

- 3 In a machine, a peg that is fixed to a wheel rotates in a vertical circle of radius r . Both the peg and the wheel rotate with a constant angular velocity ω and period T about the centre of wheel O. The peg is in contact with a horizontal slot in a yoke. As the peg undergoes uniform circular motion, the yoke of mass m moves vertically up and down within a well. The diagram shows four positions of the wheel at different times t .

Fig. 3.1 shows the positions of the peg and yoke at different times t .

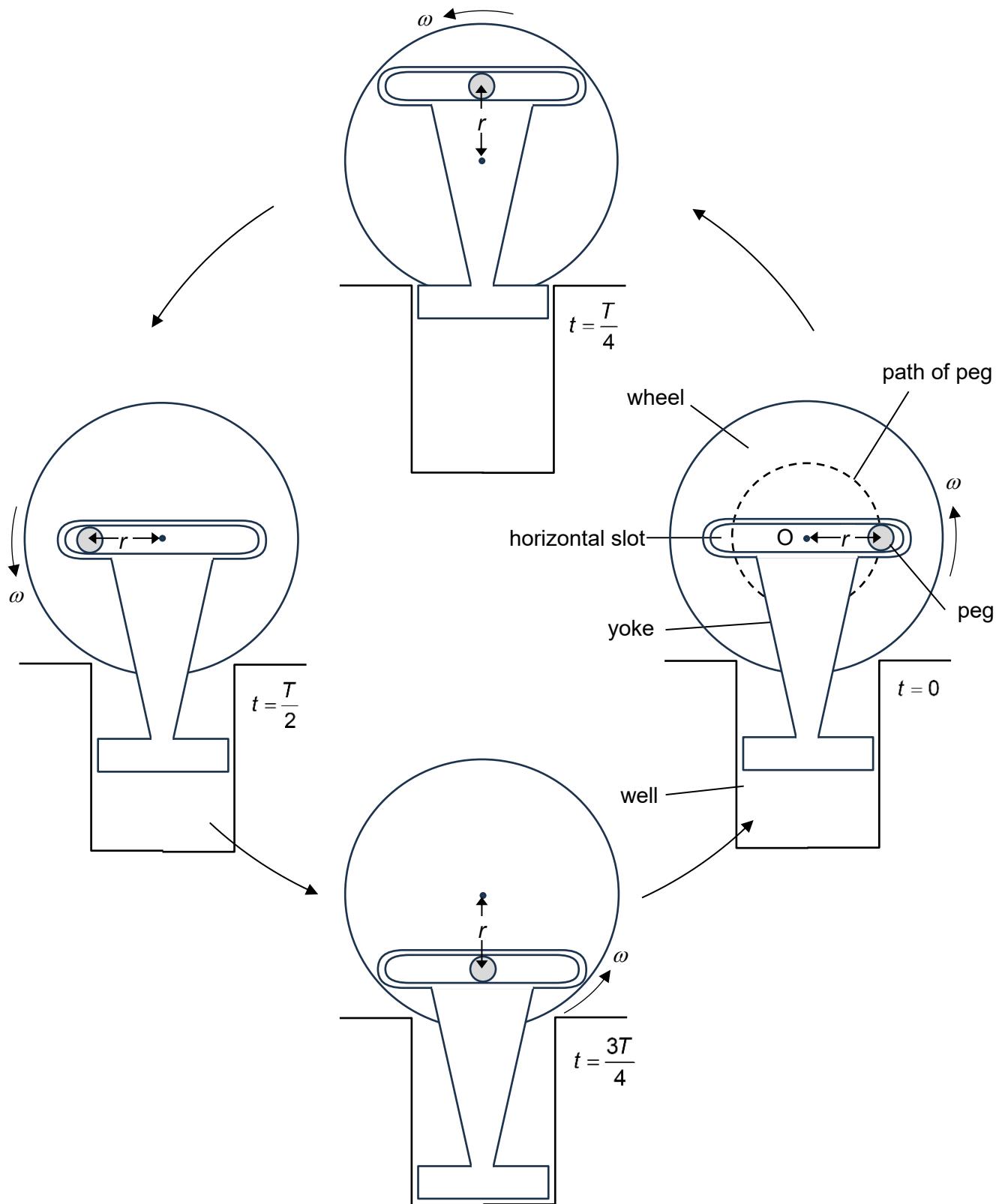


Fig. 3.1

- (a) State and explain the motion of the yoke.

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- (b) Given that $r = 0.080 \text{ m}$, $T = 0.40 \text{ s}$ and $m = 0.30 \text{ kg}$, determine:

- (i) 1. the maximum speed v_0 of the yoke

$$v_0 = \dots \text{ m s}^{-1} \quad [2]$$

2. the maximum acceleration a_0 of the yoke.

$$a_0 = \dots \text{ m s}^{-2} \quad [2]$$

- (ii) On Fig. 3.2, sketch a line to show the variation of net force F on the yoke with time t . Take the equilibrium position of the yoke as the zero of displacement and the upwards direction as positive.

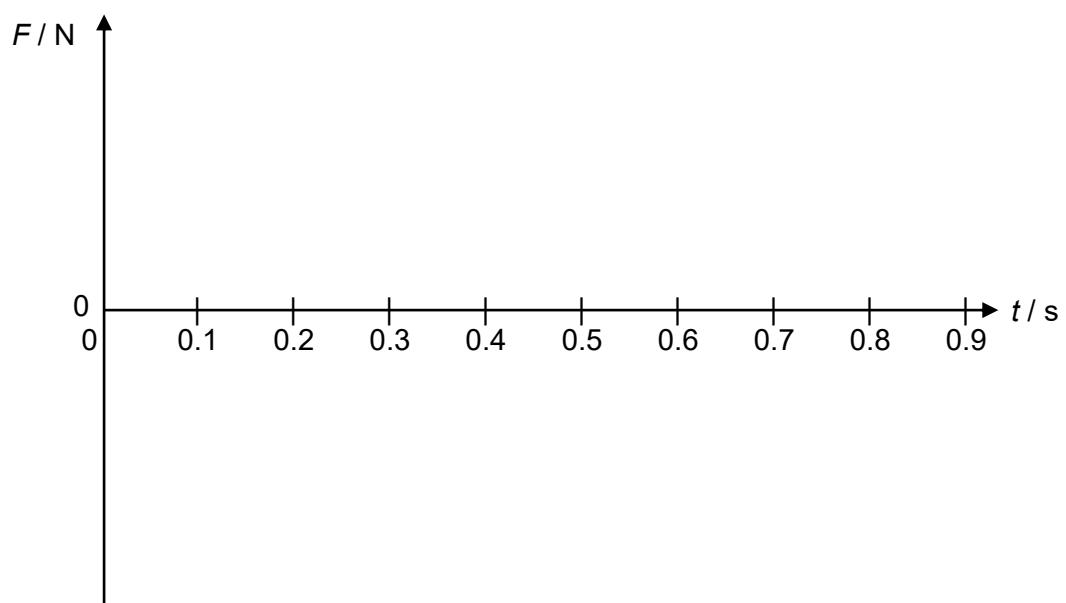


Fig. 3.2

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