

### SECTION A

Answer all questions in this Section in the spaces provided ONLY.

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1. Determine the dimensions of the constants A and B in the dimensionally homogeneous equation;

$$v^2 = Axt + Bvt$$

where  $x$ ,  $v$  and  $t$  are displacement, velocity and time, respectively.

A = \_\_\_\_\_

B = \_\_\_\_\_

2. Determine the magnitude of the resultant of the three concurrent forces acting on the hook in Figure A1. Also determine the direction the makes with the positive x-axis.

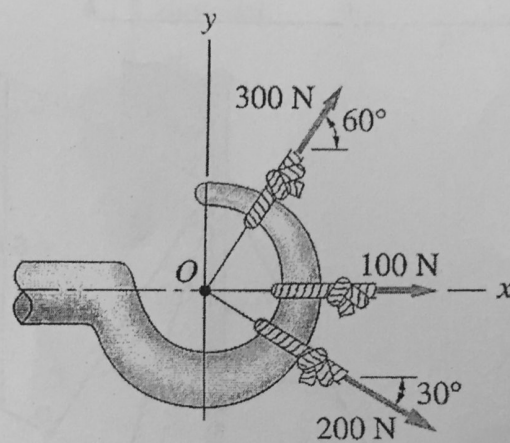


Figure A1

Magnitude of Resultant = \_\_\_\_\_ Angle resultant makes with the x-axis = \_\_\_\_\_

3. A flagpole is held by three guy wires anchored by bolts at B, C and D as shown in Figure A2. The tension in the wires are given by  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$  and  $T_3$ . If  $T_1 = 315 \text{ N}$ , the components of  $T_1$  are;

$$T_1 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} i \underline{\hspace{2cm}} j \underline{\hspace{2cm}} k$$

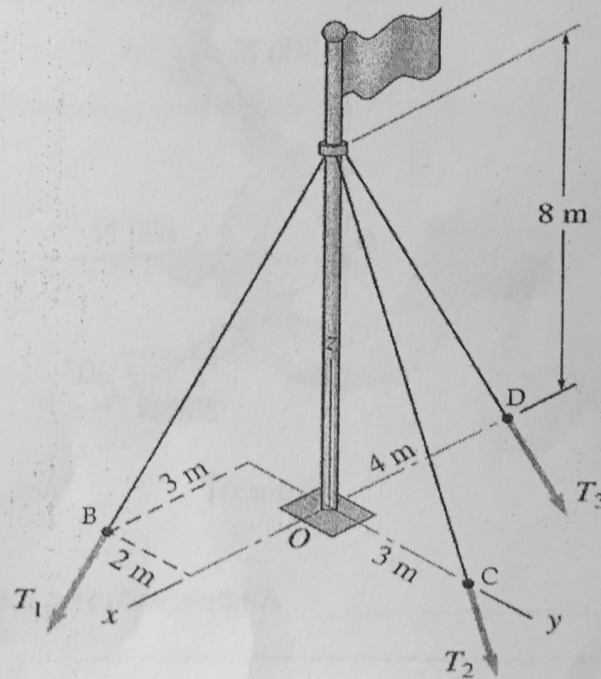


Figure A2

4. A man holds a ball of mass 3 kg as shown in Figure A4. Take  $\theta = 30^\circ$   
The moment of the weight of the ball about the elbow joint B is \_\_\_\_\_.

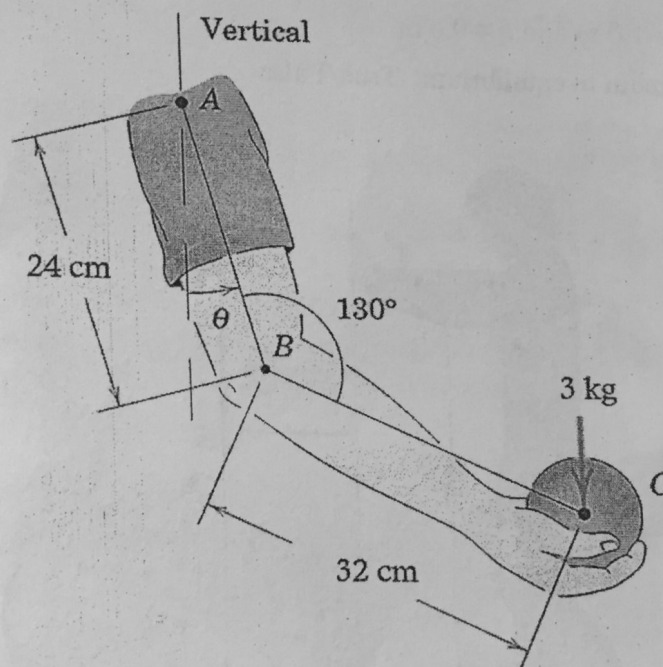


Figure QA4

5. The refrigerator shown in Figure A5 weighs 250 kg and is supported at A and B. The man exerts force  $F$  of 100 N on the fridge as shown. The coefficient of static friction between all contact surfaces is 0.25 and let  $h = 1.0$  m and  $b = 0.6$  m. The fridge will remain in equilibrium. True/False

