# Small Oscillations

· Motion near a point of stable equilibrium.

#### DOF= 1 (one dimension)

- For a system of DOF = 1, with potential U(q):
- stable equilibrium at  $U(q)_{\min}$  , upward parabola, where  $F=-rac{\mathrm{d} U}{\mathrm{d} a}=0$
- restoring force for small displacements  $q-q_0$  is  $F=-\frac{\mathrm{d} U(q-q_0)}{\mathrm{d} q}$
- Unstable equilibrium at  $U(q)_{\max}$ , downward parabola, where  $F=-rac{\mathrm{d} U}{\mathrm{d} q}=0$  as well.
- Consider small deviation from point of stable equilibrium, we use taylor expansion to show that it is really a small displacement. that is,

$$\begin{split} U(q) \approx U(q_0) + \frac{\mathrm{d}U(q_0)}{\mathrm{d}q}(q-q_0) + \frac{\mathrm{d}^2U(q_0)}{2\,\mathrm{d}q^2}(q-q_0)^2 + \dots \\ \text{while } \frac{\mathrm{d}U(q_0)}{\mathrm{d}q}(q-q_0) = 0 \end{split}$$

letting  $x = q - q_0$ , we have

$$\begin{cases} U(x) = U(q_0) + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 U(q_0)}{\mathrm{d}q^2} x^2 \\ \text{putting into the form of } U(x) = U(x_0) + \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) k x^2. \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{k = \frac{\mathrm{d}^2 U(q_0)}{\mathrm{d}q^2} > 0}$$

we get KE, while choosing  $U(q_0)=0$ :

$$T = \frac{1}{2}a(q)^{2}\dot{q}^{2} = \frac{1}{2}a(q_{0} + x)\dot{x}^{2} \approx \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}^{2}, \overset{m=a(q_{0})}{\Rightarrow}$$

$$L = T - U = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}^{2} - \frac{1}{2}kx^{2}$$

# **EOM for DOF = 1 small Oscillations**

using EL on Equation 3, we can get the EOM for one dimensional small Oscillations:

$$m\ddot{x}=-kx$$
 
$$\Rightarrow \ddot{x}+\omega_0^2x=0, \text{ where } \qquad \omega_0=\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \text{ freq of osc.}$$

by magic of ODE, EOM reduces down to:

$$x(t) = C_1 \cos(\omega_0 t) + C_2 \sin(\omega_0 t)$$

where  $C_1, C_2$  are constants

by trig magic, this could also be written as

$$x(t) = a\cos(\omega_0 t + \alpha),$$
 where 
$$\begin{cases} a = \sqrt{C_1^2 + C_2^2} \text{ amplitude of oscillation} \\ \omega_0 & \text{frequency of oscillation} \\ \tan \alpha = C_2/C_1 \text{ phase at t=0} \end{cases}$$

## energy for 1D small Oscillation

checking  $\frac{\partial L}{\partial t} = 0 \Rightarrow$  energy-conservation:

$$E = T + U = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}^2 + \frac{1}{2}kx^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}ma^2\omega_0^2, [\text{constant}]$$
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# Damped 1D oscillation, and Complex representation

- when there is damping (friction, resistence, etc)  $F_{\mathrm{fric}} = -\beta \dot{x}$ , the EOM becomes:

$$\ddot{x}+2\gamma\dot{x}+\omega_0^2x=0,$$
 where 
$$2\gamma=\frac{\beta}{m}, \omega_0=\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$
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with ansatz  $x(t)=e^{rt}, \dot{x}=re^{rt}, \ddot{x}=r^2e^{rt},$  the solution to Equation 8 is:

$$\begin{split} r^2+2\gamma r+\omega_0^2&=0,\\ \text{which has solution } r_+,r_-&=-\gamma\pm\sqrt{\gamma^2-\omega_0^2} \quad 9\\ \Rightarrow x(t)&=C_1e^{r_+t}+C_2e^{r_-t}, \end{split}$$

notice the r subscripts here:  $r_+, r_-$ 

# underdamped, overdamped, and critically damped

Recall from your ODE class...

