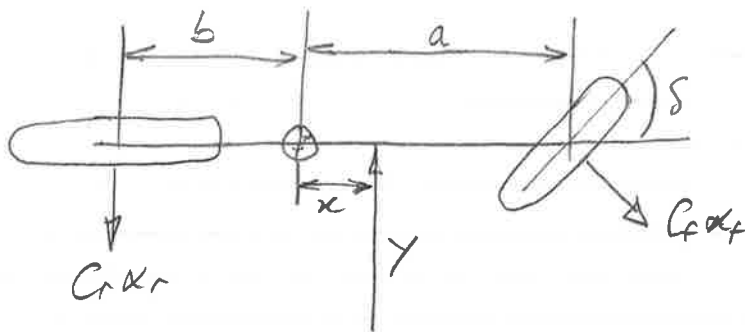


1. (a)



Defs  
 $C = C_f + C_r$   
 $S = \frac{aC_f - bC_r}{C_f + C_r}$   
 $q^2 = \frac{a^2 C_f + b^2 C_r}{C_f + C_r}$   
 $I = mk^2, l = a + b$

Equations of motion: Book work - see lecture notes

$$m \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & k^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \dot{v} \\ \dot{r} \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} C/u & CS/u + mu \\ CS/u & Cq^2/u \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} v \\ r \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} Y + C_f \delta \\ xY + aC_f \delta \end{Bmatrix} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

(b) steady state response to side wind

$$\dot{v} = \dot{r} = 0 \quad \text{so} \quad \begin{bmatrix} C/u & CS/u + mu \\ CS/u & Cq^2/u \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} v_{ss} \\ r_{ss} \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{Bmatrix} Y + C_f \delta \\ xY + aC_f \delta \end{Bmatrix} \quad \text{--- (1a)}$$

Solving for unknown steady state velocities:

$$\begin{Bmatrix} v_{ss} \\ r_{ss} \end{Bmatrix} = \frac{\begin{bmatrix} Cq^2/u & -(CS/u + mu) \\ -CS/u & C/u \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} Y + C_f \delta \\ xY + aC_f \delta \end{Bmatrix}}{\left(\frac{C}{u}\right)\left(\frac{Cq^2}{u}\right) - \left(\frac{CS}{u}\right)\left(\frac{CS}{u} + mu\right)} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

Multiplying out the denominator gives

$$\frac{1}{u^2} [C_f G l^2 - C S m u^2]$$

$$\text{So } \frac{r_{ss}}{u} = \frac{-CS(Y + C_f \delta) + C(xY + aC_f \delta)}{C_f G l^2 - C S m u^2} \quad \text{--- (3)}$$

For  $r_{ss} = 0$  &  $u < u_c$  :  $\cancel{C} Y (x - s) + \cancel{C} C_f \delta (a - s) = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \delta = - \frac{(x - s) Y}{C_f (a - s)} \quad \text{--- (4)}$$

$$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{If } a = s : \frac{aC_f - bC_r}{C_f + C_r} = a \Rightarrow aC_f - bC_r = aC_f + aC_r \\ \Rightarrow (a + b)C_r = 0 \Rightarrow \underline{\underline{C_r = 0}} \\ \text{ie vehicle has only one wheel and therefore spins} \\ \text{under the action of the yaw moment} \end{array} \right]$$

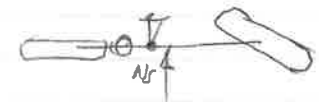
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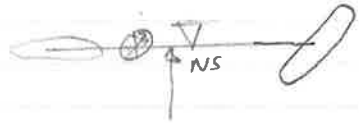
$$\delta = \frac{-(x-s)\gamma}{C_f(a-s)} = \frac{(C_f+C_r)(s-x)}{C_f C_r \cdot L} \quad \text{for } \beta_{ss} = 0$$

for  $s < 0$  (understeer) -  $a-s > 0$

for  $s > 0$  (oversteer)  $|s| < a$  ie NS point is always within the frame  $\Rightarrow$  so denominator is always +ve

