

Periodic Motion

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Periodic Motion is motion that repeats itself over and over.

The amplitude A of the motion is the maximum displacement from the equilibrium position.

The period T is the time for one cycle of motion.

The frequency f is the number of cycles in a unit of time.

The angular frequency ω is 2π times the frequency.

$$f = \frac{1}{T} \quad \omega = 2\pi f = \frac{2\pi}{T} \quad \boxed{T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = \frac{1}{f}}$$

Simple Harmonic Motion

Simple Harmonic Motion is periodic motion in which the restoring force is directly proportional to the displacement from the equilibrium position.

$$F = -kx = ma$$

$$a = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -\frac{k}{m}x = -\omega^2x$$

A solution to this differential equation is:

$$x = A\cos(\omega t) \quad \text{where} \quad \omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

$$\boxed{x = x_{\max} \cos(\omega t + \phi)}$$

Simple Harmonic Motion

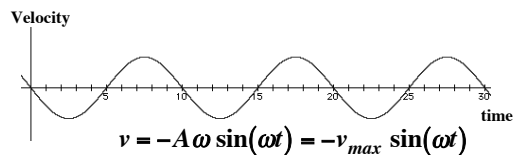
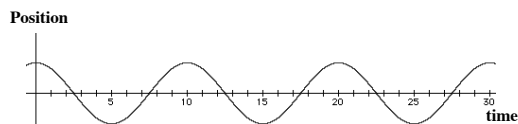
The velocity and acceleration of the object are:

$$v = \frac{dx}{dt} = -\omega A \sin(\omega t)$$

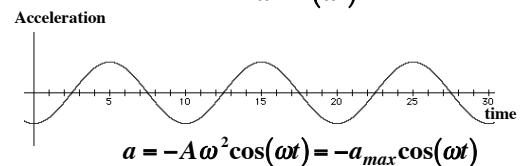
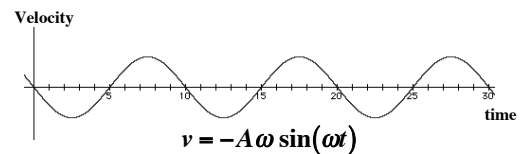
$$a = \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -\omega^2 A \cos(\omega t) = -\omega^2 x$$

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -\frac{k}{m}x \quad \text{where} \quad \omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

Graphs for Periodic Motion



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Energy in Simple Harmonic Motion

The total energy is the sum of the kinetic and potential energies of the object.

$$E = K + U = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + \frac{1}{2}kx^2$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2}m(-\omega A \sin(\omega t))^2 + \frac{1}{2}k(A \cos(\omega t))^2$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2}kA^2 \sin^2(\omega t) + \frac{1}{2}kA^2 \cos^2(\omega t)$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2}kA^2(\sin^2(\omega t) + \cos^2(\omega t))$$

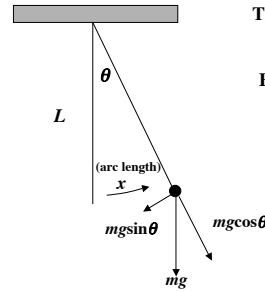
$$E = \frac{1}{2}kA^2$$

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The Simple Pendulum

A simple pendulum is an idealized model consisting of a point mass suspended by a massless, unstretchable string.



The restoring force F is:

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

For small displacements $\sin \theta \approx \theta$ and

$$F = -mg \theta$$

$$F = -mg \theta = -mg \frac{x}{L}$$

$$F = -\frac{mg}{L} x$$

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The Simple Pendulum

The angular frequency ω of a simple pendulum with small amplitude is:

$$F = -\frac{mg}{L} x = -kx$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{mg/L}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{g}{L}}$$

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The Physical Pendulum

If a pendulum bob cannot be approximated as a point mass, we cannot treat the system as a simple pendulum.

