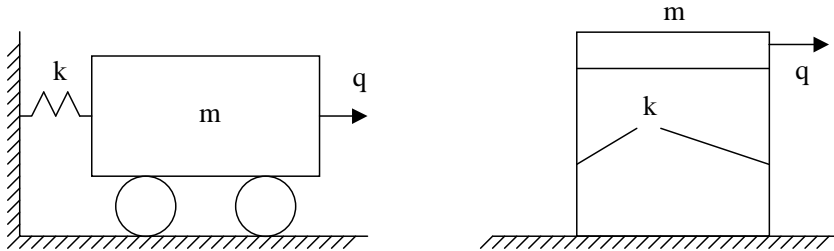


EQUATIONS OF MOTION

Undamped free vibrations



2nd Newton law $F(t) = ma(t)$
 $F(t) = -kq(t)$ restoring elastic force
 $a(t) = \ddot{q}(t)$ absolute acceleration

$$\boxed{m\ddot{q}(t) + kq(t) = 0} \Rightarrow \text{(dividing both members by } m)$$

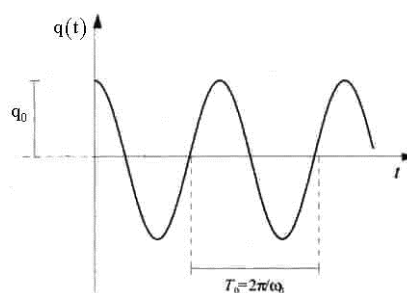
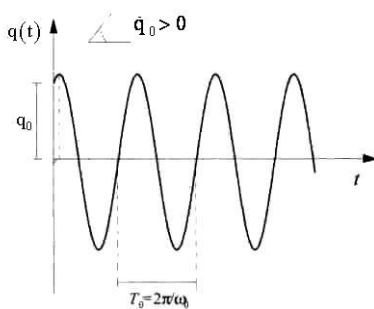
$$\ddot{q}(t) + \frac{k}{m}q(t) = 0 \Rightarrow \text{Defining } \boxed{\omega_0^2 = \frac{k}{m}}$$

$$\boxed{\ddot{q}(t) + \omega_0^2 q(t) = 0} \Rightarrow \text{2nd order, homogeneous, linear differential equation with constant coefficients}$$

$q(0) = q_0$; $\dot{q}(0) = \dot{q}_0$ initial conditions

$$q(t) = A \cos \omega_0 t + B \sin \omega_0 t \Rightarrow A = q_0 ; \quad B = \frac{\dot{q}_0}{\omega_0}$$

$$\boxed{q(t) = q_0 \cos \omega_0 t + \frac{\dot{q}_0}{\omega_0} \sin \omega_0 t} \quad \dot{q}_0 = 0 \Rightarrow q(t) = q_0 \cos \omega_0 t$$



ω_0 = fundamental circular frequency

$n_0 = \omega_0 / 2\pi$ = fundamental frequency

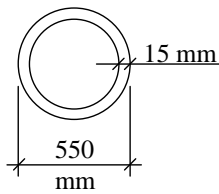
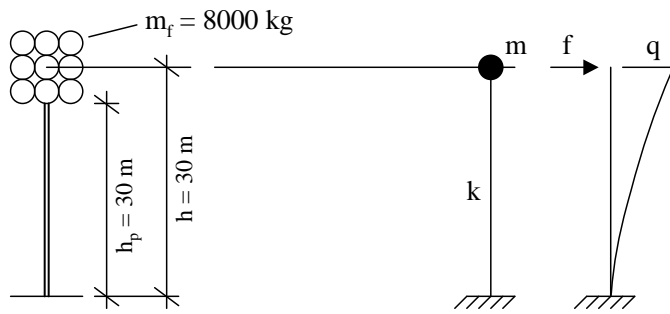
$T_0 = 1 / n_0 = 2\pi / \omega_0$ = fundamental period

Indicatively:

$n_0 < 1 \text{ Hz } (T_0 > 1 \text{ s})$ - Dynamically flexible structure

$n_0 > 1 \text{ Hz } (T_0 < 1 \text{ s})$ - Dynamically rigid structure

Example: Arc lamp



$$E = 2.100.000 \text{ kgf/cm}^2 = 0.21 \times 10^{12} \text{ N/m}^2$$

$$J = 9.027 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^4$$

$$A = 0.0252 \text{ m}^2$$

$$k = \frac{f}{q} = \frac{f}{\frac{f h^3}{3EJ}} = \frac{3EJ}{h^3} = 21063 \text{ N/m}$$

$$\text{Mass of the pole } m_p = 0.0252 \times 27 \times 7850 = 5343 \text{ kg}$$

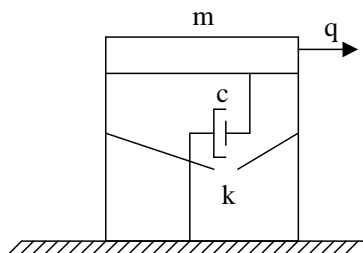
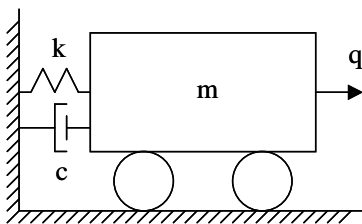
$$\text{It is assumed } m = m_f + m_p / 2 = 10671 \text{ kg}$$

