

EXAMPLE 4.6.1

SPEC

Suppose that we wish to move a robot joint a total distance of  $\pi$  radians in 400 ms using a stepper motor. The joint "sees" a reflected load inertia  $J_L = 0.004 \text{ oz-in.}^2$ . (The load is coupled to the motor shaft through a 10:1 gear train.) It is proposed to use a stepper with the following specifications:

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SPEC 1

$\pi$  rad in 400ms

$$J_M = 0.003 \text{ oz-in.}^2$$

MOTOR

$$\text{step angle} = 1.8^\circ \text{ (200 steps/rev)}$$

$$\text{rms torque} = \text{rated continuous torque} = \underline{7 \text{ oz-in.}}$$

$$\text{maximum step rate} = \text{slew rate} = \underline{4000 \text{ steps/s}}$$



In addition, a triangular velocity profile is to be assumed (see Figure 4.6.6). Here  $t_a$  and  $(t_g - t_a)$  are the acceleration and deceleration times, respectively, and are assumed to be equal in this case. The acceleration and distance curves resulting from this velocity are also shown in parts b and c of this figure and  $\omega_{pk}$  and  $\alpha_{pk}$  are the peak angular velocity and peak angular acceleration of the motor shaft, respectively. The problem is to determine whether the given motor will be able to meet all the motion requirements for a joint move of this type.

WILL IT WORK?

Because the load is coupled to the motor shaft through a 10:1 speed reducer, the motor must move  $10\pi$  radians (i.e., 10 times the distance of the actual joint output). From Figure 4.6.6b and c, it is seen that

$$\omega_{pk} \frac{t_g}{2} = 10\pi$$

✓ here  $t_g = 2t_a$

and

$$\alpha_{pk} = \frac{\omega_{pk}}{t_a} \text{ (+ acceleration)}$$

Since  $t_a = t_g/2 = \underline{200 \text{ ms}}$ ,  $\omega_{pk}$  and  $\alpha_{pk}$  needed to make this move are found to be

$$\omega_{pk} = 50\pi = 157.1 \text{ rad/s} = \frac{10\pi \times 2}{0.4 \text{ s}}$$

$$\alpha_{pk} = \frac{157.1}{0.2} = 785.5 \text{ rad/s}^2 = \frac{50\pi}{0.2} \text{ r/s}^2$$

The corresponding peak acceleration and deceleration torques in this case

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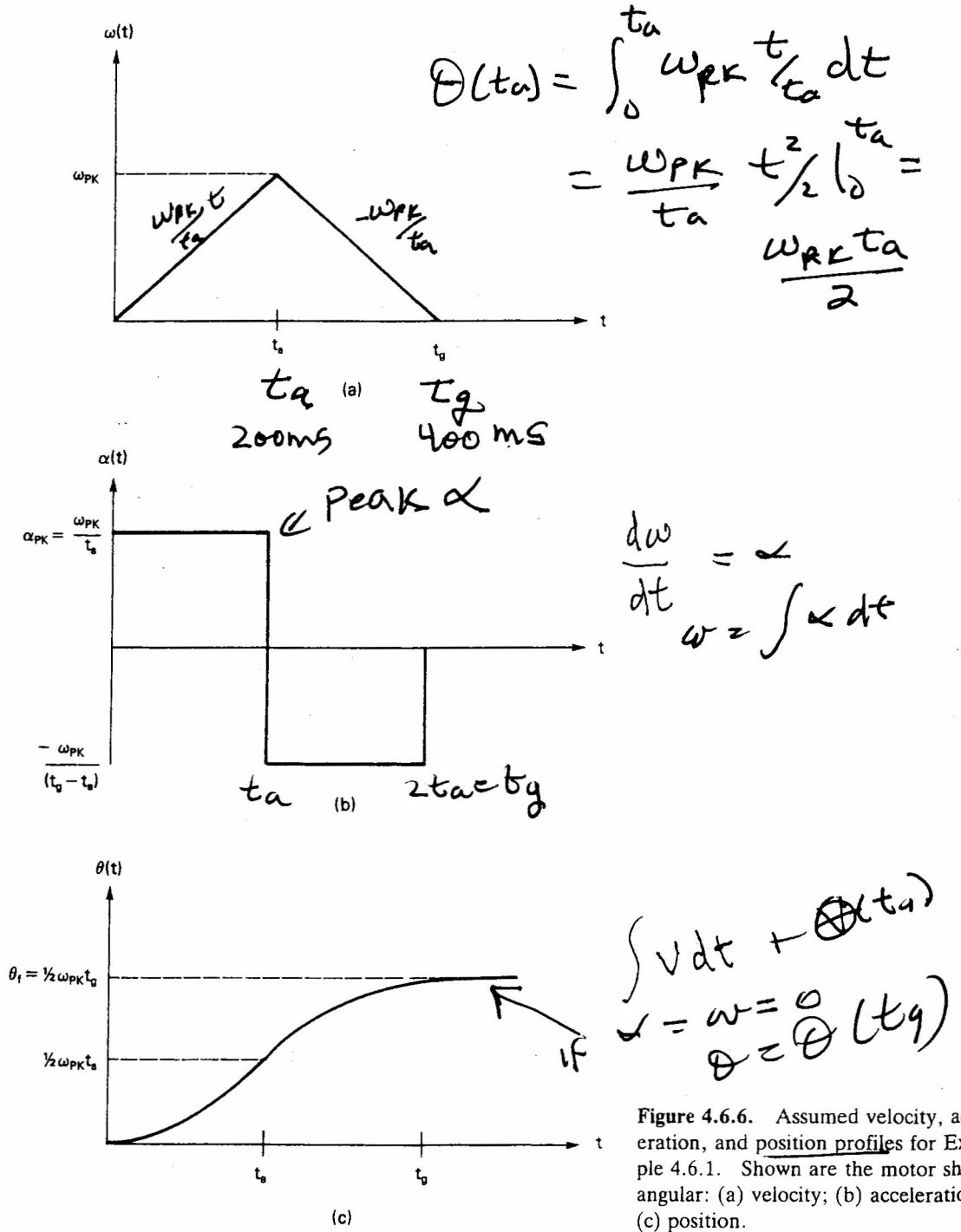
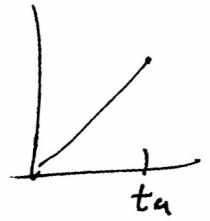


