

$$\therefore (N_2)^2 = \frac{123.883}{0.0043} = 28\,810 \quad \text{or} \quad N_2 = 170 \text{ r.p.m.} \quad \text{Ans.}$$

Note : The value of N_2 may also be obtained by drawing the governor configuration to some suitable scale and measuring the distances B_1M_1 , I_1M_1 and I_1D_1 .

18.8. Hartnell Governor

A Hartnell governor is a spring loaded governor as shown in Fig. 18.18. It consists of two bell crank levers pivoted at the points O, O to the frame. The frame is attached to the governor spindle and therefore rotates with it. Each lever carries a ball at the end of the vertical arm OB and a roller at the end of the horizontal arm OR . A helical spring in compression provides equal downward forces on the two rollers through a collar on the sleeve. The spring force may be adjusted by screwing a nut up or down on the sleeve.

Let m = Mass of each ball in kg,

M = Mass of sleeve in kg,

r_1 = Minimum radius of rotation in metres,

r_2 = Maximum radius of rotation in metres,

ω_1 = Angular speed of the governor at minimum radius in rad/s,

ω_2 = Angular speed of the governor at maximum radius in rad/s,

S_1 = Spring force exerted on the sleeve at ω_1 in newtons,

S_2 = Spring force exerted on the sleeve at ω_2 in newtons,

F_{C1} = Centrifugal force at ω_1 in newtons = $m (\omega_1)^2 r_1$,

F_{C2} = Centrifugal force at ω_2 in newtons = $m (\omega_2)^2 r_2$,

s = Stiffness of the spring or the force required to compress the spring by one mm,

x = Length of the vertical or ball arm of the lever in metres,

y = Length of the horizontal or sleeve arm of the lever in metres, and

r = Distance of fulcrum O from the governor axis or the radius of rotation when the governor is in mid-position, in metres.

Consider the forces acting at one bell crank lever. The minimum and maximum position is shown in Fig. 18.19. Let h be the compression of the spring when the radius of rotation changes from r_1 to r_2 .

For the minimum position *i.e.* when the radius of rotation changes from r to r_1 , as shown in Fig. 18.19 (a), the compression of the spring or the lift of sleeve h_1 is given by

$$\frac{h_1}{y} = \frac{a_1}{x} = \frac{r - r_1}{x} \quad \dots (i)$$

Similarly, for the maximum position *i.e.* when the radius of rotation changes from r to r_2 , as shown in Fig. 18.19 (b), the compression of the spring or lift of sleeve h_2 is given by