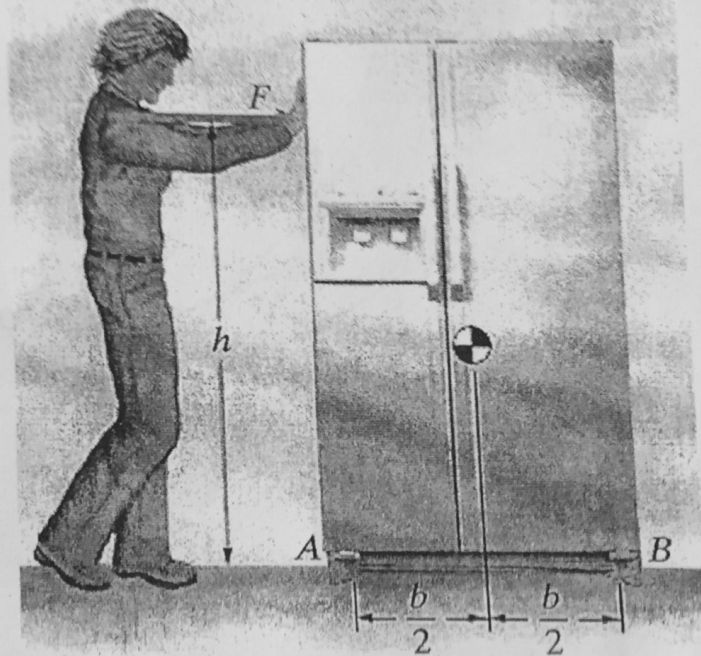


Figure A5

### Question 2

The square-threaded screw of the C-clamp shown in Figure B2 has a mean diameter of 9 mm and a pitch of 1.5 mm. The coefficient of static friction between the threads is 0.2. A minimum torque,  $C = 1.25 \text{ Nm}$  is required to tighten the self-locking clamp. If the weight of work piece being clamped is negligible;

- (a) Determine the friction angle and the helix (thread) angles of the clamp's screw. [6 marks]
- (b) Determine the magnitude of the clamping force exerted on the workpiece. [3 marks]
- (c) Determine the magnitude of the minimum torque required to loosen the clamp. [7 marks]
- (d) Determine the Mechanical Advantage of the clamp if the handle is 30 cm in length. [4 marks]

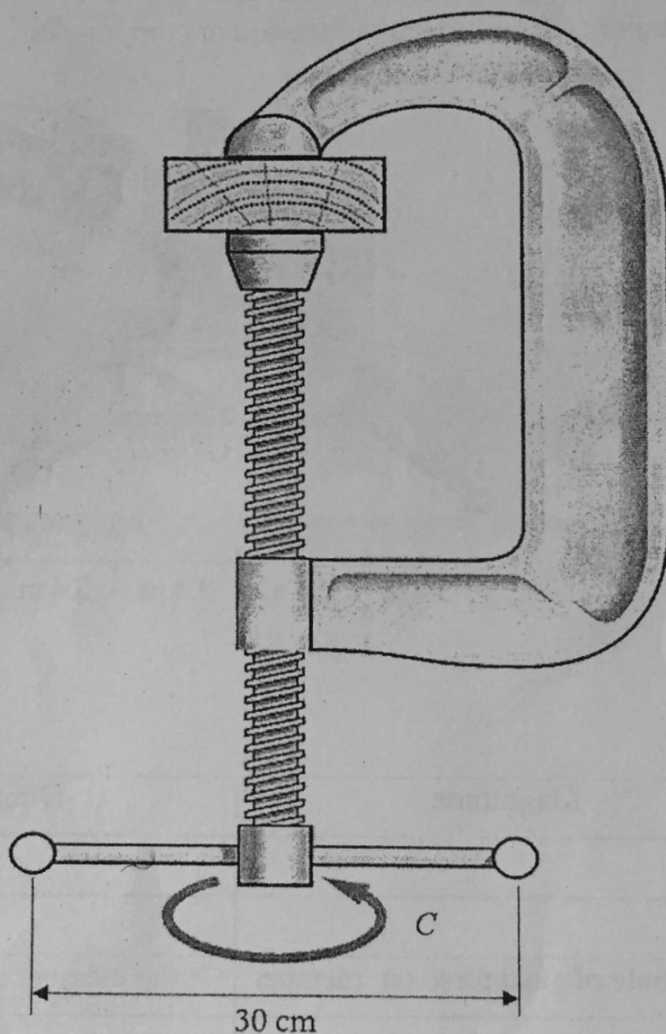


Figure B2

Friction angle	=
Helix angle	=
Clamping force	=
Mechanical advantage of the clamp	=



### Question 3

In Figure B3, the masses of the blocks A and B which rest against the wall the floor respectively, are 30 kg and 70 kg respectively. The coefficient of static friction between all of the contacting surfaces is 0.1.