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{21063}{10671}} = 1.405 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$n_0 = \omega_0 / 2\pi = 0.223 \text{ Hz}$$

$$T_0 = 1/n_0 = 4.47 \text{ s}$$

Damped free vibrations



$$\text{2nd Newton law} \quad F(t) = ma(t) ; \quad a(t) = \ddot{q}(t)$$

$$F(t) = -kq(t) - c\dot{q}(t) ; \quad -c\dot{q}(t) = \text{damping viscous force}$$

$$\boxed{m\ddot{q}(t) + c\dot{q}(t) + kq(t) = 0} \Rightarrow (\text{dividing both members by } m)$$

$$\ddot{q}(t) + \frac{c}{m}\dot{q}(t) + \frac{k}{m}q(t) = 0 \quad \frac{k}{m} = \omega_0^2$$

$$\frac{c}{m} = \frac{c \cdot 2\sqrt{k}}{\sqrt{m} \sqrt{m} \cdot 2\sqrt{k}} = 2 \underbrace{\frac{c}{2\sqrt{km}}}_{\xi} \underbrace{\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}}_{\omega_0}$$

Damping ratio or damping coefficient

$$\xi = \frac{c}{2\sqrt{km}}$$

$$\begin{cases} \ddot{q}(t) + 2\xi\omega_0\dot{q}(t) + \omega_0^2 q(t) = 0 \\ q(0) = q_0 ; \dot{q}(0) = \dot{q}_0 \end{cases}$$

This equation admits three distinct solutions depending on whether $\xi < 1$, $\xi > 1$, $\xi = 1$. In structural engineering not only $\xi < 1$ but, even more $\xi \ll 1$. A structure with $\xi < 1$ is said “under-damped”. In this case the solution of the above equation is given by:

$$q(t) = e^{-\xi\omega_0 t} \left(a_1 \cos \omega_0 \sqrt{1-\xi^2} t + a_2 \sin \omega_0 \sqrt{1-\xi^2} t \right)$$

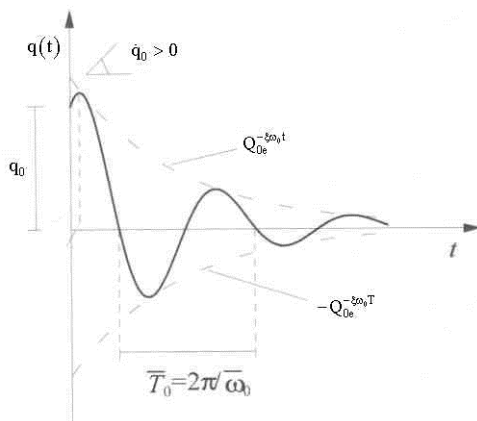
where a_1 and a_2 are constants depending on the initial conditions:

$$a_1 = q_0 ; \quad a_2 = \frac{\dot{q}_0 + \xi \omega_0 q_0}{\omega_0 \sqrt{1-\xi^2}}$$

Eq. (2) may be rewritten as:

$$q(t) = Q_0 e^{-\xi\omega_0 t} \cos \left(\omega_0 \sqrt{1-\xi^2} t + \phi \right) \quad (3)$$

$$Q_0 = \sqrt{q_0^2 + \left(\frac{\dot{q}_0 + \xi \omega_0 q_0}{\omega_0 \sqrt{1-\xi^2}} \right)^2} ; \quad \phi = -\arctg \left(\frac{\dot{q}_0 + \xi \omega_0 q_0}{\omega_0 q_0 \sqrt{1-\xi^2}} \right)$$



$$\bar{\omega}_0 = \omega_0 \sqrt{1-\xi^2}$$

Remarks

1. $q(t)$ defines a damped vibratory motion for which the relative maximum and minimum values occur every $T = 2\pi / \omega_0 \sqrt{1-\xi^2} \approx 2\pi / \omega_0$; they lie on the symmetric curves $\pm Q_0 e^{-\xi\omega_0 t}$.
2. The absolute values of the relative maxima and minima correspond to a series with rate $e^{-\xi\omega_0 t}$; the logarithmic decrement is defined as:

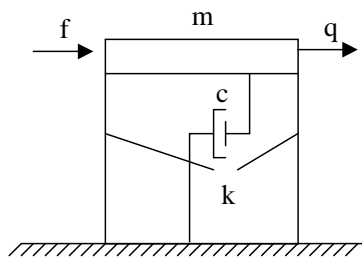
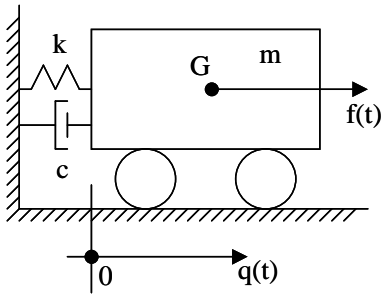
$$\delta = \ln \left[\frac{Q_0 e^{-\xi\omega_0 t}}{Q_0 e^{-\xi\omega_0(t+T)}} \right] \Rightarrow \delta = \xi\omega_0 T = \frac{2\pi\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi^2}} \approx 2\pi\xi$$

3. The vibratory motion tends to vanish on increasing the time:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} q(t) = 0$$

This tendency becomes faster on increasing the damping ratio ξ .

