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# Standard Practice for Computing International Roughness Index of Roads from Longitudinal Profile Measurements<sup>1</sup>

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# 1. Scope

- 1.1 This practice covers the mathematical processing of longitudinal profile measurements to produce a road roughness statistic called the International Roughness Index (IRI).
- 1.2 The intent is to provide a standard practice for computing and reporting an estimate of road roughness for highway pavements.
- 1.3 This practice is based on an algorithm developed in The International Road Roughness Experiment sponsored by a number of institutions including the World Bank and reported in two World Bank Technical Papers (1)(2).<sup>2</sup> Additional technical information is provided in two TRB papers (3)(4).
- 1.4 The values stated in SI units are to be regarded as the standard. The inch-pound units given in parentheses are for information only.
- 1.5 This standard does not purport to address all of the safety concerns, if any, associated with its use. It is the responsibility of the user of this standard to establish appropriate safety and health practices and determine the applicability of regulatory limitations prior to use.

#### 2. Referenced Documents

- 2.1 ASTM Standards:
- E 177 Practice for Use of the Terms Precision and Bias in ASTM Test Methods<sup>3</sup>
- E 867 Terminology on Vehicle—Pavement Systems<sup>4</sup>
- E 950 Test Method for Measuring the Longitudinal Profile of Traveled Surfaces with an Accelerometer Established Inertial Profiling Reference<sup>4</sup>
- E 1082 Test Method for Measurement of Vehicular Response to Traveled Surface Roughness<sup>4</sup>
- E 1170 Practice for Simulating Vehicular Response to Longitudinal Profiles of a Vehicular Traveled Surface<sup>4</sup>
- E 1215 Specification for Trailers Used for Measuring Vehicular Response to Road Roughness<sup>4</sup>
- E 1364 Test Method for Measuring Road Roughness by

Static Rod and Level Method<sup>4</sup>

E 1656 Guide for Classification of Automated Pavement Condition Survey Equipment<sup>4</sup>

#### 3. Terminology

- 3.1 Definitions:
- 3.1.1 Terminology used in this practice conforms to the definitions included in Terminology E 867.
  - 3.2 Definitions of Terms Specific to This Standard:
- 3.2.1 *international roughness index (IRI)*, *n*—an index computed from a longitudinal profile measurement using a quarter-car simulation (see Practice E 1170) at a simulation speed of 80 km/h (50 mph).
- 3.2.1.1 *Discussion*—IRI is reported in either meters per kilometer (m/km) or inches per mile (in./mile). (Note—1 m/kg = 63.36 in./mile.)
- 3.2.2 longitudinal profile measurement, n—a series of elevation values taken at a constant interval along a wheel track.
- 3.2.2.1 *Discussion*—Elevation measurements may be taken statically, as with rod and level (see Test Method E 1364 or inclinometer, or dynamically, as with an inertial profiler (see Test Method E 950).
- 3.2.3 *mean roughness index (MRI)*, *n*—the average of the International Roughness Index values for the right and left wheel tracks.
- 3.2.3.1 *Discussion*—Units are in metres per kilometer or inches per mile.
- 3.2.4 traveled surface roughness—the deviations of a surface from a true planar surface with characteristics dimensions that affect vehicle dynamics, ride quality, dynamic loads, and drainage, for example, longitudinal profile, transverse profile, and cross slope.
- 3.2.5 *true* international roughness index, n—the value of International Roughness Index that would be computed for a longitudinal profile measurement with the constant interval approaching zero.
  - 3.2.6 wave number, n—the inverse of wavelength.
- 3.2.6.1 *Discussion*—Wave number, sometimes called spatial frequency, typically has units of cycle/m or cycle/ft.
- 3.2.7 *wheel track*, *n*—a line or path followed by the tire of a road vehicle on a traveled surface.

#### 4. Summary of Practice

4.1 The practice presented here was developed specifically

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The boldface numbers given in parentheses refer to a list of references at the end of the text.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 14.02.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Annual Book of ASTM Standards, Vol 04.03.



for estimating road roughness from longitudinal profile measurements.

- 4.2 Longitudinal profile measurements for one wheel track are transformed mathematically by a computer program and accumulated to obtain the IRI. The profile must be represented as a series of elevation values taken at constant intervals along the wheel track.
- 4.3 The IRI scale starts at zero for a road with no roughness and covers positive numbers that increase in proportion to roughness. Fig. 1 associated typical IRI values with verbal descriptors from World Bank Technical Paper Number 46 (2) for roads with bituminous pavement, and Fig. 2 shows similar

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associations for roads with earth or gravel surfaces.

