

Mechanical Vibrations:

$$m u''(t) + \gamma u'(t) + k u(t) = F_{\text{external}}, \quad m, \gamma, k \geq 0$$

$$\text{IVP: } u(t_0) = u_0, \quad u'(t_0) = u_1$$

NOTE: Positive direction points DOWN.

$m$  = mass,

$k$  = spring force proportionality constant,

$\gamma$  = damping force proportionality constant

$g = 9.8 \text{ m/sec}^2$  or  $32 \text{ ft/sec}^2$ .

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$$\text{Weight} = mg \quad mg - kL = 0, \quad F_{\text{damping}}(t) = -\gamma u'(t)$$

A mass of 3kg stretches a spring 4.9 m. If the mass is acted upon by an external force of  $40e^{-\frac{t}{3}}$  N in a medium that imparts a viscous force of 10 N when the speed of the mass is 5 m/sec. If the mass is pulled down 1 m and set in motion with an upward velocity of 8 m/sec, describe the motion of the mass.

$m = 3$

$$|F_{\text{damping}}(t)| = |\gamma u'(t)| \Rightarrow 10 = \gamma(5). \quad \text{Thus } \gamma = 2$$

$$mg - kL = 0 \text{ implies } = \frac{mg}{L} = \frac{3(9.8)}{4.9} = 6$$

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**Step 1:** Solve homogeneous eqn:  $3u'' + 2u' + 6u = 0$

$u = e^{rt}$  implies  $3r^2 + 2r + 6 = 0$  implies

$$r = \frac{-2 \pm \sqrt{4 - 4(3)(6)}}{2(3)} = \frac{-2}{2(3)} \pm \frac{\sqrt{4\sqrt{1-(3)(6)}}}{2(3)} = -\frac{1}{3} \pm i\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}$$

Thus general homogeneous solution is

$$u(t) = c_1 e^{-\frac{t}{3}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t\right) + c_2 e^{-\frac{t}{3}} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t\right)$$

**Step 2:** Find a non-homogeneous soln

Section 3.6: First find Wronskian,

$$W\left(e^{-\frac{t}{3}} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t\right), e^{-\frac{t}{3}} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t\right)\right).$$

Too much work. Thus,

Section 3.5: Guess  $u(t) = Ae^{-\frac{t}{3}}$ .

$$\text{Then } u'(t) = -\frac{A}{3}e^{-\frac{t}{3}} \text{ and } u''(t) = \frac{A}{9}e^{-\frac{t}{3}}$$

$$3\left(\frac{A}{9}e^{-\frac{t}{3}}\right) + 2\left(-\frac{A}{3}e^{-\frac{t}{3}}\right) + 6Ae^{-\frac{t}{3}} = 40e^{-\frac{t}{3}}$$

$$\frac{A}{3} - \frac{2A}{3} + 6A = 40 \text{ implies } A - 2A + 18A = 17A = 120.$$

Thus  $A = \frac{120}{17}$  and

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Thus general NON-homogeneous solution is

$$u(t) = e^{-\frac{t}{3}} \left[ c_1 \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t\right) + c_2 \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t\right) \right] + \frac{120}{17} e^{-\frac{t}{3}}$$

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**Step 3:** Use initial values to find  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ .

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$$u'(t) = -\frac{1}{3} e^{-\frac{t}{3}} \left[ c_1 \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t\right) + c_2 \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t\right) + \frac{120}{17} \right]$$

$$+ e^{-\frac{t}{3}} \left[ -c_1 \frac{\sqrt{17}}{3} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t\right) + c_2 \frac{\sqrt{17}}{3} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t\right) \right]$$

$$u(0) = 1: \quad 1 = c_1(1) + c_2(0) + \frac{120}{17}$$

$$\text{implies } c_1 = 1 - \frac{120}{17} = -\frac{103}{17}.$$

$$u'(0) = -8: \quad -8 = -\frac{1}{3} \left[ c_1 + \frac{120}{17} \right] + c_2 \frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}$$

$$-24 = -\left[ -\frac{103}{17} + \frac{120}{17} \right] + c_2 \sqrt{17}$$

$$-24 = -\left[ \frac{17}{17} \right] + c_2 \sqrt{17} \text{ implies } c_2 \sqrt{17} = -23 \text{ and thus}$$

$$c_2 = -\frac{23}{\sqrt{17}} = -\frac{23\sqrt{17}}{17}$$

Thus solution to IVP is

$$u(t) = e^{-\frac{t}{3}} \left[ -\frac{103}{17} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t\right) - \frac{23\sqrt{17}}{17} \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t\right) + \frac{120}{17} \right]$$

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Simplify:

$$u(t) = e^{-\frac{t}{3}} \left[ R \cos\delta \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t\right) + R \sin\delta \sin\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t\right) + \frac{120}{17} \right]$$

$$u(t) = e^{-\frac{t}{3}} \left[ R \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t - \delta\right) + \frac{120}{17} \right]$$

$$\text{where } R \cos\delta = c_1 = -\frac{103}{17} \text{ and } R \sin\delta = c_2 = -\frac{23\sqrt{17}}{17}.$$

$$\text{Thus } R = \sqrt{R^2 \cos^2\delta + R^2 \sin^2\delta} = \sqrt{c_1^2 + c_2^2}$$

$$R = \sqrt{\left(-\frac{103}{17}\right)^2 + \left(-\frac{23\sqrt{17}}{17}\right)^2} = \frac{\sqrt{19602}}{17} = \frac{\sqrt{2(3)^4(11)^2}}{17} = \frac{99\sqrt{2}}{17}$$

$$\text{and } \frac{c_2}{c_1} = \frac{R \sin\delta}{R \cos\delta} = \tan\delta. \text{ Thus } \delta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{c_2}{c_1}\right), \text{ sort of}$$

– you must choose the correct quadrant based on the signs of  $c_1$  and  $c_2$ .

$$\delta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{23\sqrt{17}}{103}\right) + \pi \sim 222.64^\circ \sim 3.8858 \text{ radians}$$

$$\sim 1.24\pi \text{ radians} \sim \frac{5\pi}{4} \text{ radians.}$$

Simplified answer to IVP:

$$u(t) = e^{-\frac{t}{3}} \left[ \frac{99\sqrt{2}}{17} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t - (\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{23\sqrt{17}}{103}\right) + \pi)\right) + \frac{120}{17} \right]$$

Approximation of solution:

$$u(t) \sim e^{-\frac{t}{3}} \left[ \frac{99\sqrt{2}}{17} \cos\left(\frac{\sqrt{17}}{3}t - \frac{5\pi}{4}\right) + \frac{120}{17} \right]$$