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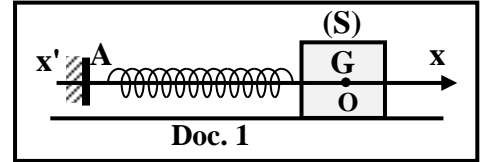
**This exam is formed of three obligatory exercises in three pages.**  
**The use of non-programmable calculator is recommended.**

### Exercise 1 (7 pts)

### Mechanical oscillator

A mechanical oscillator is constituted of a block (S) of mass M and a spring of negligible mass and force constant k.

The spring, placed horizontally, is connected from one of its extremities to a fixed support A. (S) is attached to the other extremity of the spring and it may slide without friction on a horizontal surface (Doc. 1).



The aim of this exercise is to determine the values of M and k.

At equilibrium, the center of mass G of (S) coincides with the origin O of the x-axis.

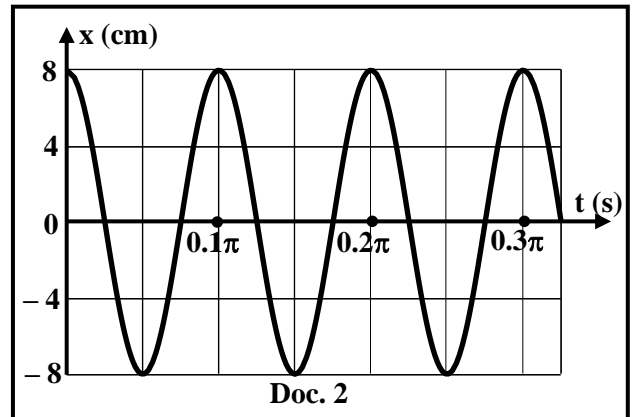
(S) is shifted from its equilibrium position in the positive direction and then released without initial velocity at the instant  $t_0 = 0$ . Thus, (S) performs mechanical oscillations. At an instant t, the abscissa of G is  $x = \overline{OG}$  and the algebraic value of its velocity is  $v = x' = \frac{dx}{dt}$ .

The horizontal plane containing G is considered as a reference level for gravitational potential energy.

- 1) Write, at an instant t, the expression of the mechanical energy ME of the system (Oscillator, Earth) in terms of x, M, k and v.
- 2) Establish the second order differential equation in x that governs the motion of G.
- 3) Deduce that the expression of the proper (natural) period of the oscillations is  $T_1 = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{M}{k}}$ .
- 4) An appropriate device traces x as a function of time (Doc. 2).

Referring to document 2, indicate:

- 4.1) the type of oscillations of G;
- 4.2) the amplitude  $X_m$  of the oscillations;
- 4.3) the value of  $T_1$ .
- 5) The same experiment is repeated by putting on (S) an object, considered as a particle, of mass  $m = 50$  g. The duration of 10 oscillations becomes  $\Delta t = 3.67$  s.
  - 5.1) Write the expression of the new proper (natural) period  $T_2$  of the oscillations in terms of k, M and m.
  - 5.2) Using the expressions of  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ , show that  $k = \frac{4\pi^2 m}{T_2^2 - T_1^2}$ .
  - 5.3) Determine the values of k and M.



## Exercise 2 (7 pts)

## Charging and discharging a capacitor

The aim of this exercise is to study the charging and the discharging of a capacitor.

For this purpose, we set up the circuit of document 3 that includes:

- an ideal battery of electromotive force  $E = 10 \text{ V}$ ;
- two resistors of resistances  $R_1 = R_2 = 4 \text{ k}\Omega$ ;
- a capacitor of capacitance  $C$ ;
- a switch  $K$ .

### 1) Charging the capacitor

The switch  $K$  is initially at position (0) and the capacitor is uncharged.

At the instant  $t_0 = 0$ ,  $K$  is turned to position (1) and the charging process of the capacitor starts.

At an instant  $t$ , plate B of the capacitor carries a charge  $q$  and the circuit carries a current  $i$ .