Forced damped vibrations



2nd Newton law $F = ma$; $a = \ddot{q}$

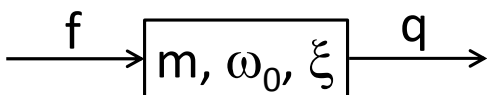
$F = -kq - c\dot{q} + f$; $f = f(t)$ = external force; $q = q(t)$.

$$m\ddot{q}(t) + c\dot{q}(t) + kq(t) = f(t) \Rightarrow \text{(dividing both members by } m)$$

$$\ddot{q}(t) + \frac{c}{m}\dot{q}(t) + \frac{k}{m}q(t) = \frac{f}{m}(t) \Rightarrow$$

$$\boxed{\ddot{q}(t) + 2\xi\omega_0\dot{q}(t) + \omega_0^2 q(t) = \frac{1}{m} f(t)}$$

$$q(0) = q_0 ; \dot{q}(0) = \dot{q}_0$$



Dynamics, quasi-statics and statics

$$\boxed{m\ddot{q}(t) + c\dot{q}(t) + kq(t) = f(t)} \quad \text{Equation of dynamics}$$

Assuming that $q(t)$ varies slowly with time: $\dot{q}(t) \approx \ddot{q}(t) \approx 0 \Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{kq(t) = f(t)} \quad \text{Equation of quasi-statics} \quad \boxed{q(t) = \frac{f(t)}{m}}$$

Assuming that f does not depend on time: $f(t) = f \Rightarrow$

$$\boxed{kq = f} \quad \text{Equation of statics} \quad \boxed{q = \frac{f}{m}}$$

Decomposition of the equation of motion

Due to the linearity of the equation of motion its solution may be expressed as:

$$\boxed{q(t) = q'(t) + q''(t)}$$

where:

$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \ddot{q}'(t) + 2\xi\omega_0\dot{q}'(t) + \omega_0^2 q'(t) &= 0 \\ q'(0) &= q_0 ; \dot{q}'(0) = \dot{q}_0 \end{aligned}}$$

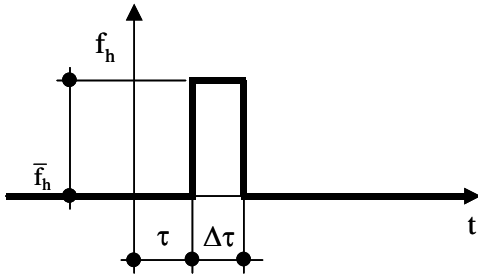
$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \ddot{q}''(t) + 2\xi\omega_0\dot{q}''(t) + \omega_0^2 q''(t) &= \frac{1}{m} f(t) \\ q''(0) &= 0 ; \dot{q}''(0) = 0 \end{aligned}}$$

The first equation defines the problem of the free vibrations with an initial perturbation. The second equation defines the problem of the forced vibrations without an initial perturbation.

Since $q'(t)$ tends to zero on increasing the time, sufficiently far from $t = 0$ $q(t) = q''(t)$.

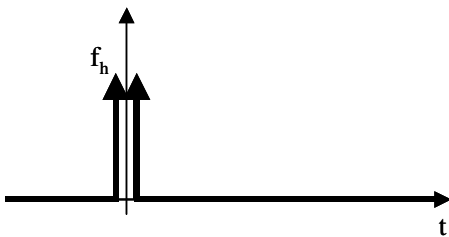
TIME-DOMAIN ANALYSIS

Impulsive force



$$f_h(t) = \begin{cases} \bar{f}_h & \text{per } \tau < t < \tau + \Delta\tau \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}; \text{ Impulse: } I = \bar{f}_h \Delta\tau.$$

Elementary impulsive force: $\tau = 0, \Delta\tau \rightarrow 0, I = 1 (\bar{f}_h \rightarrow \infty)$.



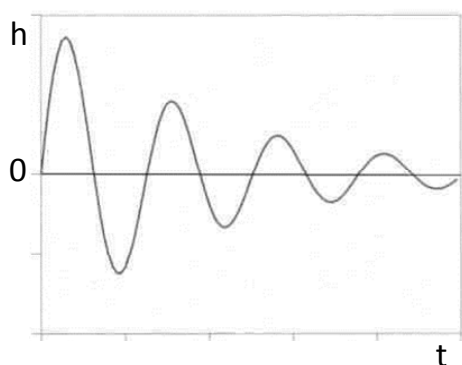
$$f_h(t) = \delta(t) = \text{Dirac function}$$

$$\begin{cases} \delta(t-a) = 0 & \text{per } t \neq a \\ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varepsilon(t) \delta(t-a) dt = \varepsilon(a) \end{cases}$$

Dynamic response to an elementary impulsive force:

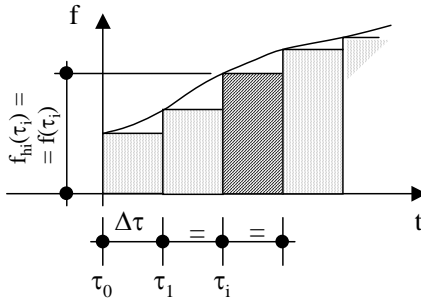
Impulse response function

$$h(t) = e^{-\xi\omega_0 t} \frac{1}{m\omega_0\sqrt{1-\xi^2}} \sin \omega_0\sqrt{1-\xi^2} t$$



Impulsive force method

A generic force $f(t)$ may be approximated by a superposition of a series of suitable impulsive forces $f_{hi}(t)$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots$): $f(t) \cong \sum_0^i f_{hi}(t)$.



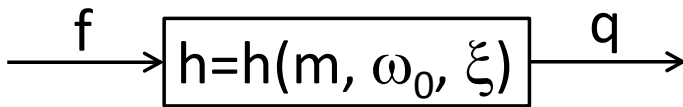
Therefore, the response $q(t)$ can be expressed as the superposition of the responses $q_i(t)$ to each impulsive component force $f_{hi}(t)$: $q(t) \cong \sum_0^i q_i(t)$, where $q_i(t) = I_i h(t - \tau_i)$.

