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## EN40: Dynamics and Vibrations

**Final Examination**  
**Saturday May 10 2014: 2pm-5pm**

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### General Instructions

- No collaboration of any kind is permitted on this examination.
- You may bring 2 double sided pages of reference notes. No other material may be consulted
- Write all your solutions in the space provided. No sheets should be added to the exam.
- Make diagrams and sketches as clear as possible, and show all your derivations clearly. Incomplete solutions will receive only partial credit, even if the answer is correct.
- If you find you are unable to complete part of a question, proceed to the next part.

### Please initial the statement below to show that you have read it

By affixing my name to this paper, I affirm that I have executed the examination in accordance with the Academic Honor Code of Brown University. **PLEASE WRITE YOUR NAME ABOVE ALSO!**

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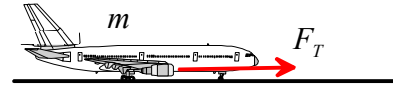
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**FOR PROBLEMS 1-15 WRITE YOUR ANSWER IN THE SPACE PROVIDED. ONLY THE ANSWER APPEARING IN THE SPACE PROVIDED WILL BE GRADED. ILLEGIBLE ANSWERS WILL NOT RECEIVE CREDIT.**

**1.1** The aircraft shown in the figure has mass of 10000kg and is at rest at time  $t=0$ . It is then subjected to an engine thrust that varies with the aircraft's speed according to the formula



$$v = F_0 \left( 1 - \frac{v}{v_0} \right)$$

where  $v_0 = 50m/s$  and  $F_0 = 200kN$ . After 10sec its speed is

- (a)  $200m/s$
- (b)  $50(1 - e^{-200})m/s$
- (c)  $50(1 - e^{-4})m/s$
- (d)  $50(1 - e^{200})m/s$
- (e) None of the above

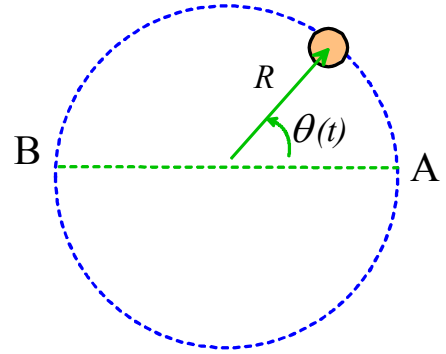
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**1.2** During the 10 second period the engine exerts an impulse

- (a)  $2 \times 10^6 Ns$
- (b)  $500000(1 - e^{-4})Ns$
- (c)  $500000(1 - e^{-200})Ns$
- (d)  $500000(1 - e^{200})Ns$
- (e) None of the above

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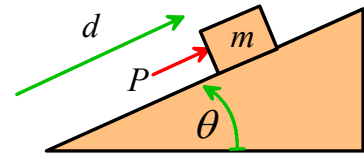
2. The figure shows a particle traveling around a circular path. The angle  $\theta$  varies with time as  $\theta = \pi t^2 / 4$ . When the particle reaches B its tangential and normal acceleration are



- (a)  $a_t = \frac{\pi}{2}R$   $a_n = \pi^2 R$
- (b)  $a_t = \pi R$   $a_n = 4\pi^2 R$
- (c)  $a_t = 0$   $a_n = \pi^2 R$
- (d)  $a_t = \pi R / 2$   $a_n = \pi R / 2$

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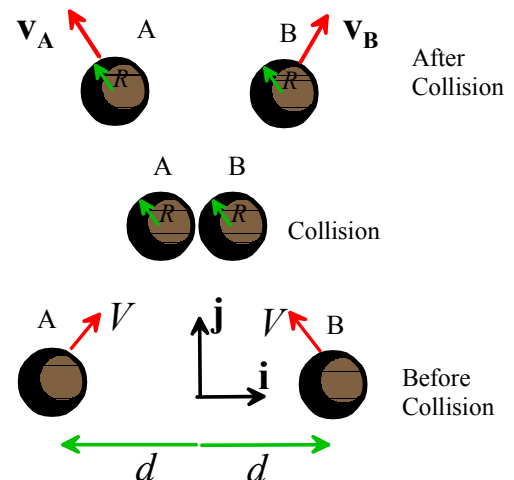
3. A constant force  $P$  pushes a mass  $m$  a distance  $d$  up a frictionless slope (the speed of the mass is not constant). The work done by the force is



