

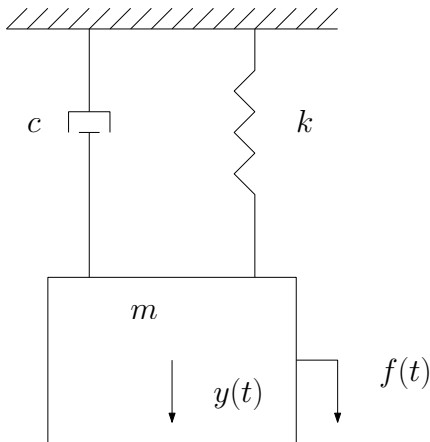
# Vv256 Lecture 8

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- Suppose we have a mass-spring system,  $y(t)$



with mass  $m$ , damping coefficient  $c$ , spring constant  $k$  and an external force  $f(t)$

- Assume damping force is proportional to the velocity  $\dot{y}$ ,

$$D(\dot{y}) = -c\dot{y}$$

and Hooke's law

$$R(y) = -ky$$

and Newton's second law, we have

$$m\ddot{y} = -ky - c\dot{y} + f \iff m\ddot{y} + c\dot{y} + ky = f$$

- When the spring is undamped ( $c = 0$ ) and unforced ( $f(t) = 0$ ), we have

$$m\ddot{y} + ky = 0 \iff \ddot{y} = -\frac{k}{m}y$$

- The roots for the corresponding characteristic equation are pure imaginary

$$r_{1,2} = \pm i\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \implies y(t) = C_1 \cos(\omega_n t) + C_2 \sin(\omega_n t)$$

where  $\omega_n = \sqrt{k/m}$  is the **natural frequency**.

- If treat  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  as the Cartesian coordinates of a point

$$(C_1, C_2)$$

that is determined by the initial conditions

$$y(t_0) = y_0, \quad \dot{y}(t_0) = y_1$$

then the point has a polar representation

$$C_1 = A \cos \theta \quad \text{and} \quad C_2 = A \sin \theta$$

and the general solution has the following form

$$\begin{aligned} y(t) &= C_1 \cos(\omega_n t) + C_2 \sin(\omega_n t) = A \cos \theta \cos(\omega_n t) + A \sin \theta \sin(\omega_n t) \\ &= A \cos(\omega_n t - \theta) \\ &= A \cos\left(\omega_n \left(t - \frac{\theta}{\omega_n}\right)\right) \end{aligned}$$

- Note  $A$  is the **amplitude** and  $\theta$  is the **phase** of the oscillation.

- Now with damping, that is,  $c > 0$ ,

$$m\ddot{y} + c\dot{y} + ky = 0 \iff \ddot{y} + \frac{c}{m}\dot{y} + \omega_n^2 y = 0$$

$$\iff \ddot{y} + 2\zeta\omega_n\dot{y} + \omega_n^2 y = 0$$

where  $\zeta$  is the **damping ratio**,

$$\zeta = \frac{c}{c_c} = \frac{c}{2\sqrt{km}}$$

- The corresponding characteristic equation is given by

$$r^2 + 2\zeta\omega_n r + \omega_n^2 = 0$$

with roots

$$r_{1,2} = -\zeta\omega_n \pm \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1}$$

- The form of the solution thus depends on  $\zeta$

$$r_{1,2} = -\zeta\omega_n \pm \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1}$$

- If  $\zeta = 1$ , which is known as the **critically damped** case  $c = c_c$ , then

$$y(t) = C_1 e^{-\omega_n t} + C_2 t e^{-\omega_n t}$$

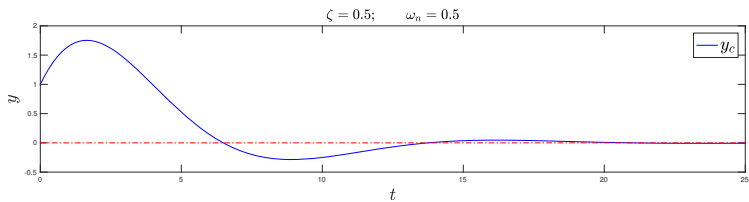
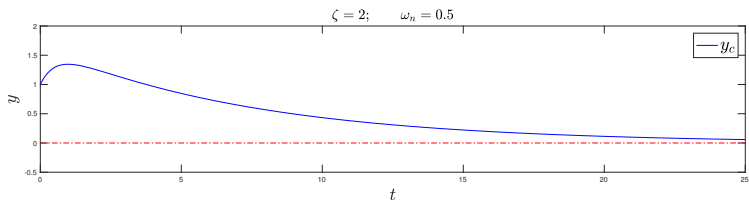
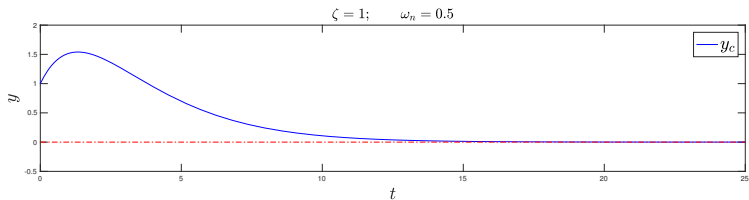
- If  $\zeta > 1$ , which is known as the **overdamped** case, then

$$y(t) = C_1 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n + \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1})t} + C_2 e^{(-\zeta\omega_n - \omega_n\sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1})t}$$

- If  $\zeta < 1$ , which is known as the **underdamped** case, then

$$y(t) = e^{-\zeta\omega_n t} \left( C_1 \cos \left( t\omega_n \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2} \right) + C_2 \sin \left( t\omega_n \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2} \right) \right)$$

Q: How will the solution in each case behave as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ ?



