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*Physics 321 Exam #1 - Friday, Oct. 12, 2018*

FYI:

Some integrals:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^x \frac{dy}{\sqrt{1-y^2}} &= \sin^{-1}(x), \\ \int_0^x \frac{dy}{\sqrt{1+y^2}} &= \sinh^{-1}(x), \\ \int_0^x \frac{dy}{1+y^2} &= \tan^{-1}(x), \\ \int_0^x \frac{dy}{1-y^2} &= \tanh^{-1}(x).\end{aligned}$$

For the differential equation

$$\ddot{x} + 2\beta\dot{x} + \omega_0^2 x = 0,$$

the solutions are

$$\begin{aligned}x &= A_1 e^{-\beta t} \cos \omega' t + A_2 e^{-\beta t} \sin \omega' t \quad \omega' = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 - \beta^2} \quad (\text{under damped}) \\ x &= A e^{-\beta t} + B t e^{-\beta t}, \quad (\text{critically damped}) \\ x &= A_1 e^{-\beta_1 t} + A_2 e^{-\beta_2 t}, \quad \beta_i = \beta \pm \sqrt{\beta^2 - \omega_0^2}, \quad (\text{over damped}).\end{aligned}$$

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1. A particle of mass  $m$  is in a harmonic oscillator of fundamental frequency  $\sqrt{k/m} = \omega_0$ , and feels a damping force  $-2m\beta v$ . Additionally, there is an external force,

$$F(t) = F_0\delta(t),$$

where  $\delta(t)$  is a delta function. The particle is initially ( $t < 0$ ) at rest and at the origin.

- (a) (10 pts) If the motion is critically damped, find  $x(t)$   
(b) (15 pts) At what times does the particle cross the origin if the motion is:
- under-damped
  - critically damped
  - over-damped

Do not count the initial position of  $x = 0$  as one of the crossings.

(a)  $x(t) = Ae^{-\beta t} + Bte^{-\beta t}$

$$x(0) = 0$$

$$\dot{x}(0) = F_0/m$$

$$A = 0$$

$$(F_0/m) = B$$

$$x = \frac{F_0}{m} te^{-\beta t}$$

(b) under damped  $x = B \sin \omega' t e^{-\beta t}$   
 $\omega' t = n\pi, \quad t = \frac{n\pi}{\sqrt{\omega_0^2 - \beta^2}}$

critically damped

$x = 0$  at  $t = \infty$ , so never

(c)  $x = Ae^{-\beta_1 t} + Be^{-\beta_2 t}$

$$(F_0/m) = -\beta_1 A - \beta_2 B$$

$$0 = A + B$$

$$A = \frac{(F_0/m)}{\beta_2 - \beta_1}$$

$$B = \frac{(F_0/m)}{(\beta_1 - \beta_2)} = -A$$

$$X = A e^{-\beta_1 t} - A e^{-\beta_2 t}$$

Let  $\beta_2 > \beta_1$  then  $A > 0$

so  $X$  is always  $> 0$   
never crosses.

2. A particle of mass  $m$  is in a harmonic oscillator of fundamental frequency  $\sqrt{k/m} = \omega_0$ , and feels a damping force,  $-2m\beta v$ . Additionally, there is an external periodic force,

$$F(t) = mG(t),$$

$$G(t) = \begin{cases} -G_0, & -\tau/2 < t < -\tau/4 \\ +G_0, & -\tau/4 < t < \tau/4 \\ -G_0, & \tau/4 < t < \tau/2. \end{cases}$$

$$G(t + \tau) = G(t).$$

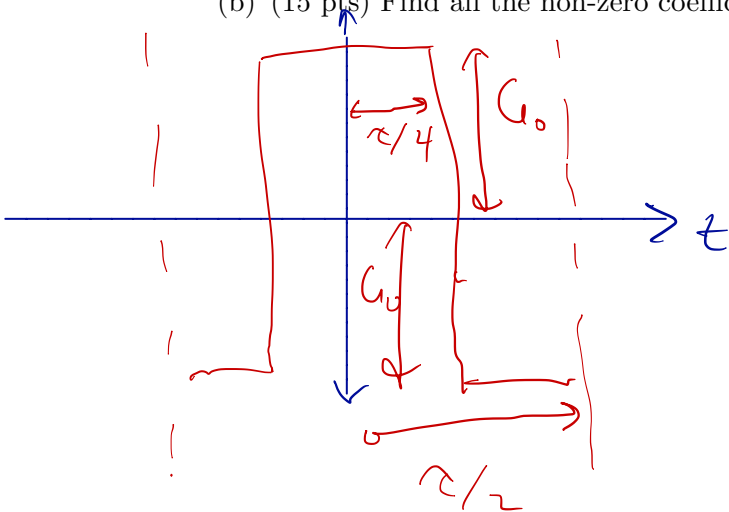
- (a) (10 pts) For the expansion,

$$G(t) = \frac{f_0}{2} + \sum_{n>0} f_n \cos(n\omega t) + g_n \sin(n\omega t),$$

$$\omega \equiv \frac{2\pi}{\tau},$$

For what values of  $n$  are  $f_n$  zero? – and for what values are  $g_n$  zero?

- (b) (15 pts) Find all the non-zero coefficients.



a)  $g_n = 0$  for all  $n$   
 $f_n = 0$  when  $m\pi = \omega_n \tau/4 = \frac{2\pi n \tau}{\tau} \frac{\tau}{4} = \frac{\pi n}{2}$   
 where  $m = \text{some integer}$   
 $n = 0, 2, 4, 6, 8, \dots$

b)  $f_n = \frac{2}{\tau} \int_{-\tau/4}^{\tau/4} G_0 \cos \frac{2\pi n t}{\tau} dt, n = 1, 3, 5, 7$   
 $= \frac{8G_0}{\tau} \int_0^{\tau/4} dt \cos \frac{2\pi n t}{\tau}$   
 $= \frac{4G_0}{\pi n} \sin \left( \frac{n\pi}{2} \right) = \frac{4G_0}{\pi n} (-1)^{2n+1}, n = 1, 3, 5, 7$