$$\frac{h_2}{y} = \frac{a_2}{x} = \frac{r_2 - r}{x} \quad \dots (ii)$$

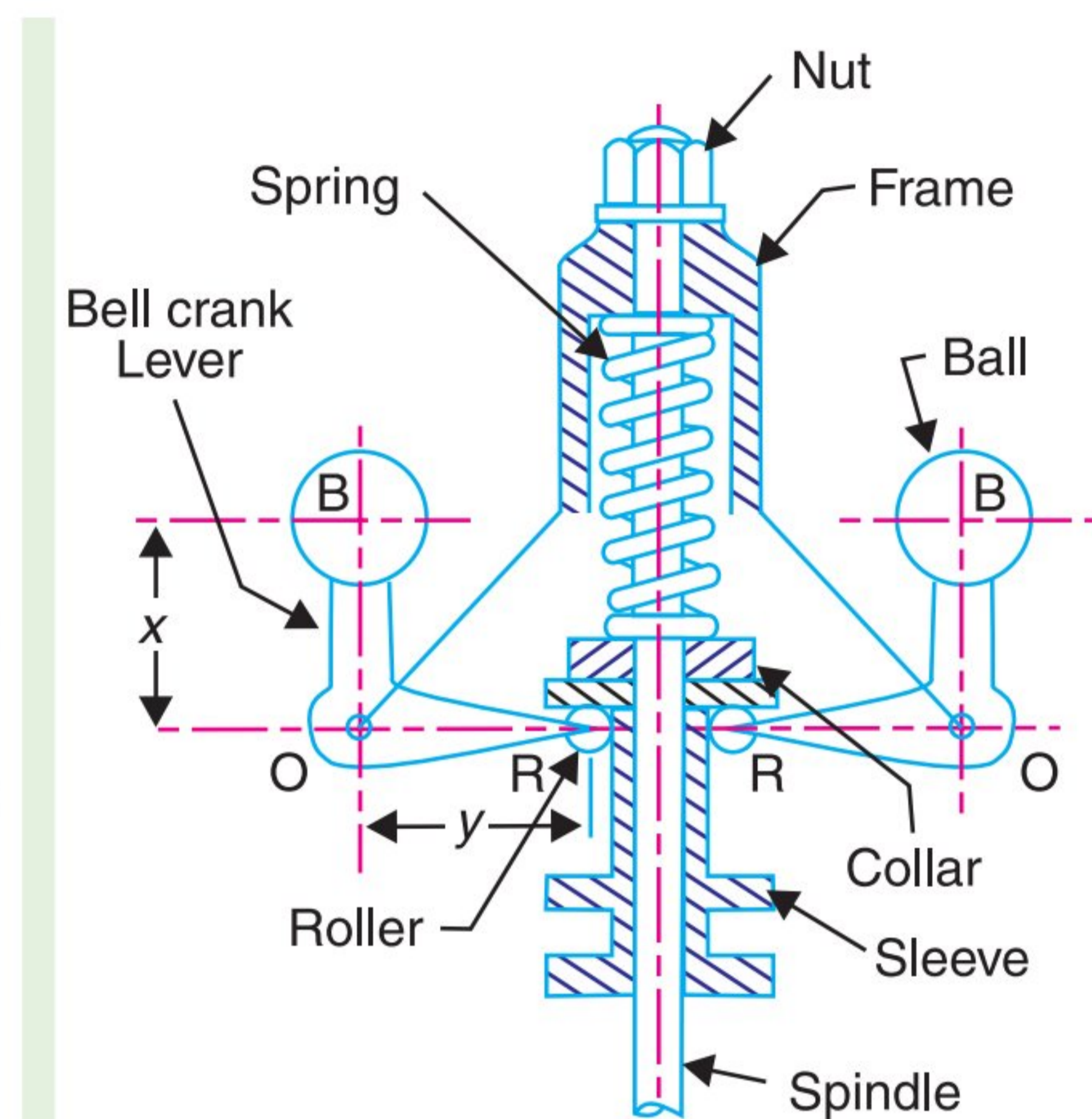


Fig. 18.18. Hartnell governor.

Adding equations (i) and (ii),

$$\frac{h_1 + h_2}{y} = \frac{r_2 - r_1}{x} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{h}{y} = \frac{r_2 - r_1}{x} \quad \dots (\because h = h_1 + h_2)$$

