WEEK 14 PENANG SANGAM HIGH SCHOOL WEEK 14 LESSON NOTES PHYSICS – Y13

STRAND 2: OSCILLATORY MOTION : SIMPLE HARMONIC MOTION

SUB-STRAND: Forced Oscillation and Resonance CONTENT LEARNING OUTCOME: to understand about resonance and Damped oscillations.



If an object (B) is free to move, it can be caused to oscillate by a driving force (\mathbf{A}). This is called forced SHM. The frequency of the motion always matches the frequency of the driving force, but the amplitude varies greatly.

When the **driving frequency equals the natural frequency** the **amplitude is very large**. This condition is called *resonance*.



DAMPED SHM

When friction is introduced in SHM, the amplitude gradually decreases and the oscillation comes to a stop. This effect is called damping.



This effect is used in shock absorbers in cars to quickly dispense SHM effect caused by pot – holes, bumpy roads etc...