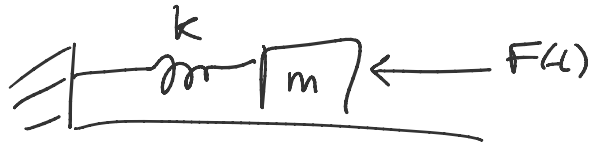


# ★ Applications of Fourier Series

## I. Forced Oscillations:



$$m x'' + k x = F(t)$$

$F(t)$  - periodic external force

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \text{ natural frequency}$$

general solution:

$$x(t) = \underbrace{C_1 \cos(\omega_0 t) + C_2 \sin(\omega_0 t)}_{\text{homogeneous}} + \underbrace{x_p(t)}_{\text{particular}}$$

Want: Use Fourier series to find a periodic particular solution. Call this the steady periodic solution

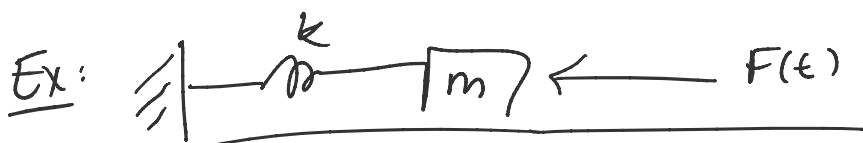
$$x_{sp}(t) \begin{matrix} \longrightarrow \text{periodic} \\ \longrightarrow \text{particular} \end{matrix}$$

Assume  $F(t)$  is an odd fn with  $P = 2L$

$$F(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{L}\right)$$

⊛ Under most conditions, we can find a soln

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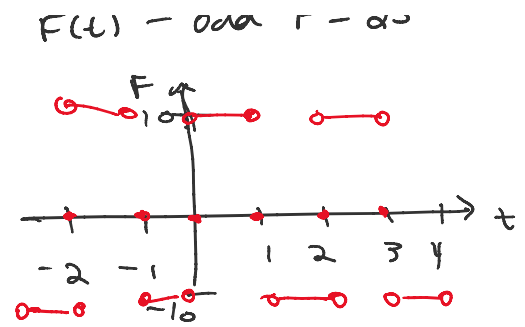


$m = 2 \text{ kg}$   
 $k = 32 \text{ N/m}$   
 $F(t)$  - odd  $P = 25$

$F(t)$

$$2x'' + 32x = F(t)$$

$$F(t) = \begin{cases} +10N & \text{if } 0 < t < 1 \\ -10N & \text{if } 1 < t < 2 \end{cases}$$



The natural freq  $\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{32}{2}} = \sqrt{16} = 4$

homogeneous soln

$$x_h(t) = c_1 \cos(4t) + c_2 \sin(4t)$$

The general soln

$$x(t) = x_h(t) + x_{sp}(t)$$

Find  $x_{sp}(t)$ .

1. Find the F.S. of  $F(t)$  - odd  $\rightarrow$  Fourier sine series

$$A_0 = 0 \quad A_n = 0$$

$$B_n = \frac{2}{L} \int_0^L f(t) \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{L}\right) dt = 2 \int_0^1 10 \sin(n\pi t) dt$$

$$= 20 \left[ -\frac{\cos(n\pi t)}{n\pi} \right]_0^1 = \frac{20}{\pi} \left[ -\cos(n\pi) + \cos(0) \right] = \frac{20}{\pi} \left[ -(-1)^{n+1} + 1 \right]$$

$$= \frac{20}{\pi} \left[ (-1)^{n+1} + 1 \right] = \begin{cases} \frac{40}{\pi} & \text{if } n \text{ odd} \\ 0 & \text{if } n \text{ even} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{so } F(t) = \frac{40}{\pi} \sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{\sin(n\pi t)}{n}$$

2. Assume  $x_{sp}(t) = \sum_{n \text{ odd}} b_n \sin(n\pi t)$

Since  $F(t)$  is odd,

$\rightarrow$  derivatives and plug into ODE

Since  $F(t)$  is odd,

$x_{sp}(t)$  is odd

$a_n = 0$

also sum over  $n$  odd

Take derivatives and plug into ODE

$$x_{sp}''(t) = \sum_{n \text{ odd}} b_n (-n^2 \pi^2) \sin(n\pi t)$$

$$2x'' + 32x = F(t)$$

$$2 \left( \sum_{n \text{ odd}} -b_n n^2 \pi^2 \sin(n\pi t) \right) + 32 \left( \sum_{n \text{ odd}} b_n \sin(n\pi t) \right) = \left( \frac{40}{\pi} \sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{\sin(n\pi t)}{n} \right)$$

