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

First Exercise: (6 points) Determination of the resistance of a resistor

We intend to determine the resistance R of a resistor (R). We thus connect up the circuit represented in figure (1) that is formed of an ideal generator of e.m.f $E = 5 \text{ V}$, the resistor (R), an uncharged capacitor (C) of capacitance $C = 33 \mu\text{F}$ and a double switch (K).

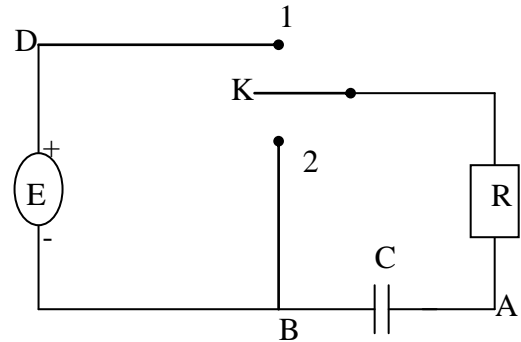


Fig. 1

A – Charging of the capacitor

- 1) We intend to charge the capacitor. To what position, 1 or 2, must then (K) be moved?
- 2) The circuit reaches a steady state after a certain time. Give then the value of the voltage u_{AB} across (C) and that of the voltage across (R).

B – Discharging of the capacitor

- 1) Draw a diagram of the circuit during the discharging of the capacitor and show on it the direction of the current it carries.
- 2) Derive the differential equation in $u_C = u_{AB}$ during the discharging.
- 3) The solution of this differential equation has the form :

$$u_C = E e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \quad (u_C \text{ in V, } t \text{ in s})$$

where τ is a constant.

- a) Determine the expression of τ in terms of R and C .
- b) Determine the value of u_C at the instant $t_1 = \tau$.
- c) Give, in terms of τ , the minimum duration needed at the end of which the capacitor is practically totally discharged.
- d) Derive the expression of $\ln u_C$, the natural logarithm of u_C , in terms of E , τ and t .
- e) The diagram of figure 2 represents the variation of $\ln u_C$ as a function of time.

