

- 4 A vertical peg is attached to the edge of a horizontal disc of radius  $r$ , as shown in Fig. 4.1.

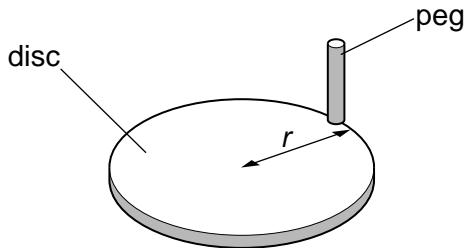


Fig. 4.1

The disc rotates at constant angular speed  $\omega$ . A horizontal beam of parallel light produces a shadow of the peg on a screen, as shown in Fig. 4.2.

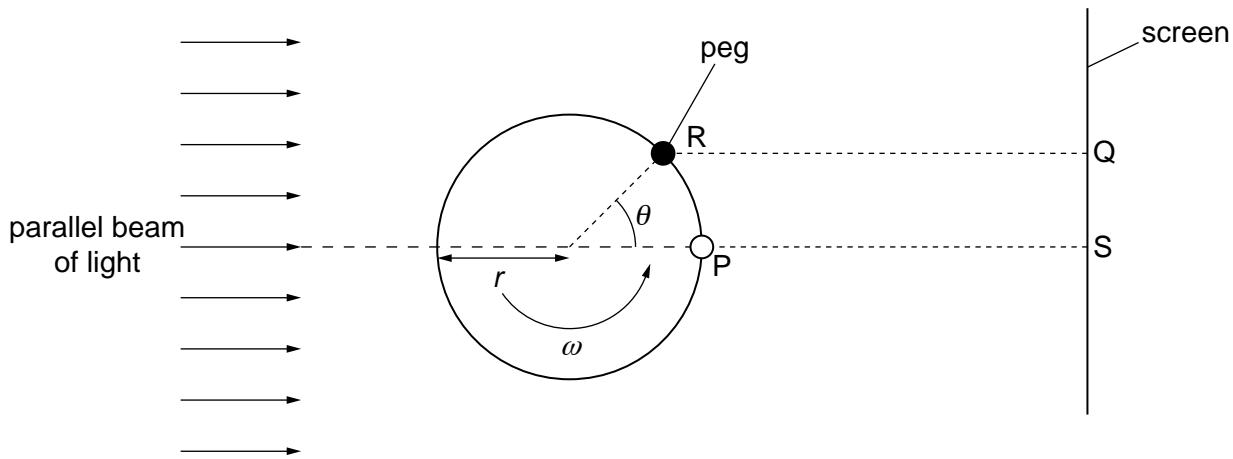


Fig. 4.2 (plan view)

At time zero, the peg is at P, producing a shadow on the screen at S.

At time  $t$ , the disc has rotated through angle  $\theta$ . The peg is now at R, producing a shadow at Q.

(a) Determine,

(i) in terms of  $\omega$  and  $t$ , the angle  $\theta$ ,

..... [1]

(ii) in terms of  $\omega$ ,  $t$  and  $r$ , the distance SQ.

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- (b) Use your answer to (a)(ii) to show that the shadow on the screen performs simple harmonic motion.

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- (c) The disc has radius  $r$  of 12 cm and is rotating with angular speed  $\omega$  of  $4.7 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ .

Determine, for the shadow on the screen,

- (i) the frequency of oscillation,

frequency = ..... Hz [2]

- (ii) its maximum speed.

speed = .....  $\text{cm s}^{-1}$  [2]