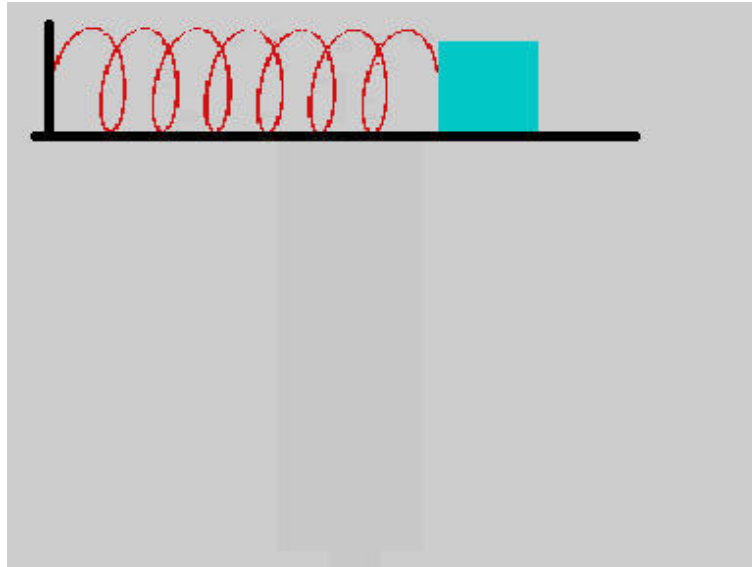


**Differential Equations**  
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**Today's Topic : The Imaginary Root Case**

Review:

$$m \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + \beta \frac{dy}{dt} + ky = 0$$



$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 4y = 0$$

Substitute  $y = e^{rt}$  into  $y'' + 4y = 0$

$$r = \pm 2i$$

The general solution will be a linear combination of  $e^{2it}$  and  $e^{-2it}$

$$e^{i\theta} = \cos \theta + i \sin \theta \quad e^{-i\theta} = \cos \theta - i \sin \theta$$

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$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + 4y = 0$$

$$y = a \cos 2t + b \sin 2t$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + \omega^2 y = 0$$

$$y = a \cos \omega t + b \sin \omega t$$

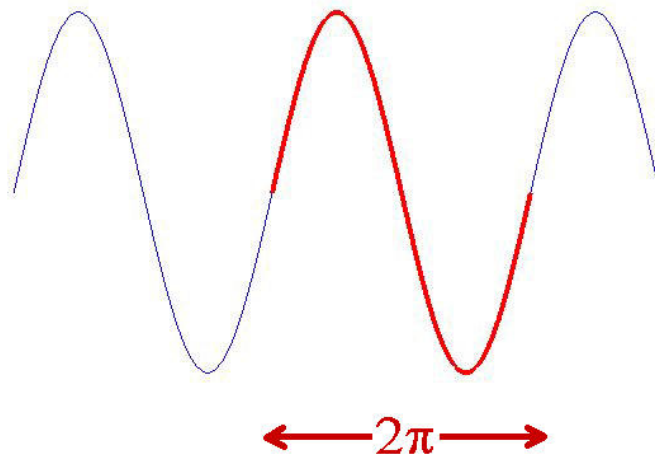
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If  $t$  is time (in seconds) and  $\omega t$  is in radians then:

$$\omega = \frac{\text{radians}}{\text{sec}}$$

One cycle of sine or cosine is  $2\pi$  radians



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$$\nu = \frac{\omega \text{ radians}}{\text{sec}} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ cycle}}{2\pi \text{ radians}} = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} \frac{\text{cycles}}{\text{sec}}$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + \omega^2 y = 0$$

$$y = a \cos \omega t + b \sin \omega t$$

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$$\tau = \frac{1}{\nu} = \frac{2\pi \text{ sec}}{\omega \text{ cycle}}$$

$$m \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + \beta \frac{dy}{dt} + ky = 0$$

If  $\beta = 0$  then:

$$m \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + ky = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + \frac{k}{m}y = 0$$

