

# *THE DRIVEN, DAMPED HARMONIC OSCILLATOR*

*Reading:*

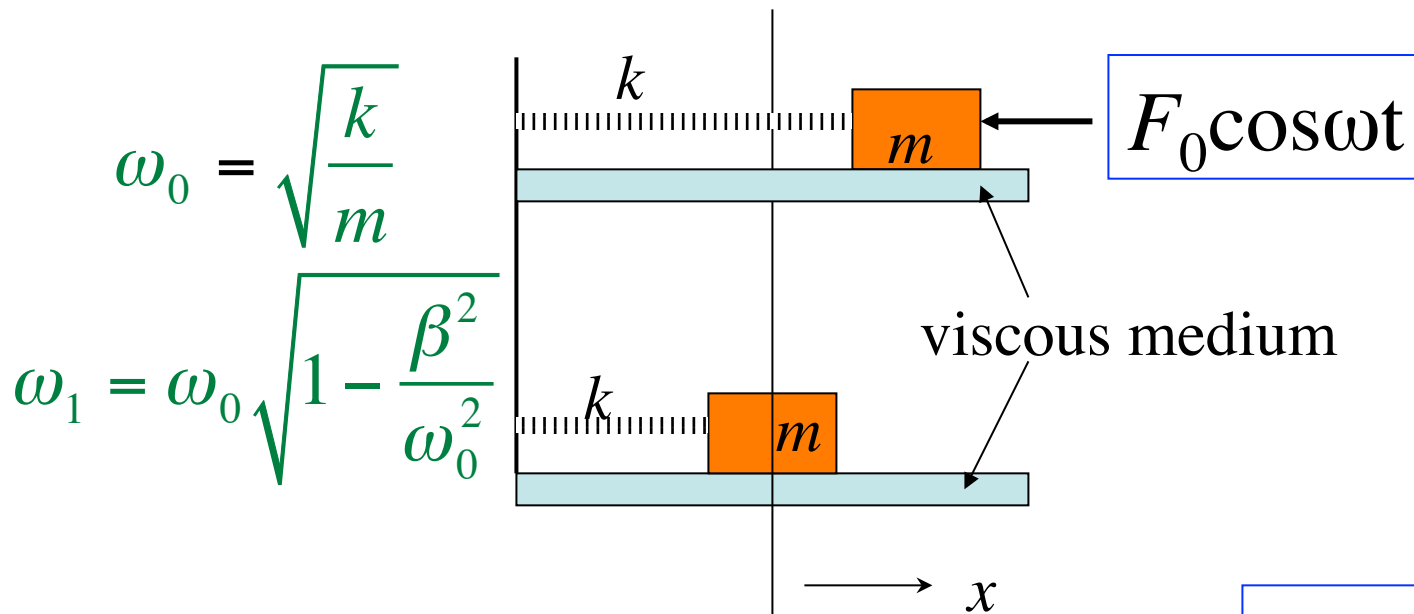
*Main 5.1, 6.1*

*Taylor 5.5, 5.6*

*Natural motion of damped, driven harmonic oscillator*

$$\text{Force} = m\ddot{x}$$

*restoring + resistive + driving force =  $m\ddot{x}$*



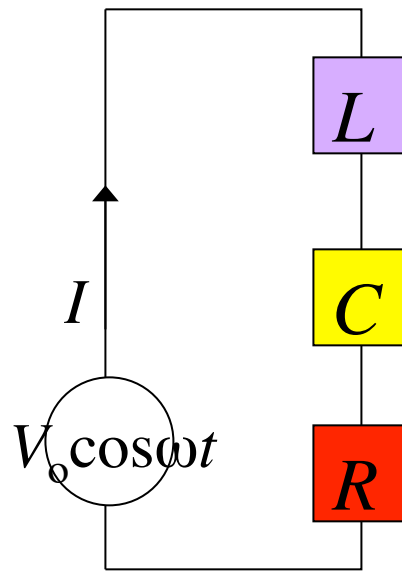
$$-kx - b\dot{x} + F_0 \cos(\omega t) = m\ddot{x}$$

$$m\ddot{x} + \omega_0^2 x + 2\beta\dot{x} = F_0 \cos(\omega t)$$

Note  $\omega$  and  $\omega_0$  are not the same thing!  
 $\omega$  is driving frequency  
 $\omega_0$  is natural frequency

