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مسابقة في مادة الفيزياء  
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**This exam is formed of four exercises in four pages.**  
**The use of non-programmable calculator is recommended.**

**First exercise: (7.5 points)**

**Charging and Discharging of a Capacitor**

The aim of this exercise is to study the charging and the discharging of a capacitor of capacitance  $C = 1 \mu\text{F}$ . For that we connect the circuit of figure 1 which is formed of the capacitor, an ideal generator of constant voltage  $E$ , a resistor of resistance  $R$  and a double switch (K).

Take the direction of the current as a positive direction.

**A – Charging of the capacitor**

The capacitor is initially neutral and the switch (K) is turned to position (1) at the instant  $t_0 = 0$ .

A convenient apparatus records the variation of the voltage  $u_C = u_{BM}$  across the terminals of the capacitor as a function of time.

- 1) Derive the differential equation that describes the variation of the voltage  $u_C$  as a function of time.
- 2) The solution of the differential equation is given by:

$$u_C = A + B e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}, \text{ where } A, B \text{ and } \tau \text{ are constants.}$$

Determine the expressions of these constants in terms of  $R$ ,  $C$  and  $E$ .

- 3) Figure 2 shows the variation of  $u_C$  as a function of time  $t$ . The straight line OT represents the tangent to the curve  $u_C(t)$  at  $t_0 = 0$ .

- a) Determine the value of  $\tau$ .
- b) Deduce the values of  $E$  and  $R$ .

**B – Discharging of the capacitor**

The charging of the capacitor being completed, the switch (K) is turned to position (2) at a new origin of time  $t_0 = 0$ .

At an instant  $t$  the circuit carries a current  $i$ .

- 1) Redraw the figure of the discharging circuit and indicate on it the direction of the current  $i$ .
- 2) Show that the differential equation in  $i$  has the form:

$$i + RC \frac{di}{dt} = 0.$$

- 3) Verify that  $i = I_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$  is a solution of this differential equation, where  $I_0 = \frac{E}{R}$ .

- 4) a) Calculate the value of  $i$  at  $t_0 = 0$  and at  $t_1 = 2.5 \tau$ .
- b) Deduce the value of  $u_C$  at  $t_1 = 2.5 \tau$ .
- 5) Determine the electric energy  $W_e$  lost by the capacitor between  $t_0 = 0$  and  $t_1 = 2.5 \tau$ .
- 6) The energy dissipated due to joule's effect in the resistor between  $t_0$  and  $t_1$ , is given

$$\text{by } W_h = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} R i^2 dt.$$

- a) Determine the value of  $W_h$ .
- b) Compare  $W_h$  and  $W_e$ . Conclude.

