

# SINGLE DOF SYSTEM

This section will introduce the basics of Dynamic Analysis by considering a **Single Degree of Freedom** (SDOF) problem

Initially a **free vibration model** is used to describe the **natural frequency**

Damping is then introduced and the concept of **critical damping and the undamped solution** is shown

Finally a **Forcing function** is applied and the response of the SDOF is explored in terms of **time dependency and frequency dependency** and compared to the terms found in the equations of motion

# SINGLE DOF SYSTEM (CONT.)

- Consider the System Shown

$m$  = mass (inertia)

$b$  = damping (energy dissipation)

$k$  = stiffness (restoring force)

$p$  = applied force

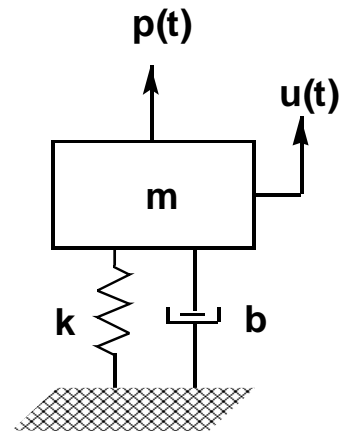
$u$  = displacement of mass

$\dot{u}$  = velocity of mass

$\ddot{u}$  = acceleration of mass

$u, \dot{u}, \ddot{u}$  and  $p$  are time varying in general.

$m, b,$  and  $k$  are constants.



# SINGLE DOF SYSTEM (CONT.)

Some Theory:

- The equation of motion is:

$$m\ddot{u}(t) + b\dot{u}(t) + ku(t) = p(t)$$

- In **undamped, free vibration** analysis, the SDOF equation of motion reduces to:

- Has a solution of the form:

$$m\ddot{u}(t) + ku(t) = 0$$

- This form defines the response as being HARMONIC with a resonant frequency of:

$$u(t) = A \sin \omega_n t + B \cos \omega_n t$$

$$\omega_n$$

# UNDAMPED FREE VIBRATION SDOF SYSTEM

For an SDOF system the resonant, or natural frequency, is given by:

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

Solve for the constants:

When  $t = 0$ ,  $\sin(\omega_n t) = 0$  thus  $B = u(t = 0)$

Differentiating solution :

$$\dot{u}(t) = A\omega_n \cos \omega_n t - B\omega_n \sin \omega_n t$$

When  $t = 0$ ,  $B\omega_n \sin(\omega_n t) = 0$  thus

$$A = \frac{\dot{u}(t = 0)}{\omega_n}$$

$$u(t) = \frac{\dot{u}(0)}{\omega_n} \sin \omega_n t + u(0) \cos \omega_n t$$

# UNDAMPED FREE VIBRATION SDOF SYSTEM (CONT.)

The response of the Spring will be harmonic, but the actual form of the response through time will be affected by the initial conditions:

If  $u(0) = 0$  and  $\dot{u}(0) = 0$  there is no response

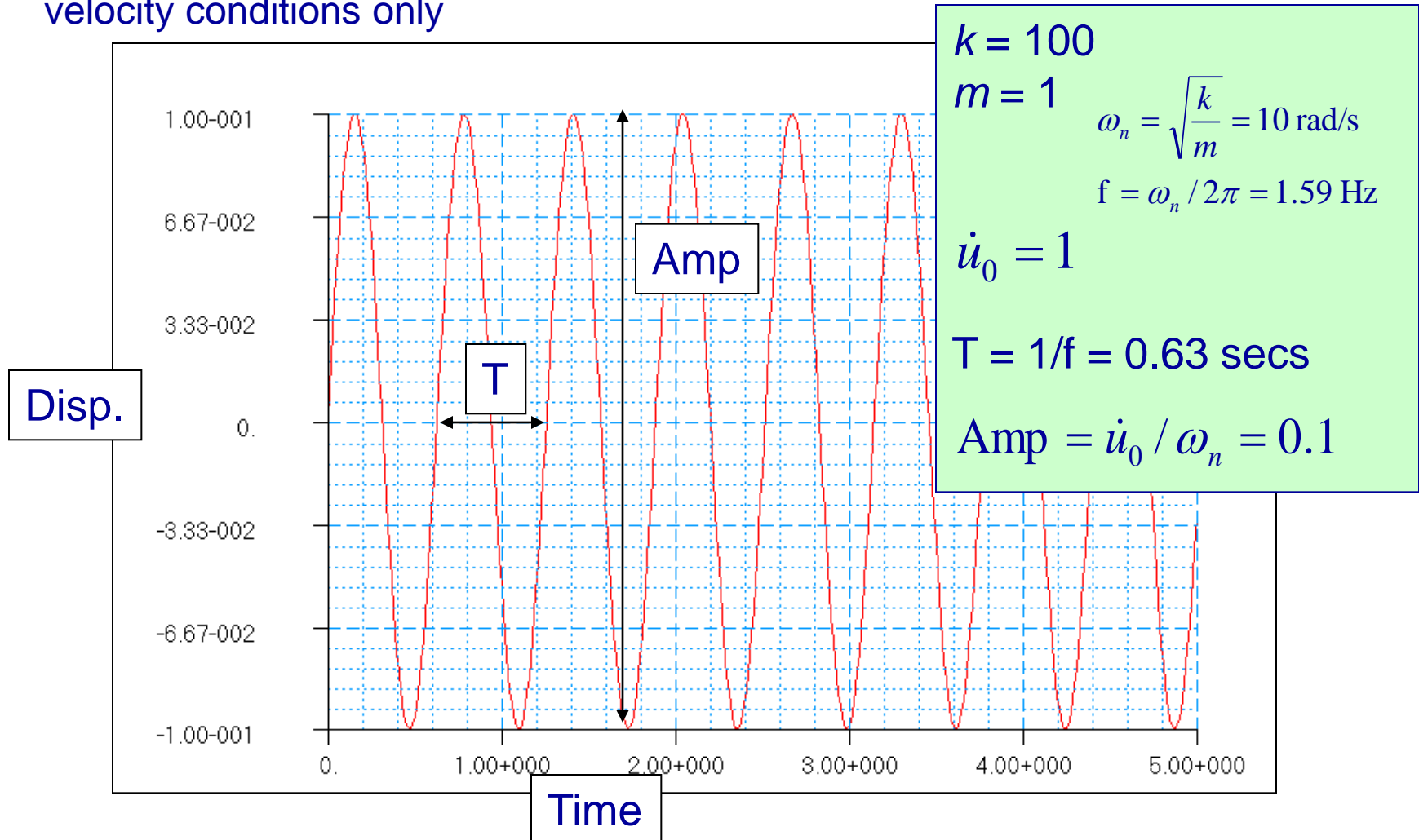
If  $u(0) = 0$  and  $\dot{u}(0) \neq 0$  response is a sine function magnitude  $\dot{u}_0 / \omega_n$

If  $u(0) \neq 0$  and  $\dot{u}(0) = 0$  response is a cosine function  $u_0$  (180 phase change), magnitude

If  $u(0) \neq 0$  and  $\dot{u}(0) \neq 0$  response is phase and magnitude dependent on the initial values

# SINGLE DOF SYSTEM – UNDAMPED FREE VIBRATIONS

- The graph is from a transient analysis of a spring mass system with Initial velocity conditions only



# DAMPED FREE VIBRATION SDOF

If viscous damping is assumed, the equation of motion becomes:

$$m\ddot{u}(t) + b\dot{u}(t) + ku(t) = 0$$

There are 3 types of solution to this, defined as:

- Critically Damped
- Overdamped
- Underdamped

A swing door with a dashpot closing mechanism is a good analogy

- If the door oscillates through the closed position it is **underdamped**
- If it creeps slowly to the closed position it is **overdamped**.
- If it closes in the minimum possible time, with no overswing, it is **critically damped**.