An appropriate device allows us to display the voltage  $u_{AB} = u_{R_1}$  across the resistor and the voltage  $u_{BD} = u_C$  across the capacitor.

Curves (a) and (b) of document 4 show these voltages as functions of time.

**1.1)** Curve (a) represents  $u_{R_1}$  and curve (b) represents  $u_C$ . Justify.

**1.2)** The time constant of this circuit is given by  $\tau_1 = R_1 C$ .

**1.2.1)** Using document 4, determine the value of  $\tau_1$ .

**1.2.2)** Deduce the value of  $C$ .

**1.3)** Calculate the time «  $t_1$  » needed by the capacitor to practically become completely charged.

### 2) Discharging the capacitor

The capacitor is completely charged. At an instant taken as a new initial time  $t_0 = 0$ , the switch  $K$  is turned to position (2), and the capacitor starts discharging through the resistors of resistances  $R_1$  and  $R_2$ . At an instant  $t$  the circuit carries a current  $i$  (Doc. 5).

**2.1)** Show, using the law of addition of voltages, that the differential equation which governs  $u_C$  is:

$$RC \frac{du_C}{dt} + u_C = 0 \quad \text{where } R = R_1 + R_2.$$

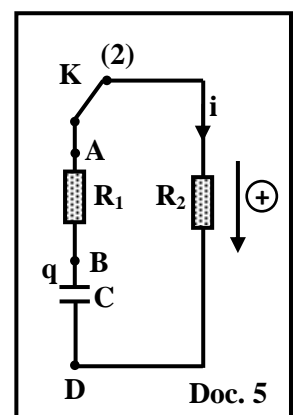
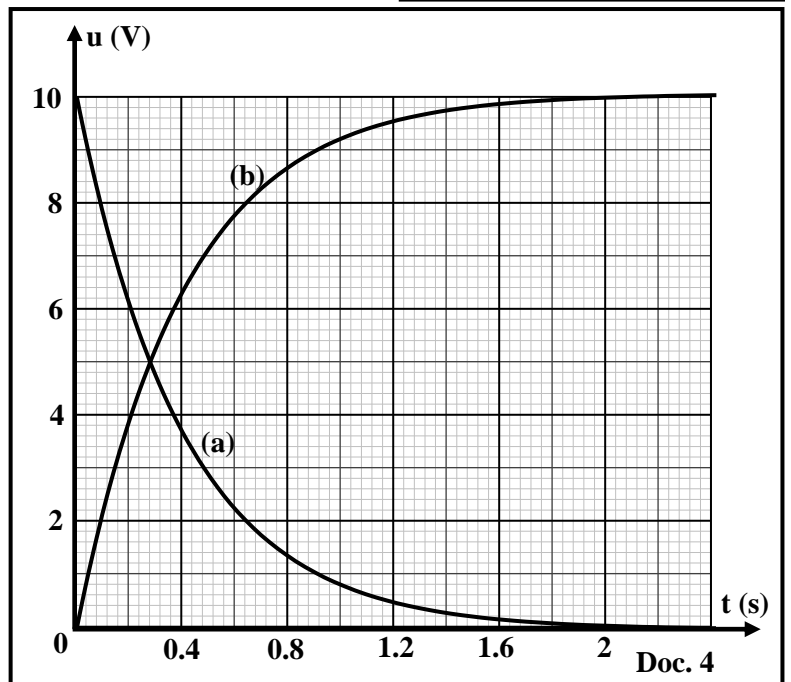
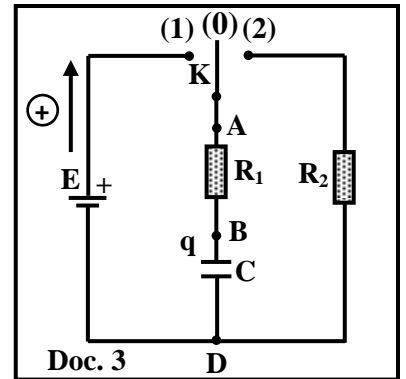
**2.2)** The solution of this differential equation is of the form:  $u_C = E e^{\frac{-t}{\tau_2}}$  where  $\tau_2$  is the time constant of the circuit of document 5.