#### 5. Significance and Use

- 5.1 This practice provides a means for obtaining a quantative estimate of a pavement property defined as roughness using longitudinal profile measuring equipment.
- 5.1.1 The IRI is portable in that it can be obtained from longitudinal profiles obtained with a variety of instruments.
- 5.1.2 The IRI is stable with time because true IRI is based on the concept of a true longitudinal profile, rather than the physical properties of a particular type of instrument.
  - 5.2 Roughness information is a useful input to the pavement

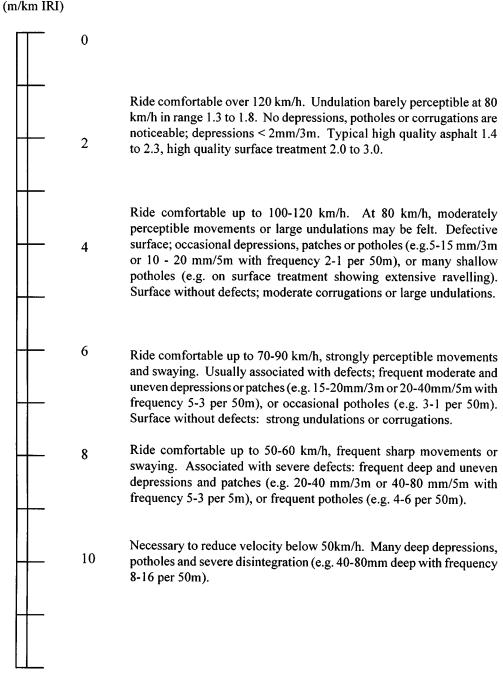


FIG. 1 Road Roughness Estimation Scale for Paved Roads With Asphaltic Concrete or Surface Treatment (Chipseal)

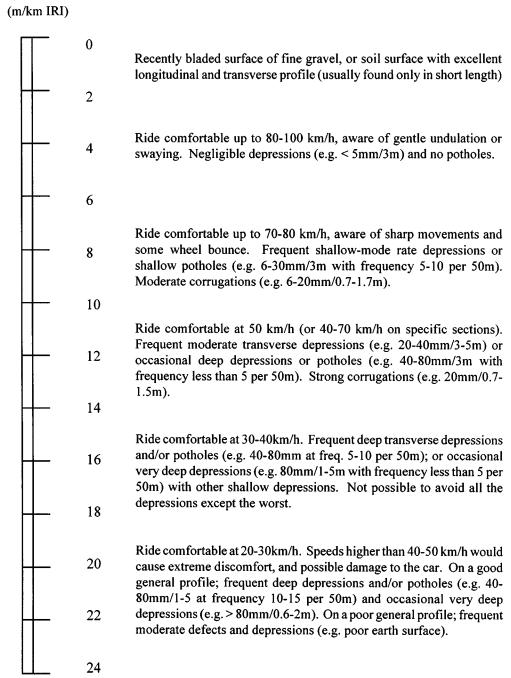


FIG. 2 Road Roughness Estimation Scale for Unpaved Roads with Gravel or Earth Surfaces

management systems (PMS) maintained by transportation agencies.

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- 5.2.1 The IRI for the right wheel track is the measurement of road surface roughness specified by the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) as the input to their Highway Performance Monitoring System (HPMS).
- 5.2.2 When profiles are measured simultaneously for both traveled wheel tracks, then the MRI (average of the IRI for each profile) is considered to be a better measure of road surface roughness than the IRI for either wheel track.

Note 1—The MRI scale is identical to the IRI scale.

- 5.3 IRI can be interpreted as the output of an idealized response-type measuring system (see Test Method E 1082 and Specification E 1215), where the physical vehicle and instrumentation are replaced with a mathematical model. The units of slope correspond to accumulated suspension motions (for example, metres), divided by the distance traveled (for example, kilometres).
- 5.4 IRI is a useful calibration reference for response-type systems that estimate roughness by measuring vehicular response (see Test Method E 1082 and Specification E 1215).
  - 5.5 IRI can also be interpreted as average absolute slope of



the profile, filtered mathematically to modify the amplitudes associated with different wavelengths (3).

#### 6. Longitudinal Profile Measurement

- 6.1 The longitudinal profile measurements can be obtained from equipment that operate in a range of speeds from static to highway traffic speeds.
- 6.2 The elevation profile measuring equipment used to collect the longitudinal profile data used in this practice must have sufficient accuracy to measure the longitudinal profile attributes that are essential to the computation of the International Roughness Index.
- 6.2.1 A repeating sine wave of the following wavelengths and peak-to-peak amplitudes in the absence of any other profile roughness will produce the following IRI values:

Amplitude,	Wavelength,	IRI,
mm	m	m/km
25.4	91.4	0.0222
Amplitude,	Wavelength,	IRI,
<u>in.</u>	ft	<u>in./mi</u>
1.00	300	1.42

