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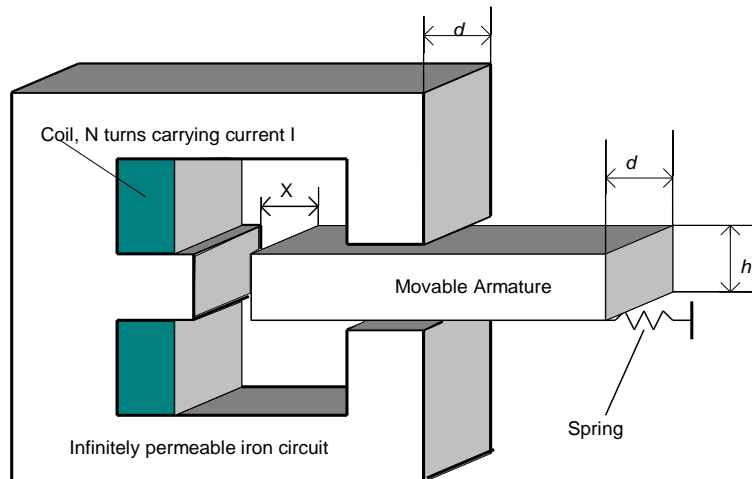
EEE202OR Electromechanical Energy Conversion 2

Answer **THREE** questions. **No marks will be awarded for solutions to a fourth question.** Solutions will be considered in the order that they are presented in the answer book. Trial answers will be ignored if they are clearly crossed out. **The numbers given after each section of a question indicate the relative weighting of that section.**

1. a. An electromechanically actuated bolt, comprising of a simple rectangular section solenoid actuator, is shown in cross-section in the figure below. In this system it may be assumed that the only significant reluctance is the airgap of length X .

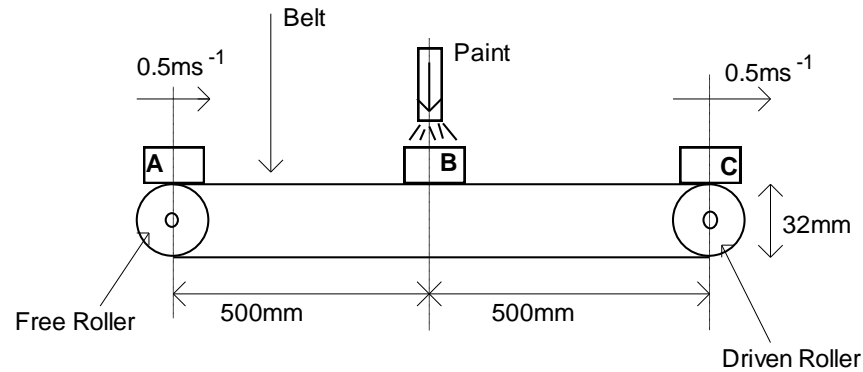
Derive an expression for the coil inductance, L , and show that, with all dimensions in metres, and for a constant coil current of I amps, the force on the linear movable armature is given by:

$$F = \frac{\mu_o d h N^2 I^2}{2 X^2} \quad \text{Newtons} \quad (8)$$



- b. For a particular actuator, the number of turns, $N = 500$, and the dimensions of the movable armature are $d = 8\text{mm}$, $h = 5\text{mm}$. Given that the distance X is 6mm in the locked position and 3mm in the unlocked position, and that the spring force is a constant 2N , calculate the current required to unlock the door, and the current at which it will re-lock. (6)
- c. Explain what advantage may be gained by having the current to lock the bolt different from that required to unlock it. (6)

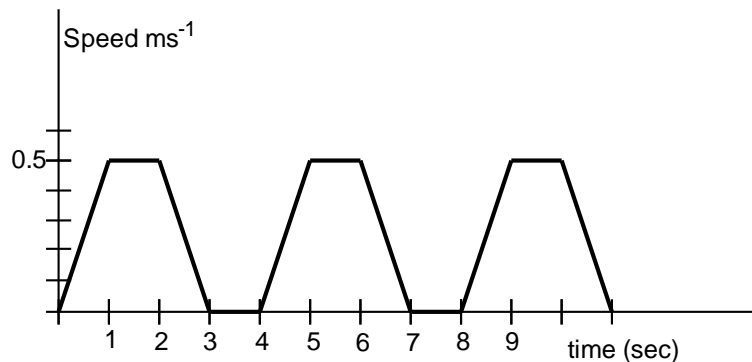
2. a.



The machine shown in cross-section above is used as part of a component manufacturing process, to automatically paint components. The machine consists of a continuous belt which is driven by a dc servo motor directly coupled to a 32mm diameter roller. The components arrive from an earlier process at point **A**, travelling at a speed of 0.5ms^{-1} and at regular 4 second intervals. The belt then decelerates the component to standstill, at position **B** under the painting machine, where it must remain for 1 second as the paint is deposited. The component is then accelerated and exits the machine at 0.5ms^{-1} to the next process at point **C**. The distances travelled from **A** to **B**, and from **B** to **C** is 500mm.

