

• **Oscillations / Vibration of objects from its equilibrium position/ Recoiling of object.**

Limitations

- 1.) 2 sets of readings are not sufficient to draw valid conclusion.
- 2.) Hard to judge the maximum / highest / lowest position with reference to movement (Object moved too fast / only stationary for short time.)
- 3.) Parallax error because of ... elaborate...
- 4.) Difficult to release to object consistently from rest. (with reference to force)
- 5.) Motion of object affected by air movement.
- 6.) Difficult to measure the length, L because it is hard to judge the position of the centre of the ball.
- 7.) Difficult to locate the centre of the object. (when reading ruler)

Improvement

- 1.) Take more sets of readings and plot appropriate graph.
- 2.) Use camera / video to capture the motion and play back frame by frame. / slow motion.
OR place a motion / position sensor above / below the object.
- 3.) Place rule / protractor as close as possible to object and take measurement at eye level or use shadow projection.
- 4.) Use remote controlled clamp / Place a ruler to allow object to come to rest before releasing. (any appropriate mechanism)
- 5.) Turn off fans / air cond or shield the experiments from draughts (air current)
- 6.) Measure length, L to top and bottom of ball and find the average.
- 7.) Place ruler as close as possible to the centre of object with marker use at bottom / top of object.

• **Electricity. (Wire in straight line or coil)**

Limitations

- 1.) 2 sets of readings are not sufficient to draw valid conclusion.
- 2.) Wire have kinked or loosely wound / not straight.
- 3.) Contact resistance / circuit resistance / lead resistance fluctuating or changing readings.
- 4.) Tube not circular.
- 5.) Parallax error.

Improvement

- 1.) Take more sets of readings and plot appropriate graph.
- 2.) Straight wire by using wooden roller.
- 3.) Measure lead resistance and subtract from R. Use shorter leads.
- 4.) Repeat measurements of diameter in different directions.

5.) Take reading when the pointer is exactly positioned above the image on the reflective strip.

• **Motion of 2 masses connected to string over a pulley**

Limitations

- 1.) 2 sets of readings are not sufficient to draw valid conclusion.
- 2.) Masses hit each other.
- 3.) Difficult to measure time as time short / reaction time large compared with time.
- 4.) Friction at pulley.
- 5.) Retort stand moves.

Improvement

- 1.) Take more sets of readings and plot appropriate graph.
- 2.) Use larger pulley.
- 3.) Drop through greater height. Use motion sensor with data logger.
- 4.) Lubricate pulley before starting experiment.
- 5.) Fixed the retort stand to the table by using G- clamp / add weights.

• **Measuring focal length of lens**

Limitations

- 1.) 2 sets of readings are not sufficient to draw valid conclusion.
- 2.) Image seen of screen is not sharp.
- 3.) Focus point cannot be clearly seen.
- 4.) Centre of light bulb not align horizontally to centre of lens

Improvement

- 1.) Take more sets of readings and plot appropriate graph.
- 2.) Replace bulb with LED.
- 3.) Conduct experiment in darken room.
- 4.) Use ruler to measure the height of centre of bulb and centre of lens from the table and ensure they are the same.