

4.1 Oscillations

Question Paper

Course	DPIB Physics
Section	4. Waves
Topic	4.1 Oscillations
Difficulty	Medium

Time allowed: 20
Score: /10
Percentage: /100

Question 1

A mass-spring system is oscillating with simple harmonic motion.

What is the total energy of the object proportional to?

- A. The square of both the mass and the amplitude
- B. Mass and displacement of the object
- C. Angular frequency
- D. Mass and the square of the amplitude

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Question 2

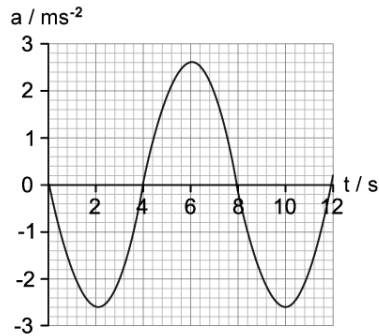
Which line identifies quantities which always have opposite directions during simple harmonic motion?

- A. Acceleration and displacement
- B. Acceleration and velocity
- C. Velocity and restoring force
- D. Acceleration and restoring force

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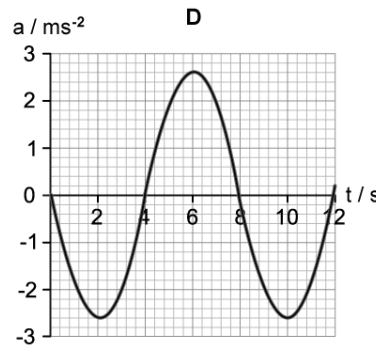
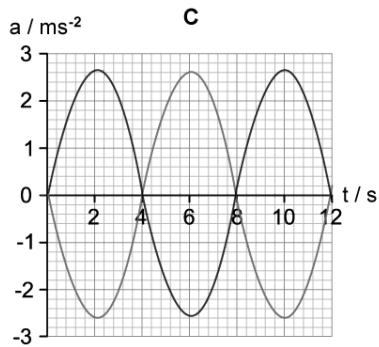
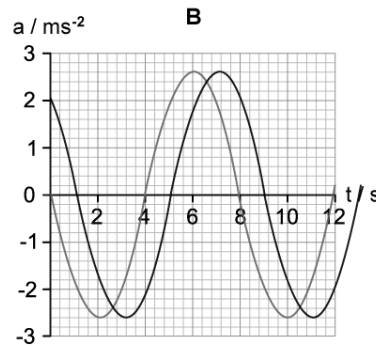
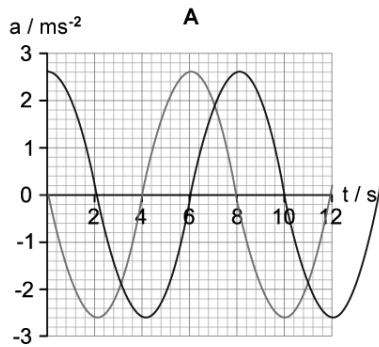
Question 3

The graph shows the variation with time t of the acceleration a of an object X undergoing simple harmonic motion (SHM).



A second object Y oscillates with the same frequency as X but with a phase difference of $\frac{\pi}{4}$.

Which graph shows how the acceleration of object Y varies with t ?

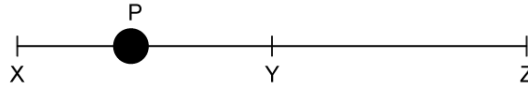


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Question 4

A particle, **P**, oscillates on the line **XZ** about its equilibrium point **Y**, in simple harmonic motion.

At the point shown, which statement could be correct about the motion of the particle?



- A. It has maximum kinetic energy and minimum potential energy
- B. The total energy is equal to the kinetic energy at **X**
- C. The restoring force is towards **Z** and the particle is accelerating
- D. The restoring force is towards **X** and the particle is accelerating

[1 mark]

Question 5

A pendulum is undergoing simple harmonic motion with a time period T and angular frequency ω .

A student makes a change to the set up so that the pendulum has a new time period $3T$.

What is the new angular frequency?

- A. 6ω
- B. 3ω
- C. $\frac{\omega}{3}$
- D. $\frac{\omega}{6}$

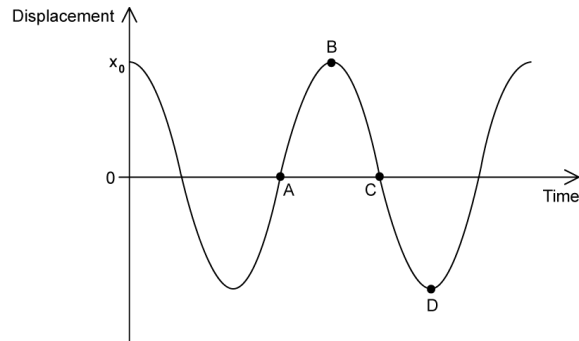
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Question 6

A pendulum is made to swing by a student pulling the bob to the left and releasing it. The student is careful to displace the bob by only a small amount.

