

## ENGINEERING TRIPOS PART IA 1997

## PAPER 1: MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

SOLUTIONS

$$Q1 (a) \quad T ds = dh - v dp$$

$$= c_p dT - v dp \quad \text{as } dh = c_p dT$$

$$\therefore ds = c_p \frac{dT}{T} - \frac{v}{T} dp$$

$$\therefore ds = c_p \frac{dT}{T} - R \frac{dp}{p}$$

$$pV = RT \Rightarrow \frac{v}{T} = \frac{R}{p}$$

↑ if in quasi-equilibrium

$$\therefore \underline{\underline{s_2 - s_1 = c_p \ln \frac{T_2}{T_1} - R \ln \frac{p_2}{p_1}}}$$

This is also valid for an irreversible process because it is an equation in properties. The change in properties is independent of the path taken between given states.

$$(b) (i) \text{ Continuity: } \rho_A V_A A_A = \rho_B V_B A_B \Rightarrow \frac{A_A}{A_B} = \frac{\rho_B}{\rho_A} \cdot \frac{V_B}{V_A}$$

$$\text{As } T \text{ is constant } p = \rho RT \Rightarrow \frac{\rho_B}{\rho_A} = \frac{p_B}{p_A}$$

$$\therefore \frac{A_A}{A_B} = \frac{p_B}{p_A} \cdot \frac{V_B}{V_A} = \frac{1.8}{1.5} \times \frac{300}{400} = \underline{\underline{0.90}}$$

$$(ii) \text{ SFEE: } Q = \cancel{W_x} + \cancel{(h_B - h_A)} + \frac{1}{2} (V_B^2 - V_A^2) + \cancel{g(z_B - z_A)}$$

no shafts      T const.      horizontal pipe

$$\therefore Q = \frac{1}{2} (V_B^2 - V_A^2) = \frac{1}{2} (300^2 - 400^2) = \underline{\underline{-35 \text{ kJ/kg}}}$$

Q1 (cont)

$$(iii) \Delta s = s_B - s_A = c_p \ln \frac{T_B}{T_A} - R \ln \frac{P_B}{P_A} = -287 \ln \frac{1.8}{1.5}$$
$$T_B = T_A \qquad \qquad \qquad = \underline{\underline{-52.3 \text{ J/kgK}}}$$

To establish direction of flow use the 2<sup>nd</sup> Law  $\Delta s \geq \int \frac{dQ}{T}$

As flow is isothermal  $\int \frac{dQ}{T} = \frac{Q}{T}$

If flow is from A  $\rightarrow$  B  $\Delta s > \frac{Q}{T}$

$$\frac{Q}{T} = \frac{-35 \times 10^3}{400} = -87.5 \text{ J/kgK}$$

From (iii)  $\Delta s = -52.3 \text{ J/kgK}$

Hence the inequality is satisfied  $\Rightarrow$  flow is from A to B

Completely spurious arguments:

Flow is from B to A as entropy increases that way

Flow is from B to A as pressure decreases that way



Q2 (cont)

In a diesel engine fuel is sprayed into the cylinder towards the end of the compression stroke. Combustion occurs spontaneously throughout the cylinder when the pressure / temperature is high enough. Hence heat addition is approximately "at constant pressure" - the diesel cycle.

(iii) In a petrol engine the air-fuel ratio is kept constant and the mass of the charge drawn into the cylinder is regulated to control the power.

In a diesel engine the mass of air drawn into the cylinder is kept constant and the mass of fuel sprayed in is varied to control the power.

(iv) In a petrol engine the compression ratio is limited to a maximum of  $\sim 10$  by the need to avoid "knock" (spontaneous detonation). This limits the size of cylinders and the thermal efficiency of the engine ( $\eta$  increases with CR).

In a diesel engine the compression ratio is limited only by mechanical considerations. CR has to be higher than for petrol engines to achieve spontaneous combustion and to give comparable (or better) thermal efficiencies.

Q3 (a)  $dq_r - dw = du$

$dw = p dv$

$\therefore dq_r - p dv = du$

$\therefore dq_r = du + p dv$

$dh = du + p dv + v dp$  0 for a constant pressure process

Hence  $dq_r = dh$

$\therefore Q = \Delta h$

(b) (i) Process I is reversible and isentropic  $\Rightarrow$  adiabatic

$\Rightarrow Q_I = 0$

Process II is reversible and isothermal  $\Rightarrow Q = T \Delta S$

From Table 8  $T_2 = 179.9^\circ C = 453.1 K$

$s_2 = 6.583 \text{ kJ/kg K}$

From h-s chart  $s_3$  (for  $T \approx 180^\circ C, p = 0.01 \text{ MPa}$ )

