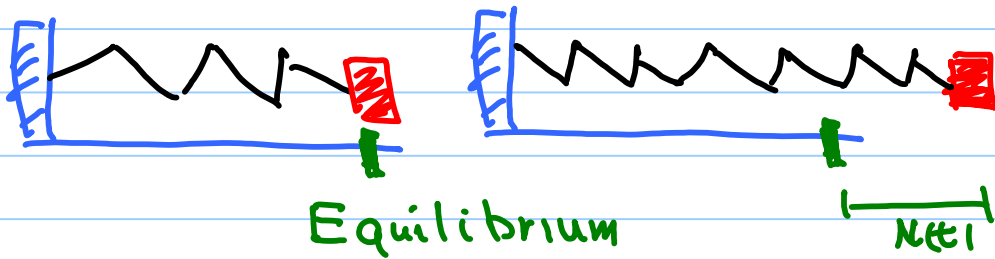


L17 Undamped Harmonic Oscillator

Note Title

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Undamped Harmonic Oscillator



Suppose the spring constant is 50 kg sec^{-2}

No damping $m = 2 \text{ kg}$

Initial displacement = 5 meters

Initial velocity = 20 meters/sec

① Write the **I**nitial **V**alue **P**roblem

② Find a formula for $x(t)$

Answer mass · acceleration = Σ Forces

$$m \ddot{x} = -kx$$

$$2 \ddot{x} = -50x$$

or $\ddot{x} + 25x = 0$

$$x(0) = 5$$

$$\dot{x}(0) = 20$$

IVP $\ddot{x} + 25x = 0$

$$x(0) = 5$$

$$\dot{x}(0) = 20$$

Seek $x(t) = e^{rt}$

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{x} &= r^2 e^{rt} \\ + 25x &= 25 e^{rt} \end{aligned}$$

$$\ddot{x} + 25x = (r^2 + 25)e^{rt} = 0$$

So $r^2 + 25 = 0$

or $r = \pm 5i$

Two solutions:

$$x_1(t) = e^{5ti} \quad \text{and} \quad x_2(t) = e^{-5ti}$$

Because this is a **Linear** DE

$$x(t) = C_1 e^{5ti} + C_2 e^{-5ti}$$

is a solution for any constants C_1 and C_2

$$x(t) = c_1 e^{5ti} + c_2 \bar{e}^{5ti}$$

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We could use the initial conditions

$$x(0) = 5 \quad \dot{x}(0) = 20$$

to solve for the (complex) constants

c_1 and c_2 , but there is an

easier way to do this.

Euler's Formula

$$x(t) = c_1 (\cos 5t + i \sin 5t) + c_2 (\cos 5t - i \sin 5t)$$

$$= \underbrace{(c_1 + c_2)}_{D_1} \cos 5t + \underbrace{i(c_1 - c_2)}_{D_2} \sin 5t$$

Let's call this D_1

Let's call this D_2

$$= D_1 \cos 5t + D_2 \sin 5t$$

$$x(t) = D_1 \cos 5t + D_2 \sin 5t$$

We solve for D_1 and D_2 .