# 7. Computation of International Roughness Index (IRI)

- 7.1 This practice consists of the computation of IRI from an algorithm developed in the International Road Roughness Experiment and described in the World Bank Technical Papers 45 and 46 (1)(2). Additional technical information provided in two TRB papers (3)(4).
- 7.2 A FORTRAN version of this algorithm has been implemented as described in Ref (3).
- 7.2.1 This practice presents a sample computer program" IRISMP" for the computation of the IRI from the recorded longitudinal profile measurement.
- 7.2.1.1 The computer program IRISMP is a general computer program which accepts the elevation profile data set as input and then calculates the IRI values for that profile data set.
- 7.2.1.2 A listing of the IRISMP computer program for the computation of IRI is included in this practice as Appendix X1.
- 7.2.1.3 A provision has been made in the computer program listing (Appendix X1) for the computation of IRI from recorded longitudinal profile measurements in either SI or inch-pound units.
- 7.2.2 The input to the sample IRI computer program is an ASCII profile data set stored in a 1X,F8.3,1X,F8.3 Fortran format. In this format, the profile data appears as a multi-row, two column array with the left wheel path profile data points in Column 1 and the right wheel path points in Column 2. The profile data point interval is discretionary. However the quality of the IRI values computed by this algorithm is a function of the data point interval.
- 7.2.2.1 If the input to the IRI computer program is in SI units, the elevation profile data points are scaled in millimetres with the least significant digit being equal to 0.001 mm.
  - 7.2.2.2 If the input to the IRI computer program is in

- inch-pound units, the elevation profile data points are scaled in inches with the least significant digit being equal to 0.001 in.
- 7.3 The distance interval over which the IRI is computed is discretionary, but shall be reported along with the IRI results.
- 7.4 Validation of the IRI program is required when it is installed. Provision for the IRI program installation validation has been provided in this practice.
- 7.4.1 The sample profile data set TRIPULSE.ASC has been provided in SI units in Appendix X2 for validation of the computer program installation.
- 7.4.2 Using the sample profile data set TRIPULSE.ASC (Appendix X2) as input to the IRI computer program (Appendix X1), an IRI value of 4.42 mm/m was computed as shown in Appendix X3 for a profile data point interval of .15 m (.5 ft) and a distance interval equal to 15 m of the profile data set.

#### 8. Report

- 8.1 Include the following information in the report for this practice:
- 8.1.1 *Profile Measuring Device*—The Class of the profile measuring device used to make the profile measurement as defined in Test Method E 950 and Test Method E 1364 shall be included in the report.
- 8.1.2 Longitudinal Profile Measurements—Report data from the profile measuring process shall include the date and time of day of the measurement, the location of the measurement, the lane measured, the direction of the measurement, length of measurement, and the descriptions of the beginning and ending points of the measurement. The recorded wheel track (left, right, or both) must also be included.
- 8.1.3 *IRI Resolution*—The number of digits after the decimal point depends on the choice of units. If the units are m/km, then results should be reported with two digits after the decimal point. If the units are in./mi, then the IRI results should be reported to a resolution of 0.1 in./mi.

# 9. Precision and Bias

- 9.1 The precision and bias of the computed IRI is limited by the procedures used in making the longitudinal profile measurement. Guidelines for measuring longitudinal profile are provided in Test Method E 950 and Test Method E 1364.
- $9.2\,$  For the effects of the precision and bias of the measured profile on the computed IRI, see precision and bias in Appendix X1.

### 10. Keywords

10.1 highway performance monitoring system; HPMS; international roughness index; IRI; longitudinal profile; pavement management systems; pavement roughness; PMS



#### APPENDIXES

(Nonmandatory Information)

### X1. PRECISION AND BIAS

#### X1.1 Precision:

X1.1.1 The precision of the computed IRI is limited by the procedures used in making the longitudinal profile measurement. Guidelines for measuring longitudinal profile are provided in Test Method E 950 and Test Method E 1364.

X1.1.2 IRI precision depends on the interval between adjacent profile elevation measures (see Test Method E 950 and Test Method E 1364). Reducing the interval typically improves the precision. An interval of 0.3 m (12 in.) or smaller is recommended. For some surface types, a shorter interval will improve precision. More information about the sensitivity of IRI to sample interval is provided in Ref (3).

X1.1.3 IRI precision is roughly equivalent to the precision of the slope obtained from the longitudinal profile measurements, for distances ranging from approximately 1.5 m (5 ft) to about 25 m (80 ft). For example, a relative error on profile elevation of 1.0 mm over a distance of 10 m corresponds to a slope error of 0.1 mm/m, or 0.1 m/km (6.3 in/mi).

X1.1.4 IRI precision is limited by the degree to which a wheel track on the road can be profiled. Errors in locating the wheel track longitudinally and laterally can influence the IRI values, because the IRI will be computed for the profile of the wheel track as measured, rather than the wheel track as intended. These effects are reduced by using longer profiles.

X1.1.5 Computational errors due to round-off are typically about two orders of magnitude smaller than those due to limitations in the profile measuring process, and can be safely ignored.

# X1.2 Bias:

X1.2.1 The bias of the computed IRI is typically limited by the procedures used in making the longitudinal profile measurement. Guidelines for measuring longitudinal profile are provided in Test Method E 950 and Test Method E 1364.

X1.2.2 IRI bias depends on the interval between adjacent profile elevation measures. An interval of 0.3 m (12 in.) or smaller is recommended. Shorter intervals improve precision but have little effect on bias. More information about the sensitivity of IRI to sample interval is provided in Ref (3).

