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# This exam is formed of four exercises in four pages numbered from 1 to 4. The use of non-programmable calculator is recommended

## First Exercise: (7 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> points)

## Torsion pendulum

The object of this exercise is to determine the moment of inertia I of a homogeneous rod AB with respect to an axis perpendicular to the rod at its midpoint and the torsion constant C of a wire OO' of negligible mass.

The rod has a mass M and a length  $AB = \ell = 60$  cm.

A torsion pendulum [P] is obtained by fixing the mid-point of AB to one end O of the wire while the other end O' is fixed to a support . The rod is shifted, from its equilibrium position, by a small angle  $\theta_m$ in the horizontal plane and it is released from rest at an instant  $t_0 = 0$ . The rod thus may turn in the horizontal plane about an axis ( $\Delta$ ) passing through OO'.



At an instant t during motion, the angular abscissa of the rod is  $\theta$  and its angular velocity is  $\dot{\theta} = \frac{d\theta}{dt}$ 

The horizontal plane containing the rod is taken as a gravitational potential energy reference.

## We neglect any force of friction and take $\pi^2 = 10$ .

#### A – Theoretical study

- 1) Give, at the instant t, the expression of the mechanical energy M.E of the system [(P), Earth] in terms of I, C,  $\theta$  and  $\dot{\theta}$ .
- 2) a) Write the expression of M.E when  $\theta = \theta_m$

**b**) Determine, in terms of C,  $\theta_m$  and I, the expression of the angular speed of [P] as it passes through its equilibrium position.

- 3) Derive the second order differential equation in  $\theta$  that governs the motion of [P].
- 4) Deduce that the motion of [P] is sinusoidal.
- 5) Determine the expression of the proper period  $T_1$  of the pendulum in terms of I and C.

#### *B* – Experimental study

- 1) By means of a stopwatch, we measure the duration  $t_1$  of 20 oscillations and we obtain  $t_1 = 20$  s. Determine the relation between I and C.
- 2) At each extremity of the rod we fixe a particle of mass m = 25g. We thus obtain a new torsion pendulum [P'] whose motion is also rotational sinusoidal of proper period T<sub>2</sub>.
  - a) Determine the moment of inertia I' of the system (rod + particles) with respect to the axis (∆) in terms of I, m, and l.
  - **b**) Write down the expression of  $T_2$  in terms of I , C , m and  $\ell$  .
  - *c*) By means of a stopwatch, we measure the duration  $t_2$  of 20 oscillations and we obtain  $t_2 = 40$  s. Find a new relation between I and C.
- *3*) Calculate the values of I and C.



## The phenomenon of self-induction

The set up represented by the adjacent figure consists of an ideal generator of emf E = 12 V, a coil of resistance  $r = 10 \Omega$  and of inductance L = 40 mH, a resistor of resistance  $R = 40 \Omega$  and two switches  $K_1$  and  $K_2$ .

- A At the instant  $t_0 = 0$ , we close the switch  $K_1$  and we leave  $K_2$  open.
  - At an instant t, the circuit carries a current  $i_1$  in the transient state.
  - *1*) Derive the differential equation that governs the variation of i<sub>1</sub> as a function of time.
  - 2)  $I_0$  is the current in the steady state. Determine the expression of  $I_0$  in terms of E,r and R and calculate its value.
  - 3) The solution of the differential equation is of the form:  $i_1 = I_0(1 e^{\tau})$ .
    - a) Determine the expression of  $\tau$  in terms of L, r and R and calculate its value.
      - **b**) Give the physical significance of  $\tau$ .
  - a) Determine the expression of the self-induced emf e<sub>1</sub> as a function of time t.
    b) Calculate the algebraic value of e<sub>1</sub> at the instant t<sub>0</sub> = 0.
- B After a few seconds, the steady state being reached, we open K<sub>1</sub> and we close K<sub>2</sub> at the same instant. We consider the instant of closing K<sub>2</sub> as a new origin of time t<sub>0</sub> = 0. The circuit (L - D, r) thus corrige an induced current is at an instant t
  - The circuit (L, R, r) thus carries an induced current  $i_2$  at an instant t.
  - *1*) Determine the direction of  $i_2$ .
  - 2) Derive the differential equation that governs the variation of  $i_2$  as a function of time . -t
  - 3) Verify that  $i_2 = I_0 e^{-\tau}$  is the solution of this differential equation.
  - 4) Calculate the algebraic value of the self-induced emf  $e_2$  at the instant  $t_0 = 0$ .