At the limit for $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$:

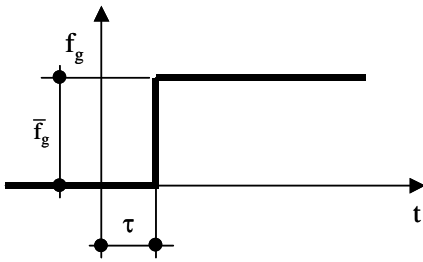
Duhamel integral of the first type

$$q(t) = \int_0^t f(\tau) h(t - \tau) d\tau$$

This equation represents the convolution integral of $f(t)$ and $h(t)$: $q(t) = f(t) * h(t)$

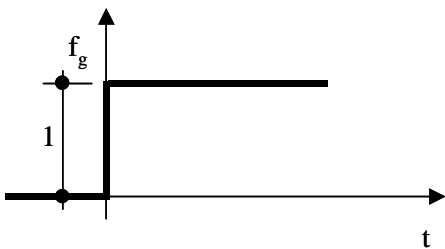


Step force



$$f_g(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } t < \tau \\ \bar{f}_g & \text{for } t > \tau \end{cases}$$

Elementary step force: $\tau = 0$, $\bar{f}_g = 1$.



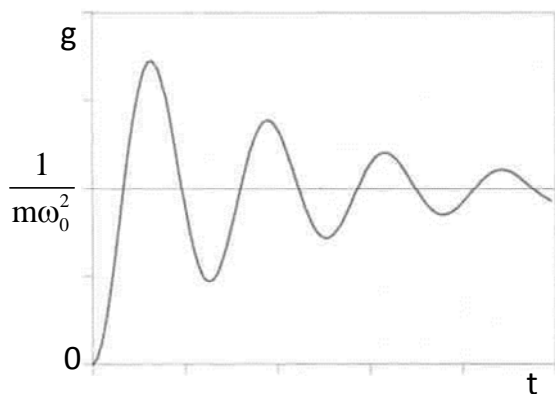
$$f_g(t) = \mathbf{1}(t) = \text{Heaviside function}$$

$$\mathbf{1}(t-a) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } t < a \\ 1 & \text{for } t \geq a \end{cases}$$

Dynamic response to an elementary step force:

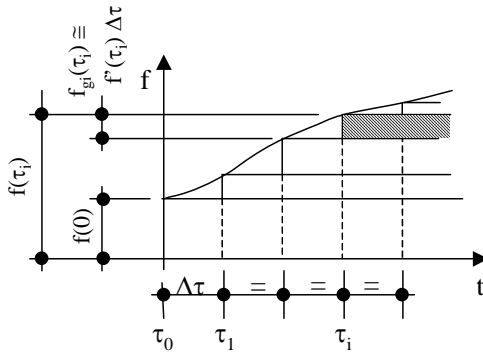
Step response function

$$g(t) = \frac{1}{m\omega_0^2} \left[1 - e^{-\xi\omega_0 t} \left(\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi^2}} \sin \omega_0 \sqrt{1-\xi^2} t + a_2 \cos \omega_0 \sqrt{1-\xi^2} t \right) \right]$$



Step force method

A generic force $f(t)$ may be approximated by a superposition of a series of suitable step forces $f_{gi}(t)$ ($i = 1, 2, \dots$): $f(t) \cong \sum_0 f_{gi}(t)$.



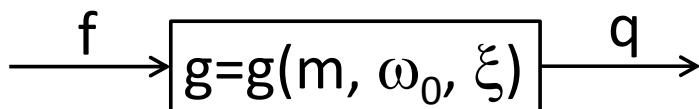
Therefore, the response $q(t)$ can be expressed as the superposition of the responses $q_i(t)$ to each step component force $f_{gi}(t)$: $q(t) \cong \sum_0 q_i(t)$, dove $q_i(t) = \bar{f}_{gi}(\tau_i) g(t - \tau_i) \Rightarrow$

At the limit for $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$:

Duhamel integral of the second type

$$q(t) = f(0)g(t) + \int_0^t f'(\tau) g(t - \tau) d\tau$$

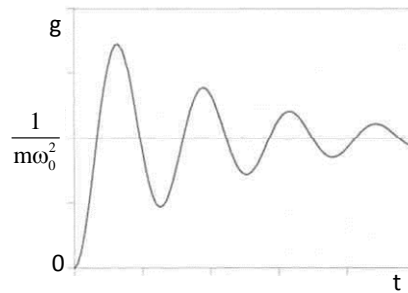
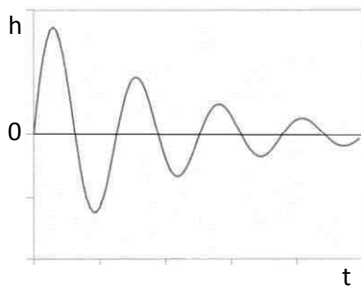
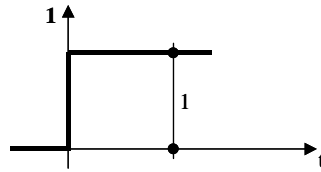
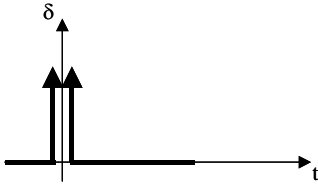
Therefore: $q(t) = f(0) \cdot g(t) + f'(t) * g(t)$.