X1.2.3 Many forms of measurement error cause an upward bias in IRI. (The reason is that variations in profile elevation due to measurement error are usually uncorrelated with the profile changes.) Some common sources of positive IRI bias are: height-sensor round-off, mechanical vibrations in the instrument that are not corrected and electronic noise. Bias is reduced by using profiler instruments that minimize these errors.

X1.2.4 Inertial profiler systems (see Test Method E 950) include one or more filters that attenuate long wavelengths (low wave numbers). If the cut-off wavelength is too short, then the IRI computed from the profile will have a negative bias. A cut off wavelength of 91.4 m/cycle (300 ft/cycle) is considered sufficiently long.

Note X1.1—Profiles obtained with static methods are generally not filtered, and therefore this source of bias is not relevant for them.

X1.2.5 The measures from some inertial profilers are processed during measurement to attenuate short wavelengths and prevent aliasing. The effect is to smooth the profile measurement. If a smoothing filter is used and it affects wavelengths longer than 1 m (3.3 ft), then the computed IRI will have a negative bias.

Note X1.2—If the profiler includes a smoothing filter that affects wavelengths shorter than 1 m (3.3 ft) and longer than 250 mm (10 in.), no more smoothing is required during the computation of IRI.

#### X2. INTERNATIONAL ROUGHNESS INDEX COMPUTER PROGRAM

X2.1 Included in this appendix is the coding in Fortran language for a computer subroutine, SUBROUTINE IRI, Fig. X2.1, which calculates the International Roughness Index as prescribed by this practice. A sample main program is also included which when executed, prompts the user for the name of a data file containing the profile data to be processed and the parameters needed by the subroutine to compute the IRI. The subroutine is called and returns the computed IRI values to the main program which then displays them.

X2.2 The sample program can process data files containing two profile tracks in either SI or inch-pound units. For SI data,

the program assumes the input amplitudes are stored in millimetre units; if inch-pound, inches. For the sample program, the maximum length road section that can be processed is limited to 1058 sample pairs.

X2.3 The sample data file shown in Fig. X2.12 and Fig. X2.13 is in SI units (mm) and contains one hundred and one profile data point pairs. The tracks are identical. The sampling interval for the data is 0.15 m.



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Listing 0. Fortran code for sample 'main' program.
        l.lnk:
c
        irismp+
                   'MAIN' program plus IRI subroutines
c
c
c Sample IRI Fortran Computer Program
c-Sample program to read a data file containing two tracks of
c- road profile elevation data into a "DATA" array, call SUBR IRI
c- and print a final report of International Roughness Index.
c- If the input profile data is in English units, the elevation values
c- are converted from inch to mm units and the sampling interval, from
c- feet to meters; the computed IRI values are returned as m/km and
c- converted to in/mi.
c- (SUBROUTINE IRI is called to perform the IRI computation as
c- prescribed by this practice.)
c
   PROGRAM IRISMP
C--
c
    DELT ----> DX
c
    DATA(1, 1058) -----> PROF(NPTS), left track
c
    DATA(2, 1058) -----> PROF(NPTS), right track
    AVIRIL ----> IRI, left track
c
    AVIRIR -----> IRI, right track
c
    AVEIRI ----> == (AVIRIL + AVIRIR)/2.
c
    UNITSC ----> see UNITSC (SUBR IRI)
c
c
   REAL
                 DATA(2, 1058), DELT
   REAL
                 DINTVL, SECLEN
   REAL
                 BASE, UNITSC, PROF(1058), SCLFAC
   REAL
                 AVIRIL, AVIRIR, AVEIRI
c
   BYTE
                 UNITS, ANSWER
   CHARACTER KNAME*12
c
   INTEGER
                NPTS, NREC, I, J
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FIG. X2.1 Sample Fortran Program Using Subroutine IRI to Compute International Ride Index

```
c
   NREC = 0
   WRITE (*, 1000)
1000 FORMAT (/'1Enter Data File Name (in single quotes)'/
           ' ("TRIPULSE.ASC" in example): '$)
   READ(*,*)KNAME(1:12)
c
   WRITE(*,1010)
1010 FORMAT(/'1Is road profile data in SI or inch-pound units?'/
             Type "S" or "I", (cr) : '$)
   READ(*,1020)UNITS
1020 FORMAT(A1)
   IF(UNITS.EQ.'I'.OR.UNITS.EQ.'i') WRITE(*,1030)
1030 FORMAT(/' Enter length of section, feet '/
                  (82 ft in example) : '$)
   IF(UNITS.EQ.'S'.OR.UNITS.EQ.'s') WRITE(*,1040)
1040 FORMAT(/' Enter length of section, meters '/
              ' (25 m in example) : '$)
c
   READ(*,1050)SECLEN
1050 FORMAT(F10.0)
   IF(UNITS.EQ.'I'.OR.UNITS.EQ.'i') WRITE(*,1060)
1060 FORMAT(/' Enter sampling interval, ft. '/
              ' (.82 ft in example)
c
   IF(UNITS.EQ.'S'.OR.UNITS.EQ.'s') WRITE(*,1070)
1070 FORMAT(/' Enter sampling interval, meters '/
               ' (.25 m in example) : '$)
c
   READ(*,1050)DELT
   IF(UNITS.EQ.'I'.OR.UNITS.EQ.'i')SECLEN=SECLEN/3.281 !ft --> m
   IF(UNITS.EQ.'I'.OR.UNITS.EQ.'i')DELT=DELT/3.281 !ft --> m
   NPTS=SECLEN/DELT
                                !number of elevation pairs in DATA array.
```