Figure 4.6.6. Assumed velocity, acceleration, and position profiles for Example 4.6.1. Shown are the motor shaft angular: (a) velocity; (b) acceleration; (c) position.

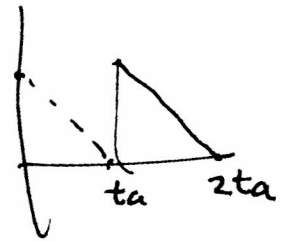
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$$\theta(t_a) = \int_0^{t_a} w_{PK} \frac{t}{t_a} dt = \frac{w_{PK}}{t_a} \left[ \frac{t^2}{2} \right]_0^{t_a} = w_{PK} \frac{t_a}{2}$$



$$\theta(t) = \int_{t_a}^{2t_a} w_{PK} \left( 1 - \frac{t-t_a}{t_a} \right) dt$$



$$= w_{PK} \left[ t - \frac{t^2}{2t_a} + t \right]_{t_a}^{2t_a}$$

$$w(t) = -\frac{w_{PK}}{t_a} (t-t_a) + w_{PK}$$

$$w(t_a) = w_{PK}$$

$$w(2t_a) = -\frac{w_{PK}}{t_a} (t_a) + w_{PK} = 0$$

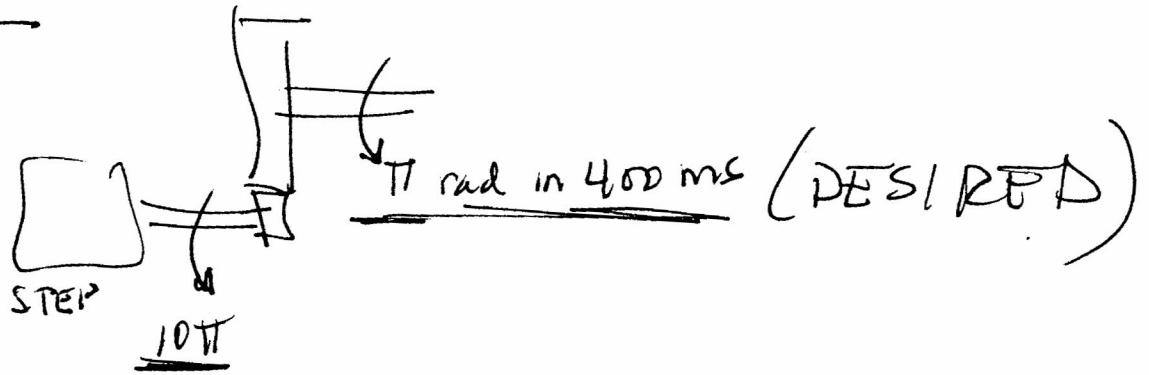
$$= w_{PK} \left\{ \left[ 2t_a - \frac{4t_a^2}{2} + 2t_a \right] - \left[ t_a - \frac{t_a^2}{2} + t_a \right] \right\}$$

