

# Elliptic Functions

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- If there are errors in the problems, please fix *reasonably* and solve them.
- The rule of evaluation is:

$$(\text{your final mark}) = \min \left\{ \text{integer part of } \frac{3}{2}(\text{total points you get}), 10 \right\}$$

- About twenty problems will be given till the end of the semester.
- This rule is subject to change and the latest rule applies.
- The deadline of **7 – 8**: 22 February 2016.

**7.** (1 pt.) If a simple pendulum is made of a stick of length  $l$  with negligibly small mass, then it can rotate around the centre. In this case the angle  $\varphi$  is a monotonically increasing function of the time  $t$ .

Express its period in terms of elliptic integrals and the energy  $E$ . (Hint: In this case, the period is the time from  $\varphi = \varphi_0$  till  $\varphi = \varphi_0 + 2\pi$ . In the lecture we used a constant  $\tilde{E}$  which is equal to  $E/ml^2$ , where  $E$  is the total energy of the pendulum. Although there is no “maximum amplitude”  $\alpha$  for a rotating “pendulum”, we can still use  $\tilde{E}$  instead of  $-\omega^2 \cos \alpha$ .

Use  $k_0 := \sqrt{\frac{2\omega^2}{\omega^2 + \tilde{E}}}$  as the modulus of the elliptic integral. The modulus  $k$  used in the lecture is equal to  $k_0^{-1}$ .)

**8.** (1 pt.) Fix  $0 < k < 1$ . Prove the following formulae for the complete elliptic integrals of the first kind, *using the arithmetic-geometric mean  $M(a, b)$  and its properties.*

$$K(k) = \frac{1}{1+k} K\left(\frac{2\sqrt{k}}{1+k}\right) = \frac{2}{1+k'} K\left(\frac{1-k'}{1+k'}\right),$$

where  $k'$  is defined by  $k^2 + k'^2 = 1$ ,  $0 < k' < 1$ .