

162(2): Expression for x_2 in terms of x_1

Start with eq. (20) of note 162(2), then:

$$x_1^2 = 2x_2^2 - (\omega'^2 + \omega''^2) - (\omega'' - \omega')^2 + 2(\omega''^2 - x_2^2)^{1/2} (\omega'^2 - x_2^2)^{1/2} \cos \theta \quad (1)$$

Let $x := x_2^2$. $-(2)$

then: $x + (\omega''^2 - x)^{1/2} (\omega'^2 - x)^{1/2} \cos \theta = A$ $-(3)$

where: $A = \frac{1}{2} (x_1^2 + (\omega''^2 + \omega'^2) + (\omega'' - \omega')^2)$ $-(4)$

so $(\omega''^2 - x)(\omega'^2 - x) \cos^2 \theta = (A - x)^2$ $-(5)$

$(\omega''^2 \omega'^2 - x(\omega'^2 + \omega''^2) + x^2) \cos^2 \theta = A^2 - 2Ax + x^2$

i.e. $x^2(1 - \cos^2 \theta) + ((\omega'^2 + \omega''^2) \cos^2 \theta - 2A)x + A^2 - \omega''^2 \omega'^2 \cos^2 \theta = 0$ $-(6)$

which is: $ax^2 + bx + c' = 0$, $-(7)$

where $a = 1 - \cos^2 \theta$,
 $b = (\omega''^2 + \omega'^2) \cos^2 \theta - 2A$,
 $c' = A^2 - \omega''^2 \omega'^2 \cos^2 \theta$

so $x_1^2 = \frac{1}{2a} \left(-b \pm (b^2 - 4ac)^{1/2} \right)$ $-(8)$