$$= w_{PK} \left( \frac{t_a}{2} \right)$$

$$\text{So } \theta(2t_a) = \theta(t_a) = w_{PK} \left( \frac{t_a}{2} \right) + w_{PK} \left( \frac{t_a}{2} \right)$$

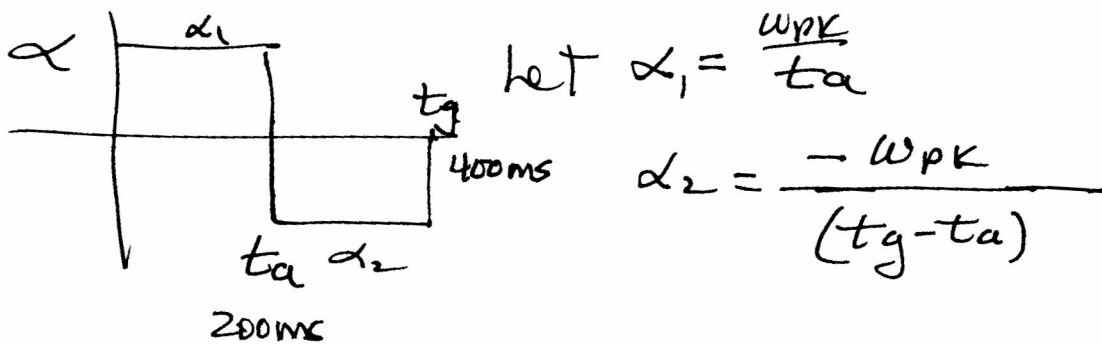
$$= \underline{\underline{w_{PK} t_a / 2}} \quad \checkmark$$

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So move  $180^\circ$  ( $\pi$  rad) in 400 ms  
 using acceleration  $\frac{1}{2}$  time and then  
 decelerate  $\frac{1}{2}$  time



So for the motor to turn joint  $\pi$ ,  
 motor rotates  $10\pi$  with the time  $t_g$

What is average velocity 0 -  $t_a$

$$\frac{\frac{1}{2}(t_a)\omega_{pk}}{t_a}$$

velocity  $t_a - t_g$

$$-\frac{\frac{1}{2}t_a\omega_{pk}}{(t_g - t_a)}$$

$t_g - t_a = t_{\text{here}}$

So  $\theta_1 = \frac{1}{2}\omega_{pk} \cdot t_a$

$\theta_2 = \frac{1}{2}\omega_{pk} \cdot t_a$

So for motor to move  $10\pi$  P260  $\text{E}$

$$\begin{aligned} 10\pi &= \frac{1}{2} \omega_{pk} t_a + \frac{1}{2} \omega_{pk} t_a \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \omega_{pk} (2t_a) = \frac{1}{2} \omega_{pk} (t_g) \end{aligned}$$

So motor moves  $10\pi$  in 400ms ( $t_g$ )

$$\omega_{pk} = \frac{10\pi \times 2}{4 \text{ sec}} = 50\pi = \text{rad/sec}$$

Then of course for  $t_a$  time

$$\Delta \omega_{pk} = \frac{\omega_p}{t_a} = \frac{50\pi}{0.12} = \underline{250\pi} \text{ rad/s}^2$$

① So Torque

$$\begin{aligned} T_{\text{cell}} &= (J_L + J_M) \Delta \omega_{pk} \\ &= \left[ (0.004 + 0.003) \times 2 \cdot 10^{-5} \right] 250\pi \text{ rad/s}^2 \end{aligned}$$

OK

$$= 5.503 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ ( } 703 \cdot 10^{-4} \text{ )}$$

