

FINAL EXAM

Non programmable Calculators are allowed

First exercise: (6points)

Determination of an unknown component

In order to identify an electric component D and find its characteristic quantity $[x]$, we connect it in series with a resistor $R=100\Omega$ across a LFG delivering the voltage $u_G = 12\cos(100\pi t)$ (u in volt, t in sec).

This unknown component D may be a resistor (x is then its resistance) or a capacitor (x is then its capacitance) or a coil of negligible resistance (x is then its inductance). When the channels Y_1 and Y_2 of the oscilloscope are connected as shown, we obtain the waveforms shown in figure 1.

The vertical sensitivity on the channel Y_2 is 3v/div .

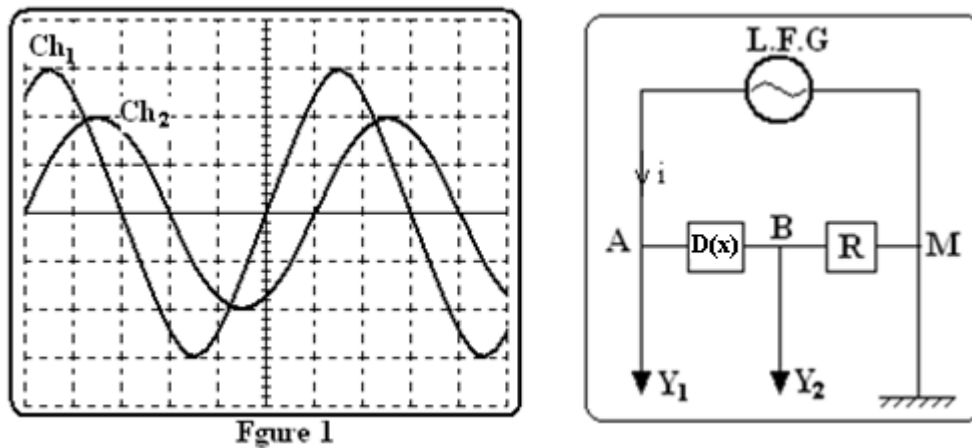


Figure 1

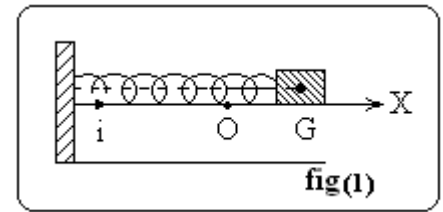
- 1) Calculate the vertical sensitivity on the channel Y_1 .
- 2) Which waveform leads the other? And by what angle? Deduce the nature of the unknown component.
- 3) Write the expression of the current i in the circuit as a function of time and deduce the average power consumed in the circuit.
- 4) Determine $u_D = u_{AB}$ in terms of x and t . Then using the principle of addition of voltages, write the relation among u_G , u_D , and u_R . Using a particular value of t calculate x .
- 5) It is required to add a component in series with the above circuit that would make the effective current in the circuit attain a maximum value (Resonance current). Which of the following choices will do: (giving all the necessary explanations)
 - A resistor of resistance R'
 - A coil of inductance L' and of negligible resistance.
 - A capacitor of capacitance C' .

Calculate then the maximum effective current and the characteristic value of the chosen component.

Second exercise: (7points)

Mechanical Oscillator

An elastic horizontal pendulum is formed of a solid of mass $m=250\text{g}$ and a spring of stiffness $k=10\text{N/m}$. To study the motion of the center of mass G of the solid, an axis is chosen whose origin O coincides with the equilibrium position G_0 of the solid. $\overline{OG} = x$



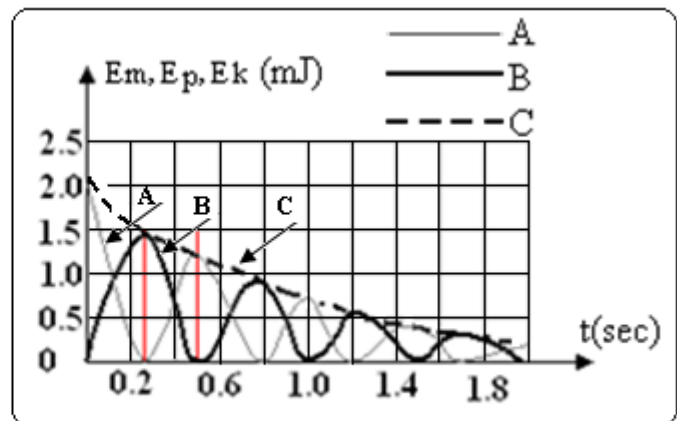
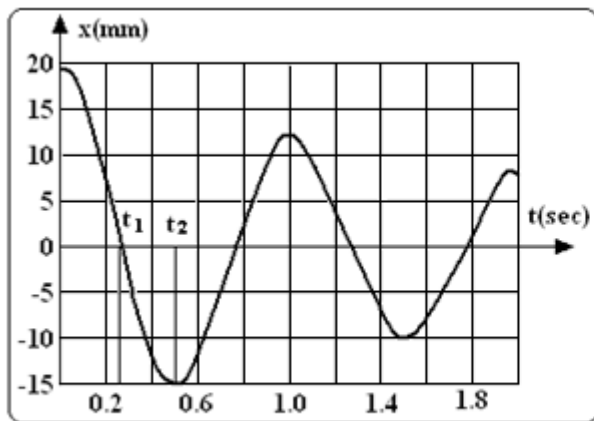
A) Friction is negligible.

