Problems

11-1 to 11-3 Simple Harmonic Motion

- 1. (I) If a particle undergoes SHM with amplitude 0.18 m, what is the total distance it travels in one period?
- 2. (I) An elastic cord is 65 cm long when a weight of 75 N hangs from it but is 85 cm long when a weight of 180 N hangs from it. What is the "spring" constant k of this elastic cord?
- 3. (I) The springs of a 1500-kg car compress 5.0 mm when its 68-kg driver gets into the driver's seat. If the car goes over a bump, what will be the frequency of vibrations?
- 4. (II) A fisherman's scale stretches 3.6 cm when a 2.7-kg fish hangs from it. (a) What is the spring stiffness constant and (b) what will be the amplitude and frequency of vibration if the fish is pulled down 2.5 cm more and released so that it vibrates up and down?
- 5. (II) An elastic cord vibrates with a frequency of 3.0 Hz when a mass of 0.60 kg is hung from it. What is its frequency if only 0.38 kg hangs from it?
- 6. (II) Construct a Table indicating the position x of the mass in Fig. 11–2 at times $t = 0, \frac{1}{4}T, \frac{1}{2}T, \frac{3}{4}T, T$, and $\frac{5}{4}T$, where T is the period of oscillation. On a graph of x vs. t, plot these six points. Now connect these points with a smooth curve. Based on these simple considerations, does your curve resemble that of a cosine or sine wave (Fig. 11-8a or 11-9)?
- 7. (II) A small fly of mass 0.25 g is caught in a spider's web. The web vibrates predominately with a frequency of 4.0 Hz. (a) What is the value of the effective spring stiffness constant k for the web? (b) At what frequency would you expect the web to vibrate if an insect of mass 0.50 g were trapped?
- 8. (II) A mass m at the end of a spring vibrates with a frequency of 0.88 Hz. When an additional 680-g mass is added to m, the frequency is 0.60 Hz. What is the value of m?
- 9. (II) A 0.60-kg mass at the end of a spring vibrates 3.0 times per second with an amplitude of 0.13 m. Determine (a) the velocity when it passes the equilibrium point, (b) the velocity when it is 0.10 m from equilibrium, (c) the total energy of the system, and (d) the equation describing the motion of the mass, assuming that x was a maximum at t = 0.
- 10. (II) At what displacement from equilibrium is the speed of a SHO half the maximum value?
- 11. (II) A mass attached to the end of a spring is stretched a distance x0 from equilibrium and released. At what distance from equilibrium will it have acceleration equal to half its maximum acceleration?
- 12. (II) A mass of 2.62 kg stretches a vertical spring 0.315 m. If the spring is stretched an additional 0.130 m and released, how long does it take to reach the (new) equilibrium position again?
- 13. (II) An object with mass 3.0 kg is attached to a spring with spring stiffness constant $k = 280 \,\mathrm{N/m}$ and is executing simple harmonic motion. When the object is 0.020 m from its equilibrium position, it is moving with a speed of 0.55 m/s. (a) Calculate the amplitude of the motion. (b) Calculate the maximum velocity attained by the object. [Hint: Use conservation of energy.]

- 14. (II) It takes a force of 80.0 N to compress the spring of a toy popgun 0.200 m to "load" a 0.180-kg ball. With what speed will the ball leave the gun?
- 15. (II) A mass sitting on a horizontal, frictionless surface is attached to one end of a spring; the other end is fixed to a wall. 3.0 J of work is required to compress the spring by 0.12 m. If the mass is released from rest with the spring compressed, the mass experiences a maximum acceleration of 15 m/s². Find the value of (a) the spring stiffness constant and (b) the mass.
- 16. (II) A 0.60-kg mass vibrates according to the equation $x = 0.45 \cos 6.40t$, where x is in meters and t is in seconds. Determine (a) the amplitude, (b) the frequency, (c) the total energy, and (d) the kinetic energy and potential energies when $x = 0.30 \,\mathrm{m}$.
- 17. (II) At what displacement from equilibrium is the energy of a SHO half KE and half PE?
- 18. (II) If one vibration has 7.0 times the energy of a second, but their frequencies and masses are the same, what is the ratio of their amplitudes?
- 19. (II) A 2.00-kg pumpkin oscillates from a vertically hanging light spring once every 0.65 s. (a) Write down the equation giving the pumpkin's position y (+ upward) as a function of time t, assuming it started by being compressed 18 cm from the equilibrium position (where y = 0), and released. (b) How long will it take to get to the equilibrium position for the first time? (c) What will be the pumpkin's maximum speed? (d) What will be its maximum acceleration, and where will that first be attained?
- 20. (II) A block of mass m is supported by two identical parallel vertical springs, each with spring stiffness constant k (Fig. 11–49). What will be the frequency of vibration?

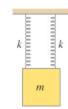


FIGURE 11-49 Problem 20.

- 21. (II) A 300-g mass vibrates according to the equation $x = 0.38 \sin 6.50t$, where x is in meters and t is in seconds. Determine (a) the amplitude, (b) the frequency, (c) the period, (d) the total energy, and (e) the KE and PE when x is 9.0 cm. (f) Draw a careful graph of x vs. t showing the correct amplitude and period.
- 22. (II) Figure 11-50 shows two examples of SHM, labeled A and B. For each, what is (a) the amplitude, (b) the frequency, and (c) the period? (d) Write the equations for both A and B in the form of a sine or cosine.

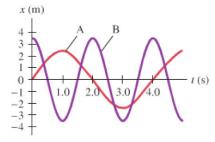


FIGURE 11-50 Problem 22.