

4 (20 points) A 1 kg mass is attached to a spring with spring constant 4 Newtons/m and is forced by an external force of $5 \sin(3t)$ Newtons. At time $t = 0$, the system is at the equilibrium position ($y = 0$) with initial velocity $y' = -1$ m/s.

(a) Write down the initial value problem and find the solution

$$y'' + 4y = 5 \sin(3t), \quad y(0) = 0, \quad y'(0) = -1$$

char eq: $r^2 + 4 = 0 \Rightarrow r = \pm 2i$

$$y(t) = C_1 \cos(2t) + C_2 \sin(2t) + y_p(t)$$

$$y_p(t) = A \sin(3t) + B \cos(3t)$$

$$5 \sin(3t) = y_p'' + 4y_p$$

$$= (-9A \sin(3t) - 9B \cos(3t)) + 4(A \sin(3t) + B \cos(3t))$$

$$= -5A \sin(3t) - 5B \cos(3t)$$

$$\Rightarrow A = -1, \quad B = 0$$

so,
 $y(t) = C_1 \cos(2t) + C_2 \sin(2t) - \sin(3t)$

$$0 = y(0) = C_1$$

$$-1 = y'(0) = (2C_2 \cos(2t) - 3 \cos(3t)) \Big|_{t=0}$$

$$= 2C_2 - 3$$

$$\Rightarrow 2C_2 = 2$$

$$\Rightarrow C_2 = 1$$

$$y(t) = \sin(2t) - \sin(3t)$$

(b) Express the solution as a product and sketch the graph of the solution, illustrating any interesting phenomenon.

(Note: this is considered as a fancy trig. thing, I'll give you the formula for it if it were on the exam.)

$$\sin(a) - \sin(b) = 2 \cos\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) \sin\left(\frac{a-b}{2}\right)$$

$$y(t) = \sin(2t) - \sin(3t) = 2 \cos\left(\frac{5}{2}t\right) \sin\left(-\frac{1}{2}t\right) = -2 \cos\left(\frac{5}{2}t\right) \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}t\right)$$

$\frac{1}{2} < \frac{5}{2}$, treat the wave with lower frequency as an amplitude.

so $y(t) = -2 \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}t\right) \cos\left(\frac{5}{2}t\right)$

Phenomenon: Beats

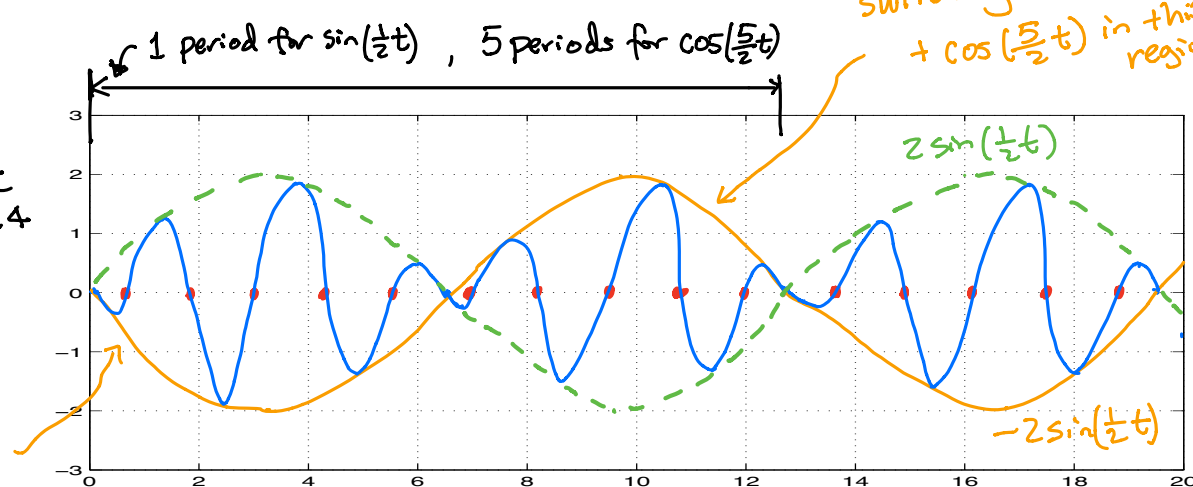
think of this as an amplitude

switching to a squeezed + $\cos\left(\frac{5}{2}t\right)$ in this region

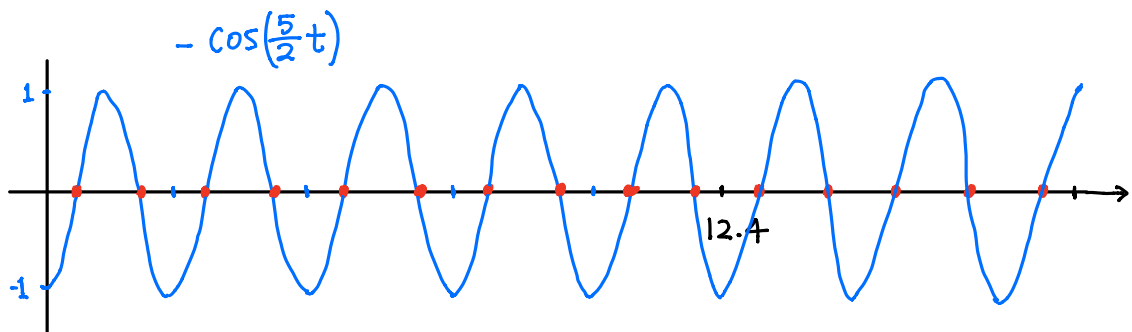
Periods
 $\frac{2\pi}{\frac{1}{2}} = 4\pi \approx 12.4$

$$\frac{2\pi}{\frac{5}{2}} = \frac{4\pi}{5}$$

Note: squeezed - $\cos\left(\frac{5}{2}t\right)$ in this region



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When squeezing $\pm \cos\left(\frac{5}{2}t\right)$ into the amplitude envelope, it's easiest if you try to match where the zeros of the $\pm \cos\left(\frac{5}{2}t\right)$ goes as shown by the red dots •.