

Section 11: Linear Mechanical Equations

We can consider the application of an external driving force (with or without damping). Assume a time dependent force $f(t)$ is applied to the system. The ODE governing displacement becomes

$$m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} = -\beta \frac{dx}{dt} - kx + f(t), \quad \beta \geq 0.$$

Divide out m and let $F(t) = f(t)/m$ to obtain the nonhomogeneous equation

$$\frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + 2\lambda \frac{dx}{dt} + \omega^2 x = F(t)$$

Forced Undamped Motion and Resonance

Consider the case $F(t) = F_0 \cos(\gamma t)$ or $F(t) = F_0 \sin(\gamma t)$, and $\lambda = 0$.
Two cases arise

$$(1) \quad \gamma \neq \omega, \quad \text{and} \quad (2) \quad \gamma = \omega.$$

Taking the sine case, the DE is

$$x'' + \omega^2 x = F_0 \sin(\gamma t)$$

with complementary solution

$$x_c = c_1 \cos(\omega t) + c_2 \sin(\omega t).$$

If $\gamma \neq \omega$, then $x_p = A \cos(\gamma t) + B \sin(\gamma t)$.

If $\gamma = \omega$, then $x_p = At \cos(\omega t) + Bt \sin(\omega t)$.

Forced Undamped Motion and Resonance

For $F(t) = F_0 \sin(\gamma t)$ starting from rest at equilibrium:

$$\text{Case (1): } x'' + \omega^2 x = F_0 \sin(\gamma t), \quad x(0) = 0, \quad x'(0) = 0$$

$$x(t) = \frac{F_0}{\omega^2 - \gamma^2} \left(\sin(\gamma t) - \frac{\gamma}{\omega} \sin(\omega t) \right)$$

If $\gamma \approx \omega$, the amplitude of motion could be rather large!

Pure Resonance

Case (2): $x'' + \omega^2 x = F_0 \sin(\omega t)$, $x(0) = 0$, $x'(0) = 0$

$$x(t) = \frac{F_0}{2\omega^2} \sin(\omega t) - \frac{F_0}{2\omega} t \cos(\omega t)$$

Note that the amplitude, α , of the second term is a function of t :

$$\alpha(t) = \frac{F_0 t}{2\omega}$$

which grows without bound!

► Forced Motion and Resonance Applet

Choose "Elongation diagram" to see a plot of displacement. Try exciting frequencies close to ω .

Section 12: LRC Series Circuits

Potential Drops Across Components:

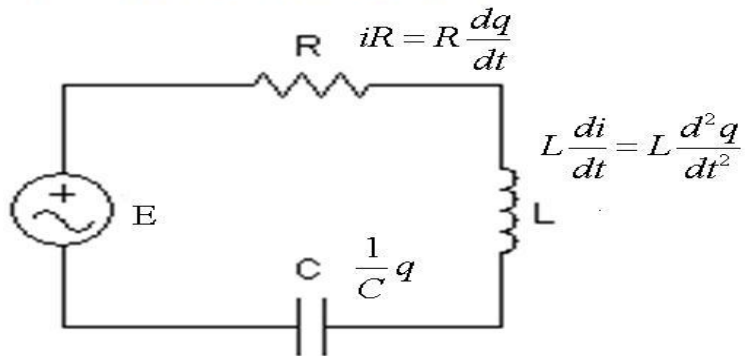


Figure: Kirchhoff's Law: The charge q on the capacitor satisfies $Lq'' + Rq' + \frac{1}{C}q = E(t)$.

LRC Series Circuit (Free Electrical Vibrations)

$$L \frac{d^2 q}{dt^2} + R \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} q = 0$$

If the applied force $E(t) = 0$, then the **electrical vibrations** of the circuit are said to be **free**. These are categorized as

overdamped if

$$R^2 - 4L/C > 0,$$

critically damped if

$$R^2 - 4L/C = 0,$$

underdamped if

$$R^2 - 4L/C < 0.$$

← 2 real roots
← one repeated root
↑ complex roots

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$$Lq'' + Rq' + \frac{1}{C}q = E(t), \quad q(0) = q_0, \quad q'(0) = i_0.$$

From our basic theory of linear equations we know that the solution will take the form

$$q(t) = q_c(t) + q_p(t).$$

The function of q_c is influenced by the initial state (q_0 and i_0) and will decay exponentially as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Hence q_c is called the **transient state charge** of the system.

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The function q_p is independent of the initial state but depends on the characteristics of the circuit (L , R , and C) and the applied voltage E . q_p is called the **steady state charge** of the system.