C – Compare  $e_1$  and  $e_2$  and deduce the role of the coil in each of the two previous circuits.

### Third Exercise: (7 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> points)

#### Characteristics of an (R, L, C) circuit

In order to determine the characteristics of an (R, L, C) circuit, we connect the circuit represented in figure 1. This circuit is formed of a resistor of resistance  $R=650 \Omega$ , a coil of inductance L and of negligible resistance and a capacitor of capacitance C, all connected in series across a function generator (LFG) delivering across its terminals a sinusoidal alternating voltage  $u_g$  of the form:

 $u_g = u_{AM} = U_m \cos(2 \pi f)t$ .





A –The frequency of the voltage  $u_G$  is adjusted on the value  $f_1$ .

We display, on the screen of an oscilloscope, the variations , as a function of time, of the voltage  $u_{AM}$  across the generator on the channel (Y<sub>1</sub>) and the voltage  $u_{DM}$  across the resistor on the channel (Y<sub>2</sub>). The waveforms obtained are represented in figure 2.

Vertical sensitivity on both channels is: 2 V/div.

Horizontal sensitivity is: 0.1 ms /div.

- Redraw figure (1) showing on it the connections of the oscilloscope.
- 2) Referring to the waveforms, determine:
  - *a*) The value of the frequency  $f_1$ .
  - **b**) The absolute value of  $\varphi_1$  the phase difference between  $u_{AM}$  and  $u_{DM}$ .
- 3) The current i carried by the circuit has the form:

 $i = I_m \cos (2\pi f_1 t - \phi_1).$ 

*a*) Write down the expressions of the voltages:  $u_{AB}$ ,

 $u_{BD}$  and  $u_{DM}$  as a function of time.





**b**) The relation:  $u_{AM} = u_{AB} + u_{BD} + u_{DM}$  is valid for any

instant t . Show, by giving t a particular value, that:

$$\tan \phi_1 = \frac{L(2\pi f_1) - \frac{1}{C(2\pi f_1)}}{R}$$

B – Starting from the value  $f_1$ , we decrease continuously the frequency f. We notice that, for  $f_0 = 500$  Hz the circuit is the seat a of current resonance phenomenon.

Deduce from what preceded a relation between L, C and  $f_0$ .

*C* – We keep decreasing the frequency f. For a value  $f_2$  of f we find that the phase difference between  $u_{AM}$  and  $u_{DM}$  is  $\phi_2$  such that  $\phi_2 = -\phi_1$ .

- 1) Determine the relation among  $f_1$ ,  $f_2$  and  $f_0$ .
- **2)** Deduce the value of  $f_2$ .

D – Deduce from what is preceded the values of L and C.

#### Fourth Exercise: (7 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> points)

### Energy levels of the hydrogen atom

The energies of the various levels of the hydrogen atom are given by the relation:

 $E_n = -\frac{E_0}{r^2}$ , where  $E_0$  is a positive constant and n is a positive whole number.

#### Given:

Planck's constant  $h = 6.62 \times 10^{-34}$  J.s; 1 eV =  $1.6 \times 10^{-19}$  J; 1 nm =  $10^{-9}$  m. Speed of light in vacuum:  $c = 3 \times 10^{8}$  m/s

- 1) a) The energy of the hydrogen atom is quantized. What is meant by "quantized energy"? b) Explain why the absorption or emission spectrum of hydrogen consists of lines.
- 2) A hydrogen atom, initially excited, undergoes a downward transition from the energy level  $E_2$  to the energy level E<sub>1</sub>. It then emits the radiation of wavelength in vacuum:  $\lambda_{2\rightarrow 1} = 1.216 \times 10^{-7}$  m. Determine, in J, the value:
  - *a*) of the constant  $E_0$ ;
  - b) of the ionization energy of the hydrogen atom taken in its ground state.
- 3) For hydrogen, we define several series that are named after the researchers who contributed in their study. Among these series we consider that of Balmer, which is characterized by the downward transitions from the energy level  $E_p > E_2$  ( p > 2) to the energy level  $E_2$  ( n = 2).

