HW# 1 -Phys273-Spring 2003

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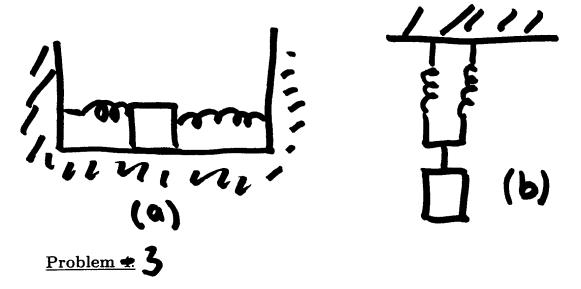
Problem 1.

A block of mass 2 Kg hangs from a spring of force constant k = 800N/m. The block is pulled 20 cm from equilibrium and released.

- a) What are the amplitude, angular frequency and period of the motion?
- b) What are the velocity and the acceleration of the block, when it is 12cm from equilibrium? [10 points].

Problem 2.

Two identical springs each have a spring constant k = 20N/m. A 0.3 Kg mass is connected to them, as shown in figure (a) and (b). Find the period of motion for each system. Ignore friction forces [10 points].



The masses of the figure below slide on an essentially frictionless table. The mass m_1 is attached to the spring but not m_2 . If now m_1 and m_2 are pushed to the left, so that the spring is compressed a distance d, what will be the amplitude of the oscillation of m_1 , after the spring system is released?