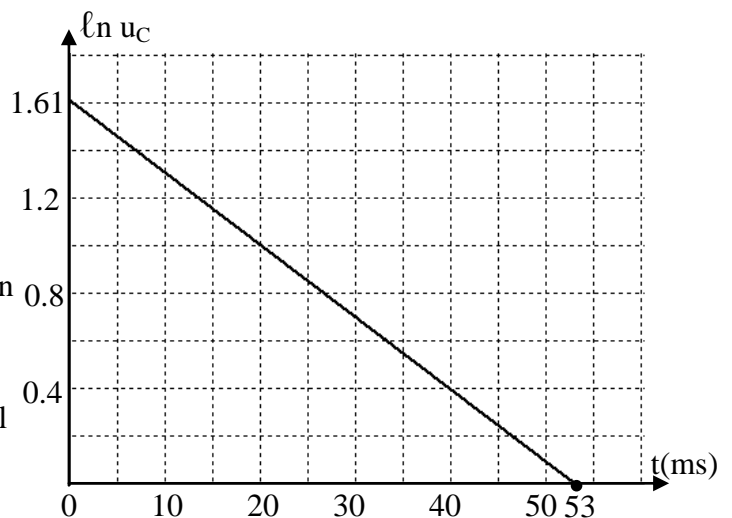


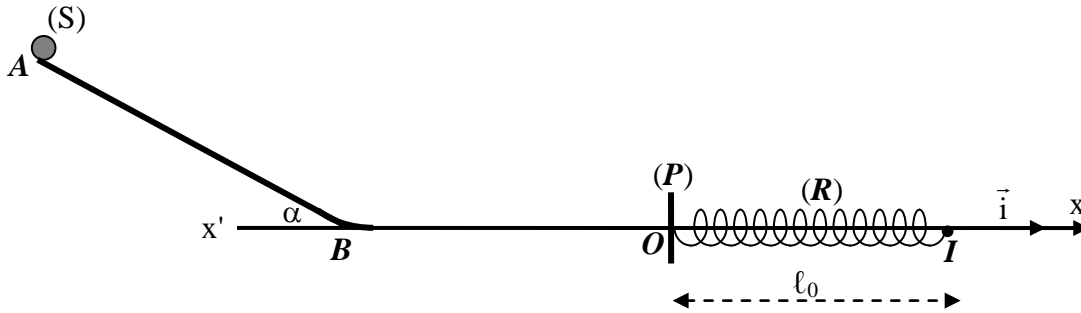
Fig. 2

Referring to the graph of figure 2, determine the value of R .

Second Exercise: (7 points) Horizontal elastic pendulum

A particle (S) of mass $m_1 = 100$ g can slide, without friction, on a track in a vertical plane, formed of a straight part AB, of length 10 cm, inclined by an angle $\alpha = 30^\circ$ with the horizontal and a straight horizontal part Bx.

A spring (R), of un-jointed turns and of negligible mass, of free length ℓ_0 and of stiffness $k = 10$ N/m, is placed horizontally on the part Bx. One end of the spring is fixed to the track at point I and the other end is fixed to a plate (P). (R) has a free length ℓ_0 and (P) is at point O of the horizontal part (figure below). The point O is taken as the origin of abscissas on the axis $x'Ox$.



The particle (S) is released from rest at point A. The horizontal plane containing Bx is taken as a gravitational potential energy reference. Take $g = 10$ m/s².

A – Motion of the particle between A and O

- 1) Calculate the mechanical energy of the system [(S), Earth] at point A.
- 2) The mechanical energy of the system [(S), Earth] is conserved between the points A and O. Why?
- 3) (S) reaches point O with the velocity $\vec{V}_0 = V_0 \vec{i}$. Show that $V_0 = 1$ m/s.

B – Motion of the oscillator in two situations

I – First situation

The plate (P) has a negligible mass.

(S) collides with (P) and sticks to it thus forming a single body [(P), (S)] whose center of mass is G. At the instant $t_0 = 0$, G is at O. The system [(S), (P), spring] forms a horizontal mechanical oscillator. At an instant t, the abscissa of G is x and the algebraic measure of its velocity is v.

- 1) Write down the expression of the mechanical energy of the system [oscillator, Earth] in terms of m_1 , x, v and k.
- 2) Derive the second order differential equation in x that governs the motion of G.
- 3) Deduce the nature of the motion of G and the expression of the period T_1 of this motion in terms of m_1 and k.
- 4) G, leaving O at the instant $t_0 = 0$, passes again through O for the first time at the instant t_1 . Calculate the duration t_1 .

II – Second situation

(P) is replaced by another plate (P') of mass $m_2 = 300$ g placed at O. Considering the initial conditions, (S) reaches (P'), just before collision, with the velocity $\vec{V}_0 = V_0 \vec{i}$ ($V_0 = 1$ m/s).

Just after the head-on collision (collinear velocities), (S) and (P') move separately, at the instant $t_0 = 0$, with the velocities \vec{V}_1 and $\vec{V}_2 = V_2 \vec{i}$ respectively where $V_2 = 0.5$ m/s.

- 1) Determine \vec{V}_1 .
- 2) Show that the collision is elastic.
- 3) (P') leaves O at the instant $t_0 = 0$ then passes again through point O for the first time at the instant t_2 . We notice that the durations t_1 and t_2 are related by $t_2 > t_1$. Justify.

Third Exercise: (7 points) The radio-isotope polonium ${}^{210}_{84}\text{Po}$

Given: $1\text{u} = 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} = 931.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2$; $1 \text{ MeV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J}$;

Mass of some nuclei : $m(\text{Po}) = 209.9829 \text{ u}$; $m(\text{Pb}) = 205.9745 \text{ u}$; $m(\alpha) = 4.0026 \text{ u}$;
 $h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ J.s}$; $c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$.