To each transition  $p \rightarrow 2$  corresponds a line of wave  $\lambda_{p \rightarrow 2}$ .

- a) Show that  $\lambda_{p\to 2}$ , expressed in nm, is given by the relation:.  $\frac{1}{\lambda_{p\to 2}} = 1.096 \times 10^{-2} \left| \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{n^2} \right|$
- b) The analysis of the emission spectrum of the hydrogen atom shows four visible lines. We consider the three lines  $H_{\alpha}$ ,  $H_{\beta}$  and  $H_{\gamma}$  of respective wavelengths in vacuum are  $\lambda_{\alpha}=656.28~nm$  ;  $~\lambda_{\beta}=486.13~nm$  and  $\lambda_{\gamma}=434.05~nm.$ To which transition does each of these radiations correspond?
- c) Show that the wavelengths of the corresponding radiations tend , when  $p \rightarrow \infty$ , towards a limit  $\lambda_0$ . whose value is to be calculated.
- 4) Balmer, in 1885, knew only the lines of the hydrogen atom that belong to the visible spectrum. He wrote

the formula:  $\lambda = K \frac{p^2}{p^2 - 4}$ , where K is a positive constant and p a positive whole number.

Determine the value of K using the numerical values and compare its value with that of  $\lambda_0$ .

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First exercise (7.5 points) **A** - 1) ME = KE +  $\hat{P}.E_g + \hat{P}E_e = \frac{1}{2}I\theta'^2 + 0 + \frac{1}{2}C\theta^2$ (3/4) **2) a)** for max. deviation,  $\theta = \theta_m$  and  $\theta' = 0$ .  $E_{\rm m} = \frac{1}{2}C\theta_{\rm m}^2$  (1/2) **b**) At equilibrium position,  $E_m = \frac{1}{2} I\theta'_m^2$  $\Rightarrow \theta' = \pm \theta_m \sqrt{\frac{C}{L}}$  (3/4) 3) M.E is conserved since no friction thus the derivative of M.E w.r.t time is zero  $I \theta' \theta'' + C \theta \theta' = 0, \quad \theta' \neq 0 \quad \text{thus} \quad \theta'' + \frac{C}{r} \theta = 0$ (3/4) 4) Equation has the form  $\theta'' + \omega^2 \theta = 0$ It has a sinusoidal solution where  $\omega^2 = \frac{C}{T}$ : (1/4) **5**)  $\omega^2 = \frac{C}{T}$  $\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} \text{ thus } T_1 = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I}{C}} \qquad (34)$ **B**-1) t<sub>1</sub> = 20T<sub>1</sub> = 20s thus T<sub>1</sub> = 1 =  $2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I}{C}}$ and 40  $\frac{I}{C}$  = 1 then C = 40 I (1) **2) a)** I' = I + 2m  $(\frac{\ell}{2})^2$  = I + m  $\frac{\ell^2}{2}$  = I + 0.0045 (34) **b**) Same law of motion thus  $T_2 = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I'}{C}} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I + \frac{m\ell^2}{2}}{C}}$  (1/2) c)  $T_2 = 2$  thus  $10 \frac{I'}{C} = 1$  or C = 10 I' = 10(I + 0.0045) = 10 I + 0.045 (34) 3)  $C = 40 I = 10I + 0.045 \implies I = 1.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg.m}^2$  and  $C = 0.06 \text{ N} \times \text{m}$  (34)