- Now consider harmonically forced vibration, that is, we have the following

$$\ddot{y} + 2\zeta\omega_n\dot{y} + \omega_n^2 y = \frac{F}{m} \cos \omega_d t$$

where  $\omega_d$  is the **driving frequency**.

- Assuming a particular solution of it takes the following form

$$y_p(t) = C_1 \cos \omega_d t + C_2 \sin \omega_d t$$

and substituting  $y_p$ ,  $\dot{y}_p$  and  $\ddot{y}_p$  into the differential equation, we have

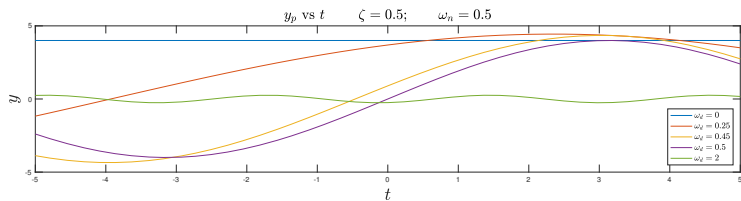
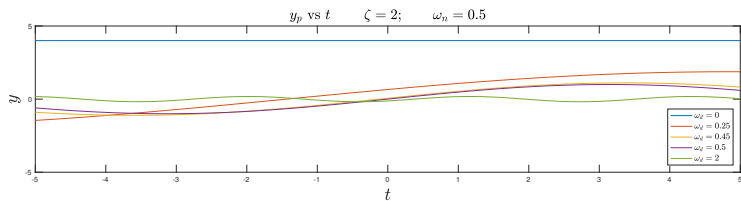
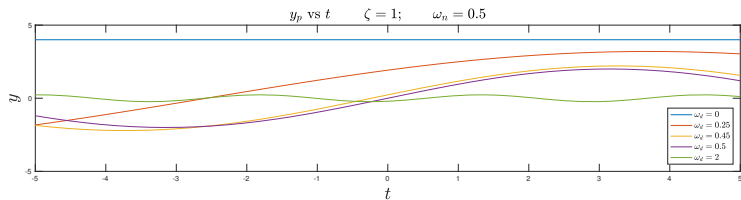
$$\begin{aligned} &(-C_1\omega_d^2 \cos \omega_d t - C_2\omega_d^2 \sin \omega_d t) + 2\zeta\omega_n (-C_1\omega_d \sin \omega_d t + C_2\omega_d \cos \omega_d t) \\ &+ \omega_n^2 (C_1 \cos \omega_d t + C_2 \sin \omega_d t) = \frac{F}{m} \cos \omega_d t \end{aligned}$$

Equating coefficients and solving for  $C_1$  and  $C_2$ , we have

$$y_p(t) = \frac{F}{m(B_1^2 + B_2^2)} (B_1 \cos \omega_d t + B_2 \sin \omega_d t) \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{aligned} B_1 &= \omega_n^2 - \omega_d^2 \\ B_2 &= 2\zeta\omega_d\omega_n \end{aligned}$$

**Q:** Is this always valid? What is the condition for this solution to be valid?





- When  $\zeta = 0$  and  $\omega_d = \omega_n$ , that is, resonance in the undamped case

$$\ddot{y} + \omega_n^2 y = \frac{F}{m} \cos \omega_n t$$

- The correct assumption about the form of a particular solution is

$$y_p(t) = t (C_1 \cos \omega_n t + C_2 \sin \omega_n t)$$

- Substituting into the equation, we have

$$2\omega_n (C_2 \cos(\omega_n t) - C_1 \sin(\omega_n t)) = \frac{F}{m} \cos \omega_n t$$

which implies the following solution

$$y_p = \frac{1}{2} \frac{F}{\sqrt{mk}} t \sin \omega_n t \implies y = B_1 \cos \omega_n t + B_2 \sin \omega_n t + y_p$$

where  $B_1$  and  $B_2$  are arbitrary constants.

Q: This is clearly unbounded, how about when  $\zeta \neq 0$  while  $\omega_d = \omega_n$ ?