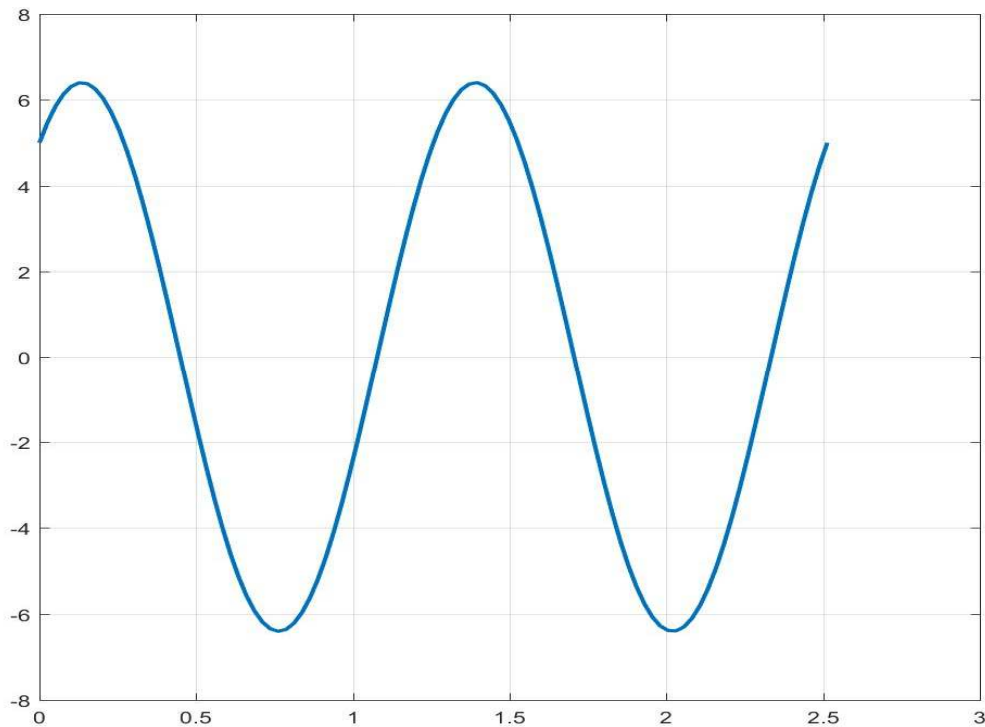
$$5 = x(0) = D_1 \cos(0) + D_2 \sin(0) = D_1$$

$$20 = \dot{x}(0) = -5D_1 \sin(0) + 5D_2 \cos(0) = 5D_2$$

so $D_1 = 5$ and $D_2 = 4$

$$x(t) = 5 \cos 5t + 4 \sin 5t$$

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How do you draw the graph from the formula?

How do you deduce the formula from the graph?

Frequency Amplitude Phase representation

$$5 \cos 5t + 4 \sin 5t = \sqrt{5^2 + 4^2} \cos(5t - \arctan(\frac{4}{5}))$$

Frequency = ω
Amplitude = A
Phase = ϕ

$$= A \cos(\omega t - \phi)$$

$$5 \cos 5t + 4 \sin 5t = \sqrt{5^2+4^2} \cos(5t + \arctan(\frac{4}{5}))$$

Deriving Frequency, Amplitude, Phase from a formula*

Sum of Angles formula for cosine

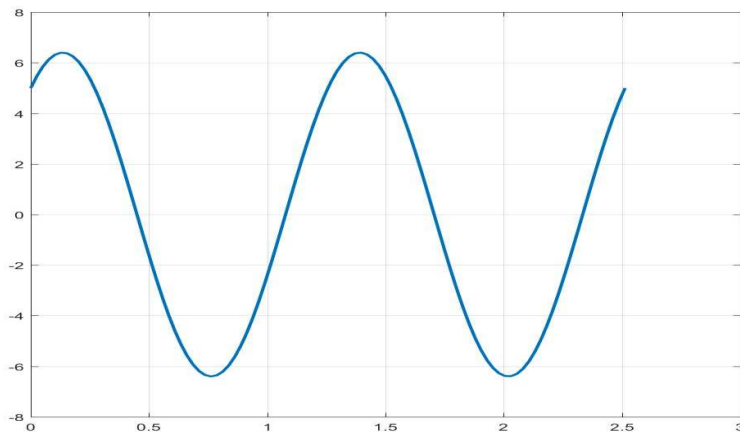
$$A \cos(\omega t - \alpha) = A \cos \omega t \cos \alpha + A \sin \omega t \sin \alpha$$

$$= A \cos \alpha \cos \omega t + A \sin \alpha \sin \omega t$$

$$5 \cos 5t + 4 \sin 5t = A \cos \alpha \cos \omega t + A \sin \alpha \sin \omega t$$