if  $x = s$ ,  $\delta = 0$  ie the force is applied at the neutral steer point

if  $x > s$   $\delta < 0$  ie turn into wind 

if  $x < s$   $\delta > 0$  ie turn away from wind 

(c) To find sideslip, substitute (4) into (1a), with  $\beta_{ss} = 0$ :

$$c \frac{v_{ss}}{u} + (c_s \mu + m u) \beta_{ss} = \gamma + C_f \delta_{ss}$$

$$\frac{v_{ss}}{u} = \beta_{ss} \Rightarrow C \beta_{ss} = \gamma + \frac{C_f (s-x)\gamma}{C_f (a-s)} = \frac{\gamma (a-s+s-x)}{a-s}$$

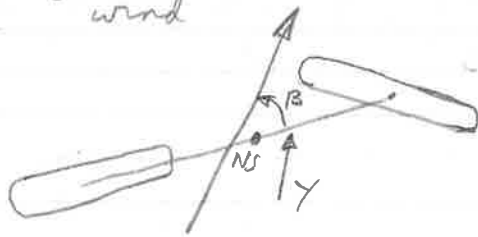
$$\text{So } \frac{C \beta_{ss}}{\gamma} = \frac{a-x}{a-s}$$

$x$  can't be  $> a$  because the force would be applied forward of the front wheel. So numerator is always  $> 0$

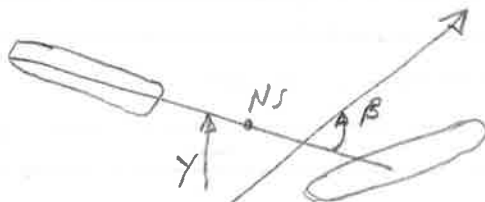
Denominator is always  $> 0$  because  $|s| < a$

Conclusion:  $\frac{C \beta_{ss}}{\gamma} > 0$  for all conditions ie the vehicle always has a steady sideslip velocity away from the wind

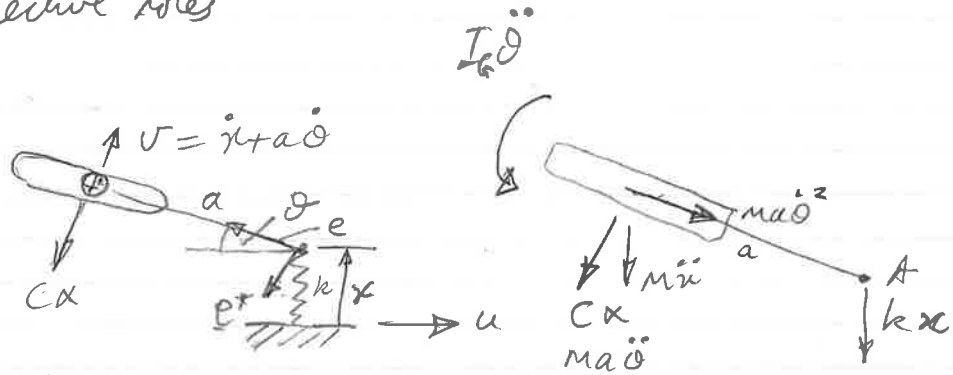
$x > s$



$x < s$



2a. See lecture notes  
2b.



$$\underline{R}_G = \underline{x}_j + a \underline{e}$$

$$\dot{\underline{R}}_G = \dot{\underline{x}}_j + a \dot{\theta} \underline{e}^*$$

$$\ddot{\underline{R}}_G = \ddot{\underline{x}}_j + a \ddot{\theta} \underline{e}^* - a \dot{\theta}^2 \underline{e}$$

slip angle  $\alpha \approx \frac{\dot{x} + a \dot{\theta}}{u} + \theta$

$$\downarrow \sum F_V: m(\ddot{x} + a\ddot{\theta}) + c\left(\frac{\dot{x} + a\dot{\theta}}{u} + \theta\right) + kx = 0$$

$$\oplus \sum M_A: I_G \ddot{\theta} + a \left[ m(\ddot{x} + a\ddot{\theta}) + c\left(\frac{\dot{x} + a\dot{\theta}}{u} + \theta\right) \right] = 0$$

in matrix form

$$\begin{bmatrix} m & ma \\ ma & I_G + ma^2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \ddot{x} \\ \ddot{\theta} \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} c/u & ca/u \\ ca/u & ca^2/u \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} \dot{x} \\ \dot{\theta} \end{Bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} k & c \\ 0 & ca \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} x \\ \theta \end{Bmatrix} = 0$$