Second exercise (7.5 points)  $\mathbf{A} - \mathbf{1} \mathbf{E} = \mathbf{r} \mathbf{i}_1 + \mathbf{L} \frac{d\mathbf{i}_1}{d\mathbf{t}} + \mathbf{R} \mathbf{i}_1 \Longrightarrow \mathbf{E} = (\mathbf{r} + \mathbf{R}) \mathbf{i}_1 + \mathbf{L} \frac{d\mathbf{1}_1}{d\mathbf{t}} \cdot (\mathbf{1}/2)$ 2) When the steady state mode is established,  $i_1$  becomes constant and  $\frac{dI_1}{dI_2} = 0$ ; the current is then I<sub>0</sub> such that:  $E = (r+R) I_0 \implies I_0 = \frac{E}{R+r}$ .  $I_0 = \frac{12}{40 + 10} = 0.24 \text{ A}$  (1) 3) a)  $\frac{di_1}{dt} = I_{0'} \tau (e^{\frac{-t}{\tau}}) \Longrightarrow E = (r+R) I_0(1 - e^{\frac{-t}{\tau}}) + L I_{0'} \tau (e^{\frac{-t}{\tau}})$  $\Rightarrow L/\tau = (r+R) \Rightarrow \tau = \frac{L}{R+r} = \frac{0.04}{50} = 0.8 \text{ ms.} \quad (1)$ b) The time constant characterizes the duration of the growth of the current in a (R+r, L)component  $(\frac{1}{4})$ 4) a)  $e_1 = -L \frac{di_1}{L} = -L I_0 \tau (e^{\frac{-t}{\tau}}) = -E e^{\frac{-t}{\tau}}$ . (1/2) **b**) For t = 0,  $e_1 = -E = -12$  V. (1/4) **B** – 1) According to Lenz law, the coil carries a current  $i_2$  of the same direction as that of  $i_1$ .  $(\frac{1}{2})$ 2)  $u_{AC} = u_{AB} + u_{BC} \Longrightarrow 0 = ri_2 + L \frac{di_2}{dt} + Ri_2 \implies L \frac{di_2}{dt} + (R+r)i_2 = 0$  (3/4) 3)  $\frac{\mathrm{d}i_2}{\mathrm{d}t} = -I_0 \tau e^{\frac{-t}{\tau}} \Longrightarrow -L I_0 \tau e^{\frac{-t}{\tau}} + (R+r) I_0 e^{\frac{-t}{\tau}} = 0$  (1) 4)  $e_2 = -L \frac{di_2}{d\tau} = -L(-I_0/\tau e^{\frac{-t}{\tau}}) = Ee^{\frac{-t}{\tau}}$ . At t = 0,  $e_2 = E = 12$  V. (3/4)  $C - e_1 = -e_2$ When K<sub>1</sub> is closed, the self-induced emf opposes the growth of the current in the circuit  $\Rightarrow$  e<sub>1</sub> < 0 (the coil plays the role of a generator in opposition). When K<sub>2</sub> is closed, the self-induced emf opposes the decay of the current in the circuit

 $\Rightarrow$  e<sub>2</sub> > 0 (the coil plays the role of a generator). (1)