After two full oscillations, the motion of the pendulum is plotted on a graph.

At which point is the velocity of the bob towards the right?



[1 mark]

Question 7

A mass is attached to a vertical spring and allowed to reach equilibrium. It is then displaced by a distance d and released. The total energy and time period are E_T and T respectively.

In a second investigation the same mass-spring system travels twice as fast.

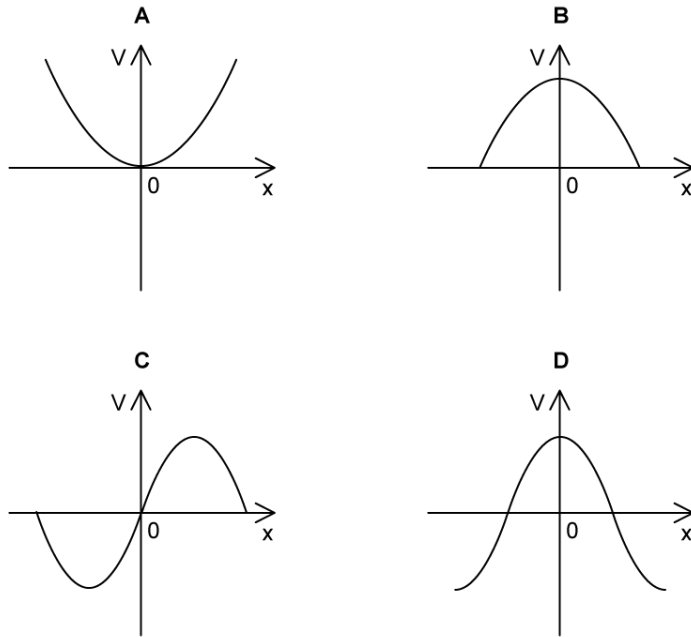
Which line correctly identifies the total energy and time period of the second oscillations?

	E_T	T
A.	$2E$	$\frac{T}{2}$
B.	$4E$	$\frac{T}{2}$
C.	$2E$	$2T$
D.	$4E$	T

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Question 8

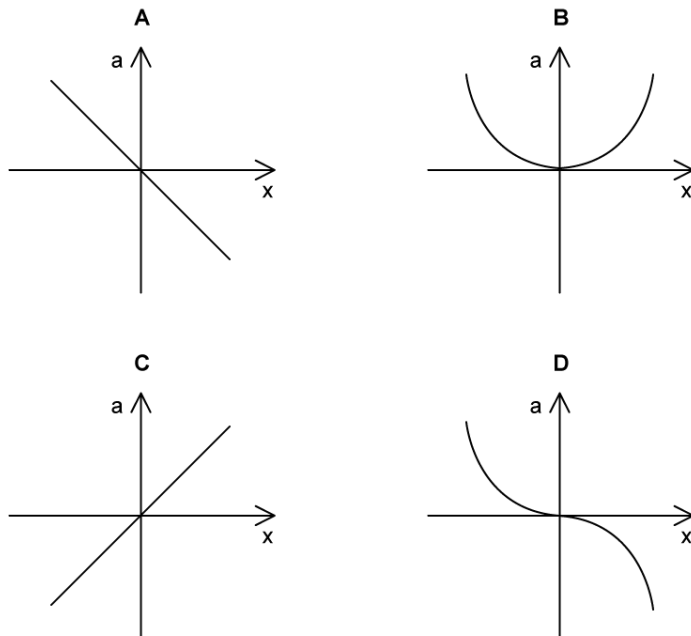
Which of the following graphs shows the variation with displacement x of the speed v of a particle performing simple harmonic motion?



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Question 9

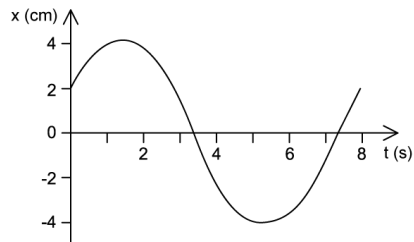
Which graph correctly represents the relationship between acceleration, a , and displacement, x , in simple harmonic motion?



[1 mark]

Question 10

The graph shows the motion of an oscillating body.



What is the frequency of the oscillation?

- A. $\frac{1}{3.5}$ Hz
- B. 7.5 Hz
- C. $\frac{1}{7.5}$ Hz
- D. 3.5 Hz

[1 mark]