Let  $\underline{q} = \begin{Bmatrix} x \\ \theta \end{Bmatrix} e^{st}$  Then the characteristic eqn is:

$$\begin{vmatrix} ms^2 + c/u + k & mas^2 + \frac{ca}{u}s + c \\ mas^2 + \frac{cas}{u} & (I_G + ma^2)s^2 + \frac{ca^2}{u}s + ca \end{vmatrix} = 0$$

from which:

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= (ms^2 + c/u + k) \left[ (I_G + ma^2)s^2 + \frac{ca^2}{u}s + ca \right] - (mas^2 + \frac{cas}{u} + c) \left( \frac{mas^2}{u} + \frac{cas}{u} \right) \\ \Rightarrow s^4 & \left[ m(I_G + ma^2) - \frac{m^2 a^2}{u} \right] + s^3 \left[ \frac{mca^2}{u} + \frac{c}{u}(I_G + ma^2) - \frac{mca^2}{u} - \frac{mca^2}{u} \right] \\ & + s^2 \left[ k(I_G + ma^2) + \frac{c^2 a^2}{u^2} + \frac{mca}{u} - \frac{mca}{u} - \frac{c^2 a^2}{u^2} \right] \end{aligned}$$

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$$+s \left[ \frac{ca^2}{u} + \frac{ca^2k}{u} - \frac{c^2a}{u} \right] + kca$$

$$\text{ie } s^4 \left( \frac{mI_G}{a_4} \right) + s^3 \left( \frac{I_G c}{u a_3} \right) + s^2 k (I_G + ma^2)_{a_2} \\ + s \left( \frac{ca^2k}{u a_1} \right) + kca_{a_0}$$

Stability conditions (Routh-Hurwitz)

(i) All  $a_i$ 's +ve  $\Rightarrow u > 0$

(ii)  $a_1 a_2 a_3 > a_0 a_3^2 + a_4 a_1^2$

$$\Rightarrow k \left( \frac{ca^2k}{u} \right) (I_G + ma^2) \left( \frac{I_G c}{u} \right) > (kca) \left( \frac{I_G c}{u} \right)^2 + \left( \frac{mI_G}{u} \right) \left( \frac{ca^2k}{u} \right)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow k \cancel{I_G} \cancel{a^2} \cancel{k} (I_G + ma^2) > I_G \cancel{k} \cancel{c} + m \cancel{I_G} \cancel{a^2} \cancel{k}^3$$

$$ka(I_G + ma^2) > I_G c + ma^3 k$$

$$\Rightarrow \underline{\underline{k > c/a}}$$

Dimensionally correct ✓

3(a)

Vertical displacement spectrum is of the form:

$$S_z(n) = K n^{-w}$$

where  $S_z(n)$  is single-sided MSSD ( $m^3/\text{cycle}$ )

$n$  is wavenumber (cycle/m)

$w$  is slope

$K$  is roughness (in compatible units)

In fig 1(a) it is evident that  $w=2$  (since  $S_z$  drops two decades for one decade of  $n$ )

Hence differentiating the profile to give a velocity profile will scale the spectral density by  $n^2$  giving a zero slope, hence can be idealised as white noise velocity.

(b) (i) Mean square dynamic tyre force should be minimised in order to maximise the cornering and braking forces achievable by the tyres, and to minimise damage to infrastructure (roads & bridges).