Equation 9 has the following 3 cases, each with different physical interpretation:

1. underdamped:

$$\gamma < \omega_0 \Rightarrow 2 \text{ complex roots:} \begin{cases} r_{\pm} = -\gamma \pm i \sqrt{\omega_0^2 - \gamma^2} \\ = -\gamma \pm i \omega & 10 \\ \omega = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 - \gamma^2} \end{cases}$$

The EOM is thus a linear combination of two complex expoentials:

$$\begin{split} x(t) &= e^{-\gamma t} \big( C_1 e^{i\omega t} + C_2 e^{-i\omega t} \big) \\ &= e^{-\gamma t} \big( A\cos(\omega t) + B\sin(\omega t) \big) \\ &- \text{where } \begin{cases} A &= C_1 + C_2 \\ B &= i(C_1 - C_2) \end{cases} \end{aligned} \qquad 11 \\ &= a e^{-\gamma t} \cos(\omega t + \alpha) \\ a, \alpha \text{ are constants} \end{split}$$

"The solution is a damped oscillation with frequency  $\omega$ , and amplitude expoentially decaying with time."

2. Overdameped

$$\gamma>\omega\Rightarrow x(t)=c_1e^{-\gamma+\sqrt{\gamma^2-\omega^2}t}+c_2e^{-\gamma-\sqrt{\gamma^2-\omega^2}} l^{\!\!\!\!\!\!/} 2$$

When

$$\begin{split} \gamma \gg \omega_0, \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \gamma + \sqrt{\gamma^2 - \omega_0^2} \approx 2\gamma \\ \gamma - \sqrt{\gamma^2 - \omega^2} = \frac{\omega^2}{2\gamma} \end{cases} & 13 \\ x(t) = c_1 e^{-2\gamma t} + c_2 e^{(-\omega_0^2/2\gamma)t} \end{split}$$

3. Critically damped

$$\gamma = \omega_0 \Rightarrow x(t) = c_1 e^{-\gamma t} + c_2 t e^{-\gamma t}$$

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## **Forced Oscillations**

When external force (F) is applied to the system, the largrangian becomes

$$L = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x}^2 - \frac{1}{2}kx^2 + F(t)x$$
 EL  $\Rightarrow \ddot{x} + \omega_0^2 x = \frac{F(t)}{m}$ , where  $\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$  15

· Example: Simple pendulum with moving pivot

$$\begin{cases} x = X + l \sin \varphi \\ y = l \cos \varphi \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \dot{x} = \dot{X} + l \dot{\varphi} \cos \varphi \\ \dot{y} = -l \dot{\varphi} \sin \varphi \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow L = T - U$$

$$L = \frac{1}{2}ml^2\dot{\varphi}^2 - mgl(1 - \cos\varphi) - ml\ddot{X}\sin\varphi$$

Expand ab. 
$$\varphi = 0 \Rightarrow L = \frac{1}{2}ml^2\dot{\varphi}^2 - \frac{1}{2}mgl\varphi^2 - ml\ddot{X}\varphi$$

EL 
$$\Rightarrow$$
  $\ddot{\varphi} + \omega_0^2 \varphi = -\frac{\ddot{X}}{l}$  ,  
where  $\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{g}{l}}$ 

#### reintroducing damping via external forcing

$$\ddot{x} + 2\gamma \dot{x} + \omega_0^2 x = f(t), f(t) = \frac{F(t)}{m}$$
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When damping  $f(t) = f_0 \cos(\Omega t)$ , solution via complex number:

$$\begin{split} \ddot{z}+2\gamma\dot{z}+\omega_0^2&=f_0e^{i\Omega t}\\ \text{ansatz }z(t)=z_0e^{i\Omega t}\Rightarrow z_0&=\frac{f_0}{\omega_0^2+2i\gamma\Omega+\Omega_0^2} \end{split}$$

$$z_0 = a(\Omega)\cos(\Omega t + \delta(\Omega))f_0$$
 is a particular solution where

$$\begin{cases} a(\Omega) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \Omega^2)^2 + (2\gamma\Omega)^2}} \\ \delta(\Omega) = \arctan\Big(2\gamma \frac{\Omega}{\omega_0^2 - \Omega^2}\Big) \end{cases}$$

We can study the properties of the system by looking at the amplitude and phase of the solution.

· Amplitude:

$$a_{(\Omega)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(\omega_0^2 - \Omega^2\right)^2 + \left(2\gamma\Omega\right)^2}}$$
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, when  $\gamma\ll\omega_0$  , response strongest and amplitude largest when  $\omega_r=\omega_0.$ 





• Phase lag:  $\tan \delta(\Omega) = 2\gamma \frac{\Omega}{\Omega^2 - \omega_0^2}$ in phase as  $\Omega \to 0$ , and out of phase as  $\Omega \to \omega_0$ .

