## Section B HARMONIC/FORCED EXCITATION OF SINGLE-DEGREE-OF-FREEDOM SYSTEMS

The response of a single-degree-of-freedom system due to excitation in the form of a cosine wave is shown below



There is an initial transient response that normally decays quickly. This is followed by a steady-state sinusoidal response at the same frequency as the excitation.

 $P\cos\omega t$ 

# Forced Versus Harmonic Vibration

**Forced Vibration** is when an alternating force or motion is applied to a mechanical system, for example when a machine shakes momentarily due to an imbalance.

**Harmonic Vibration** is a type of Forced Vibration in which a force is repeatedly applied to a system. This is primarily what we will consider in this class.

## (i) Solution of the Equation of Motion

$$M \ddot{z} + C \dot{z} + K z = f(t)$$

The complete solution for z(t) consists of

- The solution to the Complementary Function or Transient Response
- \* The Particular Integral or Steady-State Response

$$z(t) = z(t)_{TR} + z(t)_{SS}$$

The **Complementary Function** is simply the solution to the equivalent free vibration problem (f(t) = 0 from last week) considered last week and **provides the initial transient** response ( $z(t)_{TR}$ )

The **Particular Integral** provides the **steady-state part of the vibration** that continues for as long as the excitation remains **In most cases, the steady-state response**  $(z(t)_{SS})$ **is all we are interested in**. This is what we will look at today.

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 $M \ddot{z} + C \dot{z} + K z = S_1 \cos \omega_1 t + S_2 \cos \omega_2 t$ 

 $z(t) = z(t)_{TR} + z(t)_{SS}$ 

Total Displacement is then

Method 1 - Direct Substitution  $M \ddot{z} + C \dot{z} + K z = f(t)$ Consider harmonic excitation of the form  $f(t) = F \cos \omega t$ 

For pure sinusoidal excitation, the response is also sinusoidal

The response has the same frequency as the excitation, but the two are likely to have a phase difference

A suitable expression for the response is therefore

$$z(t)_{SS} = Z \cos(\omega t + \alpha)$$
 (1)

 $\label{eq:constraint} \bullet \quad \text{The amplitude of the vibration is } Z$ 

 $\boldsymbol{\diamond}$  **\boldsymbol{\alpha}** is the **phase angle** between response and excitation

The same mathematical approach can be extended

- to more complicated structures
- to more general forms of excitation
- to experimental testing and digital data analysis procedures

To find Z and  $\alpha$ , substitute for z(t) and its derivatives in the equation of motion, expand the various trigonometric terms and equate the coefficients of  $\cos \omega t$  and  $\sin \omega t$  and solve for Z and  $\alpha$ 

$$M \ddot{z} + C \dot{z} + K z = f(t)$$
$$z(t)_{SS} = Z \cos(\omega t + \alpha)$$
$$\dot{z}(t)_{SS} = -\omega Z \sin(\omega t + \alpha)$$
$$\ddot{z}(t)_{SS} = -\omega^2 Z \cos(\omega t + \alpha)$$

Hence

$$F = \frac{F}{\sqrt{\left(K - M\omega^2\right)^2 + \omega^2 C^2}}$$

(3)

and

$$\alpha = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{-\omega C}{K - M \omega^2} \right)$$

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The following substitution is suggested in the Year 2 Maths module

$$M \ddot{z} + C \dot{z} + K z = f(t)$$
$$z(t)_{SS} = A \sin(\omega t) + B \cos(\omega t)$$
$$\dot{z}(t)_{SS} = \omega A \cos(\omega t) - \omega B \sin(\omega t)$$
$$\ddot{z}(t)_{SS} = -\omega^2 A \sin(\omega t) - \omega^2 B \sin(\omega t)$$

This is equally valid and results in the same solution.

I recommend you use whichever one you find easier when expanding to other systems. But keep in mind that you will have to manipulate **A** and **B** to find **Z** and  $\alpha$ , using these substitutions.

$$Z = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2} = \frac{F}{\sqrt{\left(K - M\omega^2\right)^2 + C^2\omega^2}}$$
$$\alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{B}{A}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{-C\omega}{K - M\omega^2}\right)$$

- **Q** What if the excitation had been  $f(t) = F \sin \omega t$  ?
- A Choose the substitution  $z(t)_{SS} = Z \sin(\omega t + \alpha)$

The expressions for Z and  $\alpha$  are the same as before



Since the steady-state response to sinusoidal excitation is also sinusoidal and with the same frequency as the excitation, the key parameters to be identified are the **amplitude** and **phase angle** 



Instead of time waveforms, sometimes the amplitude and phase relationship between excitation and response is with a **phasor diagram** 



# Method 2 - Complex Algebra $M \ddot{z} + C \dot{z} + K z = f(t)$

This provides a mathematically convenient way of finding the amplitude and phase angle of the response and is the preferred method over the previously demonstrated "substitution" one.

The same mathematical approach can be extended

- to more complicated structures (shown later)
- to more general forms of excitation
- to experimental testing and digital data analysis procedures

## The substitutions used are always the same

Put 
$$f(t) \neq F e^{i\omega t}$$
  
and  $z(t)_{SS} = Z e^{i(\omega t + \alpha)}$   
 $= (Z e^{i\alpha})e^{i\omega t}$   
 $\neq Z^* e^{i\omega t}$ 

where  $Z^*$  is COMPLEX  $\left[ = Z \left( \cos \alpha + \mathbf{i} \sin \alpha \right) \right]$ 

(4)

(5)

$$z(t)_{SS} = Z^* e^{\mathbf{i} \, \omega t}$$
  
Substituting  $\dot{z}(t)_{SS} = i\omega Z^* e^{\mathbf{i} \, \omega t}$  into the equation of motion, we get  
 $\ddot{z}(t)_{SS} = -\omega^2 Z^* e^{\mathbf{i} \, \omega t}$   
$$Z^* = \frac{F}{\left(K - M \, \omega^2\right) + \mathbf{i} \, \omega \, C}$$

The Moodle site includes a help page on the complex number algebra needed for this module. I will also cover this in general in the following next slides.