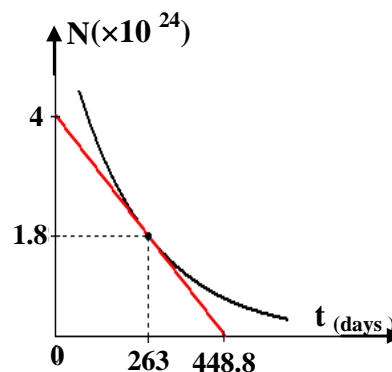
A – Decay of polonium 210

The polonium ${}^{210}_{84}\text{Po}$ is an α emitter. The daughter nucleus produced by this decay is the lead ${}^A_Z\text{Pb}$.

- 1) Determine Z and A specifying the laws used.
- 2) Calculate, in MeV and in J, the energy liberated by this decay.
- 3) The nucleus ${}^{210}_{84}\text{Po}$ is initially at rest. We suppose that the daughter nucleus ${}^A_Z\text{Pb}$ is obtained at rest and in the fundamental state. Deduce the kinetic energy of the emitted α particle.
- 4) In general, the decay of ${}^{210}_{84}\text{Po}$ is accompanied by the emission of γ radiation.
 - a) Due to what is the emission of γ radiation?
 - b) The emitted γ radiation has the wavelength $\lambda = 1.35 \times 10^{-12} \text{ m}$ in vacuum. Using the conservation of total energy, determine the kinetic energy of the emitted α particle.

B – Radioactive period of polonium 210

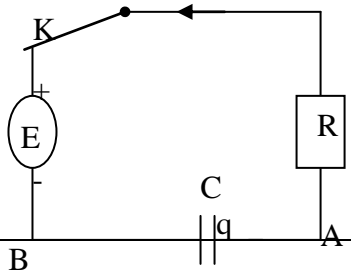
The adjacent figure shows the curve representing the variations with time t of the number N of the nuclei present in the radioactive sample ${}^{210}_{84}\text{Po}$, this number being called N_0 at the instant $t_0 = 0$. The same figure shows also the tangent to that curve at the instant $t_1 = 263$ days.



- 1) Write down the expression of N as a function of t and specify what does each term represent.
- 2) The activity of the radioactive sample is given by: $A = - \frac{dN}{dt}$.
 - a) Define the activity A .
 - b) Using the given on the figure above, determine the activity A of the sample at the instant $t_1 = 263$ days.
- 3) Deduce the value of the radioactive constant and the value of the half-life (period) of polonium 210.

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First exercise (6 points)

Part of the Q	Answer	Mark
A.1	We have to move the switch (K) to position 1.	
A.2	After certain time $\Rightarrow u_C = E = 5 \text{ V}$, $u_R = 0$	
B.1	B.1 	
B.2	$q = C u_C$, therefore $i = - C \frac{du_C}{dt}$ $u_{AB} = Ri = u_C \Rightarrow - Ri + u_C = 0$ $RC \frac{du_C}{dt} + u_C = 0.$	
B.3.a	$\frac{du_C}{dt} = - \frac{1}{\tau} E e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} - RC \frac{1}{\tau} E e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} + E e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} = 0$ $\Rightarrow \tau = RC$	
B.3.b	$t_1 = \tau \Rightarrow u_C = 1,85 \text{ V}.$	
B.3.c	$t_{\min} = 5 \tau$	
B.4.d	$\ln u_C = - \frac{t}{\tau} + \ln E$	
B.3.e	Slope $= - \frac{1}{\tau} = - \frac{1.61}{0.053}$ but $= RC \Rightarrow R = \frac{\tau}{C} = 10^3 \Omega.$	

Second exercise (7 points)

