MAT303: Calc IV with applications

Lecture 15 - March 28 2021

Recap:

• We are interpreting my'' + cy' + ky = f(t)

as a mass-spring system.

- When f(t) = 0, saw that there are 3 regimes, depending on whether c < 4km.
- Last time, we saw how to solve the equation when f(t) is nonzero.

Today:

- Physical interpretation of my'' + cy' + ky = f(t) when f(t) is nonzero (Ch 3.6)
 - Resonance for damped and undamped forced oscillations
 - Transient and steady periodic solutions



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Now assume we put in an external force of F_0 :

$$mx'' + kx = F_0$$

Particular Solution:

• Trial solution x(t) = A

• Solution is $x(t) = F_0/k$



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Solution:

If
$$\omega \neq \omega_0$$
 : $x(t) = C \cos(\omega_0 t - \alpha) + \frac{F_0/m}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2} \cos \omega t$

If
$$\omega = \omega_0$$
 : $x(t) = C \cos(\omega_0 t - \alpha) + \frac{F_0}{2m\omega_0} t \sin \omega_0 t$



FIGURE 3.6.4. The phenomenon of resonance.

Observations

• New amplitude of x_p is much bigger than what if we just use $f(t) = F_0$

• Amplitude is
$$\frac{F_0/k}{1 - (\omega/\omega_0)^2}$$

• Call
$$\rho = \frac{1}{|1 - (\omega/\omega_0)^2|}$$
 the amplification factor.

- As $\omega \to \omega_0$, this amplification goes to ∞ .
- This is the phenomenon of **resonance**.
- Roughly speaking: when external force is synchronized with natural frequency, amplitude gets very large.
- Causes bridge collapse, sympathetic resonance (music), wine glass shattering





$$mx'' + cy + kx = 0$$

• *c* : damping coefficient

Solution:





FIGURE 3.4.8. Critically damped motion: $x(t) = (c_1 + c_2 t)e^{-pt}$ with p > 0. Solution curves are graphed with the same initial position x_0 and different initial velocities.



As long as there is damping, c > 0, the solutions go to 0.

The solutions are called transient.

Damped forced oscillations

- F_0 : external force amplitude $mx'' + cy + kx = F_0 \cos(\omega t)$
 - ω : (angular) frequency of ext. force

Trial solution:
$$x(t) = A\cos(\omega t) + B\sin(\omega t)$$
 or $x(t) = C\cos(\omega t - \alpha)$

Solution:
$$x_{sp}(t) = C\cos(\omega t - \alpha)$$

Where:

$$C = \frac{F_0}{\sqrt{(k - m\omega^2)^2 + (c\omega)^2}}$$
$$\tan(\alpha) = \frac{c\omega}{k - m\omega^2}$$

Observations:

- Amplitude is always finite, unlike undamped case
 - Amplitude close to F_0/k if ω is very small
 - Amplitude small if ω is very large
 - Amplitude attains a maximum for some ω (minimize the denominator)

Full solution: $x = x_{tr} + x_{sp}$

https://www.desmos.com/calculator/o9js9ofznz







Consider

$$mx'' + cy + kx = f(t)$$

- m = 1, c = 2, k = 26
- External force $f(t) = 82\cos(4t)$
- x(0) = 6, x'(0) = 0

Questions:

- Transient motion?
- Steady periodic oscillations?
- Practical resonance?

Homogeneous solution:

Particular solution:

Practical resonance?



FIGURE 3.6.9. Plot of amplitude *C* versus external frequency ω .



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Next time:

Ch 3.8 Endpoint problems

 $y'' + p(x)y' + q(x)y = 0; \quad y(a) = 0, \quad y(b) = 0.$



