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- Do your own work.
- Answer the questions below in the space provided.
- Make sure you show all your work and any equations that you use.
- Please place a box around your answers.
- Remember to give the correct units with all numerical answers

Q1

Q2

Q3

Q4

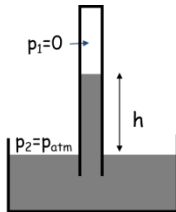
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1. A barometer can be used to measure atmospheric pressure (P_{ATM}). In a barometer an evacuated tube is inserted into a pool of liquid, in this case olive oil. Let's investigate what happens:



ρ Olive Oil	P_1	P_{ATM}
800 kg/m^3	0 Pa	101325 Pa

Explanation
(2pts):

- a. Why is the height of the olive oil in the tube related to the atmospheric pressure? (**Lecture 18, pp. 11-12**)

- The air, which has mass, pushes down on the pool of oil. The force is caused by gravity.
- The force of gravity causes pressure on the top of the pool of olive oil.
- In response the olive oil rises up the evacuated tube governed by Pascal's Principle.

- b. How long must the tube be to measure the atmospheric pressure using alcohol? (hint: $P_{ATM} = P_1 + \rho gh$)

Pressure (3 pts):

$$\text{i. } P_{ATM} = P_1 + \rho gh = 0 \text{ Pa} + \left(800 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}\right) \left(9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}\right) h = 101325 \text{ Pa}$$

$$\text{ii. } h = \frac{(101325 \text{ Pa})}{\left(800 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}\right) \left(9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}\right)} = 12.92 \text{ m}$$

2. Remarkably steel ships do not sink in the ocean. Employ Archimedes' Principle to explain why.

(Lecture 18, p. 14)

ARCHIMEDES' PRINCIPLE	ρ_{sea}	ρ_{steel}
$F_B = \rho_{fluid} V_{displaced} g$	1.025 g/ml	7.9 g/ml

Floating Carriers
(5 pts):

- i. **Archimedes' Principle describes the behavior of solid objects in fluids, such as sea water.**
- ii. **Archimedes' Principle states that if an object is able to displace its mass is the fluid it will float. That is: $\rho_{fluid} V_{fluid} = \rho_{solid} V_{solid}$. [5 pts if you got this far!]**
- iii. **Ocean-going vessels are able to float because of their geometry and the ocean is extremely large, so there is a large volume of water to displace the mass of the ship.**
- iv. **Also, ships have air spaces which help to reduce the average density of the ship.**

2. Hook's Law, $F_{spring} = -kx$, describes the force exerted on an object by a spring.

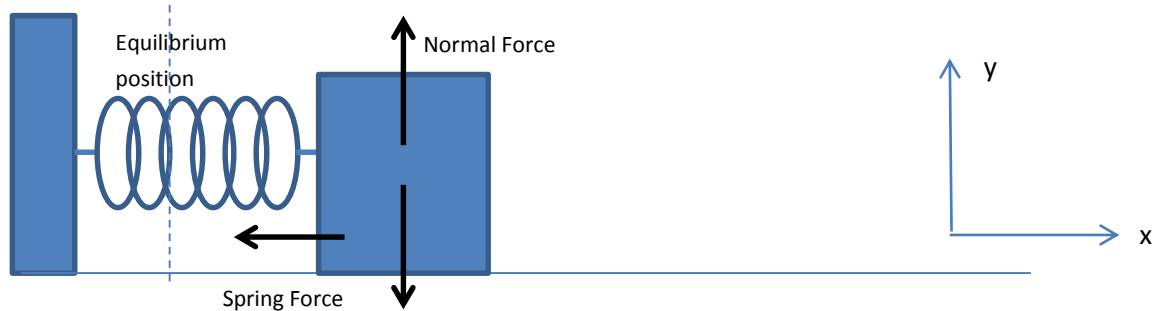
Answer:

- a. An object is attached to a horizontal spring and rests on a frictionless surface. The spring is displaced from the equilibrium position.

The object *does not* experience constant acceleration (choose one). ~~true~~ false?

- b. Draw a free-body diagram describing the situation in part (a). Remember to include a coordinate system and all force labels.

Free-body
Diagram (2pts):



- c. Using $U_{spring} = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$ and *energy conservation* explain why the *speed* of the object depends on its *position* (x). Let the initial displacement of the spring be $x_{initial}$. (**Lecture 20, p. 11**)

Explanation (2
pts):

- i. From conservation of energy we know that the total energy at all times must be equal to the initial energy of the system, in this case: $U_{spring} = \frac{1}{2}kx_{initial}^2$.
- ii. We know that total energy at any time is: $U + K = \frac{1}{2}kx^2 + \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{1}{2}kx_{initial}^2$
- iii. I can now solve for v : $v^2 = \frac{k}{m}(x_{initial}^2 - x^2)$.
- iv. So, $v = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}(x_{initial}^2 - x^2)}$ which is clearly a function of the position of the object!

3. Foucault's Pendulum is a simple harmonic oscillator. It was used to demonstrate the rotation of the earth.

Answer:

- a. Does Foucault's Pendulum experience constant acceleration? Explain your answer.

Foucault's Pendulum does not experience constant acceleration. It is a simple harmonic oscillator, and the restoring force it experiences is dependent on position.

Period (2 pts):

- b. If the pendulum length is 8 m , use $T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{L}{g}}$ to find the period of the pendulum's swing. **(Lecture 21, p. 18)**

$$T = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{8\text{ m}}{9.81\text{ m/s}^2}} = 5.67\text{ s}$$

g_{new} (2 pts):

- c. Now take your Foucault's Pendulum to another planet. You want to measure the acceleration of gravity. You set up your pendulum and notice that $T = 2T_{\text{Earth}}$. What is the acceleration of gravity on the new planet, g_{new} ? **(Lecture 21, p. 18)**

$$g = \frac{(2\pi)^2 L}{T^2} = \frac{(2\pi)^2 (8\text{ m})}{(2 \times 5.67\text{ s})^2} = 2.46\text{ m/s}^2$$