# Natural motion of damped, driven harmonic oscillator

Apply Kirchoff's laws



$$V_0 \cos(\omega t) - L\ddot{q} - \frac{q}{C} - R\dot{q} = 0$$

$$\ddot{q} + 2\beta\dot{q} + \omega_0^2 q = \frac{V_0}{L} e^{i\omega t}$$

*What is the response of the system?  $x(t)$ ,  $q(t)$ , or in general,  $\psi(t)$ ?*

Qualitative questions first:

- What is the basic form of the system response after long times?

Sinusoidal.  $\psi(t) = \psi_{\max} \cos(\omega t + \phi)$  (after times longer than  $1/\beta$ )

- Is the frequency of the system response the same, smaller, or larger than the driving frequency?

The same - it must be!

- How does the magnitude of the response depend on the driving frequency?

It is large close to the natural frequency  $\omega_0$ , and small at lower and at higher frequencies (this is called resonance)

- How does the phase of the response depend on the driving frequency?

We'll have to see. It changes, certainly. But it depends on what you mean by "response". Is it displacement/charge? Velocity/current?

$$V_{ext} = \text{Re} \left[ V_0 e^{i\omega t} \right] \quad V_0 \text{ real, constant, and known}$$

$$q(t) = \text{Re} \left[ q_0 e^{i\omega t} \right] \quad \text{Let's assume this form for } q(t)$$

$$\text{But now } q_0 \text{ is complex: } \quad q_0 = |q_0| e^{i\phi_q}$$

This solution makes sure  $q(t)$  is oscillatory (and at the same frequency as  $F_{ext}$ ), but may not be in phase with the driving force.

**Task #1:** Substitute this assumed form into the equation of motion, and find the values of  $|q_0|$  and  $\phi_q$  in terms of the known quantities. Note that these constants depend on driving frequency  $\omega$  (but not on  $t$  - that's why they're "constants"). How does the shape vary with  $\omega$ ?

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$$q(t) = \text{Re} [ q_0 e^{i\omega t} ] \quad I(t) = ?$$

**Task #2:** In the lab, you'll actually measure  $I$  (current) or  $dq/dt$ . So let's look at that: Having found  $q(t)$ , find  $I(t)$  and think about how the shape of the amplitude and phase of  $I$  change with frequency.

