

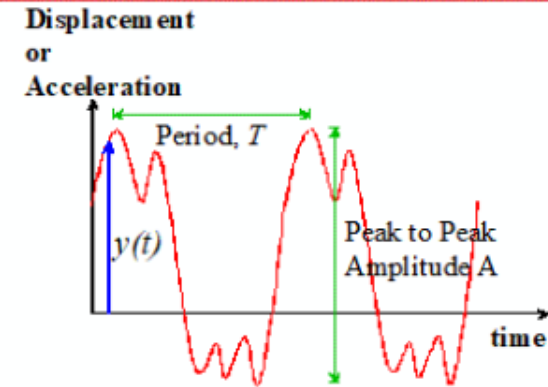
## Free vibrations – concept checklist

1. Understand simple harmonic motion (amplitude, period, frequency, phase)
2. Understand the motion of a vibrating spring-mass system (and how the motion is predicted)
3. Calculate natural frequency of a 1 degree of freedom linear system (Derive EOM and use the solutions given on the handout)
4. Calculate the amplitude and phase of an undamped 1 DOF linear system from the initial conditions
5. Understand the concept of natural frequencies and mode shapes for vibration of a general undamped linear system
6. Use energy methods to derive an EOM
7. Use Taylor series to calculate natural frequencies for a nonlinear system
8. Understand forces exerted by a dashpot
9. How to combine springs and dashpots in series and parallel
10. Derive EOM for a damped spring-mass system
11. Be able to calculate natural frequency, damping factor, and damped natural frequency for a damped linear system
12. Understand (qualitatively) the motion of a damped linear system
13. Understand 'critical damping'

# Free vibrations

## Typical vibration response

- Period, frequency, angular frequency  
amplitude



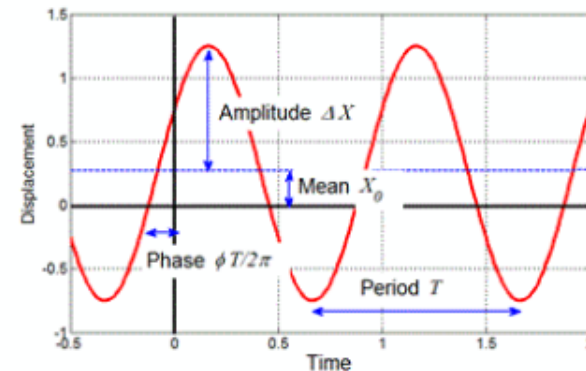
## Simple Harmonic Motion

$$x(t) = X_0 + \Delta X \sin(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$v(t) = \Delta V \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

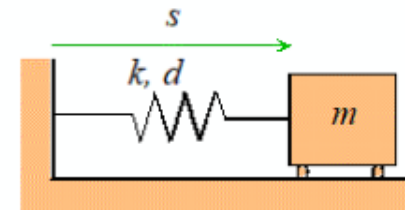
$$a(t) = -\Delta A \sin(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$\Delta V = \omega \Delta X \quad \Delta A = \omega \Delta V$$



## Free Vibration of Undamped 1DOF systems

- Free -> No time dependent external forces
- Undamped -> No energy loss
- 1 DOF -> one variable describes system



# Free vibrations

## Harmonic Oscillator

Derive EOM ( $F=ma$ )  $\frac{m}{k} \frac{d^2 s}{dt^2} + s = L_0$

Compare with 'standard' differential equation

Equation  $\frac{1}{\omega_n^2} \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + x = C$  Initial Conditions  $x = x_0 \quad \frac{dx}{dt} = v_0 \quad t = 0$

Solution  $x = C + X_0 \sin(\omega_n t + \phi)$   
 $X_0 = \sqrt{(x_0 - C)^2 + v_0^2 / \omega_n^2} \quad \phi = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{(x_0 - C)\omega_n}{v_0} \right)$

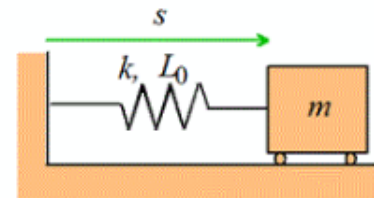
Or  $x(t) = C + (x_0 - C) \cos \omega_n t + \frac{v_0}{\omega_n} \sin \omega_n t$