Summary

$$\ddot{h}(t) + 2\xi\omega_0\dot{h}(t) + \omega_0^2 h(t) = \frac{1}{m}\delta(t)$$

$$\ddot{g}(t) + 2\xi\omega_0\dot{g}(t) + \omega_0^2 g(t) = \frac{1}{m}\mathbf{1}(t)$$



$$h(t) = e^{-\xi\omega_0 t} \frac{1}{m\omega_0\sqrt{1-\xi^2}} \sin \omega_0\sqrt{1-\xi^2} t$$

$$g(t) = \frac{1}{m\omega_0^2} \left[1 - e^{-\xi\omega_0 t} \left(\frac{\xi}{\sqrt{1-\xi^2}} \sin \omega_0\sqrt{1-\xi^2} t + a_2 \cos \omega_0\sqrt{1-\xi^2} t \right) \right]$$

Duhamel's integrals:

$$q(t) = \int_0^t f(\tau) h(t-\tau) d\tau$$

$$q(t) = f(0)g(t) + \int_0^t f'(\tau) g(t-\tau) d\tau$$

$$\delta(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \mathbf{1}(t)$$

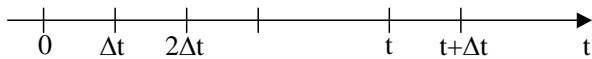
$$h(t) = \frac{d}{dt} g(t)$$

Numerical integration

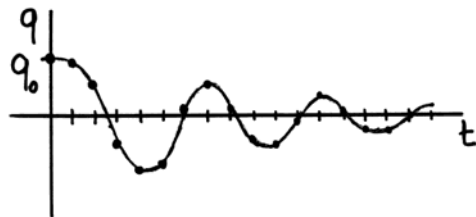
$$\ddot{q}(t) + 2\xi\omega_0\dot{q}(t) + \omega_0^2q(t) = \frac{1}{m}f(t)$$

$$q(0) = q_0 ; \dot{q}(0) = \dot{q}_0$$

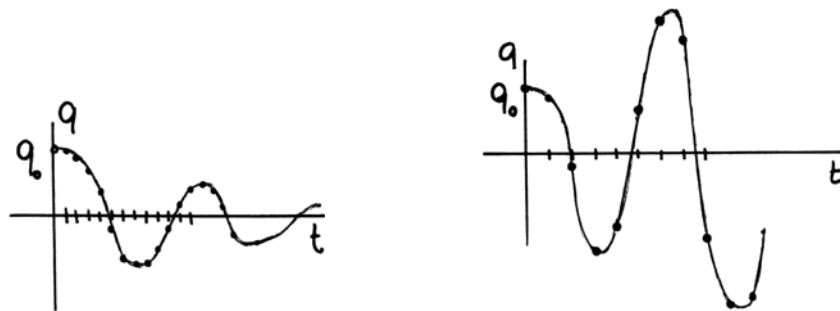
- Instead of solving the equation of motion at any time t , it is satisfied at discrete time intervals Δt . So, the dynamic balance is imposed in a finite number of points along the time axis.
- The solution is searched by recursive algorithms. Knowing the solution at times $0, \Delta t, 2\Delta t, \dots, t$, the algorithm provides the solution at time $t + \Delta t$.



- An explicit integration method is a method formulated by imposing the dynamic balance at time t . An implicit integration method is a method formulated by imposing the dynamic balance at time $t + \Delta t$.
- The accuracy, the stability and the burdensome of the algorithm depend on the choice of the time interval Δt and by the way in which q, \dot{q}, \ddot{q} are assumed to vary within Δt .
- A numerical integration method is defined as unconditionally stable if the solution to any initial condition does not increase without limits on increasing t , for any choice of Δt .



- A numerical integration method is said conditionally stable if the above condition holds for $\Delta t < \Delta t_{\text{critico}}$, where $\Delta t_{\text{critico}}$ is a stability limit.



Well-known methods for the numerical integration of the equation of motion are:

- Finite difference method
- Houbolt method
- Wilson “9” method
- Newmark “β” method

FREQUENCY-DOMAIN ANALYSIS

Elementary harmonic force

A harmonic force $f(t)$ is defined as elementary when it has a unit amplitude. This condition is satisfied by the real expression $f(t) = \sin \omega t$ and by the complex expression $f(t) = e^{i\omega t}$:

$$f(t) = e^{i\omega t} = \cos \omega t + i \sin \omega t$$

$$\Rightarrow |e^{i\omega t}| = \sqrt{(\sin \omega t + i \cos \omega t)(\sin \omega t - i \cos \omega t)} = \sqrt{\sin^2 \omega t + \cos^2 \omega t} = 1$$

Dynamic response to a elementary harmonic force

$$\begin{aligned} \ddot{q}(t) + 2\xi\omega_0\dot{q}(t) + \omega_0^2 q(t) &= \frac{1}{m} f(t) = \frac{1}{m} e^{i\omega t} = \frac{1}{m} (\cos \omega t + i \sin \omega t) \\ q(0) &= q_0 ; \dot{q}(0) = \dot{q}_0 \end{aligned}$$

$$q(t) = q'(t) + q''(t)$$

After a sufficiently long time $q'(t) \approx 0$ and $q(t) \approx q''(t)$. It follows that:

$$q(t) = H(\omega) e^{i\omega t}$$

where $H(\omega)$ is the complex frequency response function:

$$H(\omega) = \frac{1}{m\omega_0^2} \frac{1}{1 - \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_0^2} + 2i\xi \frac{\omega}{\omega_0}}$$

$$H(\omega) = R(\omega) + i I(\omega)$$

$$H(\omega) = |H(\omega)| e^{i\psi(\omega)}$$

$$R(\omega) = \frac{1}{m\omega_0^2} \frac{1 - \omega^2 / \omega_0^2}{(1 - \omega^2 / \omega_0^2)^2 + 4\xi^2 \omega^2 / \omega_0^2} ; I(\omega) = \frac{1}{m\omega_0^2} \frac{-2\xi \omega / \omega_0}{(1 - \omega^2 / \omega_0^2)^2 + 4\xi^2 \omega^2 / \omega_0^2}$$

