

# MT1 Physics 1B, S13

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Problem	Grade
1	15/30
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Total	66/90

- Do not peek at the exam until you are told to begin. You will have approximately 50 minutes to complete the exam.
- Don't spend too much time on any one problem. Solve 'easy' problems first. Go for partial credit!
- **HINT:** Focus on the concepts involved in the problem, the tools to be used, and the set-up. If you get these right, all that's left is algebra.
- **Have Fun!**

1) When an object is immersed (fully or partly) in a fluid (or gas), it experiences an upward 'buoyant' force equal to the weight of the fluid (gas) displaced by the object.

For the following questions, when relevant, use the equation  $\rho_{\text{air}}(y) = \rho_0 e^{-y/H}$ , to model the volume mass density of the Earth's atmosphere, where  $\rho_0$  and  $H$  are characteristic constants and  $y$  is the height above the Earth's surface.

- 1a) (5 points) Suppose a small hot-air balloon (of volume mass density  $\rho$ ) is released into the atmosphere. Write the (exact) differential equation that describes the motion of the balloon.

let  $V$  be volume of balloon and  
volume of air displaced.

$$e^x = 1 + \frac{x}{1} + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \dots$$

$$m = \rho V$$

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$$\Sigma F = ma = \rho_0 e^{-y/H} V g - \rho V g$$

$$\frac{m dy}{dt^2} = V g (\rho_0 e^{-y/H} - \rho)$$

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} = \frac{V g}{\rho V} (\rho_0 e^{-y/H} - \rho)$$

- 1b) (5 points) At what height will the balloon be in equilibrium?

equilibrium  $\Sigma F = 0 = \rho_0 e^{-y/H} V g - \rho V g$

$$\rho_0 e^{-y/H} = \rho$$

$$\frac{\rho}{\rho_0} = e^{-y/H}$$

$$\ln \left( \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \right) = -\frac{y}{H} \Rightarrow y = -H \ln \left( \frac{\rho}{\rho_0} \right)$$

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- 1c) (10 points) Define  $\delta y = y - y_{eq}$ , where  $y_{eq}$  is the relation you found in part b. Execute a change of variables in which you re-write the differential equation from part b in terms of  $\delta y$ . (Hint: the second derivative of a constant is zero).

let  $\delta y = y - y_{eq}$   
 $\delta y'' = y''$

$$\frac{d^2 \delta y}{dt^2} = \frac{Vg}{m} (P_0 e^{-\delta y/H} - P)$$

$$\delta y = y + H \ln\left(\frac{P}{P_0}\right)$$

- 1d) (10 points) Suppose  $\delta y$  is rather small compared to  $H$ . Show that the balloon will oscillate around equilibrium and find the angular frequency of that oscillation.

if  $\delta y$  is small, can approx with  
 Taylor series:  $e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^3}{3!} + \dots$

use first degree.

so  $e^{-\delta y/H} = 1 + (-\frac{\delta y}{H})$

$$\frac{d^2 \delta y}{dt^2} = \frac{Vg}{m} (P_0 (1 - \frac{\delta y}{H}) - P)$$

$$\frac{d^2 \delta y}{dt^2} + \frac{Vg P_0}{m} \left(\frac{\delta y}{H} - 1\right) = -\frac{Vg P}{m}$$

let  $u = \frac{\delta y}{H} - 1$

$$\frac{d^2 u}{dt^2} = \frac{d^2 \delta y}{dt^2} \cdot \frac{1}{H}$$

$$H \frac{d^2 u}{dt^2} + \frac{Vg P_0}{m} (u) = -\frac{Vg P}{m}$$

$m = \rho V$

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$$\frac{d^2 u}{dt^2} + \frac{g P_0}{P H} u = -g$$

$$\frac{d^2 u}{dt^2} + g \left(\frac{P_0}{P H} u - 1\right) = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2 u}{dt^2} + \frac{g P_0}{P H} \left(u - \frac{P H}{P_0}\right) = 0$$

let  $v = u - \frac{P H}{P_0}$

$$\frac{d^2 v}{dt^2} = \frac{d^2 u}{dt^2}$$

$$\frac{d^2 v}{dt^2} + \frac{g P_0}{P H} v = 0$$

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$$\omega = \sqrt{\frac{g P_0}{P H}}$$

2) The spring and shock-absorber combination attached to the front wheel of a motorcycle constitutes a damped oscillating system. If you were to push down on the handlebars of a cycle and release them, you might observe vertical oscillations that could be described by the differential equation:

$$\frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} + B \frac{dy}{dt} + \omega_0^2 y = 0 \quad \text{damped.}$$

Suppose you push down on the front end of some old motorcycle and observe that it oscillates with a period  $T$  and has an amplitude that falls from  $A$  to  $fA$  in  $N$  complete cycles.