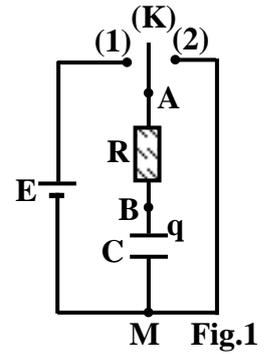


Fig.1

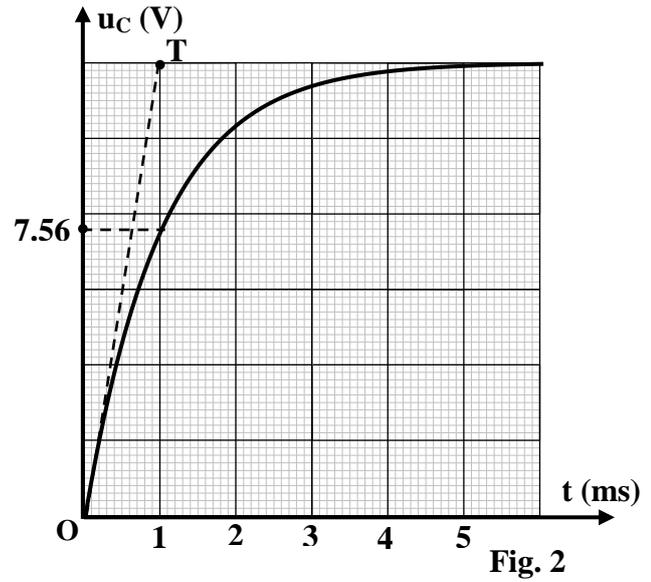


Fig. 2

**Second exercise: (7.5 points)**

**Determination of the inductance of a coil and the capacitance of a capacitor**

The aim of this exercise is to determine the inductance  $L$  of a coil of negligible resistance and the capacitance  $C$  of a capacitor.

For this aim we perform two experiments:

**A – First experiment**

In this experiment, we set up the circuit represented in figure 1. This series circuit is composed of: a resistor ( $D_1$ ) of resistance  $R_1 = 25 \Omega$ , the coil of inductance  $L$  and of negligible resistance and an (LFG) maintaining across its terminals an alternating sinusoidal voltage of expression:

$$u_{AB} = U_m \sin \omega t \quad (u_{AB} \text{ in V, } t \text{ in s}).$$

The circuit thus carries an alternating sinusoidal current  $i_1$ .

An oscilloscope is used to display the variation, as a function of time, of the voltage  $u_{AB}$  on channel ( $Y_1$ ) and the voltage  $u_{DB}$  on channel ( $Y_2$ ).

The adjustments of the oscilloscope are:

- vertical sensitivity for the both channels: 1 V/div;
- horizontal sensitivity: 1 ms/div.

1) Redraw figure (1) and show on it the connections of the oscilloscope.

2) The obtained waveforms are represented on figure (2).

- a) The waveform (a) represents  $u_{AB}$ . Justify.
- b) Using the waveforms of figure (2), determine:
  - i) the angular frequency  $\omega$  of the voltage  $u_{AB}$ ;
  - ii) the maximum value  $U_m$  and  $U_{m1}$  of the voltages  $u_{AB}$  and  $u_{DB}$  respectively;
  - iii) the phase difference between  $u_{AB}$  and  $u_{DB}$ .

3) a) Write the expression of the voltage  $u_{DB}$  as a function of time.

b) Deduce that  $i_1 = 0.1 \sin (\omega t - \frac{\pi}{4})$  ( $i_1$  in A,  $t$  in s).

4) Determine the value of  $L$  by applying the law of addition of voltages.

**B – Second experiment**

In this experiment, another series circuit composed of: the capacitor of capacitance  $C$ , a resistor ( $D_2$ ) and an ammeter ( $A_1$ ) of negligible resistance, is connected between A and B as shown in figure 3. Thus the second branch carries an alternating sinusoidal current  $i_2$ .

The oscilloscope is used, in this case, to display the voltage  $u_{EB} = u_C$  across the terminals of the capacitor and the voltage  $u_{DB}$  across the terminals of ( $D_1$ ).

$U_m$  and  $\omega$  of the (LFG) are kept constant. The adjustments of the oscilloscope remain the same.