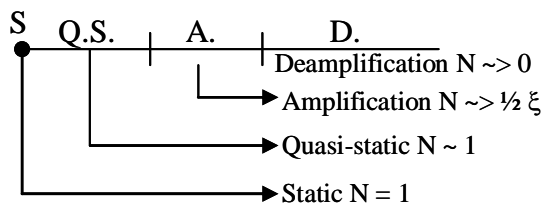
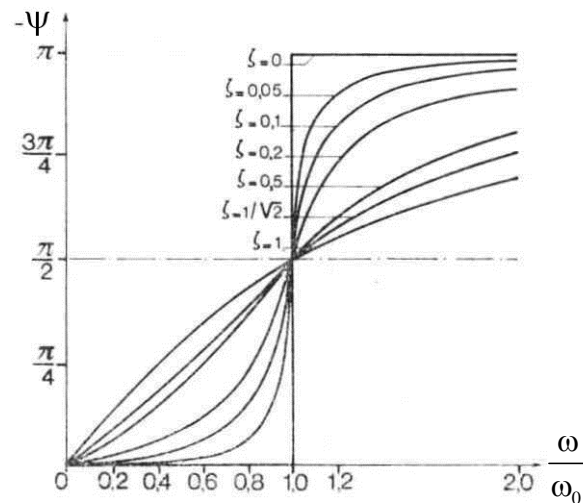
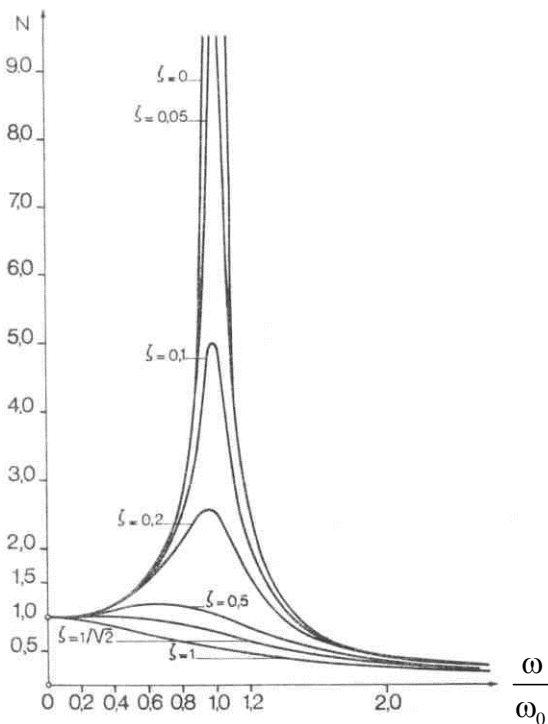
$$|H(\omega)| = \frac{1}{m\omega_0^2} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1 - \omega^2 / \omega_0^2)^2 + 4\xi^2 \omega^2 / \omega_0^2}} ; \psi(\omega) = \arctg\left(-\frac{2\xi \omega / \omega_0}{1 - \omega^2 / \omega_0^2}\right)$$

The magnification factor $N(\omega)$ is defined as the ratio between the amplitude $|H(\omega)|$ of the dynamic response and the amplitude $H(0) = 1/m\omega_0^2 = 1/k$ of the static response:

$$N(\omega) = \frac{|H(\omega)|}{H(0)} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_0^2}\right)^2 + 4\xi^2 \frac{\omega^2}{\omega_0^2}}}$$

In conclusion: $q(t) = N(\omega) \frac{1}{m\omega_0^2} e^{i\omega t} e^{i\psi(\omega)}$

Labels in the diagram:
 - $N(\omega)$: dynamic magnification of response amplitude
 - $\frac{1}{m\omega_0^2}$: static response
 - $e^{i\omega t}$: force
 - $e^{i\psi(\omega)}$: dynamic phase delay



Periodic force

A function $f(t)$ is defined as periodic with period T when $f(t) = f(t + T)$ for $\forall t \in \mathbf{R}$, with $T > 0$. The period, is the minimum value of T for which above condition is satisfied.

Under general conditions, a periodic function $f(t)$ can be expanded in the following Fourier series:

$$f(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (a_k \cos \omega_k t + b_k \sin \omega_k t)$$

$$a_k = \frac{2}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} f(t) \cos \omega_k t dt \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

