

Homework 2

Due:

[1] **Numerical Integration of Equations of Motion:** The force on a charged particle of mass m and charge q that is in an electric field \mathbf{E} and magnetic field \mathbf{B} (you will learn more about electromagnetic fields in later courses) is given by:

$$\mathbf{F} = q\{\mathbf{E} + \mathbf{v} \times \mathbf{B}\}$$

where \mathbf{v} is the velocity of the particle and \times denotes vector cross-product.

The MATLAB code *electron.m* has been written to monitor the motion of an electron for one specific electromagnetic field and initial conditions. You should adapt the code given (or re-write a whole new one if you feel like it) and plot the trajectories of an electron:

mass $m = 9.11 \times 10^{-31}$ kg;
 charge $q = -1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ Coulombs)
 that is introduced at $\mathbf{r}(t=0) = 0\mathbf{i} + 0\mathbf{j} + 0\mathbf{k}$
 with an initial velocity $\mathbf{v}(t=0) = 2.2 \times 10^7 \mathbf{i} \text{ ms}^{-1}$

for the following cases:

- a constant electric field $\mathbf{E} = 10\mathbf{j}$ kN/Coulomb, and no magnetic field $\mathbf{B}=\mathbf{0}$. (This is already coded. [0 points])
- an electric field $\mathbf{E} = -10\mathbf{j}$ kN/Coulomb, and a magnetic field $\mathbf{B} = 6.8 \times 10^{-3} \mathbf{j}$ kg/Coulomb.sec. [2 points]
- no electric field $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0}$, and a magnetic field $\mathbf{B} = 6.8 \times 10^{-3} \mathbf{j}$ kg/Coulomb.sec. [4 points]
- a time varying electric field $\mathbf{E} = 10 \sin(\omega t) \mathbf{j}$ kN/Coulomb where $\omega = 2 \times 10^9 \text{ s}^{-1}$, and no magnetic field $\mathbf{B}=\mathbf{0}$. [4 points]
- an electric field $\mathbf{E} = -10\mathbf{j}$ kN/Coulomb, and a time-varying magnetic field $\mathbf{B} = 6.8 \times 10^{-3} \sin(\omega t) \mathbf{k}$ kg/Coulomb.sec where $\omega = 2 \times 10^9 \text{ s}^{-1}$. [2 points]
- no electric field $\mathbf{E} = \mathbf{0}$, and a magnetic field $\mathbf{B} = 6.8 \times 10^{-3} \mathbf{i}$ kg/Coulomb.sec. Comment on this trajectory (actually, no numerical computation is needed for this!) [3 points]

Use a run time (total duration) of 8×10^{-9} s, and timesteps of 1×10^{-11} s for all cases. Also, try an improved timestep of 1×10^{-12} s for case (c) and comment on the results.

Provide hardcopies of graphic data output, and the final location of the electron at time $t=8 \times 10^{-9}$ s for each case.

2. Undamped oscillation: The general solution to the spring-block oscillator we found in class to be:

$$r_x(t) = A \sin \omega t + B \cos \omega t \quad (*)$$

where $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{K}{m}}$, K is the spring constant and m is the mass of the block; and A and B are constants to be determined through initial conditions. Let the initial conditions be given in general through: $r_x(t=0) = r_{x0}$; $v_x(t=0) = v_{x0}$.

- (i) Determine the constants A and B in terms of r_{x0} and v_{x0} . [3 points]
- (ii) Using trigonometric identities, show that (*) can also be written as:

$$r_x(t) = E \sin(\omega t + \phi)$$

where $E = \sqrt{A^2 + B^2}$ is called the **amplitude** of the oscillation

and $\phi = \tan^{-1} \frac{B}{A}$ is called the **phase** of the oscillation. [4 points]

3. Work-energy: You are asked to select a spring that will bring a 150kg package moving at 15m/s to rest in 0.15m from the point of contact. Neglecting friction, what should the spring constant K be to achieve this? [8 points]

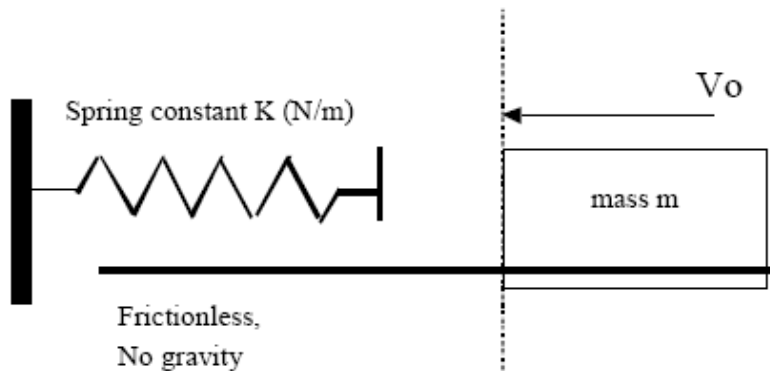


Figure 3