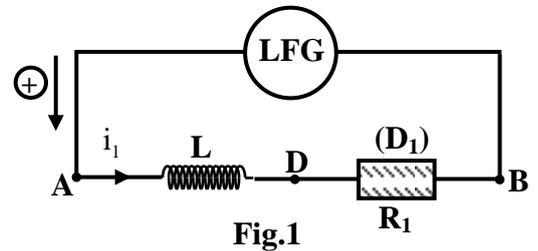


Fig.1

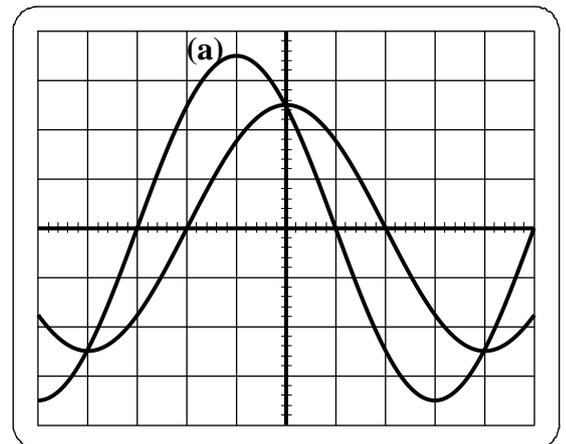


Fig. 2

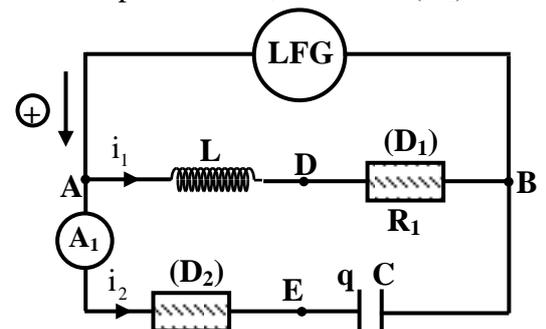


Fig.3

The obtained two waveforms are confounded and represented on figure 4.

Knowing that  $i_1 = 0.1 \sin(\omega t - \frac{\pi}{4})$  ( $i_1$  in A,  $t$  in s).

- 1) Write the expression of  $u_C$  as a function of time.
- 2) Determine the expression of  $i_2$  in terms of  $C$  and  $t$ .
- 3) The ammeter ( $A_1$ ) indicates 27.7 mA. Determine the value of  $C$ .

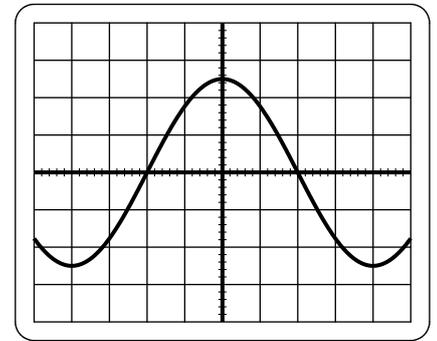


Fig. 4

**Third exercise: (7.5 points)**

**Torsion Pendulum**

The aim of this exercise is to study the motion of a torsion pendulum. Consider a torsion pendulum that is constituted of a homogeneous disk (D), of negligible thickness, suspended from its center of inertia O by a vertical torsion wire connected at its upper extremity to a fixed point O' (Fig.1).

**Given:**

- the moment of inertia of (D) about the axis (OO'):  $I = 3.2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ kg.m}^2$ ;
- the torsion constant of the wire:  $C = 8 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m.N/rad}$ ;
- the horizontal plane passing through O is taken as a gravitational potential energy reference.

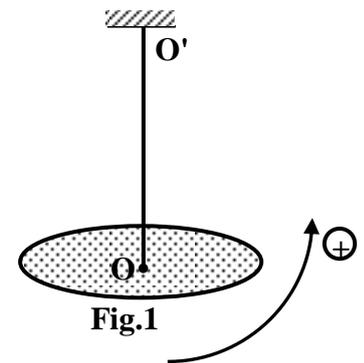


Fig.1

**A – Free un-damped oscillations**

The forces of friction are supposed negligible.

The disk is in its equilibrium position. It is rotated around (OO'), in the positive direction, by an angle  $\theta_m = 0.1 \text{ rad}$ , the disk is then released without initial velocity at the instant  $t_0 = 0$ .

At the instant  $t$ , the angular abscissa of the disk is  $\theta$  and its angular velocity is  $\theta' = \frac{d\theta}{dt}$ .

- 1) Write, at the instant  $t$ , the expression of the mechanical energy of the system (pendulum, Earth) in terms of  $I$ ,  $C$ ,  $\theta$  and  $\theta'$ .
- 2) Derive the second order differential equation that describes the variation of  $\theta$  as a function of time.
- 3) The solution of this differential equation is of the form:  $\theta = \theta_m \cos(\frac{2\pi}{T_0} t + \varphi)$ .

