

**MECHANICAL OSCILLATOR
AND ITS APPLICATION FOR
ABSORPTION OF WAVE ENERGY.**

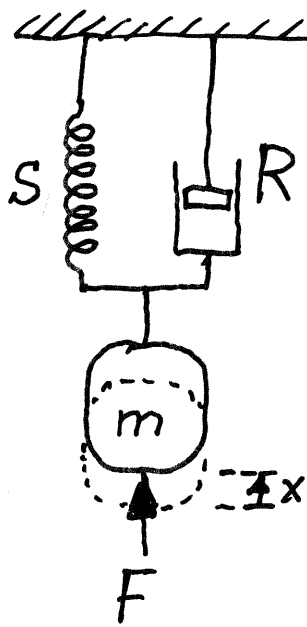
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Mechanical oscillator



Mass m displaced a distance x from equilibrium position

Forces:

F = external applied force

$F_s = -Sx$ spring force

$F_R = -R\dot{x}$ damping force

For mathematical simplicity the damping force is assumed proportional to the velocity $\dot{x} = \frac{dx}{dt}$

R = "mechanical resistance"

The spring force is assumed proportional to the displacement x from equilibrium.

Newton: $m\ddot{x} = F + F_s + F_R = F - Sx - R\dot{x}$

$$m\ddot{x} + R\dot{x} + Sx = F \quad (2.2)$$

(External force balanced against 1) inertial force
2) damping force and 3) spring force)

Energy = Force \times Displacement

Power = Force \times Velocity

Power applied to the mechanical system

$$\begin{aligned}
 P &= F \dot{x} = m \ddot{x} \dot{x} + R \dot{x}^2 + S x \dot{x} = \\
 &= m \dot{x} \frac{d\dot{x}}{dt} + R \dot{x}^2 + S \frac{dx}{dt} x = \\
 &= \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2 \right) + R \dot{x}^2 + \frac{d}{dt} \left(\frac{1}{2} S x^2 \right) \\
 &= R \dot{x}^2 + \frac{d}{dt} (W_k + W_p)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$W_k = \frac{1}{2} m \dot{x}^2 = \text{kinetic energy} \quad (2.73)$$

$$W_p = \frac{1}{2} S x^2 = \text{potential energy (of the spring)} \quad (2.74)$$

Assume periodic oscillation. After one period $T = 2\pi/\omega$ the stored energy $W_k + W_p$ is the same (as one period earlier)

The average applied power \bar{P} equals the average damping power \bar{P}_R

$$\bar{P} = \overline{F \dot{x}} = \overline{R \dot{x}^2} = \bar{P}_R$$

Assume the applied force F is given $F = F_0 \cos(\omega t)$

What is \dot{x} ?

Try $x = x_0 \sin(\omega t - \varphi)$ (2.11)

$$\dot{x} = \omega x_0 \cos(\omega t - \varphi) = u_0 \cos(\omega t - \varphi)$$

$$\ddot{x} = -\omega^2 x_0 \sin(\omega t - \varphi)$$

$$F = R \dot{x} + Sx + m\ddot{x}$$

$$F_0 \cos(\omega t) = R u_0 \cos(\omega t - \varphi) + \left(\frac{S}{\omega} - \omega m\right) u_0 \sin(\omega t - \varphi) =$$

$$= R u_0 \{ \cos \varphi \cos \omega t + \sin \varphi \sin \omega t \}$$

$$+ \left(\frac{S}{\omega} - \omega m\right) u_0 \{ -\sin \varphi \cos \omega t + \cos \varphi \sin \omega t \} =$$

$$= (R \cos \varphi + (\omega m - S/\omega) \sin \varphi) u_0 \cos(\omega t)$$

$$+ (R \sin \varphi - (\omega m - S/\omega) \cos \varphi) u_0 \sin(\omega t)$$

$$R \sin \varphi = (\omega m - S/\omega) \cos \varphi$$

$$\tan \varphi = \frac{\omega m - S/\omega}{R} \quad \cos \varphi = \frac{R}{|Z|} \quad \sin \varphi = \frac{\omega m - S/\omega}{|Z|}$$

