9, and supplemental material).

- 1) Find the reverberation time at 500 Hz for a conference room that is 12 feet wide, 20 feet long, and 12 feet high. It has a carpeted floor, curtains on both of the long walls, plasterboard short sides, and a plasterboard ceiling. What will the reverberation time be if it is occupied by twenty people in upholstered seats?

- 2) Find the two lowest frequency modes of a shower stall that is 1 meter wide, 1.5 meters deep and 2.5 meters tall.

- 3) The problem of the Pythagorean musical scale is that 2^7 is not equal to $(3/2)^{12}$.
 - a. How big is the interval between these numbers (measured in the unit of cents). Hints, first see what the ratio of these numbers is in the unit of semitones $= 12 * \log_2(\text{ratio})$. Then multiply your answer by 100 to get an answer in cents. Also note that $\log_2(x) = \log(x)/\log(2)$ where the log on the right hand side of the equation could be with respect to any base.

 - b. Is this ratio something that the typical human ear can notice (think JND)?

- 4) What are the two main ingredients of linear instability?

- 5) What waveforms are typical for, a) linear instability, b) logical instability, and c) relaxation instability?