# DAMPED FREE VIBRATION SDOF (CONT.)

For the **critically damped** case, there is no oscillation, just a decay from the initial conditions:

$$u(t) = (A + Bt)e^{-bt/2m}$$

The **damping in this case is defined as:**

$$b = b_{cr} = 2\sqrt{km} = 2m\omega_n$$

A system is **overdamped** when  $b > b_{cr}$

Generally only the final case is of interest - **underdamped**



# DAMPED FREE VIBRATION SDOF (CONT.)

For the **underdamped** case  $b < b_{cr}$  and the solution is the form:

$$u(t) = e^{-bt/2m} (A \sin \omega_d t + B \cos \omega_d t)$$

- $\omega_d$  represents the Damped natural frequency of the system

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

- $\zeta$  is called the (Critical) damping ratio and is defined by:

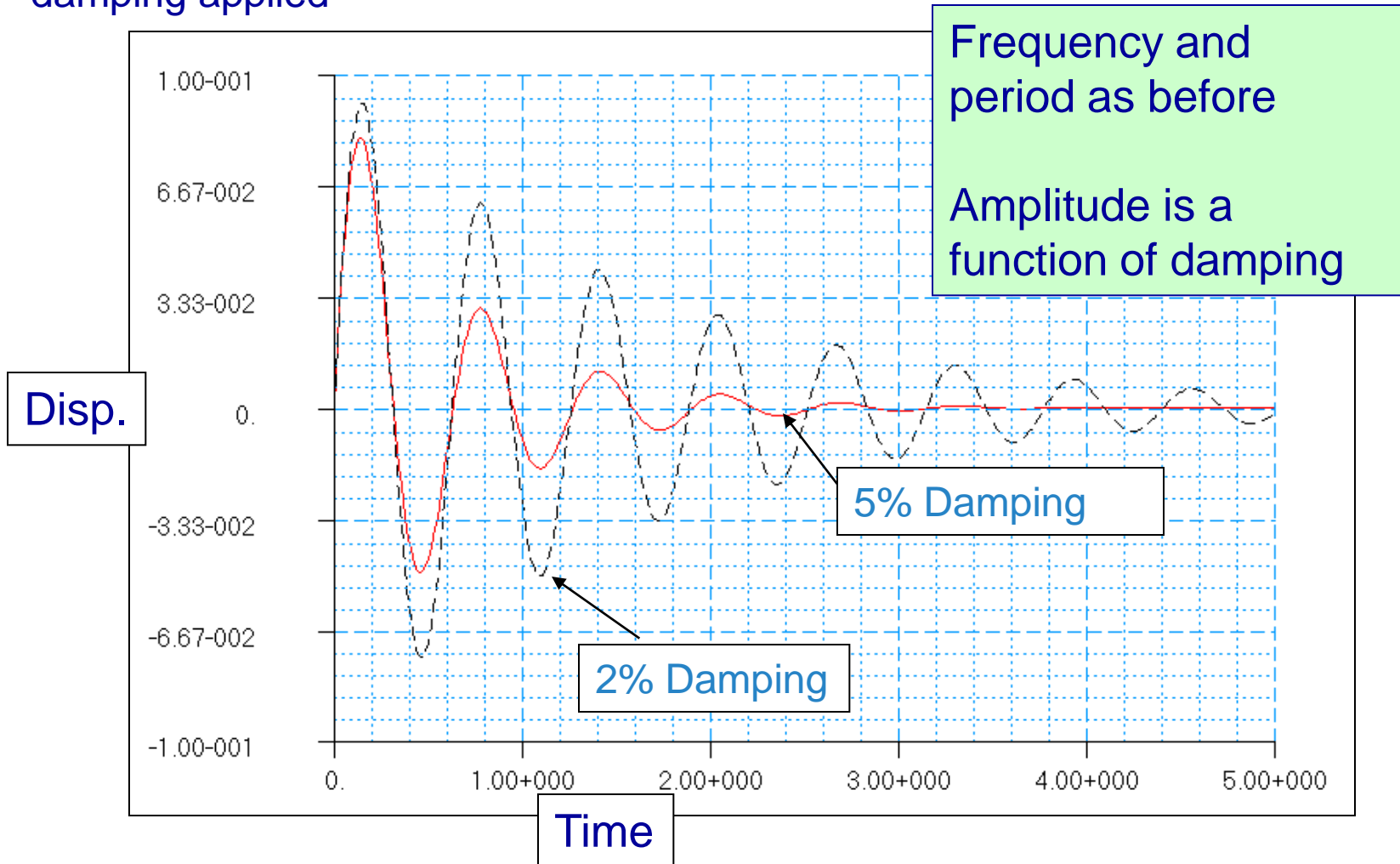
$$\zeta = \frac{b}{b_{cr}}$$

- In most analyses  $\zeta$  is less than .1 (10%) so

$$\omega_d \approx \omega_n$$

# DAMPED FREE VIBRATION SDOF (Cont.)

- The graph is from a transient analysis of the previous spring mass system with damping applied



# DAMPING WITH FORCED VIBRATION

- Apply a harmonic forcing function:  $p \sin \omega t$ 
  - ◆ note that  $\omega$  is the DRIVING or INPUT frequency

- The equation of motion becomes

$$m\ddot{u}(t) + b\dot{u}(t) + ku(t) = p \sin \omega t$$

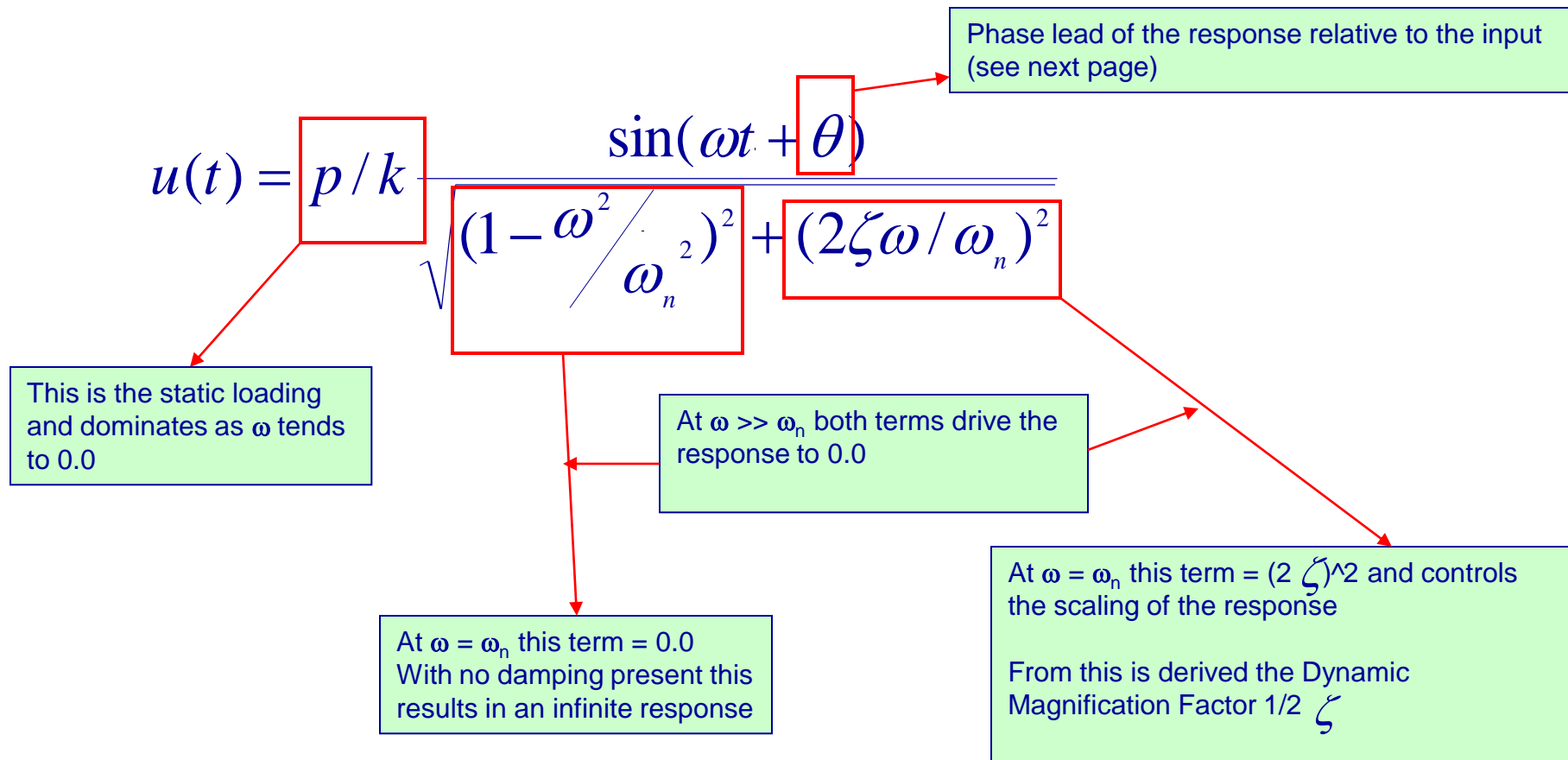
- The solution consists of two terms:
  - ◆ The initial response, due to initial conditions which decays rapidly in the presence of damping
  - ◆ The steady-state response as shown:

$$u(t) = p/k \frac{\sin(\omega t + \theta)}{\sqrt{(1 - \omega^2/\omega_n^2)^2 + (2\zeta\omega/\omega_n)^2}}$$

- ◆ This equation is described on the next page

# DAMPING WITH FORCED VIBRATION (Cont.)

- This equation deserves inspection as it shows several important dynamic characteristics:



# DAMPING WITH FORCED VIBRATION (Cont.)

- $\theta$  is defined as a phase lead in Nastran :

$$\theta = -\tan^{-1} \frac{2\zeta\omega / \omega_n}{1 - \omega^2 / \omega_n^2}$$

# DAMPING WITH FORCED VIBRATION (Cont.)

## ■ Summary:

◆ For  $\frac{\omega}{\omega_n} \ll 1$

- Magnification factor  $\longrightarrow$  1 (static solution)
- Phase angle  $\longrightarrow$   $360^\circ$  (response is in phase with the force)

◆ For  $\frac{\omega}{\omega_n} \gg 1$

- Magnification factor  $\longrightarrow$  0 (no response)
- Phase angle  $\longrightarrow$   $180^\circ$  (response has opposite sign of force)

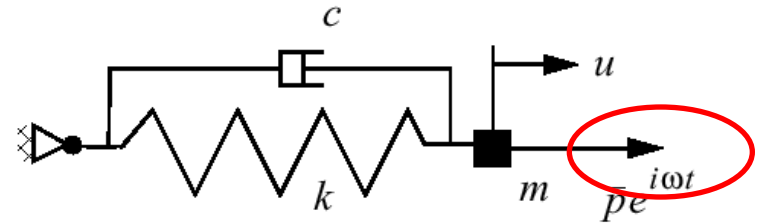
◆ For  $\frac{\omega}{\omega_n} \approx 1$

- Magnification factor  $\longrightarrow$   $1/2\xi$
- Phase angle  $\longrightarrow$   $270^\circ$

# HARMONIC OSCILLATIONS

When the Damped system is loaded with an exponential function of a single frequency, the resultant oscillations are called harmonic:

$$m\ddot{u} + c\dot{u} + ku = \bar{p}e^{i\omega t}$$



**then define:**

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} ; \beta = \frac{\omega}{\omega_0}$$