$$\therefore h = (r_2 - r_1) \frac{y}{x} \quad \dots \text{(iii)}$$

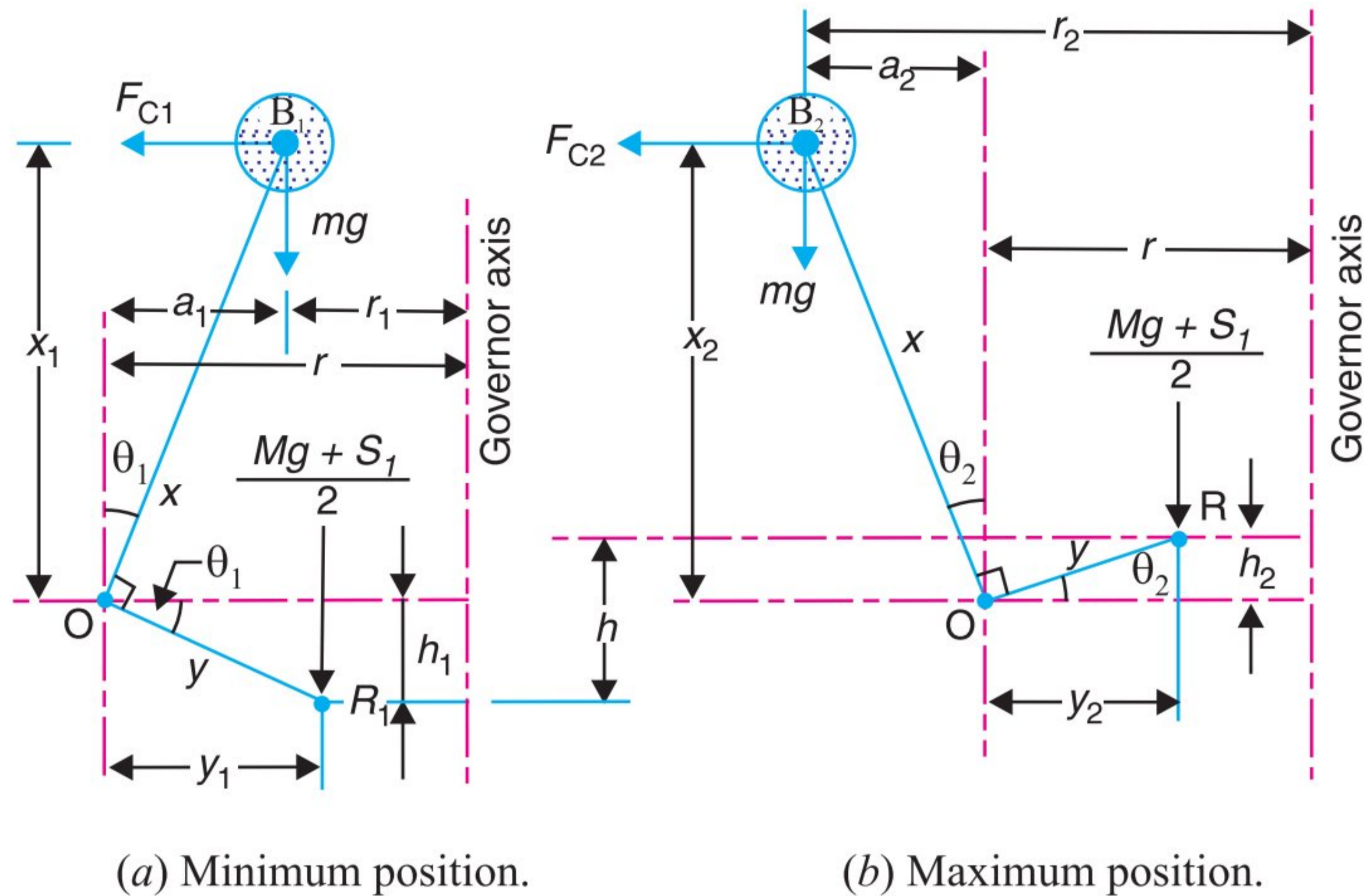


Fig. 18.19

Now for minimum position, taking moments about point O , we get

$$\frac{M \cdot g + S_1}{2} \times y_1 = F_{C1} \times x_1 - m \cdot g \times a_1$$

$$\text{or} \quad M \cdot g + S_1 = \frac{2}{y_1} (F_{C1} \times x_1 - m \cdot g \times a_1) \quad \dots \text{(iv)}$$

Again for maximum position, taking moments about point O , we get

$$\frac{M \cdot g + S_2}{2} \times y_2 = F_{C2} \times x_2 + m \cdot g \times a_2$$

$$\text{or} \quad M \cdot g + S_2 = \frac{2}{y_2} (F_{C2} \times x_2 + m \cdot g \times a_2) \quad \dots \text{(v)}$$

Subtracting equation (iv) from equation (v),

$$S_2 - S_1 = \frac{2}{y_2} (F_{C2} \times x_2 + m \cdot g \times a_2) - \frac{2}{y_1} (F_{C1} \times x_1 - m \cdot g \times a_1)$$

We know that

$$S_2 - S_1 = h \cdot s, \quad \text{and} \quad h = (r_2 - r_1) \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\therefore s = \frac{S_2 - S_1}{h} = \left(\frac{S_2 - S_1}{r_2 - r_1} \right) \frac{x}{y}$$