$= 8.820 \text{ kJ/kg K}$

$\therefore Q_{II} = T_2 (s_3 - s_2) = 453.1 \times (8.820 - 6.583)$

$= 1.013 \text{ MJ/kg}$

Process III is constant pressure  $\therefore$  from (a)  $Q = \Delta h$

From h-s chart  $h_3$  (for  $T \approx 180^\circ C, p = 0.01 \text{ MPa}$ )

$= 2840 \text{ kJ/kg}$

$h_1$  (for  $p = 0.01 \text{ MPa}, s = 6.583 \text{ kJ/kg K}$ )

$= 2085 \text{ kJ/kg}$

$\therefore Q_{III} = h_1 - h_3 = 2085 - 2840 = -755 \text{ kJ/kg}$

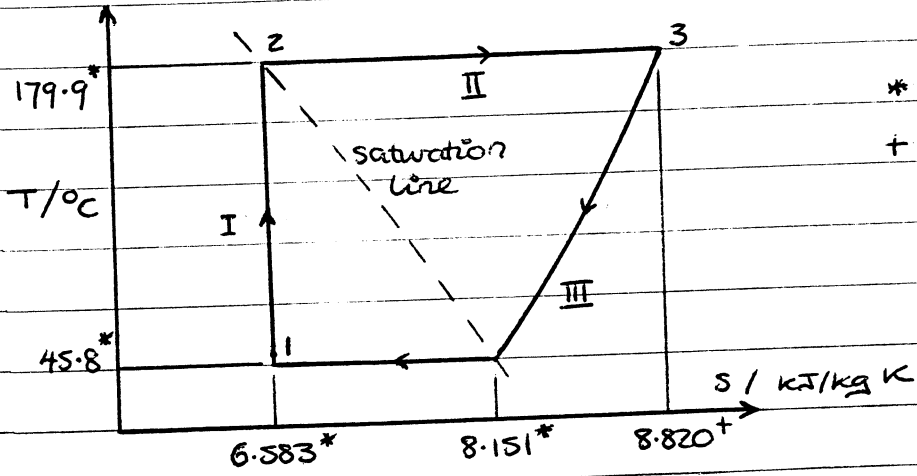
(ii) Thermal efficiency =  $\frac{\text{net work}}{\text{heat in}} = \frac{\text{heat in} - \text{heat out}}{\text{heat in}}$

$= \frac{1013 - 755}{1013}$

$= 25.5\%$

Q 3 (cont)

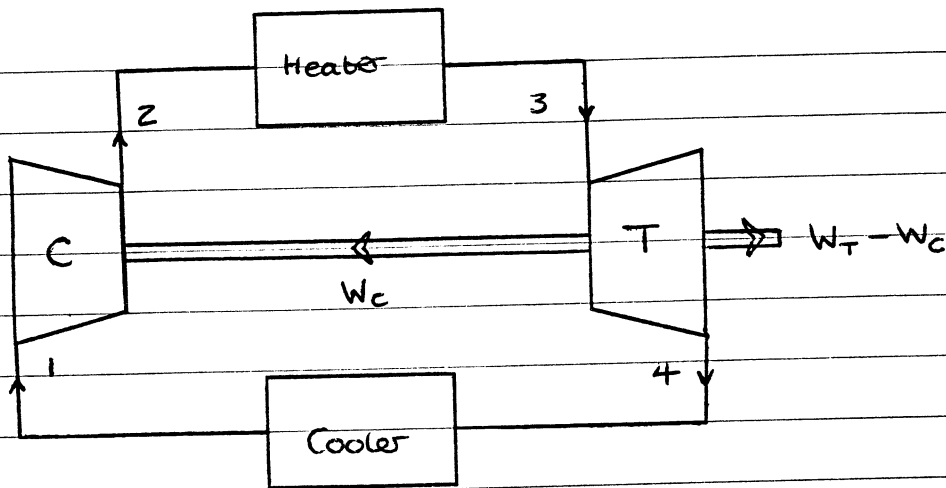
(iii)