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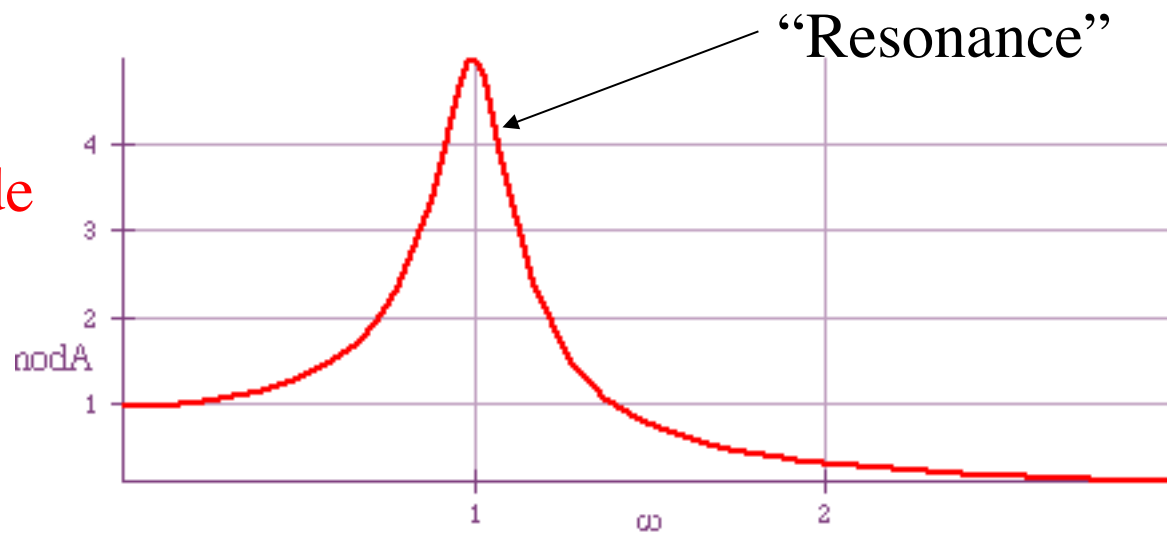
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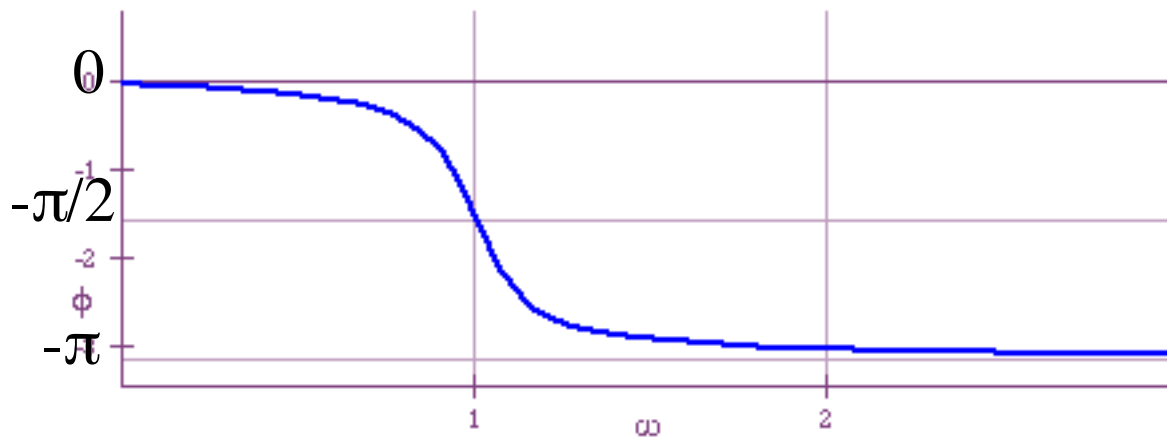
$$\tan \phi = \frac{-2\beta\omega}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}$$

Charge  
Amplitude  
 $|q_0|$



Driving Frequency----->

Charge  
Phase  $\phi_q$





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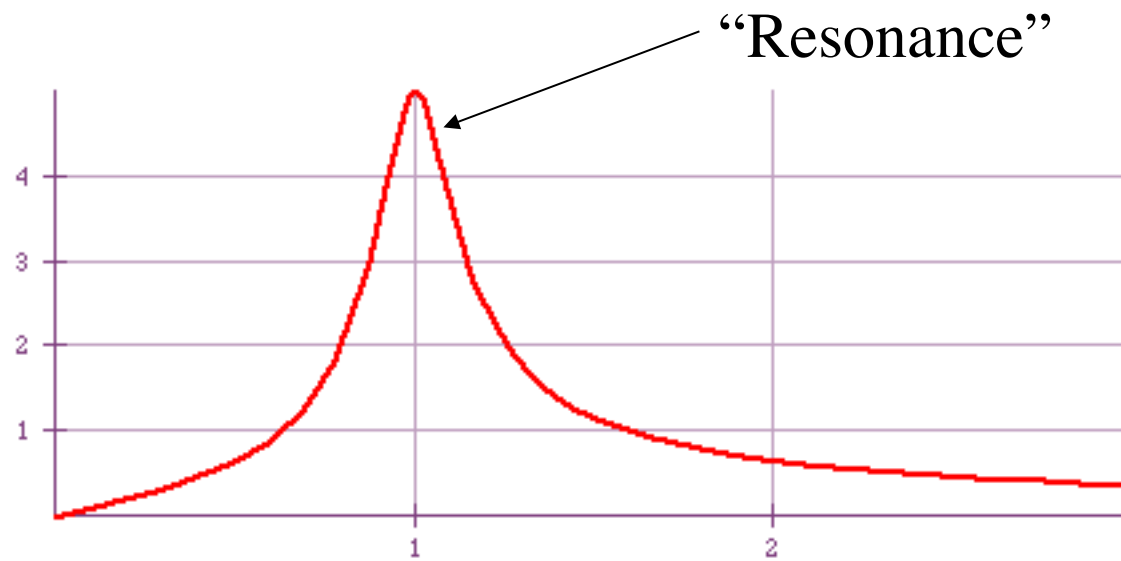
$$I(t) = \dot{q}(t) = \text{Re} \left[ \omega |q_0| e^{i(\phi_q + \pi/2)} e^{i\omega t} \right]$$

