

Summary (last session)

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$V_t = \frac{2}{3} V_u$, $u = \Omega r$, $\tan \alpha = \frac{V_t}{u}$

\Rightarrow Lift + drag forces:

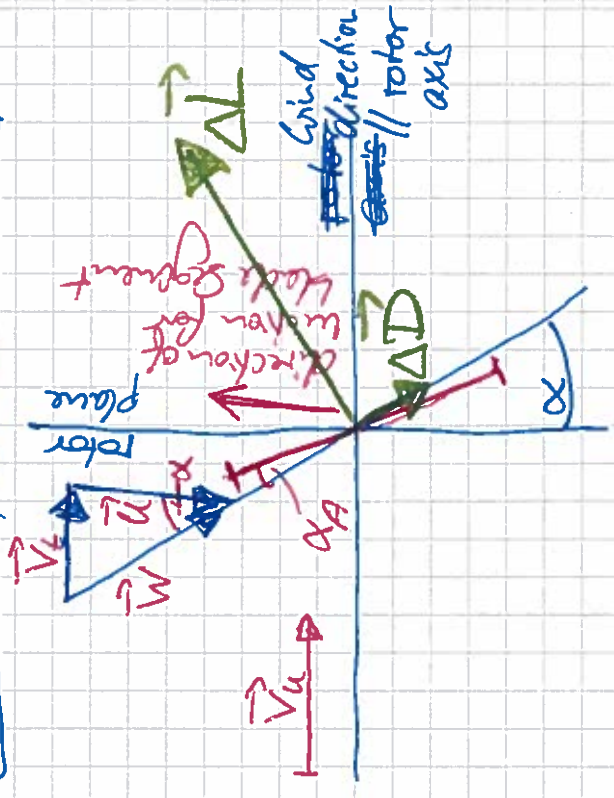
$$\Delta L = \frac{\rho}{2} W^2(r) C_L(r) \Delta r C_L(\alpha_A)$$

$$\Delta D = \frac{\rho}{2} W^2(r) C_D(r) \Delta r C_D(\alpha_A)$$

\Rightarrow Projections:

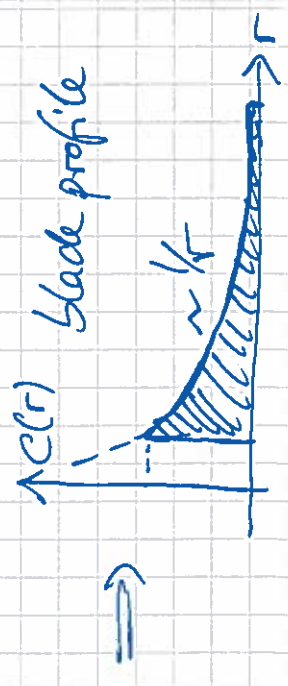
(on rotor plane) $\Delta U = \Delta L \sin \alpha - \Delta D \cos \alpha \approx \Delta L \sin \alpha$

(on axis direction) $\Delta T = \Delta L \cos \alpha + \Delta D \sin \alpha \approx \Delta L \cos \alpha$



$$P_{\text{Betz}} = \frac{16}{27} \frac{\rho}{2} V_u^3 \pi R^2 = \frac{16}{27} \frac{\rho}{2} V_u^3 \int_0^R 2\pi r dr$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta P_{\text{Betz}}(r) = \frac{16}{27} \frac{\rho}{2} V_u^3 2\pi r \Delta r = \Delta U(r) \cdot \Omega r \cdot N_{\text{blades}}$$



Projection of lift + drag forces onto rotor axis
 \Rightarrow thrust force:

$$\Delta T = \Delta L \cos \alpha + \Delta D \sin \alpha$$

$$\approx \Delta L \cos \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow T = N \int_0^R dT$$

$$= N \int_0^R \frac{\rho}{2} W^2(r) C(r) C_L(\alpha_A) \cos \alpha(r) dr$$

$$= \int_0^R \frac{\cos \alpha}{U r \sin \alpha} \underbrace{N U r \frac{\rho}{2} C_L W^2 C \sin \alpha dr}_{= dP_{\text{Betz turbine}}}$$

{ See page 28! }

$$\left\{ \begin{aligned} \tan \alpha &= \frac{\sin \alpha}{\cos \alpha} = \frac{V_t}{U} = \frac{V_t}{U r} \\ \Rightarrow \frac{\cos \alpha}{U r \sin \alpha} &= \frac{1}{V_t} \end{aligned} \right.$$

$$= \frac{1}{V_t} \int_0^R dP_{\text{Betz turbine}} = \frac{1}{V_t} P_{\text{Betz turbine}}$$