- (a)  $Pd$
- (b)  $Pd \cos \theta$
- (c)  $Pd \sin \theta$
- (d)  $mgd \sin \theta$

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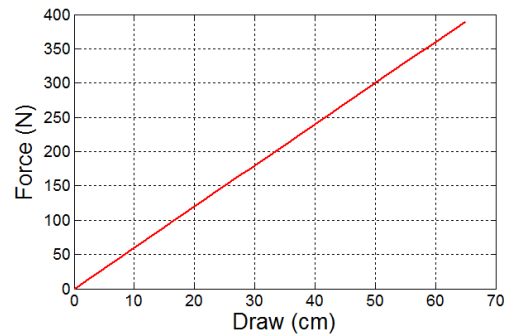
4. The two spheres shown in the figure have the same mass. At  $t=0$  they have position and velocity vectors  $\mathbf{r}_A = -d\mathbf{i}$   $\mathbf{v}_A = V(\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j})$ ,  $\mathbf{r}_B = d\mathbf{i}$   $\mathbf{v}_B = V(-\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j})$ . The collision is frictionless with restitution coefficient  $e=0$ . After the collision the spheres have velocities



- (a)  $\mathbf{v}_A = V\mathbf{j}$   $\mathbf{v}_B = V\mathbf{j}$
- (b)  $\mathbf{v}_A = V(-\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j})$   $\mathbf{v}_B = V(\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j})$
- (c)  $\mathbf{v}_A = V(\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j})$   $\mathbf{v}_B = V(-\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j})$
- (d)  $\mathbf{v}_A = \mathbf{0}$   $\mathbf{v}_B = \mathbf{0}$

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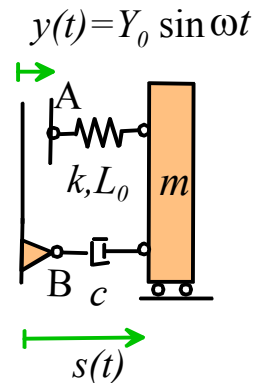
5. The figure shows a force-draw curve for a longbow. The bow is drawn to a distance of 50cm and fires an arrow with mass 50 grams at a speed of 30 m/s. Its dynamic efficiency (the ratio of the arrow kinetic energy to the work done in drawing the bow) is



- (a) 60%
- (b) 45%
- (c) 30%
- (d) 20%

ANSWER \_\_\_\_\_ (2 POINTS)

6. The end of the spring at A moves with a prescribed time dependent displacement  $y(t)$ . With the definitions  $\omega_n = \sqrt{k/m}$ ,  $\zeta = c/2\sqrt{km}$   $K=1$  the equation of motion for  $s(t)$  is

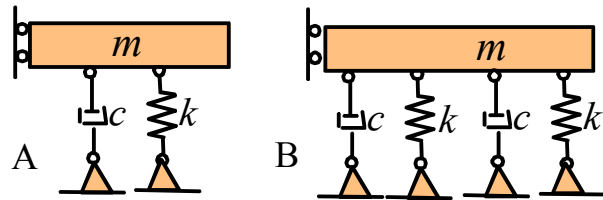


- (a)  $\frac{1}{\omega_n^2} \frac{d^2s}{dt^2} + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} \frac{ds}{dt} + s = L_0 + Ky(t)$
- (b)  $\frac{1}{\omega_n^2} \frac{d^2s}{dt^2} + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} \frac{ds}{dt} + s = L_0 + K \left\{ y(t) + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} \frac{dy}{dt} \right\}$
- (c)  $\frac{1}{\omega_n^2} \frac{d^2s}{dt^2} + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} \frac{ds}{dt} + s = L_0 + \frac{K}{\omega_n^2} \frac{d^2y}{dt^2}$
- (d)  $\frac{1}{\omega_n^2} \frac{d^2s}{dt^2} + \frac{2\zeta}{\omega_n} \frac{ds}{dt} + s = L_0 - Ky(t)$

ANSWER \_\_\_\_\_ (2 POINTS)

7. In the figures shown, system A is critically damped. System B is

- (a) Overdamped
- (b) Underdamped
- (c) Critically Damped
- (d) Trivially Dry.