Determine the constants  $T_0$  and  $\varphi$ .

**B – Free damped oscillations**

In reality, the forces of friction are no more negligible. (D) thus performs slightly damped oscillations of pseudo period  $T$ .

- 1) At the end of each oscillation, the amplitude of the oscillations decreases by 2.5% of its precedent value.
  - a) Calculate the mechanical energy  $E_0$  of the system (pendulum, Earth) at the instant  $t_0 = 0$ .
  - b) Show that the loss in the mechanical energy of the system (pendulum, Earth) by the end of the first oscillation is:  $|\Delta E| = 1.97 \times 10^{-7} \text{ J}$ .
- 2) Calculate the value of the average power dissipated by the resistive forces admitting that the value of the pseudo period  $T$  is equal to that of  $T_0$ .

**C – Driven oscillations**

A driving apparatus (M) allows compensating for the loss of energy at the end of each oscillation. This apparatus stores energy  $W = 0.8 \text{ J}$ . The energy furnished by (M) to drive the oscillations represents 25% of energy stored in it.

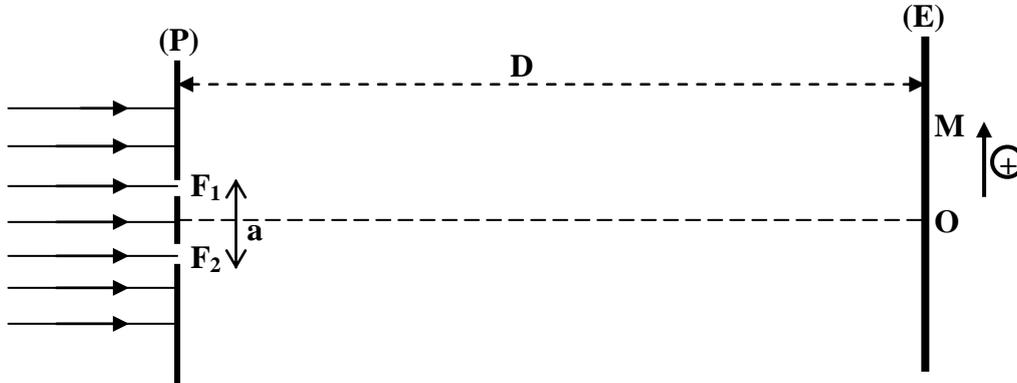
Determine, in days, the maximum duration of driving the oscillations.

**Fourth exercise: (7.5 points)**

**Diffraction and interference**

Two horizontal slits  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ , are illuminated normally with a laser source. Each slit, cut in an opaque screen (P), has a width  $a_1 = 0.1$  mm and are situated at a distance  $F_1F_2 = a = 1$  mm from each other. The wavelength of the laser light is  $\lambda = 600$  nm.

The distance between the plane (P) of the slits and the screen of observation (E) is  $D = 2$  m. (Figure below). O is a point on the screen (E) and belongs to the perpendicular bisector of  $[F_1F_2]$ .



**A** – We cover the slit  $F_1$  by an opaque sheet thus light is emitted only from  $F_2$ .

- 1) The phenomenon of diffraction is observed on the screen (E). Justify.
- 2) Redraw the figure and trace the beam of light leaving the slit  $F_2$ .
- 3) Describe the pattern observed on the screen (E).
- 4) Write the expression of the angular width  $\alpha$  ( $\alpha$  is very small) of the central bright fringe in terms of  $\lambda$  and  $a_1$ .
- 5) a) Show that the linear width  $L$  of the central bright fringe is given by: 
$$L = \frac{2\lambda D}{a_1}.$$

b) Calculate  $L$ .

- 6) The opaque sheet is moved to cover the slit  $F_2$ . The slit  $F_1$  sends light now on the screen (E). The center of the new central bright fringe is at a distance  $d$  from the previous center of the central bright fringe. Specify the value of  $d$ .