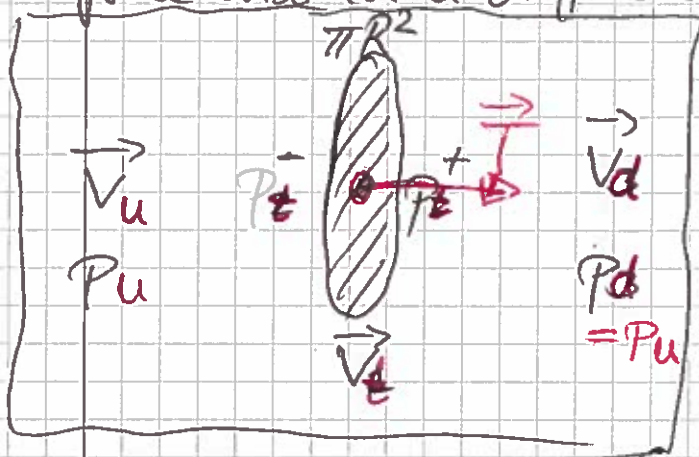
$$= \frac{1}{\frac{2}{3} V_u} \underbrace{P_{\text{Betz}}}_{= \frac{16}{27} P} \frac{8 \pi R^2 V_u^3}{2}$$

$$= \frac{8}{9} \frac{8 \pi R^2 V_u^2}{2}$$

$$= C_T^{\text{Betz}} \text{ (thrust coefficient)}$$

{ thrust force is proportional to the kinetic energy contained in the wind. }

We can derive this expression for the thrust force also in a different way:



thrust force =
= difference between the
pressure forces in front
and behind the rotor
disc

$$T = \pi R^2 (P_z^- - P_z^+)$$

Bernoulli equation:

$$P_u + \frac{\rho}{2} V_u^2 = P_z^- + \frac{\rho}{2} (V_z^-)^2$$

$$P_d + \frac{\rho}{2} V_d^2 = P_z^+ + \frac{\rho}{2} (V_z^+)^2$$

$V_z^- = V_z^+ = V_z$

$$P_z^- - P_z^+ = (P_u - P_d) + \frac{\rho}{2} (V_u^2 - V_d^2)$$

$$= \frac{\rho}{2} (V_u^2 - V_d^2)$$

$$P_u = P_d$$

pressure P_u for upstream is
equal to pressure P_d for downstream

$$\Rightarrow T = \pi R^2 \frac{\rho}{2} (V_u^2 - V_d^2)$$

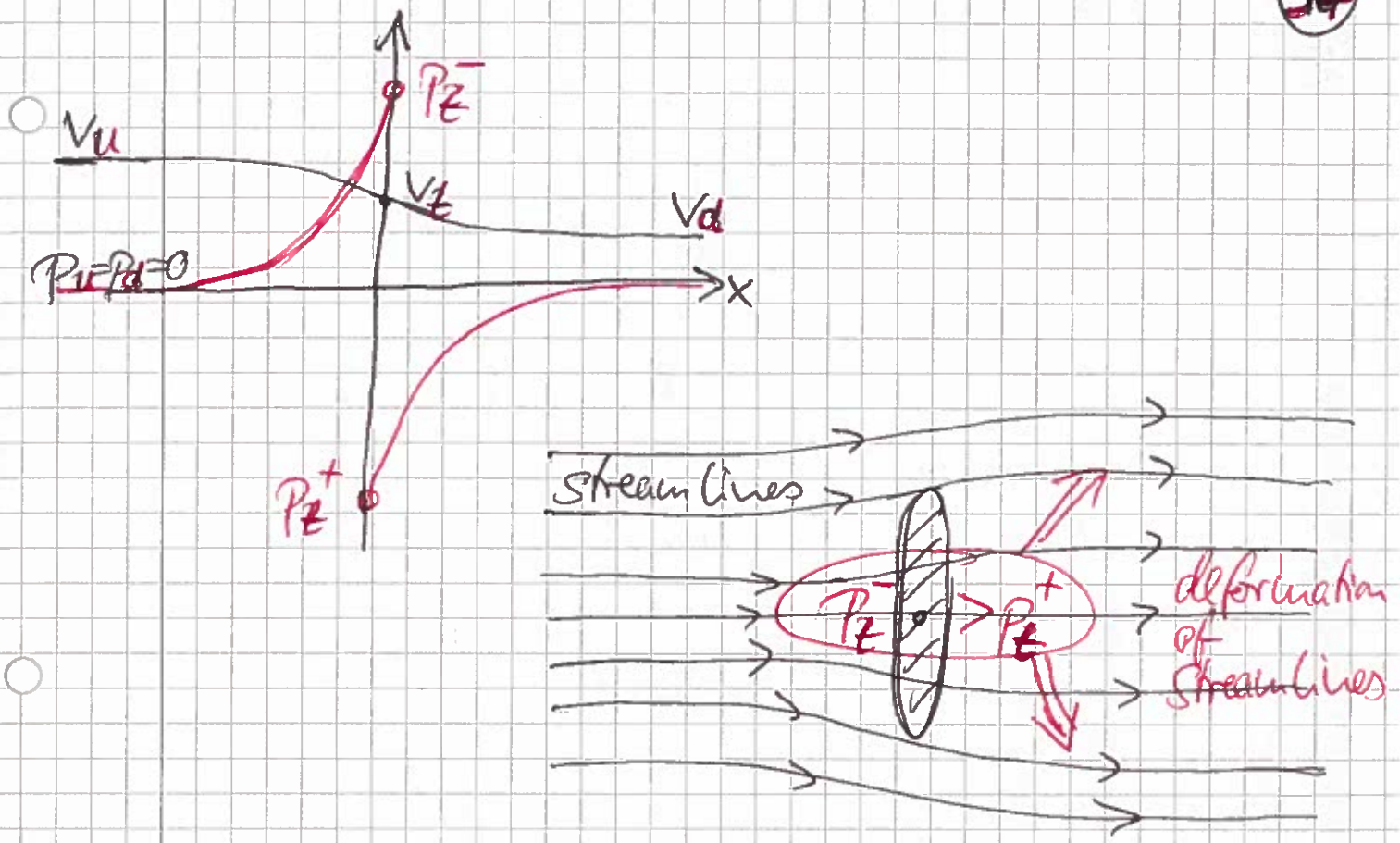
$$= \frac{\rho \pi R^2 V_u^2}{2} \left(1 - \left(\frac{V_d}{V_u} \right)^2 \right)$$

$$= C_T \left(\frac{V_d}{V_u} \right)$$

$V_d = a V_u$

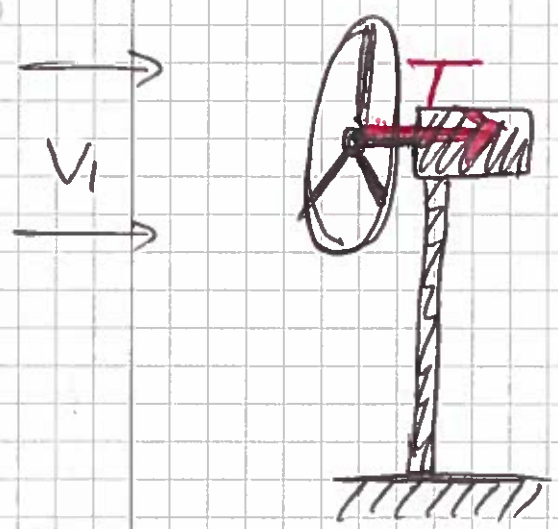
$1 - a^2$

$C_{T \text{ Betz}} \left(\frac{V_d}{V_u} \right) = 1 - \frac{1}{9} = \frac{8}{9}$



Wind-turbine interaction I: tower + nacelle oscillations

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Generic description of displacement oscillations (in longitudinal direction x):

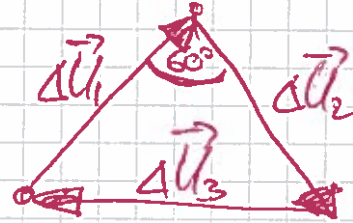
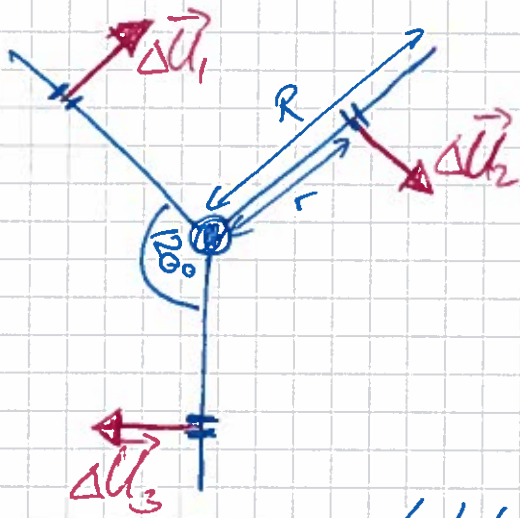
$$m \ddot{x} + d \dot{x} + s x = T(t)$$

