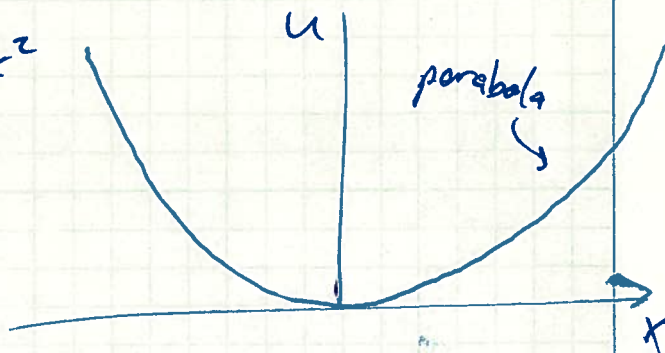


Exam 1 Review

Simple Harmonic Oscillator (no damping)  
(no driving force)

$$F = -kx \Rightarrow U = \frac{1}{2} kx^2$$



Eg. of motion:

$$\ddot{x} + \frac{k}{m}x = 0$$

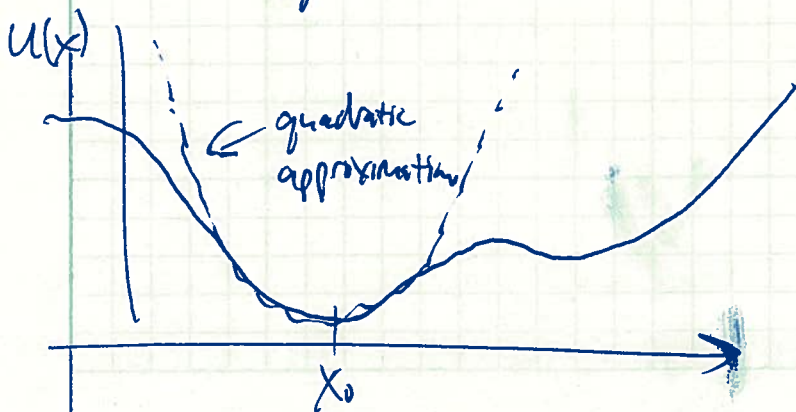
Defn  $\omega_0^2 = k/m$   
 Solution:  $x = A e^{i(\omega_0 t + \delta)}$   
 ↑  
 natural frequency.

$A, \delta$  determined by initial conditions

Small Oscillations: Near a stable equilibrium, almost any potential function is approximately quadratic.

$$U(x_0 + a) \approx U(x_0) + U'(x_0)a + \frac{1}{2}U''(x_0)a^2 + \dots$$

↑ ↑ displacement equilibrium



$U'(x_0) = 0$  since  $x_0$  is an equilibrium point.

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$$\text{Frequency of small oscillations: } \omega_0 \approx \sqrt{\frac{U''(x_0)}{m}}$$

near an equilibrium.

$$\text{Plan Pendulum: } U = mgl(1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$\Rightarrow \omega_0 = \sqrt{g/l}$$