**B** – We remove away the opaque sheet and the two slits are now both illuminated with the laser beam.

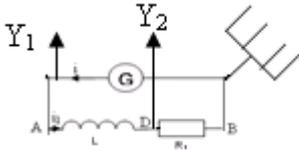
For a point M on (E), such that  $x = \overline{OM}$ , the optical path difference in air is given by  $\delta = \frac{ax}{D}$ .

- 1) Determine the expression of the abscissa  $x_k$  corresponding to the center of the  $k^{\text{th}}$  dark fringe.
- 2) Deduce the expression of the interfringe distance  $i$ .
- 3) Calculate  $i$ .
- 4) Consider a point N on the screen (E) having an abscissa  $x_N = \overline{ON} = 2.4$  mm. Specify the nature and the order of the fringe at point N.
- 5) We move the screen (E) towards the plane (P) of the slits and parallel to it by a distance of 40 cm. Determine the nature and the order of the new fringe at N.

**First exercise (7.5 points)**

Part of the Q	Answer	Mark
A.1.	$E = u_R + u_C = Ri + u_C; \text{ But } i = \frac{dq}{dt} = C \frac{du_C}{dt}.$ $\Rightarrow RC \frac{du_C}{dt} + u_C = E$	0.75
A.2.	$u_C = A + Be^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \Rightarrow \frac{du_C}{dt} = -\frac{B}{\tau} e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$ $E = -\frac{RCB}{\tau} e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} + A + Be^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \Rightarrow E = A + (1 - \frac{RC}{\tau})Be^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}$ $\Rightarrow E = A, (1 - \frac{RC}{\tau})Be^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} = 0 \text{ but } B \neq 0 \Rightarrow \tau = RC$ <p>At <math>t=0, u_C = 0 \Rightarrow A + B = 0, \Rightarrow B = -A = -E</math></p> $\Rightarrow u_C = E(1 - e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}})$	1
A.3.a	From the graph , $\tau$ is the point where line OT intersects the asymptote $\Rightarrow \tau = 1 \text{ms}$	0.5
A.3.b	At $t = \tau, u_C = 0.63E \Rightarrow E = \frac{7.56}{0.63} = 12 \text{V}$ $\tau = RC \Rightarrow R = 10^3 \Omega$	0.75
B.1.	Figure	0.25
B.2.	$u_{AB} + u_{BM} = 0, \Rightarrow -Ri + u_C = 0 \Rightarrow -Ri + \frac{q}{C} = 0$ <p>Derive w.r.t.time , <math>-R \frac{di}{dt} + \frac{1}{C} \left( \frac{dq}{dt} \right)</math></p> $\text{but } i = -\frac{dq}{dt} \Rightarrow i + RC \frac{di}{dt} = 0$	0.75
B.3.	$i = I_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \Rightarrow \frac{di}{dt} = -\frac{I_0}{\tau} e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} \Rightarrow I_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} - \frac{RC}{\tau} I_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} = 0, \text{ verified}$	0.5
B.4.a.	$i = I_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}}, \text{ at } t_0 = 0, i = I_0 e^0 = 0.012 \text{A} \Rightarrow \text{At } t = 2.5\tau, i = I_0 e^{-\frac{t}{\tau}} = 0.082 I_0 \Rightarrow i = 9.84 \times 10^{-4} \text{A}$	0.75
B.4.b	$u_C = u_R = Ri = 0.984 \text{V}$	0.25
B.5.	$W_e = \frac{1}{2} C(E^2 - u^2) = 7.15 \times 10^{-5} \text{J}$	0.75
B.6.a	$W_h = \int_{t_0}^{t_1} R i^2 dt = W_h = \frac{R I_0^2 \tau}{2} (e^0 - e^{-5}) = 7.15 \times 10^{-5} \text{J}$	0.75
B.6.b	$W_e = W_h$ then the electric energy lost by the capacitor is transformed to heat energy through the resistor	0.5