$$|Z| = \{ R^2 + (\omega m - S/\omega)^2 \}^{1/2} \quad (2.16)$$

$$F_0 = (R \cos \varphi + (\omega m - S/\omega) \sin \varphi) u_0$$

$$= (R^2/|Z| + (\omega m - S/\omega)^2/|Z|) u_0 = |Z| u_0$$

$\dot{x} = u_0 \cos(\omega t - \varphi)$	$\cos \varphi = \frac{R}{ Z }$
$u_0 = F_0/ Z = F_0 \{ R^2 + (\omega m - S/\omega)^2 \}^{-1/2}$	$\sin \varphi = \frac{\omega m - S/\omega}{ Z }$

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ResonanceMechanical resistance R Mechanical reactance $X = \omega m - S/\omega$ For $\omega = \sqrt{S/m} \equiv \omega_0$ $X = 0$

$$|Z|_{\min} = R \quad u_{0,\max} = \frac{F_0}{R} \quad \varphi = 0$$

This is resonance.

$$\text{If } \omega > \sqrt{S/m} \quad X > 0 \quad \frac{\pi}{2} > \varphi > 0$$

$$\text{If } \omega \rightarrow \infty \quad X \rightarrow +\infty \quad \varphi \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2} \quad u_0 \rightarrow \frac{F_0}{\omega m} \rightarrow 0$$

(Dynamics dominated by inertia)

$$\text{If } \omega < \sqrt{S/m} \quad X < 0 \quad -\frac{\pi}{2} < \varphi < 0$$

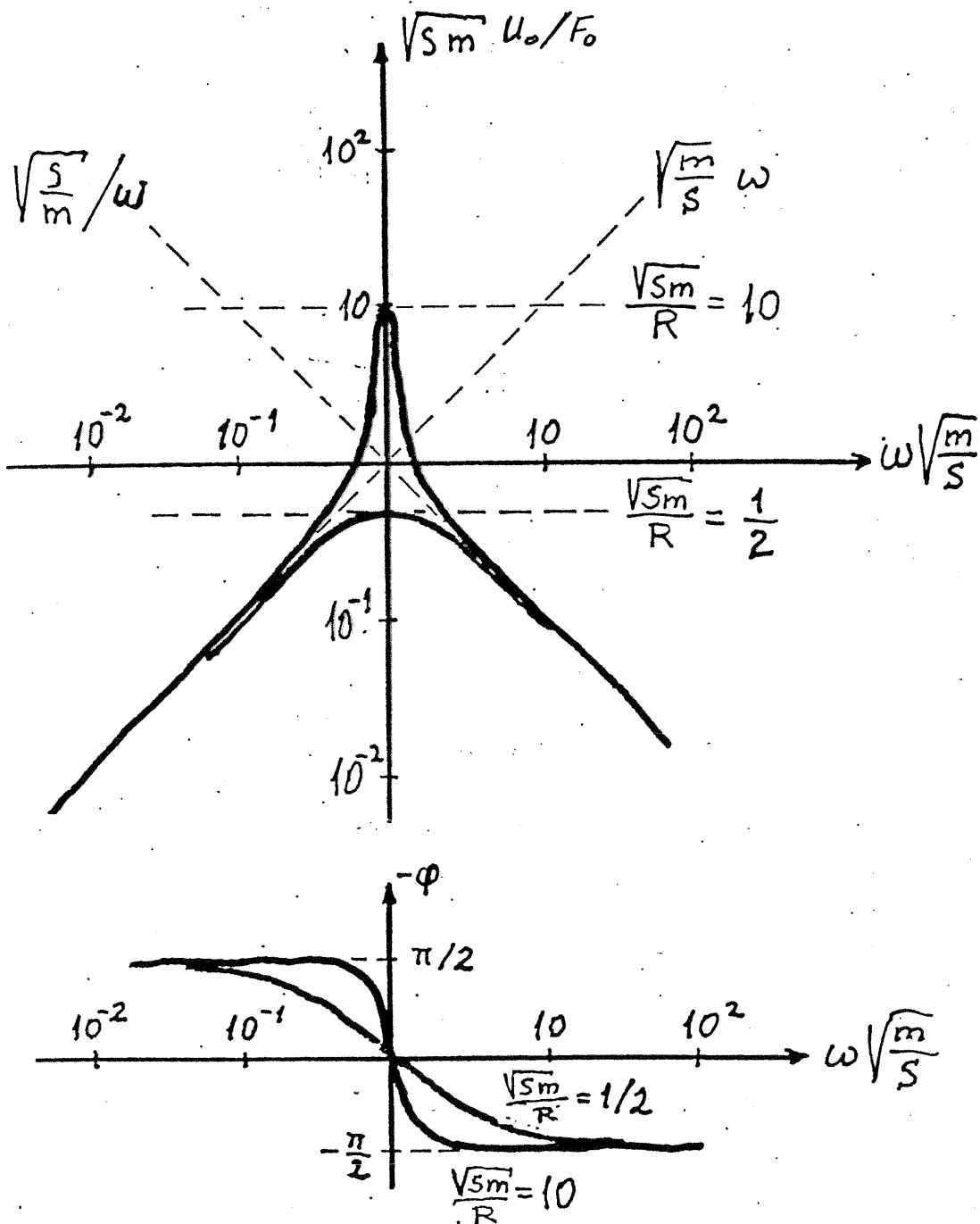
$$\text{If } \omega \rightarrow 0 \quad X \rightarrow -\infty \quad \varphi \rightarrow -\frac{\pi}{2} \quad u_0 \rightarrow \frac{\omega F_0}{S} \rightarrow 0$$

