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Examples on Mechanical and Electrical Vibrations

Note: Be careful on units. Either work with kg and m or lb and ft.

$$g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 \approx 32 \text{ ft/s}^2$$

$$1 \text{ inch} = \frac{1}{12} \text{ ft}$$

Exm: A mass weighing 3lb stretches a spring 3in.
If the mass is pushed upward, contracting the
spring a distance of 1in., and then set in motion
with a downward velocity of 2ft/s, and if
there is no damping, find the position u of the
mass at any time t . Determine the frequency,
period, amplitude, and phase of the motion.

Note:

In this exm.

units are
taken lb
and ft.

So write
all units
in terms of
lb and ft

Soh: $Mu'' + \gamma u' + ku = F(t)$ is the general eqn.
for a forced vibration.

Here damping constant $\gamma = 0$.

There is no external force, i.e. $F(t) = 0$

The spring constant $k = \frac{\text{mass}}{\text{elongation}} \rightarrow \text{gravity.}$

$$\text{weight } k = \frac{3 \text{ lb}}{3 \text{ in}} = \frac{3 \text{ lb}}{\frac{1}{4} \text{ ft}} = 12 \text{ lb/ft}$$

$$\text{Mass } m, \quad \downarrow \quad \omega = mg \Rightarrow 3 \text{ lb} = m \times 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$3 \text{ lb} = m \times 32 \text{ ft/s}^2$$

$$m = \frac{3}{32} \text{ ft/s}^2$$

The the eqn. of motion is

$$\boxed{\frac{3}{32} u'' + 12u = 0} \Rightarrow \boxed{u'' + 128u = 0}$$

The IC's are

$$\begin{aligned} u(0) &= -1 \text{ in} = -\frac{1}{12} \text{ ft} \\ u'(0) &= 2 \text{ ft/s} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\text{Char. eqn: } r^2 + 128 = 0 \Rightarrow r_{1,2} = \pm 8\sqrt{2} i.$$

Then, the general soln is

$$u(t) = A \cos 8\sqrt{2}t + B \sin 8\sqrt{2}t$$

A, B are found by using initial conditions, i.e.

$$u(0) = -\frac{1}{12} = A$$

$$u'(t) = -8\sqrt{2}A \sin 8\sqrt{2}t + 8\sqrt{2}B \cos 8\sqrt{2}t$$

$$u'(0) = 2 = 8\sqrt{2}B \Rightarrow B = \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}}$$

Thus,

$$u(t) = -\frac{1}{12} \cos 8\sqrt{2}t + \frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}} \sin 8\sqrt{2}t$$

$$\text{The amplitude } R = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{144} + \frac{1}{32}} = \frac{1}{12}\sqrt{\frac{11}{2}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The phase of the motion } \delta, \quad \tan \delta &= \frac{B}{A} = \frac{\frac{1}{4\sqrt{2}}}{-\frac{1}{12}} = -\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}} \\ &\Rightarrow \delta = -\arctan\left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{The natural frequency } \omega_0^2 = \frac{k}{m} = \frac{12}{\frac{3}{32}} = 128 \Rightarrow \omega_0 = \sqrt{128} \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\text{Period of motion } T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_0} = \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{128}} \text{ s} = \frac{\pi}{4\sqrt{2}} \text{ s}$$

So the motion can be written as

$$u(t) = R \cos(\omega_0 t - \delta)$$

$$u(t) = \frac{1}{12}\sqrt{\frac{11}{2}} \cos\left(\sqrt{128}t + \arctan\left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\right)\right) \text{ as given in book.}$$

OR according to our lecture notes. Since,

$$u(t) = R \sin(\omega_0 t + \delta) \quad \text{where } R = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2} = \frac{1}{12}\sqrt{\frac{11}{2}}$$

$$A = R \sin \delta, \quad B = R \cos \delta \Rightarrow \tan \delta = \frac{A}{B} = -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} \Rightarrow \delta = \arctan\left(-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}\right)$$

$$\omega_0 = 8\sqrt{2}, \quad T = \frac{\pi}{4\sqrt{2}} \text{ as above.}$$

$$u(t) = \frac{1}{12}\sqrt{\frac{11}{2}} \sin\left(8\sqrt{2}t - \arctan\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}\right)\right)$$

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Exm. A mass weighing 16 lb stretches a spring 3 in. The mass is attached to a viscous damper with a damping constant of 2 lb.s/ft. If the mass is set in motion from its equilibrium position with a downward velocity of 3 in/s, find its position u at any time t . Plot u versus t . Determine when the mass first returns to its equilibrium position. Also find the time τ s.t. $|u(t)| < 0.01$ in for all $t > \tau$.

