

PHYS 320 ANALYTICAL MECHANICS

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Damped Oscillations (linear damping)

$$m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + c \frac{dx}{dt} + kx = 0 \quad \text{with trial solution } x(t) = Ae^{qt}$$

yields auxiliary equation

$$mq^2 + cq + k = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad q = \frac{-c \pm \sqrt{c^2 - 4mk}}{2m}$$

∃ Three possibilities:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} c^2 > 4mk & \text{overdamped} \\ c^2 = 4mk & \text{critically damped} \\ c^2 < 4mk & \text{underdamped} \end{array} \right.$$

Damped Oscillations (linear damping)

auxiliary equation:

$$q = \frac{-c \pm \sqrt{c^2 - 4mk}}{2m} = -\gamma \pm \sqrt{\gamma^2 - \omega_o^2}$$

where $\gamma \equiv \frac{c}{2m} =$ damping parameter

(note that Taylor uses β)

and $\omega_o \equiv \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} =$ natural frequency

Damped Oscillations (linear damping)

$c^2 < 4mk$ ($\gamma < \omega_o$) underdamped



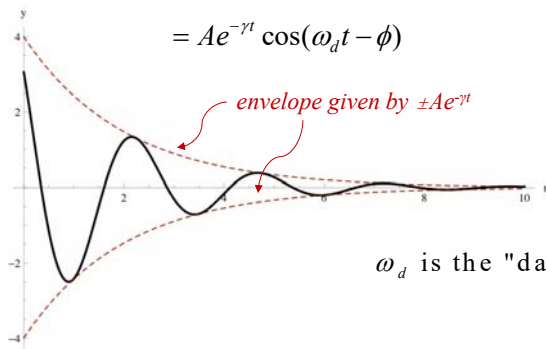
yields actual oscillations!

$$x(t) = C_+ e^{-\gamma t} e^{+i\sqrt{\omega_o^2 - \gamma^2} t} + C_- e^{-\gamma t} e^{-i\sqrt{\omega_o^2 - \gamma^2} t}$$

$$= B_1 e^{-\gamma t} \cos(\omega_d t) + B_2 e^{-\gamma t} \sin(\omega_d t) \quad \text{where}$$

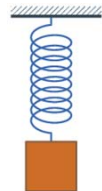
$$= A e^{-\gamma t} \cos(\omega_d t - \phi)$$

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \omega_d^2 \equiv \omega_o^2 - \gamma^2 \\ \phi \equiv \tan^{-1}(B_2 / B_1) \\ A^2 \equiv B_1^2 + B_2^2 \\ C_{\pm} \equiv (B_1 \mp i B_2) / 2 \end{array} \right.$$



ω_d is the "damped frequency"

(Note Taylor uses ω_1)



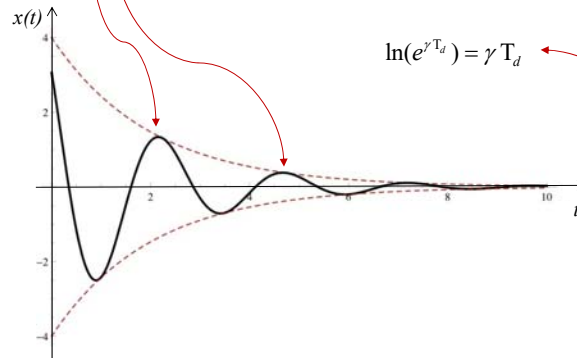
$$\omega_o \equiv \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

$$\gamma \equiv \frac{c}{2m}$$

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$$x(t) = C_+ e^{-\gamma t} e^{+i\omega_d t} + C_- e^{-\gamma t} e^{-i\omega_d t} = A e^{-\gamma t} \cos(\omega_d t - \phi)$$

