

In 1934, French entomologist [Antoine Magnan](#) (1881-1938) included the following passage in the introduction to his book *Le Vol des Insectes*:
“ *Tout d'abord poussé par ce qui se fait en aviation, j'ai appliqué aux insectes les lois de la résistance de l'air, et je suis arrivé avec M. Sainte-Laguë à cette conclusion que leur vol est impossible.* ” This translates to:
“ First prompted by what is done in aviation, I applied the laws of air resistance to insects, and I arrived, with Mr. Sainte-Laguë, at this conclusion that their flight is impossible. ” Magnan refers to his assistant [André Sainte-Laguë](#), a mathematician..

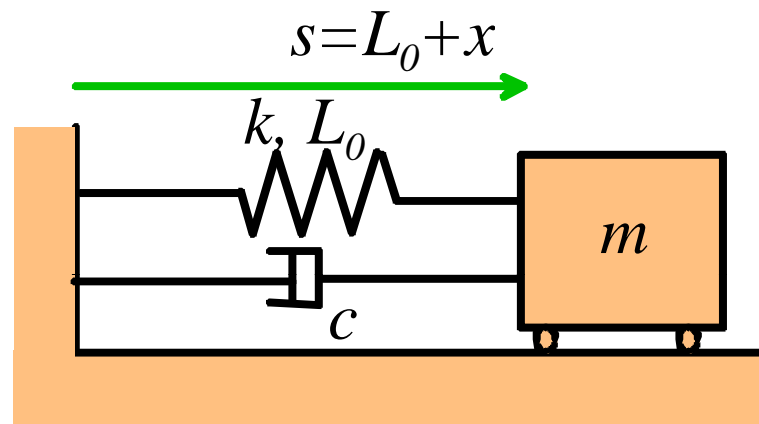


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$$\mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a} \Rightarrow \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + \frac{c}{m} \frac{dx}{dt} + \frac{k}{m} x = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} + 2\zeta\omega_n \frac{dx}{dt} + \omega_n^2 x = 0 \quad \omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad \zeta = \frac{c}{2\sqrt{km}}$$