A speed-time profile for the belt is given below, show why this is suitable for the described operation

(4)



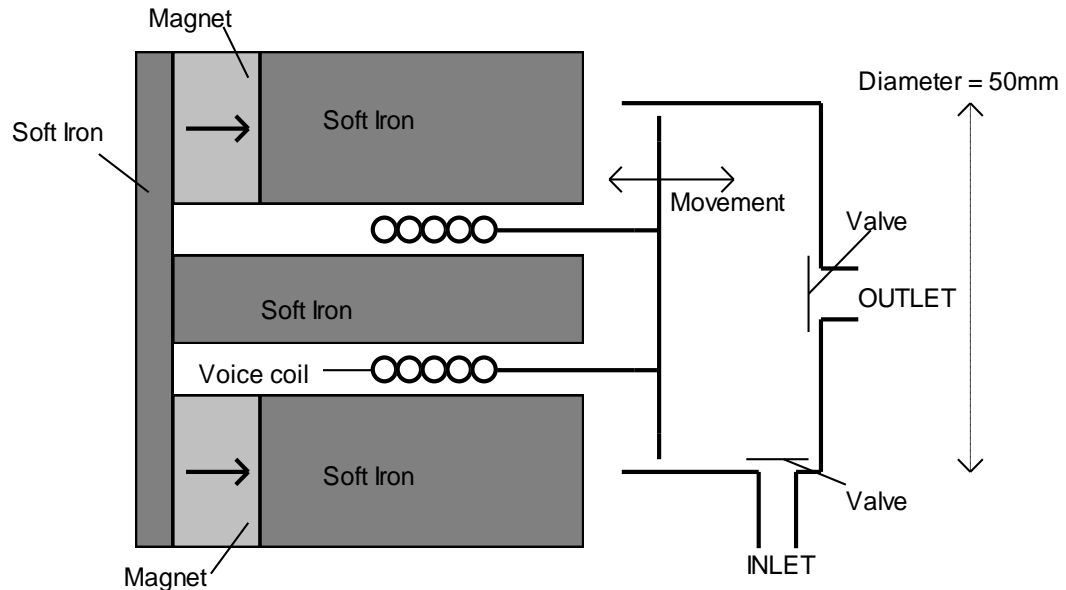
The servo motor used has the following parameters:

Voltage constant :	100 Volts / 1000 rpm
Resistance :	0.25Ω
Maximum speed :	2000 rpm
Continuous stall torque :	20 Nm
Moment of inertia :	0.02kgm^2

- b. Given the total load has an effective moment of inertia (referred to the motor) of 0.3kgm^2 , and it may be assumed to be lossless, calculate the peak voltage and current requirements of the servo amplifier which supplies the motor. (4)
- c. Sketch the motor supply voltage and current waveforms over an operational cycle, & confirm that the motor specified is adequate. (4)
- d. Sketch a circuit diagram of a suitable electronic drive for the servo motor, stating the number of quadrants in which the drive is required to operate. (4)
- e. Briefly explain the difference between the 'Continuous stall torque' rating and the 'Maximum torque' rating of a servo motor. (4)

3. a. Give the approximate equivalent circuit for a three-phase induction motor, explaining what each component represents. Show how the locked rotor test may be used to calculate some of the motor parameters in the equivalent circuit. (8)
- b. The following readings were taken during a locked rotor test performed on a 6-pole, 415V, 3-phase, 50Hz, star-connected induction motor.
- Line voltage = 80V, Line current = 20A, Input power = 2.0kW
- The stator resistance was measured at 0.4Ω per phase.
- Find the maximum mechanical load torque which is safe for the motor to drive, such that the motor will not stall under the worst-case supply conditions, given that the 50Hz supply to the motor is prone to voltage drops of up to 25% (12)

4. a. The figure below shows the radial cross-section of a diaphragm air pump. A circular voice coil of N turns and diameter D is attached to the pump diaphragm and suspended on an axially compliant spring in a uniform radial magnetic field of magnitude B Tesla. Derive an expression for the electromagnetic force on the voice coil when it carries a current I amps.. (4)



A particular pump actuator has the following parameters:

Radial field flux density (B):	1.0T
Voice coil diameter (D):	32 mm
Number of turns on voice coil (N):	100
Voice coil resistance:	140 Ohms
Voice coil self inductance:	172 mH
Mass of combined coil and diaphragm:	6 grammes

- b. Given that the mechanics of the pump are dominated by the combined mass of the coil and diaphragm, derive a simple equivalent electrical circuit for the pump, and show that it has a resonant natural frequency of 50Hz. (6)
- c. Calculate the current drawn from the supply, when the voice coil is supplied with a 12Vrms voltage at 50Hz. (4)
- d. Calculate the peak to peak displacement of the diaphragm, and the airflow in litres/minute obtained under the same conditions used in part (c). (6)

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