**static solution is:**

$$u_s = \frac{p}{k}$$

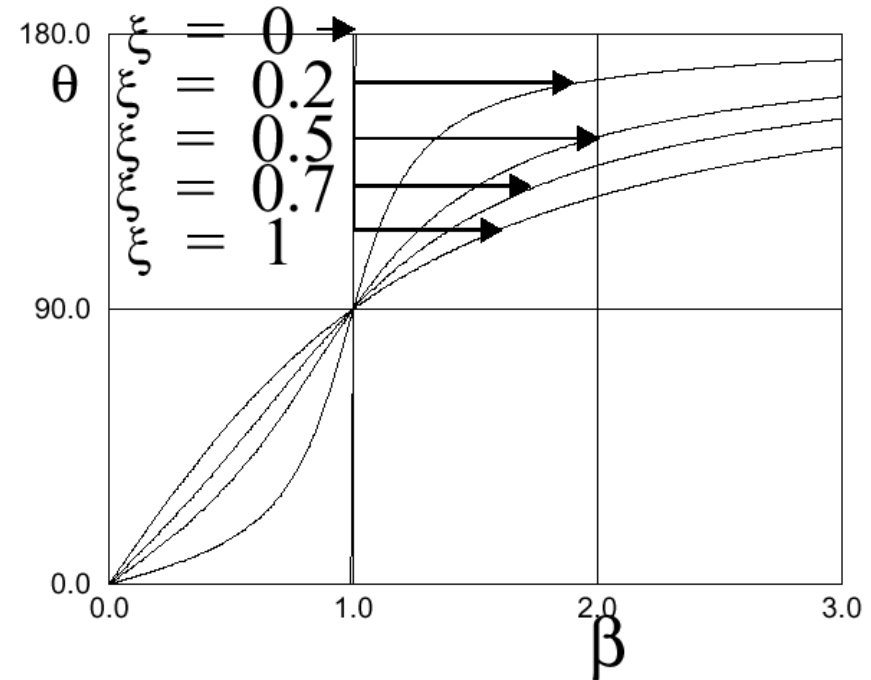
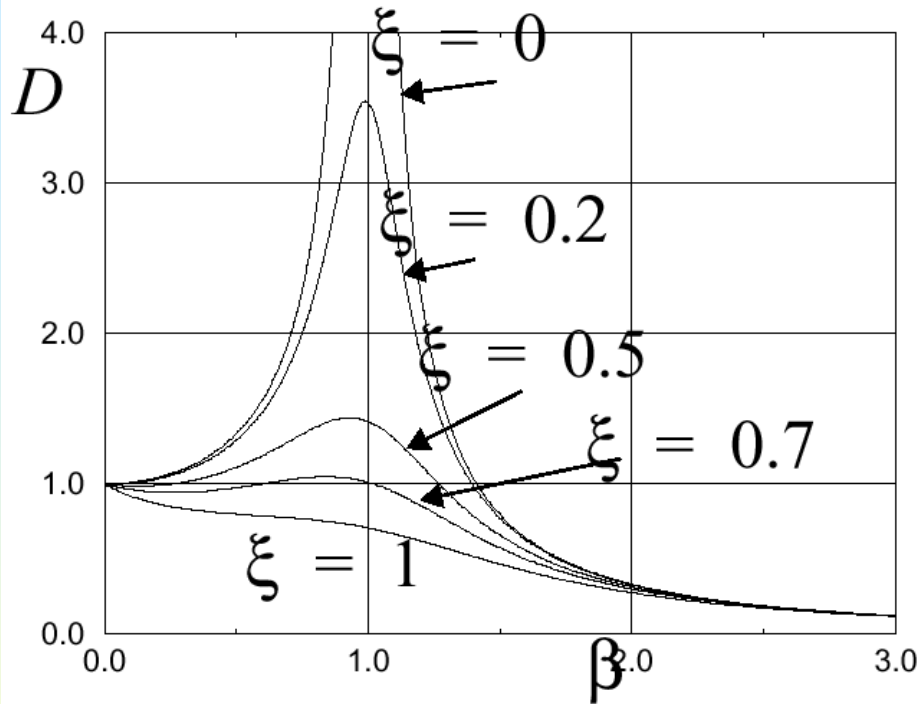
**Dynamic magnification factor:**

$$D = \frac{u}{u_s} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1 - \beta^2)^2 + (2\beta\xi)^2}}$$

**with a phase angle of:**

$$\theta = \text{atan}\left(\frac{2\xi\beta}{1 - \beta^2}\right)$$

# HARMONIC OSCILLATIONS (CONT.)



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# DAMPING WITH FORCED VIBRATION (Cont.)