Displace the solid 2cm from its equilibrium position and release it without initial velocity at $t=0$.

- 1- What is the mode of the oscillations formed?
- 2- Establish the differential equation that describes the motion of G .
- 3- Knowing that $X=X_m\cos(\omega_0 t + \varphi)$ is a solution of the differential equation, determine ω_0 in terms of k and m .
- 4- Determine the numerical values of X_m , ω_0 and φ . Deduce the proper period T_0 of the motion.

B) Friction is not negligible.

In reality the force of friction isn't negligible and equals to $\vec{f} = -k_1\vec{V}$ where $k_1 = \text{cst} > 0$. The tracing of the position of G and the energies of the system (pendulum, Earth) as a function of time gives the following figures:



- 1) What is the mode of oscillations of the pendulum?
 - 2) Using figure (2), determine the pseudo-period T of the oscillations, and compare it with T_0 . Justify.
 - 3) Using figure (3), identify graphs A, B and C. find the period T_1 of A & B. Compare it with T .
 - 4) Two instants t_1 and t_2 are shown on figure (2). Which of the two speeds corresponds to?
 - a. Maximum speed,
 - b. zero speed? Justify.
 - 5) Determine the variation of the ME of the pendulum between the two instants $t_0 = 0$ and $t = 1.4\text{s}$.
 - 6) Calculate the work done by friction between these two instants.
- C) A driving force \vec{F} is applied on G so that the motion of G is described by $X=X_m\cos(\omega_0 t + \varphi)$ as in part A.
- 1) What is the mode of oscillations of the pendulum?

- 2) Determine \vec{F}_1 as a function of k_1 and t .
- 3) Determine the average power given to the pendulum between $t_0 = 0$ and $t = 1.4s$.

Third exercise: (7points)

The nuclide ${}^{108}_{47}Ag$ is β^- emitter.

1. a) Write the equation for this nuclear reaction, specifying the rules used.
- b) Specify the symbol of the resultant nucleus and give its nuclear composition. Using the following table:

${}_{46}Pd$	${}_{47}Ag$	${}_{48}Cd$
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- c) Calculate the energy liberated by the above reaction, knowing that:

$$m_{{}^{108}_{47}Ag} = 107.9865u, \quad m_{{}^{108}_{48}Cd} = 107.9615u, \quad m_{{}^{108}_{46}Pd} = 107.9050u, \quad m_{-1e} = 5.5 \times 10^{-4}u$$

$$1u = 931.5MeV/c^2.$$

2. a) Write the formula representing the law of radioactive decay (N in terms of t) and describe the meaning of each term. No need to demonstrate the formula.
- b) Define the radioactive period T.
- c) Establish the expression of the radioactive constant λ as a function of T.
- d) The variation in activity of a sample of ${}^{108}_{47}Ag$ is studied over time.

Activity A is defined by $A = -\frac{dN}{dt}$ and expressed in Becquerel's.

(One Becquerel corresponds to one disintegration per second).

- i) - Derive activity A as a function of time.
- Complete the following table:

T(min).....	0	0.5	1	1.5	2	2.5	3	3.5	4	4.5	5
A(Bq).....	90	73	63	52	44	39	33	29	24	21	18
lnA.....											

- ii) Draw the representative curve $\ln A = f(t)$,
Scales: Abscissa: $1cm \hat{=} 0.5min$;
Ordinate: $1cm \hat{=} 0.5$.
- iii) Using the above graph, Determine the radioactive constant λ of ${}^{108}_{47}Ag$.
Deduce its radioactive period.
- e) What is the number of nuclei initially present in this sample?

GOOD WORK