· Genral solution to sinusoidal forcing:

$$\begin{split} x(t) &= a(\Omega) f_0 \cos(\Omega t + \delta(\Omega)) + a_0 e^{-\gamma t} \cos(\omega t + \alpha) \\ &\stackrel{t>\frac{1}{r}}{\rightarrow} a(\Omega) f_0 \cos(\Omega t + \delta(\Omega)) \end{split}$$

Forgets initial condition after time.

Power obsorbed by oscillation

$$p = F\dot{x} = mf\dot{x}$$

Avg power of oscillation

$$\begin{split} P_{\rm avg} &= \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T m f \dot{x} \, \mathrm{d}t = -\frac{1}{2} m f_0 a(\Omega) \Omega \sin \delta(\Omega) \\ &\text{simplifies to } P_{\rm avg}(\Omega) = \gamma m f_0^2 \Omega^2 a_{(\Omega)}^2 \end{split}$$

Absorption around resonance frequency  $\Omega=\omega_0+\varepsilon$  is maximum:

$$P = \frac{\gamma m f_0^2}{4(\varepsilon^2 + \gamma^2)} \approx \frac{m f_0^2}{4\gamma}$$
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#### Oscillations DOF>1

For a system with n DOF:  $q=(q_1,q_2,...,q_n),$  PE=U(q) • Stable equilibrium  $\frac{\partial U(q)}{\partial q_i}|_{q=0}$ 

Example: Oscillation with 2 mass and 3 springs

$$L = \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x_1} + \frac{1}{2}m\dot{x_2} - \frac{1}{2}kx_1^2$$
$$-\frac{1}{2}kx_2^2 - \frac{1}{2}k'(x_1 - x_2)^2$$

EOM:

$$M \cdot \ddot{\vec{x}} = -K \vec{x}$$
, where  $M = \begin{pmatrix} m & 0 \\ 0 & m \end{pmatrix}$ , 
$$\vec{x} = \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{pmatrix}, K = \begin{pmatrix} k+k' & -k' \\ -k' & k+k' \end{pmatrix}$$
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ansatz:  $\vec{x}=\mathrm{Re}[\vec{a}e^{i\omega t}]$  Then the EOM eq becomes solving the eigenvalue problem:

$$\det(\omega^2 M - K) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} \omega_-^2 = \frac{k}{m} \\ \omega_+^2 = \frac{k + 2k'}{m} \end{cases} \overrightarrow{x_-} = a_- \binom{1}{1} \cos(\omega_- t + \delta_-) \quad 25$$

$$\overrightarrow{x_+} = a_+ \binom{1}{-1} \cos(\omega_+ t + \delta_+)$$

with constants  $a_-, a_+, \delta_-, \delta_+$ .

New Coords

$$\begin{cases} Q_1 = \sqrt{\frac{m}{2}}(x_1 + x_2) \\ Q_2 = \sqrt{\frac{m}{2}}(x_1 - x_2) \end{cases}$$
 
$$\Rightarrow L = \frac{1}{2} \left( \dot{Q_1}^2 + \dot{Q_2}^2 \right) - \frac{1}{2} (\omega_-^2 Q_1^2 + \omega_+^2 Q_2^2)$$
 
$$\stackrel{\text{E-L}}{\Rightarrow} \ddot{Q_1} = -\omega_-^2 Q_1, \ddot{Q_2} = -\omega_+^2 Q_2$$

Decoupled oscillators with coords  $Q_1, Q_2$ .

#### General Coords

for general coords  $q_i$ , let  $x_i = q_i - q_i^{(0)}$ 

$$T(q) = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} k_{ij} x_i x_j, \quad k_{ij} = k_{ji} = \frac{\partial^2 U(q)}{\partial q_i \partial q_j}$$
 symmetric matrix 
$$T = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j} m_{ij} \dot{x}_i \dot{x}_j, \quad m_{ij} = m_{ji} = a_{ij} (q^{(0)})$$

the largrangian, in Matix form

$$L = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\vec{x}}^T \cdot M \cdot \dot{\vec{x}} - \frac{1}{2} \vec{x}^T \cdot K \vec{x} \overset{\mathrm{EL}}{\Longrightarrow} \left( \omega^2 M - K \right) \cdot \vec{a} = 2\mathbf{0}$$

 $\Rightarrow \det(\omega^2 M - K) = 0$  Solving the det for omega gives the normal freq (Eigenvalues)of system  $\omega_{\alpha}^2$  . plug in Evalue into Equation 28 for eigenvec(normal modes)  $\overrightarrow{a^{\alpha}}$  of system.