$$\frac{dE(\cdot)}{dk} = \frac{\pi S_0 (2k(m_u + m_s)^3 - 2(m_u + m_s)m_u m_s k_t)}{m_s^2 c}$$

equate to zero  $2k(m_u + m_s)^3 = 2(m_u + m_s)m_u m_s k_t$

$$k = \frac{m_u m_s k_t}{(m_u + m_s)^2}$$

If  $m_u \ll m_s$

$$k \approx \frac{m_u k_t}{m_s}$$

$$3b \text{ (ii) let } E(c) = \frac{\pi S_0 (A + (m_u + m_s)^2 k_e c^2)}{m_s^2 c}$$

$$\text{where } A = (m_u + m_s)^3 k_e^2 - 2(m_u + m_s) m_u m_s k_e k + m_u m_s^2 k_e^2$$

$$\frac{dE(c)}{dc} = -\frac{\pi S_0 A}{m_s^2 c^2} + \frac{\pi S_0 (m_u + m_s)^2 k_e}{m_s^2}$$

$$\text{equate to zero } \frac{\pi S_0 A}{m_s^2 c^2} = \frac{\pi S_0 (m_u + m_s)^2 k_e}{m_s^2}$$

$$c^2 = \frac{A}{(m_u + m_s)^2 k_e}$$

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{(m_u + m_s)^3 k_e^2 - 2(m_u + m_s) m_u m_s k_e k + m_u m_s^2 k_e^2}{(m_u + m_s)^2 k_e}}$$

$$\text{now } m_u \ll m_s \text{ and } k \sim \frac{m_u k_e}{m_s}$$

$$\text{so } m_u + m_s \rightarrow m_s \text{ and } \frac{m_u}{m_s} \ll 1$$

thus

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{\frac{m_u^2}{m_s^2} m_s^3 k_e^2 - 2m_s^2 m_u k_e \frac{m_u k_e}{m_s} + m_u m_s^2 k_e^2}{m_s^2 k_e}}$$

$$c = \sqrt{\frac{\frac{m_u^2}{m_s} k_e^2 - 2\frac{m_u^2}{m_s} k_e + m_u k_e}{m_s}}$$

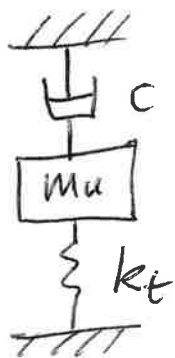
$$= \sqrt{m_u k_e \left( \frac{m_u}{m_s} - \frac{2m_u}{m_s} + 1 \right)}$$

$$c \approx \sqrt{m_u k_e}$$

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iii) One could postulate that setting  $c$  to minimize dynamic tyre force involves achieving a desirable damping ratio for each of the two modes of vibration.

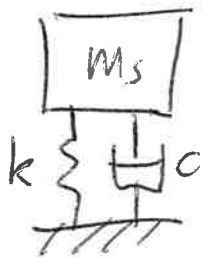
The unsprung mass mode can be idealised as:



From the mechanics data book, the damping ratio  $\zeta_u = \sqrt{\frac{c}{2\sqrt{k_t m_u}}}$

thus for given  $\zeta_u$ ,  $c \propto \sqrt{k_t m_u}$

The sprung mass mode can be idealised as:  
(assuming  $k \ll k_t$ )



damping ratio  $\zeta_s = \sqrt{\frac{c}{2\sqrt{k m_s}}}$

but from (b)(i)  $k = \frac{m_u k_t}{m_s}$

So  $\zeta_s = \sqrt{\frac{c}{2\sqrt{k_t m_u}}}$

and for given  $\zeta_s$ ,  $c \propto \sqrt{k_t m_u}$

Thus, providing  $k$  is set according to (b)(i), the damping ratios of both modes are not determined by  $m_s$ .

- 4 (a)
- model has only 2 dof, real vehicle has 6 dof spring mass, also unsprung masses, engine mass, flexural modes of body structure.
  - real vehicle is excited in bounce and roll, due to travel along two parallel tracks, compared to single track of model.
  - model is linear, real vehicle is nonlinear due to kinematics of suspension, friction, nonlinear spring and damper characteristics.

