



# Resonance and Synchronization

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Damped oscillator with harmonic forcing

$$\ddot{x} + \delta x + \omega_0^2 x + \beta x^3 = \gamma \cos(\omega t)$$

Assume  $\delta > 0$  (i.e. damped oscillator). How does the response of the system evolve as we vary the forcing amplitude  $\gamma$  and frequency  $\omega$  ?

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The limiting case of the harmonic oscillator

$$\text{Harm. osc. : } \ddot{x} + \omega_0^2 x = \gamma \cos(\omega t)$$