

# Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering 2017

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Duration: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

1) Divergence of the curl of a twice differentiable continuous vector function is:

- a) unity                      b) infinity                      c) zero                      d) a unit vector

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2) For two non-zero vectors  $\vec{A}$  and  $\vec{B}$ , if  $\vec{A} + \vec{B}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{A} - \vec{B}$ , then:

- a) the magnitude of  $\vec{A}$  is twice the magnitude of  $\vec{B}$   
b) the magnitude of  $\vec{A}$  is half the magnitude of  $\vec{B}$   
c)  $\vec{A}$  and  $\vec{B}$  cannot be orthogonal  
d) the magnitudes of  $\vec{A}$  and  $\vec{B}$  are equal

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3) For an orthogonal matrix  $Q$ , the valid equality is:

- a)  $Q^T = Q^{-1}$                       b)  $Q = Q^{-1}$                       c)  $Q = Q$                       d)  $\det(Q) = 0$

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4) The product of a complex number  $z = x + iy$  and its complex conjugate  $\bar{z}$  is:

- a)  $x^2$                       b)  $y^2$                       c)  $x^2 - y^2$                       d)  $x^2 + y^2$

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5) Using Simpson's  $\frac{1}{3}$  rule for numerical integration, the consecutive points are joined by a

- a) line                      c) polynomial with power 3  
b) parabola                      d) polynomial with power  $\frac{1}{3}$

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6) For a two-dimensional state of stress defined as  $\sigma_{xx} = \sigma_{yy} = \tau_{xy} = S$ , the Mohr's circle of stress has:

- a) center at  $(S, 0)$  and radius  $S$   
b) center at  $(0, 0)$  and radius  $S$   
c) center at  $(S, 0)$  and radius 0  
d) center at  $(\frac{S}{2}, 0)$  and radius  $2S$

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7) A specimen of steel has yield strength of 700 MPa. It is subjected to a state of plane stress with  $\sigma_1 = 500$  MPa and  $\sigma_2 = 0$ . The factor of safety according to the von-Mises theory of failure is .....

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8) The inside and outside radii of a thick-walled cylindrical pressure vessel are denoted by  $a$  and  $b$ , respectively. If the vessel is subjected to an internal pressure  $P$ , then the magnitude of the radial stress  $\sigma_r$  is:

- a) zero at  $r = a$  and maximum at  $r = b$   
b) maximum at  $r = a$  and zero at  $r = b$   
c) constant over the entire thickness

d) zero at both  $r = a$  and  $r = b$

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- 9) A metallic cylindrical casing of an exhaust pipe has inner radius 50 mm and wall thickness 7 mm. If the thermal conductivity of the material is 50 W/m-K, then the thermal resistance of the casing (in K/kW) is ..... (up to three decimal places).

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- 10) In Value Engineering approach, the value of the product is:

- a) inversely proportional to its functions and directly proportional to its cost
- b) directly proportional to its functions and inversely proportional to its cost
- c) inversely proportional to its functions as well as its cost
- d) directly proportional to its functions as well as its cost

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- 11) Match the ASME process chart symbols with their correct description:

(P) ○ 1.STORAGE

(Q) → 2.TRANSPORTATION

(R) □ 3. OPERATION

(S) ▽ 4.DELAY

(T) **D** 5.INSPECTION

a) P-3, Q-4, R-1, S-5, T-2

c) P-3, Q-2, R-5, S-1, T-4

b) P-4, Q-2, R-5, S-1, T-3

d) P-1, Q-5, R-3, S-2, T-4

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- 12) In Glass Fiber Reinforced Plastic (GFRP) composites with long fibers, the role of matrix is to:

- (P) support and transfer the stresses to the fibers
- (Q) reduce propagation of cracks
- (R) carry the entire load
- (S) protect the fibers against damage

The correct statements are:

a) P, Q and R

b) Q, R and S

c) P, Q and S

d) P, R and S

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- 13) Turning, drilling, boring and milling are common machining operations. Among these, the operation(s) performed by a single point cutting tool is(are):

a) turning only

c) turning and boring only

b) drilling and milling only

d) boring only

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14) In chemical machining, the etch factor is expressed as:

- a)  $\frac{\text{undercut}}{\text{depth of cut}}$
- b)  $\frac{\text{depth of cut}}{\text{undercut}}$
- c)  $\frac{\text{workpiece wear}}{\text{tool wear}}$
- d)  $\frac{\text{tool wear}}{\text{workpiece wear}}$

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15) A Shewhart  $\bar{X}$ -chart was developed for an in-control process. Considering the probability of a point falling outside the  $3\sigma$  control limits as 0.0026, the value of average run length for this chart is: .....

