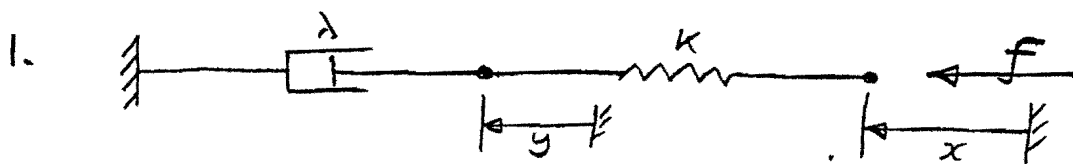


# PART IA

## Mechanical Vibrations Examples Paper 1 Solutions



$$\text{Applied force } f = k(x - y) = \lambda \dot{y}$$

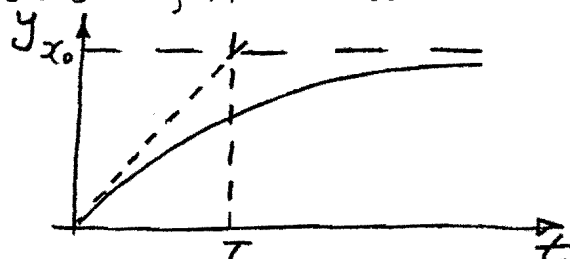
$$\therefore \underline{T \ddot{y} + y = x} \quad \text{where } T = \lambda/k$$

For the step input as given, the general solution is

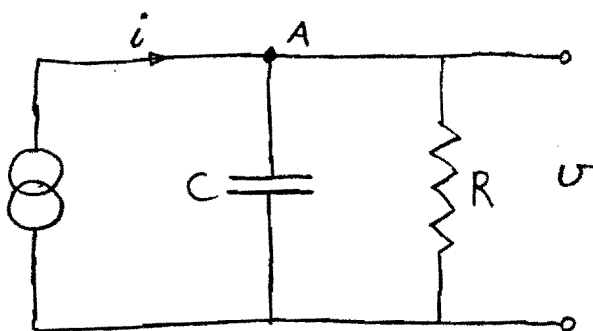
$$y(t) = \underbrace{A e^{-t/T}}_{\text{C.F.}} + \underbrace{x_0}_{\text{P.I.}}$$

and to satisfy  $y=0$  at  $t=0$ ,  $A = -x_0$

$$\therefore y = x_0(1 - e^{-t/T})$$



2.



Sum of currents at A

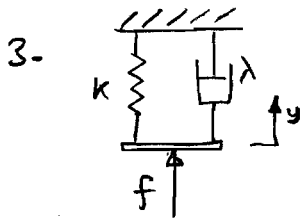
$$\therefore C \dot{U} + \frac{U}{R} - i = 0$$

$$\therefore \underline{T \dot{U} + U = iR}$$

$$\text{where } T = RC$$

Using the result from Q1., the response to a step input current of magnitude  $i_0$  is

$$\underline{U = i_0 R (1 - e^{-t/T})}$$



Sum of forces :  $f = ky + \lambda \dot{y}$

$\therefore T \ddot{y} + \dot{y} = \frac{f}{k}$  where  $T = \frac{\lambda}{k}$

From Q1, response to step input force of magnitude  $f_0$

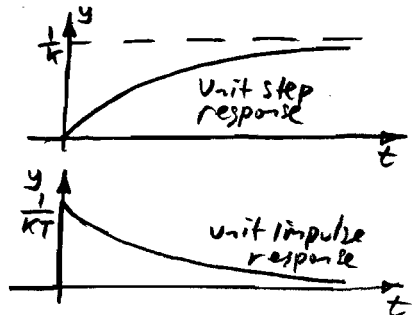
$y = \frac{f_0}{k} (1 - e^{-t/T})$

Unit impulse is the derivative of a unit step,

Unit step response :  $y = \frac{1}{k} (1 - e^{-t/T})$

Unit impulse response :  $y = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{k} (1 - e^{-t/T}) \right)$   
 $= \frac{1}{kT} e^{-t/T}$

