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Resultant of two SHMs at right angles with frequency ratio 1:2

Let us two SHMs perpendicular to each other having different amplitudes and phase and frequencies in the ratio 1:2.

Let the first S.H.M. be along x-axis and the second along the y-axis since their frequencies are in the ratio 1:2, their angular velocities ($\omega = 2\pi n$) will be in the ratio 1:2.

The displacements due to the two S.H.M.s at any time t ~~can be~~ ^{can be} represented as

$$x = a \sin \omega t \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$y = b \sin(2\omega t + \phi) \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

from eqn (1)

$$\sin \omega t = \frac{x}{a} \text{ and } \cos \omega t = \sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}}$$

from eq. (2) $\frac{y}{b} = \sin(2\omega t + \phi)$

$$= \sin 2\omega t \cos \phi + \cos 2\omega t \cdot \sin \phi$$

$$= 2 \sin \omega t \cdot \cos \omega t \cdot \cos \phi + (1 - 2 \sin^2 \omega t) \sin \phi$$

~~Substituting~~ Substituting the values of $\sin \omega t$ and $\cos \omega t$, we have,

$$\frac{y}{b} = 2 \frac{x}{a} \sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}} \cdot \cos \phi + \sin \phi - 2 \frac{x^2}{a^2} \sin \phi$$

$$\left(\frac{y}{b} - \sin\phi\right) + \frac{2x^2}{a^2} \sin\phi = \frac{2x}{a} \sqrt{\left(1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}\right)} \cos\phi$$

Squaring both sides, we get.

$$\left(\frac{y}{b} - \sin\phi\right)^2 + \frac{4x^2}{a^2} \sin^2\phi + \frac{4x^2}{a^2} \sin\phi \left(\frac{y}{b} - \sin\phi\right)$$

$$= \frac{4x^2}{a^2} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}\right) \cos^2\phi$$

$$= \frac{4x^2}{a^2} \cos^2\phi - \frac{4x^4}{a^4} \cos^2\phi$$

$$\text{or, } \left(\frac{y}{b} - \sin\phi\right)^2 + \frac{4x^2 y}{a^2 b} \sin\phi - \frac{4x^2}{a^2} \sin^2\phi + \frac{4x^2}{a^4} \sin^2\phi$$

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$$\text{or, } \left(\frac{y}{b} - \sin\phi\right)^2 + \frac{4x^2 y}{a^2 b} \sin\phi - \frac{4x^2}{a^2} (\sin^2\phi + \cos^2\phi)$$

$$+ \frac{4x^4}{a^4} (\sin^2\phi + \cos^2\phi) = 0$$

$$\text{or, } \left(\frac{y}{b} - \sin\phi\right)^2 + \frac{4x^2 y}{a^2 b} \sin\phi - \frac{4x^2}{a^2} + \frac{4x^4}{a^4} = 0$$

This eq. gives the resultant motion of (3)

the particle.