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16) Accuracy of a measuring instrument is expressed as:

- a) true value – measured value
- b) measured value – true value
- c)  $1 - \frac{\text{true value} - \text{measured value}}{\text{true value}}$
- d)  $1 + \frac{\text{true value} - \text{measured value}}{\text{true value}}$

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17) The operating characteristic curves of three single sampling plans X, Y and Z with same lot size and acceptance number are shown in the figure.

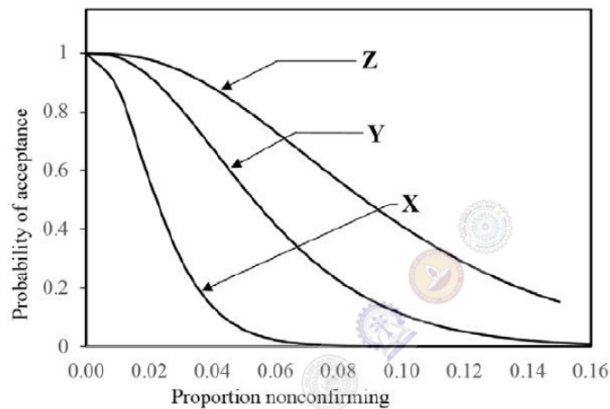


Fig. 1

Based on these curves, the correct relationship of the plans with respect to sample size is:

- a) sample size of X < sample size of Y < sample size of Z
- b) sample size of X = sample size of Y = sample size of Z
- c) sample size of X > sample size of Y > sample size of Z
- d) sample size of X > sample size of Y < sample size of Z

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18) In carbon dioxide molding process, the binder used is:

- a) Sodium bentonite
- b) Calcium bentonite
- c) Sodium silicate
- d) Phenol formaldehyde

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19) A steel wire of 2 mm diameter is to be drawn from a wire of 5 mm diameter. The value of true strain developed is: \_\_\_\_\_ (up to three decimal places)

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20) In gas tungsten arc welding process, the material coated on pure tungsten electrode to enhance its current carrying capacity is:

- a) Titanium                      b) Manganese                      c) Radium                      d) Thorium

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21) In powder metallurgy, the process *atomization* refers to a method of:

- a) producing powders  
b) compaction of powders  
c) sintering of powder compacts  
d) blending of metal powders

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22) The ideal stress-strain behavior for a completely brittle material during tensile testing up to failure is described by:

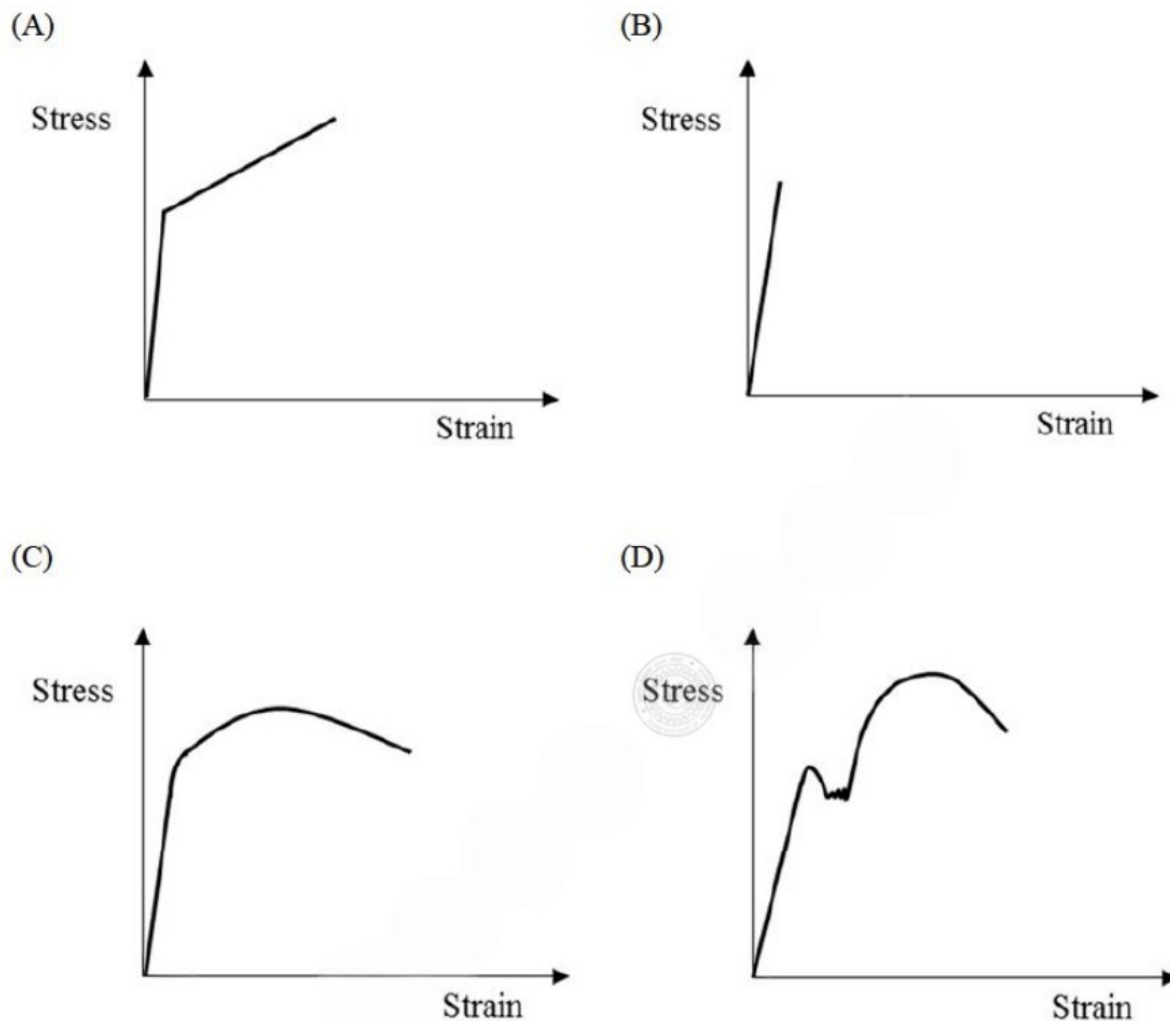


Fig. 2

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23) With reference to the Iron-Carbon equilibrium phase diagram, the crystal structure of 0.3% plain carbon steel at 1100°C is:

a) HCP

b) BCT

c) BCC

d) FCC

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- 24) If  $E$  is the modulus of elasticity in GPa,  $G$  is the shear modulus in GPa and  $\nu$  is the Poisson's ratio of a linear elastic isotropic material, the three parameters are related as:

a)  $E = G(1 - 2\nu)$

c)  $E = G(1 + 2\nu)$

b)  $E = 2G(1 - \nu)$

d)  $E = 2G(1 + \nu)$

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- 25) A machined surface with standard symbols indicating the surface texture is shown in the figure (all dimensions in  $\mu\text{m}$ ).

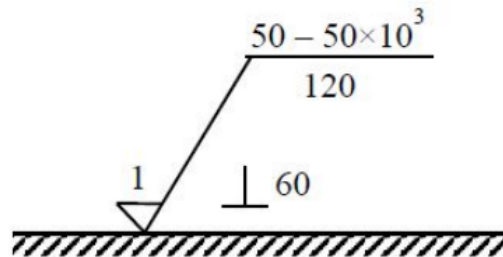


Fig. 3

The waviness height (in  $\mu\text{m}$ ) of the surface is:

a) 1

b) 50

c) 60

d) 120

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- 26) The improper integral  $\int_0^\infty e^{-2t} dt$  converges to:

a) 0

c) 0.5

b) 1.0

d) 2.0

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- 27) The local minima of the function  $f(x) = x^2 - x^4$  in the range  $-0.8 \leq x \leq 0.8$  is located at:

a)  $x = 0$ b)  $x = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ c)  $x = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$ d)  $x = \frac{1}{2}$ 

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- 28) Runge-Kutta fourth order method is used to solve the differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = y - x$ . If the initial value  $y(0) = 2$  and the step-size is 0.1, then the value of  $y(0.1)$  is: ..... (up to three decimal places)

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- 29) Two machines are defective in a lot of 10. A combination of four machines is to be picked at a time from the lot. The maximum number of combinations that can be obtained without any defective machine is .....