· General motion

$$x_i(t) = \sum_{\alpha} a_i^{\alpha} \mathrm{Re} [C_{\alpha} e^{i\omega_{\alpha} t}]$$
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EXAMPLE: Normal freq is given

$$\begin{split} \omega &= \left\{0, \sqrt{2}\omega_0, \sqrt{3}\omega_0\right\}.\\ \omega &= \sqrt{2}\omega_0 \Rightarrow a_1 = -a_3 = -a_2 = ae^{i\delta} \Rightarrow\\ \vec{\theta} &= a(1 \ -1 \ -1)^T \cos\left(\sqrt{2}\omega_0 t + \delta\right) & 30\\ \omega &= \sqrt{3}\omega_0 \Rightarrow a_1 = 0, a_2 = -a_3 = ae^{i\delta} \Rightarrow\\ \vec{\theta} &= a(0 \ 1 \ -1)^T \cos\left(\sqrt{3}\omega_0 t + \delta\right) \end{split}$$

· EXAMPLE: double pendulum

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = l_1 \sin \varphi_1 & y_1 = -l_1 \cos \varphi_1 \\ x_2 = l_1 \sin \varphi_1 + l_2 \sin \varphi_2 & y_2 = l_1 \cos \varphi_1 + l_2 \cos \varphi_2 \end{cases}$$
 
$$T = \frac{1}{2} m_1 l_1 \dot{\varphi}^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 (l_1^2 \dot{\varphi_1}^2 + l_2^2 \dot{\varphi_2}^2 + 2 l_1 l_2 \dot{\varphi_1} \dot{\varphi_2} \cos(\varphi_1 - \varphi_2))$$
 
$$U = -m_1 g l_1 \cos \varphi_1 - m_2 g (l_1 \cos \varphi_1 + l_2 \cos \varphi_2)$$

$$\begin{split} & \text{using } \cos \varphi \approx 1 - \frac{\varphi^2}{2} \\ & L = \frac{1}{2} (\varphi_1 \ \ \varphi_2) \begin{pmatrix} (m_1 + m_2) l_1^2 & m_2 l_1 l_2 \\ & m_2 l_1 l_2 & m_2 l_2^2 \end{pmatrix} (\varphi_1 \ \ \varphi_2) \\ & - \frac{1}{2} (\varphi_1 \ \ \varphi_2) \begin{pmatrix} (m_1 + m_2) l_1 g & 0 \\ & 0 & m_2 g l_2 \end{pmatrix} (\varphi_1 \ \ \varphi_2) \\ & = \frac{1}{2} \dot{\varphi}^T M \cdot \dot{\vec{\varphi}} - \frac{1}{2} \vec{\varphi}^T K \vec{\varphi} \\ & \text{When } m_1 = m_2 = m, \quad l_1 = l_2 = l \Rightarrow \quad M = \\ & m l^2 \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}, K = m g l \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \\ & \det((\omega^2 M - K)) = 0 \Rightarrow \omega^2 = \left(2 \pm \sqrt{2} \omega_0^2\right) \end{split}$$

$$\begin{split} & \textbf{Normal Coords} \\ & \{x_i\} = \{Q_\alpha\}, \text{where } x_i = \sum_{\alpha=1}^n A_{i\alpha} Q_\alpha \Rightarrow \\ & \sum_j \left(\omega_\alpha^2 m_{ij} - k_{ij} A_{jx}\right) = 0 \\ & \Rightarrow L = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\alpha=1}^n \left(\dot{Q}^2_{\ \alpha} - \omega_\alpha^2 Q_\alpha^2\right) \stackrel{\text{EL}}{\Longrightarrow} \ddot{Q}_\alpha + \omega_\alpha^2 Q_\alpha = 0 \end{split}$$

 $\begin{pmatrix} a_1^- \\ a_2^- \end{pmatrix} = C_- \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ \sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix}, \quad \begin{pmatrix} a_1^+ \\ a_1^+ \end{pmatrix} = C_+ \begin{pmatrix} 1 \\ -\sqrt{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad 32$ 