Determine the expression of  $\tau_2$  in terms of  $R$  and  $C$ .

**2.3)** Verify that the time needed by the capacitor to practically become completely discharged is  $t_2 = 5 \tau_2$ .

### 3) Duration of charging and discharging the capacitor

Show, without calculation, that «  $t_2$  » is greater than «  $t_1$  ».



### Exercise 3 (6 pts)

### Characteristics of a coil

In order to determine the inductance  $L$  and the resistance  $r$  of a coil, we connect it in series with a resistor of resistance  $R = 30 \Omega$  across a function generator ( $G$ ) providing an alternating sinusoidal voltage of angular frequency  $\omega$ .

The circuit thus carries an alternating sinusoidal current of expression  $i = I_m \sin(\omega t)$  (Doc. 6).

An oscilloscope allows us to display the voltage  $u_{AB} = u_R$  across the resistor and the voltage  $u_{BC} = u_L$  across the coil.

The obtained waveforms are shown in document 7.

The adjustments of the oscilloscope are:

- vertical sensitivity for both channels:  $S_v = 2 \text{ V/div}$ ;
- horizontal sensitivity:  $S_h = 0.4 \text{ ms/div}$ .

1) The voltage  $u_R$  represents the image of  $i$ . Why?

2) Referring to document 7, specify which of the curves, (a) or (b), leads the other.

3) Deduce that curve (a) corresponds to  $u_{AB}$ .

4) Using document 7, determine:

4.1) the angular frequency  $\omega$ ;

4.2) the maximum value  $I_m$  of  $i$ ;

4.3) the phase difference  $\varphi$  between  $u_L$  and  $i$ .

5) Prove that  $u_L = 6.8 \sin(\omega t + 0.4\pi)$  (SI).

6) Knowing that the voltage across the coil is given

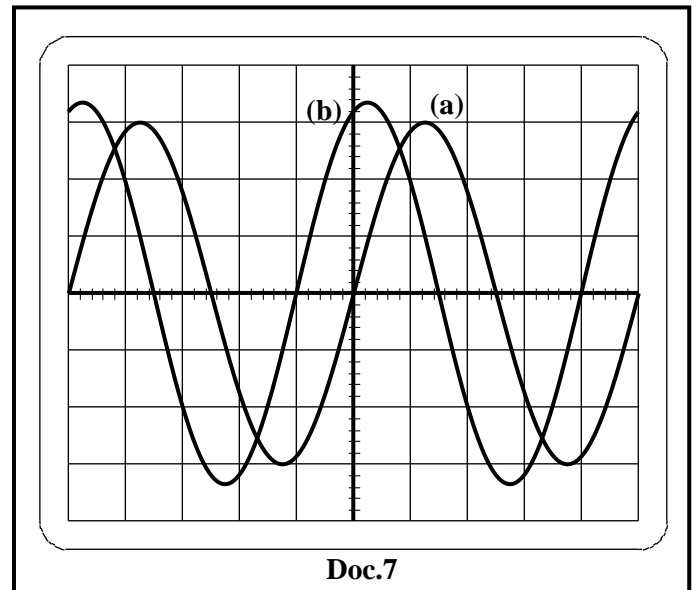
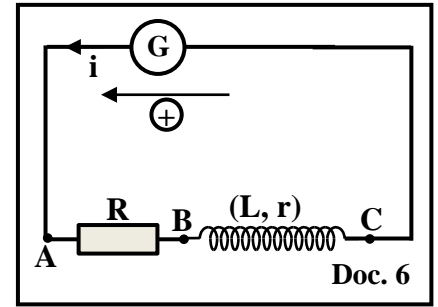
by  $u_L = r i + L \frac{di}{dt}$ , write the expression of  $u_L$  in

terms of  $r$ ,  $L$ ,  $\omega$  and  $t$ .