Impulse I  $\therefore y = \frac{I}{kT} e^{-t/T}$

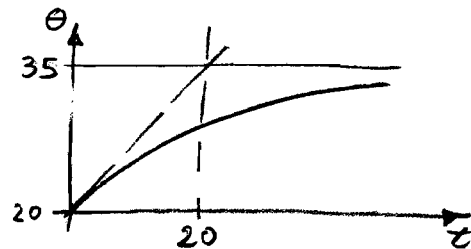


If  $y(t)$  is a unit step function, then intuitively the dashpot will require an infinite force when the step occurs. Substitute in equation, and recall that  $\frac{d(\text{step})}{dt} = \delta(t)$

to find  $f(t) = k[T \delta(t) + 1]$  for  $t \geq 0$

4.  $T \dot{\theta} + \theta = \theta_i$

$T \approx 20$  s from initial gradient intercept with asymptote.



Temperature rises at  $\frac{9}{60}^\circ\text{C/s}$

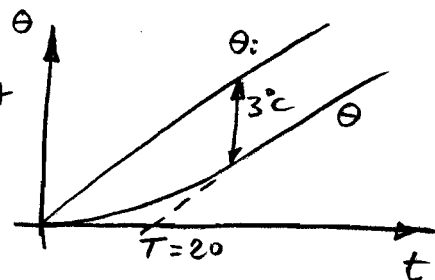
$\therefore 20 \dot{\theta} + \theta = \frac{9}{60} t + 20$  (input is a ramp)

Unit ramp response is the integral of the unit step response

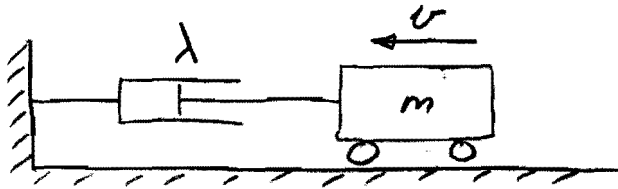
$\therefore \theta = \frac{9}{60} \int (1 - e^{-t/20}) dt$   
 $= \frac{9}{60} (t + 20 e^{-t/20}) + \text{const}$

and  $\theta = 20$  at  $t = 0$

$\therefore \theta = 17 + \frac{9}{60} t + 3 e^{-t/20}$   
 $= \theta_i - 3(1 - e^{-t/20})$



5.



Sum of forces on the train  $\therefore m\ddot{u} = -\lambda u$

$$\therefore \underline{T\ddot{u} + u = 0} \quad \text{where } T = \frac{m}{\lambda}$$

either  $u = A e^{-t/T}$  . At  $t=0$ ,  $u = u_0$

$$\therefore u = u_0 e^{-t/T}$$

$$\therefore x = \int u dt = -u_0 T e^{-t/T} + C$$

and take  $x=0$  at  $t=\infty$  (final rest position)

$$\therefore x = -u_0 T e^{-t/T} \quad \therefore C=0$$

$$\therefore \underline{\text{distance moved} = u_0 T = \frac{u_0 m}{\lambda}}$$

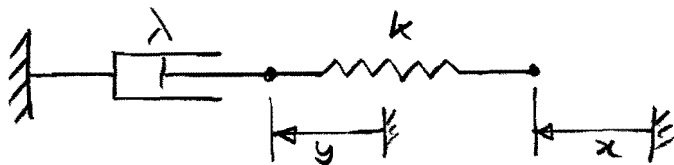
or use  $\ddot{u} = u \frac{du}{dx} \therefore T \cancel{u} \frac{du}{dx} + \cancel{u} = 0$

$$\therefore u = \int \frac{1}{T} dx = \frac{x}{T} + C$$

$$x=0 \text{ when } u=0 \therefore C=0$$

$$\therefore x = u T \text{ and for } u=u_0, x = u_0 T \text{ as above}$$

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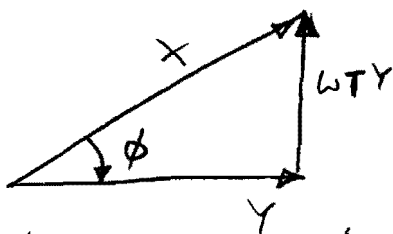


