

**NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY SILCHAR**  
**ENGINEERING MECHANICS (ME 1101)**

**Second Semester (All Branch)**

**ASSIGNMENT - 17**

1. Forces act upon a particle during short intervals of time as shown by the force-time diagram given in Fig. A. Find the velocity and displacement of the particle at any time  $t > t_3$ . Assume  $x_0 = 0$  and  $\dot{x}_0 = 0$  when  $t = 0$ .

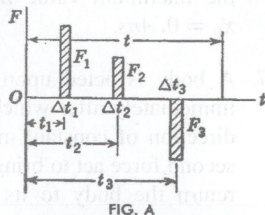


FIG. A

2. A particle initially at rest is submitted to the action of force  $X = kt$ . Prove that the ratio  $\frac{x}{\dot{x}}$  increases as a linear function of time. *Ans.*  $\frac{x}{\dot{x}} = \frac{t}{3}$

3. The magnitude of a force acting upon a body of mass  $\frac{W}{g}$  is initially zero and increases uniformly with time, being equal to  $W$  at the end of the first second. Find the velocity and displacement of the body after 6 seconds, assuming  $x_0 = 0$  and  $\dot{x}_0 = 1 \frac{m}{sec}$ . *Ans.*  $(\dot{x})_{t=6} = 176.58 \frac{m}{sec}$ ,  $(x)_{t=6} = 363.16 m$

4. A particle of mass  $m$  moves rectilinearly under the action of a force  $X = F(t)$  as represented by the force-time diagram  $OCB$  in Fig. B. If this curve is a parabola, find the displacement at time  $t_1$ . *Ans.*  $x = \frac{Pt_1^2}{3m}$

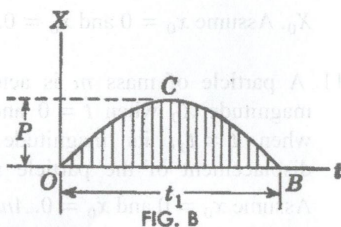


FIG. B

5. A particle of weight  $W$  moves rectilinearly under the action of a force  $X = P \sin \omega t$ . Derive the general displacement-time equation, assuming  $x_0 = 0$  and  $\dot{x}_0 = 0$ . *Ans.*  $x = \frac{Pg}{W\omega^2}(\omega t - \sin \omega t)$

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6. The magnitude of the force acting on a body of weight  $W = 3.14 N$  is given by the equation  $X = X_0 \sin \omega t$ , in which  $\omega = 8 \frac{rad}{sec}$ . If after one complete force cycle the displacement of the body is  $10 m$ , find the maximum value  $X_0$  of the acting force. Assume  $x_0 = 0$  and  $\dot{x}_0 = 0$ . *Ans.*

7. A body is acted upon for 5 sec by a constant force  $X_1 = 10 N$ , immediately after which it is acted upon by a force in the opposite direction of constant magnitude  $X_2 = 3 N$ . What time  $t_1$  must this second force act to bring the body to rest? What time  $t_2$  must it act to return the body to its starting point? Assume  $x_0 = 0$ . *Ans.*  $t_1 = 16.7 sec$ ;  $t_2 = 35.7 sec$

8. Under the action of a force  $X = X_0 - kt$  a particle starts from rest at the origin and moves along the  $x$  axis. At what instant  $t$  will it again be at the origin? Assume  $X_0 = 12 N$  and  $k = 2 \frac{N}{sec}$ . *Ans.*  $t = 18 sec$

9. A particle of weight  $W$  moves rectilinearly under the action of a force  $X = P \cos \omega t$ . Develop the velocity-time and displacement-time equations if  $x_0 = 0$  and  $\dot{x}_0 = 0$ . *Ans.*  $x = \frac{Pg}{W\omega^2}(1 - \cos \omega t)$

10. Find the velocity and displacement at any time  $t$  for a particle of weight  $W$  moving rectilinearly under the action of a constant force  $X_0$ . Assume  $x_0 = 0$  and  $\dot{x}_0 = 0$ . *Ans.*  $\dot{x} = at$ ,  $x = \frac{1}{2}at^2$

11. A particle of mass  $m$  is acted upon by a force that has initial magnitude  $X_0$  when  $t = 0$  and decreases at a uniform rate until, when  $t = t_1$ , its magnitude is zero. Find the velocity and displacement of the particle when  $t = t_2$ , assuming that  $t_2 > t_1$ . Assume  $x_0 = 0$  and  $\dot{x}_0 = 0$ . *Ans.*  $(x)_{t_2} = \frac{X_0 t_1}{m} \left( t_2 - \frac{t_1}{3} \right)$

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