$$|I_0| = \frac{\omega V_0 / L}{\left[ \left( \omega_0^2 - \omega^2 \right)^2 + 4\beta^2 \omega^2 \right]^{1/2}}$$

$$\phi_I = \frac{\pi}{2} + \arctan \frac{-2\beta\omega}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}$$

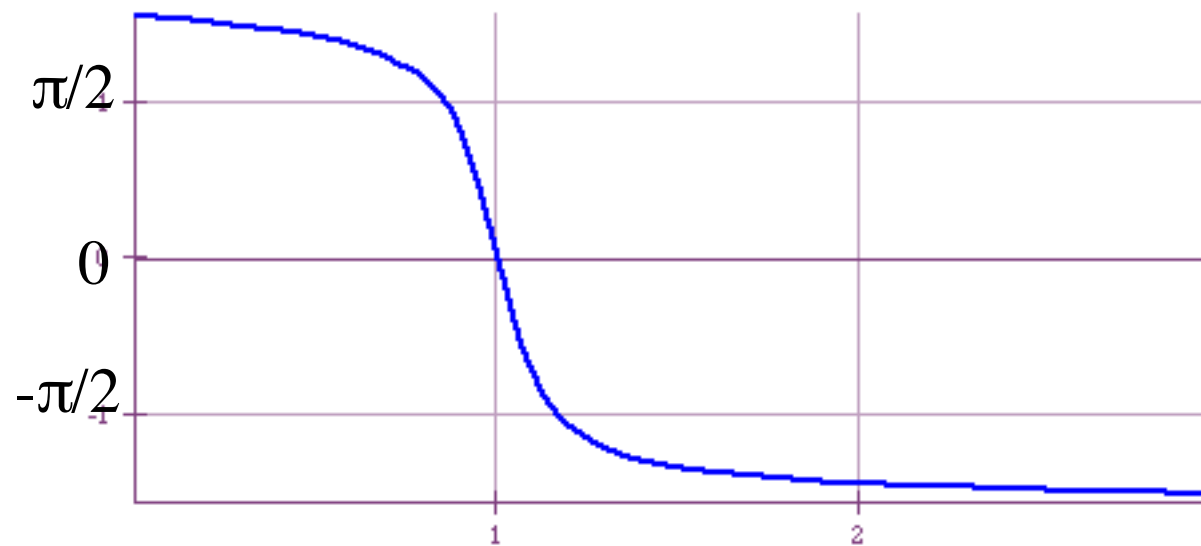
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Current  
Amplitude  
 $|I_0|$

