

A.P.C. SHM Practice

1. A mass m hanging on a spring with a spring constant k has simple harmonic motion with a period T . If the mass is doubled to $2m$, the period of oscillation
 - a. increases by a factor of 2.
 - b. decreases by a factor of 2.
 - c. increases by a factor of $\sqrt{2}$.
 - d. decreases by a factor of $\sqrt{2}$.
 - e. is not affected.
2. If F is the force, x the displacement, and k a particular constant, for simple harmonic motion we must have
 - a. $F = -k/x^2$
 - b. $F = k/x$
 - c. $F = (k/x^2)^{1/2}$
 - d. $F = -kx^2$
 - e. none of these.
3. A particle moving with a simple harmonic motion has its maximum displacement of $+18$ cm at time $t = 0$. The frequency of the motion is 10 s^{-1} . At a time $t = 0.65$ s, the position of the particle is
 - a. $+18$ cm
 - b. zero
 - c. -13 cm
 - d. -18 cm
 - e. $+7.3$ cm
4. The instantaneous speed of a mass undergoing simple harmonic motion on the end of a spring depends on
 - a. the amplitude of oscillation.
 - b. the frequency of oscillation.
 - c. the period of oscillation.
 - d. the time at which the speed is measured.
 - e. all of these.
5. A particle moving in simple harmonic motion with a period $T = 1.5$ s passes through the equilibrium point at time $t_0 = 0$ with a velocity of 1.00 m/s to the right. A time t later, the particle is observed to move to the left with a velocity of 0.50 m/s. (Note the change in direction of the velocity.) The smallest possible value of the time t is
 - a. 0.17 s
 - b. 0.33 s
 - c. 0.50 s
 - d. 0.25 s
 - e. 0.82 s
6. A particle with a mass of 65 g is moving with simple harmonic motion. At time $t = 0$, the particle is at its extreme positive displacement of 18.0 cm. The period of the motion is 0.600 s. At time $t = 1.35$ s, the velocity of the particle is
 - a. -1.9 m/s
 - b. zero
 - c. 0.84 m/s
 - d. $+1.9$ m/s
 - e. -0.84 m/s
7. A body moves with simple harmonic motion according to the equation

$$x = (2/\pi) \sin(4\pi t + \pi/3)$$

where the units are SI. At $t = 2$ s, the speed of the body is

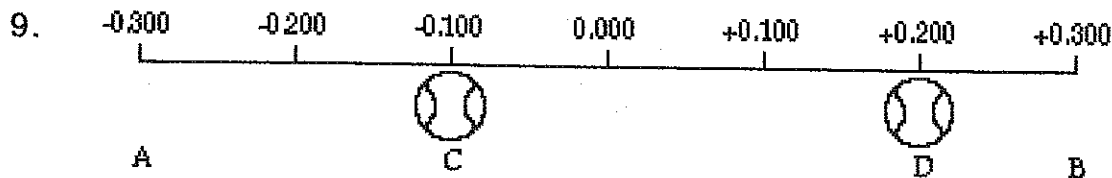
- a. m/s
- b. $1/\pi$ m/s
- c. $\sqrt{3}/\pi$ m/s
- d. 4 m/s
- e. $4\sqrt{3}$ m/s

8. A spring vibrates in simple harmonic motion according to the equation

$$x = 0.15 \cos \pi t$$

where the units are SI. The period of the motion is

- a. 0.67 s b. 1.0 s c. 2.0 s d. π s e. 3.2 s



A ball moves with simple harmonic motion between points A and B. The magnitude of the acceleration of the ball at point C is 5.00 m/s^2 . The magnitude of the acceleration of the ball at point D is

- a. 1.25 m/s^2 b. 2.50 m/s^2 c. 5.00 m/s^2 d. 7.50 m/s^2 e. 10.0 m/s^2

10. A particle moves in one dimension with simple harmonic motion according to the equation

$$d^2x/dt^2 = -4\pi^2x$$

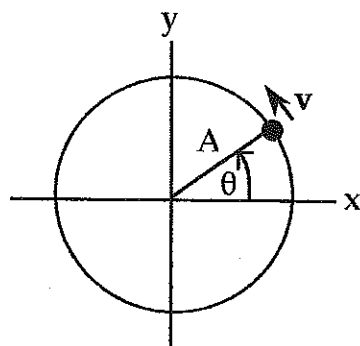
where the units are SI. Its period is

- a. $4\pi^2$ s b. 2π s c. 1 s d. $1/(2\pi)$ s e. $1/(4\pi^2)$ s

11. A particle moving in a circle of radius 15 cm makes 33.3 rev/min. If the particle starts on the positive x axis at time $t = 0$, what is the x component of the particle's velocity at time $t = 1.2$ s?

