

Normal Modes

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If we use matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{v} \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ -\omega^2 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ v \end{bmatrix}$$

Matrix exponential equation

Make the change $v \leftarrow \frac{v}{\omega}$ then we have

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with formal solution

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How to go from here to our previous solution?

Simple Harmonic Oscillator Code

```
function harmonic_oscillator!(du, u ,p, t)
    ω = p.ω
    du[1] = u[2]
    du[2] = - ω^2*u[1]
    return nothing
end

T = Float64
p = (ω = 2pi,
      τ = 3)
u0 = T[1, 0]
tspan = (T(0), T(2pi/p.ω * p.τ))
prob = ODEProblem(harmonic_oscillator!, u0, tspan, p)
sol = solve(prob)
```

Simple Harmonic Oscillator Animation

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Solution:

$$x_1(t) - x_2(t) = (x_1(0) - x_2(0)) \cos(\sqrt{3}\omega t) + \frac{\dot{x}_1(0) - \dot{x}_2(0)}{\sqrt{3}\omega} \sin(\sqrt{3}\omega t)$$

$$x_1(t) + x_2(t) = (x_1(0) + x_2(0)) \cos(\omega t) + \frac{\dot{x}_1(0) + \dot{x}_2(0)}{\omega} \sin(\omega t)$$

2 Oscillators Matrix form

In matrix form:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \dot{x}_1 \\ \dot{x}_2 \\ \dot{v}_1 \\ \dot{v}_2 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \\ -2\omega^2 & \omega^2 & 0 & 0 \\ \omega^2 & -2\omega^2 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ v_1 \\ v_2 \end{bmatrix} \quad (6)$$

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with eigenvalues $i[-\omega, \omega, -\sqrt{3}\omega, \sqrt{3}\omega]$ and eigenvectors

$$\begin{bmatrix} -i \\ -i \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}; \begin{bmatrix} i \\ i \\ -1 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}; \begin{bmatrix} i \\ -i \\ \sqrt{3} \\ -\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}; \begin{bmatrix} -i \\ i \\ \sqrt{3} \\ -\sqrt{3} \end{bmatrix}$$

2 Oscillators Code

```
function two_harmonic_oscillator!(du, u, p, t)
    ω = p.ω
    du[1] = u[3]
    du[2] = u[4]
    du[3] = -ω^2 * (2*u[1] - u[2])
    du[4] = -ω^2 * (2*u[2] - u[1])
    return nothing
end

# eigen modes
ω = p.ω
A = T[
    0     0     1     0;
    0     0     0     1;
    -2ω^2   ω^2     0     0;
    ω^2  -2ω^2     0     0
]
```

2 Oscillators Code

```
F = eigen(A, sortby=abs)
min_omega = abs(imag(F.values[1]))
max_omega = abs(imag(F.values[end]))
@show min_omega # 1
@show max_omega # sqrt(3) ~ 1.73205...
tspan = (T(0), T(2pi/min_omega * p.τ))

# first eigen mode
u0_1 = T.(real.(F.vectors[:,1] + F.vectors[:,2]) )
prob_1 = ODEProblem(two_harmonic_oscillator!, u0_1, tspan, p)
sol_1 = solve(prob_1)
```

2 Oscillators Animation

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Linear Chain of N Oscillators Differential Equation:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \ddot{x}_1 \\ \ddot{x}_2 \\ \ddot{x}_3 \\ \vdots \\ \ddot{x}_{N-1} \\ \ddot{x}_N \end{bmatrix} = \omega^2 \begin{bmatrix} -2 & 1 & 0 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & -2 & 1 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & -2 & \dots & 0 & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 1 & -2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ \vdots \\ x_{N-1} \\ x_N \end{bmatrix} \quad (7)$$

N Oscillators Code

```
function n_harmonic_oscillator(du, u, p, t)
    mul!(du, p.A, u)
    return nothing
end
T = Float64
p = (ω = 1,
      τ = 3,
      N = 20)

A = make_A_simple_matrix(T, p)
F = eigen(Matrix(A), sortby=abs)
min_omega = abs(imag(F.values[1]))
tspan = (T(0), T(2pi/min_omega * p.τ))
l_mode = 1
u0 = T.(imag.(F.vectors[:,l_mode] - F.vectors[:,l_mode+1] ))
prob = ODEProblem(n_harmonic_oscillator, u0, tspan, (A=A,))
sol = solve(prob)
```

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N Oscillators Eigen Energies and Frequencies

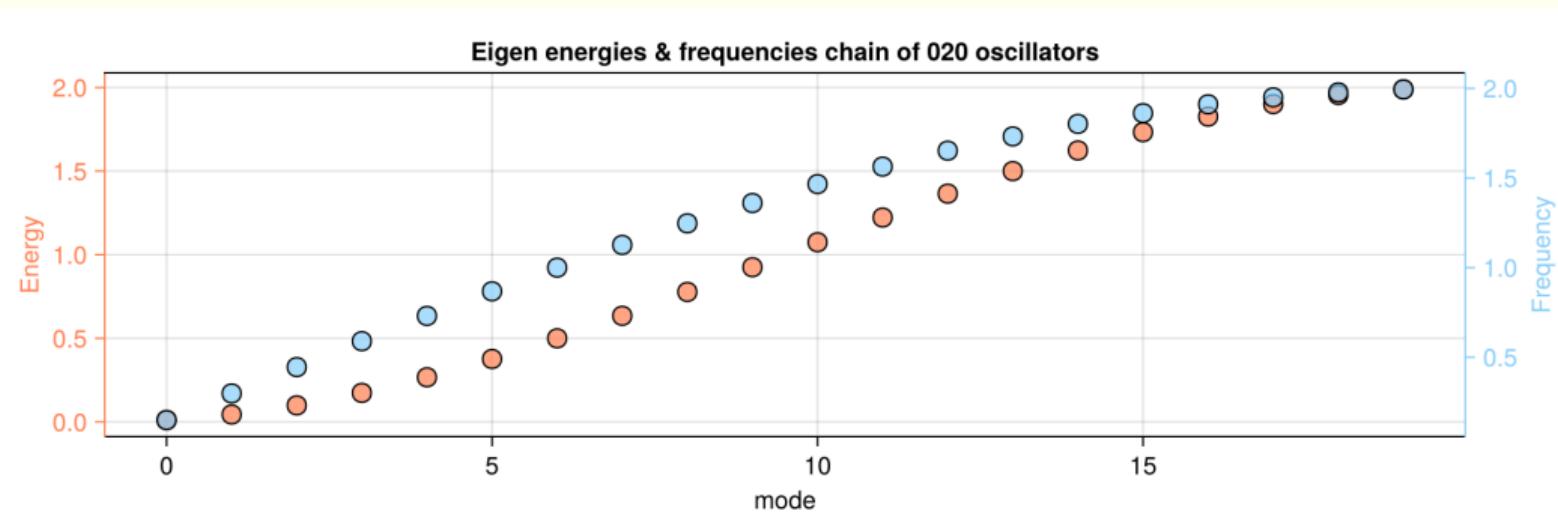


Figure 1: Eigen energies and frequencies for a chain of 20 oscillators.