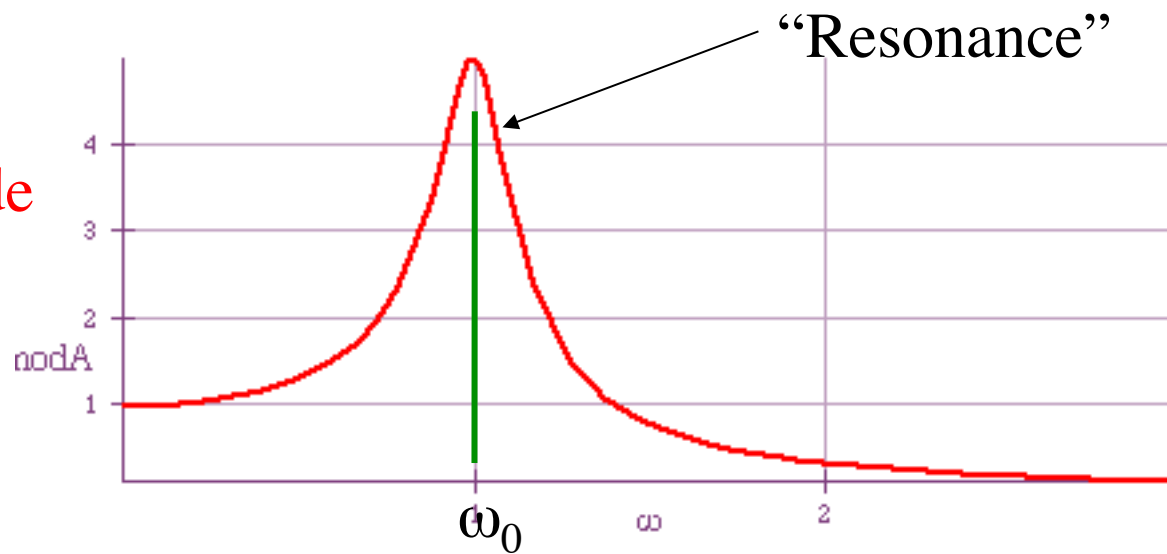


Driving Frequency----->

Current  
Phase

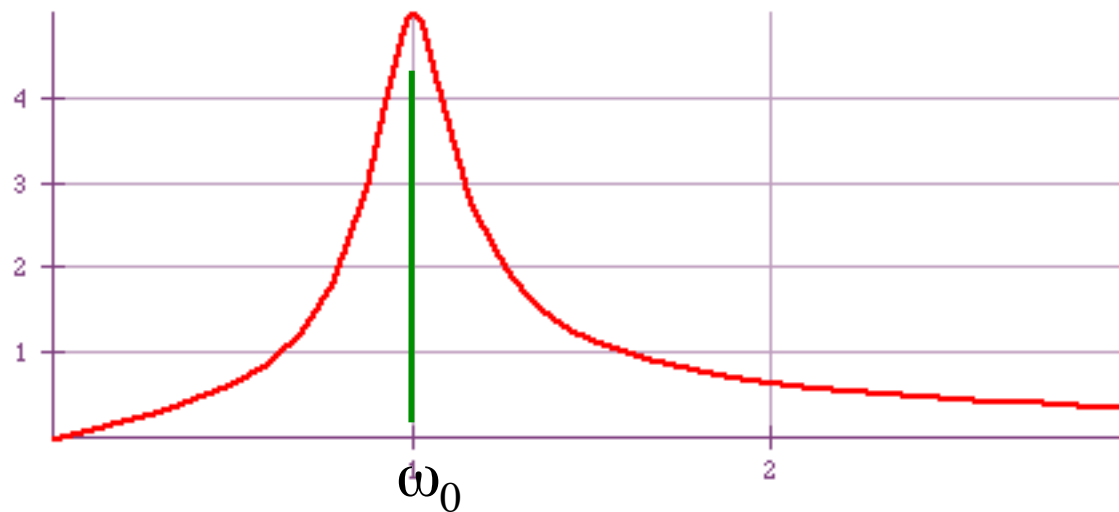


Charge  
Amplitude  
 $|q_0|$

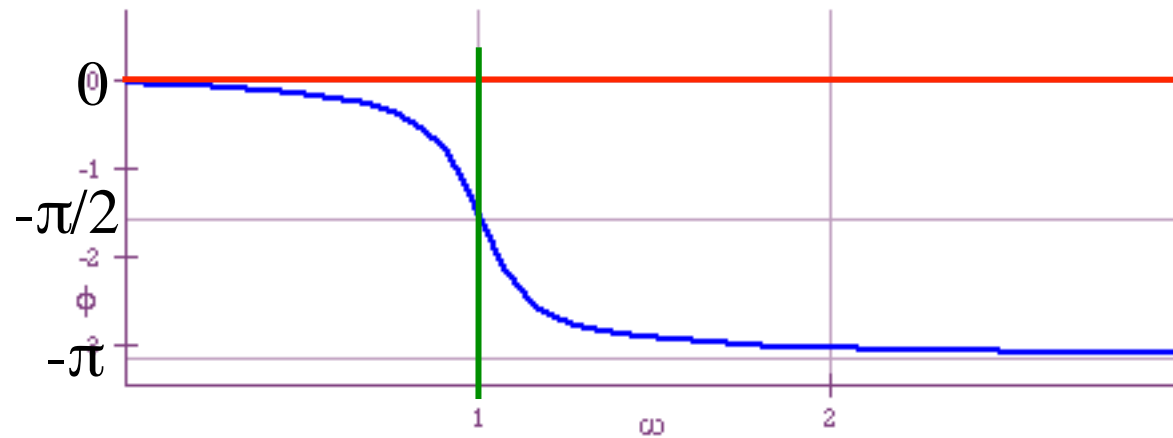


