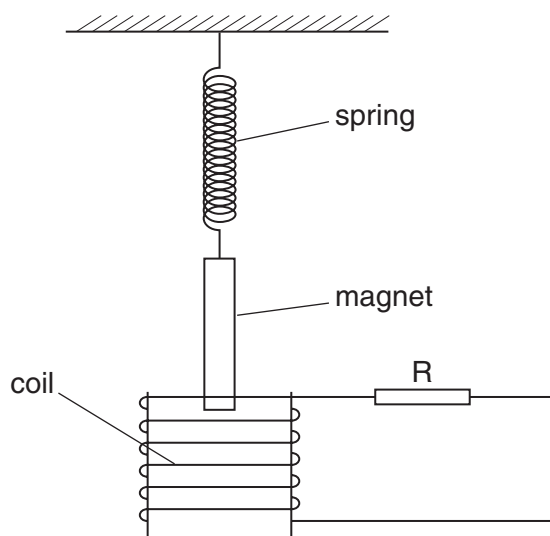


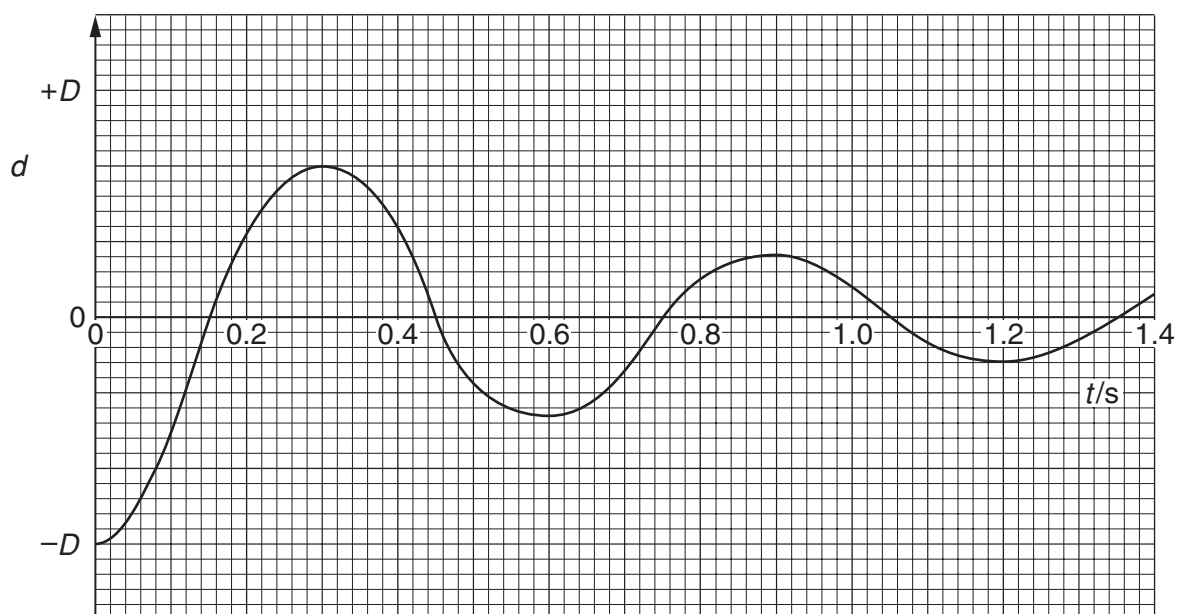
- 7 A magnet is suspended vertically from a fixed point by means of a spring, as shown in Fig. 7.1.



**Fig. 7.1**

One end of the magnet hangs inside a coil of wire. The coil is connected in series with a resistor  $R$ .

- (a) The magnet is displaced vertically a small distance  $D$  and then released. Fig. 7.2 shows the variation with time  $t$  of the vertical displacement  $d$  of the magnet from its equilibrium position.



**Fig. 7.2**

- (i) State and explain, by reference to electromagnetic induction, the nature of the oscillations of the magnet.

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- (ii) Calculate the angular frequency  $\omega_0$  of the oscillations.

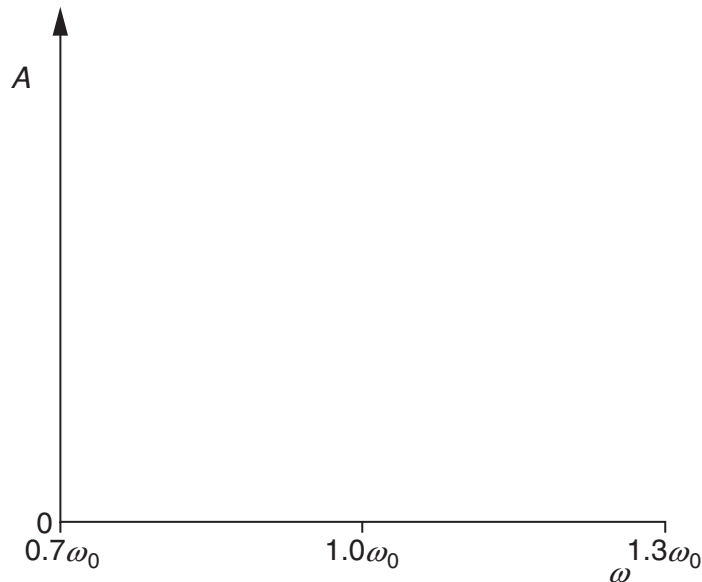
$$\omega_0 = \dots\dots\dots \text{ rad s}^{-1} \quad [2]$$

- (b) The resistance of the resistor R is increased.  
The magnet is again displaced a vertical distance  $D$  and released.  
On Fig. 7.2, sketch the variation with time  $t$  of the displacement  $d$  of the magnet. [2]

- (c) The resistor  $R$  in Fig. 7.1 is replaced by a variable-frequency signal generator of constant r.m.s. output voltage.

The angular frequency  $\omega$  of the generator is gradually increased from about  $0.7\omega_0$  to about  $1.3\omega_0$ , where  $\omega_0$  is the angular frequency calculated in (a)(ii).

- (i) On the axes of Fig. 7.3, sketch a graph to show the variation with  $\omega$  of the amplitude  $A$  of the oscillations of the magnet. [2]



**Fig. 7.3**

- (ii) State the name of the phenomenon illustrated in the graph of Fig. 7.3.

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- (iii) Briefly describe one situation where the phenomenon named in (ii) is useful and one situation where it should be avoided.

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