

5.1 - Linear Models: Initial-Value Problems

Undamped motion:

Example: A mass weighing 32 pounds stretches a spring 2 feet. Determine the amplitude and period of motion if the mass is initially released from a point 1 foot above the equilibrium position with an upward velocity of 2 ft/s. How many complete cycles will the mass have completed at the end of 4π seconds?

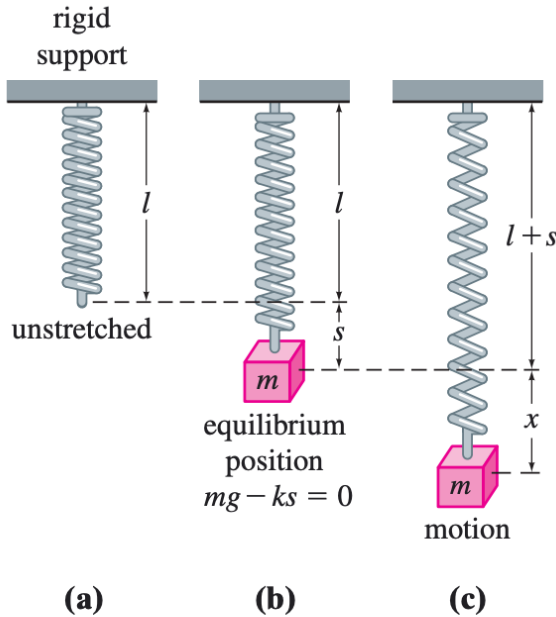


FIGURE 5.1.1 Spring/mass system

Hooke's law:

$$F = k|s|$$

$$32 = 2k$$

$$k = 16 \text{ lb/ft}$$

$$F = 32 \text{ lb}$$

$$|s| = 2 \text{ ft}$$

$$(b) \quad mg = ks \Rightarrow \underline{mg - ks = 0}$$

force due to gravity and the mass

restoring force of spring

Assuming down is positive, if the mass is moving, we have $F = ma$ (Newton's 2nd law) with $a = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}$

$$\text{SO } m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -k(x+s) + mg = -kx - \cancel{ks} + \cancel{mg}$$

$$\text{model: } m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + kx = 0$$

$$F = ma$$

$$F = 32 \text{ lb} ; g = 32 \text{ ft/s}^2 \quad 32 = m(32) \Rightarrow m = 1 \text{ slug}$$

→ Dividing by m and letting $\omega^2 = \frac{k}{m}$ yields
$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \omega^2 x = 0 \Rightarrow m^2 + \omega^2 = 0$$
$$m = \pm \omega i \quad (\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}})$$

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

Here, $k = 16, m = 1 \Rightarrow \omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = 4$

$$x(t) = C_1 \cos 4t + C_2 \sin 4t \rightarrow$$

$$x(0) = -1 \Rightarrow -1 = C_1$$

$$x'(t) = -4C_1 \sin 4t + 4C_2 \cos 4t$$

$$x'(0) = -2 \Rightarrow -2 = 4C_2 \Rightarrow C_2 = -\frac{1}{2}$$

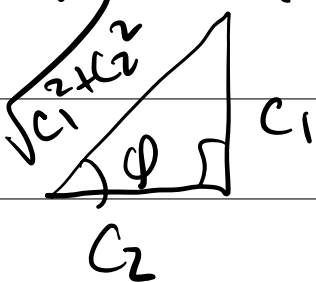
$$x(t) = -\cos 4t - \frac{1}{2} \sin 4t$$

period: $T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = \frac{2\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{2} \text{ s}$

frequency = $\frac{1}{T} = \frac{2}{\pi}$ cycles/sec (Hz)

Consider $x(t) = C_1 \cos t + C_2 \sin t$

Create a right triangle w/ legs C_1, C_2 .



