

Old-Exam.Questions-Chapt-15

T072

Q27. A block of mass 20 g is attached to a horizontal spring with spring constant of 25 N/m. The other end of the spring is fixed. The block is pulled a distance 10 cm from its equilibrium position ($x = 0$) on a frictionless horizontal table and released. The frequency of the resulting simple harmonic motion is (Ans: 5.6 Hz)

Q28. A horizontal spring is fixed at one end. A block attached to the other end of the spring undergoes a simple harmonic motion on a frictionless table. Which one of the following statements is correct? (Ans: The frequency of the motion is independent of the amplitude of oscillation.)

Q29. A simple pendulum consists of a mass $m = 6.00$ kg at the end of a light cord of length L . The angle θ between the cord and the vertical is given by $\theta = 0.08 \cos[(4.43 t + \pi)]$, where t is in second and θ is in radian. Find the length L . (Ans: 0.50 m)

Q30. A block attached to an ideal horizontal spring undergoes a simple harmonic motion about the equilibrium position ($x = 0$) with an amplitude $x_m = 10$ cm. The mechanical energy of the system is 16 J. What is the kinetic energy of the block when $x = 5.0$ cm? (Ans: 12 J)

T071

Q12. A 2.00 kg uniform meter stick ($L = 1.00$ m) is pivoted at one of its end and made to oscillate in a vertical plane about this end. The period of oscillation is: (Ans: 1.64 s)

Q13. A 0.20 kg object attached to a horizontal spring whose spring constant is 500 N/m executes simple harmonic motion. If its maximum speed is 5.0 m/s, the amplitude of its oscillation is: (Ans: 0.10 m)

Q14. A 3.0 kg block, attached to a spring, executes simple harmonic motion according to the relation: $x = 2.0 \cos(50 t)$, where x is in m and t is in s. The spring constant of the spring is: (Ans: 7.5×10^3 N/m)

Q15. A particle is in simple harmonic motion along the x axis. The amplitude of the motion is x_m . When it is at $x = 10$ cm, its kinetic energy $K = 6.0$ J and its potential energy $U = 4.0$ J (measured with $U = 0$ at

$x = 0$). When it is at $x = -5.0$ cm, the kinetic and potential energies are: (Ans: $K = 9.0$ J and $U = 1.0$ J)

T062

Q14. The displacement of a particle oscillating along the x -axis is given as a function of time according to the equation: $x(t) = 0.50 \cos(\pi t + \pi/2)$. The magnitude of the maximum acceleration of the particle is: (Ans: 4.9 m/s^2)

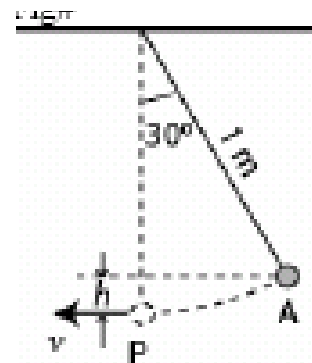
Q15. A block of mass 2.0 kg attached to a spring oscillates in simple harmonic motion along the x axis. The limits of its motion are $x = -20$ cm and $x = +20$ cm and it goes from one of these extremes to the other in 0.25 s. The mechanical energy of the block-spring system is: (Ans: 6.3 J)

Q16. The mechanical energy of a block-spring system executing simple harmonic motion is 8.0 J and the amplitude $x_m = 12$ cm. When $K = 6.0$ J, the displacement of the block is: (Ans: $x = 6.0$ cm)

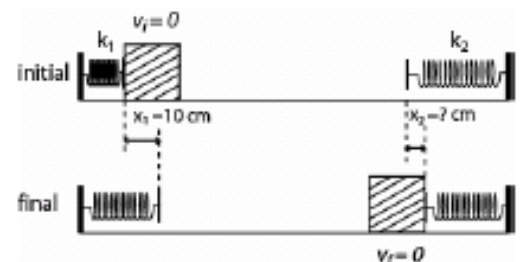
Q17. A physical pendulum consists of a uniform solid disk (radius $R = 10.0$ cm) supported in a vertical plane by a pivot located at a distance $d = 5.0$ cm from the center of the disk. The disk is made to oscillate in a simple harmonic motion of period T . Find T . (Ans: 0.78 s)

T061

Q6. A simple pendulum consists of a 2.0 kg mass attached to a 1.0 m long string. It is released from rest at an angle of 30° (point A) as shown in Fig 3. Its speed (v) at the lowest point P is: (Ans: 1.6 m/s)



Q7. Two springs of spring constants $k_1 = 40$ N/m and $k_2 = 160$ N/m are fixed opposite to each other on a frictionless floor as shown in Fig. 4. A 0.50 kg block, not attached to any of the springs, oscillates between the two springs. If the block compresses the first spring by a maximum distance of 10 cm then it will compress the second spring by a maximum distance of: (Ans: 5.0 cm)



T052

Q27. A mass $m_1 = 1.0$ kg is connected to a spring (with spring constant equal to k) and oscillates on a horizontal frictionless table with a period of 1.0 s. When m_1 is replaced with another unknown mass m_2 , the period changes to 2.0 s. Find the value of m_2 . (Ans: 4.0 kg)

Q28. A 0.500 kg block is connected to a spring ($k = 20.0$ N/m) and oscillates on a horizontal frictionless table. Calculate the maximum kinetic energy of the block if the amplitude of the simple harmonic motion is 3.00 cm. (Ans: 9.00×10^{-3} J)