Solution

$$s(t) = L_0 + \sqrt{(s_0 - L_0)^2 + v_0^2 / \omega_n^2} \sin(\omega_n t + \phi)$$

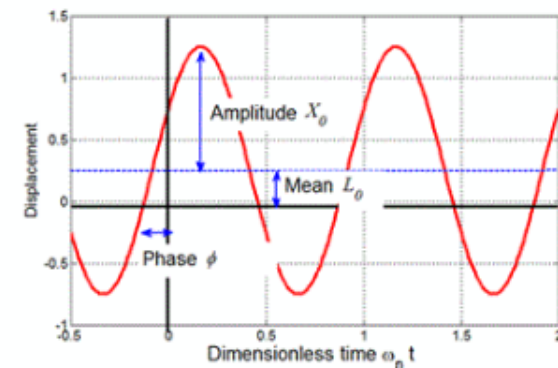
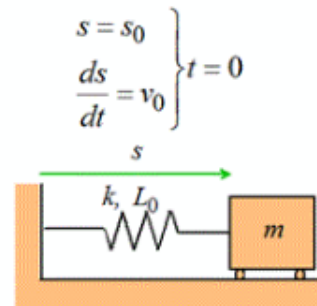
Natural Frequency  $\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$

**Canonical Vibration Problem:** The spring mass system is released with velocity  $v_0$  from position  $s_0$  at time  $t=0$ . Find  $s(t)$ .



$$x = s \quad C = L_0 \quad x_0 = s_0$$

$$\frac{1}{\omega_n^2} = \frac{m}{k}$$



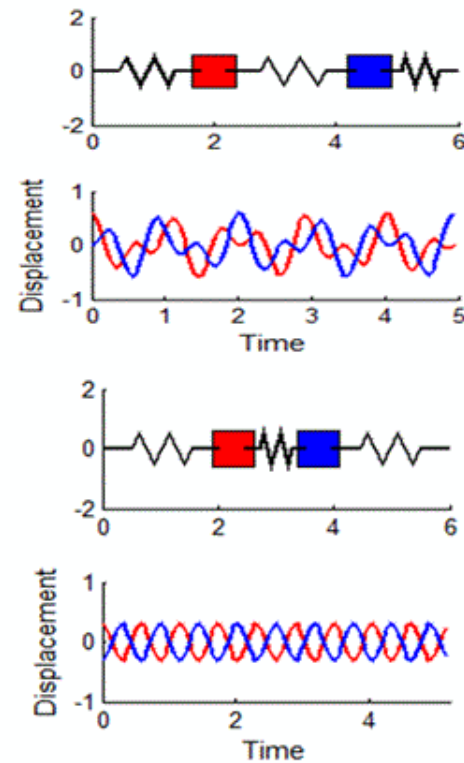
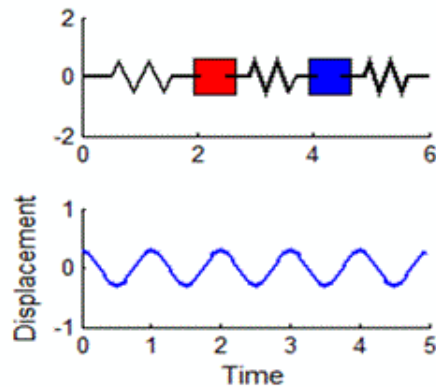
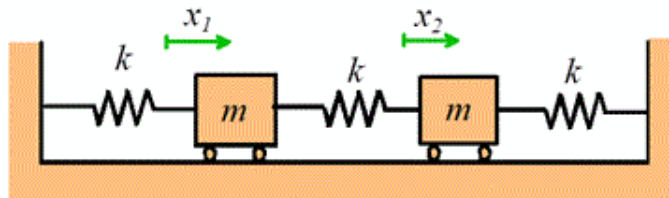
## Free vibrations

### Natural Frequencies and Mode Shapes

General system does not always vibrate harmonically

All unforced undamped systems vibrate harmonically at special frequencies, called **Natural Frequencies** of the system

The system will vibrate harmonically if it is released from rest with a special set of initial displacements, called **Mode Shapes** or **Vibration Modes**.