- A Frequency Response Analysis can be used to explore the response of our spring mass system to the forcing function.
- This method allows us to compare the response of the spring with the input force applied to the spring over a wide range of input frequencies
- It is more convenient in this case than running multiple Transient Analyses, each with different input frequencies
- Apply the input load as 1 unit of force over a frequency range from .1 Hz to 5 Hz
- Damping is 1% of Critical

# DAMPING WITH FORCED VIBRATION (Cont.)

Magnification Factor =  $1/2\xi = 1/G = 50$   
Static Response =  $p/k = .01$   
Peak Response = .5 at 1.59 Hz

Note:  
Use of a Log scale helps identify low order response

Displacement

1.00+000

1.00-001

1.00-002

1.00-003

0.

1.00+000

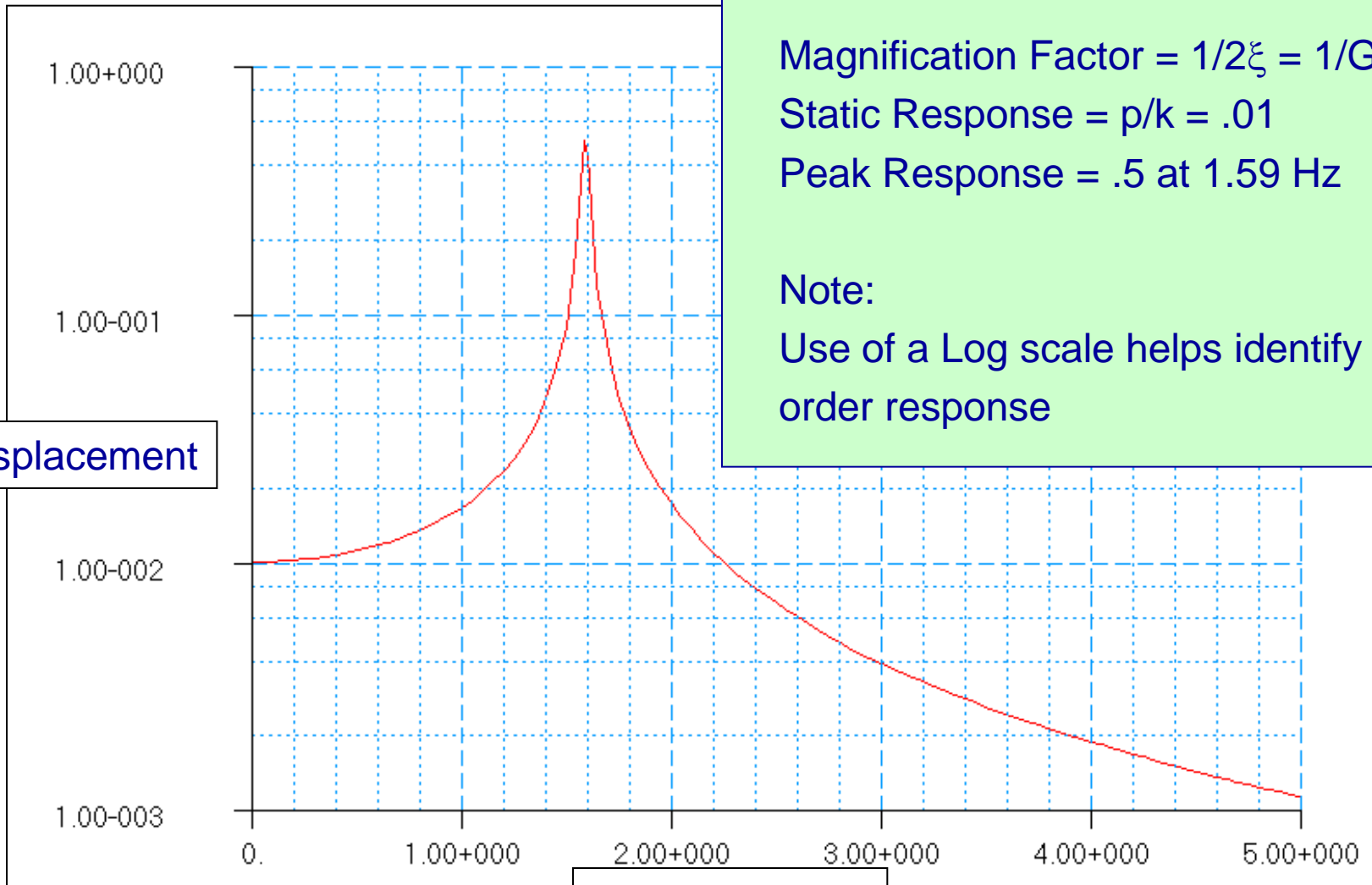
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3.00+000