### Complex Numbers

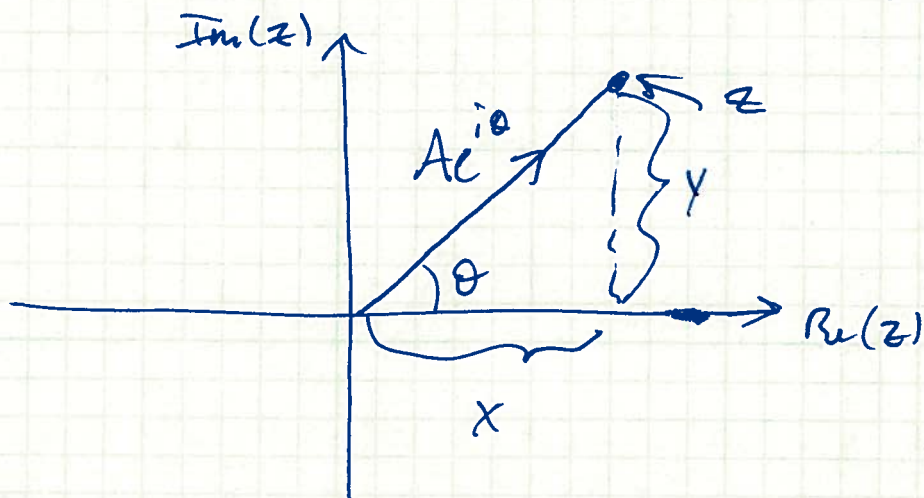
$$z = x + iy = Ae^{i\theta}$$

$$A = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}, \quad \theta = \tan^{-1}(y/x)$$

$$x = A \cos \theta, \quad y = A \sin \theta$$

$$e^{i\theta} = \cos(\theta) + i \sin(\theta) \quad \text{Euler Formula}$$

$$x = \frac{e^{i\theta} + e^{-i\theta}}{2}, \quad y = \frac{e^{i\theta} - e^{-i\theta}}{2}$$



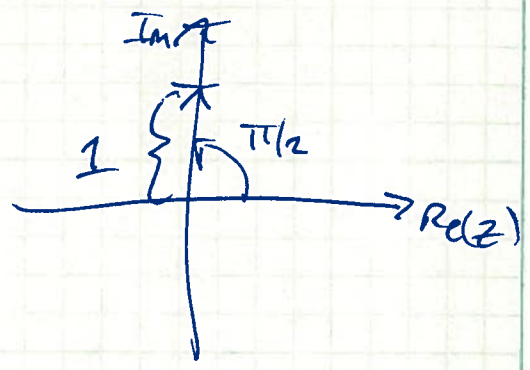
$z^* =$  complex conjugate  $= x - iy$  (if  $z = x + iy$ )  
 $= Ae^{-i\theta}$  (if  $z = Ae^{i\theta}$ )

Division:  $\frac{1}{x + iy} = \frac{(x - iy)}{(x + iy)(x - iy)} = \frac{x - iy}{x^2 + y^2}$

Also:  $zz^* = (x + iy)(x - iy) = x^2 + y^2 = A^2$

Also:  $e^{i\pi/2} = i$

Also:  $e^{i\pi} = -1$



Also:  $e^{i\pi} + 1 = 0 \leftarrow$  nice algebraic equation.

Forced Oscillator

Eq of Motion

$\ddot{x} + \omega_0^2 x = \frac{F(t)}{m}$       If  $F(t) = F_0 e^{i\omega t}$

$\ddot{x} + \omega_0^2 x = \frac{F_0}{m} e^{i\omega t}$   
 ↳ natural frequency      ↳ driving frequency

Also Add damping:  $F_{drag} = -bv = -b\dot{x}$   
 ↳ some constant

$$\ddot{x} + \gamma \dot{x} + \omega_0^2 x = \frac{F_0}{m} e^{i\omega t}$$

where  $\gamma \equiv \frac{b}{m}$

$$\omega_0^2 = \frac{k}{m}$$

Solution:

Steady-state (Long-term) Solution:

$$x(t) = A_{\neq}(\omega) e^{i(\omega t + \phi(\omega))}$$

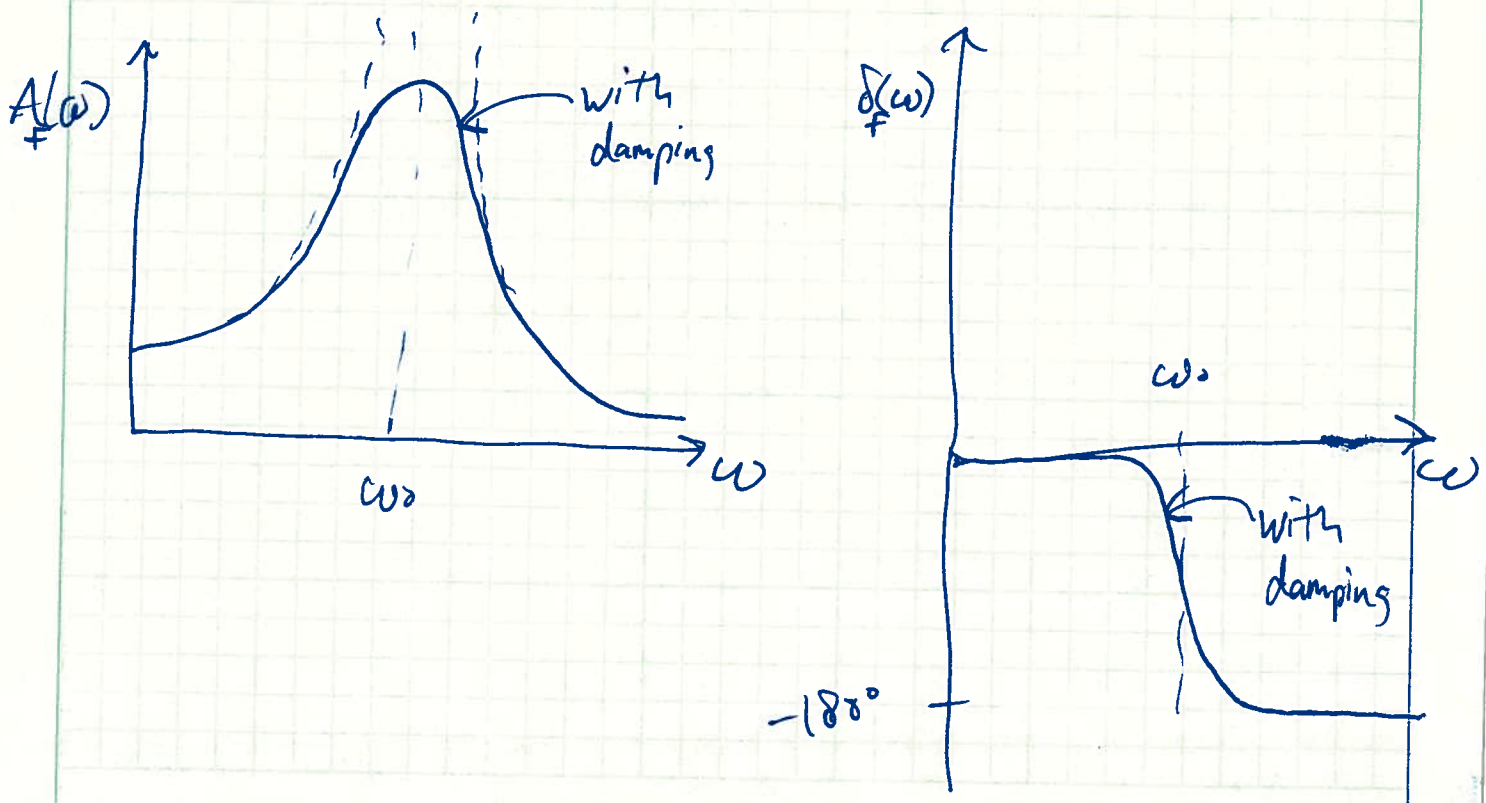
no free parameters

where  $A_{\neq}(\omega) = \frac{F_0/m}{\sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + (\omega\gamma)^2}}$

$$\sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + (\omega\gamma)^2}$$

and  $\phi_{\neq}(\omega) = -\tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{\omega\gamma}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2} \right]$

$\omega_{\neq}$  = driving frequency



(Short-term)

Including the transient solution (Short-term Behavior):

$$x(t) = A(\omega_f) e^{i(\omega_f t + \phi_f(\omega_f))} + B e^{-\gamma/2 t} e^{i(\omega_d t + \delta_d)}$$

$$\omega_d = \text{damped frequency} = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 - \gamma^2/4}$$

$B$  &  $\delta_d$  = Free parameters, determined by initial conditions.