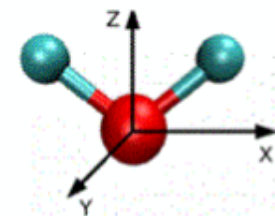


# Counting degrees of freedom and vibration modes

# DOF = no. coordinates required to describe motion

$$2D \text{ system } \# \text{ DOF} = 2 \cdot p + 3 \cdot r - c$$

$$3D \text{ system } \# \text{ DOF} = 3 \cdot p + 6 \cdot r - c$$



(d) Water molecule

# Vibration modes = # DOF - # translation/rotation rigid body modes

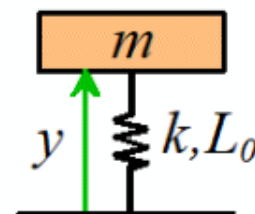
## Examples of 2D constraints

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| <p><b>Roller joint</b></p> <p>1 constraint (prevents motion in one direction)</p>                                                                                                                          |  | <p><b>Conformal contact</b> (two rigid bodies meet along a line)</p> <p>No friction or slipping: 2 constraint (prevents interpenetration and rotation)</p> <p>Sticking friction 3 constraints (prevents relative motion)</p> |  |
| <p><b>Nonconformal contact</b> (two bodies meet at a point)</p> <p>No friction or slipping: 1 constraint (prevents interpenetration)</p> <p>Sticking friction 2 constraints (prevents relative motion)</p> |  | <p><b>Pinned joint</b> (generally only applied to a rigid body, as it would stop a particle moving completely)</p> <p>2 constraints (prevents motion horizontally and vertically)</p>                                        |  |

## Calculating natural frequencies for 1DOF systems

- Use  $F=ma$  (or energy) to find the equation of motion
- For an undamped system the equation will look like

$$A \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + By = D$$



- Handout online gives solution to

$$\frac{1}{\omega_n^2} \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + x = C$$

- Rearrange your equation to look like this

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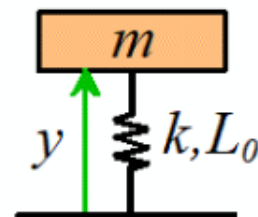
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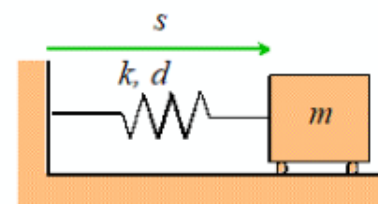
# Tricks for calculating nat freqs of undamped systems

Using energy conservation to find EOM

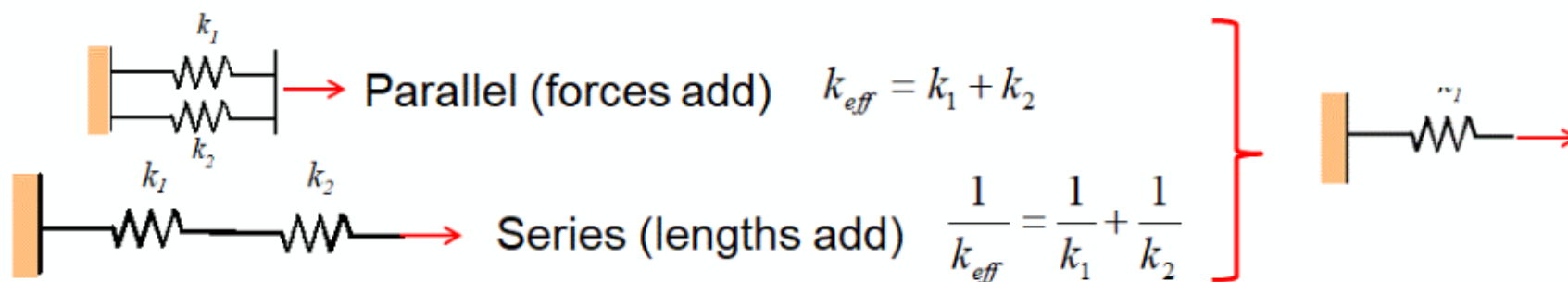
$$KE + PE = \frac{1}{2} m \left( \frac{ds}{dt} \right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} k (s - L_0)^2 = \text{const}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} (KE + PE) = m \left( \frac{ds}{dt} \right) \frac{d^2 s}{dt^2} + k (s - L_0) \frac{ds}{dt} = 0$$

