

Q- A Particle M executes simple harmonic motion along x axis. The reference particle for this SHM moves on a circular path of radius  $R = 40$  cm with a constant speed of  $80$  cm/s.

(a) Find the angular frequency, frequency and the time period for this SHM.

(b) If at  $t = 0$ , the reference particle makes an angle  $60^\circ$  with + x axis, write equation of motion for it.

(a) The linear speed of the reference particle is  $v = 80$  cm/s =  $0.8$  m/s and the radius is  $R = 40$  cm =  $0.4$  m, hence the angular frequency is given by

$$\omega = v/R = 0.8/0.4 = 2 \text{ rad/s.}$$

The frequency is given by

$$n = \omega/(2\pi) = 1/\pi = 0.318 \text{ Hz}$$

and the time-period is inverse of the frequency hence given by

$$T = 1/n = \pi = 3.14 \text{ s}$$

(b)

For the particle M to be at equilibrium position  $x = 0$  at  $t = 0$  and moving in +x direction the reference particle should be at the lower most point at  $t = 0$ .

And the equation in that situation will be

$$X = A \sin \omega t$$

But here at  $t = 0$ , the reference particle is at point A and the phase angle corresponding to this is  $90^\circ + 60^\circ = 150^\circ$  which will be the initial phase  $\phi_0$  and hence the equation for the motion of the x component is given by

$$X = A \sin (\omega t + \phi_0)$$

Or  $x = (0.4\text{m}) \sin [(2 \text{ rad/s}) t + 150^\circ]$

Or  $x = (0.4\text{m}) \cos [(2 \text{ rad/s}) t + 60^\circ]$

Or  $x = (0.4\text{m}) \cos [(2 \text{ rad/s}) t + \pi/3]$