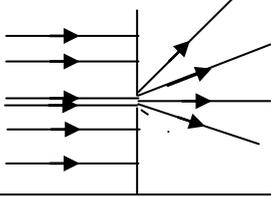
**Second exercise (7.5 points)**

Part of the Q	Answer	Mark
A.1	Connection 	0.5
A.2.a	In A.C. and in an RL circuit, $u_G$ leads $u_{DB}$ (on $i_1$ ). and a leads $\Rightarrow$ a gives $u_{AB}$ Or $U_{m1} > U_{m(BD)}$ and $U_{mg} > U_{mBD}$ ) $\Rightarrow$ a gives $u_{AB}$	0.5
A.2.b.i	$T = 8 \times 1 = 8 \text{ ms} = 0.008 \text{ S}; \omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = 250 \pi \text{ rd/s.}$	1.00
A.2.b.ii	$U_m = 3.5 \times 1 = 3.5 \text{ V}; U_{m1} = 2.5 \times 1 = 2.5 \text{ V.}$	1.00
A.2.b.iii	$\varphi = \frac{2\pi}{8} \times 1 = \frac{\pi}{4} \text{ rad.}$	0.50
A.3.a.	$u_{R1} = 2.5 \sin(250 \pi t - \frac{\pi}{4}).$	0.50
A.3.b	$I_{m1} = \frac{U_{m1}}{R_1} = \frac{2.5}{25} = 0.1 \text{ A.} \quad i_1 = 0.1 \sin(250 \pi t - \frac{\pi}{4}).$ Or $i_1 = \frac{u_{R1}}{R} = 0.1 \sin(250\pi - \frac{\pi}{4})$	0.50
A.4	$u = u_L + u_{DB};$ with: $u_L = L \frac{di_1}{dt} = 25 \pi L \cos(250 \pi t - \frac{\pi}{4});$ $u_{DB} = R_1 i_1 = 2.5 \sin(250 \pi t - \frac{\pi}{4}).$ We have then: $3.5 \sin(250 \pi t) = 25 \pi L \cos(250 \pi t - \frac{\pi}{4}) + 2.5 \sin(250 \pi t - \frac{\pi}{4}).$ For $t = 0$ , we have: $0 = 25 \pi L \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} - 2.5 \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} \times L = \frac{0.1}{\pi} = 0.032 \text{ H.}$	1.25
B.1	$u_c = u_{R1} = 2.5 \sin(250 \pi t - \frac{\pi}{4}).$	0.50
B.2.	$i_2 = C \frac{du_c}{dt} = 625 \pi C \cos(250 \pi t - \frac{\pi}{4})$	0.5
B.3	The ammeter gives $I_{\text{eff}} = 0.0277 \text{ A} \Rightarrow I_{2M} = I_{\text{eff}} \sqrt{2} = 0.0391 \text{ A}$ But $I_{2m} = 625 C \Rightarrow C = \frac{I_{2m}}{625 \pi} = 2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ F}$	0.75