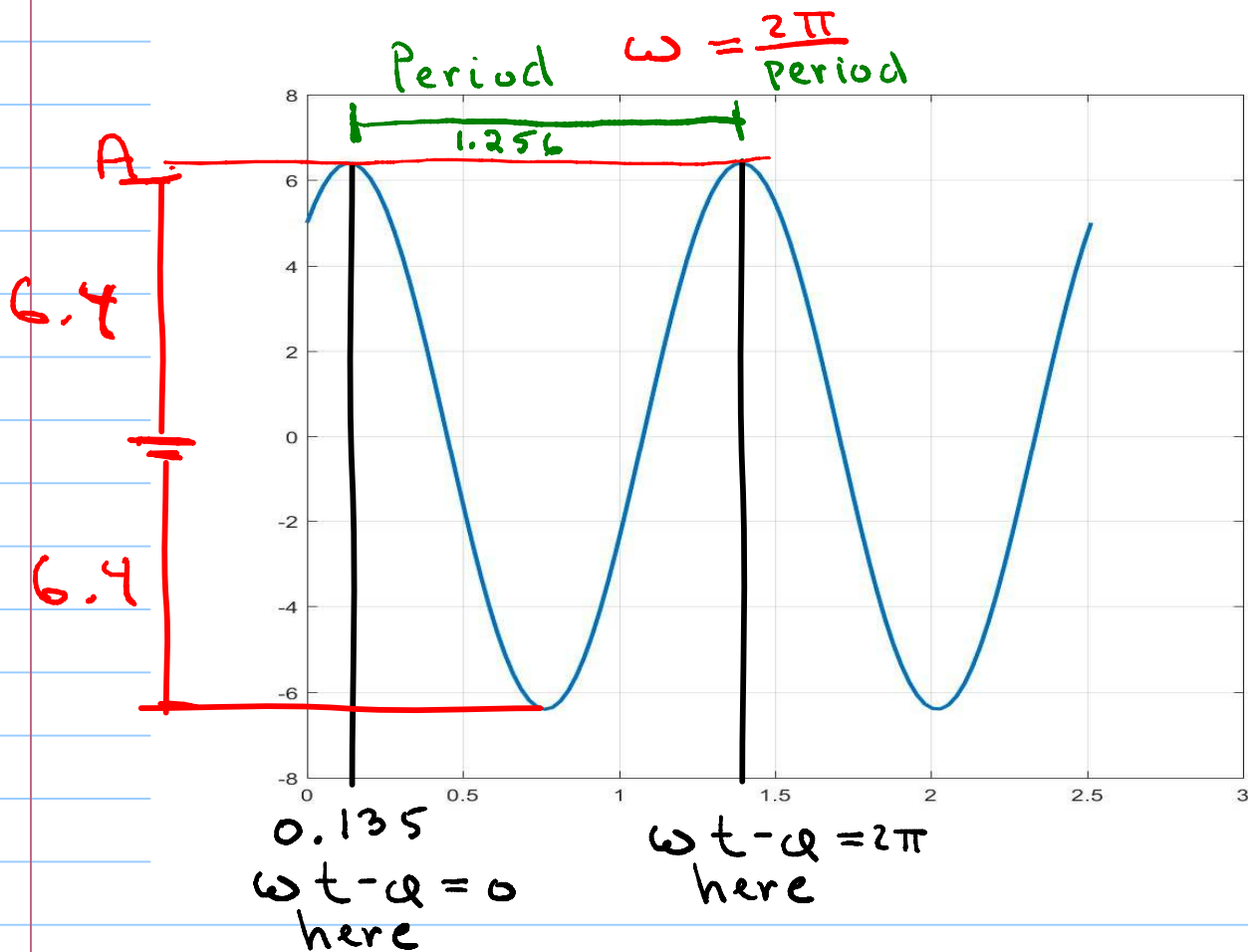
$$\left. \begin{matrix} 5 = A \cos \alpha \\ 4 = A \sin \alpha \end{matrix} \right\} \Rightarrow A = (5^2 + 4^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \alpha = \arctan(4, 5)$$

$$= \pm \arctan(\frac{4}{5})$$



* You may notice that the steps here are very similar to writing a complex number in polar form.

Frequency, Amplitude, phase from the graph ⁷



$$x(t) = A \cos(\omega t - \phi)$$

$$A = 6.4 \quad \omega = \frac{2\pi}{1.256} = 5$$

$x(t)$ achieves its first maximum at $t = 0.135$

and $\cos(\omega t - \phi)$ achieves its first

maximum when $\omega t - \phi = 0$, i.e. $x(0.135) = A \cos(0)$

So $0.135 \cdot \omega - \phi = 0$ and $\phi = 5 \cdot 0.135 = 0.675$

$$x(t) = 6.4 \cos(5t - 0.675)$$

* Adding multiples of 2π to ϕ also gives correct answers.