Soh: $\stackrel{\text{weigh}}{W=mg} \Rightarrow 16 \text{ lb} = m \cdot 32 \text{ ft/s}^2 \Rightarrow m = \frac{16}{32} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ lb s}^2/\text{ft}$

The spring constant, $k = \frac{w}{l} = \frac{16 \text{ lb}}{3 \text{ in}} = \frac{16 \text{ lb}}{\frac{1}{4} \text{ ft}} = 64 \text{ lb/ft}$

The damping coefficient, $\gamma = 2 \text{ lb.s/ft}$ given in question.

Hence the eqn. of motion is

$$\frac{1}{2}u'' + 2u' + 64u = 0, \quad \begin{cases} \text{(since } F(t) = 0 \\ \text{i.e. no external force} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow u'' + 4u' + 128u = 0$$

IC's: $u(0) = 0$ (mass set motion from equilibrium)

$u'(0) = 3 \text{ in/s} = \frac{1}{4} \text{ ft/s}$ (velocity at equilibrium)
(downward so positive)

char. eqn. $r^2 + 4r + 128 = 0$

$$r_{1,2} = \frac{-4 \mp \sqrt{16 - 4 \cdot 128}}{2} = -2 \mp 2\sqrt{3}i \quad \boxed{\lambda = -2, \mu = 2\sqrt{3}}$$

Thus

$$u_{\text{gen}} = A e^{-2t} \cos 2\sqrt{3}t + B e^{-2t} \sin 2\sqrt{3}t$$

$$u(0) = 0 \Rightarrow A = 0$$

$$u'(0) = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow u'(t) = -2B e^{-2t} \sin 2\sqrt{3}t + 2\sqrt{3}B e^{-2t} \cos 2\sqrt{3}t$$

$$u'(0) = 2\sqrt{3}B = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow B = \frac{1}{8\sqrt{3}}$$

Thus

$$u_{\text{gen}} = \frac{1}{8\sqrt{3}} e^{-2t} \sin 2\sqrt{3}t \quad \boxed{(\text{underdamped motion})}$$

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$$\text{Thus } R = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2} = \frac{1}{8\sqrt{3}}, \tan \delta = \frac{A}{B} = 0 \Rightarrow \delta = 0$$

The natural frequency ω_0 : $\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = 8\sqrt{2}$

But the frequency of the motion is: ~~$\omega = 2\sqrt{2}$~~

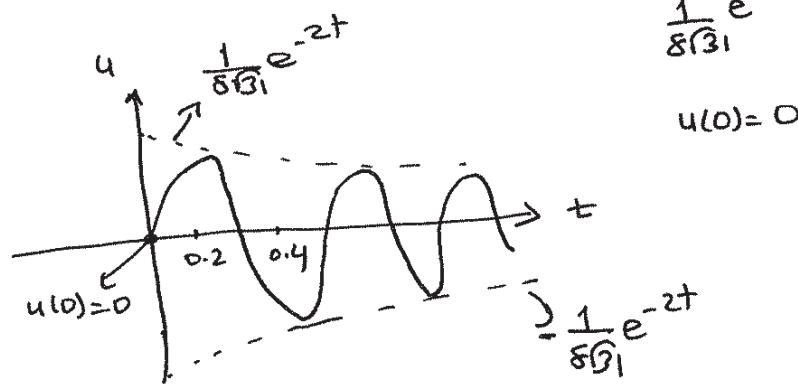
$$\omega = \mu = 2\sqrt{3} \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\text{Natural period: } T_0 = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_0} = \frac{2\pi}{8\sqrt{2}} \text{ s.}$$

$$\text{But the period of motion is: } T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = \frac{2\pi}{\mu} = \frac{2\pi}{2\sqrt{3}} \text{ s.}$$

On the other hand:

$u_{\text{gen}} \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. But, it oscillates with period T between the curves $\frac{1}{8\sqrt{3}} e^{-2t}$ and $-\frac{1}{8\sqrt{3}} e^{-2t}$, i.e.