We need 
$$Z^*$$
 in the form  $Z^* = a + \mathbf{i} b$   
Amplitude  $Z = |Z^*| = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$   
Phase angle  $\alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$ 

Unfortunately, the complex number expressions you will derive are not generally in the form

$$Z^* = a + \mathbf{i} b$$

The general case for you is the form

$$Z^* = \frac{c + \mathbf{i} d}{e + \mathbf{i} f}$$

Finding the amplitude of this ratio of complex numbers is easy. It's just

$$Z = |Z^*| = \sqrt{\frac{c^2 + d^2}{e^2 + f^2}}$$

Finding the phase lag is more difficult, since we first need to convert the expression into the form

$$Z^* = a + \mathbf{i} b$$

To do this, we multiply both numerator and denominator by the complex conjugate of the denominator. That is,

$$Z^* = \frac{c + \mathbf{i} d}{e + \mathbf{i} f} \times \frac{e - \mathbf{i} f}{e - \mathbf{i} f}$$

$$Z^* = a + \mathbf{i} b = \left(\frac{ce + df}{e^2 + f^2}\right) + \mathbf{i}\left(\frac{de - cf}{e^2 + f^2}\right)$$

$$a = \left(\frac{ce + df}{e^2 + f^2}\right) \qquad \qquad b = \left(\frac{de - cf}{e^2 + f^2}\right)$$

The phase angle is then given by  $\alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$  as before.

So for our problem...

$$Z^{*} = \frac{F}{\left(K - M\omega^{2}\right) + \mathbf{i}\omega C} \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{aligned} c &= F \\ d &= 0 \\ e &= K - M\omega^{2} \\ f &= \omega C \end{aligned}$$

$$Z = |Z^*| = \frac{c}{\sqrt{e^2 + f^2}} = \frac{F}{\sqrt{(K - M\omega^2)^2 + \omega^2 C^2}}$$

#### Same as before!!

For angle then

$$Z^{*} = \frac{F}{\left(K - M_{\omega}^{2}\right) + \mathbf{i}\omega C} \times \frac{\left(K - M_{\omega}^{2}\right) - \mathbf{i}\omega C}{\left(K - M_{\omega}^{2}\right) - \mathbf{i}\omega C}$$
$$Z^{*} = \frac{F\left(K - M_{\omega}^{2}\right) - \mathbf{i}F\omega C}{\left(K - M_{\omega}^{2}\right)^{2} + \omega^{2}C^{2}}$$

$$\alpha = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{-\omega C}{K - M \omega^2} \right)$$

#### Same as before!!



## (ii) Frequency characteristics of the response

To see how the excitation frequency affects the response, we will consider the *Frequency Response Function* (FRF)

## **Definition of FRF:** Response / Unit Applied Force

Start with the general form of the equation of motion

$$M \ddot{z} + C \dot{z} + K z = f(t)$$

Dividing by M and noting that  $\frac{C}{M} = 2 \gamma \omega_n$  we get

$$\ddot{z} + 2\gamma \omega_n \dot{z} + \omega_n^2 z = \frac{f(t)}{M}$$

$$\ddot{z} + 2\gamma \omega_n \dot{z} + \omega_n^2 z = \frac{f(t)}{M}$$
Put  $f(t) = F e^{i\omega t}$  and  $\begin{aligned} z(t)_{SS} &= Z^* e^{i\omega t} \\ \dot{z}(t)_{SS} &= i\omega Z^* e^{i\omega t} \\ \ddot{z}(t)_{SS} &= -\omega^2 Z^* e^{i\omega t} \end{aligned}$ 

Hence the expression for the Frequency Response Function is

$$H(\omega) = \frac{Z^*}{F} = \frac{1}{M} \frac{1}{(\omega_n^2 - \omega^2) + \mathbf{i} \, 2\gamma \, \omega_n \, \omega}$$
(6)

Divide top and bottom by  $\omega_n^2$  and note that  $M \omega_n^2 = K$ 

$$H(\omega) = \frac{1}{K} \frac{1}{\left(1 - \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_n^2}\right) + \mathbf{i} \, 2\gamma \frac{\omega}{\omega_n}}$$

#### Magnitude can then be written as

$$\left|H(\omega)\right| = \frac{|Z^*|}{F} = \frac{1}{K\sqrt{\left(1-\frac{\omega^2}{\omega_n^2}\right)^2 + 4\gamma^2 \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_n^2}}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(K-M\omega^2\right)^2 + \omega^2 C^2}}$$

#### ...and phase angle can then be written as

$$\alpha = \tan^{-1} \left( \begin{array}{c} -2 \ \gamma \ \frac{\omega}{\omega_n} \\ \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_n^2}} \end{array} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left( \begin{array}{c} -\omega \ C \\ \frac{1}{K - M \ \omega^2} \end{array} \right)$$

**Note:** These are equivalent to equations 2 and 3 found previously, just with different terms (and dividing equation 2 by *F*). You can prove this by substituting in equations from last week's lecture yourself.





At low frequencies, the phase angle is approximately zero It drops by 180° as the system passes through resonance



See Web Links on MM2DYN Moodle site www.kettering.edu/~drussell/Demos/SHO/mass-force.html



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https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aZNnwQ8HJHU