Dynamics dominated by the spring

$$\frac{\omega}{\omega_0} = \omega \sqrt{\frac{m}{S}} \quad \text{normalised frequency [non-dimensional]}$$

$$\delta \equiv \frac{R}{2m} \quad \text{damping coefficient [dimension 1/s]}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\delta}{\omega_0} = \frac{R}{2m} \sqrt{\frac{m}{S}} = \frac{R}{2\sqrt{mS}} = \text{damping factor [non-dimensional]}$$



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Fig. A-9. "Bode diagram". Frequency response of relation between velocity u and applied force F in normalised units, for two different values of the damping coefficient.
a. Amplitude (modulus) response with both scales logarithmic.
b. Phase response with linear scale for the phase difference.

POWER AND ENERGY RELATIONS.

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Mechanical power (rate of work) delivered by supplying the external force $F(t)$:

$$P(t) = F(t) u(t) = F(t) \dot{x}(t)$$

$$F(t) = F_m(t) - F_R(t) - F_S(t) \\ = m a(t) + R u(t) + S x(t)$$

(2.68)

$$P(t) = P_R(t) + (P_k(t) + P_p(t))$$

$$P_R(t) = -F_R(t) u(t) = R u^2$$

(2.70)

$$P_k(t) = F_m(t) u(t) = m \dot{u} u = \frac{d}{dt} W_k(t)$$

$$W_k(t) = \frac{1}{2} m (u(t))^2 \quad \text{-kinetic energy.}$$

$$P_p(t) = -F_S(t) u(t) = S x \dot{x} = \frac{d}{dt} W_p(t) \quad (2.72)$$

$$W_p(t) = \frac{1}{2} S (x(t))^2 \quad \text{-potential energy.}$$

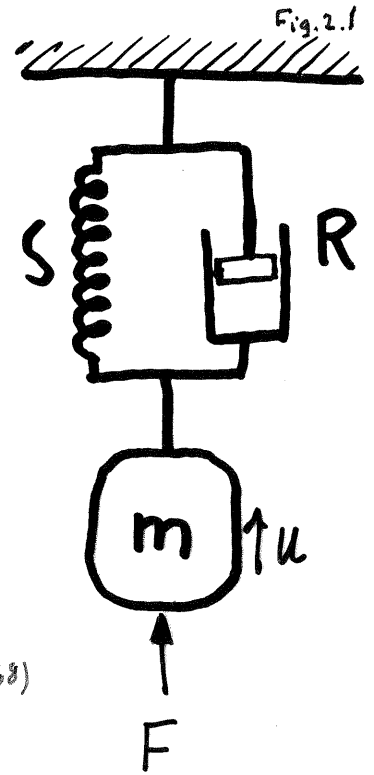
Energy stored in the oscillating system:

$$W(t) = W_k(t) + W_p(t)$$

(2.75)

$$P_k(t) + P_p(t) = \frac{d}{dt} W(t)$$

(2.76)



$$F(t) = F_0 \cos(\omega t)$$

$$u(t) = \dot{x}(t) = u_0 \cos(\omega t - \varphi)$$

$$u_0 = F_0 / |Z| \quad \cos \varphi = R / |Z|$$

