

I-(7 points)

Determination of a characteristic of a coil

In order to determine the resistance r of a coil of inductance $L=0.032\text{ H}$, we connect it in series with a capacitor of capacitance $C=160\text{ }\mu\text{F}$ across the terminals of a low frequency generator (LFG) delivering an alternating sinusoidal voltage. Take: $0.32\pi=1$.

The circuit thus carries an alternating sinusoidal current i .

An oscilloscope is connected so as to display the voltage u_g on the channel Y_1 , and the voltage across the coil u_L on the channel Y_2 .

We see on the screen of the oscilloscope a display of the waveforms represented in figure 2.

Let $S_{v_1}=2.5\text{ V/div}$ be the vertical sensitivity on channel Y_1 .

and S_{v_2} be the vertical sensitivity on channel Y_2 .

The voltage across the coil is given by: $u_L=10\sin(100\pi t)$

(u in V & t in s).

1. Redraw figure (1) showing on it the connections of the oscilloscope.

2.a) Find the vertical sensitivity S_{v_2} on channel Y_2 .

b) Find the frequency of signal delivered by the LFG.

3.a) Calculate the phase difference between u_G and u_L .

Which of them leads the other.

b) Deduce the expression of the voltage u_{AD} across the terminals of the generator as a function of time.

4. By supposing that $u_C=u_{AB}=U_m\sin(100\pi t+\phi)$.

Applying the law of addition of voltages, and giving the time two particular values. Find the values of U_m and ϕ .

5.a) Deduce that the instantaneous expression of the current i as a function of time is given

$$\text{by: } i=0.5\sin\left(100\pi t-\frac{\pi}{6}\right).$$

b) Using two expressions of the average power consumed across the coil, the expression justified in part 5 and that of u_L for $\omega=100\pi\text{ rad/s}$.

Find the value of r .

6. We keep the maximum value of u_g constant but we vary its frequency f ; the effective value of the current in the circuit is maximum for certain value f_0 .

a) What is the name of the physical phenomenon thus observed?

b) Find the value of f_0 .

c) The circuit is now equipped by a fuse that cannot withstand a current whose effective intensity exceed 400 mA .

Show that it is not possible to visualize the preceding physical phenomenon.

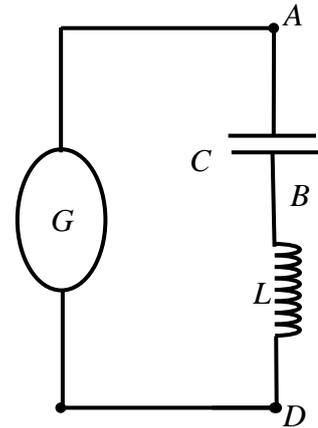


Figure 1

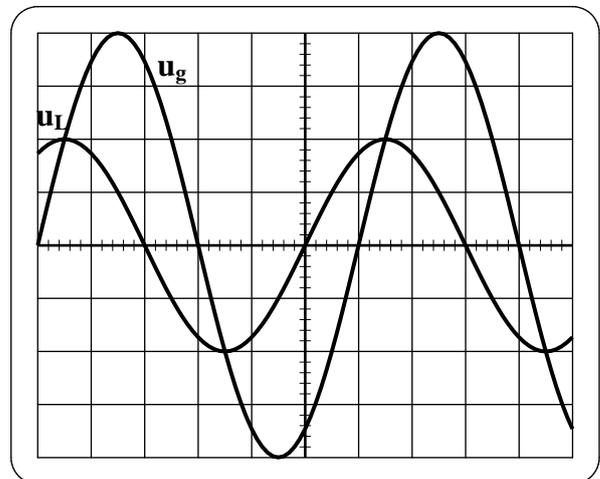


Figure 2

II-(6 points)

Photons and vision

According to Planck-Einstein's Hypothesis:

«An electromagnetic radiation of frequency ν , is composed of energy particles called photons».

Given:

✗ $1\text{nm} = 10^{-9}\text{m}$.

✗ $1\text{eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19}\text{J}$.

✗ The speed of light in vacuum $c = 3 \times 10^8\text{m/s}$

- 1.a) What aspect of light, the previous statement, does it show evidence of?
 - b) State two physical properties of the photon.
 - c) What is meant by duality of light? Give a physical phenomenon that is interpreted basing on each aspect.
2. To study the relationship between the energy E of a photon and its frequency ν , we measure the photon's energy of many electromagnetic radiations that are placed in the following table.

$\nu(\times 10^{14})\text{Hz}$	0.3	3.75	5	7.5	15
$E(\text{eV})$	0.124	1.56	2.1	3.11	6.21

- a) Plot the graph representing the variations of the energy of a photon as a function of the frequency ν , by taking as a scale:
- On the abscissas axis: $1\text{cm} \equiv 1 \times 10^{14}\text{Hz}$.
- On the ordinate axis: $1\text{cm} \equiv 0.5\text{eV}$
- b) Justify, basing on the graph plotted and by the means of two evidences, that the energy of a photon is proportional to the frequency ν .
- c) Determine, in SI units, the value of this constant of proportionality, called Planck's constant h .
- d) Knowing that the spectrum of visible light in vacuum extends in the interval: $400\text{nm} \leq \lambda \leq 750\text{nm}$.
- i) Find the range of frequencies of visible light.
 - ii) Indicate to which domain the radiations mentioned in the previous table belong, the visible, ultraviolet or infrared spectrum?