From Q1,  $T\ddot{y} + y = x$  where  $T = \frac{\lambda}{k}$

Put  $x = X e^{i\omega t}$ ,  $y = Y e^{i\omega t} \therefore (T i\omega + 1) Y = X$

$$\therefore Y = \frac{X}{1 + i\omega T}$$

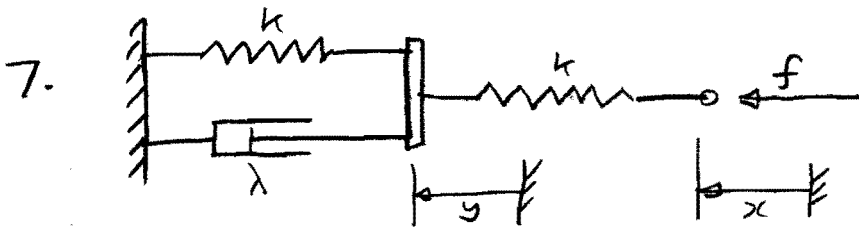
$$\therefore \underline{|Y| = \frac{X}{\sqrt{1 + (\omega T)^2}}} \quad \text{and } \underline{\phi = \tan^{-1} \omega T}$$



phasor diagram

$$(1 + i\omega T) Y = X \text{ in the complex plane}$$

- As  $\omega \rightarrow 0$ ,  $Y \rightarrow X$  because at low frequencies the dashpot resistance is very low
- As  $\omega \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $Y \rightarrow 0$  because the dashpot is very stiff at high frequencies



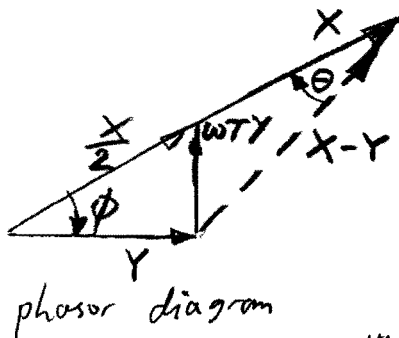
Sum of forces  $f = k(x-y) = ky + \lambda \dot{y}$

$$\therefore T \ddot{y} + \dot{y} = \frac{x}{2} \quad \text{where } T = \frac{\lambda}{2k} = 0.0025 \text{ s}$$

$$x = X e^{i\omega t}, \quad y = Y e^{i\omega t}$$

$$\therefore Y = \frac{X}{2(1+i\omega T)}, \quad |Y| = \frac{X}{2\sqrt{1+(\omega T)^2}}, \quad \phi = \tan^{-1} \omega T$$

At  $\omega = 31.8 \times 2\pi = 200 \text{ rad/s}$ ,  $|Y| = 11.2 \text{ mm}$   
 and  $X = 25 \text{ mm}$ ,  $\phi = 26.6^\circ$  (phase lag)



$$f = k(x-y) \quad \text{and with } f = F e^{i\omega t}$$

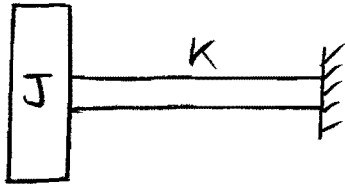
$$F = k(x-y) \quad \text{and } x-y \text{ is shown on the phasor diagram, hence}$$

