

## Normal Modes continued

Overall goal: Understand  $M\ddot{\vec{x}} + C\dot{\vec{x}} + K\vec{x} = \vec{F}(t)$

What's the relationship to Lagrange? ( $E_K(\vec{q}, \dot{\vec{q}}), E_P(\vec{q})$ )

$$\mathcal{L} = E_K - E_P$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial \dot{q}_i} - \frac{\partial \mathcal{L}}{\partial q_i} = 0$$

Coordinates

Near equilibrium:  $\vec{q} = \vec{0}$       Want it to be stable:  $E_P > 0 \rightarrow \vec{q} \neq \vec{0}$   
 $\ddot{\vec{q}}|_{\vec{q}=\vec{0}} = 0$        $E_P = 0 \rightarrow \vec{q} = \vec{0}$

Kinetic Energy always positive:  $E_K = \frac{\sum m_i v_i^2}{2}$

- Near equilibrium:  $E_K = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sum_i \sum_j \frac{\partial E_K}{\partial \dot{q}_i \partial \dot{q}_j} \right]_{\dot{q}_i=0} \cdot \dot{q}_i \dot{q}_j + \dots$

$M_{ij} \rightarrow$  symmetric positive definite:  $M_{ij} \dot{q}_i \dot{q}_j > 0$   
for all  $\vec{q} \neq \vec{0}$

Side note on Taylor series:

Any function of  $\vec{x} = \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $f(\vec{x}) = f(\vec{0}) + \sum \frac{\partial f}{\partial x_i} \Big|_{\vec{x}=\vec{0}} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \sum_j \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x_i \partial x_j} + \dots$

$$\mathcal{L} = E_K - E_P = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \sum_j M_{ij} \dot{q}_i \dot{q}_j + \frac{1}{2} \sum_i \sum_j K_{ij} q_i q_j$$

$$\rightarrow \boxed{M\ddot{\vec{q}} + K\vec{q} = \vec{0}}$$

$M/K$  are both symmetric and positive definite

-K only needs to be semi-definite

givens:

How to solve  $M\ddot{\vec{x}} + K\vec{x} = \vec{0}$  with  $\vec{x}(0) = \vec{x}_0, \vec{v}(0) = \vec{v}_0$

Method 1:  $Z = [x; v], Z_0 = [x_0; v_0], \dot{x} = v; \dot{v} = -M^{-1}(K * x);$   
(Matlab)

Method 2.a: guess:  $\vec{x} = \bar{x} \cos(\omega t)$

$$\rightarrow \underbrace{(-\omega^2 M + K)}_A \vec{x} = \vec{0}$$

$$\det(A) = 0$$

solve polynomial, find  $\bar{x} \rightarrow$  add up solutions:  $\vec{x} = \sum \beta_i \bar{x}_i \cos(\omega_i t)$   
+ sin terms

Use initial conditions:  $M \cdot K \rightarrow \omega_i, \bar{x}_i$   
IC's  $\rightarrow \beta_{ci}, \beta_{si}$

Method 2.b: Shortcut:  $[V \ D] = \text{eig}(K, M) \rightarrow$  gives  $\omega$ 's and  $\bar{x}$ 's

$$V = [\bar{x}_1 | \bar{x}_2 | \dots] \quad D = \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1^2 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & \omega_2^2 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \omega_3^2 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

Method 2.c:  $M \ddot{\vec{x}} + K \vec{x} = \vec{0}$

$$M^{-1} [M \ddot{\vec{x}} + K \vec{x}] = \vec{0} \rightarrow \ddot{\vec{x}} + \underbrace{M^{-1} K}_A \vec{x} = \vec{0}$$

- nonsingular
- generally not symmetric

$$[V \ D] = \text{eig}(M^{-1} K) \begin{bmatrix} \omega_1^2 & 0 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & \omega_2^2 & 0 & \dots \\ 0 & 0 & \omega_3^2 & \dots \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots \end{bmatrix}$$

$\hookrightarrow [\bar{x}_1 | \bar{x}_2 | \dots]$

works but don't have confidence  
because  $M^{-1} K$  is generally not  
symmetric

insecure: maybe not enough  
eigenvectors to span set of IC's