

## PROBLEMS # 4

① The position and velocity for a simple harmonic oscillator are given by

$$x = A \sin \omega_0 t \quad (1)$$

$$\dot{x} = \omega_0 A \cos \omega_0 t \quad (2)$$

where  $\omega_0 = \sqrt{k/m}$

The time average of the kinetic energy is

$$\langle T \rangle = \frac{1}{\tau} \int_t^{t+\tau} \frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2 dt \quad (3)$$

where  $\tau = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_0}$  is the period of oscillation

$$\langle T \rangle = \frac{1}{2\tau} m A^2 \omega_0^2 \int_t^{t+\tau} \cos^2 \omega_0 t dt \quad (4)$$

$$\langle T \rangle = \frac{m A^2 \omega_0^2}{4} \quad (5)$$

In the same way, the time average of potential energy is

$$\begin{aligned}\langle U \rangle &= \frac{1}{2} \int_t^{t+\tau} \frac{1}{2} k x^2 dt \\ &= \frac{1}{2} k A^2 \int_t^{t+\tau} \sin^2 \omega t dt \\ &= \frac{k A^2}{4} \quad (6)\end{aligned}$$

since  $\omega = k/m \Rightarrow$

$$\langle U \rangle = \frac{m A^2 \omega^2}{4} \quad (7)$$

Now we see that  $\langle U \rangle = \langle T \rangle$  (8)

This result is reasonable to expect from the conservation of the total energy

$$E = T + U \quad (9)$$

This equality is valid instantaneously, as well as in average. On the other hand, when  $T$  and  $U$  are expressed by (1) and (2), we note that they are

described by exactly the same function

displaced by a time  $Z/2$

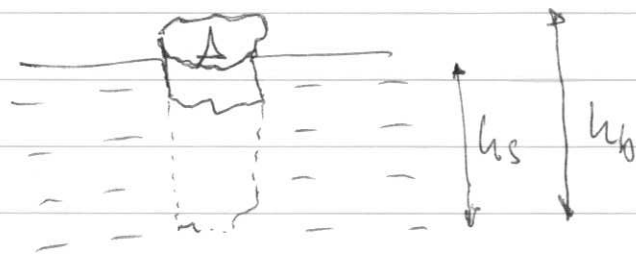
$$T = \frac{\mu A^2 \omega^2}{2} \cos^2 \omega t \quad (10)$$

$$U = \frac{\mu A^2 \omega^2}{2} \sin^2 \omega t \quad (11)$$

Therefore the time average of  $T$  and  $U$  must be equal. By taking the time average of (9) we find

$$\langle T \rangle = \langle U \rangle = E/2 \quad (12)$$

(2)



Let  $A$  be the cross sectional area of the floating body,  $h_b$  is its height, and  $h_s$  the height of its submerged part. and let  $\rho$  and  $\rho_0$  denote the mass densities of the body and the fluid respectively.

The volume of the displaced fluid is therefore  $V = A h_s$ . The mass of the body is  $M = \rho A h_b$ .

There are two forces acting on the body: that due to gravity ( $Mg$ ) and

that due to the fluid pushing the body up.

$$- \rho_0 g V = - \rho_0 g h_s A.$$

The equilibrium situation occurs when the total force vanishes

$$\begin{aligned}
 0 &= \rho g V - \rho_0 g V \\
 &= \rho g A h_0 - \rho_0 g h_s A \quad (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

which gives the relation between

$$h_s = h_0 \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \quad (2)$$

For small displacement about the equilibrium position

$$h_s \rightarrow h_s + x$$

and so (1) becomes

$$M \ddot{x} = \rho A h_0 \ddot{x} = \rho g A h_0 - \rho_0 g (h_s + x) A \quad (3)$$

