

## 2.2. SDOF– Equivalent Systems

MECH 463: Mechanical Vibrations

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Suggested Readings:

1. Topic 2.2 from notes package.
2. Sections 1.7–1.8 in the course textbook.

## Learning Objectives (NP 2.5)

1. **Determine** equivalent spring (translational and rotational) and mass (translational) or mass moment of inertia (rotational) of a multi-component mechanical system at a point of interest.
2. **Apply** the force and energy methods learned in Topic 2.1.
3. **Recognize** the advantages and limitations of equivalent systems.

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## 2.5. Equivalent Spring– Force Method (NP 2.6, T1.7) — # 1

The key idea here is to obtain force-displacement relation  
at the point of interest.

Parallel Configuration (p.46 of NP)

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## 2.5. Equivalent Spring– Force Method (NP 2.6, T1.7) — # 2

### Series Configuration

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## 2.5. Equivalent Spring– Energy Method (NP 2.6, T1.7) — # 1

The key idea here is to obtain potential energy in terms of the displacement co-ordinate at the point of interest.

### Parallel Configuration

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## 2.5. Equivalent Spring– Energy Method (NP 2.6, T1.7) — # 2

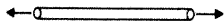
### Series Configuration

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## 2.5. Equivalent Spring– Energy Method (NP 2.6, T1.7) — # 3

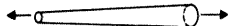
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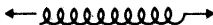
Rod under axial load  
( $l$  = length,  $A$  = cross sectional area)

$$k_{eq} = \frac{EA}{l}$$



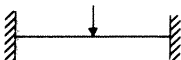
Tapered rod under axial load  
( $D, d$  = end diameters)

$$k_{eq} = \frac{\pi EDd}{4l}$$



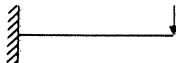
Helical spring under axial load  
( $d$  = wire diameter,  $D$  = mean coil diameter,  $n$  = number of active turns)

$$k_{eq} = \frac{Gd^4}{8nD^3}$$



Fixed-fixed beam with load at the middle

$$k_{eq} = \frac{192EI}{l^3}$$

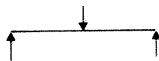


Cantilever beam with end load

$$k_{eq} = \frac{3EI}{l^3}$$



## 2.5. Equivalent Spring– Energy Method (NP 2.6, T1.7) — # 5



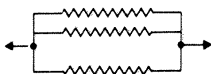
Simply supported beam with load at the middle

$$k_{eq} = \frac{48EI}{l^3}$$



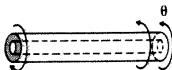
Springs in series

$$\frac{1}{k_{eq}} = \frac{1}{k_1} + \frac{1}{k_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{k_n}$$



Springs in parallel

$$k_{eq} = k_1 + k_2 + \dots + k_n$$



Hollow shaft under torsion  
( $l$  = length,  $D$  = outer diameter,  
 $d$  = inner diameter)

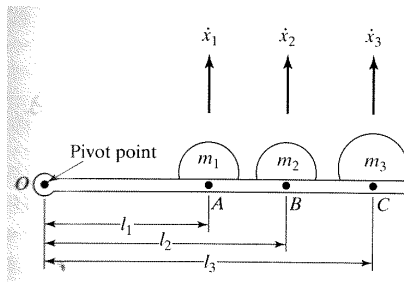
$$k_{eq} = \frac{\pi G}{32l}(D^4 - d^4)$$

**Figure:** Equivalent spring constants.

## 2.5. Equivalent Mass or Equivalent Mass Moment of Inertia (NP 2.7, T1.7) — # 1

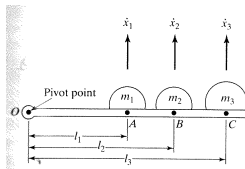
The key idea here is to obtain kinetic energy in terms of the velocity co-ordinate at the point of interest.

Translation masses connected by a rigid bar (p.50 of NP)



**Figure:** Translation masses connected by a rigid bar.

## 2.5. Equivalent Mass or Equivalent Mass Moment of Inertia (NP 2.7, T1.7) — # 2



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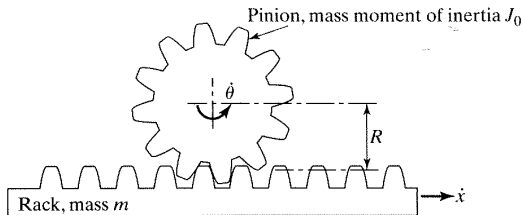
## 2.5. Equivalent Mass or Equivalent Mass Moment of Inertia (NP 2.7, T1.7) — # 3

*Q: Can you see how you can find equivalent mass moment of inertia of the above system? (p.51 of NP)*

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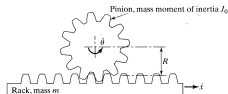
## 2.5. Equivalent Mass or Equivalent Mass Moment of Inertia (NP 2.7, T1.7) — # 4

### Translational and rotational masses coupled



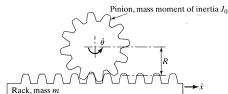
**Figure:** Rack and Pinion mechanism.