$$|Z| = \sqrt{R^2 + X^2} \quad X = \omega m - S/\omega \quad (2.16)$$

$$x(t) = x_0 \sin(\omega t - \varphi) \quad x_0 = u_0 / \omega$$

$$\cos \alpha \cos \beta = \frac{1}{2} \cos(\alpha - \beta) + \frac{1}{2} \cos(\alpha + \beta)$$

$$(2.67) \quad P(t) = F(t)u(t) = F_0 u_0 \cos(\omega t) \cos(\omega t - \varphi) \\ = \frac{1}{2} F_0 u_0 [\cos \varphi + \cos(2\omega t - \varphi)]$$

$$\text{Delivered power: } P \equiv \overline{P(t)} = \frac{1}{2} F_0 u_0 \cos \varphi = \\ = \frac{1}{2} F_0^2 R / |Z|^2 = \frac{1}{2} R u_0^2 \quad (2.79)$$

$$(2.70) \quad P_R(t) = R [u(t)]^2 = R u_0^2 \cos^2(\omega t - \varphi) \\ = \frac{1}{2} R u_0^2 [1 + \cos(2\omega t - 2\varphi)]$$

$$\text{Consumed power: } P_R \equiv \overline{P_R(t)} = \frac{1}{2} R u_0^2 \quad (2.81)$$

$$\text{Obs! : } P_R = P$$

$$\text{But } P_R(t) \neq P(t) \text{ if } \varphi \neq 0$$

The difference $P(t) - P_R(t)$ must be power exchanged with the energy store.

Instantaneous

kinetic energy $W_k(t) = \frac{m}{2} [u(t)]^2 = \frac{m}{2} u_0^2 \cos^2(\omega t - \varphi)$
 $= \frac{m}{4} u_0^2 [1 + \cos(2\omega t - 2\varphi)]$

and

potential energy $W_p(t) = \frac{1}{2} S [x(t)]^2 = \frac{1}{2} S x_0^2 \sin^2(\omega t - \varphi)$
 $= \frac{1}{4} S x_0^2 [1 - \cos(2\omega t - 2\varphi)]$

Average kinetic and potential energies

$$W_k \equiv \overline{W_k(t)} = \frac{m}{4} u_0^2 \quad W_p \equiv \overline{W_p(t)} = \frac{1}{4} S x_0^2 = \frac{S u_0^2}{4 \omega^2}$$

Instantaneous total stored energy:

$$W(t) = W_k(t) + W_p(t) = (W_k + W_p) + (W_k - W_p) \cos(2\omega t - 2\varphi)$$

Average total stored energy:

(2.89)

$$W = \overline{W(t)} = W_k + W_p = \frac{1}{4} (m u_0^2 + S x_0^2) = \frac{1}{4} m u_0^2 \left(1 + \frac{\omega_0^2}{\omega^2}\right)$$