The mass returns its first equilibrium position, i.e. $u(t) = 0$, when $t \in [0.2, 0.4]$ as seen from graph: Thus,

$$\frac{1}{8\sqrt{3}} e^{-2t} \sin 2\sqrt{3}t = 0 \Rightarrow \sin 2\sqrt{3}t = 0 \Rightarrow 2\sqrt{3}t = \pi \Rightarrow t = \frac{\pi}{2\sqrt{3}}$$

On the other hand, $|u(t)| < 0.01$, when

$$\left| \frac{1}{8\sqrt{3}} e^{-2t} \sin 2\sqrt{3}t \right| < 0.01 \quad \text{for } t \geq T = 0.2145$$

to calculate this we need a calculator.

Note Please study the electric circuits from book by yourself.

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Exm: (Forced vibration)

A mass of 5kg stretches a spring 10cm. The mass is acted on by an external force of $10 \sin(\frac{\pi}{2})$ N (newtons) and moves in a medium that imposes a viscous force of 2N when the speed of the mass is 4cm/s. If the mass is set in from its equilibrium position with an initial velocity of 3cm/s, formulate the IVP describing the motion of mass.

Soh: (Write all units in N and m)

$$m = 5 \text{ kg}$$

$$\text{Spring constant, } k = \frac{mg}{l} = \frac{5 \text{ kg} \times 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2}{10 \text{ cm}} = \frac{5 \times 9.8}{0.1 \text{ m}} = 490 \text{ N/m}$$

$$\text{Damping coefficient, } \gamma = \frac{F_s}{\overset{\text{resistive force}}{u'}} = \frac{2 \text{ N}}{4 \text{ cm/s}} = \frac{2 \text{ N}}{0.04 \text{ m/s}} = 50 \text{ Ns/m}$$

External force, $F(t) = 10 \sin(\frac{\pi}{2})$ given.

So eqn. of motion

$$5u'' + 50u' + 490u = 10 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \quad (*)$$

IC's: $u(0) = 0$ (since at start mass is at equilibrium)
 $u'(0) = 3 \text{ cm/s} = 0.03 \text{ m/s}$ (initial velocity).

$$u_{\text{gen}} = u_c + u_p$$

$$\text{for } u_c: \text{ char. eqn: } 5r^2 + 50r + 490 = 0 \Rightarrow r_{1,2} = -5 \pm \sqrt{73}i$$

$$u_c = A e^{-5t} \cos \sqrt{73}t + B e^{-5t} \sin \sqrt{73}t$$

for u_p : By undetermined coefficient technique

$$u_p = D \cos \frac{\pi}{2} t + E \sin \frac{\pi}{2} t, \quad D, E: \text{constant.}$$

Find D, E by subs. u_p in eqn. $(*)$.

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Thus ,

$$u_p = \frac{1}{153281} \left[-160 \cos\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) + 3128 \sin\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) \right]$$

Hence

$$u_{gen} = u_c(t) + u_p(t)$$

By using I.C's , the coefficients A and B are found
as , $A = \frac{160}{153281}$, $B = \frac{383443\sqrt{73}}{1118951300}$

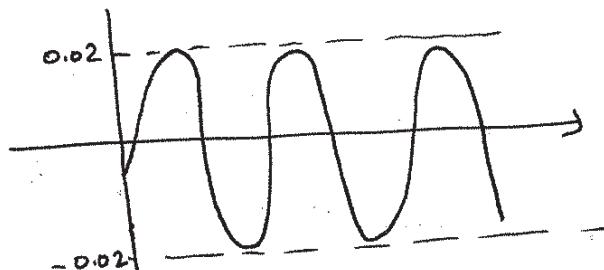
Thus

$$u_{gen} = \frac{1}{153281} \left[160 e^{-5t} \cos\sqrt{73}t + \frac{383443\sqrt{73}}{7300} e^{-5t} \sin\sqrt{73}t \right] + u_p(t)$$

is transient soln by definition

\rightarrow steady state soln.
by definition

The graph of Steady state soln, $u_p(t)$ is



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Exm: If an undamped mass-spring system with a mass that weighs 6 lb and a spring constant 1 lb/in is suddenly set in motion at $t=0$ by an external force of $4 \cos 7t$ lb determine the position of mass at any time and draw of the displacement versus t .