Third exercise (7.5 points) Fourth exercise (7.5 points) A – 1) Connections of the oscilloscope.  $(\frac{1}{4})$ 1) 2) a)  $T_1 \rightarrow 8 \text{ div} \implies T_1 = 0.8 \text{ ms}$  $f_1 = 1/T_1 = 1/0.8 \times 10^{-3} = 1250 \text{ Hz}$  (1/2) **b**)  $|\phi_1| = 2 \pi 1/8 = \pi/4$  rad. (1/4) **3) a)**  $i = I_m \cos(2\pi f_1 \cdot t - \phi_1)$ ;  $u_{AB} = L di/dt = -LI_m(2\pi f_1) \sin(2\pi f_1 t - \phi_1)$  $uc = 1/C \int dt = I_m/C \int cos(2\pi f_1 t - \varphi_1) dt$  $uc = (I_m / C.2\pi f_1) \sin (2\pi f_1 t - \phi_1)$  $u_{R} = Ri = R I_{m} \cos(2\pi f_{1}t - \phi_{1})$  (1) **b**)  $U_m \cos 2\pi f_1 t = R I_m \cos(2\pi f_1 t - \varphi_1) + (I_m / C.2\pi f_1) \sin(2\pi f_1 t - \varphi_1) - Q_m f_1 t - \varphi_1$  $LI_{m}(2\pi f_{1}) \sin(2\pi f_{1}t - \phi_{1})$  $2\pi f_1 t = \pi/2 \implies 0 = RI_m \sin \varphi_1 + (I_m / C.2\pi f_1) \cos \varphi_1 - L I_m (2\pi f_1) \cos \varphi_1$  $\implies$  Rsin $\phi_1 = [L(2\pi f_1) - 1/(C(2\pi f_1))]I_m \cos \phi_1$  $tg\phi_{1} = \frac{L(2\pi f_{1}) - \frac{1}{C(2\pi f_{1})}}{R} \quad (34)$ 3) a) E **B** – Current resonance  $\implies \phi = 0 \implies tg\phi = 0 \implies L2\pi f_0 - 1/C(2\pi f_0) = 0$  $\Rightarrow$  LC4 $\pi^2$  f<sub>0</sub><sup>2</sup> = 1. (3/4)  $\mathbf{C}_{-1} \operatorname{tg}_{\varphi_1=} \operatorname{tg}_{\varphi_2} \Longrightarrow \frac{\mathbf{L}(2\pi \mathbf{f}_1) - \frac{1}{\mathbf{C}(2\pi \mathbf{f}_1)}}{\mathbf{R}} = \frac{\frac{1}{\mathbf{C}2\pi \mathbf{f}_2} - \mathbf{L}2\pi \mathbf{f}_2}{\mathbf{R}}$  $\implies$  L2 $\pi$ f<sub>1</sub> + L2 $\pi$ f<sub>2</sub> = 1/C [1/(2 $\pi$ f<sub>1</sub>) + 1/(2 $\pi$ f<sub>2</sub>)]  $LC = 1/4\pi^2 f_1 f_2 = 1/4\pi^2 f_0^2 \implies f_0^2 = f_1 f_2$  (11/2) **2)**  $f_2 = (500^2)/1250 = 250000/1250 = 200 \text{ Hz}$  (1/2)  $\mathbf{D} - \varphi_1 = \pi/4 \implies L2\pi(1250) - 1/(C \times 2\pi \times 1250) = 650$  $LC = 1/(4\pi^2 500^2) = 10^{-7} \implies LC \times 4\pi^2 \times 1250^2 - 1 = 650 \times C \times 2\pi \times 1250^2$  $\implies$  C = 5.25 /(650 × 2  $\pi$  × 1250) = 10<sup>-6</sup> F = 1  $\mu$ F  $L = 10^{-7}/10^{-6} = 10^{-1} H = 0.1 H$  (2)

$$E_{p} - E_{2} = -\frac{E_{0}}{p^{2}} + \frac{E_{0}}{4} = \frac{hc}{\lambda_{p,2}} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{\lambda_{p,2}} = \frac{E_{0}}{hc} \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{p^{2}}\right)$$

$$= \frac{2.177 \times 10^{-18} \times 10^{-9}}{6.62 \times 10^{-34} \times 3 \times 10^{8}} \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{p^{2}}\right) = 1.096 \times 10^{-2} \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{p^{2}}\right)$$
(11/2)

**b**) 
$$\lambda_{\alpha} = 656.28 \text{ nm} \implies p=3$$
, then it is the downward transition  $3 \rightarrow 2$ .  
 $\lambda_{\beta} ; 4 \rightarrow 2 \text{ and } \lambda_{\gamma} ; 5 \rightarrow 2$ . (3/4)

c) when 
$$p \to \infty \implies \lambda \to \lambda_0 = \frac{4}{1.096 \times 10^{-2}} = 364.96 \text{ nm}$$
 (1/2)

4) For 
$$\lambda_{\alpha} = 656.28$$
 nm,  $p = 3$ ;  $K = \lambda \frac{p^2 - 4}{p^2} = 364.6$  nm,  $K \cong \lambda_0$  (1<sup>1</sup>/4)