Special case: Damped oscillator, no forcing function

Then  $F_0 = 0$ ,  $A(\omega_f) = 0$ ,

$$\text{and } x(t) = B e^{-\gamma/2 t} e^{i(\omega_d t + \delta_d)}$$

↑  
damping factor

Energy

- Mechanical Oscillators:  $KE = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2$   
 $U = \frac{1}{2} k x^2$

- Electrical Oscillators:  $U_E = \int_{\text{all space}} \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 |\vec{E}|^2 dV$

for capacitors  $\rightarrow = \frac{1}{2} QV = \frac{1}{2} CV^2 = \frac{Q^2}{2C}$

$$U_B = \int_{\text{all space}} \frac{1}{2\mu_0} |\vec{B}|^2 dV$$

for inductors  $\rightarrow = \frac{1}{2} LI^2$

Energy loss  $Q = \frac{\omega_0}{\gamma} = \text{unitless}$  & very large for lightly damped oscillators.

For lightly damped oscillators

$$Q = \frac{\text{Fraction of energy lost in time } t = \frac{1}{\omega_0}}{\text{Fraction of energy loss in one period}} = \frac{2\pi}{\text{Fraction of energy loss in one period}}$$

Energy loss:  $E(t) = E_0 e^{-\gamma t} = KE(t) + U(t)$  for mechanical oscillators  
 $= U_E(t) + U_B(t)$  for electrical oscillators

### AC circuits

Voltage rules:

$ V_C  = \left  \frac{1}{C} Q \right $	Capacitor
$ V_L  = \left  L \frac{dI}{dt} \right $	Inductor
$ V_R  =  IR $	Resistor

Simple LC circuit:  $\omega_0 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$  (simple harmonic oscillator)

Impedances:

$$Z_R = R$$

$$Z_L = i\omega L$$

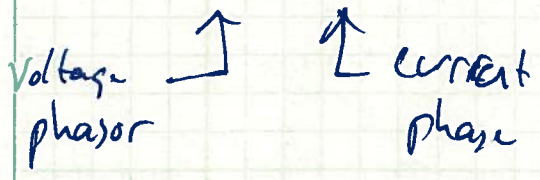
$$Z_C = \frac{-i}{\omega C}$$

Series Combination:  $Z_{\text{series}} = Z_1 + Z_2$

Parallel Combination:  $Z_{\text{parallel}} = \left[ (Z_1)^{-1} + (Z_2)^{-1} \right]^{-1}$

For any element or combination of elements,

$$\vec{V} = \vec{I} Z \leftarrow \text{impedance, possibly complex.}$$



~~if~~ In general  $Z$  is complex, which means that there is a phase offset between  $\vec{V}$  &  $\vec{I}$ .

The ~~ratio~~ ratio of  $\frac{V_0}{I_0} = |Z|$ .

$$\vec{V}_L = \vec{I}_L (i\omega L)$$

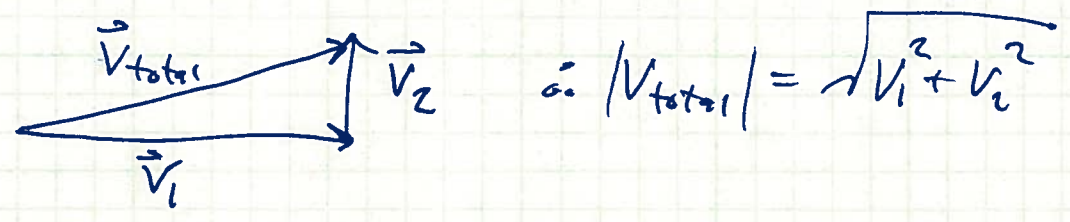
↑ this means  $V_L$  leads  $I_L$  by  $90^\circ$ .

