

Vibrations and Waves by A. P. French Problems

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1 Periodic motions

1.4

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}z &= Ae^{j\theta} \\dz &= jAe^{j\theta} d\theta \\&= jz d\theta\end{aligned}$$

The motion of the point is always perpendicular to its position.

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}|2 + j\sqrt{3}| &= \sqrt{2^2 + \sqrt{3}^2} \\ &= \sqrt{7}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\arg(2 + j\sqrt{3}) &= \arctan \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ &= 41^\circ\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(2 - j\sqrt{3})^2 &= 4 - j4\sqrt{3} - 3 \\ &= 1 - j4\sqrt{3}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}|1 - j4\sqrt{3}| &= \sqrt{1^2 + (4\sqrt{3})^2} \\ &= 7\end{aligned}$$

$$\arg(1 - j4\sqrt{3}) = -\arctan 4\sqrt{3}$$

1.9

$$\begin{aligned}\cos \theta + j \sin \theta &= e^{j\theta} \\ \cos \frac{\pi}{2} + j \sin \frac{\pi}{2} &= e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}} \\ j &= e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}} \\ j^j &= (e^{j\frac{\pi}{2}})^j \\ &= e^{-\frac{\pi}{2}} \\ &\approx 0.208\end{aligned}$$

Yes, I would be willing to pay 20 cents because I could sell it to the mathematician and gain 0.8 cents.

1.10

$$\begin{aligned}
 y &= A \cos kx + B \sin kx \\
 \frac{dy}{dx} &= -Ak \sin kx + Bk \cos kx \\
 \frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= -Ak^2 \cos kx - Bk^2 \sin kx \\
 &= -k^2 y
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 C &= \sqrt{A^2 + B^2} \\
 \alpha &= \arctan\left(-\frac{B}{A}\right) \\
 y &= C \cos(kx + \alpha) \\
 &= C \operatorname{Re}[e^{j(kx + \alpha)}] \\
 &= \operatorname{Re}[(Ce^{j\alpha})e^{jkx}]
 \end{aligned}$$

1.11

(a)

$$\begin{aligned}
 x &= A \cos(\omega t + \alpha) \\
 A &= 5 \text{ cm} \\
 f &= 1 \text{ Hz} \\
 \omega &= 2\pi f \\
 &= 2\pi \text{ rad/s} \\
 \alpha &= \pm \frac{\pi}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned}
 x\left(\frac{8}{3}\right) &= 5 \cos\left(2\pi\frac{8}{3} + \alpha\right) \\
 &= \pm 4.33 \text{ cm} \\
 \frac{dx}{dt} &= -A\omega \sin(\omega t + \alpha) \\
 \frac{dx}{dt}\left(\frac{8}{3}\right) &= \pm 15.7 \text{ cm/s} \\
 \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} &= -A\omega^2 \cos(\omega t + \alpha) \\
 \frac{d^2x}{dt^2}\left(\frac{8}{3}\right) &= \mp 171 \text{ cm/s}^2
 \end{aligned}$$

1.12

(a)

$$v = 50 \text{ cm/s}$$

$$T = 6 \text{ s}$$

$$\theta_0 = 30^\circ$$

$$c = 300 \text{ cm}$$

$$A = \frac{c}{2\pi}$$
$$= \frac{150}{\pi} \text{ cm}$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T}$$
$$= \frac{\pi}{3} \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\pi}{6} \text{ rad}$$

$$x = \frac{150}{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}t + \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$

(b)

$$x(2 \text{ s}) = -41.3 \text{ cm}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -50 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3}t + \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt}(2 \text{ s}) = -25 \text{ cm/s}$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -\frac{50\pi}{3} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3}t + \frac{\pi}{6}\right)$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2}(2 \text{ s}) = 45 \text{ cm/s}^2$$

2 The superposition of periodic motions

2.1

(a)

$$z = \sin \omega t + \cos \omega t$$
$$= \sqrt{2} \cos\left(\omega t - \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$
$$= \sqrt{2} e^{j(\omega t - \frac{\pi}{4})}$$

(b)

$$\begin{aligned} z &= \cos(\omega t - \pi/3) - \cos \omega t \\ &= \cos \omega t \cos \frac{\pi}{3} + \sin \omega t \sin \frac{\pi}{3} - \cos \omega t \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \cos \omega t + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \sin \omega t \\ &= \cos(\omega t + 2\pi/3) \\ &= e^{j(\omega t + 2\pi/3)} \end{aligned}$$

(c)

$$\begin{aligned} z &= 3 \cos \omega t + 2 \sin \omega t \\ &= \sqrt{13} \cos(\omega t + \arctan -2/3) \end{aligned}$$

(d)

$$\begin{aligned} z &= \sin \omega t - 2 \cos(\omega t - \pi/4) + \cos \omega t \\ &= \sin \omega t - 2(\cos \omega t \cos \pi/4 + \sin \omega t \sin \pi/4) + \cos \omega t \\ &= \sin \omega t - \sqrt{2} \cos \omega t - \sqrt{2} \sin \omega t + \cos \omega t \\ &= (1 - \sqrt{2}) \cos \omega t + (1 - \sqrt{2}) \sin \omega t \\ &= (1 - \sqrt{2}) \sqrt{2} \cos(\omega t - \pi/4) \\ &= (\sqrt{2} - 2) \cos(\omega t - \pi/4) \\ &= (2 - \sqrt{2}) \cos(\omega t + 3\pi/4) \end{aligned}$$

2.2

$$\begin{aligned} x &= A_1 \cos \omega t + A_2 \cos(\omega t + \alpha_1) + A_3 \cos(\omega t + \alpha_1 + \alpha_2) \\ &= A_1 \cos \omega t + A_2(\cos \omega t \cos \alpha_1 - \sin \omega t \sin \alpha_1) \\ &\quad + A_3(\cos \omega t \cos(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2) - \sin \omega t \sin(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)) \\ &= (A_1 + A_2 \cos \alpha_1 + A_3 \cos(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)) \cos \omega t \\ &\quad - (A_2 \sin \alpha_1 + A_3 \sin(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)) \sin \omega t \\ A &= \sqrt{(A_1 + A_2 \cos \alpha_1 + A_3 \cos(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2))^2 + (A_2 \sin \alpha_1 + A_3 \sin(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2))^2} \\ &\approx 0.52 \text{ mm} \\ \alpha &= \arctan \frac{A_2 \sin \alpha_1 + A_3 \sin(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)}{A_1 + A_2 \cos \alpha_1 + A_3 \cos(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)} \\ &\approx 0.59 \text{ rad} \\ &\approx 34^\circ \end{aligned}$$

2.3

The equation of motion is

$$x = 2A \cos\left(\frac{12\pi - 10\pi}{2}t\right) \cos\left(\frac{12\pi + 10\pi}{2}t\right)$$

with the variation in amplitude given by the term

$$2A \cos \pi t$$

so the beat period is 1 s.

2.4

(a)

$$\omega = 2\pi, \text{ rad/s} \Rightarrow f = 1 \text{ Hz}$$

(b)

$$\omega = \frac{25\pi}{2} \text{ rad/s} \Rightarrow f = \frac{25}{4} \text{ Hz}$$

(c)

$$\omega = \frac{3 + \pi}{2} \text{ rad/s} \Rightarrow f = \frac{3 + \pi}{4\pi} \text{ Hz}$$