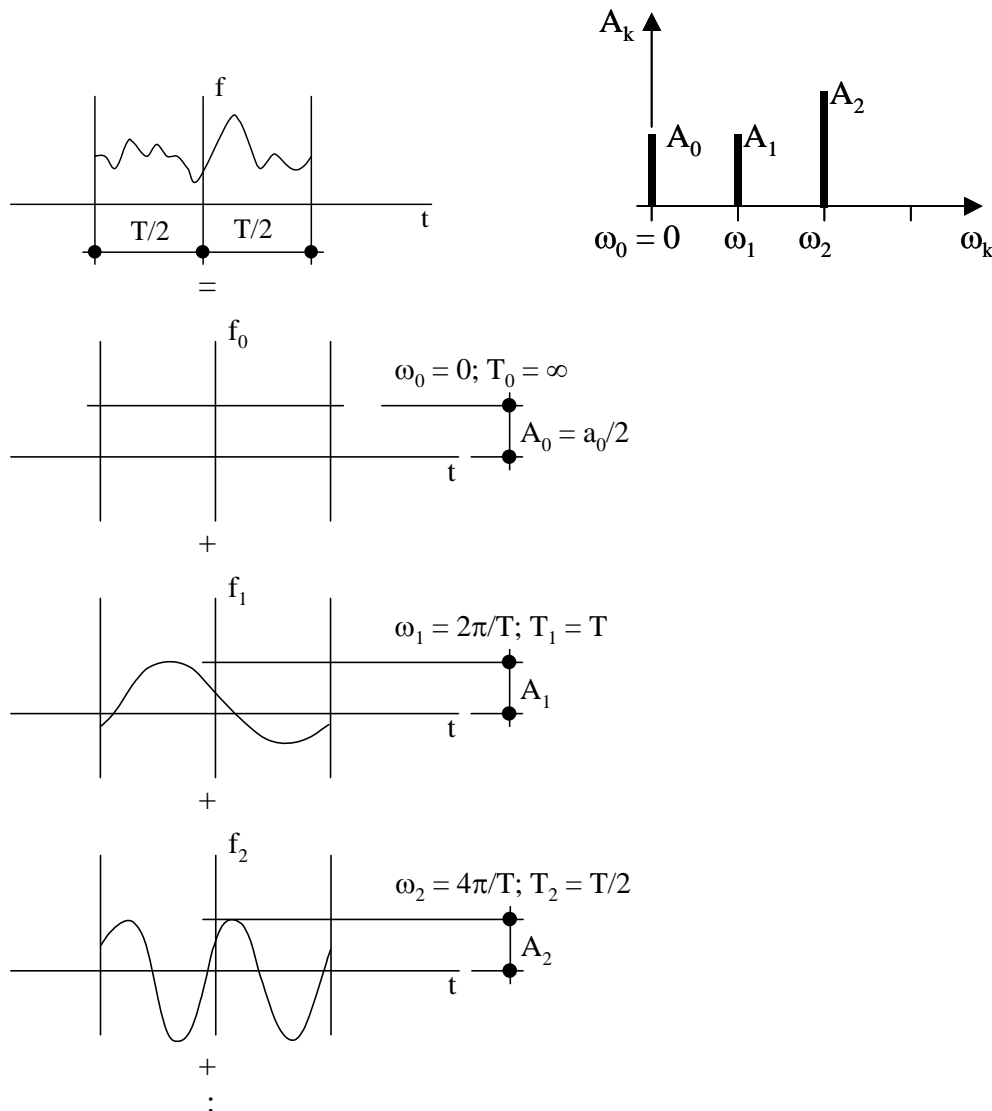
$$b_k = \frac{2}{T} \int_{-T/2}^{T/2} f(t) \sin \omega_k t dt \quad k = 1, 2, \dots$$

$$\omega_k = k \frac{2\pi}{T} \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

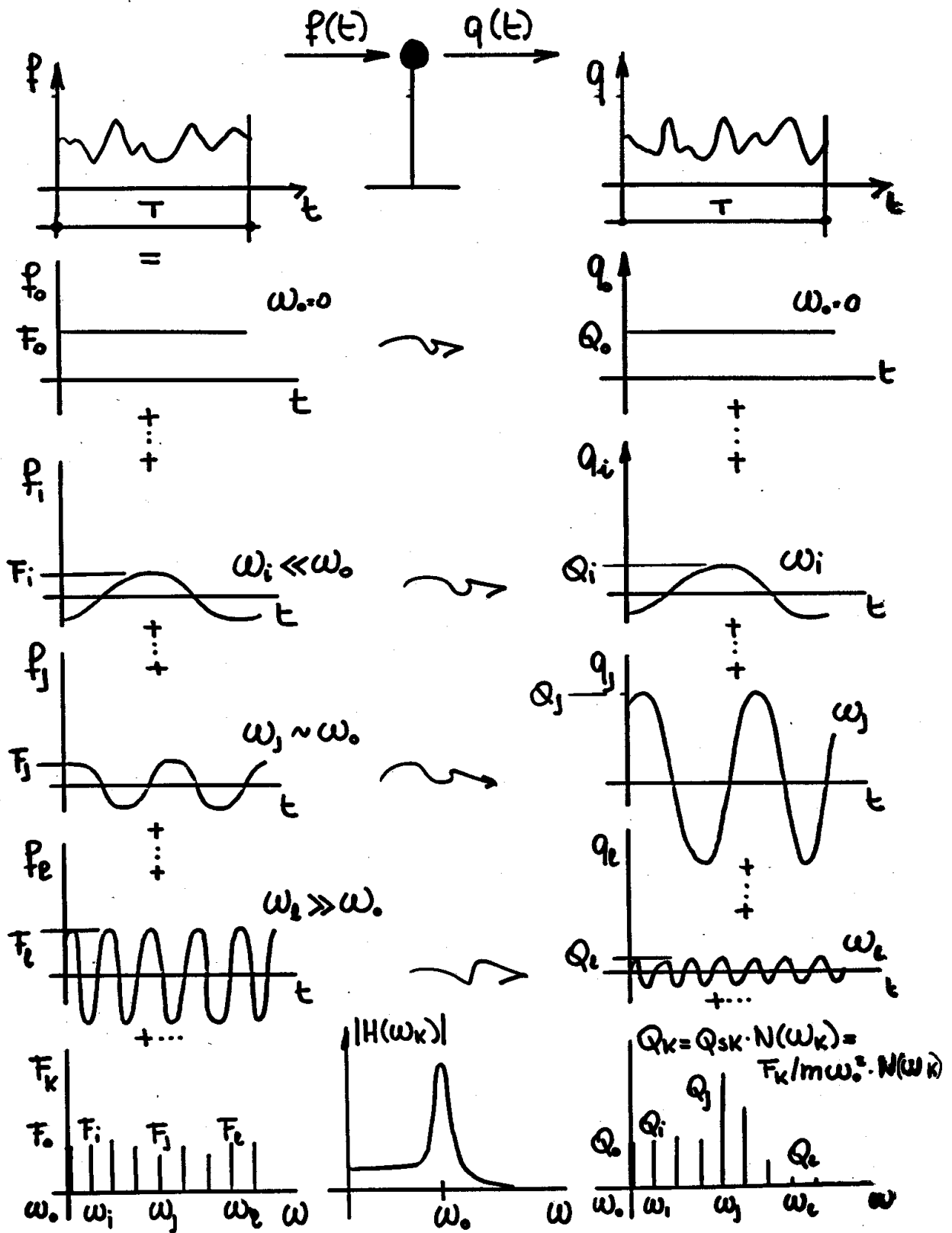
$$f(t) = \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k \sin(\omega_k t + \varphi_k)$$

