First Order Uniform Solutions for Systems of General Odd Nonlinearities

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Introduction

The free oscillations^[1] of many conservative systems having a single degree of freedom are governed by an equation of the form

$$\ddot{x}^* + f(x^*) = 0$$

where *f* is a nonlinear function of x^* . Here, \ddot{x}^* is the acceleration of the system, where $f(x^*)$ is the restoring force. If $x^* = x_0^*$ be an equilibrium position of the system (i.e. $f(x^*) = 0$) and *f* is an analytical function at $x^* = x_0^*$; then it can be expanded in a Taylor series and we get a dimensionless equation of the form^[2],

$$\ddot{\boldsymbol{u}} + \omega_0^2 \boldsymbol{u} = \varepsilon \sum_{j=1} k_j \boldsymbol{u}^j$$

where ε is a dimensionless quantity, u is a dimensionless variable and ω_0 is a constant, the dot denotes the derivative with respect to the dimensionless time t.

In this paper, first order uniform solutions with respect to small parameter ε are established analytically for systems of general odd nonlinearities of the form

$$\ddot{\boldsymbol{u}} + \omega_0^2 \ \boldsymbol{u} = \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \, \boldsymbol{u}^{2l+1} \tag{1}$$

First Order Uniform Solution

In this section, an analytical first order uniform solutions of Equation (1) will be established for any possible non-negative integer values of l. To do so we shall use the method of multiple scales^[3] as follows

Introduce the scales

$$T_0 = \boldsymbol{t} \quad ; \quad T_1 = \boldsymbol{e} \, \boldsymbol{t}, \tag{2}$$

then using the chain rule, Eq. (1) to the first order could be written as

$$\frac{\partial^2 \boldsymbol{u}}{\partial T_0^2} + 2\varepsilon \frac{\partial^2 \boldsymbol{u}}{\partial T_0 \partial T_1} + \omega_0^2 \boldsymbol{u} = \varepsilon \, \boldsymbol{u}^{2l+1}.$$
(3)

■ Let

$$\boldsymbol{u} = \boldsymbol{u}_0 \left(T_0 , T_1 \right) + \boldsymbol{\varepsilon} \, \boldsymbol{u}_1 \left(T_0 , T_1 \right), \tag{4}$$

in equation (3) and equate like power of ε we get

$$\frac{\partial^2 \boldsymbol{u}_0}{\partial T_0^2} + \omega_0^2 \ \boldsymbol{u}_0 = 0 , \qquad (5)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 \boldsymbol{u}_1}{\partial T_0^2} + \omega_0^2 \ \boldsymbol{u}_1 = -2 \frac{\partial^2 \boldsymbol{u}_1}{\partial T_0 \partial T_1} + \boldsymbol{u}_0^{2l+1}.$$
 (6)

• The solution of Equation (5) is

$$u_0 = a(T_1) \cos [\omega_0 T_0 + \beta(T_1)],$$
 (7)

then

$$\frac{\partial^2 \boldsymbol{u}_0}{\partial T_1 \partial T_0} = -\boldsymbol{u}\omega_0 \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{\beta}}{\partial T_1} \cos(\omega_0 T_0 + \boldsymbol{\beta}) - \omega_0 \frac{\partial \boldsymbol{u}}{\partial T_1} \sin(\omega_0 T_0 + \boldsymbol{\beta})$$

and Equation (6) becomes

$$\frac{\partial^2 u_1}{\partial T_0^2} + \omega_0^2 u_1 = 2a\omega_0 \frac{\partial \beta}{\partial T_1} \cos(\omega_0 T_0 + \beta) + 2\omega_0 \frac{\partial a}{\partial T_1} \sin(\omega_0 T_0 + \beta) + \frac{(2l+1)!}{2^{2l}} a^{2l+1} \left\{ \frac{1}{(l+1)!l!} \cos(\omega_0 T_0 + \beta) + \sum_{n=1}^l \frac{1}{(l+n-1)!(l-n)!} \cos[(2n+1)(\omega_0 T_0 + \beta)] \right\}$$

• Eliminating the mixed secular terms in the above equation yields

$$2\omega_0 \frac{\partial a}{\partial T_1} = 0 , \qquad (8)$$

$$2a\omega_0 \frac{\partial\beta}{\partial T_1} + \frac{(2l+1)!}{2^{2l}(l+1)!l!} a^{2l+1} = 0.$$
(9)

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From Equation (8) it follows that *a* is constant and Equation (9) yields

$$\frac{\partial \beta}{\partial T_1} = -\frac{1}{2w_0} (\frac{a}{2})^{2l} \binom{2l+1}{l}$$

since $T_1 = \varepsilon t$, then

$$\beta = -\frac{\varepsilon}{2\omega_0} (\frac{a}{2})^{2l} {2l+1 \choose l} t + \beta_0 ,$$

where β_0 is constant.

Finally, the required first order uniform solutions of the generalized Equation (1) are

$$\boldsymbol{u} = \boldsymbol{a} \, \cos[\{\omega_0 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2\omega_0} (\frac{\boldsymbol{a}}{2})^{2l} \binom{2l+1}{l}\}t + \beta_0]$$

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