Neglecting the obliquity effect of the arms (i.e. $x_1 = x_2 = x$, and $y_1 = y_2 = y$) and the moment due to weight of the balls (i.e. $m \cdot g$), we have for minimum position,

$$\frac{M \cdot g + S_1}{2} \times y = F_{C1} \times x \quad \text{or} \quad M \cdot g + S_1 = 2F_{C1} \times \frac{x}{y} \quad \dots \text{(vi)}$$

Similarly for maximum position,

$$\frac{M \cdot g + S_2}{2} \times y = F_{C2} \times x \quad \text{or} \quad M \cdot g + S_2 = 2F_{C2} \times \frac{x}{y} \quad \dots (vii)$$

Subtracting equation (vi) from equation (vii),

$$S_2 - S_1 = 2 (F_{C2} - F_{C1}) \frac{x}{y} \quad \dots (viii)$$

We know that

$$S_2 - S_1 = h \cdot s, \quad \text{and} \quad h = (r_2 - r_1) \frac{y}{x}$$

$$\therefore s = \frac{S_2 - S_1}{h} = 2 \left(\frac{F_{C2} - F_{C1}}{r_2 - r_1} \right) \left(\frac{x}{y} \right)^2 \quad \dots (ix)$$

Notes : 1. Unless otherwise stated, the obliquity effect of the arms and the moment due to the weight of the balls is neglected, in actual practice.

2. When friction is taken into account, the weight of the sleeve ($M \cdot g$) may be replaced by ($M \cdot g \pm F$).

3. The centrifugal force (F_C) for any intermediate position (*i.e.* between the minimum and maximum position) at a radius of rotation (r) may be obtained as discussed below :

Since the stiffness for a given spring is constant for all positions, therefore for minimum and intermediate position,

$$s = 2 \left(\frac{F_C - F_{C1}}{r - r_1} \right) \left(\frac{x}{y} \right)^2 \quad \dots (x)$$

and for intermediate and maximum position,

$$s = 2 \left(\frac{F_{C2} - F_C}{r_2 - r} \right) \left(\frac{x}{y} \right)^2 \quad \dots (xi)$$

\therefore From equations (ix), (x) and (xi),

$$\frac{F_{C2} - F_{C1}}{r_2 - r_1} = \frac{F_C - F_{C1}}{r - r_1} = \frac{F_{C2} - F_C}{r_2 - r}$$

or
$$F_C = F_{C1} + (F_{C2} - F_{C1}) \left(\frac{r - r_1}{r_2 - r_1} \right) = F_{C2} - (F_{C2} - F_{C1}) \left(\frac{r_2 - r}{r_2 - r_1} \right)$$

Example 18.13. A Hartnell governor having a central sleeve spring and two right-angled bell crank levers moves between 290 r.p.m. and 310 r.p.m. for a sleeve lift of 15 mm. The sleeve arms and the ball arms are 80 mm and 120 mm respectively. The levers are pivoted at 120 mm from the governor axis and mass of each ball is 2.5 kg. The ball arms are parallel to the governor axis at the lowest equilibrium speed. Determine : **1.** loads on the spring at the lowest and the highest equilibrium speeds, and **2.** stiffness of the spring.

Solution. Given : $N_1 = 290$ r.p.m. or $\omega_1 = 2 \pi \times 290/60 = 30.4$ rad/s ; $N_2 = 310$ r.p.m. or $\omega_2 = 2 \pi \times 310/60 = 32.5$ rad/s ; $h = 15$ mm = 0.015 m ; $y = 80$ mm = 0.08 m ; $x = 120$ mm = 0.12 m ; $r = 120$ mm = 0.12 m ; $m = 2.5$ kg

1. Loads on the spring at the lowest and highest equilibrium speeds

Let S = Spring load at lowest equilibrium speed, and
 S_2 = Spring load at highest equilibrium speed.

Since the ball arms are parallel to governor axis at the lowest equilibrium speed (*i.e.* at $N_1 = 290$ r.p.m.), as shown in Fig. 18.20 (a), therefore

$$r = r_1 = 120 \text{ mm} = 0.12 \text{ m}$$