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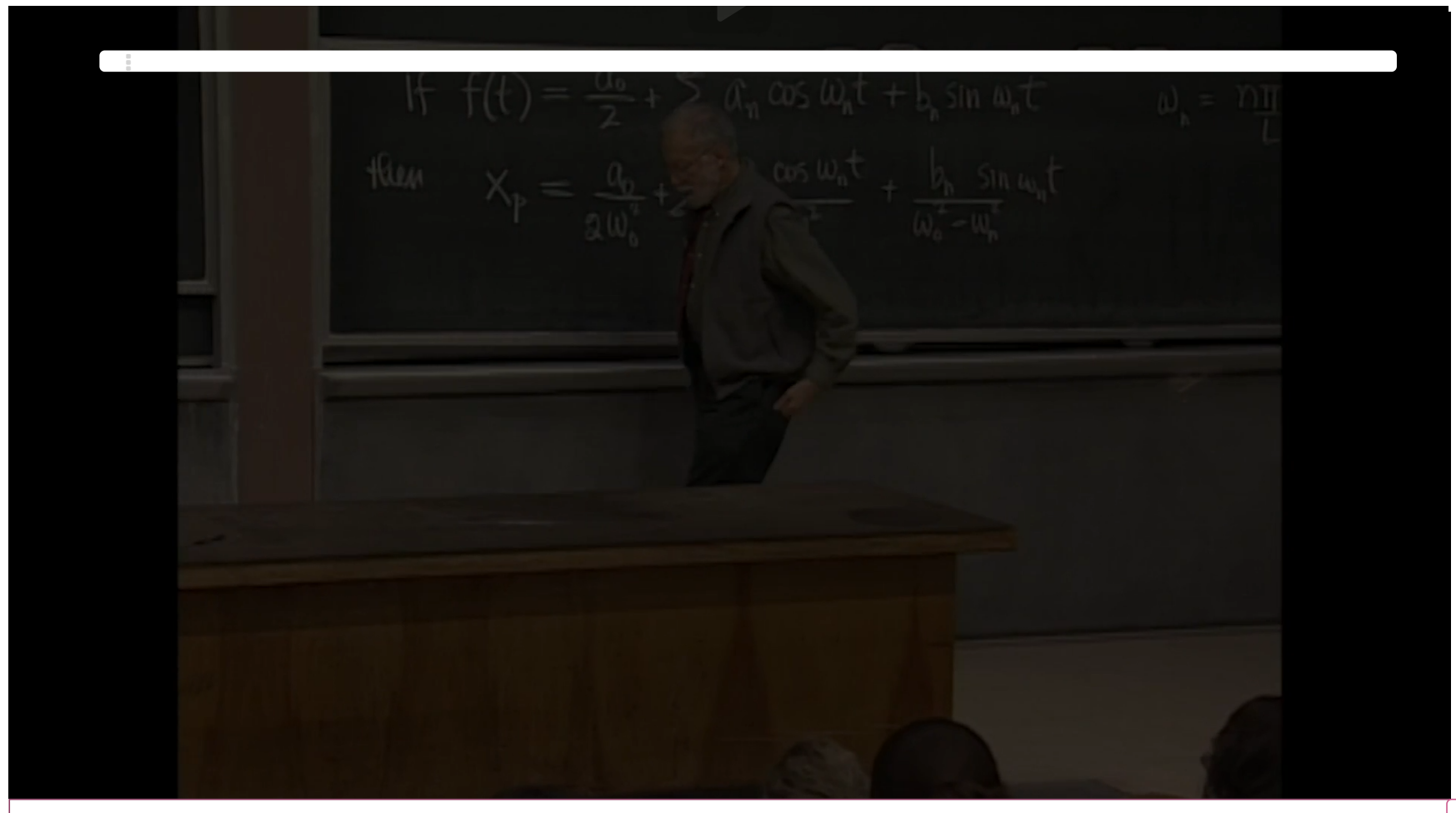
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We can solve the same differential equation in general for a periodic input signal of any frequency.



Solve the differential equation

$$\ddot{x} + \omega_0^2 x = f(t),$$

where  $f(t)$  is  $2L$ -periodic, and has Fourier series

$$f(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (a_n \cos(\omega_n t) + b_n \sin(\omega_n t)), \quad \text{where } \omega_n = \frac{n\pi}{L}.$$

A particular solution is given by

$$x_p(t) = \frac{a_0}{2\omega_0^2} + \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{a_n \cos \omega_n t}{\omega_0^2 - \omega_n^2} + \frac{b_n \sin \omega_n t}{\omega_0^2 - \omega_n^2}.$$

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