- 2a) (5 points) Given the observed data, what is the value of  $B$ ?

$$B = 2\sqrt{\omega_0^2 - \left(\frac{2\pi}{T}\right)^2}$$

solution  $\frac{B}{2} = C$

$$y'' + 2C y' + \omega_0^2 y = 0$$

$$-2C \pm \sqrt{4C^2 - \omega_0^2} \leftarrow \omega_0$$

$$-C \pm \frac{\sqrt{\omega_0^2 - C^2}}{\omega}$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 - C^2}$$

$$A e^{-\frac{B}{2}t}$$

$$A e^{-\frac{B}{2}(NT)} = fA$$

$$-\frac{B}{2}(NT) = \ln\left(\frac{fA}{A}\right)$$

$$B = \frac{-2}{NT} \ln\left(\frac{fA}{A}\right)$$

$$\frac{2\pi}{T} = \sqrt{\omega_0^2 - C^2}$$

$$\left(\frac{2\pi}{T}\right)^2 = \omega_0^2 - \frac{B^2}{4}$$

- 2b) (10 points) What is the natural (angular) frequency for the system ( $\omega_0$ ) in terms of the observed data?

$$\omega_0^2 = \left(\frac{2\pi}{T}\right)^2 + \frac{B^2}{4}$$

$$\omega_0 = \sqrt{\left(\frac{2\pi}{T}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{(NT)^2} \left(\ln\left(\frac{fA}{A}\right)\right)^2}$$

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- 2c) (10 points) Recall that the amplitude of a driven mass-spring system is given by:

$$A(\Omega) = \frac{\frac{F_0}{m}}{\sqrt{(\Omega^2 - \omega_0^2)^2 + \left(\frac{b\Omega}{m}\right)^2}}$$

Near what angular frequency would the cycle's front end have to be driven in order to make it oscillate with large-amplitude vibrations?

resonance  $\Omega_{res}$ .

$$x'' + \left(\frac{b}{m}\right)x' + \omega_0^2 x = 0$$

$$\frac{b}{m} = B$$

$$\text{max: } (\Omega^2 - \omega_0^2)^2 + \left(\frac{b\Omega}{m}\right)^2 = 0$$

$$2(\Omega^2 - \omega_0^2) \cdot 2\Omega + 2\left(\frac{b}{m}\right)^2 \Omega = 0$$

$$\cancel{\text{can't}} \quad 2(\Omega^2 - \omega_0^2) + \left(\frac{b}{m}\right)^2 = 0$$

beat  
0.

$$\Omega^2 = \omega_0^2 - \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{b}{m}\right)^2$$

$$\Omega^2 - \omega_0^2 = -\frac{\left(\frac{b}{m}\right)^2}{2}$$

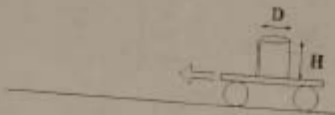
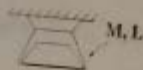
$$\Omega_{res} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{2\pi F}{T}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{(NT)^2} \left(\ln\left(\frac{F\lambda}{A}\right)\right)^2 - \frac{2}{(NT)^2} \left(\ln\left(\frac{F\lambda}{A}\right)\right)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{\left(\frac{2\pi}{T}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{(NT)^2} \left(\ln\left(\frac{F\lambda}{A}\right)\right)^2} \quad 10$$

- 2d) (5 points) Now, keeping in mind that an unbalanced tire may exert a sinusoidal driving force on the suspension, what speed should you avoid if the front tire on the motorcycle has a radius  $R$ ?

$$\Omega = \frac{v}{R}$$

$$v = R\Omega \quad \times \quad 0$$



3) In the picture shown above, there is a free-rolling cart, on which a barrel, of height  $H$ , diameter  $D$ , open on one end, has been mounted. There is also a one-stringed harp fashioned from a wire of mass  $M$  and length  $L$ , tied-off at both ends, hanging low from a nearby support.

