# Driven oscillators and the resonance phenomenon

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Collapse of the Tacoma bridge (1940).



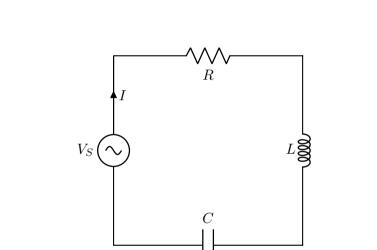


# Forced Liénard equation

 $\ddot{x} + f(x)\dot{x} + g(x) = \gamma\cos(\omega t)$ 

# Forced Harmonic oscillator

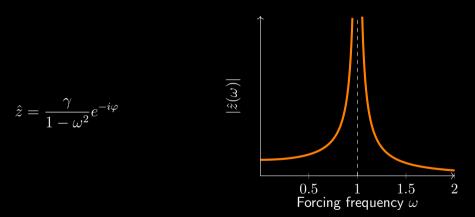
 $\ddot{x} + 2\xi \dot{x} + x = \gamma \cos(\omega t)$ 

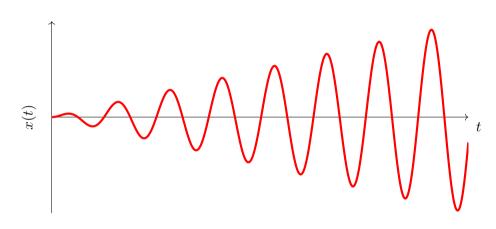


$$\ddot{x} + x = \gamma \cos(\omega t)$$

$$\ddot{z}+z=\gamma e^{i\omega t}$$

$$(1 - \omega^2) \, \hat{z} e^{i\varphi} = \gamma$$

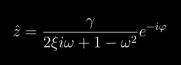


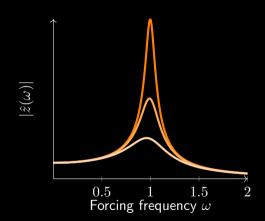


$$\ddot{x} + 2\xi \dot{x} + x = \gamma \cos(\omega t)$$

$$\ddot{z} + 2\xi \dot{z} + z = \gamma e^{i\omega t}$$

$$(2\xi i\omega + 1 - \omega^2)\,\hat{z}e^{i\varphi} = \gamma$$





# Forced Liénard equation

$$\ddot{x} + g(x) = \gamma \cos(\omega t)$$

# Forced Duffing oscillator

$$\ddot{x} + x + \epsilon x^3 = \gamma \cos(\omega t)$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{d\tau^2} + \frac{1}{\omega^2}x + \frac{\epsilon}{\omega^2}x^3 = \frac{\gamma}{\omega^2}\cos(\tau)$$

Retaining only terms of order  $\mathcal{O}(\epsilon)$  leads to

$$\frac{d^2x}{d\tau^2} + x = \epsilon \left(\Gamma \cos(\tau) + 2\omega_1 x - x^3\right)$$

where the parameters are defined as  $\gamma=\epsilon\Gamma$ .

Introducing the power series expansion  $x(\tau,\epsilon)=x_0(\tau)+\epsilon x_1(\tau)$  yields

$$\mathcal{O}(1): \quad \ddot{x}_0 + x_0 = 0$$

$$\mathcal{O}(\epsilon): \quad \ddot{x}_1 + x_1 = 2\omega_1 x_0 - x_0^3 + \Gamma \cos(\tau)$$

which we can now solve.

At leading order, the solution is given by  $x_0(\tau) = A\cos(\tau)$ . At the next order, we have

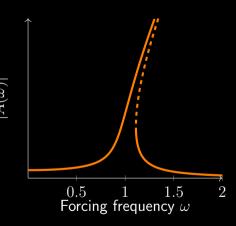
$$\ddot{x}_1 + x_1 = \underbrace{\left(2\omega_1 A - \frac{3}{4}A^3 + \Gamma\right)}_{=0} \cos(\tau) - \frac{A^3}{4}\cos(3\tau)$$

which leads to  $\omega_1 = \frac{3}{8}A^2 - \frac{\Gamma}{2A}$  to avoid secular growth.

In the original variables, this leads to

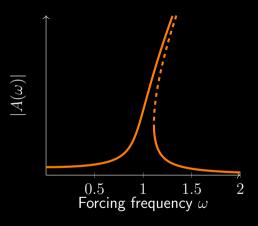
$$\frac{3}{4}\epsilon A^3 + (1 - \omega^2) A - \gamma = 0$$

describing the **nonlinear response function** of the system.



Nonlinearity prevents the unbounded growth of the oscillations by generating higher-order harmonics.

As the amplitude grows, the resonant forcing frequency changes.



