Office hours today: after class (Remo) 4-5pm, 8-9pm (Zoom) Remo homework sessions: 5-8pm Monday and Tuesday

Learning goals for today:

- To qualitatively and quantitatively relate the position vs time, velocity vs time, and acceleration vs time for simple harmonic motion.
- To deduce the constant k characterizing the restoring forces based on the observations of simple harmonic motion given the mass.









A mass on a spring is struck with a hammer, giving it an initial downward velocity when it is at its equilibrium position. Which of the following functions could describe the motion of the mass?

A)
$$x(t) = A \cos(\omega t - \pi/2)$$

B) $x(t) = A \cos(\omega t)$
C) $x(t) = A \cos(\omega t + \pi/2)$
D) $x(t) = A \cos(\omega t + \pi)$
E) None of the above
Hint : sketch the graph of $x(t)$

EXTRA: can you determine A in terms of v_0 and ω ?



→velocity is #=-Awsin(wt+=). At t=0, v=-vo, so: -vo=-Awsin(=)=>A= ~

Velocity vs displacement



A plot of displacement as a function of time for an oscillator is shown above. Which of the diagrams to the right describes the **velocity** as a function of time for the same motion?



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Velocity from displacement:

$$V = \frac{dx}{dt}$$

 $V(t) = slope of x(t)$
at time t











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

For the displacement graph shown, what is the maximum magnitude of velocity, in cm/s?



Acceleration vs displacement:



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, so $x = -\frac{a}{\omega^2}$. T is half in 2nd
Case so ω is double, so amplitude of x is $\frac{1}{4}$

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see: https://youtu.be/PD30ieYknac

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have:
$$T = 1.5s$$
 so $\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = 4.2s^{-1}$
Using $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$ have: $k = m\omega^{2} = 0.25 \times (4.2)^{2} N_{m} = 4 N/m$

EXTRA: Simple Harmonic Motion:



A plot of upward **velocity** (in cm/s) as a function of time (in s) is shown above for a mass hanging from a spring. Which of the pictures best represents the situation at t=1.6s?

EXTRA: what does x(t) look like?

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