Lecture 14: Damped Free Vibrations:
Transient response and Damping criticality

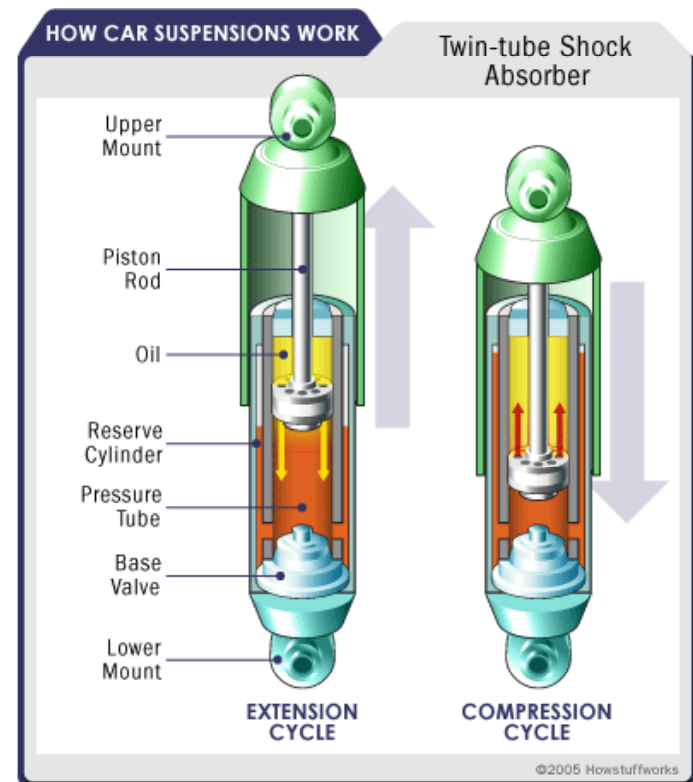
Properties of Newtonian Fluid



$$F = \mu A \frac{\dot{x}}{d}$$

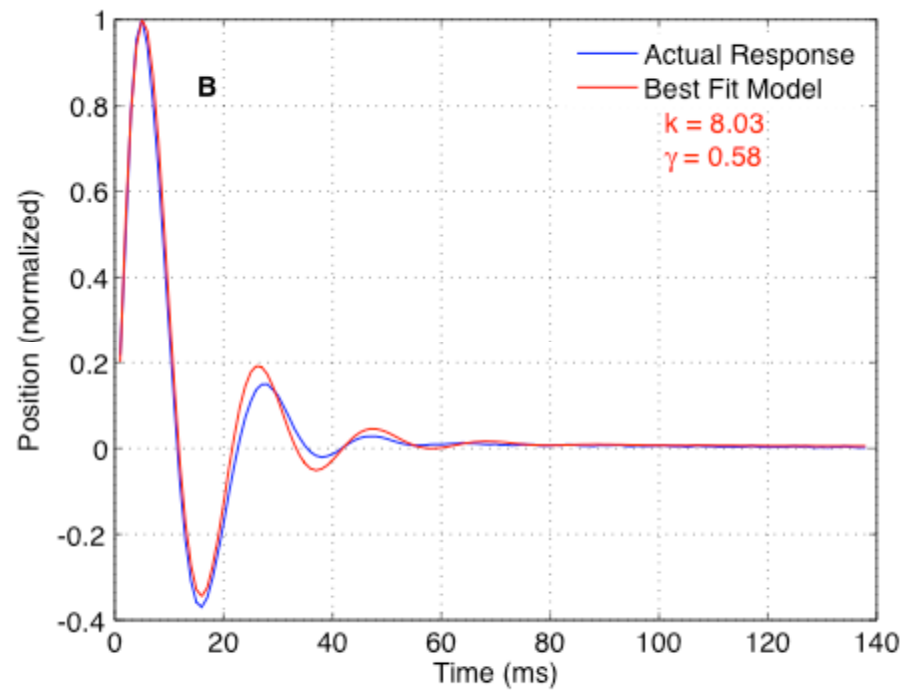
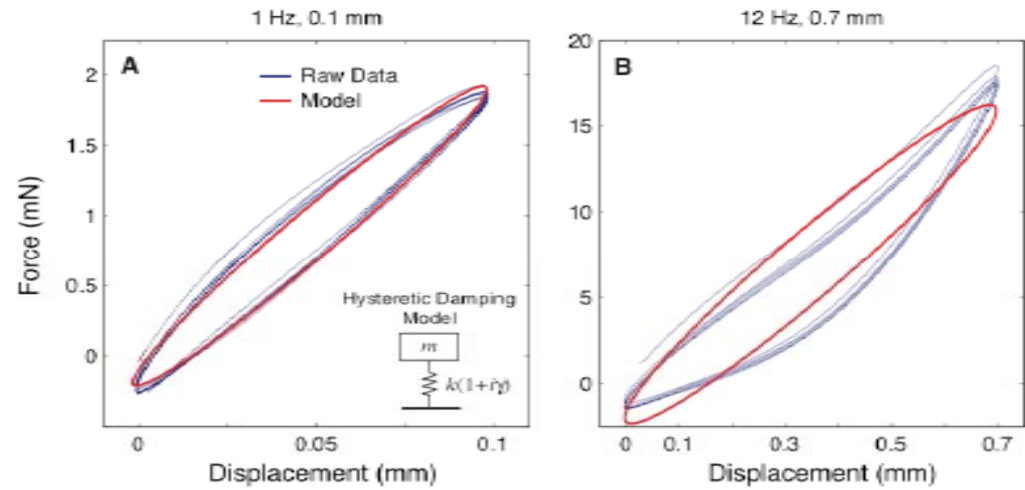
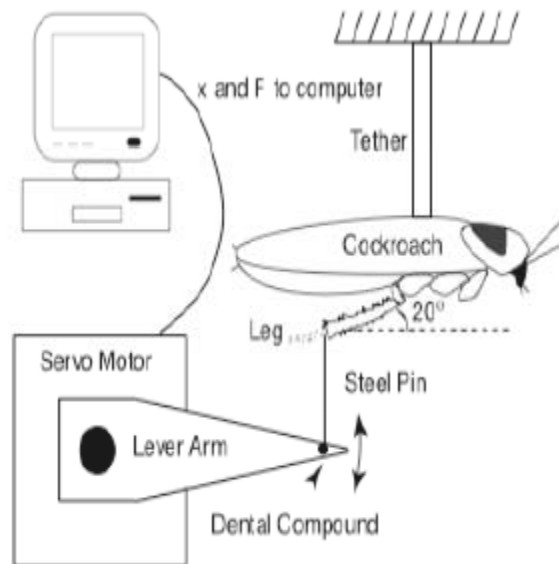
μ : viscosity

