

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \omega^2 x = 0 \quad \text{Let us try the solution}$$
$$\omega^2 = \frac{k}{m} \quad x(t) = A \cos(\omega t + \delta)$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -A\omega \sin(\omega t + \delta)$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -A\omega^2 \cos(\omega t + \delta) = -\omega^2 x$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \omega^2 x = 0$$

i.e. $x(t) = A \cos(\omega t + \delta)$ is the solution

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

$$x_0 \equiv x(0) = A \cos\delta$$

$$v_0 \equiv \left. \frac{dx}{dt} \right|_{t=0} = -A\omega \sin\delta$$

$$\Rightarrow x(t) = x_0 \cos\omega t + \frac{v_0}{\omega} \sin\omega t$$

is the solution of the simple harmonic oscillator (SHO)

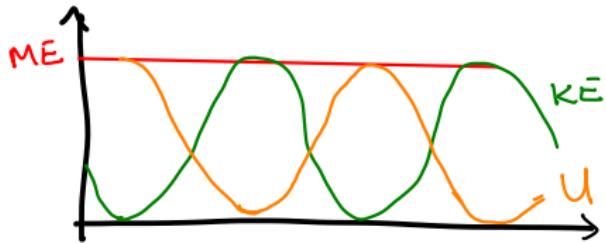
Energy of a SHO

$$x(t) = A \cos(\omega t + \delta) \Rightarrow v(t) = -A\omega \sin(\omega t + \delta)$$

$$KE = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 A^2 \sin^2(\omega t + \delta)$$

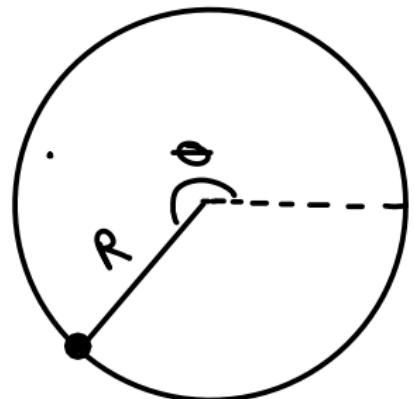
$$\begin{aligned} U &= \frac{1}{2}kx^2 = \frac{1}{2}k A^2 \cos^2(\omega t + \delta) \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(m\omega^2) A^2 \cos^2(\omega t + \delta) \end{aligned}$$

$$ME = KE + U = \frac{1}{2}m\omega^2 A^2$$



Energy oscillates between kinetic and potential energies

Relation with Uniform Circular Motion



$$\theta = \omega t + \theta_0$$

$$\vec{r}(t) = x(t)\hat{x} + y(t)\hat{y}$$

$$x(t) = R \cos \theta = R \cos(\omega t + \theta_0)$$

$$y(t) = R \sin \theta = R \cos\left(\omega t + \theta_0 - \frac{\pi}{2}\right)$$

Both x and y coordinates make SHO

Damped Oscillator

Assume that there is a drag force also

$$F_d = -bv = -b \frac{dx}{dt}$$

then

$$m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -kx - bv$$

$$\Rightarrow m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + b \frac{dx}{dt} + kx = 0$$

Damped Oscillator

$$m \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + b \frac{dx}{dt} + kx = 0$$

The soln. is $x(t) = A e^{-\gamma t} \cos(\omega t + \delta)$

where

$$\gamma = \frac{b}{2m} \quad \omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m} - \frac{b^2}{4m^2}}$$

Note: Frequency is smaller

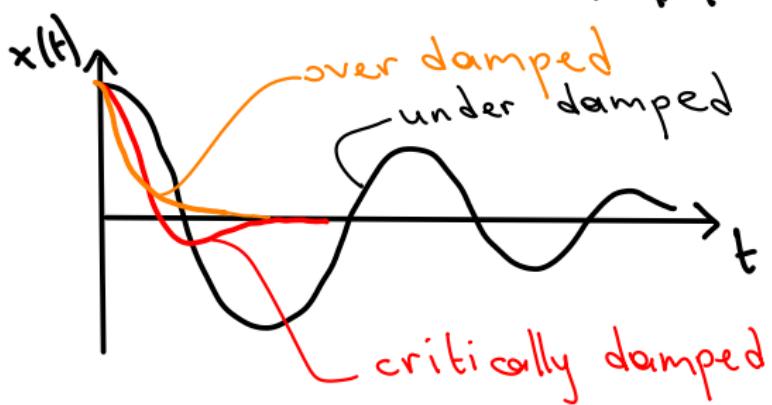
$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m} - \frac{b^2}{4m^2}}$$

Cases:

$b < \sqrt{4km}$: under damped

$b = \sqrt{4km}$: critically damped

$b > \sqrt{4km}$: over damped



Energy of the Damped Oscillator

$$U = \frac{1}{2} k x^2 = \frac{1}{2} k A^2 e^{-2\gamma t} \cos^2(\omega t + \delta)$$

$$KE = \frac{1}{2} m \left(\frac{dx}{dt} \right)^2 = \frac{1}{2} m A^2 e^{-2\gamma t} \left[\gamma \cos(\omega t + \delta) + \omega \sin(\omega t + \delta) \right]^2$$

If damping is small ($\gamma \ll \omega$)

$$KE \approx \frac{1}{2} m A^2 e^{-2\gamma t} \omega^2 \sin^2(\omega t + \delta)$$

$$m\omega^2 \approx k$$

$$ME \approx \frac{1}{2} k A^2 e^{-2\gamma t}$$