
Recap

- ★ Damped oscillations are described by the linear differential equation $\ddot{x} + \gamma\dot{x} + \omega_0^2x = 0$.
- ★ The character of the solution depends on the *quality factor* $Q = \omega_0/\gamma$.
- ★ Subject to $x(t = 0) = 0$ and $\dot{x}(t = 0) = v_0$, solutions are:

1. Over-damped motion: $x(t) = v_0e^{-\gamma t/2}[\sinh(st)/s]$, with $s = \sqrt{\gamma^2/4 - \omega_0^2}$

2. Critical damping: $x(t) = v_0te^{-\gamma t/2}$.

3. Under-damped motion: $x(t) = v_0e^{-\gamma t/2}[\sin(\tilde{\omega}t)/\tilde{\omega}]$, with $\tilde{\omega} = \omega_0\sqrt{1 - 1/(4Q^2)}$.

- ★ Harmonically forced, damped linear oscillations satisfy

$$\ddot{x} + \gamma\dot{x} + \omega_0^2x = f_\omega \cos(\omega t) = \Re [f_\omega e^{i\omega t}], \quad \text{with} \quad f_\omega = F_\omega/m.$$

- ★ Steady-state solutions to this equation can be written as

$$x(t) = \Re [C e^{i\omega t}] = A \cos(\omega t + \phi),$$

with

$$C = \frac{f_0}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2 + i\gamma\omega} = f_0 \left[\frac{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + \gamma^2\omega^2} - i \frac{\gamma\omega}{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + \gamma^2\omega^2} \right],$$

giving (with $Q = \omega_0/\gamma$)

$$A = \frac{Qf_0}{\omega\omega_0} \frac{1}{\sqrt{Q^2(\omega_0/\omega - \omega/\omega_0)^2 + 1}}, \quad \text{and} \quad \phi = -\tan^{-1} \left(\frac{Q^{-1}}{\omega_0/\omega - \omega/\omega_0} \right).$$