Q29. If the displacement of a block-spring system is described by the following equation: $x(t) = 0.2 \cos(10t)$ where x is in m, and t is in s. What is the speed of the block when its displacement is $x = 0.1$ m? (Ans: 1.73 m/s)

Q30. A simple pendulum has a period of 10.0 s if the free fall acceleration is g . What would its period be if the free fall acceleration is $g/2$? (Ans: 14.1 s)

T051

Q27. In simple harmonic motion, the magnitude of the acceleration is greatest when: (Ans: the displacement is maximum)

Q28. A particle is in simple harmonic motion along the x axis. The amplitude of the motion is x_m . At one point in its motion its kinetic energy is $K = 5$ J and its potential energy measured with $U = 0$ at $x = 0$) is $U = 3$ J. When it is at $x = x_m$, the kinetic and potential energies are: (Ans: $K = 0$ and $U = 8$ J)

Q29. A 0.25-kg block oscillates at the end of the spring with a spring constant of 200 N/m. If the system has an energy of 6.0 J, then the amplitude of the oscillation is: (Ans: 0.24 m)

Q30. A simple pendulum has length L and period T . As it passes through its equilibrium position, the string is suddenly clamped at its midpoint (See Fig. 9). (Ans: $\frac{T}{\sqrt{2}}$)

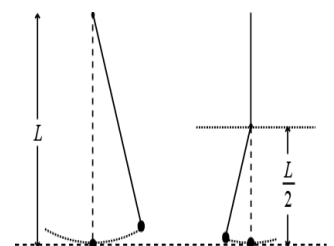


Figure 9

T042

Q12. A block of mass 0.50 kg is attached to a horizontal spring ($k = 160 \text{ N/m}$). The block is pulled a distance 20 cm from its un-stretched position on a frictionless horizontal surface. What is the magnitude of its maximum acceleration? (Ans: 64 m/s^2)

Q13. A simple pendulum of length = L_1 on Earth oscillates with a period = T . Another pendulum of length = L_2 on the Moon oscillates with a period = $2T$. Find the ratio L_1/L_2 . (Take g on Moon = $(1/6)g$ on Earth.) (Ans: $3/2$)

Q14. A block-spring system has an amplitude of 4.0 cm and a maximum speed of 0.60 m/s. What is the frequency of oscillation? (Ans: 2.39 Hz)

Q15. A particle oscillates according to the equation: $x = 0.20 \cos(\pi t)$, where $\pi = 3.14$. What is the period of the motion? (Ans: 2.0 s)

T041

Q12. A simple pendulum of length 1.55 m has a period (T) on the surface of Earth. What is the length of the pendulum to have the same period (T) on the surface of Moon where $g = 1.67 \text{ m/s}^2$? A1 0.26 m

Q13. A block-spring system oscillates with simple harmonic motion according to the equation $x = 0.20 \cos(10 * t + \pi/2)$, where x is in m and t is in s. The mass of the block is 2.0 kg. Find the total energy of the system. (Ans: 4.0 J)

Q14. A 2.0-kg mass connected to a spring of force constant 8.0 N/m is displaced 5.0 cm from its equilibrium position and released. It oscillates on a horizontal, frictionless surface. Find the speed of the mass when it is at 3.0 cm from its equilibrium position. (Ans: 0.08 m/s)

Q15. Which of the following equations represent a simple harmonic motion [F is the force and x is a displacement]? : 1) $F = -2x$; 2) $F = 5x$; 3) $F = -10x$; 4) $F = 3x^2$; 5) $F = -3x^2$ (Ans: 1 & 3)

T032

Q27. In a simple harmonic motion, the magnitude of the acceleration is: (Ans: proportional to the displacement)

Q28. A 3.0 kg block, attached to a spring, executes simple harmonic motion according to $x = 2\cos(50t)$ where x is in meters and t is in seconds. The spring constant of the spring is: (Ans: 7500 N/m)

Q29. A particle is in simple harmonic motion along the x axis. The amplitude of the motion is X_m . At one point in its motion its kinetic energy is $K = 5$ J and its potential energy is $U = 3$ J. When it is at $X = X_m$, the kinetic and potential energies are: (Ans: $K = 0$ J and $U = 8$ J)

Q30. The period of a simple pendulum is 1.0 s on Earth where the acceleration of gravity is g . When brought to a planet where the acceleration of gravity is $g/16$, its period becomes: (Ans: 4.0 s)

T031

Q12. A 5.0 kg mass stretches a spring by 10 cm when the mass is attached to the spring. The mass is then displaced downward an additional 5.0 cm and released. Its position (y) in m from its equilibrium position as a function of time (t) is: (Ans: $y = 0.05 \cos(10 * t)$)

Q13. A particle ($m = 0.2$ kg) is attached to a spring. The motion of the particle is described by $x = 0.10 \cos(10t + \pi/3)$ where x is m and t is in s. What is the mechanical energy of the particle? A1 0.1 J

Q14. The frequency of small oscillations of a simple pendulum of length (L) on the surface of Earth is (f). What will be its frequency on the surface of the Moon if we increase its length to become ($2L$)? (Take: $g(\text{Moon}) = 0.17 g(\text{Earth})$) (Ans: $0.29 * f$)

Q15. A mass $m = 2$ kg is attached to a spring having a force constant $k = 300$ N/m. The mass is displaced from its equilibrium position and released. Its period of oscillation (in s) is approximately (Ans: 0.5)