PROBLEM:

In the rotating disk and strobe demo shown in class we observed that different flashing rates of the strobe light would make the spot on the disk stand still or move in different directions.

- (a) Assume that the disk is rotating CLOCKWISE at a constant speed of 10 revolutions per second. If the flashing rate is 12 times per second, express the movement of the spot on the disk as a complex phasor, p[n], that gives the position of the spot at the *n*-th flash. Assume that the spot is at the top when n = 1 (the first flash).
- (b) Determine the speed (rotations per second) and direction of movement of the "strobed" spot.
- (c) Now assume that the rotation speed of the disk is unknown. If the flashing rate is 12 times per second, and the spot on the disk moves clockwise by 90 degrees with each flash, determine the rotation speed of the disk. If the answer is not unique give all possible speeds.