The harp is plucked so that it resonates at its  $N^{\text{th}}$  harmonic and the cart is given a good push along a path that will take it directly under the harp. It is noted that as the cart approaches the harp, the barrel resonates in a mode that has  $P$  intermediate nodes. As it recedes, the barrel resonates in a mode that has  $Q$  intermediate nodes.

- 3a) (5 points) Which is larger,  $P$  or  $Q$ ? Why?

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harp: fixed ends  $\rightarrow$   $L = \frac{\lambda}{2} \quad L = N \frac{\lambda}{2}$   
 $N-1$  int. nodes  $\rightarrow$   $L = 2 \frac{\lambda}{2} \quad f \lambda = v$   
 Barrel: mixed  $\rightarrow$   $L = N \frac{v}{2f}$   
 $f = (2N+1) \frac{v}{4H}$   $N = \text{int. nodes}$   
 $N \neq \text{int. nodes}$   
 Doppler effect  $\rightarrow$   $f = N \cdot \frac{v}{2L}$

- 3b) (15 points) How fast is the cart moving?

$\frac{2P+1}{2Q+1} v_{\text{sound}} - v_{\text{cart}}$   
 $= v_{\text{obs}} + \frac{2P+1}{2Q+1} v_{\text{obs}}$   
 $= v_{\text{obs}} \left( 1 + \frac{2P+1}{2Q+1} \right) \quad P > Q$   
 $\frac{2P+1}{2Q+1} v_{\text{sound}} (1) \quad \frac{v_{\text{sound}}}{4H} = \frac{v_{\text{sound}} + v_{\text{obs}}}{v_{\text{sound}}}$   
 $(2) \quad \frac{2Q+1}{4H} v_{\text{sound}} = \frac{v_{\text{sound}} - v_{\text{obs}}}{v_{\text{sound}}}$   
 $\frac{v_{\text{sound}}}{4H} = \frac{v_{\text{sound}} + v_{\text{obs}}}{v_{\text{sound}} - v_{\text{obs}}}$   
 mixed BC:  $\# \text{ int. nodes} = N$   
 $\frac{v_{\text{sound}}}{4H} = \frac{v_{\text{sound}} + v_{\text{obs}}}{v_{\text{sound}} - v_{\text{obs}}}$   
 $(1) \quad \frac{2P+1}{2Q+1} = \frac{v_{\text{sound}} + v_{\text{obs}}}{v_{\text{sound}} - v_{\text{obs}}}$   
 $(2) \quad \frac{2P+1}{2Q+1} (v_{\text{sound}} - v_{\text{obs}}) = v_{\text{sound}} + v_{\text{obs}}$   
 $v_{\text{obs}} = \frac{\left( \frac{2P+1}{2Q+1} - 1 \right) v_{\text{sound}}}{\left( 1 + \frac{2P+1}{2Q+1} \right)}$   
 $\frac{f_P}{f_Q} = \frac{v_{\text{sound}} + v_{\text{obs}}}{v_{\text{sound}}}$   
 $\frac{f_Q}{f_P} = \frac{v_{\text{sound}} - v_{\text{obs}}}{v_{\text{sound}}}$   
 $f = (2N+1) \frac{v}{4H}$   
 $N$  is proportional to  $f$   
 for constant  $v$   
 $\Rightarrow P > Q$

- 3c) (10 points) What is the tension in the string?

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{T}{\mu}} \quad \mu = \frac{M}{L}$$

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{TL}{M}}$$

$$T = \frac{v^2 M}{L}$$

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$$f_{\text{source}} = N \frac{v}{2L} \quad \text{with harmonic}$$

$$v = \frac{f_{\text{source}} (2L)}{N}$$

$$T = f_{\text{source}}^2 \frac{(4L^2)}{N^2} \frac{M}{L}$$

$$= f_{\text{source}}^2$$

f<sub>source</sub> =