using (2) we have

$$\rho A h_0 \ddot{x} = -\rho_0 g x A$$

or

$$\ddot{x} + \frac{\rho_0}{\rho h_0} g x = 0$$

Thus, the motion is oscillatory with angular frequency

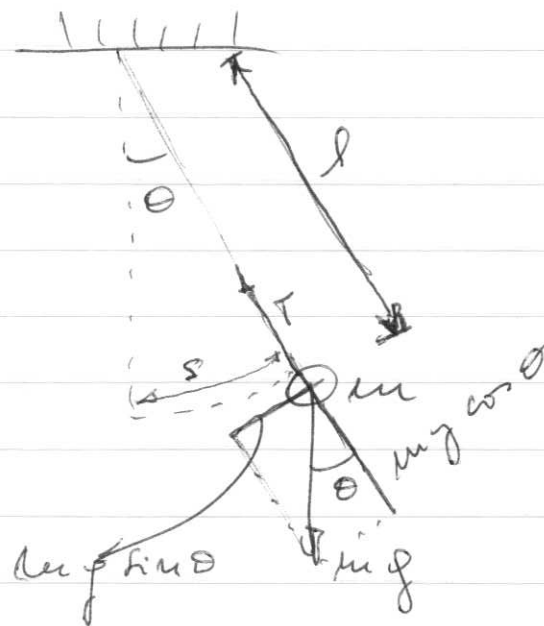
$$\omega^2 = g \frac{l_0}{l_{hs}} = g_{hs} = \frac{gA}{V}$$

The period of oscillations is therefore

$$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{V}{gA}}$$

Substituting the given value  $T = 0.18s$

(3)



Using tangential components Newton's second law gives

$$-mg \sin \theta = m \frac{d^2 s}{dt^2}$$

where the arc length  $s$  is related to

the angle  $\theta$  by  $s = l\theta$ . Repeatedly

differentiating both sides of  $s = l\theta$

$$\text{leads to } \frac{d^2 s}{dt^2} = l \frac{d^2 \theta}{dt^2}$$

The equation of motion is then

$$-m l \ddot{\theta} = mg \sin \theta$$

If  $\theta$  is sufficiently small we can

approximate  $\sin \theta \approx \theta$  and then

$$\ddot{\theta} = -\frac{g}{l} \theta$$

which has the oscillatory solution

$$\theta(t) = \theta_0 \cos \omega_0 t$$

where  $\omega_0 = \sqrt{g/l}$  and where  $\theta_0$  is

The amplitude. If there is a retarding force  $2m\sqrt{gl}\dot{\theta}$ , the eq of motion becomes

$$-m l \ddot{\theta} = m g \sin \theta + 2m\sqrt{gl}\dot{\theta}$$

or setting  $\sin \theta \approx \theta$  and rewriting

$$\ddot{\theta} + 2\omega_0 \dot{\theta} + \omega_0^2 \theta = 0$$

Comparing this equation with the standard equation for damped motion

$$\ddot{x} + 2\beta \dot{x} + \omega_0^2 x = 0$$

we identify  $\omega_0 = \beta$ . This is the case for critical damping, so the solution for  $\theta(t)$  is

$$\theta(t) = (A + Bt) e^{-\omega_0 t}$$



For initial conditions  $\theta(0) = \theta_0$  and

$\dot{\theta}(0) = 0$  we find

$$\theta(t) = \theta_0 (1 + \omega_0 t) e^{-\omega_0 t}$$

(4) The equation of motion for

$0 \leq t \leq t_0$  is

$$m\ddot{x} = -k(x - x_0) + F = -kx + (F + kx_0) \quad (1)$$

while for  $t \geq t_0$ , the equation is

$$m\ddot{x} = -k(x - x_0) = -kx + kx_0 \quad (2)$$

It is convenient to define

$$\xi = x - x_0$$

which transforms (1) and (2) into.

$$m\ddot{\xi} = -k\xi + F, \quad 0 \leq t \leq t_0 \quad (3)$$

$$m\ddot{\xi} = -k\xi, \quad t > t_0 \quad (4)$$

The homogeneous solutions for both (3) and (4) are of familiar form

$$\xi(t) = A e^{i\omega t} + B e^{-i\omega t}, \text{ where}$$

$\omega = \sqrt{k/m}$ . A particular solution

for (3) is  $\xi = F/k$

Then the general solutions for (3) and (4)

are

$$\xi_- = \frac{F}{k} + A e^{i\omega t} + B e^{-i\omega t}; \quad 0 \leq t \leq t_0 \quad (5)$$

$$\xi_+ = C e^{i\omega t} + D e^{-i\omega t}; \quad t \geq t_0 \quad (6)$$

To determine the constants we use the initial conditions

$x(t=0) = x_0$  and  $\dot{x}(t=0) = 0$ . Thus;

$$\xi_-(t=0) = \dot{\xi}_-(t=0) = 0 \quad (7)$$

The conditions give two equations for A and B

$$0 = \frac{F}{k} + A + B$$

$$0 = i\omega(A - B)$$

$$\text{Then } A = B = -\frac{F}{2k} \quad (8)$$

and from (5) we have

$$\xi_- = x - x_0 = \frac{f}{k} (1 - \cos \omega t), \quad 0 \leq t \leq t_0 \quad (9)$$