Car suspension & shock absorber

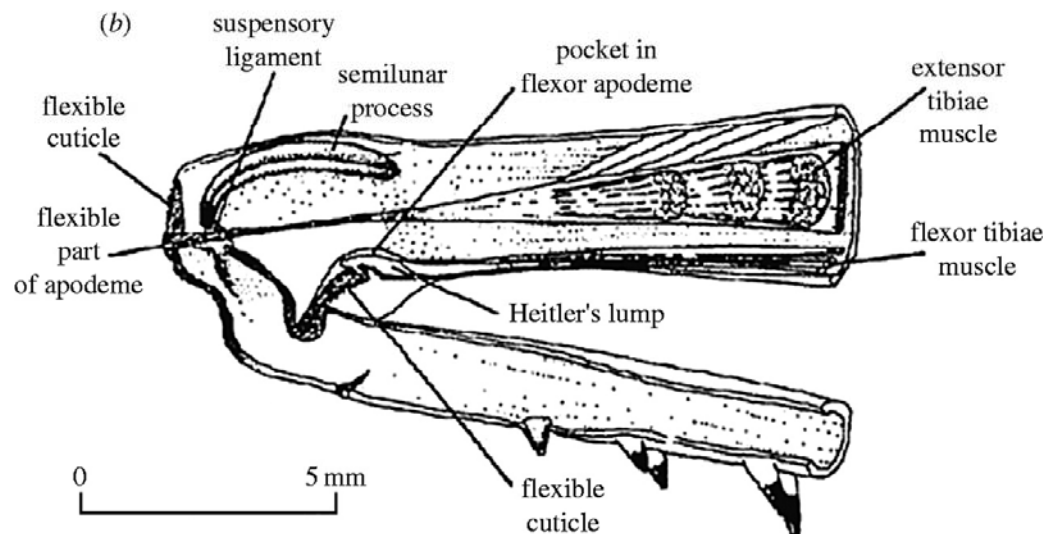


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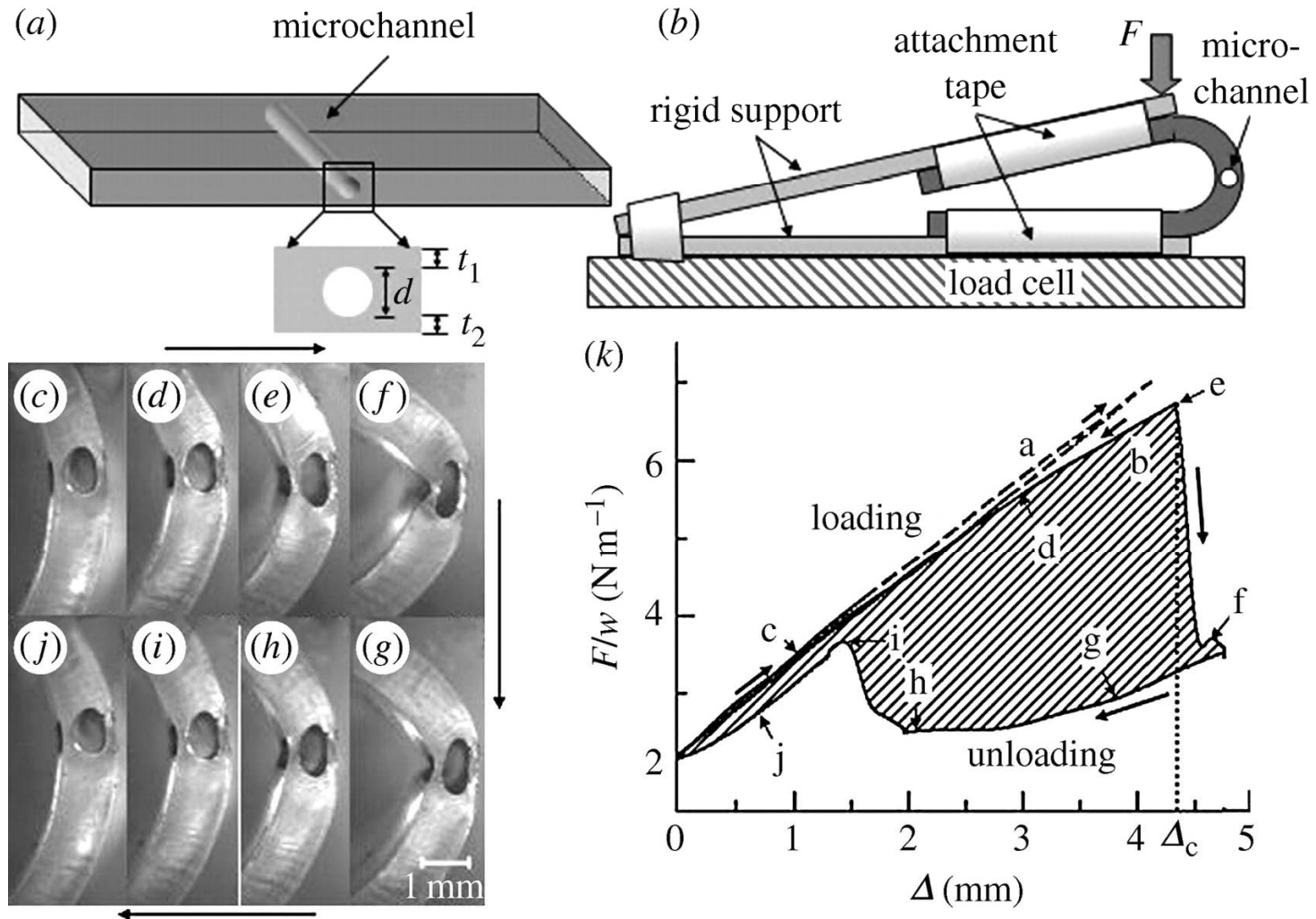