\* from Tables

+ from chart

Q4 (a)



$$(b) \quad T_{2s} = \left(\frac{P_2}{P_1}\right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} T_1 = 6^{\frac{0.4}{1.4}} \times 373 = 622.4 \text{ K}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_c &= \frac{T_{2s} - T_1}{T_2 - T_1} \Rightarrow T_2 = T_1 + \frac{1}{\eta_c} (T_{2s} - T_1) \\ &= 373 + \frac{1}{0.9} \times (622.4 - 373) \\ &= 650.1 \text{ K} \\ &= \underline{\underline{377^\circ \text{C}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$W_c = c_p (T_2 - T_1) = 1.01 \times (377 - 100) = \underline{\underline{280 \text{ kJ/kg}}}$$

$$(c) \quad T_{4s} = \left(\frac{P_4}{P_3}\right)^{\frac{\gamma-1}{\gamma}} T_3 = \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^{\frac{0.4}{1.4}} \times 1473 = 882.8 \text{ K}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \eta_T &= \frac{T_3 - T_4}{T_3 - T_{4s}} \Rightarrow T_4 = T_3 - \eta_T (T_3 - T_{4s}) \\ &= 1473 - 0.92 \times (1473 - 882.8) \\ &= 930.0 \text{ K} \\ &= \underline{\underline{657^\circ \text{C}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$W_T = c_p (T_3 - T_4) = 1.01 \times (1200 - 657) = \underline{\underline{548 \text{ kJ/kg}}}$$

$$(d) \quad \dot{W}_{net} = \dot{m} (W_T - W_c)$$

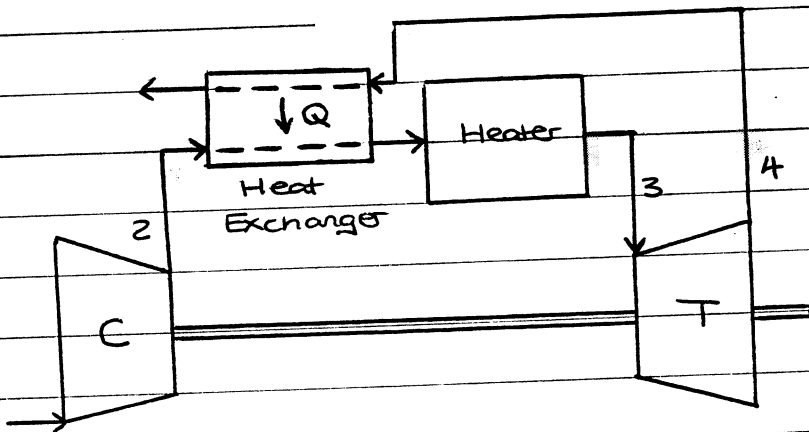
$$\therefore \dot{m} = \frac{\dot{W}_{net}}{W_T - W_c} = \frac{50 \times 10^6}{(548 - 280) \times 10^3} = \underline{\underline{187 \text{ kg/s}}}$$

$$(e) \quad Q_{in} = c_p (T_3 - T_2) = 1.01 \times (1200 - 377) = 831 \text{ kJ/kg}$$

Q4 (cont)

$$\eta = \frac{W_T - W_C}{Q_{in}} = \frac{548 - 280}{831} = \underline{\underline{32.3\%}}$$

(f) As the exit temperature from the turbine ( $T_4$ ) is higher than the exit temperature from the compressor ( $T_2$ ) a heat exchanger can be used to transfer heat from the turbine exhaust to the air before it enters the heater. This reduces the amount of heat which must be added in the heater ( $Q_{in}$ ), thus raising the thermal efficiency of the cycle.





Q5 (a) Initial K.E. =  $\frac{1}{2} \times 10^4 \times 30^2 = 4.5 \text{ MJ}$

Momentum conserved during impact, i.e.

$$m_2 V_2 = m_1 V_1$$

$$\therefore V_2 = \frac{10,000}{15,000} \times 30 = 20 \text{ m/s}$$

New K.E. =  $\frac{1}{2} \times 15 \times 10^3 \times 20^2 = 3 \text{ MJ}$

K.E. Lost = 1.5 MJ

(b) K.E. after impact becomes work done against friction + energy in spring

Let distance to 1<sup>st</sup> stop =  $x$

$$3 \times 10^6 = 5000 \times 10 \times 1.5 x + \frac{1}{2} \times 250 \times 10^3 x^2$$

$$125 x^2 + 75 x - 3000 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-75 \pm \sqrt{5625 + 1.5 \times 10^6}}{250} = 4.608 \text{ m}$$

Compressive force in spring =  $250 \times 10^3 \times 4.608 \text{ N}$   
= 1.152 MN

Energy now in spring becomes work done vs friction + energy in spring at second stop.

Let extension of spring at 2<sup>nd</sup> stop =  $y$

$$125 \times 10^3 x^2 = 125 \times 10^3 y^2 + 500 \times 10 \times 1.5 (x + y)$$

Q5 (cont)

$$125y^2 + 75y + 75 \times 4.608 - 125 \times 4.608^2 = 0$$

$$y = \frac{-75 \pm \sqrt{5625 + 4 \times 125 \times 2309}}{250} = 4.008 \text{ m}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Tensile force in spring} &= 250 \times 10^3 \times 4.008 \text{ N} \\ &= \underline{1,002,170 \text{ N}} \end{aligned}$$

Subsequent tensile + compressive forces will all be smaller.