Driving Frequency----->

Current  
Amplitude  
 $|I_0|$



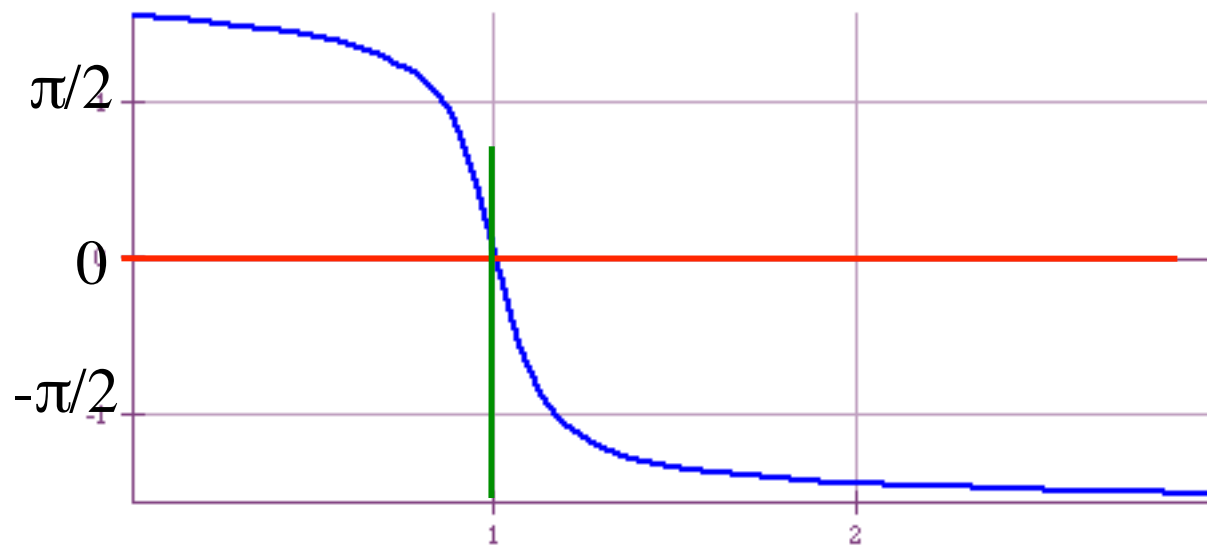
Charge  
Phase  $\phi_q$



$\omega_0$

Driving Frequency----->

Current  
Phase



$\omega_0$