(a) Locust and (b) the simplified internal anatomy of its leg (adapted from fig. 1 on p. 6 of Bennet-Clark (1975)) showing the fluid-filled chamber in the leg including at the joint between the femur and tibia



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Schematic of the experiment.



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To proceed, we draw a free body diagram, showing the forces exerted by the spring and damper on the mass.

Newton's law then states that

$$k(s - L_0) + \lambda \frac{ds}{dt} = ma = m \frac{d^2s}{dt^2}$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{m}{k} \frac{d^2s}{dt^2} + \frac{\lambda}{k} \frac{ds}{dt} + s - L_0 = 0$$

This is our equation of motion for s .

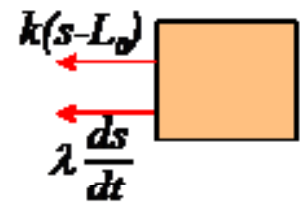
Now, we check our list of solutions to differential equations, and see that we have a solution to:

$$\frac{1}{\omega_n^2} \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} \frac{dx}{dt} + x = 0$$

We can get our equation into this form by setting

$$s = L_0 + x \quad \omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad \zeta = \frac{\lambda}{2\sqrt{km}}$$

As before, ω_n is known as the natural frequency of the system. We have discovered a new parameter, ζ , which is called the **damping coefficient**. It plays a very important role, as we shall see below.



Overdamped System $\zeta > 1$

$$x(t) = \exp(-\zeta\omega_n t) \left\{ \frac{\nu_0 + (\zeta\omega_n + \omega_d)x_0}{2\omega_d} \exp(\omega_d t) - \frac{\nu_0 + (\zeta\omega_n - \omega_d)x_0}{2\omega_d} \exp(-\omega_d t) \right\}$$

where $\omega_d = \omega_n \sqrt{\zeta^2 - 1}$

Critically Damped System $\zeta = 1$

$$x(t) = \{x_0 + [\nu_0 + \omega_n x_0]t\} \exp(-\omega_n t)$$

Underdamped System $\zeta < 1$

$$x(t) = \exp(-\zeta\omega_n t) \left\{ x_0 \cos \omega_d t + \frac{\nu_0 + \zeta\omega_n x_0}{\omega_d} \sin \omega_d t \right\}$$

where $\omega_d = \omega_n \sqrt{1 - \zeta^2}$ is known as the damped natural frequency of the system.

In all the preceding equations,

$$x_0 = s_0 - I_0 \quad \nu_0 = u_0$$

are the values of x and its time derivative at time $t=0$.

Diamagnetic Levitation Lateral Force Calibrator (D-LFC)

Q. Li, K.-S. Kim and A. Rydberg, Rev. Sci. Inst., 77(6), 065105, 2006.

$$k = m\omega^2$$

$k \approx 10 \text{ pN/nm}$