(c) Max acceleration occurs just before first stop.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total force on combined mass} \\ &= 1.152 \times 10^6 + 5000 \times 10 \times 1.5 \text{ N} \\ &= 1.227 \text{ MN} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Acceleration} = \frac{1.227 \times 10^6}{15 \times 10^3} = \underline{81.8 \text{ m/s}^2}$$

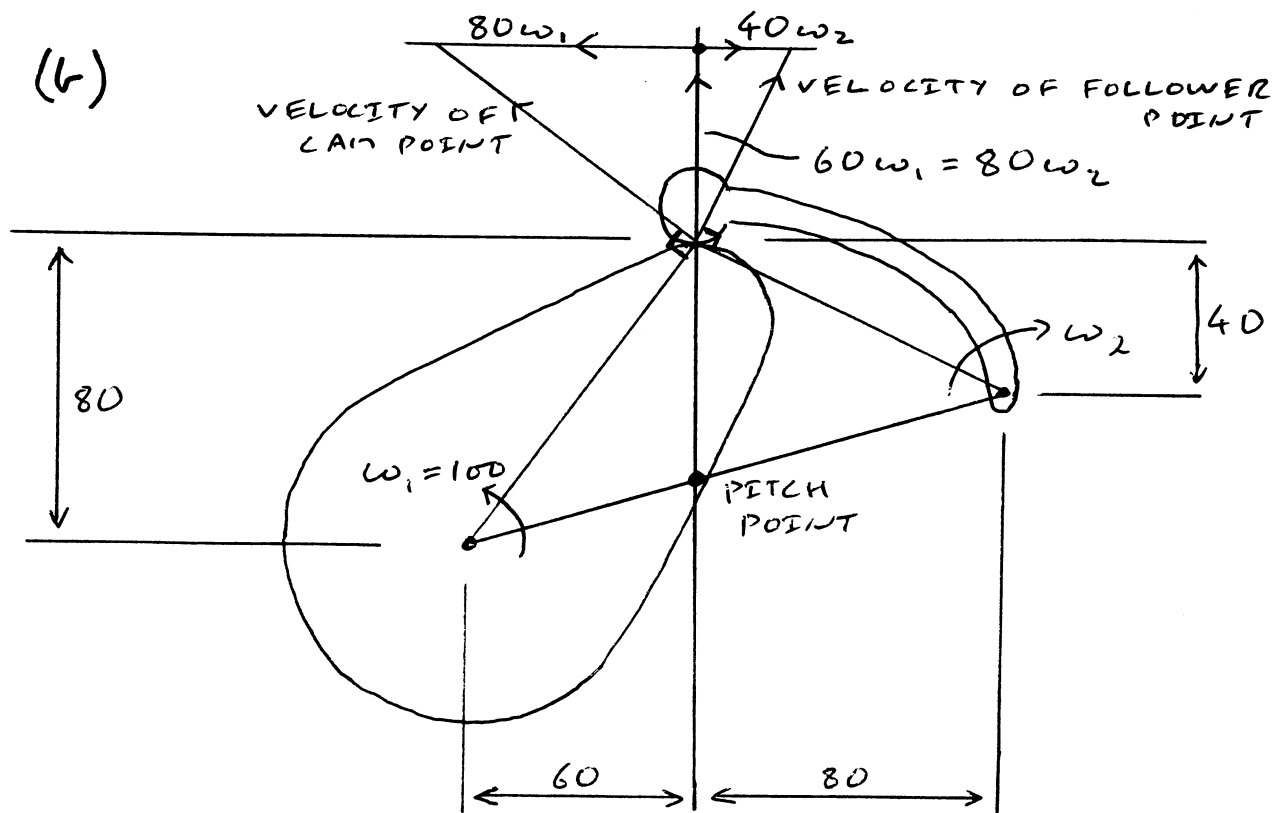


Q 7 (a) The pitch point is where the common normal through the point of contact intersects with the line between the centres of rotation.

There is no sliding if it is coincident with the point of contact.

The ratio of the angular velocities of the lamina stays constant if the pitch point does not move.