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8. In the molecule shown in the figure, the atoms can be idealized as particles and the bonds between atoms as springs. The molecule has

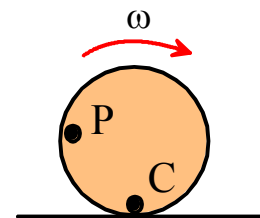
- (a) 12 degrees of freedom and 12 vibration modes
- (b) 18 degrees of freedom and 18 vibration modes
- (c) 18 degrees of freedom and 15 vibration modes
- (d) 18 degrees of freedom and 12 vibration modes



ANSWER \_\_\_\_\_ (2 POINTS)

9.1 The disk shown in the figure rolls without slip, with a clockwise angular velocity. From the list below, pick the vector that best describes the velocity of point C

- (a) Zero
- (b)  $\longrightarrow$
- (c)  $\longleftarrow$
- (d)  $\uparrow$
- (e)  $\downarrow$



ANSWER \_\_\_\_\_ (2 POINTS)

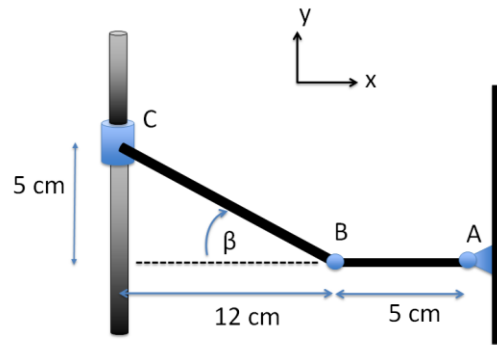
9.2 For the disk described in the preceding problem, pick the vector that best describes the velocity of point P

- (a)  $\longrightarrow$
- (b)  $\longleftarrow$
- (c)  $\nearrow$
- (d)  $\nwarrow$

ANSWER \_\_\_\_\_ (2 POINTS)

**10.1** In the figure shown, link AB has clockwise angular velocity 7 rad/s. The collar at C slides vertically up a fixed rod. The angular velocity of link BC is

- (a) 35/12 rad/s (clockwise)
- (b) 35/12 rad/s (counterclockwise)
- (c) 7 rad/s (clockwise)
- (d) Zero



ANSWER \_\_\_\_\_ (2 POINTS)

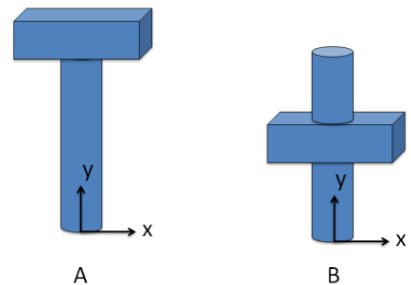
**10.2** In the mechanism described in the preceding problem link AB has angular acceleration 5 rad/s<sup>2</sup> in the counterclockwise direction. The acceleration of point B is

- (a) 0
- (b) 245i - 25j cm/s
- (c) 5i - 25j cm/s
- (d) -5i - 25j cm/s

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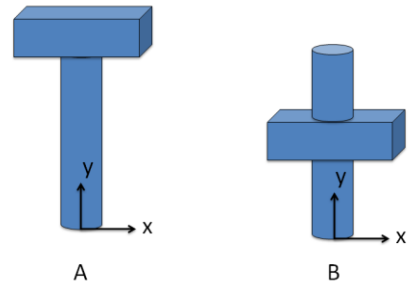
**11.** The cylinder and the rectangular prism for the two solids shown in the figure have the same dimensions and are welded together to form a single rigid body. Both objects have the same, uniform mass density. The mass moments of inertia of the two objects about the x axis satisfy

- (a)  $I_x^A > I_x^B$
- (b)  $I_x^A < I_x^B$
- (c)  $I_x^A = I_x^B$
- (d) Further information is needed to answer.