Rearrange:

$$\sum_{n \text{ odd}} \left[ -2b_n n^2 \pi^2 + 32b_n - \frac{40}{\pi n} \right] \sin(n\pi t) = 0$$

must be equal to zero

$$-2n^2 \pi^2 b_n + 32b_n - \frac{40}{\pi n} = 0$$

$$(32 - 2n^2 \pi^2) b_n = \frac{40}{\pi n}$$

$$b_n = \frac{40}{\pi n (32 - 2n^2 \pi^2)}$$

$$b_n = \frac{20}{\pi n (16 - n^2 \pi^2)}$$

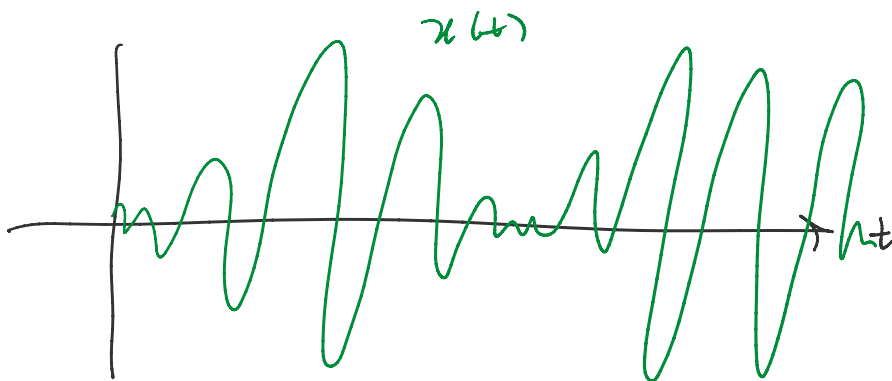
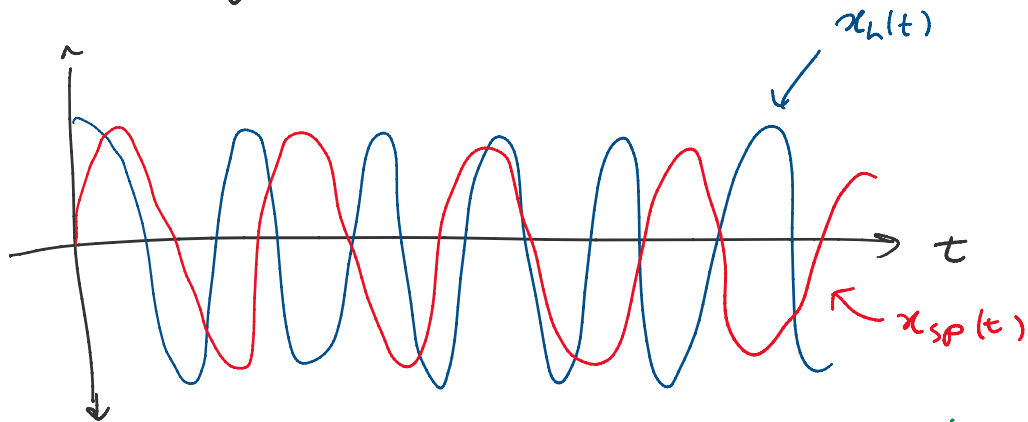
$$x_{sp}(t) = \frac{20}{\pi} \sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{\sin(n\pi t)}{n(16 - n^2 \pi^2)}$$

So the general soln:

$$x(t) = \underbrace{C_1 \cos(4t) + C_2 \sin(4t)} + \underbrace{\frac{20}{\pi} \sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{\sin(n\pi t)}{n(16 - n^2 \pi^2)}}_{}$$

$$x(t) = \underbrace{C_1 \cos(4t) + C_2 \sin(4t)}_{x_h(t) \text{ has a period } \frac{2\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{2}} + \underbrace{\frac{20}{\pi} \sum_{n \text{ odd}} \frac{1}{n(16-n^2\pi^2)}}_{\text{has a period } 2}$$

The frequencies will interact, causing "beats"



because we are adding two periodic functions with slightly different frequencies

## II. Pure Resonance:

(\* Caveat:

$$\text{When } F(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin\left(\frac{n\pi t}{L}\right)$$

$$m x'' + kx = F(t) \quad \omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

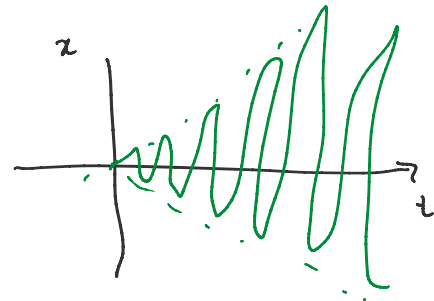
If there is  $N$  such that  $\boxed{\frac{N\pi}{L} = \omega_0}$

This term causes pure resonance

Recall:  $m x'' + k x = B_N \sin(\omega_0 t)$   
has resonance solution

$$x(t) = -\frac{B_N}{2m\omega_0} t \cos(\omega_0 t)$$

factor of  $t$ !



