Physics 227, Winter 2001

Problem set #3

**Example problems.** Not to be turned in — solutions given in the companion volume of solved problems:

Assigned problems. To be turned in. Problems A and B below will be graded; three additional problems chosen at random from those in Boas will be graded. All graded problems are worth 20 points each. Problem C is extra credit: doing extra credit problems do not change your score, but at the end of the term can make the difference in borderline grade assignments.

$\S{2.5}:$	47
$\S2.7:$	15
$\S2.9:$	18
$\S2.10:$	11, 21
$\S2.11:$	9
$\S2.12:$	8
$\S2.14:$	22

## A. (20 points)

Suppose z(t) = x(t) + i y(t) where x(t) and y(t) are real functions of t, and that z(t) satisfies the differential equation

$$\ddot{z} + 2b\dot{z} + \omega^2 z = F e^{i\omega_0 t} , \qquad (1)$$

where b,  $\omega$  and  $\omega_0$  are real parameters. What is the differential equation satisfied by x(t)? You aren't being asked to solve this differential equation, which corresponds to a damped, driven harmonic oscillator.

## B. (20 points)

In an AC electrical circuit one might have an impedance  $Z = R - \frac{i}{\omega C}$  and a driving voltage  $V(t) = V_0 e^{i\omega t}$ , where  $R, C, \omega$ , and  $V_0$  are all real parameters. The current I(t) satisfies

$$I(t) = V(t)/Z . (2)$$

Write I(t) as

$$I(t) \equiv I_0 e^{i\theta(t)} , \qquad (3)$$

where  $I_0$  and  $\theta(t)$  are real. Find  $I_0$  and  $\theta(t)$  as functions of  $R, C, \omega, V_0$ , and t.

## C. (Extra credit)

Consider the function  $f(\omega) = \frac{1}{\omega - \omega_0 - i\gamma}$  where  $\omega_0$  and  $\gamma$  are real parameters and  $\omega$  is a real variable.

- a. Find the real and imaginary parts of  $f(\omega)$ .
- b. Use Mathematica to plot from  $\omega = 0$  to  $\omega = 10$  the real and imaginary parts of  $f(\omega)$  for  $\omega_0 = 5$ ,  $\gamma = 1$ , using the Plot, Re and Im functions. Remember that in Mathematica the  $\sqrt{-1}$  is written as I, not i.

**Note:** Problem sets must be turned in by the end of class, or must be in David Kaplan's Physics Department mailbox by 12:20 PM on the day they are due. Solutions will be posted on the web.