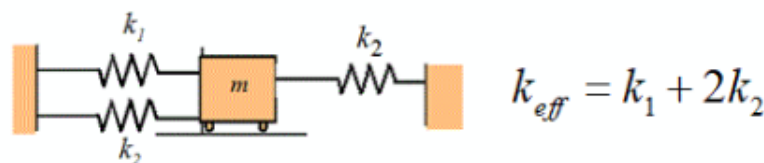
$$\Rightarrow m \frac{d^2 s}{dt^2} + ks = kL_0$$



Combining springs



These are all in parallel



## Example of solving a vibration EOM

Solve  $\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + 4y = 0$       $y = 1$       $\frac{dy}{dt} = 0$       $t = 0$

Use tabulated solutions

- This is "Case I"

Rearrange our equation

$$\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + y = 0$$

$\swarrow$   $\frac{1}{\omega_n^2}$       $\swarrow$   $x$       $\swarrow$   $C$

$$\Rightarrow \omega_n = 2 \quad C = 0$$

Initial conditions  $\Rightarrow x_0 = 1$       $v_0 = 0 \Rightarrow X_0 = 1$       $\phi = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{0}\right) = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow y(t) = \sin(2t + \pi/2) = \cos(2t)$$

### Solution to Case I (From handout)

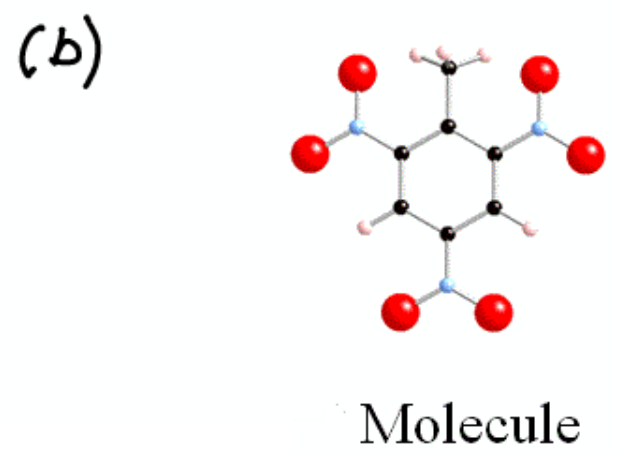
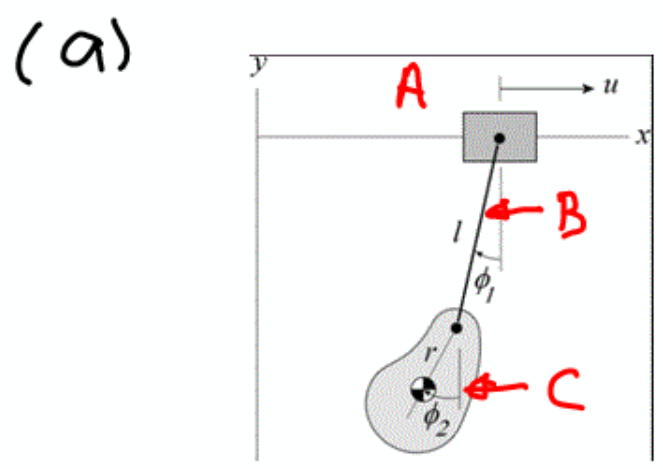
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Example: Find the number of DOF and vibration modes of the systems shown



2D Idealization of an overhead crane

(a) 2D system  $\#DOF = 2f + 3r - c$

B/c : rigid bodies      A = particle (could also assume each rigid body)

Constraints: 2 pin joints, 2 constraints (x, y prevented)  
 Rail prevents A from moving vertically - 1 constraint

page 10  $\#DOF = 2 + 6 - 5 = 3$

Check : Coord.  $\{q, \phi, \phi_2\} = 3$

(b) : Formula for molecules :  $\# \text{DOF} = 3p = 3 \times 20 = 60$   
DOF

$\# \text{Vibration modes} = \# \text{DOF} - \# \text{"rigid body modes"}$

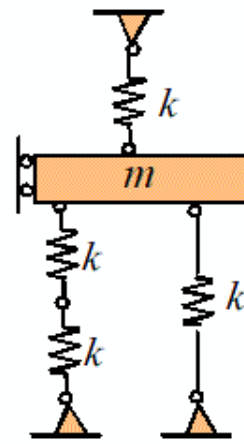
For a molecule,  $\# \text{rigid body modes} = 3 \text{ translations}$   
 $3 \text{ rotations}$

