

4. OSCILLATIONS

1. A particle executing S.H.M of amplitude 5 cm and period of 2 s. Find the speed of the particle at a point where its acceleration is half of its maximum value.

Given :

$$A = 5 \text{ cm} = 5 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m},$$

$$T = 2 \text{ s}.$$

$$a = \frac{a_{\max}}{2} = \frac{A\omega^2}{2}$$

To Find :

$$v = ?$$

Formula :

$$v = \omega\sqrt{A^2 - x^2}$$

Solution :

Since

$$a = \omega^2 x$$

$$\therefore a = \frac{a_{\max}}{2}$$

$$\omega^2 x = \frac{A\omega^2}{2}$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{A}{2}$$

$$v = \omega\sqrt{A^2 - x^2}$$

$$\therefore v = \omega\sqrt{A^2 - \frac{A^2}{4}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} A\omega$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \times 5 \times 10^{-2} \times \frac{2\pi}{T}$$

$$\left[\because \omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} \right]$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \times 5 \times 10^{-2} \times \frac{2 \times 3.14}{2}$$

$$= 13.6 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m/s}$$

$$\therefore v = 13.6 \text{ cm/s}$$

Oscillations

2. A particle performs S.H.M of period 12 seconds and amplitude 8 cm. If initially the particle is at the positive extremity, how much time will it take to cover a distance of 6 cm from the extreme position.

Solution :

$$T = 12 \text{ s},$$

$$A = 8 \text{ cm}$$

$$\therefore \omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = \frac{\pi}{6} \text{ rad/s}$$

When the particle covers a distance of 6 cm from the positive extremity, its displacement from the mean position is

$$x = 8 - 6 = 2 \text{ cm}$$

From the equation of S.H.M

$$x = A \cos \omega t$$

[from extreme position]

$$2 = 8 \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{6} t \right)$$

$$\therefore \cos \left(\frac{\pi}{6} t \right) = 0.25$$

$$\therefore \frac{\pi}{6} t = \cos^{-1} (0.25)$$

$$= 75^{\circ} 52'$$

$$\therefore \frac{\pi}{6} t = 75^{\circ} 52' \times \frac{\pi}{180^{\circ}} \text{ (in rad)}$$

$$\therefore t = \frac{6 \times 75.52}{180}$$

$$= \frac{75.52}{30}$$

$$\therefore t = 2.517 \text{ s}$$

3. When the displacement in S.H.M is $\frac{1}{3}$ rd of the amplitude, what fraction of total energy is kinetic energy and what fraction is potential energy ?

Given :

$$x = \frac{A}{3}$$

To Find :

$$\frac{K.E}{T.E} = ?$$

$$\frac{P.E}{T.E} = ?$$

Formula :

$$i) T.E = \frac{1}{2} kA^2$$

$$ii) K.E = \frac{1}{2} k(A^2 - x^2)$$

Solution :

$$K.E = \frac{1}{2} k \left[A^2 - \left(\frac{A}{3} \right)^2 \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} k \left[A^2 - \frac{A^2}{9} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} k \times \frac{8A^2}{9}$$

$$\therefore \frac{K.E}{T.E} = \frac{\left[\frac{1}{2} kA^2 \left(\frac{8}{9} \right) \right]}{\left[\frac{1}{2} kA^2 \right]} = \frac{8}{9}$$

$$\therefore \frac{K.E}{T.E} = \frac{8}{9}$$

Since, P.E = T.E - K.E

$$\therefore \frac{P.E}{T.E} = \frac{T.E - K.E}{T.E}$$

$$= 1 - \frac{K.E}{T.E}$$

$$\frac{P.E}{T.E} = 1 - \frac{8}{9}$$

$$\therefore \frac{P.E}{T.E} = \frac{1}{9}$$

4. The displacement of a particle performing linear S.H.M is given by

$$x = 6 \sin \left(3\pi t + \frac{5\pi}{6} \right) \text{ meter. Find}$$

amplitude, frequency and the phase constant of the motion

Given :

$$x = 6 \sin \left(3\pi t + \frac{5\pi}{6} \right) \text{ metre}$$

To Find :

$$A = ?$$

$$n = ?$$

$$\alpha = ?$$

Formula :

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

Solution :

Comparing formula with given equation

We have,

$$A = 6\text{m}$$

$$\omega = 3\pi \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\omega = 2\pi n$$

$$\therefore n = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = \frac{3\pi}{2\pi}$$

$$\therefore n = 1.5 \text{ Hz}$$

Phase constant,

$$\alpha = \frac{5\pi}{6} \text{ rad}$$

5. The period of oscillation of simple pendulum increases by 20 % when its length increased by 44 cm. Find its

i) initial length

ii) initial period

Given :

$$\frac{T_2}{T_1} = \frac{120}{100} = \frac{6}{5}$$

$$\therefore l_2 = l_1 + 0.44$$

To Find :

i) $l_1 = ?$

ii) $T_2 = ?$

Formula :

