## **RESONANCE OF ISOCHRONOUS OSCILLATORS**

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**Resonance:** All solutions are unbounded, meaning that each solution x(t) satisfies

$$|x(t_n)| + |\dot{x}(t_n)| \to +\infty$$

for some sequence  $\{t_n\}$ .

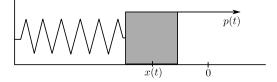
In fact in the results we prove:

$$\lim_{t\to+\infty}(|x(t)|+|\dot{x}(t)|)\to+\infty$$

## RESONANCE FOR THE HARMONIC OSCILLATOR

Consider the harmonic oscillator with period  $2\pi$  perturbed by a periodic forcing

$$\ddot{x} + \mathbf{n}^2 x = \mathbf{p}(t), \ \mathbf{n} = 1, 2, \dots$$



Resonance 
$$\iff \hat{p}_n := \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} p(t) e^{-int} dt \neq 0$$

Robert Roussarie, Open Problems Session of the II Symposium on Planar Vector Fields (Lleida, 2000)

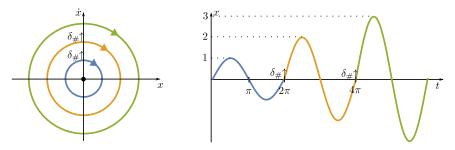
How this phenomena generalize for nonlinear isochronous centers?

## Rafael Ortega

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$$\ddot{x} + V'(x) = \varepsilon \delta_{\#}(t),$$

 $\delta_{\#}(t)$  periodic  $\delta$  – function.



Regularization: p(t) close to  $\delta_{\#}(t) \longrightarrow \ddot{x} + V'(x) = \varepsilon p(t)$ , Hypothesis: V' Lipschitz-continuous.

## RESONANCE FOR NONLINEAR OSCILLATORS

Consider an oscillator with equation

$$\ddot{x} + V'(x) = 0, \ x \in \mathbb{R}$$

and assume that it has an isochronous center at the origin with period  $T = 2\pi$ . We are interested in the class of  $2\pi$ -periodic functions p(t) such that all the solutions of the non-autonomous equation

$$\ddot{x} + V'(x) = \varepsilon p(t)$$

are unbounded.

#### Goal

To identify a general class of forcings leading to resonance. Our main result can be interpreted as a nonlinear version of the condition  $\hat{p}_n \neq 0$ .

Let:

• 
$$\mathcal{C} = (\mathbb{R}/2\pi\mathbb{Z}) \times [0,\infty)$$
 with coordinates  $(\theta, r)$ ,

- $\varphi(t, r)$  the solution of  $\ddot{x} + V'(x) = 0$ , x(0) = r,  $\dot{x}(0) = 0$ .
- $\psi(t, r)$  the complex-valued solution of

$$\ddot{y} + V''(\varphi(t,r))y = 0, \ y(0) = 1, \ \dot{y}(0) = i.$$

•  $\Phi_p: \mathcal{C} \to \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\Phi_p(\theta, r) := \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} p(t-\theta)\psi(t, r)dt.$ 

Harmonic oscillator:  $\psi(t, r) = \cos(nt) + \frac{i}{n}\sin(nt)$ 

 $\Longrightarrow \frac{1}{n}|\hat{p}_n| \leq |\Phi_p| \leq |\hat{p}_n|.$ 

# SUFFICIENT CONDITION FOR RESONANCE

Let  $V \in C^2(\mathbb{R})$  satisfying V(0) = 0, xV'(x) > 0 if  $x \neq 0$ , with all solutions of  $\ddot{x} + V'(x) = 0$   $2\pi$ -periodic.

#### Theorem

Assume that V'' is bounded over  ${\mathbb R}$  and the condition

$$\inf_{\mathcal{C}} |\Phi_{p}(\theta, r)| > 0$$

holds for some  $p \in L^1(\mathbb{T})$ . Then the perturbed equation is resonant for small  $\varepsilon \neq 0$ .

# Lets sketch the proof

**Second Massera's Theorem**: If all solutions of  $\dot{z} = F(z, t)$ ,  $z \in \mathbb{R}^2$ ,  $F(\cdot, t) 2\pi$ -periodic, are globally defined in the future and at least one of them bounded then a  $2\pi$ -periodic solution exists.

Take  $\epsilon_n \downarrow 0$  and suppose  $x_n 2\pi$ -periodic sol.  $\ddot{x} + V'(x) = \varepsilon_n p(t)$ . Define  $y_n = x_n - X_n$ , where  $X_n$  solution of  $\ddot{x} + V'(x) = 0$  with same initial conditions as  $x_n$ .

 $y_n$  solution of

$$\ddot{y}+y\int_0^1 V''((1-\lambda)x_n(t)+\lambda X_n(t))d\lambda=\epsilon_n p(t), \ y(0)=\dot{y}(0)=0.$$

This produce:  $||y_n||_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{T})} \leq C|\varepsilon_n|||p||_{L^1(\mathbb{T})}$ .