FIG. X2.1 Sample Fortran Program Using Subroutine IRI to Compute International Ride Index (continued)

```
WRITE(*,1075)
1075 FORMAT(/' Is Input Profile Pre-smoothed (Y or N)? '$)
   READ(*,1020)ANSWER
   BASE = .250
                            ! meters
   IF(ANSWER.NE. 'N'.AND. ANSWER.NE. 'n') BASE = 0.
c- Open input file and read profile elevations
c into 'DATA' array:
   OPEN(UNIT=2,FILE=KNAME(1:12),FORM='FORMATTED')
c
c
   UNITSC = 1.
   DO 20 I = 1, NPTS
   READ(2,1080)(DATA(J, I), J = 1, 2) ! read 'NPTS' data pairs
                       into DATA array
1080 FORMAT(2(1X, F8.3))
20 CONTINUE
c- Call subroutine to calculate International Roughness Index:
c Copy left wheelpath profile to 'PROF' array:
   DO 30 I = 1, NPTS
   PROF(I) = DATA(1, I)
   IF(UNITS .EQ. 'I' .OR. UNITS .EQ. 'i')
  & PROF(I)=PROF(I)*25.4 ! in --> mm
30 CONTINUE
   CALL IRI (PROF, NPTS, DELT, BASE, UNITSC, AVIRIL)
c
c Copy right wheelpath profile to PROF array:
   NPTS=SECLEN/DELT
                                !number of elevation pairs in DATA array.
c
   DO 40 I = 1, NPTS
   PROF(I) = DATA(2, I)
   IF(UNITS .EQ. 'I' .OR. UNITS .EQ. 'i')
  & PROF(I)=PROF(I)*25.4
                                ! in --> mm
c
40 CONTINUE
```

FIG. X2.1 Sample Fortran Program Using Subroutine IRI to Compute International Ride Index (continued)

```
c
   CALL IRI (PROF, NPTS, DELT, BASE, UNITSC, AVIRIR)
   AVEIRI = (AVIRIL + AVIRIR)/2.
   DINTVL = NPTS*DELT
                                       ! length of profile section
c- Output computed International Roughness Index:
   IF(UNITS.EQ.'S'.OR.UNITS.EQ.'s')GOTO 200
   SCLFAC=5280./25.4/3.281
                                ! = 63.36
   WRITE(*, 2010)
  1 AVIRIL*SCLFAC, AVIRIR*SCLFAC, AVEIRI*SCLFAC, DINTVL*3.281
   WRITE(*, 2010)
2010 FORMAT(//////
          6X' IRI, left
                                = ',F10.1,' in/mi'//
  1
  2
          6X' IRI, right
                                 = ',F10.1,' in/mi'////
          6X' International Roughness Index = ',F10.1,' in/mi'//
  3
       6X' Distance = ',F6.1,' feet'/)
   GOTO 210
200 CONTINUE
   WRITE(*, 2020)
  1 AVIRIL, AVIRIR, AVEIRI, DINTVL
2020 FORMAT(/////
          6X' IRI, left
                                = ',F10.2' mm/m'//
  1
                        = ',F10.2,' mm/m'////
  2
          6X' IRI, right
  3
          6X' International Roughness Index = ',F10.2,' mm/m'//
          6X' Distance = ',F6.1,' meters'/)
210 CONTINUE
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FIG. X2.1 Sample Fortran Program Using Subroutine IRI to Compute International Ride Index (continued)