Ratio of two successive maxima: $\frac{A e^{-\gamma t}}{A e^{-\gamma(t+T_d)}} = e^{\gamma T_d}$ decrement of motion



$$\omega_d^2 \equiv \omega_o^2 - \gamma^2$$

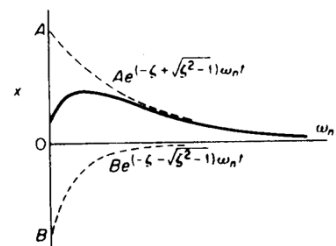
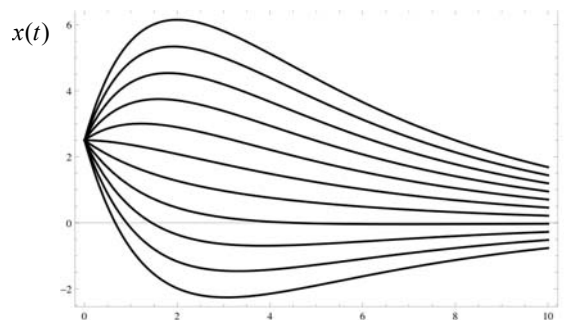
$$\omega_o \equiv \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

$$\gamma \equiv \frac{c}{2m}$$

Damped Oscillations (linear damping)

$$c^2 > 4mk \quad (\gamma > \omega_o) \quad \text{overdamped}$$

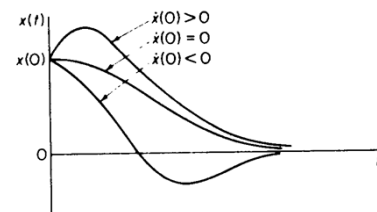
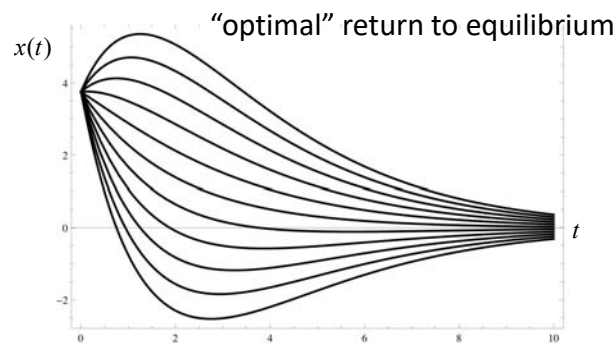
$$x(t) = A_1 e^{-\gamma t + \sqrt{\gamma^2 - \omega_o^2} t} + A_2 e^{-\gamma t - \sqrt{\gamma^2 - \omega_o^2} t}$$



Damped Oscillations (linear damping)

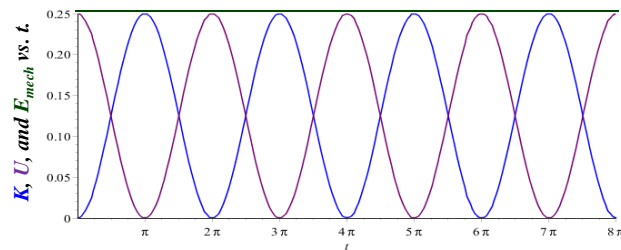
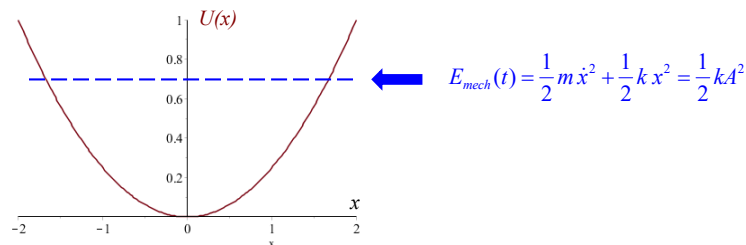
$$c^2 = 4mk \quad (\gamma = \omega_o) \quad \text{critically damped}$$

$$x(t) = Ate^{-\gamma t} + Be^{-\gamma t}$$



Simple Harmonic Oscillations (no damping)

Energy considerations $x(t) = A \cos(\omega_o t - \phi)$



$$\omega_o \equiv \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

Differential Calculus: Del on vectors?

- The **del operator** is a **differential operator** that “acts on,” rather than “multiplies” the function to its right.
- Acting on vectors, we have two options of interest:

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{V} \quad \text{The Divergence}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{V} \quad \text{The Curl}$$

NOTE: like the gradient, these are **COORDINATE SYSTEM DEPENDENT!!**

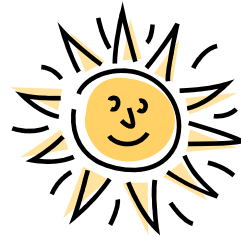
Differential Calculus: The Divergence

- Gives feel for how much the field is *spreading out* or **DIVERGING** from the point in question!
- Often associate with *sources* or *sinks* of the field.
- Sort of a “*slope of the components.*”
- Results in a **scalar** function!

$$\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{V} = \hat{i} \frac{\partial V_x}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial V_y}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial V_z}{\partial z}$$

The Divergence in Cartesian coords.