$$\vec{V}_C = \vec{I}_C \left(\frac{-i}{\omega C}\right)$$

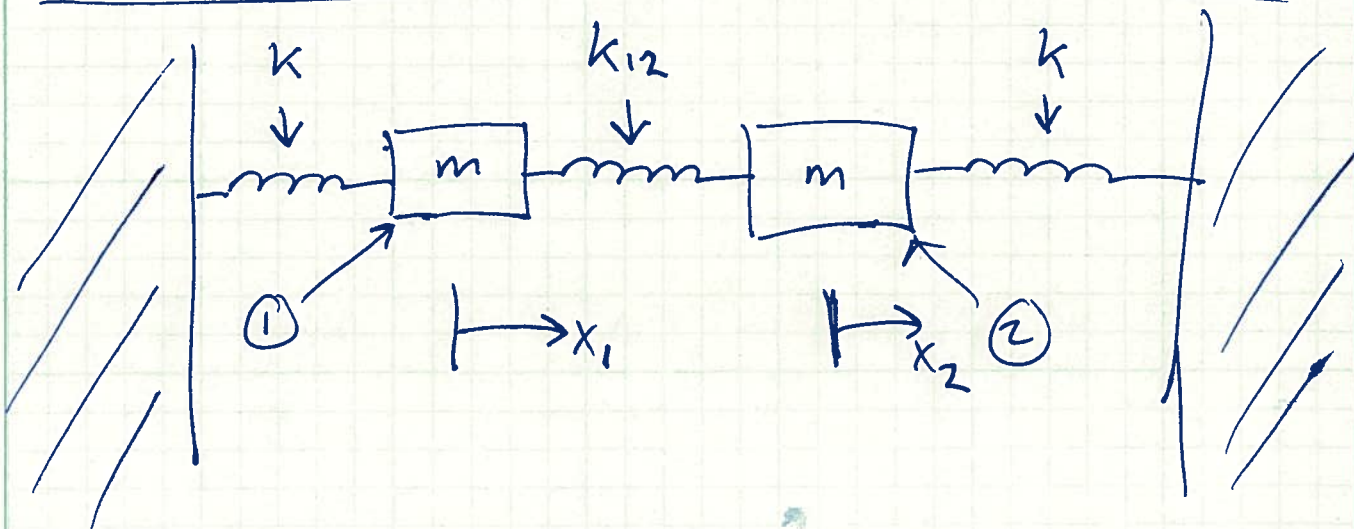
↑ this means  $V_C$  lags  $I_C$  by  $90^\circ$

Phasor Diagrams show the geometric relationships between  $\vec{V}$  &  $\vec{I}$  for a circuit.

This can be very useful when combined with a sum rule like  $\vec{V}_{total} = \vec{V}_1 + \vec{V}_2$  or  $\vec{I}_{total} = \vec{I}_1 + \vec{I}_2$



Two coupled Mechanical Oscillators



3 springs, 2 spring constants.

$k$ : 2 springs which connect masses to the walls.

$k_{12}$ : the one spring between the two masses.

Position variables:  $x_1$  = displacement of ① from equilibrium.

$x_2$  = displacement of ② from equilibrium.

Force on ①:  $F_1 = -kx_1 - k_{12}(x_1 - x_2) = m\ddot{x}_1$   
 " ②:  $F_2 = -kx_2 + k_{12}(x_1 - x_2) = m\ddot{x}_2$

Newton's 2nd Law





## Equations of Motion

$$\begin{aligned} m\ddot{x}_1 + (k+k_{12})x_1 - k_{12}x_2 &= 0 \\ m\ddot{x}_2 + (k+k_{12})x_2 - k_{12}x_1 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Coupled  
Differential  
Equations.

note that  $x_1$  &  $x_2$  appear  
in both equations.