This is now in the form  $\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + \omega^2y = 0$

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

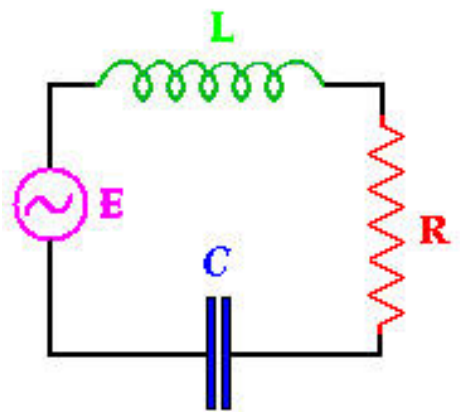
$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

$$y = a \cos \omega t + b \sin \omega t$$

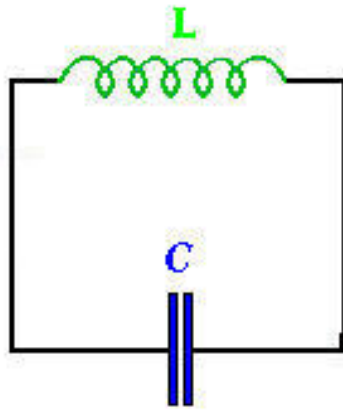
$$= a \cos \left( \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} t \right) + b \sin \left( \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} t \right)$$

$$\nu = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = \frac{\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}}{2\pi} \quad \tau = \frac{1}{\nu} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$$

$$L \frac{d^2 Q}{dt^2} + R \frac{dQ}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} Q = \mathcal{E}(t)$$



$$L \frac{d^2 Q}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{C} Q = 0$$



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$$\frac{d^2 Q}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{LC} Q = 0$$

This is now in the form  $y'' + \omega^2 y = 0$

$$\omega = \frac{1}{\sqrt{LC}}$$

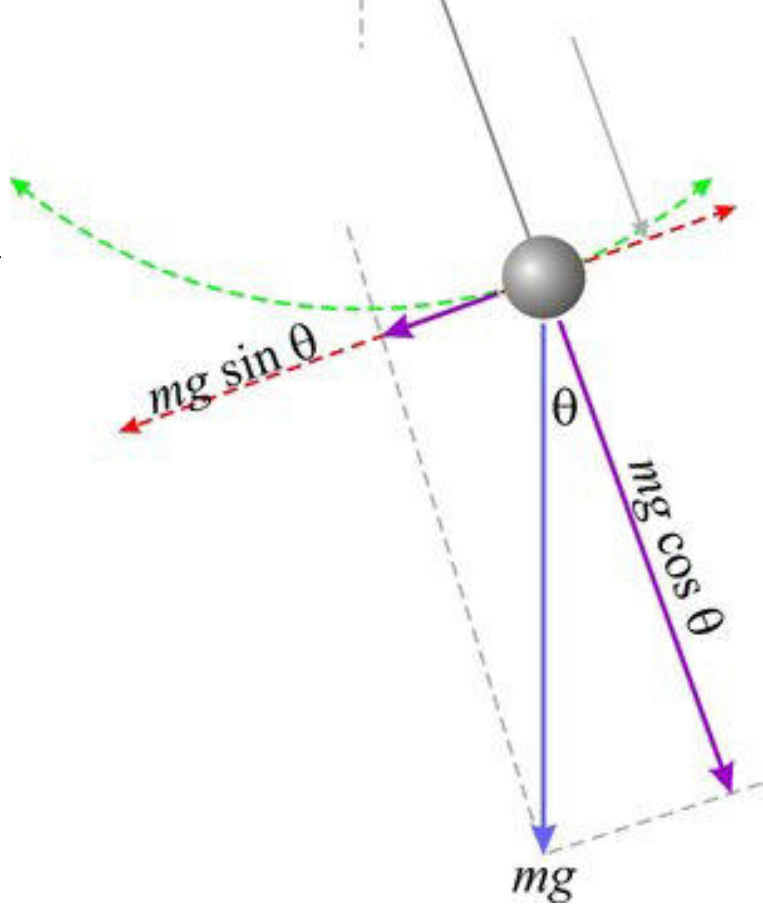
$$\frac{d^2Q}{dt^2} + \frac{1}{LC}Q = 0$$