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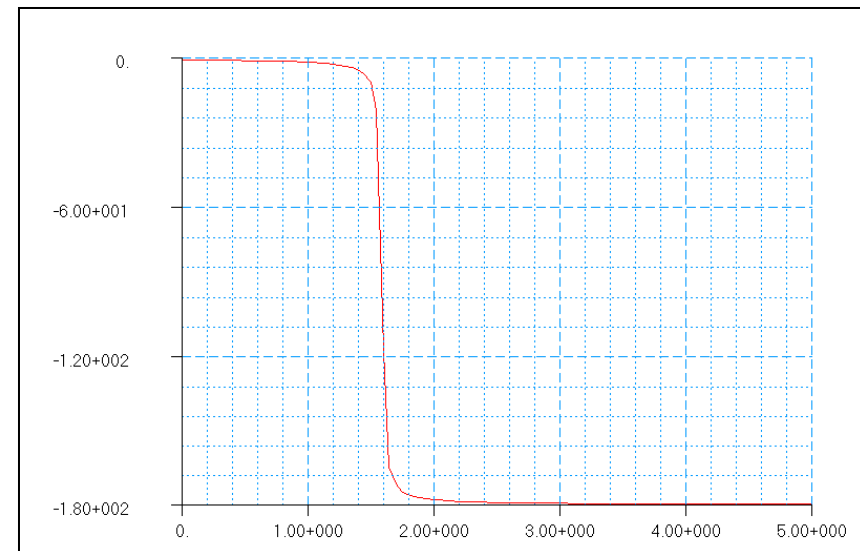
5.00+000

Frequency (Hz)



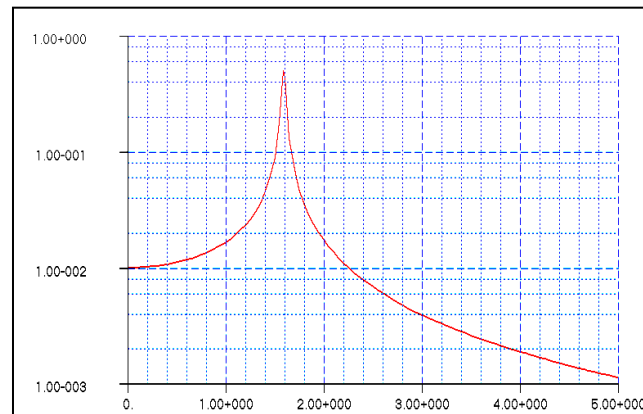
# DAMPING WITH FORCED VIBRATION (Cont.)

- There are many important factors in setting up a Frequency Response Analysis that will be covered in a later section
- For now, note the response is as predicted by the equation of motion
  - ◆ At 0 Hz result is  $p/k$
  - ◆ At 1.59 Hz result is  $p/k$  factored by Dynamic Magnification
  - ◆ At 5 Hz result is low and becoming insignificant
- The Phase change is shown here:
  - ◆ In phase up to 1.59 Hz
  - ◆ Out of phase 180 Degrees after 1.59 Hz



# DAMPING WITH FORCED VIBRATION (Cont.)

- Try a Transient analysis with a unit force applied to the spring at 1.59 Hz
- Again damping of 1% Critical is applied
- The result is shown on the next page:
  - ◆ The response takes around 32 seconds to reach a steady-state solution
  - ◆ After this time the displacement response magnitude stays constant at .45 units
  - ◆ The theoretical value of .5 is not reached due to numerical inaccuracy (see later) and the difficulty of hitting the sharp peak



# DAMPING WITH FORCED VIBRATION (Cont.)

- Transient analysis with a unit force applied to the spring at 1.59 Hz