We must solve two equations  
simultaneously.

For the simple harmonic oscillator, we had  
~~one degree of freedom~~ one position variable,  
and we found one natural frequency.

Here we have two position variables. We will  
still try to find a harmonic solution  
where both  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  oscillate  
at the same frequency. We will find  
2 such frequencies.

Guessed Solution:

$$x_1 = A_1 e^{i(\omega t + \delta_1)}$$

$$x_2 = A_2 e^{i(\omega t + \delta_2)}$$

The key feature of this  
guess is that we are  
assuming that both  
 $x_1$  and  $x_2$  have  
the same frequency.

Normal Mode : In a multi-particle oscillating system, if all the particles oscillate at the same frequency, we call the motion a normal mode. ~~This is analogous to the~~

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Normal Frequency: The frequency of a normal mode.

To simplify notation, re-write the guessed solution:

$$x_1 = A_1 e^{i(\omega t + \delta_1)} = \underbrace{(A_1 e^{i\delta_1})}_{\equiv B_1} e^{i\omega t} = B_1 e^{i\omega t}$$

$B_1$  is complex, it has two free parameters (real & imaginary parts).

Also :  $x_2 = B_2 e^{i\omega t}$

↑  
Complex, 2 free parameters.

Substitute the guess into the Eq. of Motion:

$$\begin{cases} m(-\omega^2 B_1) + (k+k_{12})B_1 - k_{12}B_2 = 0 \\ m(-\omega^2 B_2) + (k+k_{12})B_2 - k_{12}B_1 = 0 \end{cases}$$

}  $e^{i\omega t}$  has cancelled everywhere

Crather terms:

$$\begin{cases} (k+k_{12}-m\omega^2)B_1 - k_{12}B_2 = 0 \\ -k_{12}B_1 + (k+k_{12}-m\omega^2)B_2 = 0 \end{cases}$$

Eq. 1

Eq. 2

To have a solution, the determinant must equal zero:

$$(k+k_{12}-m\omega^2)^2 - k_{12}^2 = 0$$

or  $k+k_{12}-m\omega^2 = \pm k_{12}$

2 possibilities.

or  $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k+k_{12} \pm k_{12}}{m}}$

Two normal frequencies have been found:

$$\begin{cases} \omega_{small} = \omega_S = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \leftarrow \text{smaller frequency} \\ \omega_{large} = \omega_L = \sqrt{\frac{k+2k_{12}}{m}} \leftarrow \text{larger frequency.} \end{cases}$$

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Small Frequency Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 X_1 &= B_1 e^{i\omega_s t} \\
 X_2 &= B_2 e^{i\omega_s t}
 \end{aligned}$$

,  $B_1$  has 2 parts (real & imag.)  
 ,  $B_2$  has 2 parts (real & imag.).

~~Actually~~

4 free parameters?

Actually, we only have 2 free parameters, because  $B_1$  &  $B_2$  are related in the small frequency normal mode:

Substitute  $\omega_s = \sqrt{k/m}$  into (Eq. 1) & (Eq. 2):

$$\begin{cases}
 (k + k_{12} - k) B_1 - k_{12} B_2 = 0 \\
 -k_{12} B_1 + k_{12} B_2 = 0
 \end{cases}$$

$$\begin{cases}
 k_{12} (B_1 - B_2) = 0 \\
 -k_{12} (B_1 - B_2) = 0
 \end{cases}
 \Rightarrow B_1 = B_2 \text{ for the small frequency solution.}$$

Call it  $B_s \equiv B_1 = B_2$ . Then the small frequency solution is

$$\begin{cases}
 X_1 = B_s e^{i\omega_s t} \\
 X_2 = B_s e^{i\omega_s t}
 \end{cases}$$

$B_s = 2$  free parameters (real & imag. parts)

"Symmetric Mode" = "Small Frequency Mode"  
 = both oscillators have same amplitude,

The same procedure for  $\omega_L = \sqrt{\frac{k+2k_{12}}{m}}$

leads to

$$\boxed{B_1 = -B_2}$$

Call it  $B_L = B_1 = -B_2$ .