- a. 45 cm/s b. -3.8 cm/s c. 26 cm/s d. -45 cm/s e. 13 cm/s

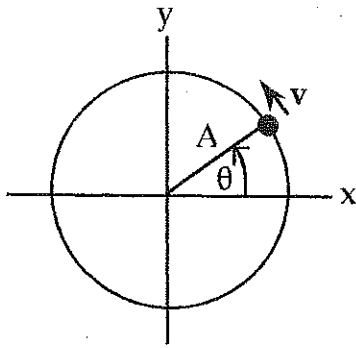
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The object in the diagram is in circular motion with frequency f . At $t = 0$ it was at $(A, 0)$. The y component of its velocity is given by

- a. $v_y^2 = v_{0y}^2 + 2a(y - y_0)$ b. $v_y = 2\pi f A \cos 2\pi f t$ c. $v_y = A \sin f t$
d. $v_y = 2\pi f A \sin 2\pi f t$ e. $v_y = A \cos f t$

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The object in the diagram is in circular motion with frequency f . At $t = 0$ it was at $(A, 0)$. The y component of its acceleration is given by

- a. $a_y = (v_y - v_{0y})/t$ b. $a_y = -(2\pi f)^2 A \cos 2\pi ft$ c. $a_y = -(2\pi)^2 A \sin 2\pi t$
 d. $a_y = -(2\pi f)^2 A \sin 2\pi ft$ e. $a_y = -(2\pi)^2 A \cos 2\pi t$

14. A body of mass M is executing simple harmonic motion with an amplitude of 8.0 cm and a maximum acceleration of 100 cm/s^2 . When the displacement of this body from the equilibrium position is 6.0 cm, the magnitude of the acceleration is approximately

- a. 8.7 cm/s^2 b. 21 cm/s^2 c. 35 cm/s^2 d. 17 cm/s^2 e. 1.3 m/s^2

15. The energy of a simple harmonic oscillator could be doubled by increasing the amplitude by a factor of

- a. 0.7 b. 1.0 c. 1.4 d. 2.0 e. 4.0

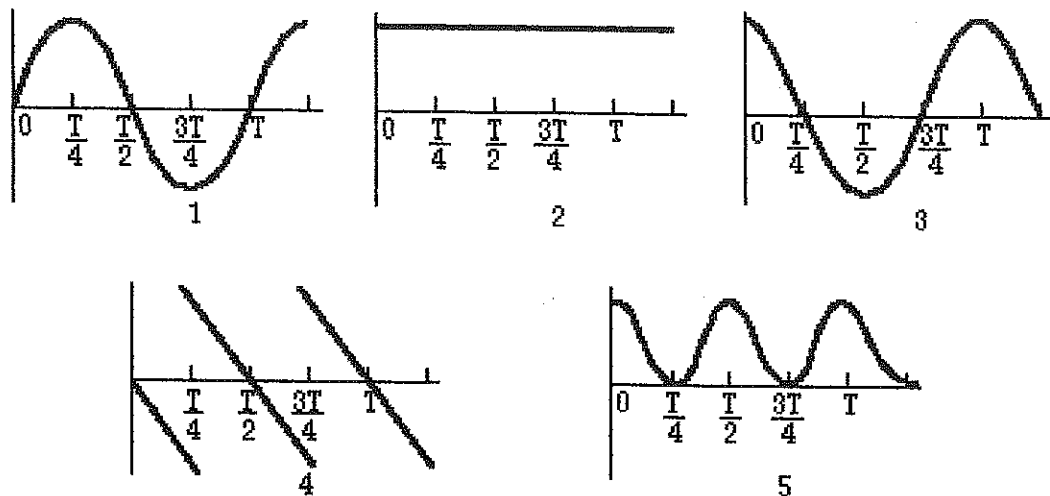
16. A 2.5-kg object is attached to a spring of force constant $k = 4.5 \text{ kN/m}$. The spring is stretched 10 cm from equilibrium and released. What is the kinetic energy of the mass-spring system when the mass is 5.0 cm from its equilibrium position?

- a. 5.6 J b. 11 J c. 17 J d. 14 J e. 42 J

17. The displacement in simple harmonic motion is a maximum when the

- a. acceleration is zero. b. velocity is a maximum.
 c. velocity is zero. d. kinetic energy is a maximum.
 e. potential energy is a minimum.

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The kinetic energy of a body executing simple harmonic motion is plotted against time expressed in terms of the period T . At $t = 0$, the displacement is zero. Which of the graphs most closely represents these conditions?

- a. 1 b. 2 c. 3 d. 4 e. 5

19. A 2-kg mass oscillates in one dimension with simple harmonic motion on the end of a massless spring on a horizontal frictionless table according to

$$x = (6/\pi) \cos\left(\frac{1}{2}\pi t + 3\pi\right)$$

where the units are SI. The total mechanical energy of this system is

- a. 1 J b. 3 J c. 5 J d. 7 J e. 9 J

20. A body on a spring is vibrating in simple harmonic motion about an equilibrium position indicated by the dashed line. The figure that shows the body with maximum acceleration is

- a. 1 b. 2 c. 3 d. 4 e. 5

21. To double the period of a pendulum, the length

- a. must be increased by a factor of 2. b. must be decreased by a factor of 2.
c. must be increased by a factor of $\sqrt{2}$. d. must be increased by a factor of 4.
e. need not be affected.

22. What must be the length of a simple pendulum with a period of 2.0 s if $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$?

- a. 99 cm b. 97 m c. 6.2 cm d. 3.1 m e. 2.0 m

