

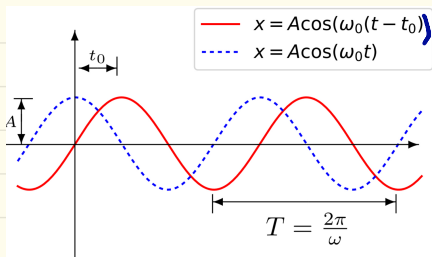
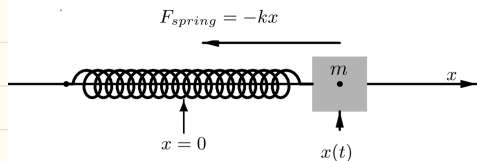
# Lecture 14

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## The Undamped case:

$$x'' + \omega_0^2 x = 0, \text{ where } \omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}.$$

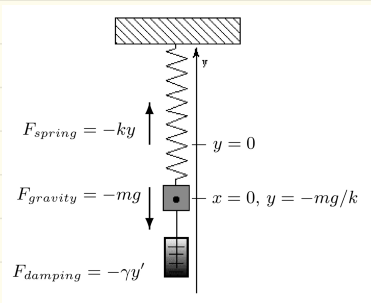


General solution:

$$\begin{aligned} x(t) &= C_1 \cos(\omega_0 t) + C_2 \sin(\omega_0 t) \\ &= A \cos(\omega_0 t - \varphi) \\ &= A \cos(\omega_0(t - t_0)), \quad t_0 = \frac{\varphi}{\omega_0} \end{aligned}$$

$\omega_0$  is called the natural frequency

## The damped case:



" $F = ma$ ":

$$\begin{aligned} m \ddot{y} &= -mg - ky - \gamma \dot{y} \\ \Rightarrow m \ddot{y} + \gamma \dot{y} + ky &= -mg \end{aligned}$$

At equilibrium:  $y = y_{eq} = -mg/k$

Set  $y = y_{eq} + x$ :

$$m \ddot{x} + \gamma \dot{x} + kx = 0$$

(show demo.)

$$x'' + \frac{k}{m} x = 0$$

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

$$T = \text{Period} = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_0}$$

$$\text{So } \frac{k}{m} = \omega_0^2 = \left(\frac{2\pi}{T}\right)^2$$

$$k = \left(\frac{2\pi}{T}\right)^2 m$$

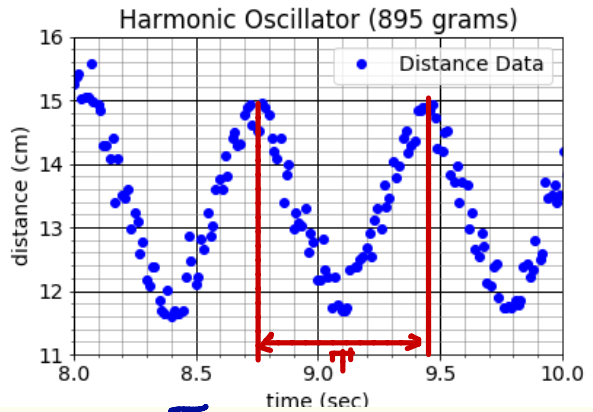
$$= \left(\frac{2\pi}{0.70}\right)^2 (0.895) \approx 72 \text{ N/m}$$

Predictions of mass:

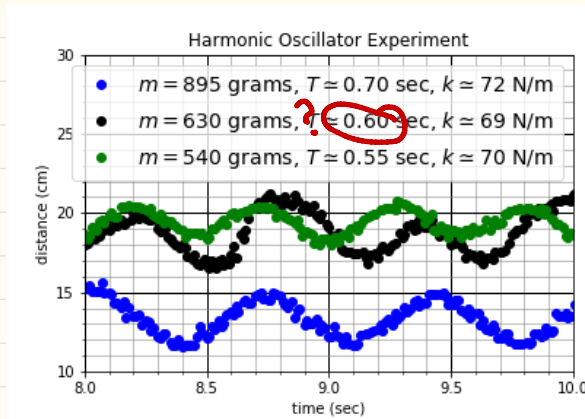
$$m = (0.72) \left(\frac{T}{2\pi}\right)^2$$

$$T = 0.55 \text{ sec} \Rightarrow$$

$$m = 552 \text{ grams}$$

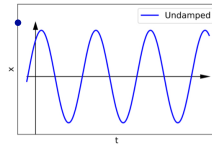
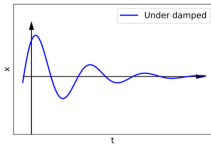
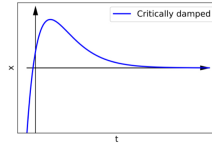
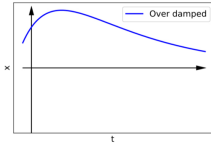


$$T \approx 9.45 - 8.75 \approx 0.70 \text{ sec}$$



# Four cases: $m\ddot{x} + \gamma\dot{x} + kx = 0$

$$\text{roots: } \frac{-\gamma \pm \sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4mk}}{2m} = \frac{-\gamma}{2m} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\gamma}{2m}\right)^2 - \frac{k}{m}} = \frac{-\gamma}{2m} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{\gamma}{2m}\right)^2 - \omega_0^2}$$



