

➤ Last Lecture

- Power, Impulse, Center of Mass

➤ Today

- Simple Harmonic Motion

➤ Important Concepts

- The physics of the motion is in the mass and spring constant which determine the period of each oscillation.
- The amplitude does not affect the period.
- Energy oscillates between Kinetic and Potential.

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Important Reminders

- Pset # 8 due tomorrow.
- Problem Solving session in class tomorrow.
- MasteringPhysics due next Monday.
 - **NOTE:** Class grading guidelines clearly allow discussion of MasterPhysics problems but also clearly **prohibit** directly working together or copying the answers of others.
- No Pset due next week.
- No formal tutoring sessions next week.

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Center of Mass Velocity

➤ Definition: $\vec{v}_{C.M.} = \frac{1}{M_{TOT}} \sum m_i \vec{v}_i$

➤ Connection to momentum: $M_{TOT} \vec{v}_{C.M.} = \vec{P}_{TOT}$

- So, if momentum is conserved, the velocity of the center of mass is constant.

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Simple Harmonic Motion - I

- Start with Force equation: $\vec{F}_{Spring} = -k(\vec{l} - \vec{l}_0)$
- Define x axis along direction spring is stretched and put $x=0$ at the point the spring is unstretched:

$$F_x = -kx = ma_x = m \left(\frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} \right)$$
$$\Rightarrow \frac{d^2 x}{dt^2} = -\frac{k}{m} x$$

- So, what is the solution to the differential equation?

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Simple Harmonic Motion - II

- The answer is sine and/or cosine function with three mathematically equivalent ways to write it:

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

$$x = A \sin(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$x = A \cos(\omega t) + B \sin(\omega t)$$

- In all cases, A , B , and ϕ are constants determined by the initial conditions.

- ω is given by the physics: $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$

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Simple Harmonic Motion - III

- Connections to the physical motion:

- A is the amplitude, the maximum displacement from zero

- ϕ is an arbitrary constant that depends only on when you define $t=0$, no real connection to the nature of the motion

- ω is angular frequency in radians per second:

Frequency in cycles/second $f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$

Period (time for one cycle) $T = \frac{1}{f} = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$

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Velocity/Acceleration in SHM

- Also sine/cosine functions:

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

$$v_x = \frac{dx}{dt} = -A\omega \sin(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$a_x = \frac{dv_x}{dt} = -A\omega^2 \cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

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

- Note that: Maximum speed $|v_{Max}| = A\omega$

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Energy in SHM

- Spring PE: $PE_{spring} = \frac{1}{2} kx^2 = \frac{kA^2}{2} (\cos(\omega t + \phi))^2$

- Kinetic energy: $KE = \frac{1}{2} mv^2 = \frac{m(A\omega)^2}{2} (\sin(\omega t + \phi))^2$

- Total:

$$E_{Total} = KE + PE = \frac{kA^2}{2} (\cos(\omega t + \phi))^2 + \frac{m(A\omega)^2}{2} (\sin(\omega t + \phi))^2$$

$$\omega^2 = k/m$$

$$E_{Total} = \frac{kA^2}{2} ((\cos(\omega t + \phi))^2 + (\sin(\omega t + \phi))^2) = \frac{kA^2}{2} = \frac{1}{2} mv_{Max}^2$$

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