```
SUBROUTINE IRI(PROF, NSAMP, DX, BASE, UNITSC, AVEIRI)
C:
C Filter a longitudinal road profile and calculate IRI.
C <-> PROF REAL On input, an array of profile height values.
                    On output, an array of filtered profile values.
\mathbf{C}
C <-> NSAMP INTEGER Number of data values in array PROF. Filtered
                    profile always has fewer points than original.
\mathbf{C}
C --> DX REAL Distance step between profile points (m).
C --> BASE REAL Distance covered by moving average (m).
\mathbf{C}
                     Use .250 for unfiltered profile input, and 0.0
                    for pre-smoothed profiles (e.g. K. J. Law data).
C
  --> UNITSC REAL Product of two scale factors: (1) metres per unit
\mathbf{C}
                    of profile height, and (2) IRI units of slope.
\mathbf{C}
                     Ex: height is inches, slope will be in/mi.
\mathbf{C}
                    UNITSC = (.0254 \text{ m/in})*(63360 \text{ in/mi}) = 1609.34
c
C <-- AVEIRI REAL The average IRI for the entire profile.
        INTEGER
                         I, I11, IBASE, J, NSAMP
        REAL
                         AMAT, AVEIRI, BASE, BMAT, CMAT, DX
        REAL
                         UNITSC, V, XIN, PROF, SFPI, ST, PR
         DIMENSION
                         AMAT(4, 4), BMAT(4), CMAT(4), PR(4),
c
   &
                 ST(4,4), XIN(4), PROF(NSAMP+2)
c
        DIMENSION
                         AMAT(4, 4), BMAT(4), CMAT(4), PR(4),
  &
                         ST(4,4), XIN(4), PROF(1058)
c
C Set parameters and arrays.
        CALL SETABC(653.0, 63.3, 6.0, 0.15, AMAT, BMAT, CMAT)
        CALL SETSTM(DX/(80./3.6), AMAT, BMAT, ST, PR)
        IBASE = MAX(INT(BASE/DX + 0.5), 1)
        SFPI = UNITSC/(DX*IBASE)
C Initialize simulation variables based on profile start.
        I11 = MIN(INT(11./DX + .5) + 1, NSAMP)
        XIN(1) = UNITSC*(PROF(I11) - PROF(1))/(DX*I11)
        XIN(2) = 0.0
        XIN(3) = XIN(1)
        XIN(4) = 0.0
C Convert to averaged slope profile, with IRI units.
        NSAMP = NSAMP - IBASE
        DO 10 I = 1, NSAMP
 10 PROF(I) = SFPI*(PROF(I + IBASE) - PROF(I))
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FIG. X2.1 Sample Fortran Program Using Subroutine IRI to Compute International Ride Index (continued)

```
C Filter profile.
       CALL STFILT(PROF, NSAMP, ST, PR, CMAT, XIN)
C Compute IRI from filtered profile.
       AVEIRI = 0.0
       DO 20 I = 1, NSAMP
 20 AVEIRI = AVEIRI + ABS(PROF(I))
        AVEIRI = AVEIRI/NSAMP
c
        RETURN
        END
                  Listing 2. Code to set model matrices.
c
       SUBROUTINE SETABC(K1, K2, C, MU, AMAT, BMAT, CMAT)
C Set the A, B and C matrices for the 1/4 car model.
C
C -->
       K1 REAL
                          Kt/Ms = normalized tire spring rate, (1/s/s)
C -->
       K2 REAL
                          Ks/Ms = normalized suspension spring rate (1/s/s)
C -->
       C REAL
                          Ks/Ms = normalized suspension damper rate (1/s)
C -->
       MU REAL
                          Ks/Ms = normalized unsprung mass (-)
C <--
        AMAT REAL
                          The 4x4 A matrix.
C <--
       BMAT REAL
                          The 4x1 B matrix.
                          The 4x1 C matrix.
C <--
       CMAT REAL
        INTEGER
                       I, J
        REAL
                       AMAT, BMAT, CMAT, K1, K2, C, MU
        DIMENSION
                       AMAT(4, 4), BMAT(4), CMAT(4)
C Set default for all matrix elements to zero.
        DO 10 J = 1, 4
         BMAT(J) = 0
         CMAT(J) = 0
         DO 10 I = 1, 4
10
          AMAT(I, J) = 0
C Put 1/4 car model parameters into the A Matrix.
        AMAT(1, 2) = 1.
        AMAT(3, 4) = 1.
        AMAT(2, 1) = -K2
        AMAT(2, 2) = -C
        AMAT(2,3) = K2
        AMAT(2, 4) = C
        AMAT(4, 1) = K2/MU
        AMAT(4, 2) = C/MU
        AMAT(4, 3) = -(K1 + K2)/MU
        AMAT(4, 4) = -C/MU
FIG. X2.1 Sample Fortran Program Using Subroutine IRI to Compute International Ride Index (continued)
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```
C Set the B matrix for road input through tire spring.
        BMAT(4) = K1/MU
C Set the C matrix to use suspension motion as output.
        CMAT(1) = -1
        CMAT(3) = 1
        RETURN
        END
                  Listing 3. Code to set state transition matrix.
    SUBROUTINE SETSTM(DT, A, B, ST, PR)
C=
\mathbf{C}
C Compute ST and PR arrays. This requires INVERT for matrix inversion.
C --> DT
                 REAL Time step (sec)
C --> A
                                            The 4x4 A matrix.
                          REAL
C \rightarrow B
                          REAL
                                            The 4x4 B matrix.
C <-- ST
                 REAL
                                   4x4 state transition matrix.
C \leftarrow PR
                 REAL
                                   4x1 partial response vector.
        INTEGER
                          I, ITER, J, K
        LOGICAL
                          MORE
         REAL
                          A, A1, A2, B, DT, PR, ST, TEMP
        DIMENSION
                          A(4, 4), A1(4, 4), A2(4, 4), B(4)
        DIMENSION
                          PR(4),ST(4,4),TEMP(4,4)
        DO 20 J = 1.4
          DO 10 I = 1.4
           \mathbf{A1}(\mathbf{I},\mathbf{J})=\mathbf{0}
           ST(I, J) = 0
10
          A1(J, J) = 1.
20
          ST(J, J) = 1.
C Calculate the state transition matrix ST = \exp(dt^*A) with a Taylor
C series. A1 is the previous term, A2 is the next one.
        ITER = 0
  30 ITER = ITER + 1
         MORE = .FALSE.
         DO 40 J = 1.4
          DO 40 I = 1.4
           A2(I, J) = 0
           DO 40 \text{ K} = 1.4
        A2(I, J) = A2(I, J) + A1(I, K) * A(K, J)
```

