

Today - damped oscillations (cont.)

- resonance
- waves

Heavy damping

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Resonance

add driving force that is periodic with angular freq. ω_d

If ω_d equals ω of oscillator we get large-amplitude oscillations

eg. - break wine glasses with sound
- push child on a swing

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- Tacoma Narrows bridge was not resonance (driving force - wind - not periodic)
- Millenium bridge London - was resonance from walking.

We modify the force law

$$F = -kx - b \frac{dx}{dt} + F_{\max} \cos(\omega_d t)$$

Gives us new D.E. by combining with $F = m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}$

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$$\Rightarrow m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -kx - b \frac{dx}{dt} + F_{\max} \cos(\omega_d t)$$

Solve for $x(t)$

Tricky. One solution (after a while) is a sinusoid with freq ω_d

We are interested in amplitude of this oscillation. \leftarrow driving

$\omega = \text{natural freq. } \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$
 $\omega_d = \text{driving freq.}$

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resonance involves driving at or close to the natural freq, so as to produce a large amplitude

Can show (using complex notation) that

$$A = \frac{F_{\max}}{\sqrt{(k - m\omega_d^2)^2 + b^2\omega_d^2}}$$

A is big when

- F_{\max} is big
- b small
- $k = m\omega_d^2$

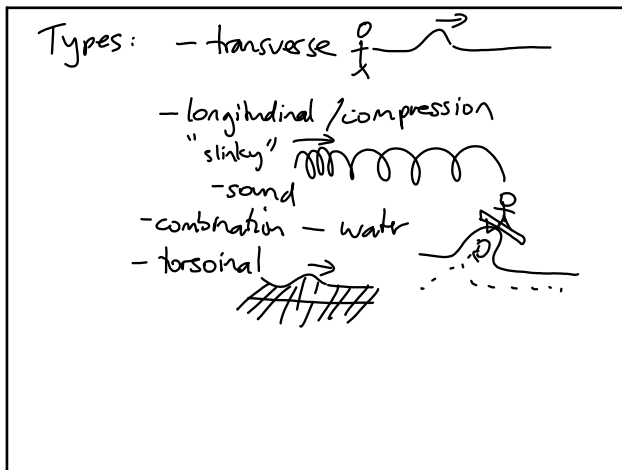
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i.e. $\omega_d = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$ \leftarrow natural freq.

Waves

Mechanical waves - disturbance that moves through a medium.

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