Example

An LRC series circuit has inductance 0.5 h, resistance 10 ohms, and capacitance $4 \cdot 10^{-3}$ f. Find the steady state current of the system if the applied force is $E(t) = 5 \cos(10t)$.

Note current = derivative of charge

Egn. looks like $Lq'' + Rq' + \frac{1}{C}q = E$

Here $L = 0.5$, $R = 10$, $C = 4 \cdot 10^{-3}$, $E(t) = 5 \cos(10t)$

So $\frac{1}{2}q'' + 10q' + \frac{1}{4 \cdot 10^{-3}}q = 5 \cos(10t)$

$$2 \cdot \frac{1}{4 \cdot 10^{-3}} = \frac{2 \cdot 10^3}{4} = \frac{10^3}{2} = \frac{1000}{2} = 500$$

Standard form $q'' + 20q' + 500q = 10 \cos(10t)$

Char. eqn $r^2 + 20r + 500 = 0$

Complete the square $100 = \left(\frac{20}{2}\right)^2$

$$r^2 + 20r + 100 - 100 + 500 = 0$$

$$(r+10)^2 + 400 = 0 \Rightarrow (r+10)^2 = -400$$

$$r+10 = \pm\sqrt{-400} = \pm 20i$$

$$q_1 = e^{-10t} \cos(20t), \quad q_2 = e^{-10t} \sin(20t)$$

$$r = -10 \pm 20i$$

$$q'' + 20q' + 500q = 10 \cos(10t)$$

We need q_p : Guess $q_p = A \cos(10t) + B \sin(10t)$

$$q_p' = -10A \sin(10t) + 10B \cos(10t)$$

$$q_p'' = -100A \cos(10t) - 100B \sin(10t)$$

$$q_p'' + 20q_p' + 500q_p =$$

$$-100A \cos(10t) - 100B \sin(10t) - 200A \sin(10t) + 200B \cos(10t) +$$

$$500A \cos(10t) + 500B \sin(10t) = 10 \cos(10t) + 0 \sin(10t)$$

Collect Cosines + Sines

$$\begin{aligned} \cos(10t) [-100A + 200B + 500A] + \sin(10t) [-100B - 200A + 500B] \\ = \underline{10} \cos(10t) + \underline{0} \cdot \sin(10t) \end{aligned}$$

$$400A + 200B = 10$$

$$-200A + 400B = 0$$

$$400A + 200B = 10$$

$$-400A + 800B = 0$$

add

$$1000B = 10$$

$$B = \frac{1}{100}$$

$$200A = 400B \Rightarrow A = 2B = \frac{2}{100} = \frac{1}{50}$$

So the steady state charge is

$$q_p = \frac{1}{50} \cos(10t) + \frac{1}{100} \sin(10t)$$

The steady state current

$$(i = \frac{dq}{dt})$$

is

$$\dot{q}_p = -\frac{1}{5} \sin(10t) + \frac{1}{10} \cos(10t)$$

Section 13: The Laplace Transform

If $f = f(s, t)$ is a function of two variables s and t , and we compute a definite integral **with respect to** t ,

$$\int_a^b f(s, t) dt$$

we are left with a function of s alone.

Example: The integral¹

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^4 (2st - s) dt &= 2s \frac{t^2}{2} - st \Big|_0^4 = 2s \frac{4^2}{2} - s \cdot 4 - (2s \cdot \frac{0^2}{2} - s \cdot 0) \\ &= 16s - 4s = 12s \end{aligned}$$

is a function of the variable s .

¹The variable s is treated like a constant when integrating with respect to t —and visa versa.

Integral Transform

An **integral transform** is a mapping that assigns to a function $f(t)$ another function $F(s)$ via an integral of the form

$$\int_a^b K(s, t)f(t) dt.$$

- ▶ The function K is called the **kernel** of the transformation.
- ▶ The limits a and b may be finite or infinite.
- ▶ The integral may be improper so that convergence/divergence must be considered.
- ▶ This transform is **linear** in the sense that

$$\int_a^b K(s, t)(\alpha f(t) + \beta g(t)) dt = \alpha \int_a^b K(s, t)f(t) dt + \beta \int_a^b K(s, t)g(t) dt.$$

The Laplace Transform

Definition: Let $f(t)$ be defined on $[0, \infty)$. The Laplace transform of f is denoted and defined by

$$\mathcal{L}\{f(t)\} = \int_0^{\infty} e^{-st} f(t) dt = F(s).$$

The domain of the transformation $F(s)$ is the set of all s such that the integral is convergent.

Note: The kernel for the Laplace transform is $K(s, t) = e^{-st}$.