

(OS.L3.4-212.sols) 212 Mastery Stage Solutions

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OS.L3.4 | Damped Oscillations | Challenge Homework

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You will be asked to apply sense-making in most problems. Use the list below as a reference to the different sense-making techniques. More information about sense-making can be found on the BoxSand menu under Math Tools => [Sense-making](#).

- *Sign*: Check the **sign** of each quantity makes sense.
- *Dimensionality*: Check the **dimensionality** and units of each quantity makes sense.
- *Order of Magnitude*: Check the **order of magnitude** of the final answer and other important quantities is within a factor of 10 of what you think it should be.
- *Graphical Analysis*: Use a **graph** to see if the behavior of a solution makes sense.
- *Proportionality*: Using a symbolic solution, check the behavior of the answer when you change a given quantity on which it is dependent. Does the answer vary **proportionally** to what you expect?
- *Special Cases*: Check the behavior of a derived equation in limiting (**special**) cases makes sense, e.g. as x goes to 90 degrees in $\sin(x)$.
- *Self-consistency*: Check derived equations, functions, or values, are **self-consistent**, e.g. check that the slope of a derived position plot matches the values of the given velocity plot
- *Known Values*: Compare given or derived quantities with common well **known values**.
- *Related Quantities*: Compare the relative magnitude of two **related quantities**.

OS.L3.4-01

Watch the [homework pendulum video](#) on the course calendar on the BoxSand site and answer the following questions

- (a) Find an equation for the angle as a function of time, that describes the motion of the pendulum – include damping.
- (b) Use the equation to predict the position (positive or negative) and velocity (positive or negative) at $t = 30$ seconds. How well were you able to predict the position? Excluding human measurement error as a possibility, what could result in your predictions being off.

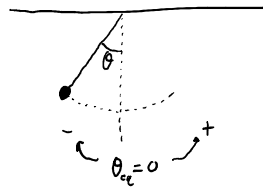
MEASUREMENTS FROM VIDEO

@ $t=0$ $\theta_{max} \approx 20^\circ \longrightarrow \theta_{max}(t=0) = 20^\circ$

10 oscillations ≈ 1.8 SEC $\longrightarrow T = 1.8$ s $\longrightarrow f = \frac{5}{9}$ Hz

@ ≈ 48 sec $\theta \approx 10^\circ \longrightarrow \theta(48s) = 10^\circ$

a)



$\theta(t) = -\theta_{max}(t=0) e^{-t/\tau} \cos(\omega t)$

BUT WHAT IS τ ?

$\theta_{max}(t) = \theta_{max}(t=0) e^{-t/\tau}$

$\theta_{max}(t=48) = \theta_{max}(t=0) e^{-48/\tau}$

$10 = 20 e^{-48/\tau}$

$\frac{1}{2} = e^{-48/\tau}$

$\ln(\frac{1}{2}) = -\frac{48}{\tau}$

$\tau = \frac{-48}{\ln(\frac{1}{2})} \approx 69.25$ SEC

$\theta(t) = -20^\circ e^{-\frac{t}{69.25}} \cos(2\pi f t)$

$\theta(t) = -20^\circ e^{-1.444 \times 10^{-2} t} \cos(3.49 t)$

OR $\theta(t) = -0.349 \sin e^{-1.444 \times 10^{-2} t} \cos(3.49 t)$

b)

$\theta(t=30) \approx 6.7^\circ$
 ↑ 50 R.H.S. of θ_{eq}

FOR $\mathcal{L}(t=30)$ LOOK AT $\theta(t)$ w/ t A LITTLE BEFORE + AFTER $t=30$... e.g. 29.9 + 30.1

$\theta(t=29.9) = 10^\circ$

$\theta(t=30.1) = 2.5^\circ$

θ IS ↓ AND PENDULUM IS ON RIGHT HAND SIDE

THUS

$\mathcal{L}(t=30)$ MUST BE NEGATIVE