(b) Model is symmetrical about centre of mass, so modes of vibration are pure bounce and pure pitch about centre of mass.

$$\text{pure bounce nat freq } \sqrt{\frac{2k}{m}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot 80 \cdot 10^3}{1000}}$$

$$= 12.65 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{2.01 \text{ Hz}}}$$

$$\text{pure pitch nat freq } \sqrt{\frac{2ka^2}{I}} = \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot 80 \cdot 10^3 \cdot 1.2^2}{1500}}$$

$$= 12.39 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{1.97 \text{ Hz}}}$$

(c) time delay between axles is  $\frac{2a}{u}$

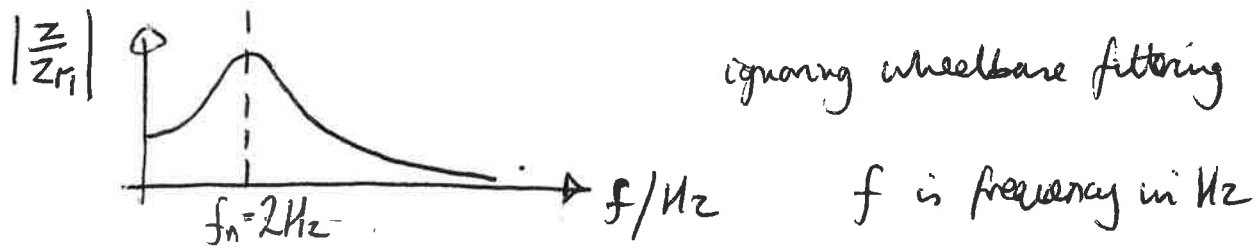
$$\text{hence } Z_{r2}(j\omega) = e^{-j\omega \frac{2a}{u}} Z_{r1}(j\omega)$$

$$\text{thus } \begin{Bmatrix} z \\ \theta \end{Bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} H_z & H_z \\ -H_\theta & H_\theta \end{bmatrix} \begin{Bmatrix} 1 \\ e^{-j\omega \frac{2a}{u}} \end{Bmatrix} Z_{r1}$$

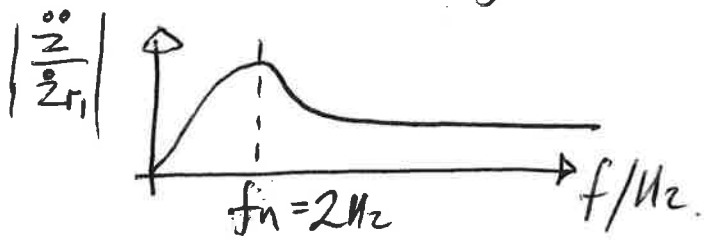
$$\therefore \underline{\underline{\frac{z}{Z_{r1}} = H_z(1 + e^{-j\omega \frac{2a}{u}})}, \quad \underline{\underline{\frac{\theta}{Z_{r1}}} = H_\theta(-1 + e^{-j\omega \frac{2a}{u}})}}$$



(d) start from transfer function of 1 dof system case(c) in mechanics data book.



scale by frequency to account for vel in, accn out:



now account for wheelbase filtering

zeros in  $\frac{z}{z_{r1}}$  when  $e^{-j\omega \frac{2a}{u}} = -1 = e^{-j(\pi + n2\pi)}$   $n$  is integer