The lamina rotate in opposite directions if the pitch point lies between the two centres of rotation.



either:  $60\omega_1 = 80\omega_2$   
 $\therefore \omega_2 = \frac{60}{80}\omega_1 = \underline{75 \text{ rad/s}}$

Q 7 (cont.)

or : Pitch point cuts line between centres in the ratio 3:4

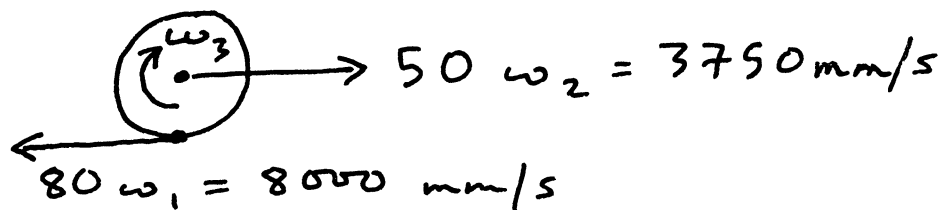
$$\therefore \omega_2 = -\frac{3}{4} \times 100 = \underline{75 \text{ rad/s}} \downarrow$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sliding velocity} &= 80\omega_1 + 40\omega_2 \text{ mm/s} \\ &= \underline{11 \text{ m/s}} \end{aligned}$$

(c) Relative angular velocity of wheel is obtained by dividing the sliding velocity by the wheel radius, i.e.

$$\frac{11000}{10} = \underline{1100 \text{ rad/s}} \downarrow$$

Absolute angular velocity can be found by considering horizontal velocities of wheel centre + contact point:



$$\therefore \omega_3 = \frac{3750 + 8000}{10} = \underline{1175 \text{ rad/s}} \downarrow$$

As expected, these two values differ by  $\omega_2$ .

Q 8 (a) At radius  $r$ , gravitational force on satellite is:

$$\frac{mMg}{r^2}$$

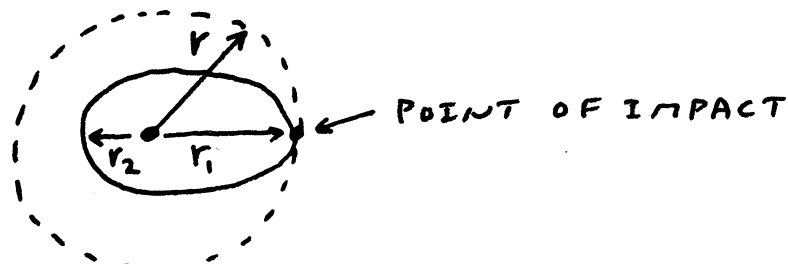
For a circular orbit, this = centrifugal force

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{mV^2}{r} = \frac{mMg}{r^2}$$

$$\text{whence } V = \sqrt{Mg/r}$$

$$\text{And period} = \frac{2\pi r}{V} = 2\pi r \sqrt{\frac{r}{Mg}}$$

(b)



Point of impact = Perigee of new orbit

$$\therefore r_1 = r$$

$$\text{Also, } V_1 = \frac{3V}{4} = \frac{3}{4} \sqrt{\frac{Mg}{r_1}} \quad (1)$$

Method 1:

Conservation of moment of momentum:

$$m' V_1 r_1 = m' V_2 r_2 \Rightarrow V_2 = \frac{r_1}{r_2} V_1 \quad (2)$$

Conservation of energy:

$$\frac{1}{2} m' (V_2^2 - V_1^2) = \int_{r_1}^{r_2} \frac{m' Mg}{r^2} dr = \frac{m' Mg}{r_2} - \frac{m' Mg}{r_1}$$

$$\text{i.e. } \frac{1}{2} (V_2^2 - V_1^2) = \frac{Mg}{r_2} - \frac{Mg}{r_1} \quad (3)$$

Q 8 (cont) Combining equations (1) - (3),

$$\frac{1}{2} \left( \left( \frac{r_1}{r_2} \right)^2 - 1 \right) \frac{9}{16} \frac{Mg}{r_1} = \frac{Mg}{r_2} - \frac{Mg}{r_1}$$

$$\frac{9}{32} \left( \left( \frac{r_1}{r_2} \right)^2 - 1 \right) = \frac{r_1}{r_2} - 1$$

i.e.

$$9x^2 - 32x + 23 = 0$$

where  $x = \frac{r_1}{r_2}$

$$x = \frac{32 \pm \sqrt{32^2 - 4 \times 9 \times 23}}{18} = \frac{32 \pm 14}{18}$$

$$= 23/9 \text{ (or 1)}$$

So  $r_1 = r$  and  $r_2 = \frac{9r}{23} = 0.391r$

Method 2: using data book formulae

$$h = v \cdot r_1 = \frac{3r_1}{4} \sqrt{\frac{17g}{r_1}}$$

$$\therefore L = \frac{h^2}{4M} = \frac{9r_1}{16}$$

At A, perigee,  $r = r_1$  and  $\theta = \pi$

$$\therefore L/r = 9/16 = 1 - e \implies e = 7/16$$

Then  $\frac{r_2}{r_1} = \frac{1-e}{1+e} = 9/23$  as before.