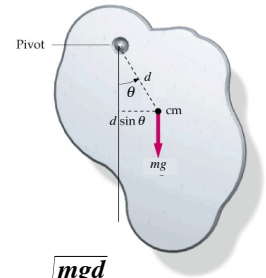
$$\tau = I \alpha$$

$$-mgd \sin \theta = I \frac{d^2 \theta}{dt^2}$$

$$-mgd \theta = I \frac{d^2 \theta}{dt^2} \quad (\theta \text{ small})$$

$$\frac{d^2 \theta}{dt^2} = -\left(\frac{mgd}{I}\right) \theta$$

$$= -\omega^2 \theta \quad (\text{SHM}) \quad \omega = \sqrt{\frac{mgd}{I}}$$



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The Torsional Pendulum

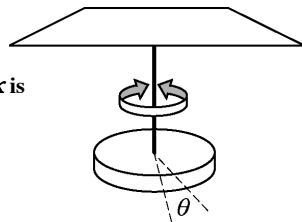
A torsional pendulum consists of a body suspended by a wire attached to a fixed point.

$$\tau = -\kappa \theta = I \frac{d^2 \theta}{dt^2}$$

The constant of proportionality κ is called the torsion constant.

$$\frac{d^2 \theta}{dt^2} = -\frac{\kappa}{I} \theta = -\omega^2 \theta$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa}{I}}$$



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Springs

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

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

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

Simple Pendulum

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

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

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

Physical Pendulum

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{mgd}{I}}$$

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I}{mgd}}$$

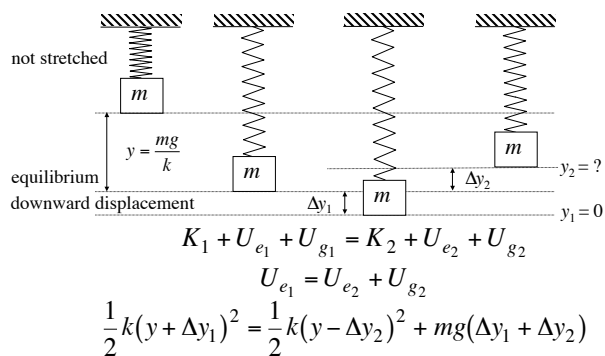
Torsional Pendulum

$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{\kappa}{I}}$$

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I}{\kappa}}$$

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Vertical Spring Amplitude Situation 1:



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Vertical Spring Amplitude Situation 1:

$$y^2 + 2y\Delta y_1 + \Delta y_1^2 = y^2 - 2y\Delta y_2 + \Delta y_2^2 + \frac{2mg}{k}(\Delta y_1 + \Delta y_2)$$

$$2y\Delta y_1 + \Delta y_1^2 = -2y\Delta y_2 + \Delta y_2^2 + \frac{2mg}{k}\Delta y_1 + \frac{2mg}{k}\Delta y_2$$

$$2\frac{mg}{k}\Delta y_1 + \Delta y_1^2 = -2\frac{mg}{k}\Delta y_2 + \Delta y_2^2 + \frac{2mg}{k}\Delta y_1 + \frac{2mg}{k}\Delta y_2$$

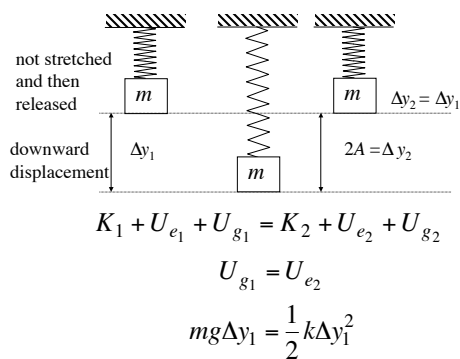
$$\Delta y_1^2 = \Delta y_2^2$$

$$\Delta y_1 = \Delta y_2 \quad \text{and} \quad \boxed{A = \Delta y_1}$$

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Vertical Spring Amplitude Situation 2:



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Vertical Spring Amplitude Situation 2:

$$mg\Delta y_1 = \frac{1}{2}k\Delta y_1^2$$

$$\frac{2mg}{k} = \Delta y_1$$

$$\Delta y_1 = 2A$$

$$\boxed{A = \frac{mg}{k}}$$

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