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Oscillations - any back-and-forth behavior.

- Voltage in AC
- Current in AC
- Magnetic Field in coil w/ AC

- Spring oscillator (Simple Harmonic Osc)
- Pendulum
- String under tension is an oscillator formed from waves
- Air molecule in sound wave
- Ear drum

All Oscillations have timing related quantities.

- Frequency (f) in hertz (Hz)
- Period (T) in seconds (s)
- Angular Freq (ω) in radians per second (s^{-1})

$$f = \frac{1}{T}$$

$$\omega = 2\pi f$$

Ex: $f = 60 \text{ Hz}$

$$T = \frac{1}{60 \text{ Hz}} = 0.0166 \text{ s}$$

$$\omega = 2\pi f = 377 \text{ s}^{-1}$$

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Every osc has a quantity that varies,

The Amplitude is how far it varies from the Equilibrium.

What causes oscillations?

- Restoring Force
- Momentum or Inertia

Mass on a Spring (Lab 9)

$$F_s = -kx = ma \quad a = -\frac{k}{m}x$$

If x is \oplus , a is \ominus , pulling the mass back to the middle.

If x is 0 , a is 0 , allowing the mass to keep going.

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

Bigger = slower

$$2\pi f = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

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Pendulum

For small amplitudes, the restoring force is approx proportional to the angle.

$$\tau \propto \theta$$

Spring $F_s \propto x$

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{g}{L}}$$

Bigger = slower



Ex: want a period of 1.0 s.

$$f = \frac{1}{T} = 1.0 \text{ Hz}$$

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{g}{L}} \quad 2\pi f = \sqrt{\frac{g}{L}}$$

$$(2\pi f)^2 = \frac{g}{L}$$

$$L = \frac{g}{(2\pi f)^2} = \frac{9.81}{4\pi^2}$$

$$= 0.248 \text{ m}$$

$$= 24.8 \text{ cm}$$

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Energy in Oscillations

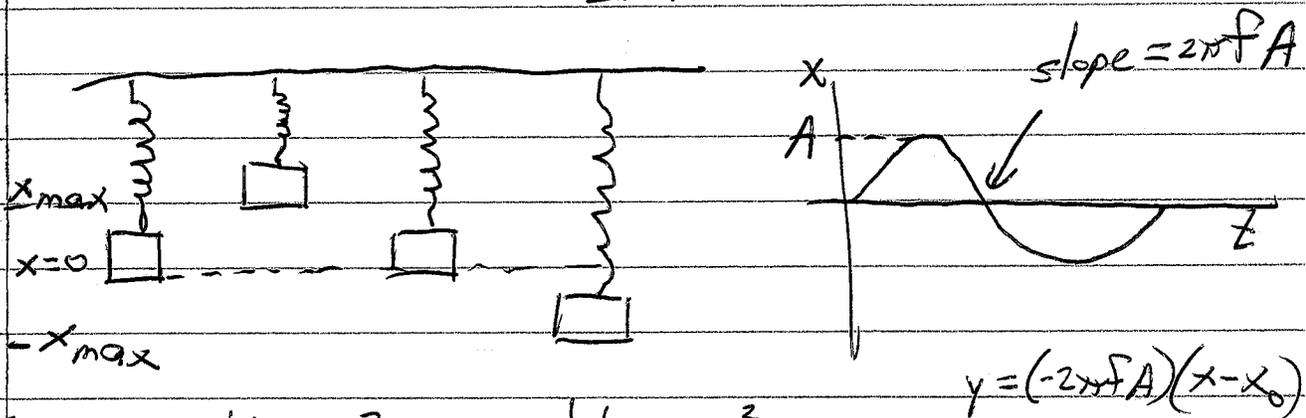
The energy of an oscillator is constant.

Spring Energy: $PE = \frac{1}{2} k x^2$

$$KE = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$

$$\text{Total} = PE + KE = \text{const}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} k x^2 + \frac{1}{2} m v^2 = \text{const}$$



PE	0	$\frac{1}{2} k x_{\max}^2$	0	$\frac{1}{2} k x_{\max}^2$
KE	$\frac{1}{2} m v_{\max}^2$	0	$\frac{1}{2} m v_{\max}^2$	0

$$\text{Total} = \frac{1}{2} k x_{\max}^2 = \frac{1}{2} m v_{\max}^2$$

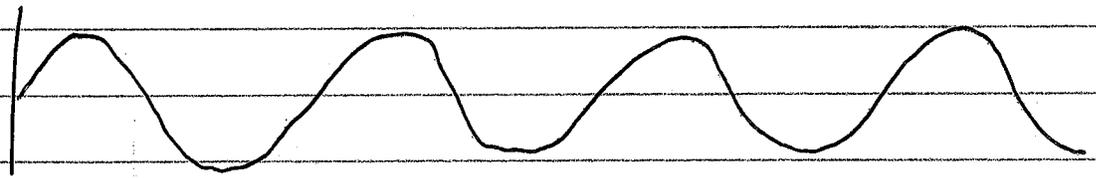
$$v_{\max}^2 = \frac{k}{m} x_{\max}^2$$

$$v_{\max} = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} x_{\max} = 2\pi f x_{\max}$$

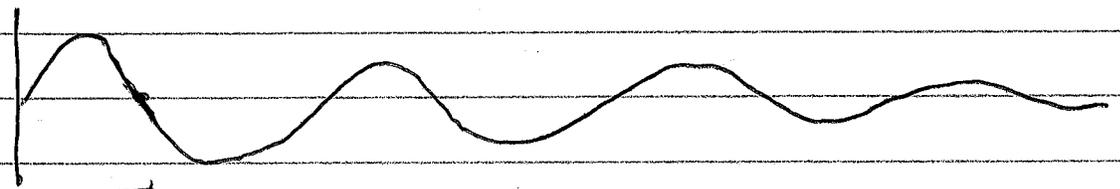
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Damped Oscillations

Undamped: Amplitude = const

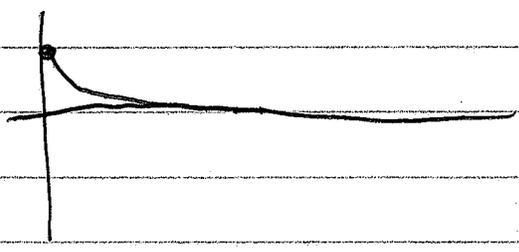


Damped: Decreasing Amplitude



This means energy is going away.

Overdamped: Amplitude decreases even before the "overshoot".



Looks exponential.