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Differential Calculus: The Curl

- Gives feel for how much the vector field is *rotating* or **CURLING** about the point in question!
- Results in a **vector** function.

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \begin{vmatrix} \hat{i} & \hat{j} & \hat{k} \\ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} & \frac{\partial}{\partial y} & \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \\ B_x & B_y & B_z \end{vmatrix} \quad \text{or}$$



$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} = \hat{i} \left(\frac{\partial B_z}{\partial y} - \frac{\partial B_y}{\partial z} \right) + \hat{j} \left(\frac{\partial B_x}{\partial z} - \frac{\partial B_z}{\partial x} \right) + \hat{k} \left(\frac{\partial B_y}{\partial x} - \frac{\partial B_x}{\partial y} \right)$$

The Curl in Cartesian coords.

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A Theorem


“Curless” or irrotational vector functions

$$\begin{array}{ll} \text{i)} & \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = 0 \quad \forall \text{ space} \\ \text{ii)} & \int_a^b \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{l} \text{ is path independent} \\ \text{iii)} & \oint \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{l} = 0 \quad \forall \text{ closed loops} \\ \text{iv)} & \vec{F} = \vec{\nabla} V \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{path (or line) integral} \\ \text{equivalent!} \end{array} \right\}$$

Conservative forces are examples of such functions

Work, Force, and Potential Energy

$$W = \int_{\vec{r}_i}^{\vec{r}_f} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = -\Delta U = -(U_f - U_i)$$



 path (or line) integral

where $\vec{F} = -\vec{\nabla} U$ and such forces are **conservative**

Work and Kinetic Energy

$$W_{net} = \int_{\vec{r}_i}^{\vec{r}_f} \vec{F}_{net} \cdot d\vec{r} = \Delta K = (K_f - K_i)$$

The Gradient

- Del acting on a scalar is called the **gradient**

$$\vec{\nabla} P(x, y, z) \equiv \hat{i} \frac{\partial P}{\partial x} + \hat{j} \frac{\partial P}{\partial y} + \hat{k} \frac{\partial P}{\partial z}$$

- $\vec{\nabla} P(x, y, z)$ points in the direction of maximum increase in the function $P(x, y, z)$
- $|\vec{\nabla} P(x, y, z)|$ gives the “slope” (rate of increase) along this maximal direction

Conservative Forces

- **Conservative forces** can be written as the *gradient* of some scalar function:

$$\vec{F} = -\vec{\nabla}U = -\left(\hat{i}\frac{\partial}{\partial x} + \hat{j}\frac{\partial}{\partial y} + \hat{k}\frac{\partial}{\partial z}\right)U = -\hat{i}\frac{\partial U}{\partial x} - \hat{j}\frac{\partial U}{\partial y} - \hat{k}\frac{\partial U}{\partial z}$$

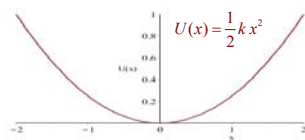
- One can show that this is equivalent to any of the following:

$$\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{F} = 0 \qquad \oint \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = 0$$

$$\int_{\vec{r}_1}^{\vec{r}_2} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = \text{path independent}$$

Simple Harmonic Oscillations (no damping)

Energy considerations for a particle oscillating about a point of stable equilibrium.



Any potential well can be modeled as approximately parabolic for small enough oscillations

- Can do a Taylor series expansion about equilibrium position, x_o :

$$U(x) = U(x_o) + \underbrace{\frac{dU(x)}{dx}}_{\text{const!}} \bigg|_{x_o} (x - x_o) + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2!} \frac{d^2U(x)}{dx^2} \bigg|_{x_o}}_{\text{looks like } \frac{1}{2} k x^2} (x - x_o)^2 + \dots$$

ignore small higher order terms!

- with $u = x - x_o$ and with $u < l$, we can write

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{m} \frac{d^2U(x)}{dx^2} \bigg|_{u=0, x=x_o}}$$

for small oscillations about equilibrium