Since for any physical motion,  $x$  and

$\dot{x}$  must be continuous, the values of

$\xi_-(t=t_0)$  and  $\dot{\xi}_-(t=t_0)$  are the initial

conditions for  $\xi_+(t)$  which are

needed to determine C and D

$$\bar{z}_+(t=t_0) = \frac{F}{k} (1 - \cos \omega t_0) = C e^{i\omega t_0} + D e^{-i\omega t_0}$$

$$\dot{\bar{z}}_+(t=t_0) = \frac{F}{k} \omega \sin \omega t_0 = i\omega \left[ C e^{i\omega t_0} - D e^{-i\omega t_0} \right]$$

These equations can be re-written as

$$C e^{i\omega t_0} + D e^{-i\omega t_0} = \frac{F}{k} (1 - \cos \omega t_0)$$

$$C e^{i\omega t_0} - D e^{-i\omega t_0} = -\frac{iF}{k} \sin \omega t_0$$

Then by adding and subtracting one from another we obtain:

$$C = \frac{F}{2k} e^{-i\omega t_0} (1 - e^{i\omega t_0})$$

$$D = \frac{F}{2k} e^{i\omega t_0} (1 - e^{-i\omega t_0})$$

Substitution into (6) leads to

$$\begin{aligned}
 \xi_+ &= \frac{F}{2k} \left[ \left( e^{-i\omega t_0} - 1 \right) e^{i\omega t} + \left( e^{i\omega t_0} - 1 \right) e^{-i\omega t} \right] \\
 &= \frac{F}{2k} \left[ e^{i\omega(t-t_0)} - e^{-i\omega(t-t_0)} + e^{-i\omega(t-t_0)} - e^{i\omega(t-t_0)} \right] \\
 &= \frac{F}{k} \left[ \cos \omega(t-t_0) - \cos \omega t \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$x - x_0 = \frac{F}{k} \left[ \cos \omega(t-t_0) - \cos \omega t \right], \quad t > t_0$$

⑤ The amplitude of a damped oscillator is expressed by

$$x(t) = A e^{-\beta t} \cos(\omega_n t + \delta)$$

Since the amplitude decreases to  $1/e$  after  $n$  periods, we have

$$\beta n T = \beta n \frac{2\pi}{\omega_n} = 1$$

Substituting this relation into the equation connecting  $\omega_n$  and  $\omega_0$  (the frequency of undamped oscillations)

$$\omega_n^2 = \omega_0^2 - \beta \quad \text{we have}$$

$$\omega_0^2 = \omega_n^2 + \left[ \frac{\omega_n}{2\pi\nu} \right]^2 = \omega_n^2 \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{4\pi^2\nu^2} \right]$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$\frac{\omega_n}{\omega_0} = \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{4\pi^2\nu^2}}$$

so that

$$\frac{\omega_n}{\omega_0} \approx 1 - \frac{1}{8\pi^2\nu^2}$$

(6) The amplitude of a forced oscillator is

$$D = \frac{A}{\sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + 4\omega^2\beta^2}}$$

At the resonance frequency,

$$\omega = \omega_R = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 - 2\beta^2}, \quad D \text{ becomes}$$

$$D_R = \frac{A}{2\beta\sqrt{\omega_0^2 - \beta^2}}$$

Let us find the frequency  $\omega = \omega'$ ,  
at which the amplitude is  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} D_R$

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} D_R = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \frac{A}{2\beta\sqrt{\omega_0^2 - \beta^2}} = \frac{A}{\sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \omega'^2)^2 + 4\omega'^2\beta^2}}$$

Solving this equation for  $\omega'$ , we find

$$\omega'^2 = \omega_0^2 - 2\beta^2 \pm 2\beta\omega_0 \left[ 1 - \frac{\beta^2}{\omega_0^2} \right]^{1/2}$$

