

Chapter 13 - Simple Harmonic Motion

Simple Harmonic Motion is a special type of periodic motion. It is a motion that repeats at regular time intervals. The acceleration (and the restoring force) is in a direction that opposes the displacement of an object from its rest position and the acceleration is directly proportional to the displacement.

Period of a mass on a Spring

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$$

where T is the period of oscillation (s)
 m is the mass (kg)
 k is spring constant (N/m)
 (force constant)

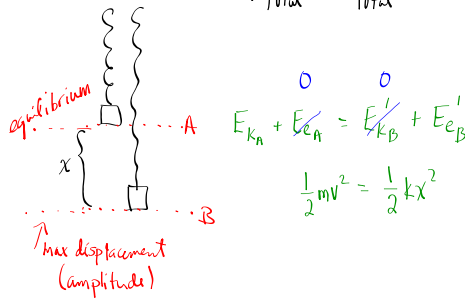
Recall from Last year: ($F_a = kx$)

Hook's Law $F = -kx$
↑ restoring force
↓ displacement from equilibrium

Elastic Potential Energy: $E_e = \frac{1}{2} kx^2$

Conservation of Energy:

$$E_{total} = E'_{total}$$

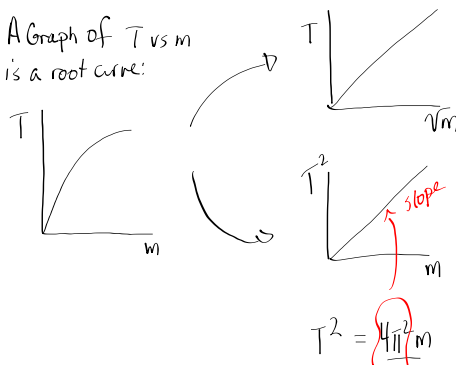


A note about the equation:

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}} \quad T^2 = \frac{4\pi^2 m}{k}$$

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 $T \propto \sqrt{m}$ $T^2 \propto m$

A Graph of T vs m is a root curve:



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$x = 12.0 \text{ cm}$

$m = 125 \text{ g}$

20.0 cycles in 15.5 s

a) $T = \frac{15.5 \text{ s}}{20.0 \text{ cycles}}$

$T = 0.775 \text{ s}$

a) $T = ?$

b) $k = ?$

c) $E_{\text{tot}} = ?$

d) $v_{\text{max}} = ?$

e) $v_{10 \text{ cm}} = ?$

b) $T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$

$T^2 = \frac{4\pi^2 m}{k}$

$k = \frac{4\pi^2 m}{T^2}$

$k = \frac{4\pi^2 (0.125 \text{ kg})}{(0.775 \text{ s})^2}$

$k = 8.22 \text{ (N/m)}$ $\frac{\text{kg m}}{\text{s}^2 \text{ m}}$

E) Total energy: 0 (at maximum displacement)

$E_{\text{TOT}} = E_k + E_e$

$E_{\text{TOT}} = E_e$

$E_{\text{TOT}} = \frac{1}{2} k x^2$

$E_{\text{TOT}} = \frac{1}{2} (8.22 \text{ N/m}) (0.120 \text{ m})^2$

$E_{\text{TOT}} = 0.0592 \text{ J}$

d) $v_{\text{max}} = ?$ Max speed occurs when passing through the equilibrium position (i.e. $E_e = 0$)

(at eq) $E_{\text{TOT}} = E_e + E_k$

$E_{\text{TOT}} = E_k$

$E_{\text{TOT}} = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$

$0.0592 \text{ J} = \frac{1}{2} (0.125 \text{ kg}) v^2$

$v^2 = \frac{2(0.0592 \text{ J})}{0.125 \text{ kg}}$

$v = \pm 0.973 \text{ m/s}$

The speed will be 0.973 m/s

e) At 10 cm from equilibrium:

$E_{\text{TOT}} = E_e + E_k$

$0.0592 \text{ J} = \frac{1}{2} (8.22 \text{ N/m}) (0.100 \text{ m})^2 + \frac{1}{2} (0.125 \text{ kg}) v^2$

$0.0592 \text{ J} = 0.0411 \text{ J} + \frac{1}{2} (0.125 \text{ kg}) v^2$

$0.0181 \text{ J} = \frac{1}{2} (0.125 \text{ kg}) v^2$

$v = \pm 0.538 \text{ m/s}$

The speed will be 0.538 m/s at 10.0 cm from equilibrium.

Period of a Pendulum

$$T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{l}{g}}$$

Where T is the period of oscillation (s)
 l is the length of the pendulum (m)
 g is 9.8 m/s^2 near the Earth's Surface

Energy Conservation:

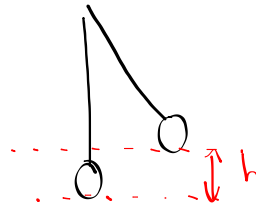
$$E_{\text{TOT}} = E'_{\text{TOT}}$$

$$E_k + E_g = E'_k + E'_g$$

(top) (bottom)

Recall
 $E_g = mgh$

$$mgh = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

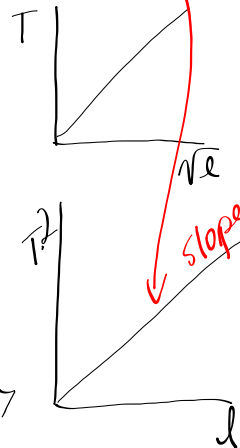
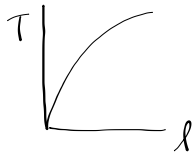


A note about the equation:

$$T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{l}{g}} \quad \text{or} \quad T^2 = \frac{4\pi^2 l}{g}$$

$$T \propto \sqrt{l}$$

A graph of T vs l will be a root curve



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② MP/613 + PP/614