### Third exercise (7.5 points)

Part of the Q	Answer	Mark
A.1.	$M.E = \frac{1}{2} I \theta'^2 + \frac{1}{2} C \theta^2$	1.00
A.2.	$M.E = Cte \Rightarrow \frac{dE_m}{dt} = 0 \Rightarrow I \theta' \theta'' + C \theta \theta' = 0 \Rightarrow \theta'' + \frac{C}{I} \theta = 0$	1.00
A.3.	$\theta = \theta_m \cos\left(\frac{2\pi}{T_0} t + \varphi\right) \Rightarrow \theta' = -\theta_m \frac{2\pi}{T_0} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{T_0} t + \varphi\right)$ $\Rightarrow \theta'' = -\theta_m \left(\frac{2\pi}{T_0}\right)^2 \sin\left(\frac{2\pi}{T_0} t + \varphi\right) = -\left(\frac{2\pi}{T_0}\right)^2 \theta$ <p>Sub. In the differential equation: <math>\frac{4\pi^2}{T_0^2} \theta + \frac{C}{I} \theta = 0</math></p> $\Rightarrow \omega_0 = \sqrt{\frac{C}{I}} \Rightarrow T_0 = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I}{C}} \Rightarrow T_0 \approx 0.4 \text{ s.}$ $\theta = 0.1 \text{ rad} \Rightarrow \theta_m \cos \varphi = 0.1 \Rightarrow \varphi = 0$	1.5
B.1.a	$M.E_0 = \frac{1}{2} C \theta_{0m}^2 = 4 \times 10^{-6} \text{ J}$	0.75
B.1.b	$\theta_{0m} = 0.1 \text{ rad} \Rightarrow \theta_{1m} = \frac{0.1 \times 97.5}{100} = 0.0975 \text{ rad.}$ $\Rightarrow  \Delta E  = \frac{1}{2} C (\theta_{0m}^2 - \theta_{1m}^2) = 1.97 \times 10^{-7} \text{ J}$	1.25
B.2	$P_{av} = \frac{\Delta E}{T} = -4.92 \times 10^{-7} \text{ W}$	0.75
C	<p>The energy used for driving is : <math>\frac{0.8 \times 25}{100} = 0.2 \text{ J.}</math></p> <p>The duration of driving is : <math>t = \frac{0.2}{4.92 \times 10^{-7}} = 406504 \text{ s;}</math></p> $t = \frac{406504}{24 \times 3600} = 4.7 \text{ day}$	1.25

**Fourth exercise : (7.5 points)**

Part of the Q	Answer	Mark
A.1	The width of the slit $a_1$ is of the order of mm (or $\lambda$ has to be of the same order of $a_1$ ( $a_1 = 10^3 \lambda$ )).	0.50
A.2.	Aspect of the emerging beam. 	0.50
A.3	We observe : <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Alternate bright and dark fringes.</li> <li>• The direction of the diffraction pattern is perpendicular to that of the slit.</li> <li>• The width of the central bright fringe is twice as broad as others.</li> </ul>	0.75
A.4	$\sin \alpha = \frac{2\lambda}{a_1}$ and in case of small angles $\sin \alpha \approx \alpha_{rd} \Rightarrow \alpha = \frac{2\lambda}{a_1}$	0.50
A.5.a	Figure $\tan \frac{\alpha}{2} = \frac{L}{2D}$ and case of small angles $\tan \alpha \approx \alpha_{rd} \Rightarrow L = \alpha \times D = \frac{2\lambda D}{a_1}$ .	0.75
A.5.b	$L = \frac{2 \times 0.633 \times 10^{-3} \times 2 \times 10^3}{0.1} \text{ mm} = 25 \text{ mm}.$	0.50
A.6.	The displacement of 1 mm is due to the distance $a = 1 \text{ mm}$ between the two slits	0.50
B.1.	$\delta = \frac{ax}{D}$ , Dark fringe $\delta = (2k+1) \frac{\lambda}{2} \Rightarrow x = (2k+1) \frac{\lambda D}{2a}$	0.75
B.2.	$i = x_{k+1} - x_k = \frac{[2(k+1)+1]\lambda D}{2a} - \frac{(2k+1)\lambda D}{2a} = \frac{\lambda D}{a}$ .	0.75
B.3.	$i = \frac{0.6 \times 10^{-3} \times 2 \times 10^3}{1} = 1.2 \text{ mm}.$	0.50
B.4.	$\frac{x}{i} = \frac{2.4}{1.2} = 2 \Rightarrow x = 2i \Rightarrow$ center of the second bright fringe	0.75
B.5.	$x = (2k+1) \frac{\lambda D}{2a} \Rightarrow 2.4 \times 10^{-3} = (2k+1) \frac{600 \times 10^{-9} \times 2}{2 \times 10^{-3}}$ $\Rightarrow k = 2$ then it corresponds to the center of third dark fringe	0.75