Amplitude of oscillating part of total stored energy:

$$W_k - W_p = \frac{1}{4\omega} (\omega m - S/\omega) u_0^2 = \frac{1}{4\omega} \Sigma u_0^2 \quad (2.90)$$

Instantaneous reactive power (rate of change of stored energy):

$$P_k(t) + P_p(t) = \frac{d}{dt} W(t) = (W_k - W_p) 2\omega [-\sin(2\omega t - 2\varphi)] =$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2} \Sigma u_0^2 \sin(2\omega t - 2\varphi) \quad (2.91)$$

Checking that $P_k(t) + P_f(t) = P(t) - P_R(t)$

$$\begin{aligned} P(t) - P_R(t) &= \\ &= P - P_R + \frac{1}{2} F_0 u_0 \cos(2\omega t - \varphi) - \frac{1}{2} R u_0^2 \cos(2\omega t - 2\varphi) \\ &= 0 + \frac{1}{2} F_0 u_0 \cos(\psi + \varphi) - \frac{1}{2} R u_0^2 \cos\psi \quad (\psi \equiv 2\omega t - 2\varphi) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(t) - P_R(t) &= \frac{1}{2} F_0 u_0 (\cos\psi \cos\varphi - \sin\psi \sin\varphi) - \frac{1}{2} R u_0^2 \cos\psi = \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2} F_0 u_0 \cos\varphi - \frac{1}{2} R u_0^2 \right) \cos\psi - \frac{1}{2} F_0 u_0 \sin\psi \sin\varphi \\ &= (P - P_R) \cos(2\omega t - 2\varphi) - \frac{1}{2} F_0 u_0 \sin\psi \sin(2\omega t - 2\varphi) \end{aligned}$$

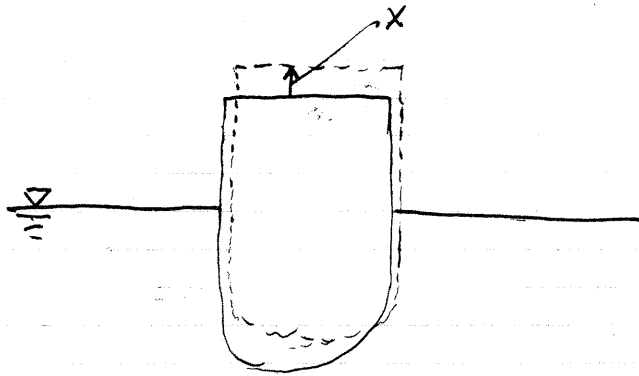
$$F_0 = |Z| u_0 \quad R = |Z| \cos\varphi \quad X = |Z| \sin\varphi$$

$$P = \frac{1}{2} F_0 u_0 \cos\varphi = \frac{1}{2} R u_0^2 = P_R$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(t) - P_R(t) &= -\frac{1}{2} F_0 u_0 \sin\varphi \sin(2\omega t - 2\varphi) = \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} X u_0^2 \sin(2\omega t - 2\varphi) = P_k(t) + P_f(t) \end{aligned}$$

(Q.E.D.)

Stiffness S of buoyant floating body



Water plane area A_w .
 If body is lifted up a distance x from its equilibrium position, the upward buoyancy force is reduced by $\rho g A_w x$. Thus there

will be a restoring force

$$F_s = -\rho g A_w x$$

Acting in a direction to restore the equilibrium

(Note: position and force are chosen to be positive upwards)

