Prof. R.A. Serota Quiz 1

Name _____

1. A body oscillates with a simple harmonic motion

$$x = (6.0 \text{ m}) \cos [(3\pi \text{ rad/s}) t + \pi/3 \text{ rad}]$$

At t = 2.0 s, what are

(a) the displacement

$$x = (6.0) \cos\left[(3\pi)(2.0) + \frac{\pi}{3}\right] = 3.0 \text{ m}$$

(b) the velocity

$$v = \frac{dx}{dt} = -(3\pi)(6.0)\sin\left[(3\pi)(2.0) + \frac{\pi}{3}\right] = -49 \text{ m/s}$$

(c) the phase of the motion

$$(3\pi)(2.0) + \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{19\pi}{3} \approx 20 \,\mathrm{rad}$$

Also, what are

(d) the frequency

$$\omega = 3\pi \text{ rad/s}$$

 $f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = 1.5 \text{ Hz}$

(e) the period of the motion

$$T = \frac{1}{f} \approx 0.67 \text{ s}$$