$F$  leads  $x$  by phase  $\Theta$  which can be obtained from the diagram or by using complex arithmetic

$$F = k(x-y) = kX \left( 1 - \frac{1}{2(1+i\omega T)} \right) = \frac{kX}{2} \left( \frac{1+2i\omega T}{1+i\omega T} \right)$$

and for the values given,  $|F| = 1.58 \text{ N}$  &  $\Theta = -18.4^\circ$   
 (which is a phase lead)

8.



$$J\ddot{\theta} = -K\theta$$

$$\therefore \frac{\ddot{\theta}}{\omega_n^2} + \theta = 0$$

$$\omega_n^2 = \frac{K}{J} = 7500 \text{ s}^{-2}$$

$$\therefore \omega_n = 86.6 \text{ rad/s} \\ \equiv 13.8 \text{ Hz}$$

Solution: Undamped SHM

$$\theta = A \sin \omega_n t + B \cos \omega_n t$$

$$\theta = 0 \text{ at } t=0 \quad \therefore B=0$$

$$\dot{\theta} = 50 \text{ rad/s at } t=0 \quad \therefore A\omega_n = 50 \quad \therefore A = 0.577$$

$$\therefore \underline{\theta = 0.577 \sin \omega_n t}$$

10% reduction after 10 cycles is light damping.

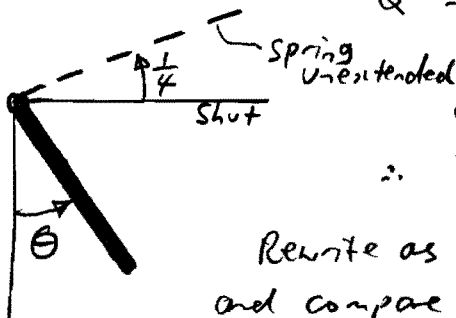
$$\text{Logarithmic decrement } \delta = \ln \frac{\theta_1}{\theta_2} \quad \therefore 10\delta = \ln \frac{\theta_1}{\theta_{11}}$$

$$\therefore \delta = \frac{1}{10} \ln \frac{1}{0.9} = \underline{0.0105}$$

$$\text{Then } N\delta = \ln \frac{1}{0.002} \quad \therefore N = 590 \text{ cycles which,} \\ \text{at } 13.8 \text{ Hz take } \underline{43 \text{ seconds to complete}}$$

$$\text{Light damping: } \zeta \approx \frac{\delta}{2\pi} = \underline{0.00168} \\ Q \approx \frac{1}{2\zeta} = \underline{298}$$

9.



$$90\ddot{\theta} = 50\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{4} - \theta\right) - 200\dot{\theta} \\ \therefore 90\ddot{\theta} + 200\dot{\theta} + 50\theta = 50\left[\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{4}\right]$$

$$\text{Rewrite as } \frac{90}{50}\ddot{\theta} + 4\dot{\theta} + \theta = \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \\ \text{and compare with data book page 4 which gives} \\ \frac{\ddot{\theta}}{\omega_n^2} + \frac{2\zeta\dot{\theta}}{\omega_n} + \theta = \theta_0$$

$$\therefore \omega_n = 0.745 \text{ rad/s} \quad \text{and } \zeta = 1.49 \\ \text{Door closes when } \theta = \frac{\pi}{2}, \text{ ie } \frac{\theta}{\theta_0} = \frac{\frac{\pi}{2}}{\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{4}} = 0.863$$

$$\text{From curve, this occurs at } \omega_n t = 5.3 \quad \therefore \underline{t = 7.1 \text{ s}}$$