$$\sin \phi = \frac{C_2}{\sqrt{C_1^2 + C_2^2}}, \quad \cos \phi = \frac{C_1}{\sqrt{C_1^2 + C_2^2}}$$

$$x(t) = \sqrt{C_1^2 + C_2^2} \left(\frac{C_1}{\sqrt{C_1^2 + C_2^2}} \cos t + \frac{C_2}{\sqrt{C_1^2 + C_2^2}} \sin t \right)$$

$$x(t) = A (\sin \phi \cos t + \cos \phi \sin t)$$

$$x(t) = A \sin(t + \phi)$$

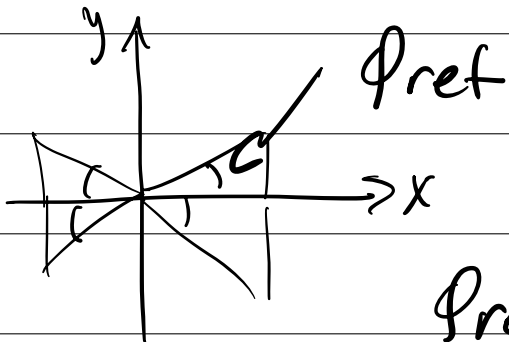
Here, $c_1 = -1$, $c_2 = -\frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow A = \sqrt{c_1^2 + c_2^2} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$

Amp: $\frac{\sqrt{5}}{2}$ ft

$$\frac{c_1}{A} = -\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}} = \sin \phi \Rightarrow \phi \in \text{QII}$$

$$\frac{c_2}{A} = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{5}} = \cos \phi$$

using $\sin \phi = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$, we'll find ϕ_{ref} in QI



$$\phi_{\text{ref}} = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}\right) \approx 63^\circ \approx 1.107$$

$$\phi_{\text{ref}} + \pi \approx 4.25 \text{ (in QIII)}$$

$$x(t) = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} \sin(x + 4.25)$$

Recap: $\omega^2 = k/m \Rightarrow \omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$

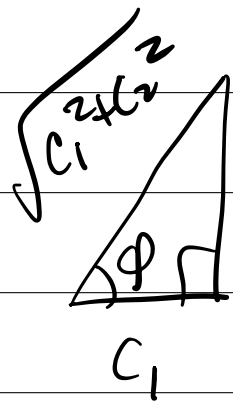
$$x(t) = c_1 \cos \omega t + c_2 \sin \omega t$$

per: $\frac{2\pi}{\omega}$ s, freq: $\frac{\omega}{2\pi}$ Hz

amp: $\sqrt{c_1^2 + c_2^2}$, $\phi_{\text{ref}} = \sin^{-1} \frac{c_1}{\sqrt{c_1^2 + c_2^2}}$

OR $\tan \phi = \frac{c_1}{c_2}$

If we choose to work with the cosine,



$$X(t) = \sqrt{c_1^2 + c_2^2} \left(\frac{c_1}{\sqrt{c_1^2 + c_2^2}} \cos \omega t + \frac{c_2}{\sqrt{c_1^2 + c_2^2}} \sin \omega t \right)$$

$$\cos \phi = \frac{c_1}{\sqrt{c_1^2 + c_2^2}}$$

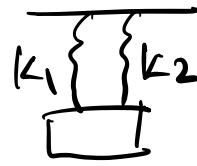
$$\sin \phi = \frac{c_2}{\sqrt{c_1^2 + c_2^2}}$$

$$X(t) = A (\cos \phi \cos \omega t + \sin \phi \sin \omega t)$$

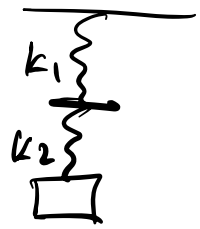
$$X(t) = A \cos(\omega t - \phi)$$

$$\tan \phi = \frac{c_2}{c_1}$$

Multiple springs in parallel: $k_{\text{eff}} = k_1 + k_2$



Multiple springs in series: $k_{\text{eff}} = \frac{k_1 k_2}{k_1 + k_2}$



Damped motion: $m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} = -kx - \beta \frac{dx}{dt}$

damping constant

instantaneous velocity

→ damping force is proportional to instantaneous velocity

ma ↗ restoring force from spring

mass $m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + \beta \frac{dx}{dt} + kx = 0$

Let $2\lambda = \frac{\beta}{m}$ and $\omega^2 = \frac{k}{m}$

$$\frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + 2\lambda \frac{dx}{dt} + \omega^2 x = 0$$

Aux equation roots: $m \pm \frac{-2\lambda \pm \sqrt{4\lambda^2 - 4\omega^2}}{2}$

$$m = -\lambda \pm \sqrt{\lambda^2 - \omega^2}$$

Case I: $\lambda^2 - \omega^2 > 0$

$$x(t) = c_1 e^{(-\lambda + \sqrt{\lambda^2 - \omega^2})t} + c_2 e^{(-\lambda - \sqrt{\lambda^2 - \omega^2})t}$$

This does not oscillate.

