

$$a_R = \frac{2 \pi \omega^2 S (\theta)}{(\theta)^2}$$

Construction of cam profile for a Radial cam

In order to draw the cam profile for a radial cam, first of all the displacement diagram for the given motion of the follower is drawn. Then by constructing the follower in its proper position at each angular position, the profile of the working surface of the cam is drawn.

In constructing the cam profile, the principle of kinematic inversion is used, i.e. the cam is imagined to be stationary and the follower is allowed to rotate in the opposite direction to the cam rotation.

Examples based on cam profile

Draw the profile of a cam operating a knife-edge follower having a lift of 30 mm. the cam raises the follower with SHM for 150° of the rotation followed by a period of dwell for 60°. The follower descends for the next 100° rotation of the cam with uniform velocity, again followed by a dwell period. The cam rotates at a uniform velocity of 120 rpm and has a least radius of 20 mm. what will be the maximum velocity and acceleration of the follower during the lift and the return?

- $S = 30 \text{ mm}$; $\theta_a = 150^\circ$; $N = 120 \text{ rpm}$;
- $\delta_1 = 60^\circ$; $r_c = 20 \text{ mm}$; $\delta_2 = 50^\circ$
- **During ascent:**

$$\omega = \frac{2 \pi N}{60} = \frac{2 \pi \times 120}{60} = 12.57 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$v_{max} = \frac{\pi \times \omega \times S}{2 \theta_0} = \frac{\pi \times 12.57 \times 30}{2 \times 150 \times \frac{\pi}{180}} = 226.3$$

$$a_{max} = \frac{\pi^2 \times \omega^2 \times S}{2 \times (\theta^0)^2} = \frac{\pi^2 \times 12.57^2 \times 30}{2 \times (150 \times \frac{\pi}{180})^2} = 7.413 \text{ m/s}^2$$

- **During descent:**

$$v_{max} = \frac{\omega S}{\theta_d}$$

$$v_{max} = \frac{12.57 \times 30}{100 \times \frac{\pi}{180}} = 216 \text{ mm/s}$$

$$f_{max} = 0$$

- **During ascent:**

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi N}{60} = \frac{2\pi \times 150}{60} = 5\pi \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}$$

$$v_{max} = \frac{\pi \times \omega \times s}{2\theta_0} = \frac{\pi \times 5\pi \times 35}{150 \times \frac{\pi}{180}} = 827.7 \text{ mm/s}$$

$$a_{max} = \frac{\pi^2 \times \omega^2 \times s}{2 \times (\theta_0)^2} = \frac{\pi^2 \times 5\pi^2 \times 35}{2 \times (150 \times \frac{\pi}{180})^2} = 38.882 \text{ m/s}^2$$

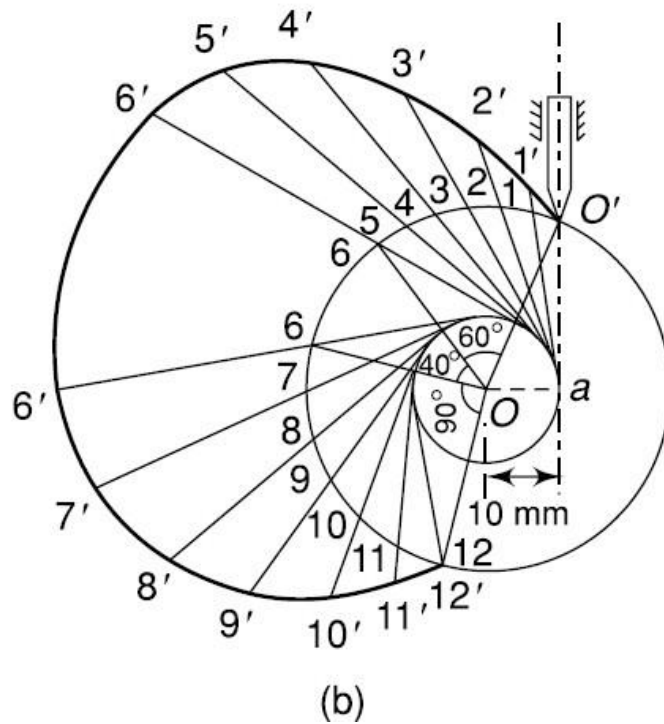
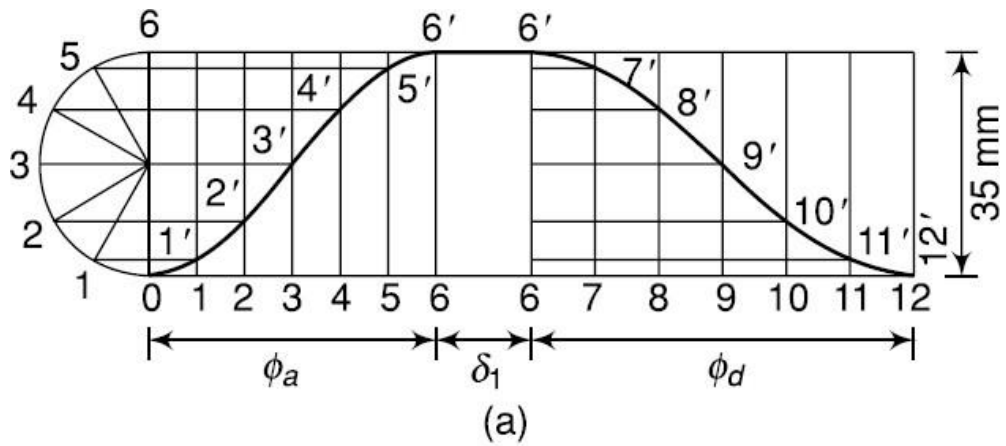


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- **During descent:**

$$v_{max} = \frac{\pi \times \omega \times s}{\theta_0} = \frac{\pi \times 5 \times 35 \times 2}{90 \times \frac{\pi}{180}} = 549.80 \text{ mm/s}$$