Also  $y_n$  solution of

$$\ddot{y} + V''(X_n(t))y = \varepsilon_n p(t) - q_n(t)$$

with

$$q_n(t) = y_n(t) \int_0^1 \left[ V''((1-\lambda)x_n(t) + \lambda X_n(t)) - V''(X_n(t)) \right] d\lambda.$$

Thus:  $\frac{1}{\varepsilon_n}q_n(t) \to 0$  and  $\frac{1}{|\varepsilon_n|} \|q_n\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})} \leq C \|p\|_{L^1(\mathbb{T})} \|V''\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{R})}.$ 

Solutions  $X_n(t)$  write  $\varphi(t - \theta_n, r_n)$  and  $\psi(t - \theta_n, r_n)$  is a  $2\pi$ -periodic nontrivial solution of  $\ddot{y} + V''(X_n(t))y = 0$ . Particularly  $\|\psi\|_{L^{\infty}(\mathbb{T})} \leq C$ . Fredholm alternative:

$$arepsilon_n \int_0^{2\pi} p(t)\psi(t- heta_n,r_n)dt - \int_0^{2\pi} q_n(t)\psi(t- heta_n,r_n)dt = 0.$$
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THERE ARE MANY OF THOSE ISOCHRONOUS POTENTIALS?

M. Urabe Potential forces which yield periodic motions of a fixed period, J. Math. and Mech. 10 (1961), 569–578.

Consider the initial value problem

$$\frac{dX}{dx} = \frac{2\pi}{T} \frac{1}{1 + S(X)}, \ X(0) = 0,$$

with S an analytic odd function satisfying

$$C_0 := \sup_{X \in \mathbb{R}} |S(X)| < 1, \ C_1 := \sup_{X \in \mathbb{R}} |XS'(X)| < +\infty.$$

The solution X(x) is defined in  $\mathbb{R}$  and V'(x) = X(x)X'(x) produce an isochronous center of period T.

**Example:**  $\alpha \arctan X, |\alpha| < \frac{2}{\pi}$ . **Example with**  $C_1 = +\infty$ :  $\frac{1}{2} \sin X$ .

## NECESSITY OF THE CONDITION: ONLY PARTIALLY

Previous Theorem is a **sufficient condition for resonance** but it is not too far from being also necessary. A **partial converse** of the main theorem holds: a periodic solution exists when the function  $\Phi_p$  has a non-degenerate zero.

## Proposition

Assume V in the conditions of the Theorem and  $\Phi_p$  having a non-degenerate zero  $(\theta_*, r_*)$  with  $r_* > 0$ . Then the perturbed equation has a  $2\pi$ -periodic solution for small  $\varepsilon$ .

Harmonic oscillator:

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Nonlinear oscillator:

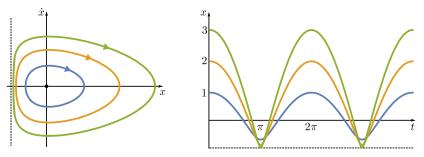
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# ...AND ISOCHRONOUS POTENTIALS NOT GLOBALLY DEFINED?

Until now we have talked about oscillators defined on  $\mathbb{R}$  but there are also oscillators producing an **isochronous center** and **having a singularity**. A well-known example is the Pinney equation

$$\ddot{x} + \frac{1}{4}\left(x + 1 - \frac{1}{(x+1)^3}\right) = 0,$$

defined for all  $x \in (-1, +\infty)$ .



#### Theorem

Let  $p \in L^1(\mathbb{T})$  be a function satisfying the resonance condition. Then all the solutions of equation

$$\ddot{x} + \frac{1}{4}\left(x + 1 - \frac{1}{(x+1)^3}\right) = \varepsilon p(t)$$

are unbounded for sufficiently small  $\varepsilon \neq 0$ .

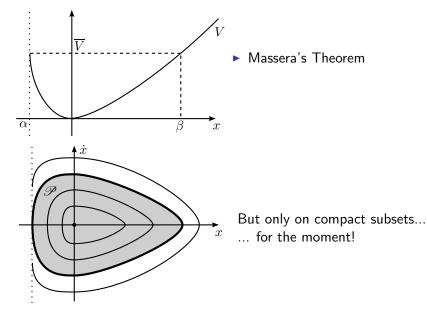
This resonance result deals with the specific Pinney equation but the method of proof can be extended to a larger class of potentials with strong singularity.

If consider  $p(t) = a_0 + a_1 \cos t + b_1 \sin t$ ,

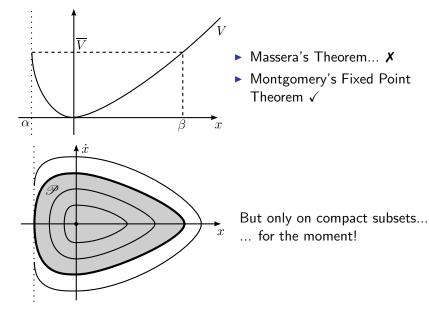
#### Corollary

Pinney equation is resonant if  $a_1^2 + b_1^2 > 9a_0^2$ .

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## Some related open problems

- (a) Either the result concerning the identification of the forcings producing resonance for isochronous oscillators defined in the whole plane and the construction by Ortega require the oscillator to be Lipschitz-continuous. We expect that no specific regularity of the potential is needed or at least weaker properties.
- (b) We give a sufficient condition of resonance for the Pinney equation perturbed by a linear trigonometric function. It would be interesting to study if the perturbed equation have periodic orbits for  $a_1^2 + b_1^2 \le 9a_0^2$ .
- (c) The results presented deal with nonlinear isochronous oscillators with one degree of freedom. In more degrees of freedom, the notion of isochronicity is strongly related with superintegrability, at least in the Hamiltonian framework. It would be interesting to relate properly superintegrable Hamiltonian systems with isochronicity and to construct resonance of such systems.

#### Many thanks for your attention

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