

- 6 (a) Distinguish between *frequency* and *angular frequency* for a body undergoing simple harmonic motion.

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- (b) A spring that has an unstretched length of 0.650 m is attached to a fixed point. A mass of 0.400 kg is attached to the spring and gently lowered until equilibrium is reached. The spring has then stretched elastically by a distance of 0.200 m.

Calculate, for the stretching of the spring,

- (i) the loss in gravitational potential energy of the mass,

loss = J [1]

- (ii) the elastic potential energy gained by the spring.

gain = J [2]

- (c) Explain why the two answers to (b) are different.

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- (d) The load on the spring is now set into simple harmonic motion of amplitude 0.200 m.

Calculate

- (i) the resultant force on the load at the lowest point of its movement,

resultant force = N [2]

(ii) the angular frequency of the oscillation,

angular frequency = rad s^{-1} [2]

(iii) the maximum speed of the mass.

maximum speed = m s^{-1} [1]

(e) Fig. 6.1 is a table of the energies of the simple harmonic motion. Complete the table.

	gravitational potential energy/J	elastic potential energy/J	kinetic energy/J	total energy/J
lowest point	0			
equilibrium position				
highest point				

Fig. 6.1

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(f) On the axes of Fig. 6.2 below, sketch four graphs to show the shape of the variation with position of the four energies. Label each graph.

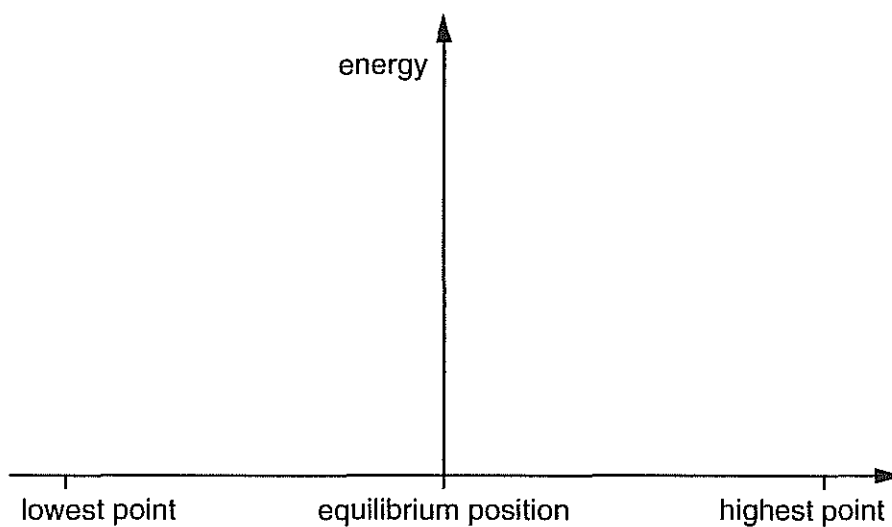


Fig. 6.2

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