\uparrow mass of nacelle \uparrow damping (tower + foundation properties) \uparrow stiffness of tower

Typically, damping is very small for wind turbines.
 $\gamma^2 \ll \omega^2$ (weak damping)
 $\begin{cases} 2\gamma = d/m \\ \omega^2 = s/m \end{cases}$

damping (tower + foundation properties)

opening remark: vector sum of lift forces
(projected on rotor plane)



$$\vec{\Delta U_1} + \vec{\Delta U_2} + \vec{\Delta U_3} = \vec{0}$$

⇒ total net force in rotor plane = 0

⇒ does not pull the turbine to the side!

⇒ no tower oscillations perpendicular to the wind direction

Possible real-world problems:

- # Unbalanced masses of rotor blades
- # Height-dependent velocity profile $V_a(z)$
- # turbulence

⇒ need: fast turbine controller!

3 interesting examples:

(1) $T(t) = \begin{cases} T_0 & (t < 0) \\ 0 & (t \geq 0) \end{cases}$

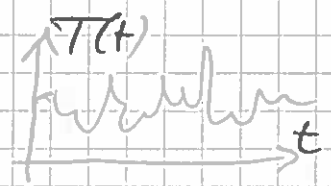
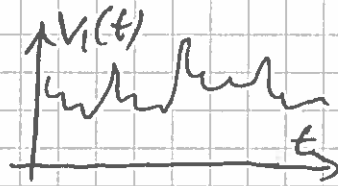
turbine shut down:

(2) tower shadow effect:

$$T(t) = T_0 + \Delta T \sin \alpha t$$

$$\{\alpha = 30^\circ\}$$

(3) turbulence:



Example 1: turbine shut-down

$$\ddot{x} + 2\gamma \dot{x} + \omega^2 x = 0$$

$$\uparrow \quad \uparrow$$

$$2\gamma = d/m \quad \omega^2 = s/m$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Solution: } x(t) = A e^{\lambda t}$$

$$\Rightarrow \lambda^2 + 2\gamma\lambda + \omega^2 = 0 \Rightarrow \lambda_{1/2} = -\gamma \pm \sqrt{\gamma^2 - \omega^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = A_1 e^{\lambda_1 t} + A_2 e^{\lambda_2 t}$$

$$= e^{-\gamma t} (A_1 e^{i\sqrt{\omega^2 - \gamma^2} t} + A_2 e^{-i\sqrt{\omega^2 - \gamma^2} t})$$

$$\begin{cases} e^{i\varphi} = \cos \varphi + i \sin \varphi, & e^{-i\varphi} = \cos \varphi - i \sin \varphi \end{cases}$$

$$= e^{-\gamma t} \left[(A_1 + A_2) \cos(\sqrt{\omega^2 - \gamma^2} t) + i(A_1 - A_2) \sin(\sqrt{\omega^2 - \gamma^2} t) \right]$$

initial values: $x(t=0) = x_0$, $\dot{x}(t=0) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow x_0 = A_1 + A_2,$$

$$0 = (-\gamma)(A_1 + A_2) + i(A_1 - A_2)\sqrt{\omega^2 - \gamma^2}$$

$$\cancel{t} = \gamma x_0 = x_0 \Rightarrow i(A_1 - A_2) = \frac{\gamma x_0}{\sqrt{\omega^2 - \gamma^2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = x_0 e^{-\gamma t} \left[\cos(\sqrt{\omega^2 - \gamma^2} t) + \frac{\gamma}{\sqrt{\omega^2 - \gamma^2}} \sin(\sqrt{\omega^2 - \gamma^2} t) \right]$$