$$F_s = -Sx$$

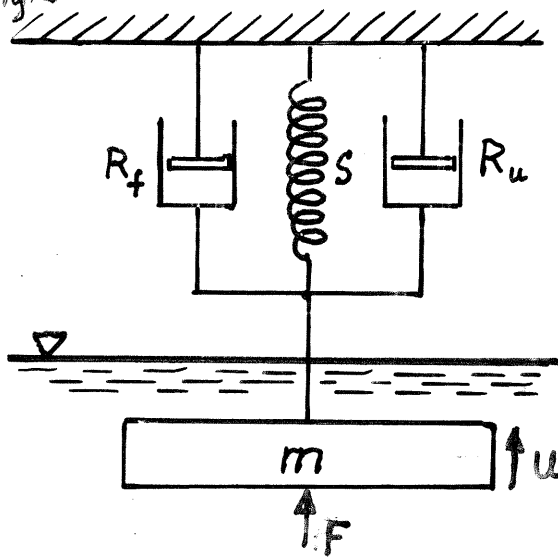
Hydrostatic stiffness (buoyancy stiffness) $S = \rho g A_w$

If the floating body is axisymmetric and of radius a (diameter $2a$) the "water plane area" is $A_w = \pi a^2$

$$S = \rho g \pi a^2 \quad (5.3/4)$$

Mechanical oscillator interacting with waves.

Fig. 3.2



Mass m arranged to oscillate in water
 It has an equilibrium position determined by a spring (e.g. hydrostatic "spring" for a floating body arranged to oscillate)

Mechanical resistances: R_f R_u R_r

$\bar{P}_f = R_f \bar{u}^2$ = power lost by friction (including viscous losses in the water, etc.)

$\bar{P}_u = R_u \bar{u}^2$ = useful converted power

$\bar{P}_r = R_r \bar{u}^2$ = radiated power (if a body in water oscillates, a wave is generated which carries away wave energy.)

R_f = loss resistance

R_u = (useful) load resistance (e.g. a pump providing fluid to a turbine)

R_r = radiation resistance

Not only the mass m but also the surrounding water attain velocity (and acceleration). Hence an added hydrodynamic mass m_r is included in the dynamic system.

Useful power:

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{P}_u &= R_u \bar{u}^2 = R_u \frac{1}{2} u_0^2 = \\ &= \frac{R_u F_0^2 / 2}{(R_u + R_f + R_r)^2 + (\omega m + \omega m_r - S/\omega)^2} \end{aligned} \tag{3.39a}$$

Note $\bar{P}_u \rightarrow 0$ when $\omega \rightarrow 0$ and when $\omega \rightarrow \infty$

Otherwise $\bar{P}_u > 0$

When is \bar{P}_u a maximum?

If it can be arranged that the total reactance vanishes $\bar{X}_{tot} = 0$

$$\text{or } \omega^2(m + m_r) = S \quad \omega = \omega_0 = \{S/(m + m_r)\}^{1/2} \tag{3.43}$$

then we have resonance.

This is the optimum condition w.r.t. m (or alternatively w.r.t. S)

If we have resonance

$$(\bar{P}_u)_{res} = \frac{R_u F_0^2 / 2}{(R_u + R_f + R_r)^2}$$

Assume R_r and R_f are given, what is the optimum choice of R_u ?

$$\text{The answer is } (R_u)_{opt} = R_f + R_r \tag{3.44a}$$

[Show this, Hint: Differentiate $(\bar{P}_u)_{res}$ w.r.t. R_u]

$$\text{Thus } (\bar{P}_u)_{max} = \frac{F_0^2}{8(R_r + R_f)} \tag{3.45a}$$

Alternatively: Set $R_f + R_r = R_i$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\bar{P}_u)_{res} &= \frac{R_u F_o^2 / 2}{(R_u + R_i)^2} = \\
 &= \frac{F_o^2}{8R_i} \cdot \frac{4R_u R_i}{(R_u + R_i)^2} = \\
 &= \frac{F_o^2}{8R_i} \left[1 - \frac{R_u^2 + 2R_u R_i + R_i^2 - 4R_u R_i}{(R_u + R_i)^2} \right] = \\
 &= \frac{F_o^2}{8R_i} \left[1 - \left(\frac{R_u - R_i}{R_u + R_i} \right)^2 \right]
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(\bar{P}_u)_{res} \leq \frac{F_o^2}{8R_i} = (P_u)_{MAX}$$