# Forced Duffing oscillator with damping

$$\ddot{x} + \delta \dot{x} + x + \epsilon x^3 = \gamma \cos(\omega t)$$

Let's illustrate another technique to derive the nonlinear response function, namely Harmonic Balance. Assume the solution is of the form  $x(t) = A\cos(\omega t) + B\sin(\omega t)$  and inject into the equations.

$$\left(-\omega^2 A + \omega \delta B + A + \frac{3}{4} \epsilon A^3 + \frac{3}{4} \epsilon A B^2 - \gamma\right) \cos(\omega t)$$

$$+ \left(-\omega^2 B - \omega \delta A + \frac{3}{4} \epsilon B^3 + B + \frac{3}{4} \epsilon A^2 B\right) \sin(\omega t)$$

$$+ \left(\frac{1}{4} \epsilon A^3 - \frac{3}{4} \epsilon A B^3\right) \cos(3\omega t)$$

$$+ \left(\frac{3}{4} \epsilon A^2 B - \frac{1}{4} \epsilon B^3\right) \sin(3\omega t) = 0$$

Neglecting superharmonics at  $3\omega$  leads to the balance equations

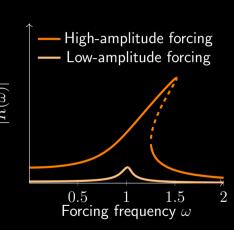
$$(1 - \omega^{2}) A + \omega \delta B + \frac{3}{4} \epsilon A^{3} + \frac{3}{4} \epsilon A B^{2} = \gamma$$
$$(1 - \omega^{2}) B - \omega \delta A + \frac{3}{4} \epsilon B^{3} + \frac{3}{4} \epsilon A^{2} B = 0.$$

If B=0 and  $\delta=0$ , we recover the response function derived for the undamped case.

These conditions can be combined into

$$\left[ \left( \frac{3}{4} \epsilon R^2 + 1 - \omega^2 \right)^2 + (\delta \omega)^2 \right] R^2 = \gamma^2 \quad \stackrel{\overline{3}}{\underline{\approx}}$$

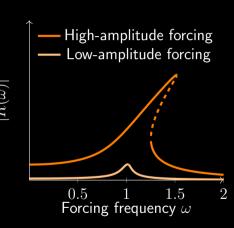
with  $R = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2}$  the amplitude of the oscillation.



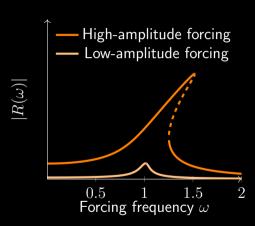
It can be simplified to

$$\left[ \left( \frac{3}{4}R^2 - 2\omega_1 \right)^2 + \Delta^2 \right] R^2 = \Gamma^2$$

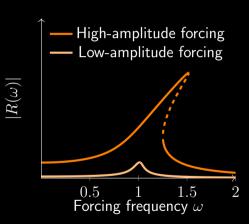
with  $1-\omega^2=-2\epsilon\omega_1$ ,  $\Delta=\delta/\epsilon$  and  $\Gamma=\gamma/\epsilon$ .

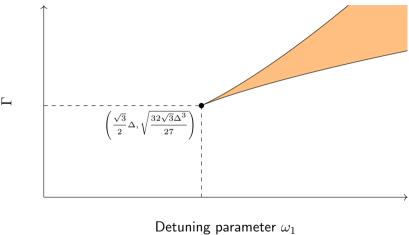


As  $\Gamma$  increases,  $R(\omega)$  switches from being single-valued to multi-valued because of a saddle-node bifurcation.



What are the critical values of  $\Gamma$  and  $\omega_1$  at which this bifurcation happen ?

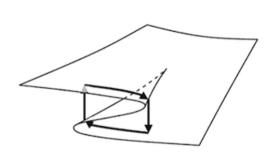


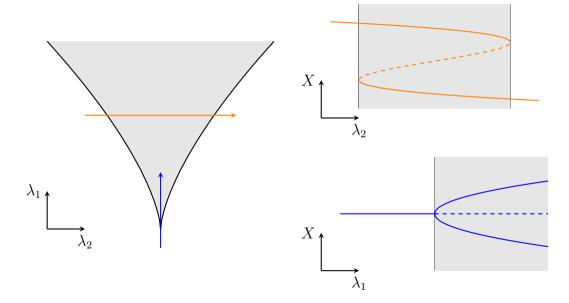


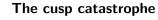
The response function is of the form

$$X^3 + \lambda_1 X + \lambda_2 = 0.$$

This is the canonical form of the **cusp** catastrophe.



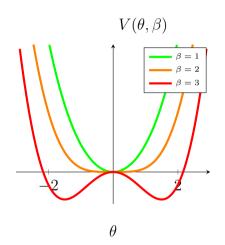




Add schematic

## Total energy in the system

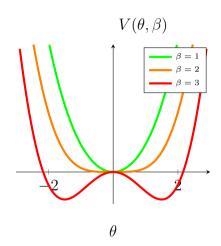
$$V = 2\mu\theta^2 + m\sin(\theta) - 2\beta\left(1 - \cos(\theta)\right)$$



Potential for 
$$m=0$$

Taylor expansion (and  $\beta=2\mu+b$ )

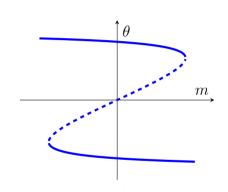
$$V = \frac{2\mu + b}{12}\theta^4 - \frac{m}{6}\theta^3 - b\theta^2 + m\theta$$



Potential for m=0

# Equilibria are stationary points

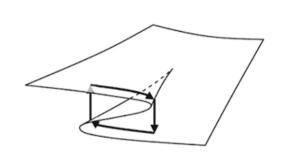
$$\frac{2\mu + b}{3}\theta^3 - \frac{m}{3}\theta^2 - 2b\theta + m = 0$$



Fixed points for  $(\mu, b) = (1, 1.1)$ 

## Canonical form of the cusp catastrophe

$$X^3 + \lambda_1 X + \lambda_2 = 0$$



# Thank you for your attention Any question ?