ANSWER \_\_\_\_\_ (2 POINTS)

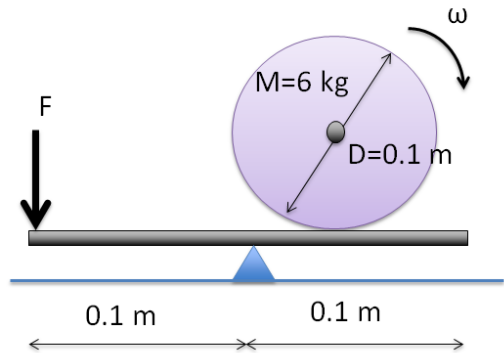
12. The cylinder and the rectangular prism for the two solids shown in the figure have the same dimensions and are welded together to form a single rigid body. Both objects have the same, uniform mass density. The mass moments of inertia of the two objects about the  $y$  axis satisfy



- (a)  $I_y^A > I_y^B$
- (b)  $I_y^A < I_y^B$
- (c)  $I_y^A = I_y^B$
- (d) Further information is needed to answer.

ANSWER \_\_\_\_\_ (2 POINTS)

13. The thin disk brake drum is rotating at an angular speed of 10 rad/s at  $t=0$ . A force is applied to the thin rigid bar to stop the drum from rotating. How much work must be done on the drum in order to stop its rotation completely?



- (a) 3 J
- (b) 3/4 J
- (c) 3/8 J
- (d) None of the above

ANSWER \_\_\_\_\_ (2 POINTS)

14. Identify whether the statements below are true or false

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|---|------|-------|
| (a) Angular impulse has the same units as energy              | TRUE | FALSE |
| (b) Angular impulse has the same units as angular momentum    | TRUE | FALSE |
| (c) Angular impulse is the time integral of an applied moment | TRUE | FALSE |
| (d) Angular impulse is equal to the change in linear momentum | TRUE | FALSE |

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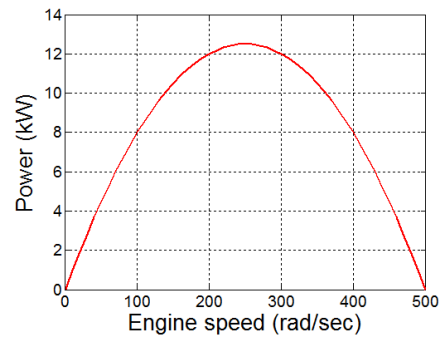
**15.1** A car has a wheel radius of 0.5m and gear ratio (motor angular speed/axle angular speed) of 10. If the engine runs at 200 rad/s the car speed is

- (a) 1 m/s
- (b) 5 m/s
- (c) 10 m/s
- (d) 20 m/s

ANSWER \_\_\_\_\_ (2 POINTS)

**15.2** The vehicle described in the preceding problem is powered by an internal combustion engine with power-curve shown in the figure (with power in kW and engine speed in rad/s). The vehicle has mass 1000kg and drives on flat ground with the engine running at 200 rad/s. If transmission losses and air resistance can be neglected, the instantaneous acceleration of the vehicle is

- (a)  $10 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (b)  $15 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (c)  $20 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (d)  $25 \text{ m/s}^2$
- (e) none of the above



ANSWER \_\_\_\_\_ (2 POINTS)

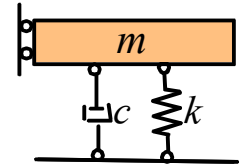
**15.3** If the gear ratio is unchanged, the vehicle described in the preceding problems will continue to accelerate (assuming level ground and zero friction losses) until its speed reaches

- (a) Infinity
- (b) 50 m/s
- (c) 25 m/s
- (d) 2.5 m/s

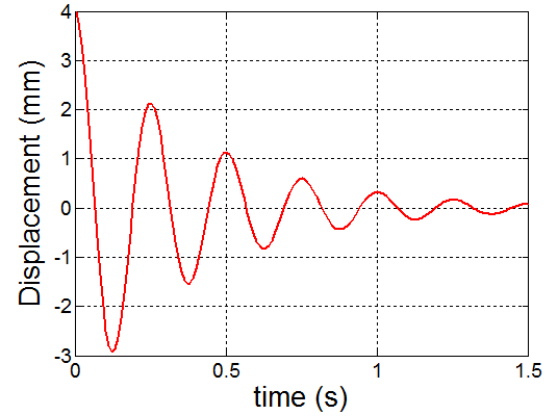
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16. A vibration isolation platform can be idealized as a spring-mass-damper system as shown in the figure. In a free vibration test on the table, the base is held fixed and the platform is disturbed slightly from its equilibrium position. The subsequent displacement of the table is plotted in the figure below as a function of time.