- (a) Sketch the free body diagram for both blocks. [8 marks]
- (b) Obtain the equilibrium equations for both blocks. [8 marks]
- (c) What is the magnitude of the reaction between the two blocks. [2 marks]
- (d) Determine the maximum magnitude of  $F$  that will not cause the blocks to slip. [2 marks]

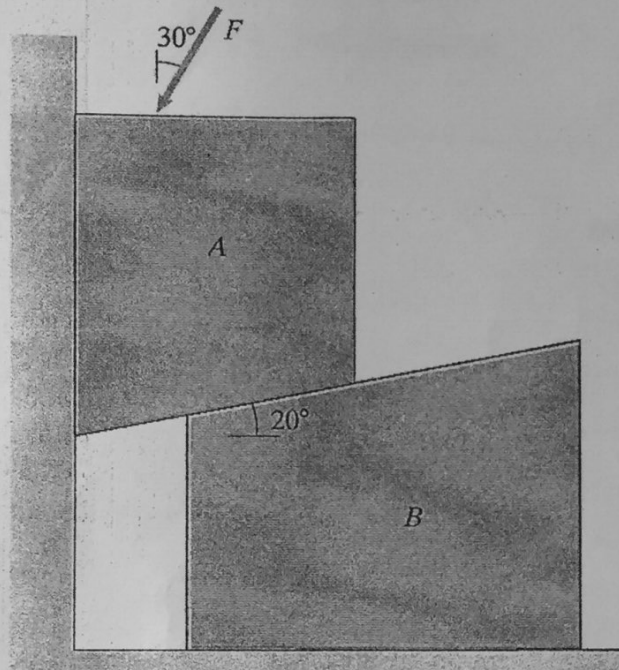


Figure B3

Reaction between;	Magnitude
Block B and the floor	
Block A and the wall	
Block A and block B	

The maximum  $F$  for the blocks to remain in equilibrium is \_\_\_\_\_

## SECTION B

Answer only **two** questions from this section in the answer booklet.

### Question 1

In Figure B1, the plane truss ABCDEHGFA forms part of the supports of a crane on an offshore oil platform. The crane exerts two forces, each of magnitude 122.5-kN, and acting vertically downwards on truss joints B and D.

- (a) Considering the supports at A as a roller and E as fixed, sketch the free body diagram for the truss. [7 marks]
- (b) Determine the support reactions at A and E. [4 marks]
- (c) Determine the magnitudes of the axial forces in members AB, EH, and CG. [7 marks]
- (d) State whether members AB and EH are in tension or compression. [2 marks]

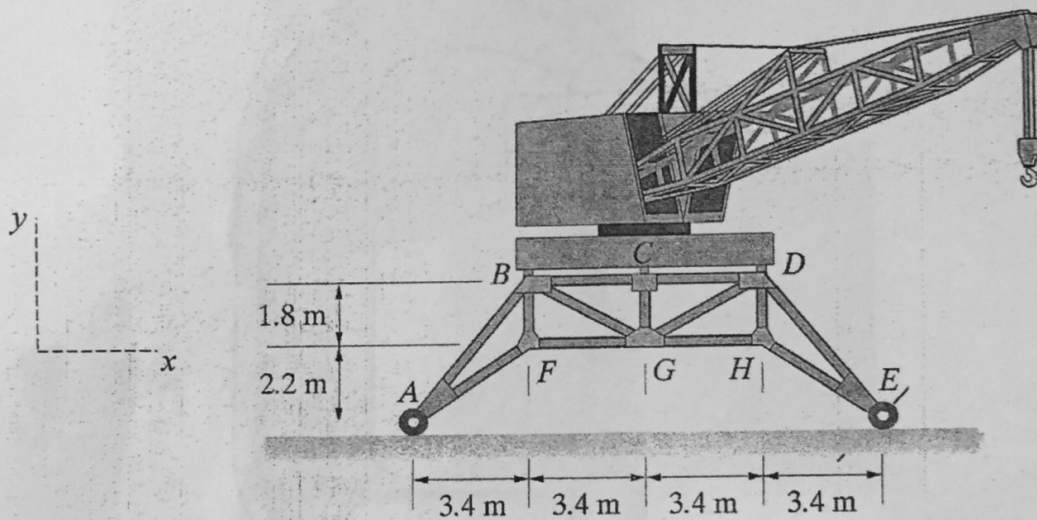


Figure B1

Reaction @	Magnitude	Direction(up/down)
A		
E		
Member	Magnitude of axial force on member	Is the member in Tension or compression?
AB		
EH		
CG		