## Motion of Rigid Body

· EXample: rotor

rotation with constraint  $|\vec{r_i} - \vec{r_i}|$  . COM coords are useful

$$\begin{cases} \vec{r} = \vec{r_1} - \vec{r_2} \\ \vec{R} = \frac{m_1 \vec{r_1} + m_2 \vec{r_2}}{m_1 + m_2} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} \vec{r_1} = \vec{R} + m_2 \vec{r} / M \\ \vec{r_2} = \vec{R} - m_1 \vec{r} / M \end{cases}$$
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$$\begin{split} L &= \frac{1}{2} M \dot{\vec{R}}^2 + \mu \dot{\vec{r}}^2, \quad \mu = m_1 \frac{m_2}{m_1 + m_2} \\ & \stackrel{\text{polar}}{\Longrightarrow} L = \frac{1}{2} M \dot{\vec{R}}^2 + \frac{1}{2} \mu a^2 \left( \dot{\theta}^2 + \dot{\varphi}^2 \sin^2 \theta \right) \end{split}$$

#### frames of reference



$$\begin{array}{c} (XYZ) \stackrel{R(\theta,\varphi,\cdot)}{\Longrightarrow} \\ (x_1,x_2,x_3) \end{array}$$

Velocity of pt in body:  $\vec{v} = \vec{V} + \vec{\Omega} \times \vec{r}$ , where V is Translational vel, Omega is angular vel, r is position vector.

#### Largrangian for Rigid Body

$$T = \frac{1}{2}MV^2 + \frac{1}{2}\sum_a m_a \left[\Omega^2 r_a^2 - \left(\vec{\Omega}\right)\vec{r_a}\right)^2)] \qquad \qquad 35$$

Ttranslational + Trotational

consider rotation.

$$\begin{split} \Omega^2 &= \sum_i \Omega_i^2, \quad \vec{\Omega} \cdot \vec{r_a} = \sum_i \Omega_i x_{a,i} \\ \Rightarrow T_{\rm rot} &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{\mathbf{i},\mathbf{j}} \Omega_i \Omega_j I_{\mathbf{i},\mathbf{j}}, \quad I_{ij} \equiv \sum_a m_{a(\delta_{ij} r_a^2 - x_{a,i} x_{a,j})} \\ \Rightarrow L &= \frac{1}{2} M V^2 + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,i} I_{i,j} \Omega_i \Omega_j - U \end{split}$$

### **Inertial Tensor**

· Discrete

$$I = \begin{pmatrix} \sum m(y^2 + z^2) & -\sum mxy & -\sum mxz \\ -\sum mxy & \sum m(x^2 + z^2) & -\sum myz & 37 \\ -\sum mxz & -\sum myz & \sum m(x^2 + y^2) \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{split} I_{ij} &= \int \rho(x) \big(\delta_{ij} r^2 - x_i x_j\big) \,\mathrm{d}V \\ I_{xx} &= \int \rho(x) (y^2 + z^2) \,\mathrm{d}V, I_{xy} = I_{yx} = -\int \rho(x) xy \,\mathrm{d}V \\ 38 \\ I_{yy} &= \int \rho(x) (x^2 + z^2) \,\mathrm{d}V, I_{yz} = I_{zy} = -\int \rho(x) yz \,\mathrm{d}V \\ I_{zz} &= \int \rho(x) (x^2 + y^2) \,\mathrm{d}V, I_{zx} = I_{xz} = -\int \rho(x) zx \,\mathrm{d}V \end{split}$$

# Principle axis and principal moments of inertia In the principal frame:

$$T_{\text{rot}} = \frac{1}{2} (I_1 \Omega_1^2 + I_2 \Omega_2^2 + I_3 \Omega_3^2)$$
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- spherical top  $I_1 = I_2 = I_3$
- Symmetric top  $I_1 = I_2 \neq I_3$
- Asymmetric top  $I_1 \neq I_2 \neq I_3$

# Parallel axis theorem

when changing

## Appendix

1. Taylor expansion:

$$f(x)|_0 \approx f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + f''(a)\frac{(x-a)^2}{2}40$$

2. small angle approximation:

$$\sin(\theta) \approx \theta \quad \cos(\theta) \approx 1 - \frac{\theta^2}{2}$$
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