For a lightly damped oscillator,  $\beta$  is small and the terms in  $\beta^2$  can be neglected. Therefore

$$\omega'^2 = \omega_0^2 \pm 2\beta\omega_0$$

or

$$\omega' = \omega_0 \left[ 1 \pm \frac{\beta}{\omega_0} \right]$$

which gives

$$\Delta\omega = (\omega_0 + \beta) - (\omega_0 - \beta) = 2\beta$$

We also can approximate  $\omega_R$  for a lightly damped oscillator

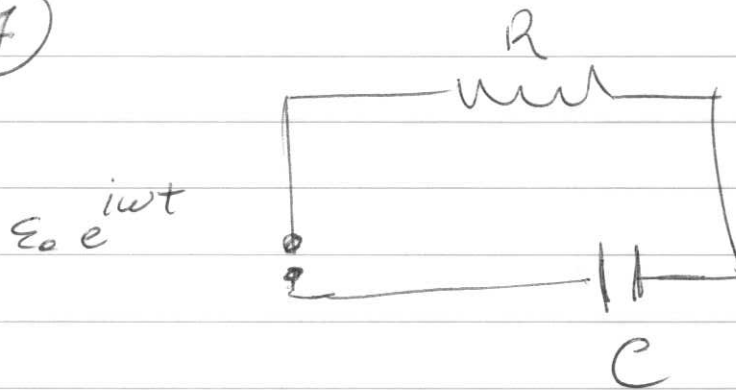
$$\omega_R = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 - 2\beta^2} \approx \omega_0$$



Therefore,  $Q$  for a lightly damped oscillator becomes

$$Q \approx \frac{\omega_0}{2\beta} \approx \frac{\omega_0}{\Delta\omega}$$

(7)



The circuit equation is

$$R \dot{q} + \frac{q}{C} = \epsilon_0 e^{i\omega t} \quad (1)$$

Differentiating with respect to time

eq (1) can be written as

$$R \dot{I} + \frac{1}{C} I = i\omega \epsilon_0 e^{i\omega t} \quad (2)$$

we try a steady state solution for

$I(t)$  of the form

$$I(t) = I_0 e^{i\omega t} \quad (3)$$

where  $I_0$  may be complex. Substituting

(3) into (2) and dividing by  $i\omega e^{i\omega t}$ ,

we obtain

$$I_0 = \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{z}$$

where  $z = R - i \frac{1}{\omega C}$

writing  $I_0$  in terms of a magnitude

and phase factor we have

$$I_0 = \frac{\mathcal{E}_0}{\left[ R^2 + \frac{1}{\omega^2 C^2} \right]^{1/2}} e^{-i\phi}$$

where

$$\phi = \arctan \left[ -\frac{1}{\omega CR} \right]$$

The current  $i_m$  may be expressed as

$$I(t) = \frac{\epsilon_0 \omega C}{(\omega^2 C^2 R^2 + 1)} e^{i[\omega t - \arctan(-1/\omega CR)]} \quad (8)$$

Taking only real part of (8), the actual current is

$$I(t) = \frac{\epsilon_0 \omega C}{(\omega^2 C^2 R^2 + 1)} \cos \left[ \omega t - \arctan \left( \frac{-1}{\omega CR} \right) \right] \quad (9)$$

For  $\omega \rightarrow 0$  we can expand the expression in (9) in a power series, and keeping only terms up to second order in  $\omega$ , we have

$$\phi = \arctan \left[ -\frac{1}{\omega CR} \right] \approx -\pi/2 + \eta$$

where  $\eta$  is a very small quantity

From (10), for  $\omega \rightarrow 0$

$$-\frac{1}{\omega CR} \approx \tan \left[ -\frac{\pi}{2} + \eta \right] = -\cot \eta \quad (11)$$

$$\omega CR \approx \tan \eta \approx \eta \quad (12)$$

Then from (10) and (12)

$$\begin{aligned} \cos \left[ \omega t - \arctan \left( \frac{-1}{\omega CR} \right) \right] &= \cos \left[ \omega(t - CR + \pi/2) \right] \\ &= -\sin \left[ \omega(t - CR) \right] \\ &\approx - \left[ \omega(t - CR) \right] \end{aligned}$$

Then the term  $\frac{\omega}{(\omega^2 C^2 R^2 + 1)}$  to second

order in  $\omega$  is  $\frac{\omega}{(\omega^2 C^2 R^2 + 1)} \approx \omega$

As the frequency of the alternating emf approaches zero, the current can be written to second order in  $\omega$ , from (9), (13), and (14), as

$$I(t) \approx \epsilon_0 C \omega^2 (RC - t) \text{ for } \omega \rightarrow 0$$