FIG. X2.1 Sample Fortran Program Using Subroutine IRI to Compute International Ride Index (continued)

```
DO 50 J = 1.4
         DO 50 I = 1.4
          A1(I, J) = A2(I, J)*DT/ITER
          IF (ST(I, J) + A1(I, J) .NE. ST(I, J)) MORE = .TRUE.
 50
          ST(I, J) = ST(I, J) + A1(I, J)
   IF (MORE) GO TO 30
C Calculate particular response matrix: PR = A^{**}-1^{*}(ST-I)^{*}B
        CALL INVERT(A, 4)
        DO 60 I = 1.4
         PR(I) = 0.0
         DO 60 K = 1.4
          PR(I) = PR(I) - A(I, K)*B(K)
 60
        DO 90 J = 1.4
         DO 70 I = 1, 4
          TEMP(J, I) = 0.0
          DO 70 K = 1.4
 70
           TEMP(J, I) = TEMP(J, I) + A(J, K)*ST(K, I)
         DO 80 \text{ K} = 1, 4
 80
      PR(J) = PR(J) + TEMP(J, K)*B(K)
         CONTINUE
 90
        RETURN
        END
\mathbf{C}
C
                    Listing 4. Code to filter profile.
        SUBROUTINE STFILT(PROF, NSAMP, ST, PR, C, XIN)
C Filter profile using matrices ST, PR, and
C
C <->
       PROF REAL
                                 Input profile. Replaced by the output.
        NSAMP INTEGER
                                 Number of data values in array PROF.
C -->
C -->
        ST
                 REAL
                                 4x4 state transition matrix.
C -->
        PR
                 REAL
                                 4x1 partial response vector.
C -->
        C
                 REAL
                                 4x1 output definition vector.
C -->
        XIN
                 real
                                 Initial values of filter variables.
        INTEGER I, J, K, NSAMP,ii
                         C, PR, PROF, ST, X, XIN, XN
        REAL
         DIMENSION
                         C(4), PR(4), PROF(NSAMP+2), ST(4, 4)
c
                         C(4), PR(4), PROF(1058), ST(4, 4)
        DIMENSION
        DIMENSION
                         X(4), XIN(4), XN(4)
        DIMENSION
                         C(4), PR(4), PROF(1000), ST(4, 4) X(4), XIN(4), XN(4)
c
C Initialize simulation variables.
   DO 10 I = 1,4
  10
         X(I) = XIN(I)
```

FIG. X2.1 Sample Fortran Program Using Subroutine IRI to Compute International Ride Index (continued)

```
C Filter profile using the state transition algorithm.
        DO 40 I = 1, NSAMP
             DO 20 J = 1, 4
              XN(J) = PR(J)*PROF(I)
              DO 20 K = 1, 4
      20
               XN(J) = XN(J) + X(K)*ST(J, K)
                X(1)=XN(1)
                X(2)=XN(2)
                X(3)=XN(3)
                X(4)=XN(4)
             PROF(I) = X(1)*C(1) + X(2)*C(2) + X(3)*C(3) + X(4)*C(4)
      40
             CONTINUE
        RETURN
        END
     \mathbf{C}
                         Listing 5. Code to invert matrix.
        SUBROUTINE INVERT(Y1, N)
     C This routine will store the inverse of NxN matrix Y1 in matrix YINV.
     C It was copied from "Numerical Recipes."
     C Y1 --> Real The matrix to be inverted.
     C YINV --> Real The inverse of matrix Y1.
        INTEGER N, INDX, I, J
                  Y1, YINV, D, A
        REAL*4
        DIMENSION Y1(N, N), YINV(4, 4), INDX(4), A(4, 4)
        DO 8 I = 1, N
         DO 9 J = 1, N
       9 A(I, J) = Y1(I, J)
       8 CONTINUE
        DO 10 I = 1, N
         DO 20 J = 1, N
      20 YINV(I, J) = 0.0
         YINV(I, I) = 1.0
       10 CONTINUE
        CALL LUDCMP(A, INDX, D)
        DO 30 J = 1, N
      30 CALL LUBKSB(A, INDX, YINV(1, J))
        DO 40 I = 1, N
         DO 50 J = 1, N
       50 Y1(I,J) = YINV(I,J)
FIG. X2.1 Sample Fortran Program Using Subroutine IRI to Compute International Ride Index (continued)
```

```
40 CONTINUE
RETURN
END
```

```
SUBROUTINE LUDCMP(A, INDX, D)
C This routine was copied from "Numerical Recipes" for matrix
C inversion.
\mathbf{C}
   INTEGER
                 N, INDX, NMAX, I, J, IMAX, K
   REAL*4
              A, TINY, VV, D, AAMAX, SUM, DUM
   PARAMETER (NMAX = 100, TINY = 1.0E-20, N = 4)
   DIMENSION A(N, N), INDX(N), VV(NMAX)
   D = 1.0
   DO 10 I = 1, N
    AAMAX = 0.0
    DO 20 J = 1, N
 20 IF(ABS(A(I,J)).GT.AAMAX) AAMAX=ABS(A(I,J))
    IF(AAMAX.EQ.0.0) PAUSE 'Singular matrix'
    VV(I) = 1.0/AAMAX
 10 CONTINUE
   DO 30 J = 1, N
    DO 40 I = 1, J-1
        SUM = A(I, J)
     DO 50 \text{ K} = 1, \text{ I-1}
 50
       SUM = SUM - A(I, K)*A(K, J)
     A(I, J) = SUM
 40 CONTINUE
    AAMAX = 0.0
    DO 60 I = J, N
     SUM = A(I, J)
     DO 70 \text{ K} = 1, \text{ J-1}
       SUM = SUM - A(I, K)*A(K, J)
     A(I, J) = SUM
     DUM = VV(I)*ABS(SUM)
     IF(DUM.GE.AAMAX)THEN
      IMAX = I
      AAMAX = DUM
     ENDIF
 60 CONTINUE
    IF(J.NE.IMAX)THEN
     DO 80 \text{ K} = 1, \text{ N}
      DUM = A(IMAX, K)
      A(IMAX, K) = A(J, K)
      A(J, K) = DUM
       CONTINUE
     D = -D
```