16.1 Use the graph provided to estimate the period of oscillation and the log decrement.

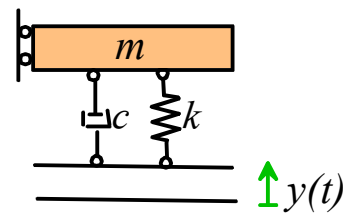


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16.2 Hence, calculate the natural frequency and damping factor that characterize the vibration isolation table.

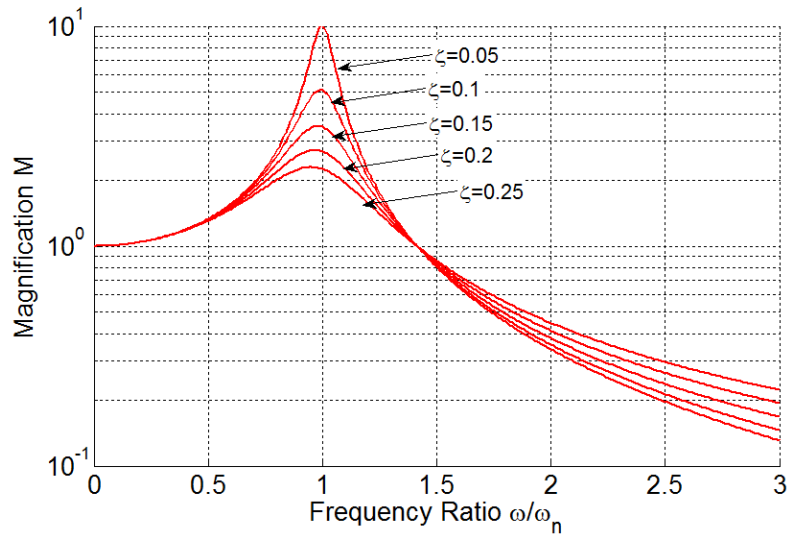
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**16.3** The base of the platform is subjected to a harmonic displacement  $y(t) = Y_0 \sin \omega t$  with amplitude 5mm and frequency  $(25/\pi)$  Hz. Calculate the amplitude of vibration of the platform.



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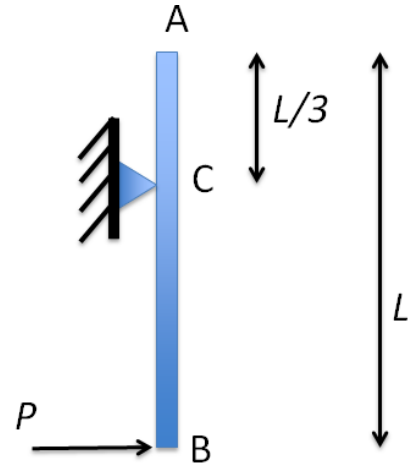
**16.4** It is necessary to modify the vibration isolation system to further reduce the vibration amplitude by a factor of two. Using the graph of the magnification for a base-excited spring mass system provided, recommend changes to the values of  $k, m,$  and/or  $c$  necessary to achieve this (e.g. recommend that  $k$  should be increased by some factor,  $m$  should be reduced by some factor, etc).



**(4 POINTS)**

17. The figure shows a bar with length  $L$  and mass  $m$  that is suspended from a pivot at point C. It is subjected to a horizontal force  $P$  at B. At the instant shown the bar is at rest.

17.1 The bar has mass moment of inertia  $I_G = mL^2 / 12$  about its center of mass. Find its mass moment of inertia about C



(2 POINTS)

17.2 Draw a free body diagram showing all the forces acting on the rod. Include gravity

(2 POINTS)

**17.3** Hence, find a formula for the angular acceleration of the rod at the instant shown in the figure.

**(2 POINTS)**

**17.4** Find a formula for the acceleration of the center of mass of the rod at the instant shown

**(2 POINTS)**

**17.5** Find formulas for the reaction forces at  $C$  at the instant shown.

**(2 POINTS)**