$$A_k = \sqrt{a_k^2 + b_k^2}$$

$$\varphi_k = \arctan\left(\frac{a_k}{b_k}\right)$$



Dynamic response to a periodic force



Generic force

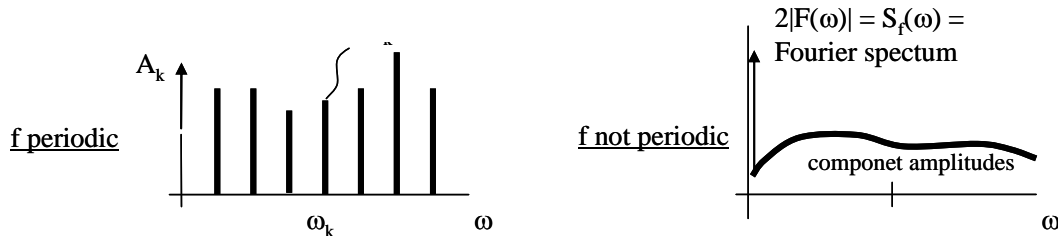
Under general conditions, a generic function $f(t)$ can be expanded in the following Fourier integral:

$$f(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(\omega) e^{i\omega t} d\omega$$

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$F(\omega)$ is a complex function called Fourier transform; $f(t)$ is consequently called inverse Fourier transform. The uniqueness of a Fourier couple, $f(t)$ and $F(\omega)$, is demonstrated under general conditions. $F(\omega)$ exists provided that:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |f(t)| dt \text{ is finite.}$$



Dynamic response to a generic force

$$\ddot{q}(t) + 2\xi\omega_0\dot{q}(t) + \omega_0^2 q(t) = \frac{1}{m} f(t)$$

The steady-state response $q(t)$ to a generic force $f(t)$ can be expressed as the integral of the elementary component responses to the elementary component harmonic forces:

$$f(t) = e^{i\omega t} \Rightarrow q(t) = H(\omega) e^{i\omega t}$$

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Moreover, using the definition of Fourier transform and inverse Fourier response of the response:

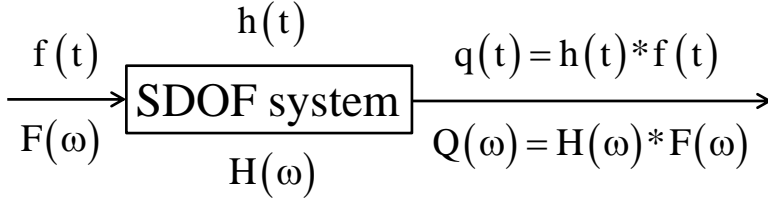
$$q(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Q(\omega) e^{i\omega t} d\omega$$

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Comparing the above equations:

$$\boxed{Q(\omega) = H(\omega) F(\omega)}$$

Summarising, the frequency domain analysis consists of 4 steps:



- (1) Starting from $f(t)$ its Fourier transform is calculated $F(\omega) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(t) e^{-i\omega t} dt$;
- (2) The structural system is characterised by its complex frequency response function:

$$H(\omega) = \frac{1}{m \omega_o^2} \frac{1}{\left(1 - \omega^2 / \omega_o^2\right) + 2i\xi\omega / \omega_o}$$
;
- (3) The Fourier transform of $q(t)$ is determined: $Q(\omega) = H(\omega) F(\omega)$;
- (4) The inverse Fourier transform of $Q(\omega)$ is calculated: $q(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} Q(\omega) e^{i\omega t} d\omega$.

It is easy to demonstrate that:

$$\boxed{|Q(\omega)| = |H(\omega)| |F(\omega)|}$$

$$S_{ff}(\omega) = 2|F(\omega)| \quad = \text{Fourier spectrum of the force} =$$

$$= \text{amplitude of the harmonic components of } f(t)$$

$$S_{fq}(\omega) = 2|Q(\omega)| \quad = \text{Fourier spectrum of the response} =$$

$$= \text{amplitude of the harmonic components of } q(t)$$

$$|H(\omega)| = N(\omega) / m\omega_o^2 \quad = \text{Ratio between the amplitudes of the harmonic components of the response and of the force}$$

$$\text{Thus: } S_{fq}(\omega) = |H(\omega)| \cdot S_{ff}(\omega)$$