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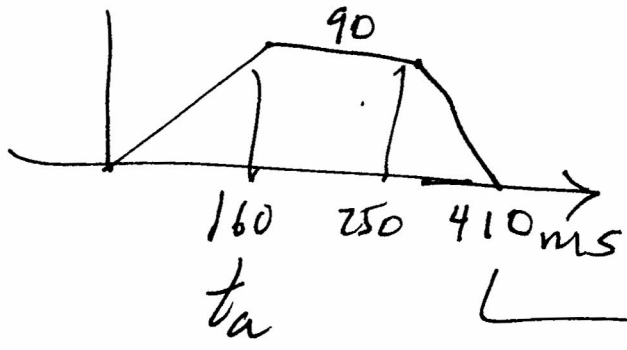
$$\begin{aligned} \omega_{pk} &= \frac{\text{Total move velocity}}{\text{single step}} = \frac{50\pi \text{ r/s}}{0.03416} = \underline{500\pi / \text{sec}} \\ &= \frac{\text{rads/sec}}{\text{rad/step}} \quad (1.8^\circ) \end{aligned}$$

TOO FAST TO MEET 400MS  
move

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SOLUTION



Relax  
400 ms

\* ~~Viscous Damping~~ and friction are ZERO. <sup>261</sup>

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are equal.\* Thus

$$T_{\text{accel}} = (J_L + J_M)\alpha_{pk} = 5.5 \text{ oz-in.}$$

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 < 703-in

Since the acceleration curve in Figure 4.6.6b is piecewise constant, the rms and peak torques are equal.\* Consequently, it is seen that the proposed motor is adequate from a torque point of view. However, a single step is 1.8° or 0.031416 rad. The resultant peak angular velocity is therefore

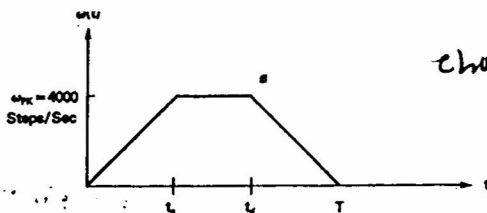
$$\frac{\text{rads/sec}}{\text{rads/STEP}}$$

$$\omega_{pk} = \frac{157.1}{0.031416} = 5000 \text{ steps/s}$$

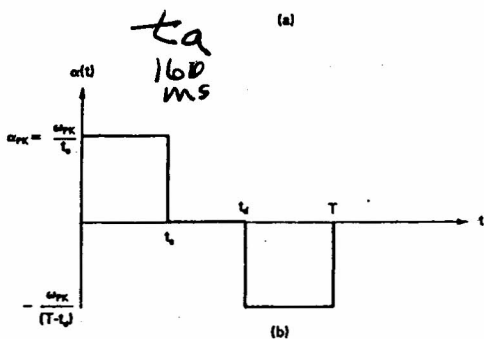
TOO FAST

Clearly, the speed requirement exceeds the maximum slew rate of the motor by 25%. In fact, it is probable that if we use it for the proposed application, steps will be dropped and accuracy will suffer.

There are two things that can be done to meet the requirements of the problem ① One involves using a motor that has the same torque rating but a higher slew rate ② The other necessitates relaxing one of the specs. For example, suppose that it is permissible to make the move in slightly more than 400 ms. Then the trapezoidal velocity profile shown in Figure 4.6.7 could be employed. Using this profile with  $\omega_{pk} = 4000 \text{ steps/s}$  and the acceleration and deceleration times still assumed to be equal, it is found that the acceleration torque is still 5.5 oz-in,  $t_a = 160 \text{ ms}$  and the overall move time  $T = 410 \text{ ms}$  (see Problem 4.23). Thus only a small time penalty results from using a constant-velocity segment of 90 ms during the move.



if  $\omega_p = 5000 \text{ steps/sec}$ ,  
 choose faster motor or  
 slow this one  
 down to  $\leq 4000 \text{ steps/sec}$



Solution here  
 let motor

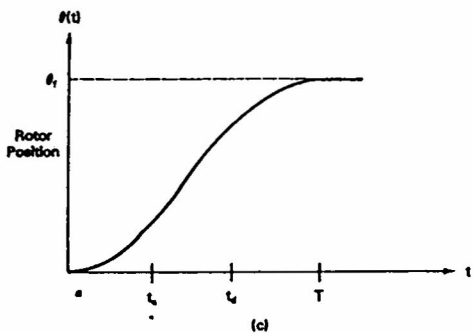


Figure 4.6.7. Alternate set of profiles (assuming a trapezoidal velocity) for Example 4.6.1. Shown are the motor shaft angular: (a) velocity; (b) acceleration; (c) position.