

5). A mass of 20 g stretches a spring 5 cm. Suppose that the mass is also attached to a viscous damper with a damping constant of 400 dyn · s/cm. If the mass is pulled down an additional 2 cm and then released, find its position  $u$  at any time  $t$ . Determine the quasi-frequency and the quasi-period. Determine the ratio of the quasiperiod to the period of the corresponding undamped motion.

**Note:**

$$1N = 1 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{s}^2}$$

**Ans:** Apply the following formulas.

$$mg = kL$$

where  $L$  is the elongation of the spring,  $k$  is the spring constant,  $m$  is the mass of the object, and  $g$  is acceleration due to gravity.

We know  $L = 5$  cm,  $g = 9.8\text{m/s}^2$

$$\begin{aligned} 20g \cdot \frac{1kg}{1000g} \cdot \frac{9.8m}{s^2} &= k \cdot .05m \\ .196N &= k \cdot .05m \\ 3.92 \frac{N}{m} &= k \end{aligned}$$

We use the following D.E. to model this spring's movement.

$$mu''(t) + \gamma u'(t) + ku(t) = F(t)$$

where  $\gamma$  is the damping constant,  $m$  is the mass of the object, and  $k$  is the spring constant.

We convert  $\gamma$  to a usable unit in the following manner:

$$400 \text{ dyn} \cdot \frac{\text{s}}{\text{cm}} \cdot \frac{1N}{10^5 \text{ dyn}} \cdot 100 \frac{\text{cm}}{1 \text{ m}} = 0.4 \frac{N \cdot \text{s}}{\text{m}}$$

Plugging in constants:

$$0.02\text{kg } u''(t) + 0.40 \frac{N \cdot \text{s}}{\text{m}} u'(t) + 3.92 \frac{N}{\text{m}} u(t) = F(t)$$

Using the following equation discussed in class,

$$\begin{aligned}\gamma^2 - 4km &= .40^2 - 4 \cdot 3.92 \cdot .02 \\ &= -0.1536 \\ &< 0\end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have the following roots,

$$\begin{aligned}r &= \left\{ \frac{-\gamma - i\sqrt{4km - \gamma^2}}{2m}, \frac{-\gamma + i\sqrt{4km - \gamma^2}}{2m} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ -\frac{\gamma}{2m} - i\mu, -\frac{\gamma}{2m} + i\mu \right\}\end{aligned}$$

and our homogenous solution takes the form

$$u = e^{-\frac{\gamma}{2m}t}(A \cos \mu t + \beta \sin \mu t)$$

Our particular solution takes the form

$$mu''(t) + \gamma u'(t) + ku(t) = mg$$

The inhomogenous term  $mg$  is constant, therefore, the particular solution is also constant, let

$$u(t) = x.$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}m \cdot 0 + \gamma \cdot 0 + kx &= mg \\ x &= \frac{mg}{k}\end{aligned}$$

Our complete solution is

$$u = e^{-\frac{\gamma}{2m}t} A \cos \mu t + e^{-\frac{\gamma}{2m}t} \beta \sin \mu t + \frac{mg}{k}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}u' &= -A \frac{\gamma}{2m} e^{-\gamma t/2m} \cos \mu t - A \mu e^{-\gamma t/2m} \sin \mu t - \\ &\quad \beta \frac{\gamma}{2m} e^{-\gamma t/2m} \sin \mu t + B \mu e^{-\gamma t/2m} \cos \mu t\end{aligned}$$

Applying initial conditions:

$$\begin{aligned} u(0) &= 5\text{cm} + 2\text{cm} \\ &= .07m \end{aligned}$$

$$u'(0) = \frac{0m}{s}$$

Leaving us with

$$\begin{aligned} 0.07 &= A + \frac{mg}{k} \\ 0 &= -A\frac{\gamma}{2m} + B\mu \end{aligned}$$

which gives us

$$u = e^{-10t}.02 \cos 9.8t + e^{-10t}.02 \sin 9.8t + .05$$

**Quasi-Frequency:**

$$\mu = \frac{\sqrt{4mk - \gamma^2}}{2m} \approx 9.81 \frac{\text{rad}}{s}$$

**Quasi-Period:**

$$T_d = \frac{2\pi}{\mu} \approx 0.641$$

**Ratio:**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{T_d}{T} &= \frac{\omega}{\mu} \\ &\approx 1.43 \end{aligned}$$

**6).** A spring is stretched 10 cm by a force of 3 N. A mass of 2 kg is hung from the spring and is also attached to a viscous damper that exerts a force of 3 N when the velocity of the mass is 5 m/s. If the mass is pulled down 5 cm below its equilibrium position and given an initial downward velocity of 10 cm/s, determine its position  $u$  at any time  $t$ . Find the quasi-frequency  $\mu$  and the ratio of  $\mu$  to the natural frequency of the corresponding undamped motion.

**7).** A spring is stretched 6 in by a mass that weighs 8 lb. The mass is attached to a dashpot mechanism that has a damping constant of 1 4 lb-s/ft and is acted on by an external force of  $4 \cos(2t)$  lb.

a. Determine the steady-state response of this system.

**6).** A mass that weighs 8lb stretches a spring 6 in. The system is acted on by an external force of  $8\sin(8t)$  lb. If the mass is pulled down 3 in and then released, determine the position of the mass at any time. Determine the first four times at which the velocity of the mass is zero.

**3).**  $u^{(4)} - u = 0$

**5).**  $u'' + p(t)u' + q(t)u = g(t), \quad u(0) = u_0, \quad u'(0) = u'_0$