

Experiment notes
Math 2250-1
Wednesday October 26

Pendulum: measurements and prediction:

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> restart :
  Digits := 4 :

> L := 1.526;
  g := 9.806;
  ω := sqrt(g/L); # radians per second
  f := evalf(ω / (2 * Pi)); # cycles per second
  T := 1/f; # seconds per cycle

                                     L := 1.526
                                     g := 9.806
                                     ω := 2.535
                                     f := 0.4036
                                     T := 2.478

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(1)

Experiment:

Mass-spring:

compute Hooke's constant:

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> 104.0 - 88.3; #displacement from extra 50g
                                     15.7

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(2)

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> k := .05 * 9.806 / .157; # solve k * x = m * g for k.
                                     k := 3.123

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(3)

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> m := .1; # mass for experiment is 100g
  ω := sqrt(k/m); # predicted angular frequency
  f := evalf(ω / (2 * Pi)); # predicted frequency
  T := 1/f; # predicted period

                                     m := 0.1
                                     ω := 5.588
                                     f := 0.8893
                                     T := 1.124

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(4)

Experiment:

Correction term for KE of spring:

$$\begin{aligned} &> ms := .011; \# \text{ spring has mass 11g} \\ & \quad M := m + ms/3; \# \text{ "effective mass"} \\ & \hspace{15em} ms := 0.011 \\ & \hspace{15em} M := 0.1037 \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &> \omega := \text{sqrt}\left(\frac{k}{M}\right); \# \text{ predicted angular frequency} \\ & \quad f := \text{evalf}\left(\frac{\omega}{2 \cdot \text{Pi}}\right); \# \text{ predicted frequency} \\ & \quad T := \frac{1}{f}; \# \text{ predicted period} \\ & \hspace{15em} \omega := 5.488 \\ & \hspace{15em} f := 0.8734 \\ & \hspace{15em} T := 1.145 \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$