In what follows we consider that the Planck's constant h is equal to: $h = 6.64 \times 10^{-34}\text{J}$.

3. To start up a visual excitation, 100 photons at least must reach the retina whose area is $0.15 \times 10^{-9}\text{m}^2$ during a duration of 0.1s . The retina's surface holds 20 rods.
- a) What is the number of photons needed to provoke an excitation of a rod during this duration.
 - b) i) Write the expression of a photon's energy in terms of h, c & λ_0 .
 - ii) What is the power absorbed by a rod receiving a radiation whose wavelength is $\lambda_0 = 550\text{nm}$.
 - c) What must be the minimum power of a luminous source emitting this same radiation uniformly in all directions of the space in order to be visible from 10km .

III- (7 points)
Horizontal elastic pendulum and Earthquakes

Part A
Theoretical study

The horizontal elastic pendulum of the figure below is formed of a solid (S) of mass $m = 100g$ and a spring of constant $k = 10N/m$. The center of mass G of (S) may move along a horizontal axis (O, \vec{i}) as shown in Figure 1. The abscissa of G at any instant t during oscillations is x and its velocity is $\vec{v} = v \vec{i}$. The horizontal plane containing G is taken as the gravitational potential energy reference. The pendulum thus performs free undamped oscillations of amplitude $x_m = 4cm$.

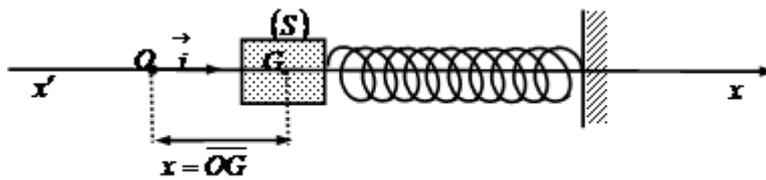


Figure 1

1. Write the expression of the mechanical energy ME of the pendulum $[(S), \text{spring}]$ as a function of m , k , x and v .
2. Derive the differential equation that describes the motion of the center of mass G .
3. a) Determine the expression of T_0 so that $x = x_m \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{T_0} t\right)$ is the solution of this differential equation.
 b) Deduce the value of the proper period T_0 .
4. Applying the principle of conservation of mechanical energy, find the speed of the box when it passes through the equilibrium position.

Part B
Functioning of a seismometer

A seismometer is a device used to detect and record any disturbance of Earth. It functions on the principle of a damped oscillator solid-spring connected to a building fixed to ground. The seismometers are sensitive to vertical and horizontal vibrations. We are interested to the functioning of a horizontal seismometer.

In fact a seismic signal can hold waves, that are produced at a point called epicenter, of which we study in particular two types P and S , having periods that extends from few hundredths of second to many minutes and the recording obtained is shown in Figure 2. The seismometer enters in resonance for a particular frequency. It acts equally as a damping system, necessarily to obtain a reliable restitution of the ground motion.

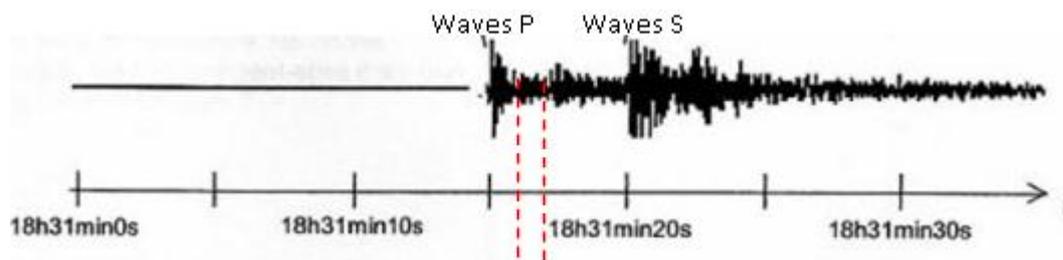


Figure 2

1. Indicate in this system: the exciter? The resonator?
2. By admitting that the damping is weak; for what period of the exciter, the resonance phenomenon takes place?
Note: without the phenomenon of resonance, the relative motion is very weak and the recording is not reliable.
3. To simplify the study we consider that the waves P and S are periodic as indicated in figure2.
 - a) Which wave propagates faster P or S basing on the previous recording? Justify.
 - b) Observing the recording, specify the range of magnitude of the periods T , shown in the previous recording, of waves P and S is $10s$, $1s$ or $0.1s$ from figure2 above.
 - c) Calculate an approximate value of the solid mass m , during this Earthquake.
The constant of spring $k = 100N.m^{-1}$.
4. During the seism, certain waves have frequencies very small to that of the waves P and S . How should we modify the mass m in order to obtain a reliable recording?