Soh: The spring constant $k = 1 \text{ lb/in} = 12 \text{ lb/ft}$
 $m = \frac{6 \text{ lb}}{32 \text{ ft/s}^2} = , \delta = 0$ (undamped), $F(t) = 4 \cos 7t$ lb

Then motion is

$$\frac{6}{32} u'' + 12u = 4 \cos 7t \Rightarrow u'' + 64u = \frac{64}{3} \cos 7t$$

IC's. $\begin{cases} u(0) = 0 \\ u'(0) = 0 \end{cases}$

Uc: $r^2 + 64 = 0 \Rightarrow r_{1,2} = \pm 8i$

$$u_c = A \cos 8t + B \sin 8t$$

Up: $u_c \Rightarrow u_p = C \cos 7t + D \sin 7t$
 $u_p' = -7C \sin 7t, u_p'' = -49C \cos 7t$
 $+ 7D \cos 7t, -49D \sin 7t$
 $u_p'' + 64u_p = \frac{64}{3} \cos 7t \Rightarrow -49C \cos 7t + 64C \cos 7t = \frac{64}{3} \cos 7t$
 $-49D \sin 7t + 64D \sin 7t = 0$
 $\Rightarrow (64 - 49)C = \frac{64}{3} \text{ and } D = 0$

$$C = \frac{64}{45}$$

$$u_p(t) = \frac{64}{45} \sin 7t$$

thus $u_{\text{gen}} = u_c + u_p = A \cos 8t + B \sin 8t + \frac{64}{45} \sin 7t$

with IC's $A = -\frac{64}{45}, B = 0$

$$u_{\text{gen}} = -\frac{64}{45} \cos 8t + \frac{64}{45} \cos 7t$$

$$u_{\text{gen}} = \frac{128}{45} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{15t}{2}\right) \text{ by properties of sine and cosine.}$$

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Exm: A spring-mass system has a spring constant of 3 N/m . A mass of 2 kg is attached to the spring, and the motion takes place in a viscous fluid that offers a resistance numerically equal to the magnitude of instantaneous velocity. If the system is driven by an external force of $(3\cos 3t - 2\sin 3t) \text{ N}$, determine the steady-state response. Express your answer in the form $R\cos(\omega t - \delta)$

Soh: $k = 3 \text{ N/m}$, $m = 2 \text{ kg}$, $\xi = \frac{F_s}{u'} = 1$ (since $F_s = u'$ given)
 $F(t) = (3\cos 3t - 2\sin 3t) \text{ N}$, thus

$$\textcircled{*} \quad 2u'' + u' + 3u = 3\cos 3t - 2\sin 3t$$

Since, the system is damped by theory we know that steady state soln. is equal to particular soln.

$$\text{uc: } 2r^2 + r + 3 = 0 \Rightarrow r_{1,2} = \frac{-1 \pm \sqrt{1-24}}{4} = -\frac{1}{4} \pm \frac{\sqrt{23}}{2} i$$

$$u_c = A e^{-\frac{1}{4}t} \cos \frac{\sqrt{23}}{2}t + B e^{-\frac{1}{4}t} \sin \frac{\sqrt{23}}{2}t$$

$$u_p: \text{ By UC: } u_p = C \cos 3t + D \sin 3t, \text{ By substituting } u_p \text{ in } \textcircled{*} \text{ we found } C = -\frac{1}{6}, D = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$u_p(t) = \frac{1}{6} (\sin 3t - \cos 3t)$$

$$R = \sqrt{\frac{1}{6^2} + \frac{1}{6^2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6}, \tan \delta = -1 \Rightarrow \delta = -\arctan 1 = \frac{3\pi}{4}$$

$$\text{Thus } u_p(t) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} \cos \left(3t - \frac{3\pi}{4}\right) \text{ or}$$

$$u_p(t) = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} \sin \left(3t + \frac{3\pi}{4}\right) \text{ (according to our lecture notes)}$$

\downarrow
steady state soln.