

NCERT Analog 11.14.17

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Question

A simple pendulum of length ℓ and having a bob of mass M is suspended in a car. The car is moving in a circular track of radius R with a uniform speed v . If the pendulum makes small oscillations in a radial direction about its equilibrium position, what will be its time period?

Table

Parameter	Description
v	Speed
R	Radius of circular track
M	Mass of bob
g	Acceleration due to gravity
a_c	Centrifugal acceleration
g_e	Effective gravitational acceleration $\sqrt{g^2 + a^2}$

Table: Parameters

Free Body Diagram

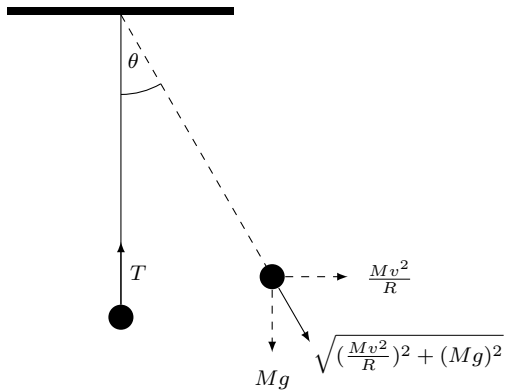


Figure: Free Body Diagram

From the free body diagram, restoring force:

$$F_r = - \left(\sqrt{\left(\frac{Mv^2}{R} \right)^2 + (Mg)^2} \right) \sin \theta(t) \quad (1)$$

Solution

For small oscillations, $\theta(t) \ll 1$.

$$\Rightarrow \sin \theta(t) \approx \theta(t) \quad (2)$$

$$\Rightarrow F_r \approx - \left(\sqrt{\left(\frac{Mv^2}{R} \right)^2 + (Mg)^2} \right) \theta(t) \quad (3)$$

$$\Rightarrow a = - \left(\sqrt{\left(\frac{v^2}{R} \right)^2 + g^2} \right) \theta(t) \quad (4)$$

$$I \frac{d^2 \theta(t)}{dt^2} = - \left(\sqrt{\left(\frac{v^2}{R} \right)^2 + g^2} \right) \theta(t) \quad (5)$$

$$\text{Let } k = \frac{1}{\ell} \left(\sqrt{\left(\frac{v^2}{R}\right)^2 + g^2} \right) \quad (6)$$

$$\frac{d^2\theta(t)}{dt^2} + k\theta(t) = 0 \quad (7)$$

Taking Laplace transform:

$$s^2\Theta(s) - s\theta(0) - \theta'(0) + k\Theta(s) = 0 \quad (8)$$

Assuming $\theta(0) = 0$:

$$s^2\Theta(s) - \theta'(0) + k\Theta(s) = 0 \quad (9)$$

$$\Rightarrow \Theta(s) = \frac{\theta'(0)}{s^2 + k} \quad (10)$$

Taking inverse laplace transform using Bromwich integral:

$$\theta(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{c-j\infty}^{c+j\infty} \Theta(s)e^{st} dt, c > 0 \quad (11)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi j} \int_{c-j\infty}^{c+j\infty} \frac{\theta'(0)e^{st}}{s^2 + k} dt \quad (12)$$

Solution

Since the poles $s = j\sqrt{k}$ and $s = -j\sqrt{k}$ (both non repeated, i.e. $m = 1$) lie inside a semicircle for some $c > 0$. Using Jordans lemma and method of residues from ??:

$$R_1 = \lim_{s \rightarrow j\sqrt{k}} \left((s - j\sqrt{k}) \left(\frac{\theta'(0)}{s^2 + k} \right) e^{st} \right) \quad (13)$$

$$= \left(\frac{\theta'(0)e^{j\sqrt{k}t}}{2j\sqrt{k}} \right) \quad (14)$$

$$R_2 = \lim_{s \rightarrow -j\sqrt{k}} \left((s + j\sqrt{k}) \left(\frac{\theta'(0)}{s^2 + k} \right) e^{st} \right) \quad (15)$$

$$= \left(\frac{-\theta'(0)e^{-j\sqrt{k}t}}{2j\sqrt{k}} \right) \quad (16)$$

Solution

$$\theta(t) = R_1 + R_2 \quad (17)$$

$$\theta(t) = \left(\frac{\theta'(0) \left(e^{j\sqrt{k}t} - e^{-j\sqrt{k}t} \right)}{2j\sqrt{k}} \right) \quad (18)$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta(t) = \frac{\theta'(0)}{\sqrt{k}} \sin(\sqrt{k}t) \quad (19)$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta(t) = \frac{\theta'(0)}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{\ell} \left(\sqrt{\left(\frac{v^2}{R} \right)^2 + g^2} \right)}} \sin \left(\sqrt{\frac{1}{\ell} \left(\sqrt{\left(\frac{v^2}{R} \right)^2 + g^2} \right)} t \right) \quad (20)$$

Plot

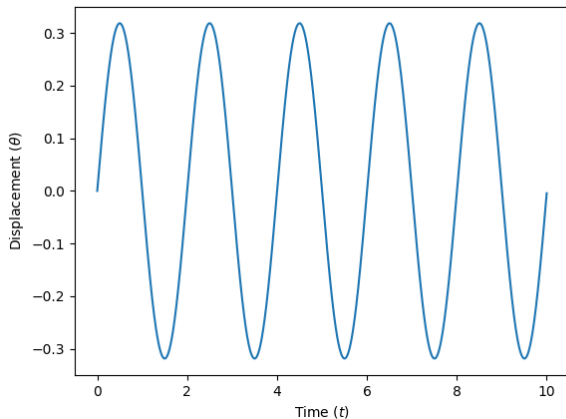


Figure: $\theta(t)$ vs t for $\nu = 1, R = 1, \ell = 1, g = 9.8, \theta'(0) = 1$

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#ifndef EE1205_EE1205_H
#define EE1205_EE1205_H

#include <stdlib.h>

// Bare basic version of Python's numpy.linspace(...)
double* linspace(double start, double stop, size_t count) {
    double* result = (double*) malloc(sizeof(double) * count);
    for (size_t i = 0; i < count; i++) {
        result[i] = start + (stop - start) * i / (count - 1);
    }
    return result;
}

#endif
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#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>
#include "ee1205.h"
// Length of pendulum
const double l = 1;
// Radius of track
const double R = 1;
// Velocity of car
const double v = 1;
// Acceleration due to gravity
const double g = 9.81;
double theta(double t) {
    double k = sqrt(1/l * sqrt(pow(pow(v, 2) / R, 2) + pow(g, 2)));
    return sin(k * t) / k;
}
int main () {
    // x-axis.
    double* t = linspace(0, 10, 10000);
    // Open output file.
    FILE* out;
    fopen_s(&out, "111417cout.txt", "w");
    // Write output to file.
    for (size_t i = 0; i < 10000; i++) fprintf(out, "%lf-", theta(t[i]));
    // Close file and free memory allocated for x-axis.
    fclose(out);
    free(t);
    return 0;
}
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import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np

t = np.linspace(0, 10, 10000)

x = np.loadtxt("111417cout.txt")

plt.plot(t, x)

plt.xlabel("Time-($t$)")
plt.ylabel("Displacement-($\\theta$)")

plt.savefig("plot.png")
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$$\frac{2\pi}{T} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{\ell} \left(\sqrt{\left(\frac{v^2}{R}\right)^2 + g^2} \right)} \quad (21)$$

$$\Rightarrow T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{\ell}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{v^2}{R}\right)^2 + g^2}}} \quad (22)$$