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

Solution :

$$T_1 = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{l_1}{g}}$$

$$T_2 = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{l_2}{g}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{T_2}{T_1} = \sqrt{\frac{l_2}{l_1}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{\frac{6}{5}T_1}{T_1} = \sqrt{\frac{l_1 + 0.44}{l_1}}$$

$$\therefore \frac{6}{5} = \sqrt{\frac{l_1 + 0.44}{l_1}}$$

Squaring both sides, we get

$$\frac{36}{25} = \frac{l_1 + 0.44}{l_1}$$

$$\frac{36}{25} = 1 + \frac{0.44}{l_1}$$

$$\therefore \frac{36}{25} - 1 = \frac{0.44}{l_1}$$

$$\therefore \frac{36 - 25}{25} = \frac{0.44}{l_1}$$

$$\therefore \frac{11}{25} = \frac{0.44}{l_1}$$

$$\therefore l_1 = \frac{25 \times 0.44}{11}$$

$$\therefore l_1 = 1\text{m}$$

$$\text{Also, } T_1 = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{l_1}{g}}$$

$$= 2 \times 3.14 \sqrt{\frac{1}{9.8}}$$

$$\therefore T_1 = 2.006 \text{ s}$$

6. A clock regulated by a seconds pendulum keeps correct time. During summer the length of the pendulum increases to 1.01 m. How much will the clock gain or lose in one day ?
($g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$)

Given :

$$l = 1.01 \text{ m}$$

$$g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

To Find :

Time lost or gain per day in summer

$$\Delta T = ?$$

Formula :

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

Solution :

Substituting the given values,

$$T = 2 \times 3.14 \times \sqrt{\frac{1.01}{9.8}}$$

$$= 6.28 \sqrt{\frac{1.01}{9.8}}$$

$$= 2.017 \text{ s}$$

$$\therefore T = 2.017 \text{ s}$$

The period of a seconds pendulum is 2 s ie, pendulum clock will lose its period.

$$\therefore \text{loss in period} = 2.017 - 2 = 0.017 \text{ s}$$

ie, 0.017 s is lost in 2.017 s

$$\therefore \text{Loss in period per day}$$

$$\Delta T = \frac{24 \times 3600 \times 0.017}{2.017}$$

$$\therefore \Delta T = 728.21 \text{ s}$$

7. An object performing S.H.M with mass of 0.5 kg, force constant 10 N/m and amplitude 3 cm.

- i) What is the total energy of object ?
- ii) What is its maximum speed ?
- iii) What is the speed at $x = 2$ cm ?
- iv) What are kinetic and potential energies when $x = 2$ cm ?

Given :

$$\begin{aligned} m &= 0.5 \text{ kg} \\ k &= 10 \text{ N/m} \\ A &= 3 \text{ cm} = 3 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\omega^2 = \frac{k}{m} = \frac{10}{0.5} = 20$$

$$\therefore \omega = \sqrt{20} \text{ rad/sec}$$

To Find :

- i) T.E = ?
- ii) v_{\max} = ?
- iii) v = ? at $x = 2$ cm
- iv) K.E = ?
- v) P.E = ? at $x = 2$ cm

Formula :

$$\text{i) T.E.} = \frac{1}{2} kA^2$$

$$\text{ii) } v_{\max} = \omega A$$

$$\text{iii) } v = \omega \sqrt{A^2 - x^2}$$

$$\text{iv) P.E.} = \frac{1}{2} kx^2,$$

$$\text{v) K.E.} = \text{T.E.} - \text{P.E.}$$

Solution :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i) T.E.} &= \frac{1}{2} \times 10 \times (3 \times 10^{-2})^2 \\ \text{T.E.} &= 4.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ J} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ii) } v_{\max} &= \sqrt{20} \times 3 \times 10^{-2} \\ v_{\max} &= 0.1342 \text{ m/s} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{iii) } v &= \sqrt{20} \times \\ &\sqrt{(3 \times 10^{-2})^2 - (2 \times 10^{-2})^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore v = \sqrt{20} \times \sqrt{5 \times 10^{-4}}$$

$$\therefore v = 0.1 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\text{iv) P.E.} = \frac{1}{2} kx^2,$$

$$\text{P.E.} = \frac{1}{2} \times 10 \times (2 \times 10^{-2})^2$$

$$\text{P.E.} = 2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ J}$$

v) Since,

$$\text{K.E.} = \text{T.E.} - \text{P.E.}$$

$$= 4.5 \times 10^{-3} - 2 \times 10^{-3}$$

$$\therefore \text{K.E.} = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ J}$$

8. A simple pendulum is used in physics laboratory experiment to obtain experimental value for gravitational acceleration g . A student measures the length of pendulum 0.51 m, displaces it 10° from equilibrium position and released it. Using a stopwatch, the student determines that period of pendulum is 1.44 s. Determine the experimental value of the gravitational acceleration.