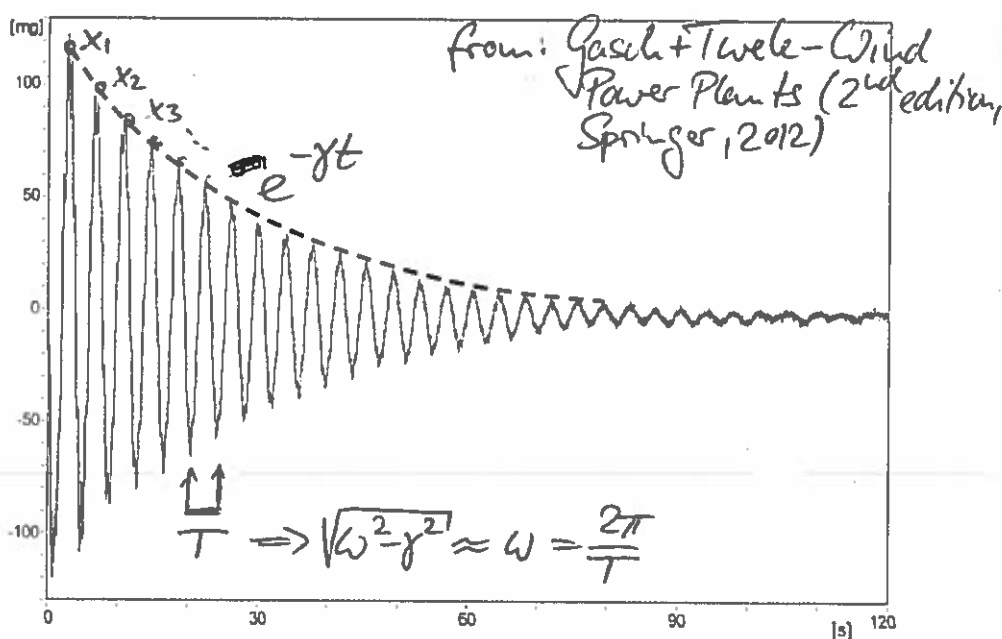


Fig. 8-11 Measured acceleration of the tower-nacelle system of a 2 MW wind turbine after an abrupt stop (1st natural bending frequency 0.26 Hz, damping factor including liquid damper approx. 2%), [8]

$$\frac{x_n}{x_{n+1}} = e^{\gamma T} \Rightarrow \ln \frac{x_n}{x_{n+1}} = \gamma T = \gamma \frac{2\pi}{\sqrt{\omega^2 - \gamma^2}}$$

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\Rightarrow extraction of stiffness and damping parameters $\omega^2 = \frac{s}{m}$ and $2\gamma = \frac{d}{m}$!

Example 2: tower shadow effect

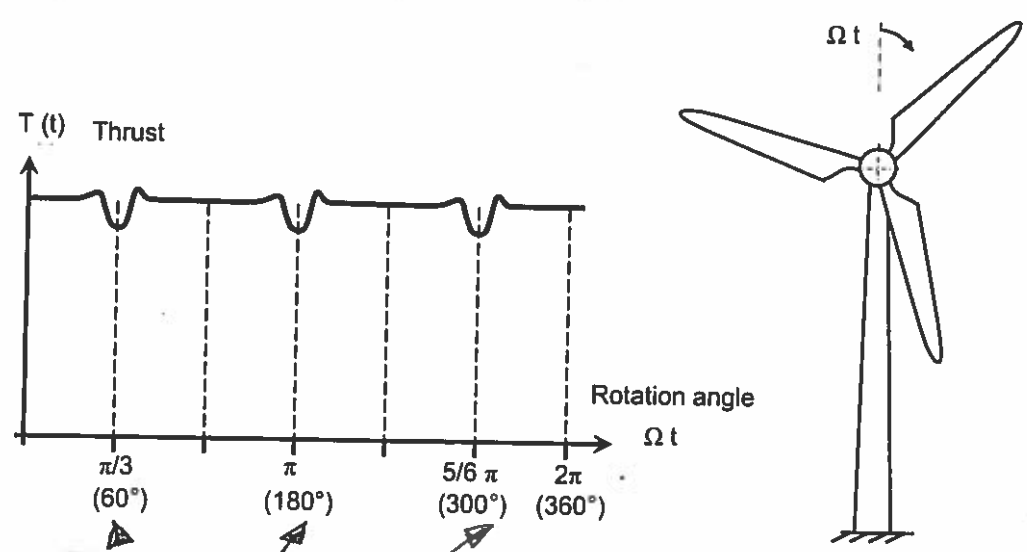


Fig. 8-7 Effects of tower dam: thrust versus rotation angle for a three-bladed wind turbine

less thrust when a blade passes the tower!

$$\Rightarrow T(t) = T_0 + \Delta T_3 \cos(3\Omega t + \phi_3) + \Delta T_6 \cos(6\Omega t + \phi_6) + \Delta T_9 \cos(9\Omega t + \phi_9) + \dots$$