(-) sign means  $x_1$  &  $x_2$   
are out-of-phase by  $180^\circ$ .

Thus the large frequency solution is

$$\boxed{\begin{matrix} x_1 = B_L e^{i\omega_L t} \\ x_2 = -B_L e^{i\omega_L t} \end{matrix}}$$

$B_L$  has 2 free parameters  
(real & imag. parts).

"Anti-Symmetric Mode" = "Large Frequency Mode"  
= both oscillators have same amplitude and  
frequency, but are out-of-phase by  $180^\circ$ .

Demo: G2-21 Coupled Pendula.

Show symmetric and anti-symmetric oscillations,  
pointing out the small and large frequency.

General Solution

The two normal modes are the simplest type  
of motion for the coupled oscillators. But  
since the Eqs. of Motion are linear, we

can add together the two solutions to find a general solution which can describe any motion.

$$\begin{cases} X_1 = B_S e^{i\omega_S t} + B_L e^{i\omega_L t} \\ X_2 = B_S e^{i\omega_S t} - B_L e^{i\omega_L t} \end{cases}$$

The most general solution.

4 free parameters:  $B_S$  real & imag. parts  
 $B_L$  real & imag. parts

We need 4 initial conditions to specify the 4 free parameters: position & velocity of (1) at  $t=0$   
position & velocity of (2) at  $t=0$

Let's take the real part of the solutions.  
Let  $B_S \equiv b_S e^{i\delta_S}$  and  $B_L \equiv b_L e^{i\delta_L}$ . Then

$$\begin{cases} X_1 = b_S \cos(\omega_S t + \delta_S) + b_L \cos(\omega_L t + \delta_L) \\ X_2 = b_S \cos(\omega_S t + \delta_S) - b_L \cos(\omega_L t + \delta_L) \end{cases} \text{ real solution.}$$

$b_S, \delta_S, b_L, \delta_L$  are free parameters.

Special Case: Suppose  
 $X_1(t=0) = a, \dot{X}_1(t=0) = 0$   
 $X_2(t=0) = 0, \dot{X}_2(t=0) = 0$ .

Then the  $\dot{x}_1 = 0$  and  $\dot{x}_2 = 0$  requirements are:

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x}_1 = -\omega_s b_s \sin(\delta_s) - \omega_L b_L \sin(\delta_L) = 0 \\ \dot{x}_2 = -\omega_s b_s \sin(\delta_s) + \omega_L b_L \sin(\delta_L) = 0 \end{cases}$$

Add these equations:  $\sin(\delta_s) = 0 \Rightarrow \delta_s = 0$

Subtract these equations:  $\sin(\delta_L) = 0 \Rightarrow \delta_L = 0$

And the  $x_1 = a$  &  $x_2 = 0$  requirements are

$$x_1 = b_s \overset{\delta_s=0}{\underbrace{\cos(\delta_s)}_1} + b_L \overset{\delta_L=0}{\underbrace{\cos(\delta_L)}_1} = a$$

$$x_2 = b_s \overset{1}{\underbrace{\cos(\delta_s)}_1} - b_L \overset{1}{\underbrace{\cos(\delta_L)}_1} = 0$$

or

$$\begin{cases} b_s + b_L = a \\ b_s - b_L = 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow \begin{cases} b_s = \frac{a}{2} \\ b_L = \frac{a}{2} \end{cases}$$

Then the special case solution is

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = \frac{a}{2} \cos(\omega_s t) + \frac{a}{2} \cos(\omega_L t) \\ x_2 = \frac{a}{2} \cos(\omega_s t) - \frac{a}{2} \cos(\omega_L t) \end{cases}$$

Interfering frequencies