Over-damped $x(t) = A e^{-\left(\frac{\gamma}{2m} + \frac{\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4mk}}{2m}\right)t} + B e^{-\left(\frac{\gamma}{2m} - \frac{\sqrt{\gamma^2 - 4mk}}{2m}\right)t}$	Critically damped $x(t) = (A + Bt) e^{-\frac{\gamma}{2m}t}$
Under-damped $x(t) = A e^{-\frac{\gamma}{2m}t} \cos(\omega t - \phi)$	Undamped $x(t) = A \cos(\omega_0 t - \phi)$

Note: In both overdamped + critically damped case,

$$x(t) = 0$$

for exactly one value of  $t$ .

• Over damped:

$$\begin{aligned} A e^{-at} + B e^{-bt} &= 0 \\ &= e^{bt} e^{-at} = -\frac{B}{A} \\ \Rightarrow e^{(b-a)t} &= B/A \\ t &= \frac{\ln(B/A)}{b-a} \end{aligned}$$

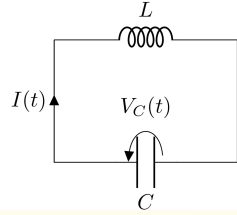
• Critically damped:

$$(A+Bt)e^{-ct} = 0 \Rightarrow t = -A/B$$



# Electrical Circuits

$$L \frac{d^2 q}{dt^2} + \frac{q}{C} = 0 \quad LC \frac{d^2 V_C}{dt^2} + V_C = 0$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 V_C}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{LC} V_C = 0$$

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC}}$$

Example.

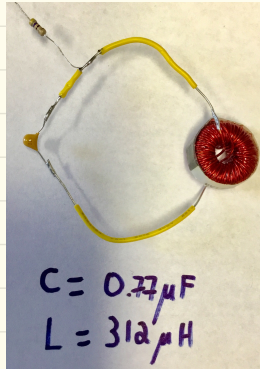
$$L \approx 312 \mu\text{H} = 312 \times 10^{-6} \text{H}$$

$$C \approx 0.77 \mu\text{F} = 0.77 \times 10^{-6} \text{F}$$

$$\omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} = 6.5 \times 10^4 \text{ 1/s}$$

$$f = \omega / 2\pi = 10.3 \text{ kHz}$$

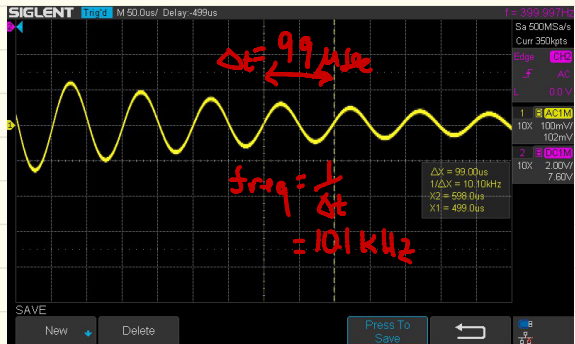
$$(103 \times 10^3 \text{ Hz})$$



Measured frequency:

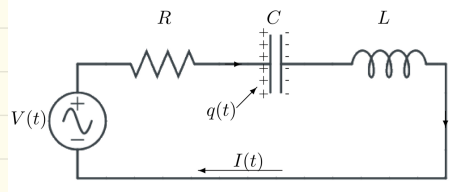
10.1 kHz

Note the decreasing amplitude of the oscillations!



## RLC-circuits

$$L \frac{dq}{dt} + R \frac{dq}{dt} + \frac{q}{C} = V(t)$$



$$LC \frac{d^2V_C}{dt^2} + RC \frac{dV_C}{dt} + V_C = V(t)$$

$$V_C = \frac{q}{C}$$

$$\frac{d^2V_C}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L} \frac{dV_C}{dt} + \frac{V_C}{LC} = \frac{V(t)}{LC}$$

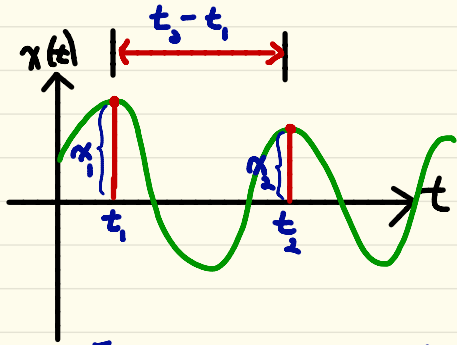
$$\frac{L}{R} \frac{d^2V_R}{dt^2} + \frac{dV_R}{dt} + \frac{V_R}{RC} = V'(t)$$

$$V_R = R \frac{dq}{dt}$$

$$\frac{d^2V_R}{dt^2} + \frac{R}{L} \frac{dV_R}{dt} + \frac{V_R}{LC} = \frac{R}{L} V'(t)$$

## Inverse Problem:

Find  $\frac{\gamma}{m}$  and  $\frac{b}{m}$  from solution of the diff. eq.  
 $m\ddot{x} + \gamma\dot{x} + bx = 0$   
(underdamped case).



