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Waves and Oscillations 0402222

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Lecture	Subject	Week
1	Simple harmonic motion	I
2	Simple harmonic oscillator behavior	
3	Phase angle, displacement, velocity, acceleration	
4	Energy of simple harmonic oscillator	II
5	Superposition of two SHMs	
6	Superposition of two SHMs by vector addition	
7	Applications:	III
8	Damped motion of mechanical and electrical oscillators	
9	Heavy and critical damping	
10	Amplitude decay	IV
11	Logarithmic decrement	
12	Relaxation time	
13	Quality factor	V
14	Rate of energy decay	
15	Applications	
First Exam (Sun. 26.10.2014)		
16	The forced oscillator	VI
17	Transient behavior of a forced oscillator	
18	Steady state behavior of a forced oscillator	
19	Variation of displacement and velocity with frequency of driving force	VII
20	Power supplied to oscillator	
21	Q-value and its important	
22	Applications	VIII
23	Coupled oscillations	

24	Spring coupled pendulums	
25	Normal coordinates and normal modes of vibration	IX
26	Coupling of many oscillators on a loaded string	
27	Wave motion as the limit of coupled oscillations	
28	Applications	X
29	Transverse wave motion	
30	Particle and phase velocities	
Second Exam (Sun. 04.12.2014)		
31	Transverse waves on a string	XI
32	Reflection and transmission of transverse waves at a boundary	
33	Standing waves on a string of fixed length	
34	Normal modes and eigenfrequencies	XII
35	Wave groups, group velocity	
36	Transverse waves in a periodic structure (crystal)	
37	Applications	XIII
38	Longitudinal waves	
39	Sound waves in gases	
40	Energy distribution in sound waves	XIV
41	Intensity of sound waves	
42	Reflection and transmission of sound waves at a boundary	
43	Applications	XV
44	Electromagnetic waves	
45	Wave equations for electric and magnetic field vectors	
46	Poynting vector	XVI
47	Energy density of electromagnetic waves	
48	Electromagnetic waves in a conductor	
Final Exam		

Core Text

Pain H.J., *The Physics of Vibrations and Waves* (4th edition), Wiley, 1993.

Supplementary Text(s)

Young H.D. and Freedman R.A. (2000), *University Physics (with Modern Physics)* (10th edition), Addison-Wesley.