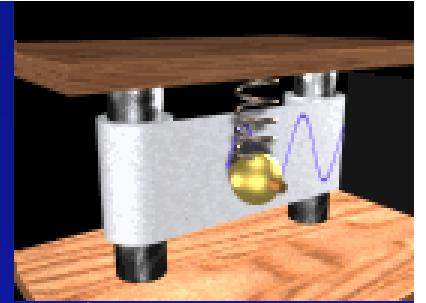


# Example



A 3 kg mass is attached to a spring ( $k=24$  N/m). It is stretched 5 cm. At time  $t=0$  it is released and oscillates.

How long does it take for the block to return to  $x=+5$ cm?

A) 1.4 s

B) 2.2 s

C) 3.5 s

$$\omega = \sqrt{k/m}$$

$$= \sqrt{24/3}$$

$$= 2.83 \text{ radians/sec}$$

Returns to original position after  $2\pi$  radians

$$T = 2\pi / \omega = 6.28 / 2.83 = 2.2 \text{ seconds}$$