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Answer any five. (Each question carries equal marks)

1. A) In Fig. 1, weights P and Q are suspended in a vertical plane by strings 1, 2 and 3 arranged as shown in the Fig. 1. Find the tension induced in each string if $P = 30 \text{ kN}$, $Q = 40 \text{ kN}$, $\alpha = 40^\circ$ and $\beta = 50^\circ$. Also find the inclination γ of the segment CD to the vertical.

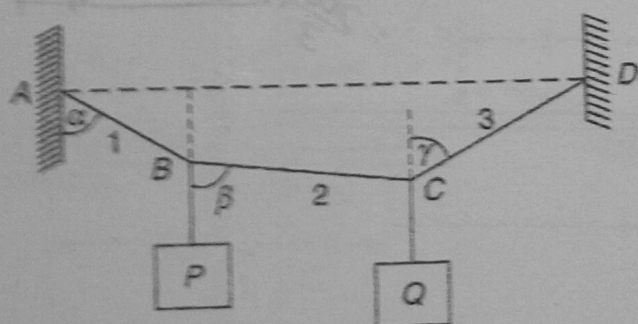


Fig. 1

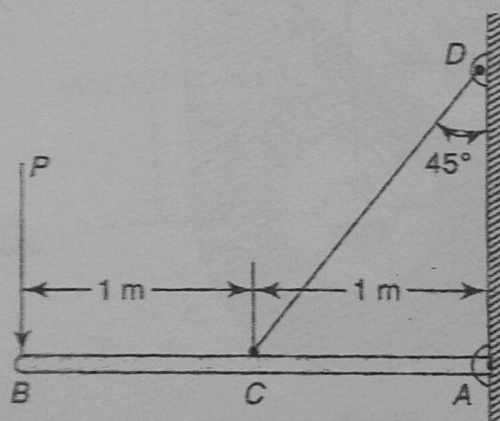


Fig. 2

- B) A horizontal beam AB is hinged to a vertical wall at A and supported at its mid-point C by a tie rod CD as shown in Fig. 2. Find the tension S in the tie rod and the reaction at A due to vertical load P applied at B.

2. A) Referring to Fig. 3, the coefficients of friction are as follows: 0.25 at the floor, 0.3 at the wall, and 0.2 between blocks. Find the minimum value of a horizontal force P applied to the lower block that will hold the system in equilibrium.

- B) Calculate the axial force in each bars 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the plane truss shown in Fig. 4.

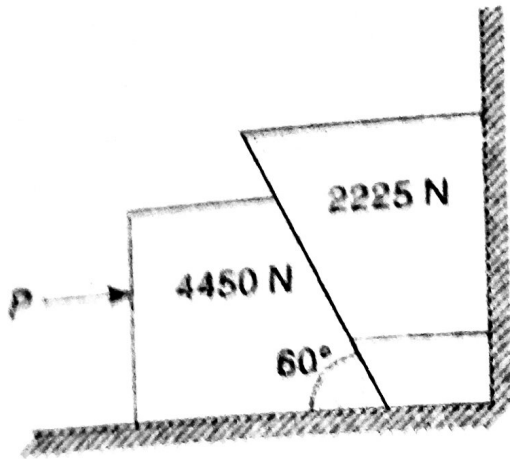


Fig. 3

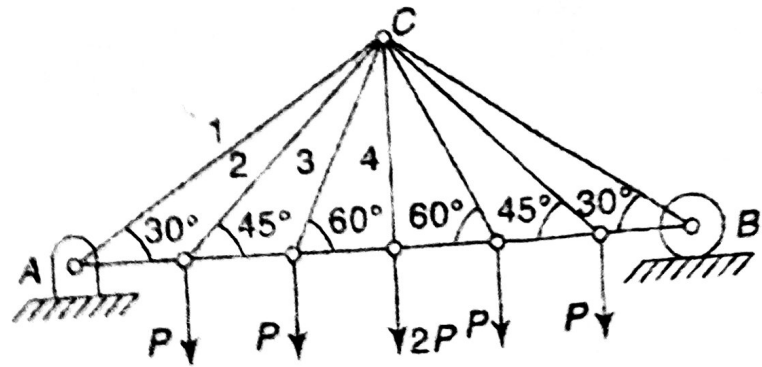


Fig. 4

3. Calculate the moment of inertia of the shaded area in Fig. 5 with respect to a centroidal axis parallel to the x-axis.