Given :

$$\begin{aligned} l &= 0.51 \text{ m} \\ T &= 1.44 \text{ s} \end{aligned}$$

To Find :

$$g = ?$$

Formula :

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

Solution :

From formula

$$T^2 = 4\pi^2 \frac{l}{g}$$

$$\therefore g = \frac{4\pi^2 l}{T^2}$$

$$\therefore g = \frac{4 \times (3.14)^2 \times 0.51}{(1.44)^2}$$

$$\therefore g = 9.699 \text{ m/s}^2$$

9. A particle executes S.H.M with amplitude of 10 cm and period of 10 s. Find the

- i) velocity
ii) acceleration of the particle at a distance 5 cm from the equilibrium position.

Given :

$$A = 10 \text{ cm}, \quad T = 10 \text{ s}$$

To Find :

- i) $v = ?$
ii) $a_{\text{at } x=5 \text{ cm}} = ?$

Formula :

$$\begin{aligned} \text{i) } v &= \pm \omega \sqrt{A^2 - x^2} \\ \text{ii) } a &= -\omega^2 x \end{aligned}$$

Solution :

$$v = \pm \omega \sqrt{A^2 - x^2}$$

$$v = \pm \frac{2\pi}{T} \sqrt{(10)^2 - (5)^2}$$

$$\left[\because \omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} \right]$$

$$\therefore v = \pm \frac{2\pi}{T} \sqrt{(10)^2 - (5)^2}$$

$$= \pm \frac{2\pi}{T} \times 5 \sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore v = \pm \pi \sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore v = \pm 5.442 \text{ cm/s}$$

$$a = -\omega^2 x$$

$$a = -\left(\frac{2\pi}{T}\right)^2 \times 5$$

$$= -\frac{4\pi^2 \times 5}{(10)^2}$$

$$= -\frac{20\pi^2}{100} = -\frac{\pi^2}{5}$$

$$a = -1.974 \text{ cm/s}^2$$

10. A body describes S.H.M in a path 0.12 m long. Its velocity at the centre of the line is 0.12 m/s. Find the period, and magnitude of velocity at a distance

$$\sqrt{3} \times 10^{-2} \text{ m from the central position.}$$

Given :

$$2A = 0.12 \text{ m},$$

$$\therefore A = 0.06 \text{ m},$$

$$v_{\text{max}} = 0.12 \text{ m/s},$$

$$x = \sqrt{3} \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}$$

To Find :

$$T = ?, \quad v = ?$$

Formula :

$$\text{i) } v_{\text{max}} = \omega A$$

$$\text{ii) } v = \omega \sqrt{A^2 - x^2}$$

Solution :

$$v_{\text{max}} = \omega A$$

$$\omega = \frac{v_{\text{max}}}{A} = \frac{0.12}{0.06} = 2$$

$$\therefore \frac{2\pi}{T} = 2$$

$$\therefore T = \frac{2\pi}{2} = \pi$$

$$\therefore T = 3.142 \text{ s}$$

$$v = \omega \sqrt{A^2 - x^2}$$

$$v = \frac{2\pi}{T} \sqrt{(0.06)^2 - (\sqrt{3} \times 10^{-2})^2}$$

$$= \frac{2\pi}{T} \sqrt{0.0036 - 0.0003}$$

$$= 2 \sqrt{0.0033}$$

$$= 2 \times 0.0574$$

$$v = 0.1149 \text{ m/s}$$

11. A particle executes S.H.M with a period 8 s. Find the time in which half the total energy is potential.

Given :

$$T = 8 \text{ s}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{ T.E} = \text{P.E}$$

To Find :

$$t = ?$$

Formula :

$$\text{i) T.E} = \frac{1}{2} kA^2$$

$$\text{ii) P.E} = \frac{1}{2} kx^2$$

Solution :

Since

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{T.E} = \text{P.E}$$

From formula (i) and (ii)

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{1}{2} kA^2 = \frac{1}{2} kx^2$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{4} kA^2 = \frac{1}{2} kx^2$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2} A^2 = x^2$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{A}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\text{Also, } x = A \sin \omega t$$

$$\therefore A \sin \omega t = \frac{A}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore \sin \omega t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore \sin \left(\frac{2\pi}{T} \right) t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore \sin \left(\frac{2\pi}{8} \right) t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore \sin \left(\frac{\pi}{4} \right) t = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{\pi}{4} \right) t = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

$$\therefore \left(\frac{\pi}{4} \right) t = \frac{\pi}{4}$$

$$\therefore t = 1 \text{ sec}$$