(c) Orbit time will decrease (despite reduction in velocity) since new orbit radius is always  $\leq r$ , and orbit time reduces as radius reduces.

Q9 (a)  $T \frac{d\Theta}{dt} + \Theta = \phi$

By inspection PI  $\Theta = \phi$

CF  $\Theta = A e^{-t/T}$

GS  $\Theta = \phi + A e^{-t/T}$

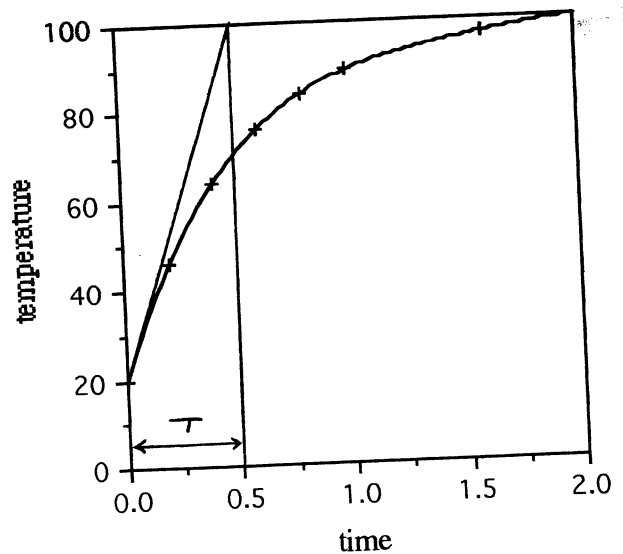
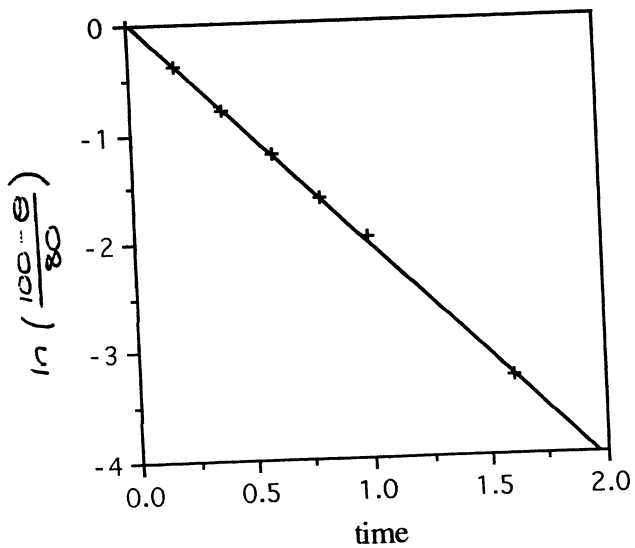
BC  $\Theta = \Theta_0$  at  $t = 0 \Rightarrow A = \Theta_0 - \phi$

$\therefore$  GS  $\Theta = \phi + (\Theta_0 - \phi) e^{-t/T}$

In this case  $\Theta = 100 - 80 e^{-t/T}$

$\therefore \ln\left(\frac{100 - \Theta}{80}\right) = -t/T$

Plotting  $\ln\left(\frac{100 - \Theta}{80}\right)$  versus  $t$  for the data given does yield a straight-line relationship confirming the data is consistent with that for a first-order linear system.



The time constant can be estimated from the gradient of the log plot or from a plot of  $\Theta$  vs  $t$  as shown. From either  $T \approx 0.5s$

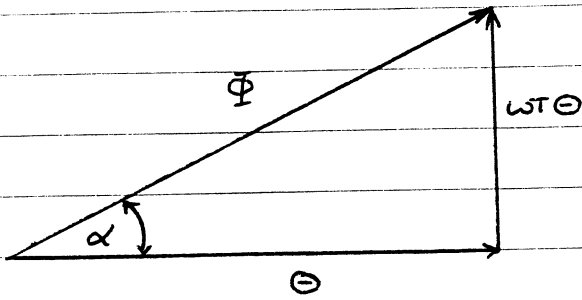


Q9 (G)  $\phi = \Phi e^{i\omega t}$

So  $\theta = \Theta e^{i\omega t}$

$\therefore (i\omega T + 1)\Theta = \Phi$

substituting in the governing DE



Phasor diagram

$\Theta = \frac{\Phi}{\sqrt{1 + \omega^2 T^2}}$

$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{10} \text{ rad/s}$

$\therefore \Theta = \frac{25}{\sqrt{1 + \frac{4\pi^2}{100} \times 0.5^2}} = 23.85^\circ \text{C}$