- The particular solution to

$$\ddot{y} + 2\zeta\omega_n\dot{y} + \omega_n^2 y = \frac{F}{m} \cos \omega_n t$$

is given by

$$y_p(t) = \frac{F}{m(B_1^2 + B_2^2)} (B_1 \cos \omega_d t + B_2 \sin \omega_d t) \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{aligned} B_1 &= \omega_n^2 - \omega_d^2 \\ B_2 &= 2\zeta\omega_d\omega_n \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{F}{2m\zeta\omega_n^2} \sin \omega_n t$$

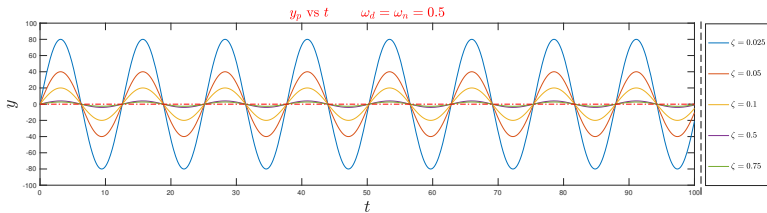
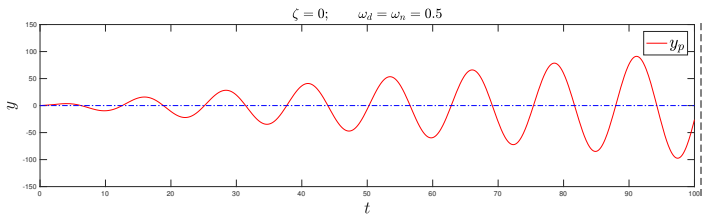
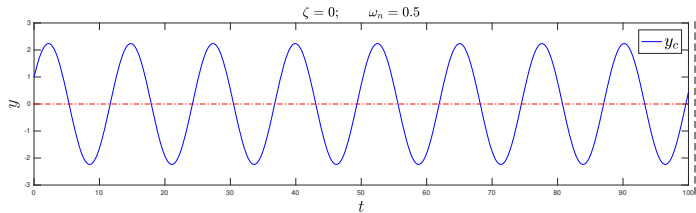
- Under a constant forcing, which is effectively  $\omega_d = 0$ , we have

$$\ddot{y} + 2\zeta\omega_n\dot{y} + \omega_n^2 y = \frac{F}{m} \implies y_p = \frac{F}{m\omega_n^2}$$

- The amplitude is larger by comparison when the damping ratio is small,

$$\zeta < \frac{1}{2}$$

- For really small  $\zeta$ , the amplitude may be really large, but clearly bounded.



- Recall for a forcing function

$$e^{\lambda t} P(t) \cos \omega_d t$$

the particular solution will take the form

$$y_p(t) = e^{\lambda t} \left( p(t) \cos \omega_d t + q(t) \sin \omega_d t \right)$$

where  $P$  is a polynomial, and  $p$  and  $q$  are polynomials of the same degree.

- In general, we could try variation of parameters to solve

$$\ddot{y} + 2\zeta\omega_n\dot{y} + \omega_n^2 y = f(t)$$

- So far we have focused on linear vibration, which can be described by

$$\alpha(t)\ddot{y} + \beta(t)\dot{y} + \gamma(t)y = f(t)$$

- One way to deviate from it is to give up Hooke's law

$$R(t) = -ky$$

- One of many possible assumption on restoring force is

$$R(t) = -ky - ly^3$$

where  $k$  and  $l$  are constants.

- Notice that Hooke's law is being assumed if

$$l = 0$$

- If  $l > 0$ , the oscillator is said to **hard**, and if  $L < 0$ , it is **soft**.
- Suppose  $m = 1$ , and there is no damping, then we have the following

$$\ddot{y} + ky + ly^3 = f(t)$$

- This is sometimes used as an approximation for the pendulum equation

$$\ddot{\theta} + \frac{g}{L} \sin \theta = 0$$

- Instead of using linear approximation,

$$\sin \theta \approx \theta \implies \ddot{\theta} + \frac{g}{L} \theta = 0$$

it uses

$$\sin \theta \approx \theta - \frac{\theta^3}{3!} \implies \ddot{\theta} + \frac{g}{L} \left( \theta - \frac{\theta^3}{6} \right) = 0$$

- In general, the homogeneous equation

$$\ddot{y} + py + qy^3 = 0 \quad \text{where } p \text{ and } q \text{ are constants.}$$

cannot be easily solved, but can be studied by considering another equation.

- Using the integrating factor  $\mu = \dot{y}$ , we have

$$\dot{y} (\ddot{y} + py + qy^3) = 0$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{2} (\dot{y})^2 + \frac{1}{2} py^2 + \frac{1}{4} qy^4 \right) = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2} (\dot{y})^2 + \frac{1}{2} py^2 + \frac{1}{4} qy^4 = C$$

- The following equation is separable

$$(\dot{y})^2 + py^2 + \frac{1}{2} qy^4 = 2C$$

but the integral isn't trivial!

- However, if  $\dot{y}(t_0) = y_0$  is given, then  $C$  can be solved and

$$\dot{y} = \Phi(t, y) = \pm \sqrt{2C - py^2 - \frac{1}{2} qy^4}$$

is autonomous and can be studied using a slope field.