$$\therefore \frac{\omega 2a}{u} = \pi + n2\pi$$

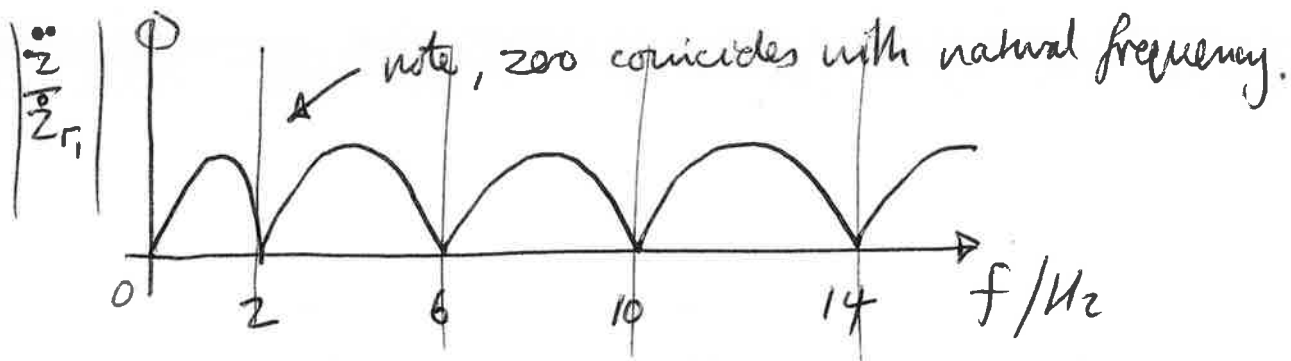
$$\omega = 2\pi f$$

$$\frac{2\pi f 2a}{u} = \pi + n2\pi$$

$$\frac{4a f}{u} = 1 + 2n$$

$$f = (1+2n) \frac{u}{4a} = (1+2n) \frac{9.6}{4 \cdot 1.2} = (1+2n) 2$$

$$f = 2, 6, 10, 14, 18, \dots \text{ Hz.}$$



zeros in  $\frac{\ddot{\theta}}{\ddot{z}_r}$  when  $e^{-j\omega z_a/u} = 1 = e^{-jn2\pi}$

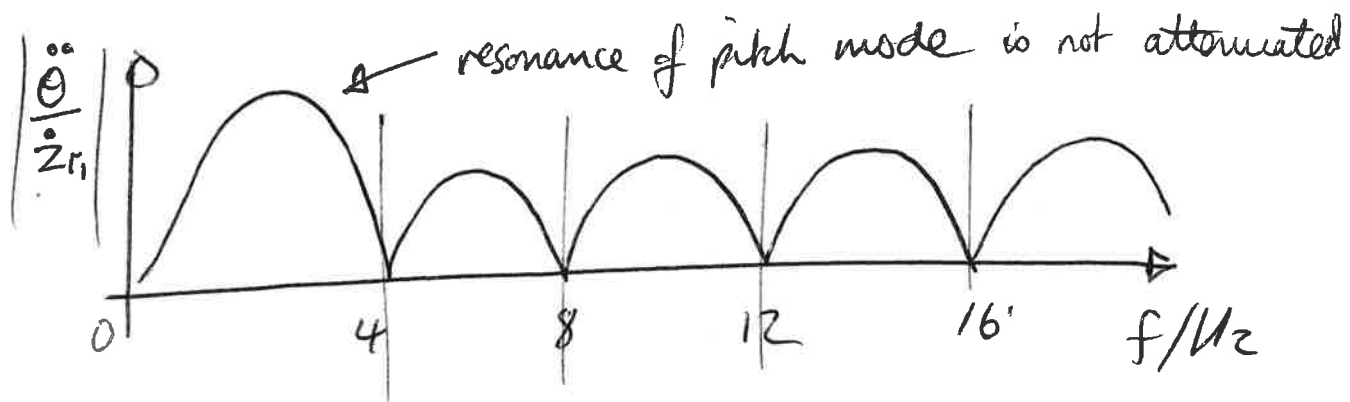
$$\frac{\omega z_a}{u} = n2\pi$$

$$\omega = 2\pi f$$

$$\frac{2\pi f z_a}{u} = n2\pi$$

$$f = \frac{un}{z_a} = \frac{n \cdot 9.6}{2.12} = 4n$$

$$f = 0, 4, 8, 12, 16 \dots \text{Hz}$$



## ENGINEERING TRIPOS PART IIB 2013

### MODULE 4C8 *Applications of Dynamics*

#### Assessor's Comments

##### **Q1 Car subject to side wind**

Very popular question - attempted by all but two candidates. Part (a) was bookwork and well done. Parts (b) and (c) were generally fine, though some students had little idea of how to proceed.

##### **Q2 Wheel Shimmy**

Part (a) was done well. The candidates were surprisingly weak at deriving the two equations of motion – particularly taking moments about the towing point. This is second year work...disappointing.

##### **Q3 Quarter Car Dynamic Tyre Forces**

Part (a) was generally fine. All candidates succeeded with (b)(i); there were some good solutions to (b)(ii), but there were no convincing answers to part (b)(iii).

##### **Q4 Pitch-plane Model**

An unpopular question, but generally well done by those who attempted it. This material is generally understood well by the students.