$\therefore \text{error} = \Phi - \Theta = \underline{\underline{1.15^\circ \text{C}}}$

$\alpha = \tan^{-1} \omega T = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{2\pi \times 0.5}{10} \right) = \underline{\underline{17.4^\circ}}$

$$Q10 (a) \quad V_E = iR + L \frac{di}{dt} + V$$

$$i = C \frac{dV}{dt}$$

$$\therefore V_E = LC \frac{d^2V}{dt^2} + RC \frac{dV}{dt} + V$$

$$\therefore \underline{A = LC} \quad \underline{B = RC}$$

$$(b) \quad A = 10 \times 250 \times 10^{-6} = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \quad \text{for values given}$$

$$B = 400 \times 250 \times 10^{-6} = 0.1$$

$$\text{Data book form is } \frac{1}{\omega_n^2} \frac{d^2V}{dt^2} + \frac{2c}{\omega_n} \frac{dV}{dt} + V = V_E$$

$$\therefore \omega_n^2 = \frac{1}{A} = 400 \Rightarrow \omega_n = 20 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\frac{2c}{\omega_n} = B \Rightarrow c = \frac{B \omega_n}{2} = \frac{0.1 \times 20}{2} = \underline{1}$$

As  $c = 1$  system is critically damped

(c) (i)  $V = 0$  - the capacitor is initially uncharged

(ii) Current through an inductor cannot change instantaneously

$$\therefore \text{initial current} = \frac{V_E}{R}$$

But

$$i = C \frac{dV}{dt} \quad \therefore \frac{V_E}{R} = C \frac{dV}{dt} \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{\frac{dV}{dt} = \frac{V_E}{RC} \text{ initially}}}$$

(iii) As  $t \rightarrow \infty$   $V \rightarrow V_E$

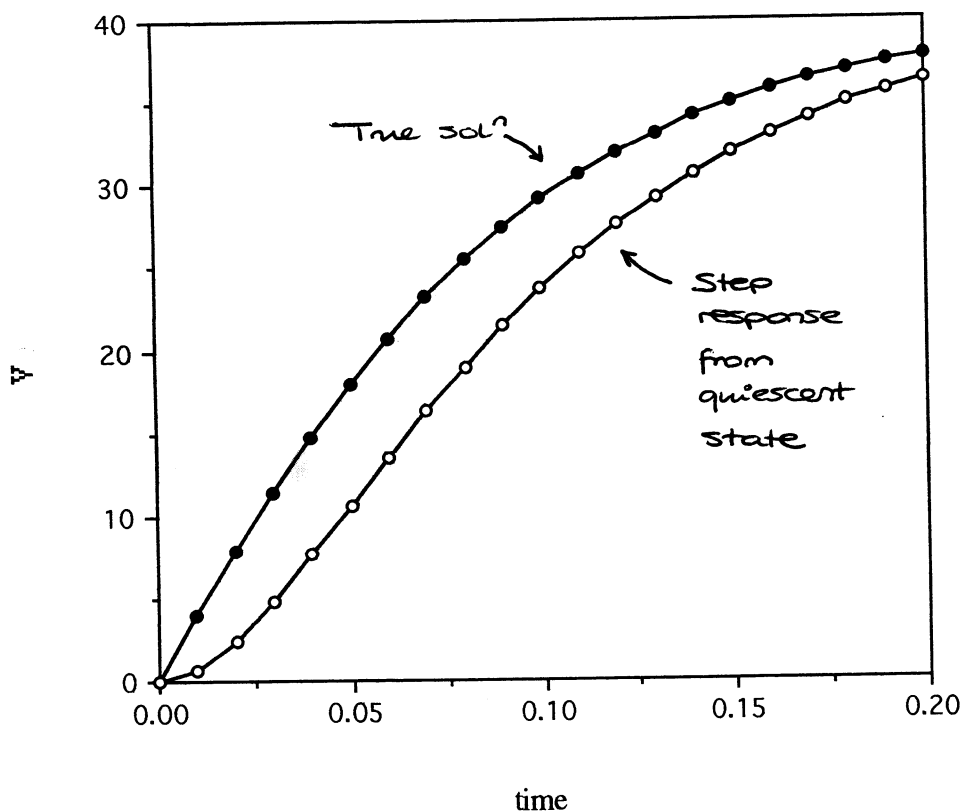
(d) The step response on page 6 can match the initial and final conditions on  $V$  but not the initial condition on  $\dot{V}$  - the data book response is for a system in an initially quiescent state, i.e.