$\# \text{Vibration modes} = 3p - 6 = 54$

Example: Find the natural frequency of the system shown

Formula  $\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{k_{\text{eff}}}{m}}$

$k_{\text{eff}}$  {



Combine series springs :  $\frac{1}{k_{\text{eff}}} = \frac{1}{k} + \frac{1}{k} \Rightarrow k_{\text{eff}} = \frac{k}{2}$

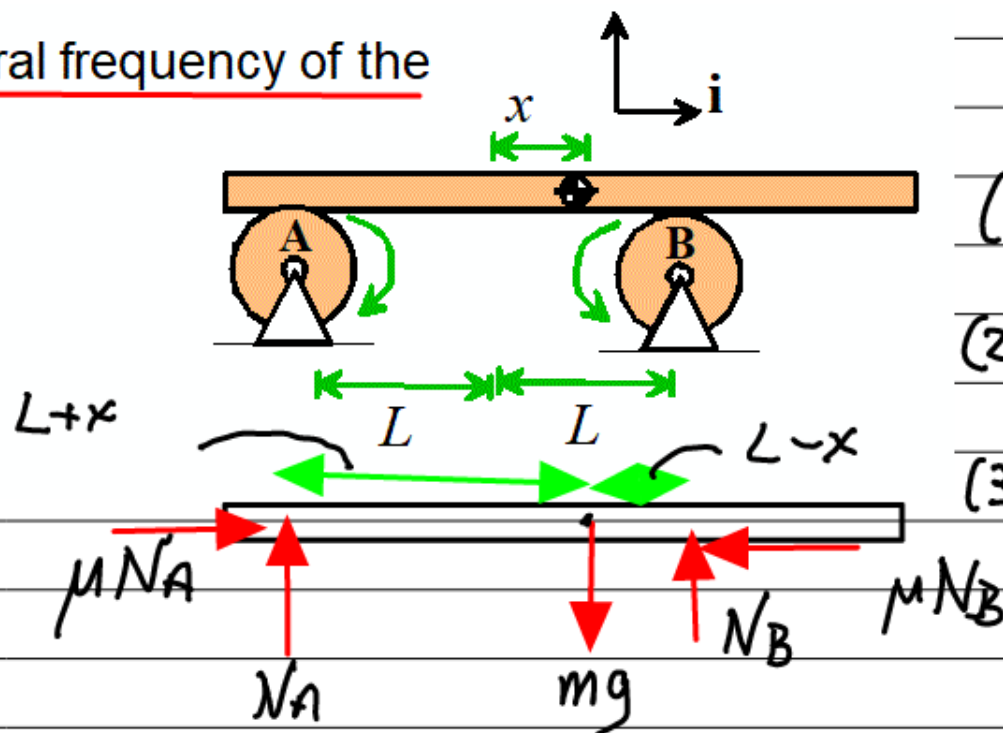
Series  $\Rightarrow$  Lengths add

Parallel  $\Rightarrow$  forces add - all others in parallel

$$k_{\text{eff}} = \frac{k}{2} + k + k = \frac{5k}{2} \Rightarrow \omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{5k}{2m}}$$

Example: Find the natural frequency of the 'friction oscillator'

Assume wheels spin fast enough to ensure slip



Approach

(1)  $F = ma$ ,  $M_c = 0$

(2) EOM

(3) Read off  $\omega_n$

$$\underline{F} = m\underline{a} \Rightarrow \mu(N_A - N_B)\underline{i} + (N_A + N_B - mg)\underline{j} = m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} \underline{i} \quad (1)$$

$$\underline{M}_c = 0 \Rightarrow [N_B(L-x) - N_A(L+x)]\underline{k} = 0 \quad (2)$$

Solve!

$$N_A + N_B = mg \quad \text{+ component of (1)}$$

$$(N_B - N_A)L - (N_A + N_B)x = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow N_B - N_A = mg x / L$$

Hence  $-\mu mg \frac{x}{L} = m \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2}$  (i component of (1))

Rearrange:  $\frac{L}{g\mu} \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + x = 0$

$1/\omega_n^2 \Rightarrow \omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{\mu g}{L}}$

Compare to "Case I" eom