7) Using the two expressions of  $u_L$  found in parts 5

and 6 and by giving « $\omega t$ » two particular values,

determine the values of  $L$  and  $r$ .



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Exercise 1 (7 pts)

Mechanical oscillator

Part	Answer	Note
1	$ME = KE + EPE = \frac{1}{2} M v^2 + \frac{1}{2} kx^2$	0.5
2	The sum of the works done by the non-conservative forces is zero, then the mechanical energy is conserved. (Or: Friction is neglected, then the mechanical energy is conserved). $ME = \text{constant}$ , then $\frac{dME}{dt} = 0$ , so $M v v' + k x x' = 0$ , but $v = x'$ and $v' = x''$ , hence $v (M x'' + k x) = 0$ $v = 0$ is rejected , then $x'' + \frac{k}{M} x = 0$	1
3	The differential equation is of the form: $x'' + \omega_0^2 x = 0$ , with $\omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{M}}$ $T_1 = \frac{2\pi}{\omega_0}$ ; therefore, $T_1 = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{M}{k}}$	1
4	4.1 Free undamped mechanical oscillations	0.5
	4.2 $X_m = 8 \text{ cm}$	0.5
	4.3 From the curve: $T_1 = 0.1 \pi \text{ s} = 0.314 \text{ s}$	0.5
5	5.1 $T_2 = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{M+m}{k}}$	0.5
	5.2 $T_1^2 = 4\pi^2 \frac{M}{k}$ and $T_2^2 = 4\pi^2 \left(\frac{M+m}{k}\right)$ $T_2^2 - T_1^2 = 4\pi^2 \left(\frac{M+m}{k} - \frac{M}{k}\right) = \frac{4\pi^2 m}{k}$ , so $k = \frac{4\pi^2 m}{(T_2^2 - T_1^2)}$	1
	5.3 $T_2 = \frac{3.67}{10} = 0.367 \text{ s}$ $k = \frac{4\pi^2 \times 0.05}{0.367^2 - 0.314^2}$ , then $k = 54.7 \text{ N/m}$ $T_1^2 = 4\pi^2 \frac{M}{k}$ , substituting the value of k into this expression gives: $0.314^2 = 4\pi^2 \frac{M}{54.7}$ ; therefore, $M = 0.1366 \text{ kg} = 136.6 \text{ g}$	0.5 0.5 0.5

Exercise 2 (7 pts)

Charging and discharging of a capacitor

Part	Answer	Note
1	<p>Curve (a): <math>u_{AB} = u_{R_1} = R_1 i</math>; <math>u_{R_1}</math> is directly proportional to the current in the circuit.                      During the charging process the current decreases so <math>u_{R_1}</math> decreases.                      Curve (b): <math>u_{BD} = u_C = \frac{q}{C}</math>; During charging process <math>q</math> increases so <math>u_C</math> increases</p>	<p>0.5 0.5</p>
	<p>At <math>t = \tau_1</math>: <math>u_C = 0.63 E = 6.3 V</math>                      From document 4: <math>u_C = 6.3 V</math> at <math>t = 0.4 s</math>, then <math>\tau_1 = 0.4 s</math></p>	1
	<p><math>\tau_1 = R_1 C</math>, so <math>C = \frac{\tau_1}{R_1} = \frac{0.4}{4000}</math>, hence <math>C = 1 \times 10^{-4} F = 100 \mu F</math></p>	0.5
	<p><math>t_1 = 5\tau_1 = 5 \times 0.4</math>, then <math>t_1 = 2 s</math></p>	0.5
2	<p><math>u_{BD} = u_{BA} + u_{AD}</math>  <math>u_C = R_1 i + R_2 i</math>, then <math>u_C = (R_2 + R_1) i = R i</math>                      But, <math>i = -\frac{dq}{dt} = -C \frac{du_C}{dt}</math>, hence <math>u_C = -R C \frac{du_C}{dt}</math>                      Therefore, <math>R C \frac{du_C}{dt} + u_C = 0</math></p>	1.5
	<p><math>u_C = E e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_2}}</math>, then <math>\frac{du_C}{dt} = -\frac{E}{\tau_2} e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_2}}</math>                      Substituting <math>u_C</math> and <math>\frac{du_C}{dt}</math> into the differential equation gives:  <math>R C \left(-\frac{E}{\tau_2} e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_2}}\right) + E e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_2}} = 0</math>, so <math>E e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_2}} \left(1 - \frac{R C}{\tau_2}\right) = 0</math>  <math>E e^{-\frac{t}{\tau_2}} = 0</math> is rejected, then <math>1 - \frac{R C}{\tau_2} = 0</math>, so <math>\tau_2 = R C</math></p>	1.5
	<p>At <math>t = 5 \tau_2</math>: <math>u_C = E e^{-\frac{5\tau_2}{\tau_2}} = E e^{-5} \cong 0</math>, so the capacitor is practically completely discharged.</p>	0.5
3	<p><math>t_1 = 5 R_1 C</math> and <math>t_2 = 5 R C = 5 (R_1 + R_2) C</math>  <math>(R_1 + R_2) &gt; R_1</math>, then <math>t_2 &gt; t_1</math></p>	0.5