Q10 (cont)

$$V = \dot{V} = 0 \text{ at } t = 0.$$

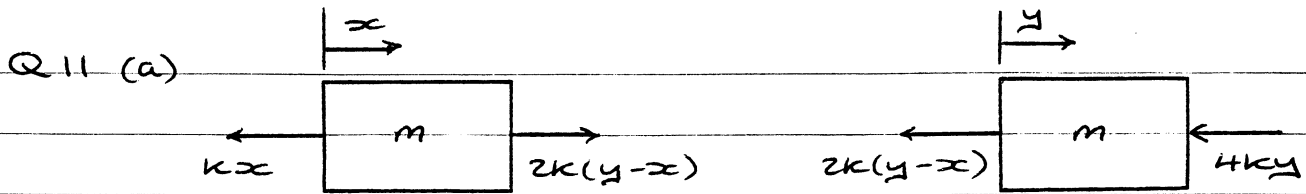
The impulse response on page 7 can match the initial conditions on  $V$  and  $\dot{V}$  but not the final condition on  $V$ .

(e) The exact solution is as plotted here:



The key features required of a sketch are:

- (i) Correct initial value of  $V$  (0 V),
- (ii) Correct final value of  $V$  (40 V),
- (iii) Initial gradient of  $V$  (non-zero),
- (iv) Critically damped response - no overshoot.



$$m\ddot{x} = 2k(y-x) - kx$$

$$m\ddot{y} = -2k(y-x) - 4ky$$

$$\therefore m\ddot{x} + 3kx - 2ky = 0$$

$$m\ddot{y} + 6ky - 2kx = 0$$

So in matrix form

$$\underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} m & 0 \\ 0 & m \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{mass matrix } [M]} \begin{bmatrix} \ddot{x} \\ \ddot{y} \end{bmatrix} + \underbrace{\begin{bmatrix} 3k & -2k \\ -2k & 6k \end{bmatrix}}_{\text{stiffness matrix } [K]} \begin{bmatrix} x \\ y \end{bmatrix} = 0$$

(6) Natural frequencies are solutions of

$$|[K] - \omega^2[M]| = 0$$

$$\therefore \begin{vmatrix} 3k - \omega^2 m & -2k \\ -2k & 6k - \omega^2 m \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

$$\therefore (3k - \omega^2 m)(6k - \omega^2 m) - 4k^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore 18k^2 - 9k\omega^2 m + \omega^4 m^2 - 4k^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore m^2 \omega^4 - 9km\omega^2 + 14k^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore (m\omega^2 - 7k)(m\omega^2 - 2k) = 0$$

$$\therefore \omega = \sqrt{\frac{7k}{m}} \text{ or } \sqrt{\frac{2k}{m}}$$

$$\text{For } \omega^2 = \frac{7k}{m} \quad [K] - \omega^2[M] = \begin{bmatrix} -4k & -2k \\ -2k & -k \end{bmatrix}$$

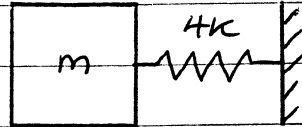
$$\Rightarrow \underline{2x = -y} \quad \text{i.e. } \{1, -2\} \text{ mode}$$

$$\text{For } \omega^2 = \frac{2k}{m} \quad [K] - \omega^2[M] = \begin{bmatrix} k & -2k \\ -2k & 4k \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{x = 2y} \quad \text{i.e. } \{2, 1\} \text{ mode}$$

Q11 (cont)

(c) If the two masses move with equal amplitude and phase the middle spring is unstretched and transmits no force. The right hand mass then behaves like a simple single mass-spring system:



$$\omega^2 = \frac{4k}{m}$$

$$\therefore \omega = 2\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$

Otherwise under the specified harmonic excitation

$$[M] \begin{pmatrix} \ddot{x} \\ \ddot{y} \end{pmatrix} + [K] \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} F \cos \omega t \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\ddot{x} = -\omega^2 x \text{ \& \ } \ddot{y} = -\omega^2 y \text{ if } x = X \cos \omega t \text{ \& \ } y = Y \cos \omega t$$

$$\therefore \begin{bmatrix} 3k - m\omega^2 & -2k \\ -2k & 6k - m\omega^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} x \\ y \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} F \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

If  $x = y$  (equal amplitude and phase), the second equation gives

$$-2k + 6k - m\omega^2 = 0$$

$$\therefore m\omega^2 = 4k$$

$$\therefore \omega = 2\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$$