$$Q = a \cos \omega t + b \sin \omega t$$

$$= a \cos \left( \frac{t}{\sqrt{LC}} \right) + b \sin \left( \frac{t}{\sqrt{LC}} \right)$$

$$\tau = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 2\pi\sqrt{LC}$$

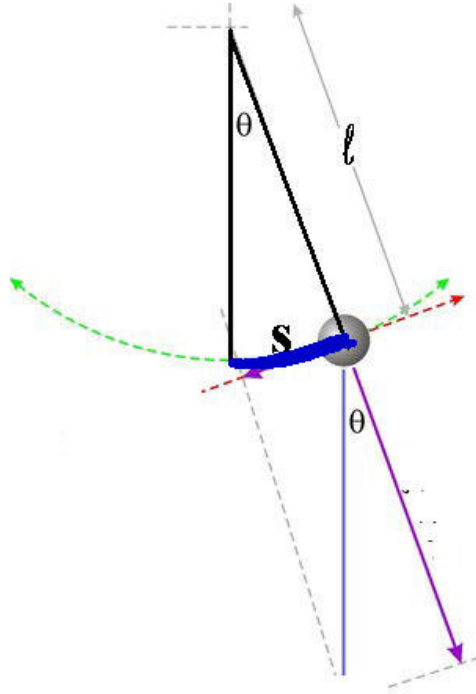
Pendulum



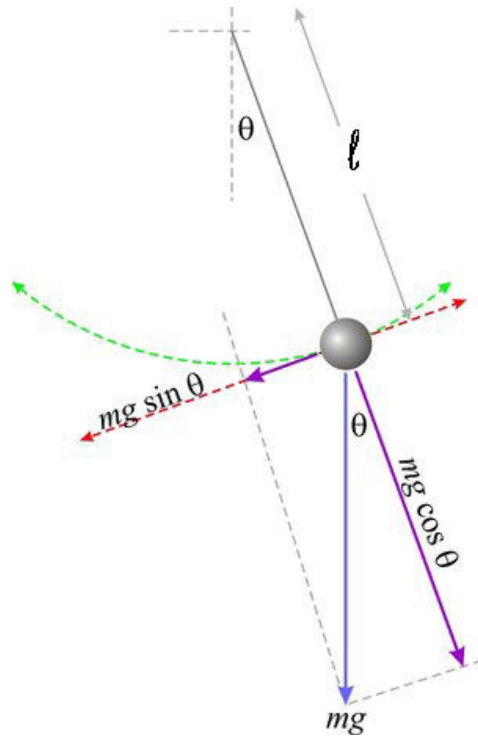
$$\theta = \frac{s}{l}$$

$$s = l\theta$$

$$\frac{d^2 s}{dt^2} = l \frac{d^2 \theta}{dt^2}$$



$$F = -mg \sin \theta$$



$$ma = -mg \sin \theta$$

$$m \frac{d^2 s}{dt^2} = -mg \sin \theta$$

$$m\ell \frac{d^2 \theta}{dt^2} = -mg \sin \theta$$

$$\frac{d^2 \theta}{dt^2} + \frac{g}{\ell} \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} + \frac{g}{\ell} \sin \theta = 0$$

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin \theta}{\theta} = 1$$

This means that for very small oscillations,  
 $\sin \theta \approx \theta$

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$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{g}{\ell}}$$

$$\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} + \frac{g}{\ell}\theta = 0$$

$$\theta = c_1 \cos \omega t + c_2 \sin \omega t$$

$$= c_1 \cos \left( \sqrt{\frac{g}{\ell}} t \right) + c_2 \sin \left( \sqrt{\frac{g}{\ell}} t \right)$$

$$\tau = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{\ell}{g}}$$