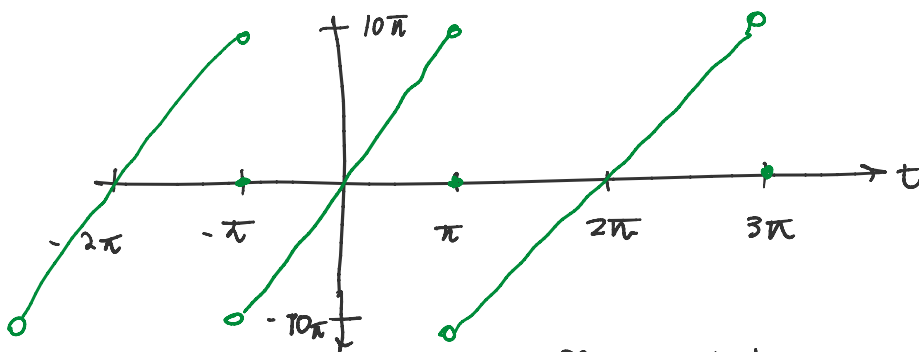
Then full solution

$$x_{sp}(t) = -\frac{B_N}{2m\omega_0} t \cos(\omega_0 t) + \sum_{n \neq N} \frac{B_n}{m(\omega_0^2 - \frac{n^2\pi^2}{L^2})} \sin(\frac{n\pi t}{L})$$

this term blows up  
as  $t \rightarrow \infty$

Ex: Suppose  $m = 2 \text{ kg}$     $k = 32 \text{ N/m}$     $\omega_0 = 4$   
 $2x'' + 32x = F(t)$

$$F(t) = \begin{cases} 10t & \text{on } -\pi < t < \pi \end{cases}$$



$P = 2\pi$   
 $L = \pi$   
odd fun  
Fourier Sine Series

Here:  $F(t) = 20 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \sin(nt)$

$\omega_0 = 4 = n \rightarrow$  when  $n=4$  pure resonance

$$x_{sp}(t) = \frac{5}{8} t \cos(4t) + 10 \sum_{n \neq 4} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n(16-n^2)} \sin(nt)$$

### III. Damped Forced Oscillations

Consider mass-spring-dashpot system:

$$m\ddot{x} + c\dot{x} + kx = F(t)$$

Recall, that the solution when  $F(t) = F_0 \sin(\omega t)$  is:

$$x(t) = \frac{F_0}{\sqrt{(k-m\omega^2)^2 + (c\omega)^2}} \sin(\omega t - \alpha)$$

$$\text{where } \alpha = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{c\omega}{k-m\omega^2} \right)$$

If  $F(t)$  is an odd periodic fn w/ F.S.

$$F(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n \sin \left( \frac{n\pi t}{L} \right)$$

then by superposition

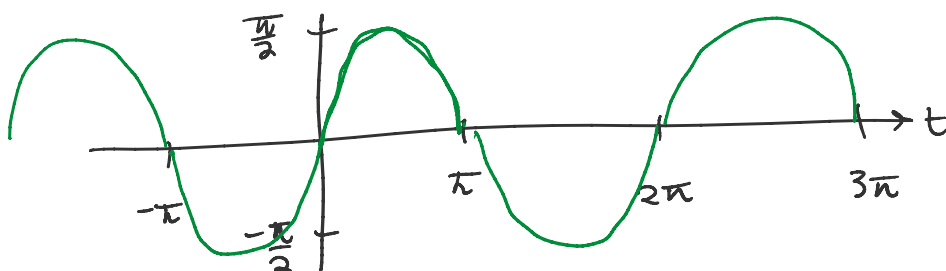
$$x_{sp}(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_n \sin(\omega_n t - \alpha_n)}{\sqrt{(k-m\omega_n^2)^2 + (c\omega_n)^2}}$$

$$\text{where } \omega_n = \frac{n\pi}{L} \text{ and } \alpha_n = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{c\omega_n}{k-m\omega_n^2} \right)$$

Ex:  $m = 3\text{kg}$   $c = 0.02\text{N/m/s}$   $k = 27\text{N/m}$

$$3\ddot{x} + 0.02\dot{x} + 27x = F(t)$$

$$F(t) = \begin{cases} \pi t - t^2 & \text{if } 0 < t < \pi \end{cases}$$



odd extension

$F(t)$  is:



$$x_{sp} \approx (0.1061) \sin(t - 0.0008)$$

$$+ (1.5719) \sin(3t - \frac{\pi}{2}) +$$

$$+ (0.0004) \sin(5t - 3.1437) + \dots$$