Soln:

$$x(t) = A e^{-\frac{\gamma}{2m}t} \cos(\omega_d t - \varphi)$$

$$\omega_d = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 - \left(\frac{\gamma}{2m}\right)^2} \quad \omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{b}{m}}$$

$$\omega_d t_2 - \varphi = \omega_d t_1 - \varphi + 2\pi$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1} = \frac{A \exp\left(-\frac{\gamma}{2m}t_2\right) \cos(\omega_d t_2 - \varphi)}{A \exp\left(-\frac{\gamma}{2m}t_1\right) \cos(\omega_d t_1 - \varphi)} = \frac{\exp\left(-\frac{\gamma}{2m}t_2\right)}{\exp\left(-\frac{\gamma}{2m}t_1\right)} = \exp\left(-\frac{\gamma}{2m}(t_2 - t_1)\right)$$

$$\text{So } -\frac{\gamma}{2m}(t_2 - t_1) = \ln\left(\frac{\alpha_2}{\alpha_1}\right) \Rightarrow \frac{\gamma}{2m} = \frac{1}{t_2 - t_1} \ln\left(\frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_2}\right)$$

$$\frac{b}{m} = \omega_0^2 = \omega_d^2 + \left(\frac{\gamma}{2m}\right)^2$$

$\Delta = \ln\left(\frac{\alpha_1}{\alpha_2}\right)$ : logarithmic decrement

Note Can write  
 $\frac{\gamma}{2m} = \zeta \omega_0$

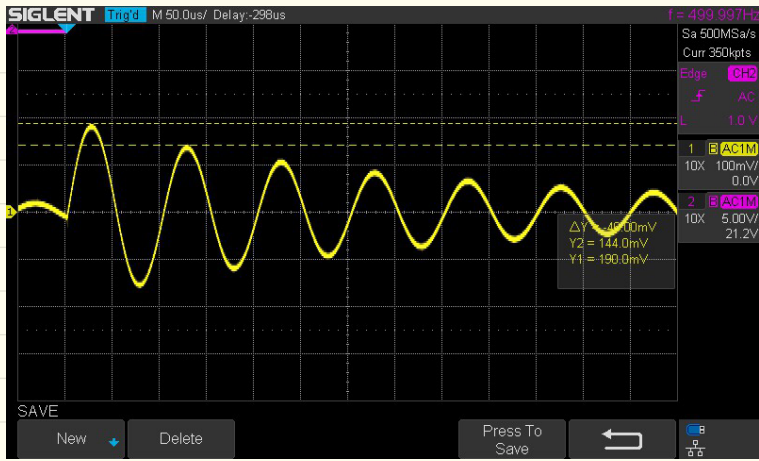
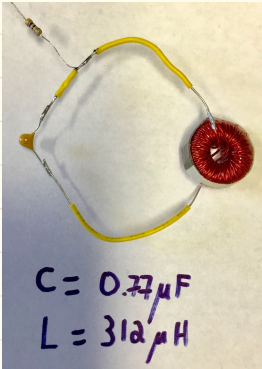
$\zeta$  called damping ratio  
(dimensionless)

$$\omega_d^2 = \omega_0^2 - \zeta^2 \omega_0^2 = (1 - \zeta^2) \omega_0^2$$

From graph, can find  
 $t_1, \alpha_1 = x(t_1)$   
 $t_2, \alpha_2 = x(t_2)$

$$t_2 - t_1 = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_d} \Rightarrow \omega_d = \frac{2\pi}{t_2 - t_1}$$

# Example.



$$L V_c'' + R V_c' + \frac{1}{C} V_c = 0 \quad \text{Goal: Find } R.$$

measured values via multimeter:

$$C = 0.77e-6 \text{ #Farads}$$

$$L = 312e-6 \text{ #Henries (from manufacturer)}$$

$$\omega_0 = 1/\sqrt{L \cdot C} \text{ (1/sec) (theoretical value)}$$

$$f_0 = \omega_0 / (2 \cdot \pi) \text{ (= 10.27 kHz) (theoretical value)}$$

# measured frequency and damping  
(from oscilloscope):

$$f_d = 10.10 \text{ kHz}$$

$$y_1 = 190.0e-3 \text{ # volts}$$

$$y_2 = 144.0e-3 \text{ # volts}$$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}} \quad \omega_d^2 = \omega_0^2 - \left(\frac{R}{2L}\right)^2$$

$$\frac{\omega_d}{\omega_0} = \frac{1}{\xi - \xi_1}, \quad \Delta = \ln\left(\frac{y_1}{y_2}\right)$$

$$\frac{R}{2L} = \frac{1}{\xi - \xi_1} \Delta$$

$$R = 2L \cdot \frac{\Delta}{\xi - \xi_1} = 1.75 \Omega$$