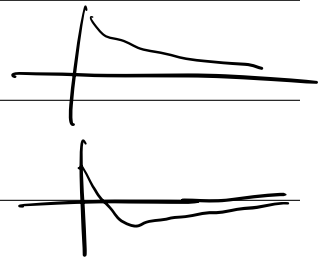
This system is overdamped

Case II: $\lambda^2 - \omega^2 = 0$

$$x(t) = c_1 e^{-\lambda t} + c_2 t e^{-\lambda t}$$

This is critically damped.

The mass can cross equilibrium at most one time for Case I and Case II.



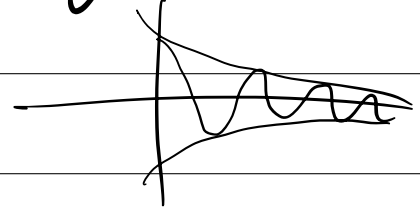
Not gonna happen by accident

Case III $\lambda^2 - \omega^2 < 0$

$$x(t) = e^{-\lambda t} [c_1 \cos(\omega^2 - \lambda^2)t + c_2 \sin(\omega^2 - \lambda^2)t]$$

This oscillates with decreasing amplitude.

This is underdamped.



Driven motion: $m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + kx + \beta \frac{dx}{dt} = f(t)$

undetermined coefficients or variation of parameters

LRC-series circuit: $L \frac{di}{dt} + Ri + \frac{1}{C}q = E(t)$, which is

$$L \frac{d^2 q}{dt^2} + R \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{1}{C}q = E(t)$$

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

$$\frac{di}{dt} = \frac{d^2 q}{dt^2}$$

LR-series circuit:

$$L \frac{di}{dt} + Ri = E(t)$$

RC-series circuit:

$$R \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{1}{C}q = E(t)$$

underdamped, critically damped, overdamped
have the same meanings as for spring systems.

The complementary function is the
transient term/solution.

The particular solution is the
steady-state term/solution.

Example: Find the charge on the capacitor in an LRC -series circuit when $L = \frac{1}{4}$ h, $R = 20 \Omega$, $C = \frac{1}{300}$ f, $E(t) = 0$ V, $q(0) = 4$ C, and $i(0) = 0$ A. Is the charge on the capacitor ever equal to zero?

$$L \frac{d^2 q}{dt^2} + R \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} q = E(t)$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \frac{d^2 q}{dt^2} + 20 \frac{dq}{dt} + 300 q = 0$$

$$\ddot{q} + 80 \dot{q} + 1200 q = 0$$

$$(m+60)(m+20) = 0$$

$$m = -20, -60$$

$$q(t) = c_1 e^{-20t} + c_2 e^{-60t}$$

$$q'(t) = i(t) = -20c_1 e^{-20t} - 60c_2 e^{-60t}$$

$$q(0) = 4 \Rightarrow 4 = c_1 + c_2$$

$$i(0) = 0 \Rightarrow 0 = -20c_1 - 60c_2$$

$$80 = 20c_1 + 20c_2$$

$$0 = -20c_1 - 60c_2$$

$$c_1 = 6$$

$$c_2 = -2$$

$$q(t) = 6e^{-20t} - 2e^{-60t}$$

Is charge ever zero? (Does $q=0$ have a solution?)

$$0 = 6e^{-20t} - 2e^{-60t} \Rightarrow e^{40t} = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$t = \frac{1}{40} \ln \frac{1}{3} \leftarrow \text{this is negative.}$$

The charge is never zero for $t > 0$.