} higher-order harmonics

\Rightarrow periodic forcing: $\alpha = 3\Omega$

$$m\ddot{x} + d\dot{x} + sx = T_0 + \Delta T \cos \alpha t$$

$$\begin{cases} y = x + \frac{T_0}{s} \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow m\ddot{y} + d\dot{y} + sy = \Delta T \cos \alpha t \quad \left\{ f_0 = \frac{\Delta T}{m} \right.$$

$y \rightarrow x$

$$\Rightarrow \ddot{x} + 2\gamma\dot{x} + \omega^2 x = f_0 \cos \alpha t$$

{ general solution =
 = general solution of homogeneous differential equation
 + special solution of inhomogeneous differential equation

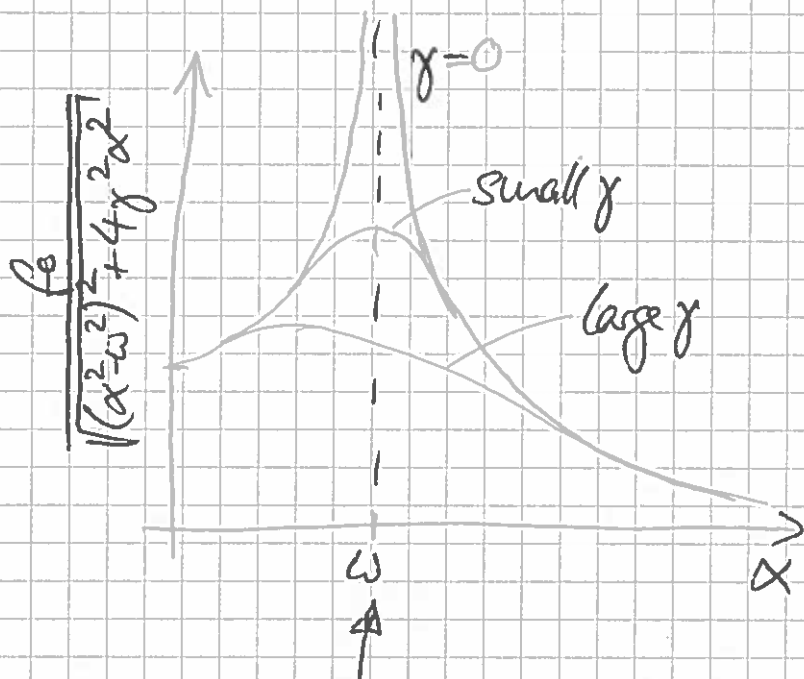
$\Rightarrow \infty$

$$\left\{ \tan \varphi = \frac{-2\gamma\alpha}{\alpha^2 - \omega^2} \right\}$$

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$$\Rightarrow x(t) = \frac{f_0}{\sqrt{(\alpha^2 - \omega^2)^2 + 4\gamma^2\alpha^2}} \cos(\alpha t - \varphi)$$

$$+ e^{-\gamma t} \left(A \sin(\sqrt{\omega^2 - \gamma^2} t) + B \cos(\sqrt{\omega^2 - \gamma^2} t) \right)$$



$\alpha = \omega \Rightarrow$ resonance catastrophe!

{ previous Example 1: $\omega \approx 0.26 \text{ Hz}$
 $\omega \approx 15 \text{ rpm} = 0.25 \text{ Hz}$
 $\Rightarrow \alpha = 3\omega \approx 0.75 \text{ Hz} \approx 3\omega$
 \Rightarrow no resonance catastrophe!

Further reading:

R. Gasch + J. Tvele: Wind Power Plants
(2nd edition, Springer 2012)

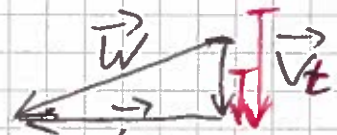
⇒ Section 8: Structural dynamics

⇒ Course homepage: 150920 - Further Reading!

(1) unbalanced mass + centrifugal force
⇒ oscillating lateral displacement

(2) aerodynamic loads

⇒ vertical wind profile:



⇒ periodic v_z fluctuations

⇒ $C_L \sim \sin(3\omega t)$

⇒ turbulence + gusts

Comparison with airplane:

20y turbine x 15 rpm = $1.6 \cdot 10^8$ rotations

x3

⇒ $\approx 5 \cdot 10^8$ load changes

⇒ airplane (take off, landing)



(3) blade vibrations
(flapwise, edgewise, torsion)

(4) drive-train oscillations

→ in particular: coupled blade-drive train system

required:

! ⇒ simulation of overall system dynamics:
multi-body simulation + modal analysis!