Maximum obtained for $R_u = R_i (= R_f + R_r)$

Useful power

$$\overline{P}_u = R_u \overline{u^2} = R_u \frac{1}{2} u_0^2 \quad u = \dot{x}$$

$$R_u \dot{x} = F_e - R_n \dot{x} - R_f \dot{x} - (m+m_n) \ddot{x} - Sx$$

$$R_u \dot{x}^2 = F_e \dot{x} - R_n \dot{x}^2 - R_f \dot{x}^2 - \underbrace{(m+m_n) \ddot{x} \dot{x} - Sx \dot{x}}_{-\frac{m+m_n}{2} \frac{d}{dt} \dot{x}^2 - \frac{S}{2} \frac{d}{dt} x^2}$$

$$= -\frac{d}{dt} (W_{kinetic} + W_{potential})$$

Time-average value

$$\overline{P}_u = R_u \overline{\dot{x}^2} = \overline{F_e \dot{x}} - R_n \overline{\dot{x}^2} - R_f \overline{\dot{x}^2}$$

$$F_e \dot{x} = F_e u = F_0 \cos(\omega t) u_0 \cos(\omega t - \varphi)$$

$$\cos \alpha_1 \cos \alpha_2 = \frac{1}{2} \cos(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1) + \frac{1}{2} \cos(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)$$

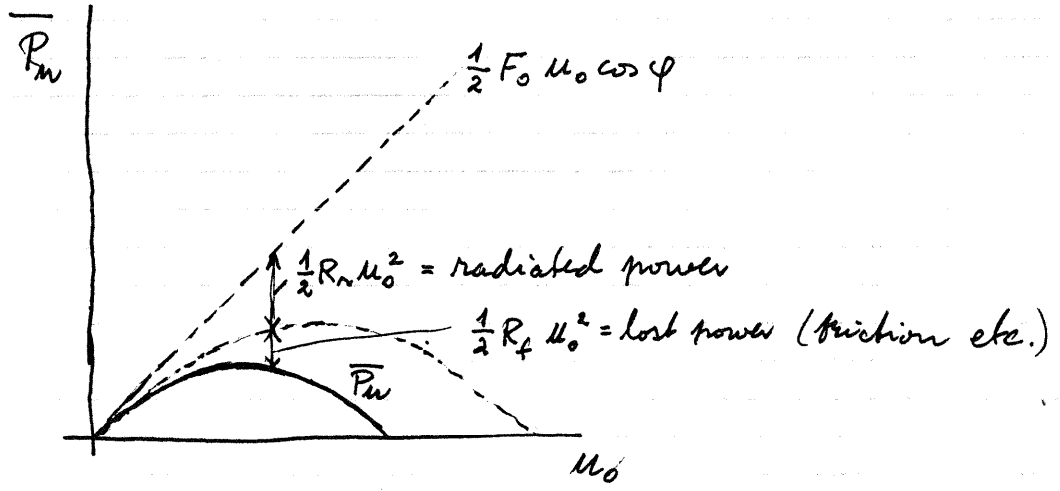
$$F_e \dot{x} = F_0 u_0 \left(\frac{1}{2} \cos \varphi + \frac{1}{2} \cos(2\omega t - \varphi) \right)$$

$$\overline{F_e \dot{x}} = \frac{1}{2} F_0 u_0 \cos \varphi$$

$$R_f \overline{\dot{x}^2} = \frac{1}{2} R_f u_0^2$$

$$\overline{P}_u = \frac{1}{2} F_0 u_0 \cos \varphi - \frac{1}{2} R_n u_0^2 - \frac{1}{2} R_f u_0^2$$

How does \overline{P}_u depend on oscillation amplitude u_0 ?



F_0 is proportional to the wave amplitude. To make \overline{P}_u large (for a given wave) the phase angle φ should be small (resonance), since $(\cos \varphi) = 1$ for $\varphi = 0$. Resonance, or if not resonance use control system to obtain small φ .