

# **PHYS 203**

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## **Simple Harmonic Motion**

A particle moving repeatedly back and forth about the origin of an x axis.

One important property of oscillatory motion is its **frequency**, number of oscillations that are completed each second.

The symbol for frequency is *f*, SI unit is the **hertz** 

1 hertz = 1 Hz = 1 oscillation per second =  $1 \text{ s}^{-1}$ 

Displacement  $x_m = \frac{x_m}{x_m}$  Time (t)

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Related to the frequency is the **period** T of the motion, which is the time for one complete oscillation

$$T = \frac{1}{f}.$$

The displacement x of the particle from the origin is given as a function of time by

$$x(t) = x_m \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = 2\pi f.$$



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SI unit of angular frequency is the radian per second.







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Displacement  $x_m$   $x_m$   $x_m$   $x_m$   $x_m$   $T' \to T'$   $T' \to T'$ 

#### Example 1:

A particle is in simple harmonic motion with period T. At time t = 0 it is at the equilibrium point. At the times listed below it is at various points in its cycle. Which of them is farthest away from the equilibrium point?

#### Solution:

**(B)** 



#### Example 2:

A particle moves back and forth along the *x* axis from x = -xm to x = +xm, in simple harmonic motion with period *T*. At time t = 0 it is at x = +xm. When t = 0.75T:

#### Solution:

## **(A)**

(A) it is at x = 0 and is traveling toward x = +xm
(B) it is at x = 0 and is traveling toward x = -xm
(C) it is between x = 0 and x = +xm toward x = -xm
(D) it is between x = 0 and x = -xm toward x = -xm

#### Example 3:

An object attached to one end of a spring makes 20 complete vibrations in 10s. Its period is:

#### Solution:

**(D)** 

(A) 2 Hz
(B) 0.5 Hz
(C) 2 s
(D) 0.5 s





**Example 4:** 

Referring to Example 3, the frequency of an object is:

Solution:

**(A)** 

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(A) 2 Hz
(B) 0.5 Hz
(C) 2 s
(D) 0.5 s



#### Example 5:

Referring to Example 3, the angular frequency of an object is:

#### Solution:

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**(D)** 

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(A) 0.79 rad/s
(B) 2.0 rad/s
(C) 6.3 rad/s
(D) 12.6 rad/s



#### The Velocity of SHM

$$v(t) = \frac{dx(t)}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \left[ x_m \cos(\omega t + \phi) \right]$$

$$v(t) = -\omega x_m \sin(\omega t + \phi)$$

#### $\omega x_m$ is called the **velocity amplitude** $v_m$ .





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#### Example 6:

A particle moves in simple harmonic motion according to  $x = 2\cos(50t)$ , where x is in meters and t is in seconds. Its maximum velocity is:

#### Solution:

## **(B)**

(A) 100 sin(50t) m/s
(B) 100 m/s
(C) 100 cos(50t) m/s
(D) 200 m/s





#### The Acceleration of SHM

$$a(t) = \frac{dv(t)}{dt} = \frac{d}{dt} \left[ -\omega x_m \sin(\omega t + \phi) \right]$$

$$a(t) = -\omega^2 x_m \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

 $\omega^2 x_m$  is called the **acceleration amplitude**  $a_m$ 





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In SHM, the acceleration *a* is proportional to the displacement *x* but opposite in sign, and the two quantities are related by the square of the angular frequency  $\omega$ .

$$a(t) = -\omega^2 x(t).$$





#### Example 7:

An oscillatory motion must be simple harmonic if:

#### Solution:

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### **(D)**

(A) the amplitude is small(B) the potential energy is equal to the kinetic energy(C) the motion is along the arc of a circle(D) the acceleration varies sinusoidally with time





#### Example 8:

The maximum acceleration of a platform that oscillates at amplitude 2.20 cm and frequency 6.60 Hz is:

#### Solution:

## **(C)**

(A) 19.6 m/s<sup>2</sup>
(B) 26.3 m/s<sup>2</sup>
(C) 37.8 m/s<sup>2</sup>
(D) 46.1 m/s<sup>2</sup>





#### The Force Law for Simple Harmonic Motion

Simple harmonic motion is the motion of a particle when the force acting on it is proportional to the particle's displacement but in the opposite direction.

The angular frequency  $\omega$  of the simple harmonic motion of the block is related to the spring constant k and the mass m of the block



$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$
  
the **period**  

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

#### **Example 9:**

A block whose mass *m* is 680 g is fastened to a spring whose spring constant *k* is 65 N/m. The block is pulled a distance x = 11 cm from its equilibrium position at x = 0 on a frictionless surface and released from rest at t = 0. The frequency is:

#### Solution:

**(C)** 



**(A)** 

Example 10:

Referring to Example 9, the period is:

Solution:

(A) 0.64 s
(B) 1.37 s
(C) 2.90 s
(D) 3.81 s

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#### Example 11:

Referring to Example 9, the amplitude of the oscillation is:

#### Solution:

(A) 8 cm
(B) 9 cm
(C) 10 cm
(D) 11 cm

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**(D)** 



Example 12:

Referring to Example 9, the maximum speed is:

Solution:

(A) 1.1 m/s
(B) 2.2 m/s
(C) 3.3 m/s
(D) 4.4 m/s



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# $\begin{array}{c|c} k \\ \hline 000000000 \\ m \\ -x_m \\ x = 0 \\ +x_m \end{array}$

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**(A)** 

Example 13:

Referring to Example 9, the maximum acceleration is:

Solution:

(A) 10 m/s<sup>2</sup>
(B) 11 m/s<sup>2</sup>
(C) 12 m/s<sup>2</sup>
(D) 13 m/s<sup>2</sup>

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**(B)** 

#### Example 14:

Referring to Example 9, the phase constant for the motion is:

#### Solution:

(A) 0 rad
(B) 3.14 rad
(C) 6.28 rad
(D) 9.42 rad

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**(A)** 



#### Example 15:

Referring to Example 9, the displacement function x(t) for the spring–block system is:

**(C)** 

#### Solution:

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(A) 0.11 cos(9.8x)
(B) 0.11 cos(9.8y)
(C) 0.11 cos(9.8t)
(D) 0.11 cos(9.8z)



#### Example 16:

A 0.12 kg body undergoes simple harmonic motion of amplitude 8.5 cm and period of 0.20 s. The magnitude of the maximum force acting on it is

**(B)** 

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#### Solution:



#### Example 17:

Referring to Example 16, if the oscillation produced by a spring, the spring constant is:

#### Solution:

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**(D)** 

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(A) 205.7 N/m
(B) 197.8 N/m
(C) 160.5 N/m
(D) 118.4 N/m



## **Pendulums, Circular Motion**

## Pendulums

The motion of a *simple pendulum swinging through only small angles* is approximately SHM.

The period of the pendulum may be written as

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I}{mgL}}.$$







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where I rotational inertia of the pendulum

$$I = mL^2$$

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{mL^2}{mgL}}.$$

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

(simple pendulum, small amplitude).





# **Pendulums, Circular Motion**

#### Example 18:

A simple pendulum swing about a pivot point at one end, at distance  $L_0 = 9.8$  m. The period of the oscillation T is:

**(C)** 

#### Solution:

(A) 2.19 s
(B) 3.46 s
(C) 6.28 s
(D) 9.41 s

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