FIG. X2.1 Sample Fortran Program Using Subroutine IRI to Compute International Ride Index (continued)

```
VV(IMAX) = VV(J)
   ENDIF
   INDX(J) = IMAX
   IF(A(J, J).EQ.0.0) A(J, J) = TINY
   IF(J.NE.N)THEN
    DUM = 1.0/A(J, J)
    DO 90 I = J+1, N
 90
      A(I, J) = A(I, J)*DUM
   ENDIF
 30 CONTINUE
   RETURN
   END
   SUBROUTINE LUBKSB(A, INDX, B)
C This routine was copied from "Numerical Recipes" for matrix
C inversion.
   INTEGER
                N, INDX, I, II, LL, J
             A, B, SUM
   REAL*4
   PARAMETER (N = 4)
   DIMENSION A(N, N), INDX(N), B(N)
   II = 0
   DO 10 I = 1, N
   LL = INDX(I)
   SUM = B(LL)
   B(LL) = B(I)
   IF(II.NE.0)THEN
    DO 20 J = II, I-1
      SUM = SUM - A(I, J)*B(J)
   ELSEIF(SUM.NE.0)THEN
    II = II
   ENDIF
   B(I) = SUM
 10 CONTINUE
   DO 30 I = N, 1, -1
   SUM = B(I)
   IF(I.LT.N)THEN
    DO 40 J = I+1, N
 40
      SUM = SUM - A(I, J)*B(J)
   ENDIF
   B(I) = SUM/A(I, I)
 30 CONTINUE
   RETURN
   END
```

FIG. X2.1 Sample Fortran Program Using Subroutine IRI to Compute International Ride Index (continued)

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0.000
       0.000
0.000
       0.000
0.000
       0.000
0.000
       0.000
0.000
       0.000
2.500 2.500
5.000
       5.000
7.500 7.500
10.000 10.000
12.500 12.500
15.000 15.000
17.500 17.500
20.000 20.000
17.500 17.500
15.000 15.000
12.500 12.500
10.000 10.000
7.500 7.500
5.000 5.000
2.500
       2.500
0.000
       0.000
0.000
       0.000
0.000
       0.000
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# ... (pad with zeros to make a total of 101 numerical data)

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    0.000
    0.000

    0.000
    0.000

    0.000
    0.000

    0.000
    0.000

    0.000
    0.000

    0.000
    0.000
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Note 1—Elevations are metric units (mm). The profile consists of identical right and tracks, each consisting of zero elevations everywhere except the triangular 'pulse' from 1.0 to 5.0 m peaking at 20.0 mm. The interval between elevations is 0.15 m. This data set may be used as a test of the user's implementation of IRI standard computation.

FIG. X2.12 Sample Load Profile Input Data Set, TRIPULSE.ASC



Enter Data File Name (in single quotes)
('TRIPULSE.ASC' in example) : 'TRIPULSE.ASC'

Is road profile data in SI or inch-pound units?

Type 'S' or 'I' : S

Enter length of section, m (ft)
(25 meters in example) : 15

Enter sample interval, meters : .15

Is Input Profile presmoothed? : Y

IRI, left wheel path = 4.42 mm/m

IRI, right wheel path = 4.42 mm/m

International Roughness Index = 4.42 mm/m

Distance = 14.8 meters

FIG. X2.13 Input/Output for RNSMP sample program using data input file 'TRIPULSE.ASC'

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