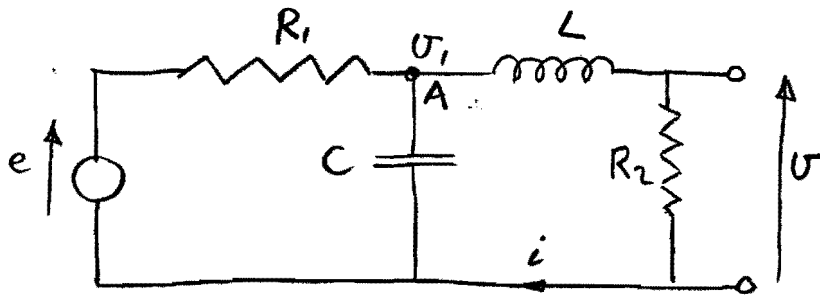
$$\text{Gradient of curve} = \frac{d\frac{\theta}{\theta_0}}{d(\omega_n t)} = \frac{\dot{\theta}}{(\frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{1}{4})\omega_n} = 0.057$$

$$\therefore \text{angular velocity at closure} = \underline{\dot{\theta} = 0.075 \text{ rad/s}}$$

Critical damping ( $\zeta = 1$ ) is the lowest damping at which oscillations do not occur.  $\zeta = \frac{\Delta}{2\sqrt{KJ}}$

To get  $\zeta < 1$ , increase  $J$  by a factor of  $(1.49)^2$  or more  
So  $J > 200 \text{ kg m}^2$ , an increase of 110 kg m<sup>2</sup>

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Sum currents at A  $\therefore \frac{U_1 - e}{R_1} + C \frac{dU_1}{dt} + \frac{U}{R_2} = 0$  (1)

Rate of change of i  $\therefore U_1 - U = L \frac{di}{dt} = \frac{L}{R_2} \frac{dU}{dt}$  (2)

Differentiate (2)  $\therefore \frac{dU_1}{dt} = \frac{dU}{dt} + \frac{L}{R_2} \frac{d^2 U}{dt^2}$

Substitute (2) & (3) into (1) to eliminate  $U_1$ ,

$$\therefore LC \frac{R_1}{R_2} \frac{d^2 U}{dt^2} + \left( CR_1 + \frac{L}{R_2} \right) \frac{dU}{dt} + \left( 1 + \frac{R_1}{R_2} \right) U = e$$

$$\therefore \frac{LC}{1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1}} \frac{d^2 U}{dt^2} + \frac{\left( CR_1 + \frac{L}{R_2} \right)}{1 + \frac{R_1}{R_2}} \frac{dU}{dt} + U = \frac{e}{1 + \frac{R_1}{R_2}}$$

Compare with data book page 6

$$\frac{\ddot{U}}{\omega_n^2} + \frac{2\zeta\dot{U}}{\omega_n} + U = e$$

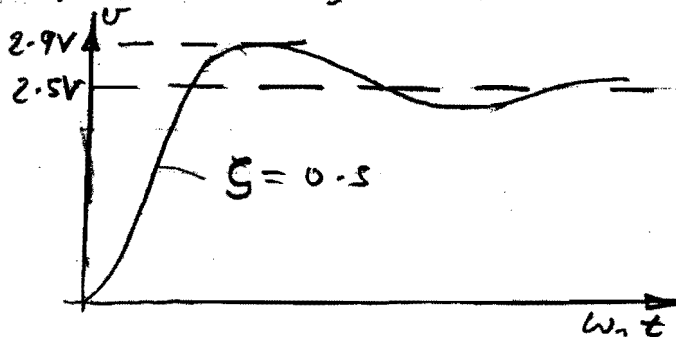
gives  $\omega_n = \sqrt{\frac{1}{LC} \left( 1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1} \right)}$  and  $\zeta = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{R_2}{R_1} \right) \left( CR_1 + \frac{L}{R_2} \right) \sqrt{LC \left( 1 + \frac{R_2}{R_1} \right)}$

putting  $\frac{L}{R_2} = CR_1 = \frac{1}{3} \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}$

and  $R_1 = 3R_2$ ,  $\omega_n = 6000 \text{ rad/s}$   
and  $\zeta = 0.5$

For step change in e of 10V, steady state value of U is 2.5V

Response curve given in data book page 6



Maximum response =  $2.5V \times 1.17 = 2.9V$