## 2.5. Equivalent Mass or Equivalent Mass Moment of Inertia (NP 2.7, T1.7) — # 5



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## 2.5. Equivalent Mass or Equivalent Mass Moment of Inertia (NP 2.7, T1.7) — # 6

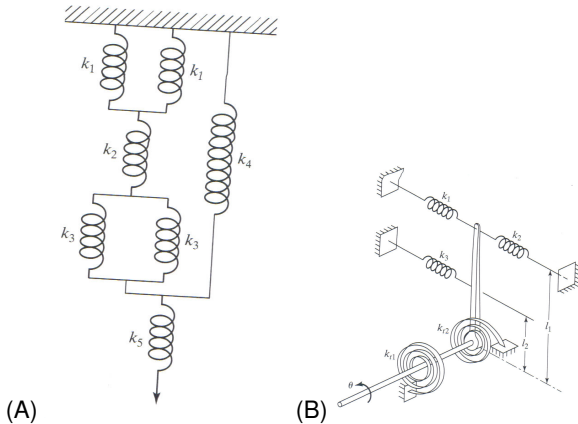


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## Example 5 — # 1

p.40 in course notes package

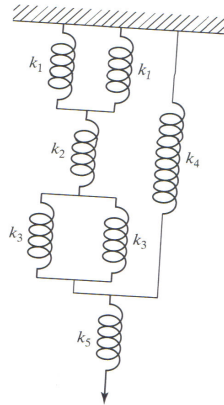
**Example 5:** Determine the equivalent mass and spring constant of the following systems (p.53 of NP)



**Figure:** Figure for example 5.

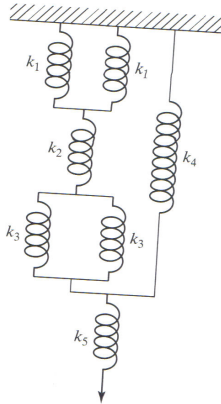


## Example 5 — # 2



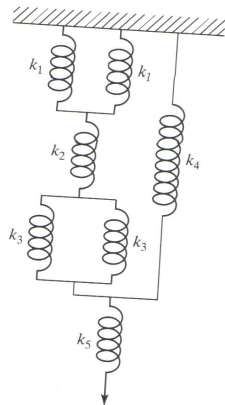
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## Example 5 — # 3



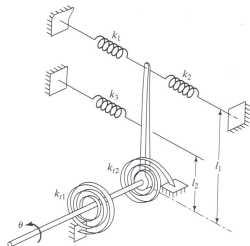
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## Example 5 — # 4



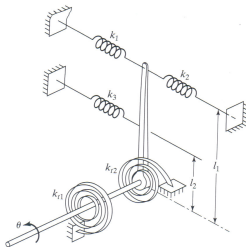
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## Example 5 — # 5



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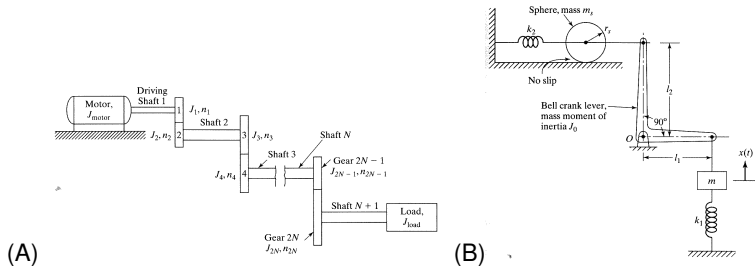
## Example 5 — # 6



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## Example 6 — # 1

**Example 6:** Determine the equivalent mass of the spring-mass system when the spring has a total mass of  $m_s$ . Determine the equivalent mass moment of inertia /mass of the systems shown below (p.56 of NP)



**Figure:** Figures for example 6.

## Example 6 — # 2

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## Example 6 — # 3

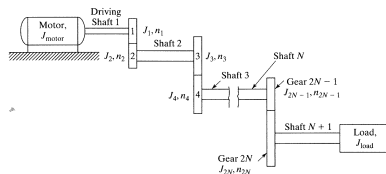
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## Example 6 — # 4

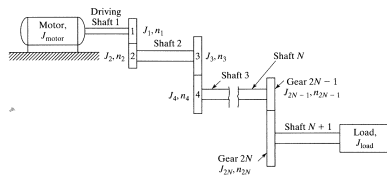
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## Example 6 — # 5



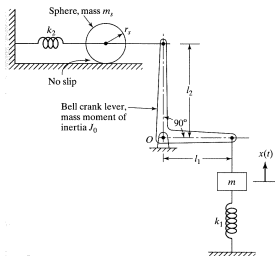
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## Example 6 — # 6



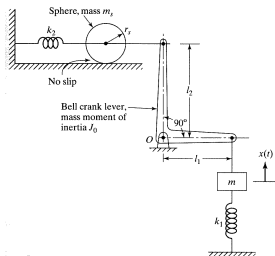
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## Example 6 — # 7



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## Example 6 — # 8



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## Summary

1. Equivalent systems simplify the modelling of multi-component systems **at the point of interest**.
2. Equivalent system parameters change with the location of point of interest and hence can't capture entire dynamic response.
3. Equivalent spring is determined from the potential energy and equivalent mass (or mass moment of inertia) is determined from the kinetic energy expression of the system expressed in terms of a **single displacement co-ordinate**.
4. A thorough understanding of planar kinematics is essential in relating translations and rotations.