Part of the Q	Answer	Mark
A.1	$ME_A = KE_A + GPE_A = 0 + m_1gh = m_1g(AB\sin \alpha) = 0.1 \times 10 \times 0.1 \times 0.5$ $ME_A = 0.05 \text{ J}$	
A.2	friction is negligible	
A.3	$ME_A = ME_O = GPE_O + KE_O = 0 + \frac{1}{2}m_1V^2 \Rightarrow V = 1 \text{ m/s.}$	
B.I.1	$ME = \frac{1}{2} m_1v^2 + \frac{1}{2} kx^2$	
B.I.2	$\frac{dME}{dt} = 0 = m_1vx'' + kxv \Rightarrow x'' + \frac{k}{m}x = 0$	
B.I.3	<p>The form is $x'' + \omega_0^2x = 0$ then Simple harmonic motion</p> $\omega_1 = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m_1}} \Rightarrow T_1 = 2\pi\sqrt{\frac{m_1}{k}} .$	
B.I.4	$t_1 = \frac{T_1}{2} = \pi\sqrt{\frac{m_1}{k}} = \pi\sqrt{\frac{0.1}{10}} = 0.314 \text{ s}$	
B.II.1	<p>The linear momentum is conserved</p> $m_1\vec{V} + \vec{0} = m_1\vec{V}_1 + m_2\vec{V}_2 \Rightarrow m_1V = m_1V_1 + m_2V_2$ $\Rightarrow m_1(V - V_1) = m_2V_2 \Rightarrow V_1 = -0,5 \text{ m/s} \Rightarrow \vec{V}_1 = -0,5 \vec{i}$	
B.II.2	$KE_{\text{Before}} = \frac{1}{2} m_1V_0^2 + 0 = 0,05 \text{ J} ;$ $KE_{\text{After}} = \frac{1}{2} m_1V_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2V_2^2 = 0,05 \text{ J}$ $KE_{\text{Before}} = KE_{\text{After}} \Rightarrow \text{Elastic collision}$	
B.II.3	The period increases with the mass $\Rightarrow T_2 > T_1 \Rightarrow t_2 > t_1$	

Third exercise (7 points)

Part of the Q	Answer	Mark
A.1	${}_{84}^{210}\text{Po} \longrightarrow {}_{82}^{206}\text{Pb} + {}_2^4\text{He};$ <p>Using the laws of conservation of charge and mass numbers, $Z = 82$ and $A = 206$.</p>	
A.2	$E = \Delta mc^2$, $\Delta m = 209.9829 - (4.0026 + 205.9745) = 0.0058 \text{ u}$, ... $E = (0.0058) (931.5 \text{ MeV}/c^2) c^2 = 5.4 \text{ MeV} = 5.4 \times 1.6 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J}$ $E = 8.64 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J}$	
A.3	$E(\gamma) = 0 \Rightarrow KE_{(\alpha)} = E = 5.4 \text{ MeV} = 8.64 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J}$	
A.4.a	If the obtained daughter nucleus is in an excited state and when drops to the ground state it emits γ rays	
A.4.b	$E(\gamma) = hc/\lambda = 1.4733 \times 10^{-13} \text{ J} = 0.92 \text{ MeV}$; $m(\text{Po})c^2 + 0 = m(\text{Pb})c^2 + 0 + m(\alpha)c^2 + KE_{(\alpha)} + E(\gamma)$ $\Rightarrow E = \Delta mc^2 = KE_{(\alpha)} + E(\gamma) \Rightarrow KE_{\alpha} = 5.4 - 0.92 = 4.48 \text{ MeV}$.	
B.1	$N = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$, N_0 being respectively the number of nuclei present at $t_0 = 0$ and at t , λ is the radioactive constant and t is the time .	
B.2.a.i	Activity is the number of decayed nuclei per unit time.	
B.2.a.ii	$A = -(\text{slope of the curve}) = \frac{4 \times 10^{24}}{448.8} = 8.91 \times 10^{21} \text{ decays/day}$	
B.2.b	$A = \lambda N$ then $\lambda = A/N = 0.00495 \text{ day}^{-1}$; $T = \frac{\ln 2}{\lambda} = \frac{0.69}{0.00495} = 140 \text{ days}$	