Phys 410

Fall 2014

Homework #10

Due Thursday, 20 November, 2014

EXAM 2, Thursday 4 December, 2014. Covering Chapters 6 – 11, 13-14

All problems are from Taylor, Classical Mechanics.

- 1) Problem 11.2 Coupled vertical masses on springs
- 2) Problem 11.3 Two masses and three springs general result
- 3) Problem 11.5 Two masses and two springs normal modes
- 4) Problem 11.7 Time evolution of coupled oscillators
- 5) Problem 11.9 Normal coordinates for coupled oscillators
- 6) Problem 11.12 Coupling through molasses!
- 7) Problem 11.14 Pendula coupled by a spring
- 8) Problem 11.19 Normal modes of cart + pendulum [*Hint: For small oscillations, take the velocity of the bob and the cart to both be in the x-direction only. Later, construct a*

matrix version of the equations of motion using a position vector of the form $\begin{pmatrix} x \\ \varphi \end{pmatrix}$.

- 9) Problem 11.31 Three beads on a loop coupled with springs
- 10) Problem 15.3

Extra Credit

1) Problem 11.32 Vibrational modes of a linear tri-atomic molecule