

Section 11: Linear Mechanical Equations

Driven Motion

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

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

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$$x_p = A \cos(\gamma t) + B \sin(\gamma t) \quad \text{Suppose } \gamma \neq \omega$$

This would be correct.

The position would look like .

$$x(t) = C_1 \cos(\omega t) + C_2 \sin(\omega t) + A \cos(\gamma t) + B \sin(\gamma t)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} x_p &= (A \cos(\omega t) + B \sin(\omega t)) t \\ &= A t \cos(\omega t) + B t \sin(\omega t) \end{aligned}$$

The position

$$x(t) = c_1 \cos(\omega t) + c_2 \sin(\omega t) + A t \cos(\omega t) + B t \sin(\omega t)$$

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

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

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

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 exciter frequencies close to ω .

Section 12: LRC Series Circuits

Potential Drops Across Components:

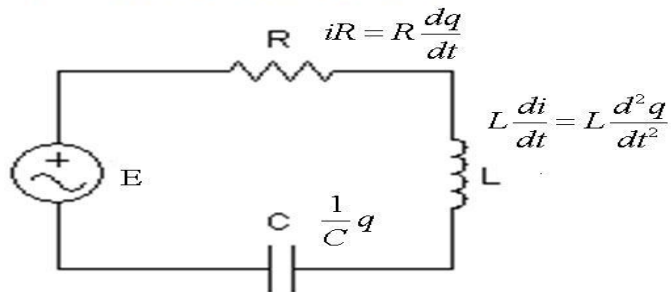


Figure: Kirchhoff's Law: The charge q on the capacitor satisfies $Lq'' + Rq' + \frac{1}{C}q = E(t)$.

This is a second order, linear, constant coefficient nonhomogeneous (if $E \neq 0$) equation.

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 $R^2 - 4L/C > 0$, (2 real roots)

critically damped if $R^2 - 4L/C = 0$, (1 real root)

underdamped if $R^2 - 4L/C < 0$. (complex roots)

Steady and Transient States

Given a nonzero applied voltage $E(t)$, we obtain an IVP with nonhomogeneous ODE for the charge q

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

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

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

$i_c = \frac{dq_c}{dt}$
transient state current

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 $E(t) = 5 \cos(10t)$.

The model is $Lq'' + Rq' + \frac{1}{C}q = E$

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \text{ h}$$

$$R = 10 \Omega$$

$$C = 4 \cdot 10^{-3} \text{ f}$$

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

The steady state current

$i_p = \frac{dq_p}{dt}$ this is what we want

$$\frac{1}{4 \cdot 10^{-3}} = \frac{10^3}{4} = \frac{1000}{4} = 250$$

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

Identify q_c :

Charact. eqn $m^2 + 20m + 500 = 0$

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

$$(m+10)^2 + 400 = 0$$

$$(m+10)^2 = -400$$

$$m+10 = \pm \sqrt{-400}$$

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

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

$$q_c = c_1 e^{-10t} \cos(20t) + c_2 e^{-10t} \sin(20t)$$

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

Find q_p using undetermined coefficients

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

$$20 \quad q_p' = -10A \sin(10t) + 10B \cos(10t)$$

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

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

$$\cos(10t) (-100A + 200B + 500A) + \sin(10t) (-100B - 200A + 500B)$$

$$= 10 \cos(10t) + 0 \cdot \sin(10t)$$

Matching

$$\begin{aligned} 400A + 200B &= 10 \\ -200A + 400B &= 0 \end{aligned} \Rightarrow \begin{aligned} 40A + 20B &= 1 \\ -20A + 40B &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 40A + 20B &= 1 \\ -40A + 80B &= 0 \\ \hline 100B &= 1 \end{aligned} \quad B = \frac{1}{100}$$

$$40B = 20A \Rightarrow A = 2B = \frac{2}{100}$$

$$q_p = \frac{2}{100} \cos(10t) + \frac{1}{100} \sin(10t)$$

This is the steady state charge.

The steady state current

$$i_p = \frac{-2}{10} \sin(10t) + \frac{1}{10} \cos(10t)$$