

Sharpness of the Resonance

Consider the case $\gamma \ll \omega_0$ and close to resonance.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \omega_0^2 - \omega_i^2 &= (\omega_0 + \omega_i)(\omega_0 - \omega_i) \\ &\approx 2\omega_0(\omega_0 - \omega_i) \end{aligned}$$

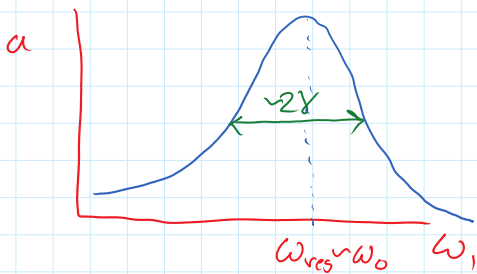
$$\text{and } \gamma\omega_i \approx \gamma\omega_0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So, the amplitude } a_i(\text{around resonance}) &\approx \frac{(F_i/m)}{\sqrt{4\omega_0^2(\omega_0 - \omega_i)^2 + 4\gamma^2\omega_0^2}} \\ &= \frac{(F_i/m)}{2\omega_0\sqrt{(\omega_0 - \omega_i)^2 + \gamma^2}} = \frac{(F_i/m)\gamma}{2\gamma\omega_0\sqrt{(\omega_0 - \omega_i)^2 + \gamma^2}} = \frac{a_{i,\max}\gamma}{\sqrt{(\omega_0 - \omega_i)^2 + \gamma^2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{So, when } |\omega_0 - \omega_i| = \gamma, \quad a_i^2 = \frac{1}{2} a_{\max}^2$$

That is, γ is a measure of the width of the resonance curve.

2γ is the freq. diff b/w the pts. for which the energy is down by a factor of $1/2$ ($E \propto a^2$)



Can also relate these concepts to the quality factor Q .

$$\text{Recall } Q = \frac{\omega_0}{2\gamma} \approx \frac{\omega_{\text{res}}}{2\gamma} \text{ for weak damping}$$

$$\text{At the half-energy points, } \Delta\omega = 2\gamma = \frac{\omega_{\text{res}}}{Q}$$

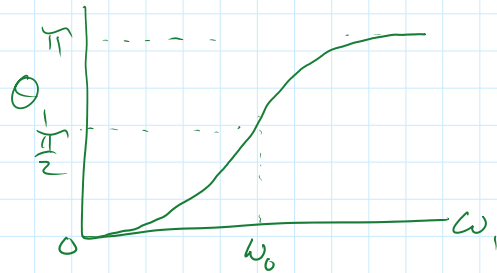
$$\text{or, since } \omega = 2\pi f, \quad \frac{\Delta\omega}{\omega} = \frac{\Delta f}{f} = \frac{1}{Q}, \text{ the fractional}$$

ω_{res} f_{res} Q width of the resonance peak

So, smaller damping, higher Q , narrower resonance peak.

Phase Difference, θ_1

$$\tan \theta_1 = \frac{2\gamma\omega_1}{\omega_0^2 - \omega_1^2}$$



At low driving frequencies, $\omega_1 \ll \omega_0$, $\tan \theta_1 \rightarrow 0$, $\theta_1 \rightarrow 0$; response is in phase w/ driving force.

In this case $a_1(\omega \rightarrow 0) \approx \frac{F_1/m}{\omega_0^2} = \frac{F_1/m}{(\frac{K}{m})} = \frac{F_1}{K}$ (The spring is all that matters)

At high driving frequencies $\omega_1 \gg \omega_0$, $\tan \theta_1 \rightarrow 0$ but from -ve side so $\theta_1 \rightarrow \pi$; displacement is 180° out of phase w/ driving force.

$a_1(\omega_1 \gg \omega_0) \approx \frac{F_1/m}{\omega_1^2}$ which gets small as ω_1 increases

Example: The damping factor γ of a spring suspension system is 0.10 the critical value. If the undamped freq. is ω_0 find (a) the resonance freq. (b) the quality factor, (c) the phase angle θ_1 when the system is driven at a freq $\omega_1 = \omega_0/2$; (d) the steady-state ampl. at this freq.

a) critical damping is when $\gamma = \omega_0$, so in this case $\gamma = 0.10\omega_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The resonance freq. is } \omega_{res} &= \sqrt{\omega_0^2 - 2\gamma^2} = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 - 2(0.1\omega_0)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{0.98\omega_0^2} = 0.99\omega_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$b) Q = \frac{\omega_0}{2\gamma} = \frac{\omega_0}{0.2\omega_0} = 5$$

$$c) \tan \Theta_1 = \frac{2\gamma\omega_1}{\omega_0^2 - \omega_1^2} = \frac{2(0.10\omega_0)(0.50\omega_0)}{\omega_0^2 - \frac{1}{4}\omega_0^2} = \frac{0.1\omega_0^2}{\frac{3}{4}\omega_0^2} = 0.13$$

$$\therefore \Theta_1 = 7.6^\circ$$

$$d) a_1 = \frac{(F_1/m)}{\sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \omega_1^2)^2 + 4\gamma^2\omega_1^2}} = \frac{(F_1/m)}{\sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \frac{1}{4}\omega_0^2)^2 + 4(0.01\omega_0^2)\frac{\omega_0^2}{4}}} = \frac{(F_1/m)}{\sqrt{\frac{9}{16}\omega_0^4 + 0.01\omega_0^4}}$$

$$= 1.32 \left(\frac{F_1}{m\omega_0^2} \right)$$

General Periodic Force

Now, that we understand the behavior for one sinusoidal force, we can generalize to the case where the applied force is a sum of periodic terms,

$$F(t) = F_1 e^{i\omega_1 t} + F_2 e^{i\omega_2 t} + \dots = \sum_r F_r e^{i\omega_r t}$$

where the 'real' force is just the real part of each term.

Because the e.o.m. is linear, the solution in the general case is

$$x = \sum_r A_r e^{i\omega_r t} + \text{transient}$$

where each A_r is related to F_r by

$$(-m\omega_r^2 + i\gamma\omega_r + K)A_r = F_r$$