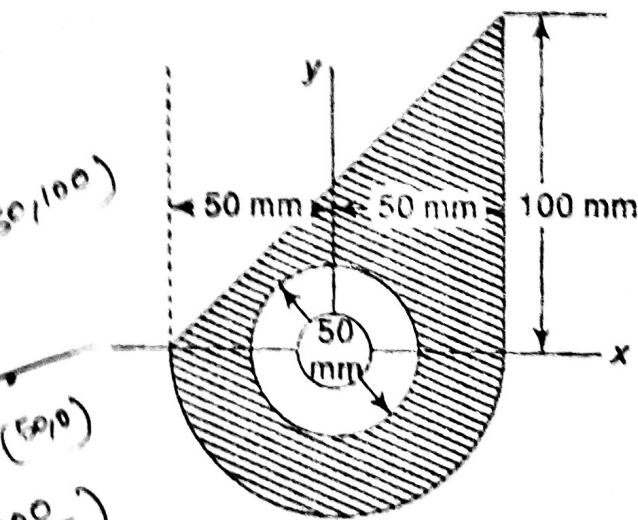


Fig. 5

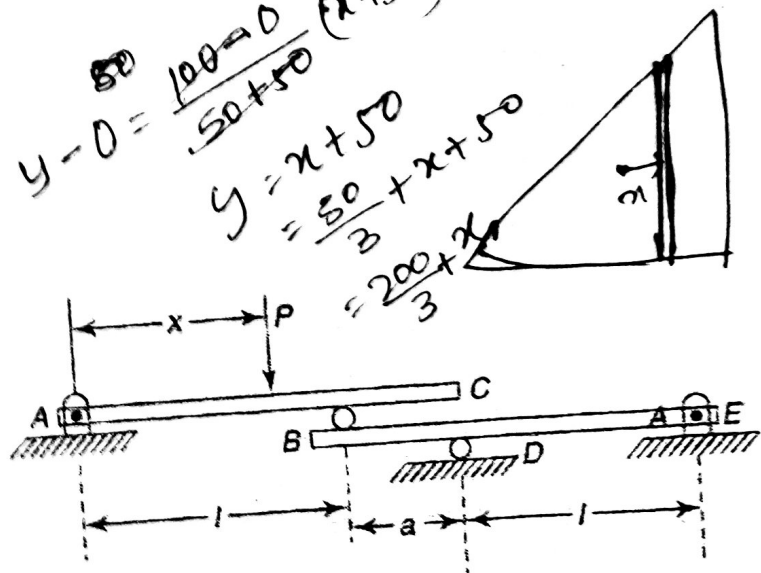


Fig. 6

4. A) Using the principle of virtual work, find the reaction R_d for the system shown in Fig. 6 for any position of a vertical load P on the beam AC as defined by its distance x from A .
- B) A weight W attached to the end of a small flexible rope of diameter $d = 6.25$ mm is raised vertically by winding the rope on a reel as shown in fig. 7. If the reel is turned uniformly at the rate of 2 rps, what will be the tension S in the rope? Neglect inertia of the pulley and slight lateral motion of the of the suspended weight W .
5. A) Find the tension S in the string during motion of the system shown in fig. 8, if $W_1 = 890$ N; $W_2 = 445$ N. The system is in a vertical plane, and the coefficient of friction between the inclined plane and the block W_1 is $\mu = 0.2$. Assume the pulleys to be without mass.
- B) For the ideal system shown in fig. 9, the weight W_1 hangs at a height x_1 above the floor in equilibrium configuration. Calculate the period of free vibration of the system if the weight W_1 performs small oscillations $x_1 = a \cos pt$ about its position of equilibrium. Take $W_1 = W_2 = 44.5$ N; $k = 356$ N/m. Neglect the mass of the spring.

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