**Exercise 3 (6 pts)**

**Characteristics of a coil**

Part	Answer	Note
1	$u_R = Ri$ , but $R$ is a positive constant , then $u_R$ and $i$ are directly proportional ; therefore, $u_R$ is the image of current.	0.5
2	Curve (b) leads curve (a), since curve (b) becomes maximum before curve (a).	0.5
3	The voltage across the coil $u_L$ leads $u_R$ (or $i$ ). Curve (b) leads curve (a), then curve (a) corresponds to $u_R = u_{AB}$ .	0.5
4	$T = 5 \times 0.4 = 2 \text{ ms} = 2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}$ $\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = \frac{2\pi}{2 \times 10^{-3}}$ , hence $\omega = 1000 \pi \text{ rad/s}$	0.25 0.5
	Curve (a): $U_{R(\max)} = 3 \times 2 = 6 \text{ V}$ $U_{R(\max)} = R \times I_m$ , then $I_m = \frac{6}{30} = 0.2 \text{ A}$	0.25 0.5
	$\varphi = \frac{2\pi d}{D} = \frac{2\pi \times 1}{5}$ , then $\varphi = 0.4 \pi \text{ rad}$	0.5
5	From curve (b): $U_{L(\max)} = 3.4 \times 2 = 6.8 \text{ V}$ , and $u_L$ leads $i$ by $\varphi = 0.4\pi \text{ rad}$ $u_L = U_{L(\max)} \sin(\omega t + \varphi)$ ; therefore, $u_L = 6.8 \sin(\omega t + 0.4 \pi)$	0.25 0.25
6	$u_L = r i + L \frac{di}{dt} = r I_m \sin(\omega t) + L I_m \omega \cos(\omega t)$ $u_L = 0.2 r \sin(\omega t) + L (0.2) (1000\pi) \cos(\omega t) = 0.2 r \sin(\omega t) + 200\pi L \cos(\omega t)$ (SI) <u>Or</u> $u_L = 0.2 r \sin(\omega t) + \omega L (0.2) \cos(\omega t)$ (SI)	0.5
7	$6.8 \sin(\omega t + 0.4 \pi) = 0.2 r \sin(\omega t) + 200 \pi L \cos(\omega t)$ For $\omega t = 0$ : $6.8 \sin(0.4 \pi) = 0 + 200\pi L$ , then $L = 0.01 \text{ H}$ For $\omega t = \frac{\pi}{2}$ rad : $6.8 \sin(\frac{\pi}{2} + 0.4 \pi) = 0.2 r + 0$ , then $r = 10.5 \Omega$	0.75 0.75