SHM Review

- 1. The frequency of an oscillator is 2 HZ. What is its period? What is its frequency in rpm? What is the average speed of the oscillator if its amplitude is 20 cm?
- 2. At what point in an oscillation cycle (middle, end, in between) are the following quantities at a maximum? Minimum?
 - a. Speed
 - b. Net Force
 - c. Potential Energy
 - d. Kinetic Energy
 - e. Acceleration
- 3. A 2 kg mass and a 50 N/m spring comprise a horizontal spring-mass oscillator on a frictionless surface. If the amplitude of the oscillator is 40 cm,
 - a. What is the maximum force on the mass?
 - b. What is the maximum potential energy of the spring?
 - c. What is the maximum acceleration of the mass?
 - d. What is the minimum acceleration of the mass?
 - e. Using conservation of energy, calculate the maximum speed of the mass.
- 4. A spring-mass oscillator is placed on a horizontal, frictionless surface. The spring constant, k, is 40 N/m, the mass is 5 kg, and the oscillator is initially displaced by 3 meters before being released from rest. Answer the following questions:
 - a. What is the initial force on the oscillator?
 - b. What is the initial acceleration of the oscillator?
 - c. What is the maximum speed of the oscillator?
 - d. What is the total energy of the oscillator?
 - e. What is the amplitude of the oscillator?
 - f. How far does the mass travel during one cycle?
 - g. If the mass were increased to 45 kg, how would that affect the period?
 - h. If the spring constant were decreased to 10 N/m, how would that affect the period?
 - i. If the mass were hung vertically from the spring, how far would the spring stretch when the mass is balanced?
- 5. If a spring mass oscillator has a maximum EPE of 100 Joules and the k of the spring is 4 N/m, what is the amplitude of the oscillator? If the maximum speed of the oscillator is 10 m/s, what is the mass of the oscillator?
- 6. Sketch a graph of the EPE, KE, and total energy of a horizontal oscillator versus position on the same set of axes.
- 7. What has to be true of the force on an object for it to oscillate in SHM?
- 8. How would you recognize whether an oscillating object in lab was a Simple Harmonic Oscillator?
- 9. What property of musical instruments clearly indicates to the observer that their oscillations are Simple Harmonic?

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1. $T = 0.5 \text{ s}, f = 120 \text{ rpm}, v = \Delta s/t = 1.6 \text{ m/s}$

		<u>maximum</u>	<u>minimum</u>
a.	Speed	middle	end
b.	Net Force	end	middle
c.	Potential Energy	end	middle
d.	Kinetic Energy	middle	end
e.	Acceleration	end	middle
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- a. 20 N, b. 4 J, c. 10 m/s², d. 0, e. 2 m/s
 a. 120 N, b. 24 m/s², c. 8.49 m/s, d.180 J, e. 3 m, f. 12 m, g. period would triple, h. period doubles, i. 1.25 m
- 5. 7.07 m, 2 kg
- 6. .

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- 7. Force is proportional to displacement.
- 8. Period is independent of amplitude.
- 9. The volume at which a note is played does not effect the pitch of a note.