D225 2003 Q8

COMMENT – the original question appears to have been well dressed up to make a simple problem look much harder. Most of the data in the original question seems to be redundant. I think it is as simple as this but if you know different let me know.

A press for stamping out blanks uses a cam on a shaft with a flywheel running at 5 rev/s. The flywheel has a moment of inertia of 20 kg m^2 . 200 J of energy are absorbed each time a blank is formed. The shaft is driven with a constant toque.

(a) Calculate the torque on the shaft.

SOLUTION Energy absorbed per rev (2π radian) = 200 J = Angle x Torque T = $200/2\pi = 31.83$ Nm

(b) Determine the angular velocity at the start and finish of the operation.

Cam

SOLUTION

Assume the mean speed is 5 rev/s = 10π rad/s. Max and min angular velocities are ω_1 and ω_2 respectively. Coefficient of fluctuation of speed $\phi = (\omega_1 - \omega_2)/\omega$

The energy absorbed = energy put back in during the rest of the cycle so it follows that the fluctuation in energy is W = 200 J

 $\beta = \frac{\text{greatest fluctuation in kinetic energy}}{\text{work done}}$ $\beta = \frac{J\omega_2^2}{2} - \frac{J\omega_1^2}{2} = \frac{J}{2W} (\omega_2^2 - \omega_1^2) \text{Factorise the bracket}$ $\beta = \frac{J}{2W} (\omega_2 + \omega_1) (\omega_2 - \omega_1)$ Since $(\omega_2 + \omega_1) = 2\omega$ and $(\omega_2 - \omega_1) = \omega$ then $\beta = \frac{J}{2W} (2\omega)(\omega\varphi)$ $\beta W = J\omega^2\varphi$ $\beta W = \text{greatest fluctuation in energy} = 200 \text{ J}$ $\phi = \beta W/J_p \omega^2 = 200/\{20 \text{ x } (10\pi)^2\} = 200/19739 = 0.010132$

 $(\omega_1 - \omega_2) = \omega \phi = 10\pi \ x \ 0.010132 = 0.3183 \ rad/s$

The speed variation either side of the mean is 0.3183/2 = 0.1591 rad/s

 $\omega_1 = 10\pi + 0.1591 = 31.575 \text{ rad/s}$

 $\omega_2 = 10\pi - 0.1591 = 31.257 \text{ rad/s}$

(c) The punch has a mass of 25 kg. At the instant punching starts impulse is exchanged between the flywheel and punch. The punch velocity is related to the rotation of the cam by $v = 0.001 \Omega$ where Ω is degrees per second. Calculate the fraction of the speed lost at this instant.

SOLUTION

The examiner mentions referring a mass to a rotating inertia. The following is my uninformed first guess at the method and should be treated with care as it is certainly not correct.

 $\Omega = 5 \ge 360 = 1800 \text{ deg/s}$ $\omega = 1800 \ge \pi/180 = 10\pi \text{ rad/s}$ $v = 0.001\Omega = 1.8 \text{ m/s}$ Normally $v = \omega R$ where R is the radius $= v/\omega = 1.8/10\pi = 0.0573 \text{ m}$ We might guess that punch is effectively operated by a force at a radius of 0.0573 m but this does not appear to be needed.

Impulsive force = M dv/dt Impulsive torque = J $\Delta\omega/t$ = F R so the impulsive force at radius R is (J/R) $\Delta\omega/t$

Equate forces (J/R) $\Delta \omega = M \Delta v$

 $\Delta \omega = R M \Delta v/J$

 ω_1 - $\omega_2 = R \ge 25 \ge \Delta v/20$

 Δv is from 0 to v_2 and v_2 corresponds to $\omega_2 R$

 $\omega_1 - \omega_2 = R \ge 25 \ge \omega_2/20R$

 ω_1 - $\omega_2 = 25 \ge \omega_2/20$

 $\omega_1 = 1.25 \omega_2 \quad \omega_2 = 0.8 \, \omega_1$