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- 30) The simply supported beam shown in the figure is loaded symmetrically using two equal point loads  $P$ . The radius of curvature of the deflection curve is 15 m for the portion of the beam that is subjected to pure bending. The vertical deflection (in mm) at point  $M$ , equidistant from both supports, is ..... (up to two decimal places)

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- 31) A solid circular shaft is subjected to a bending moment  $M$  and torque  $T$  simultaneously. Neglecting stress concentration effects, the equivalent bending moment is expressed as:

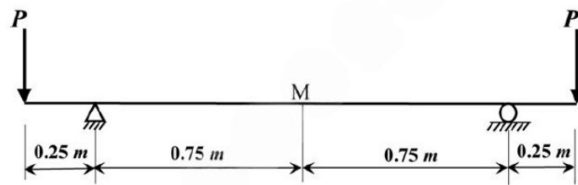


Fig. 4

- a)  $\frac{M + \sqrt{M^2 + 4T^2}}{2}$                       c)  $\frac{M + \sqrt{M^2 + 4T^2}}{2}$   
b)  $\frac{M}{2} + \sqrt{M^2 + T^2}$                       d)  $\frac{M}{2} + \sqrt{M^2 + 4T^2}$

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- 32) A pair of spur gears with  $20^\circ$  full-depth involute teeth is used to transmit 3.5 kW of power. The pinion rotates at 700 rpm and has a pitch circle diameter of 100 mm. Assuming a single pair of teeth in contact, the total force acting on a gear tooth (in kN) is:

- a) 0.347                      b) 0.954                      c) 1.016                      d) 1.302

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- 33) A manometer is used for the pressure measurement in a closed tank. The three fluids  $f_1$ ,  $f_2$ , and  $f_3$  have specific weights  $\gamma$ ,  $2\gamma$ , and  $0.5\gamma$ , respectively. In order to ensure zero gauge pressure in the tank at the mid-height level ( $h/2$ ), the height of the tank  $h$  (in m) is .....

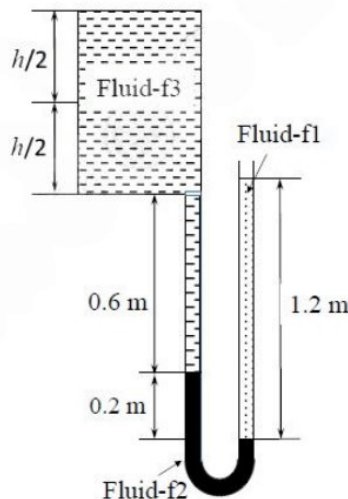


Fig. 5

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- 34) A pipeline with variable cross-section contains water with specific weight  $10^4 \text{ N/m}^3$ . The flow conditions at two points 1 and 2 along the axis of the pipe are:  $P_1 = 3 \text{ bar}$ ,  $P_2 = 1 \text{ bar}$ ,  $V_1 = 10 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $V_2 = 20 \text{ m/s}$ . Neglecting frictional losses, for no-flow condition between the points (as shown), if the height  $z_1$  from datum is 1 m, then the height  $z_2$  (in m) is .....

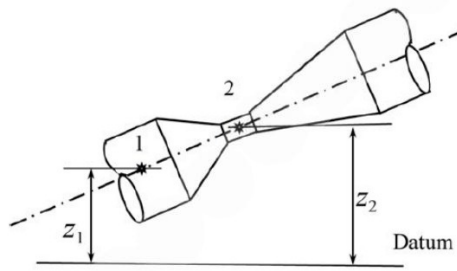


Fig. 6

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- 35) A reversible heat engine  $E$  operates in a cycle between three reservoirs at  $T_1 = 500\text{K}$ ,  $T_2 = 400\text{K}$  and  $T_3 = 300\text{K}$ . The engine receives  $10\text{ kJ}$  of heat from reservoir 1 and rejects  $3\text{ kJ}$  to reservoir 3. The net work output,  $W_{\text{net}}$  (in  $\text{kJ}$ ) from the engine is .....

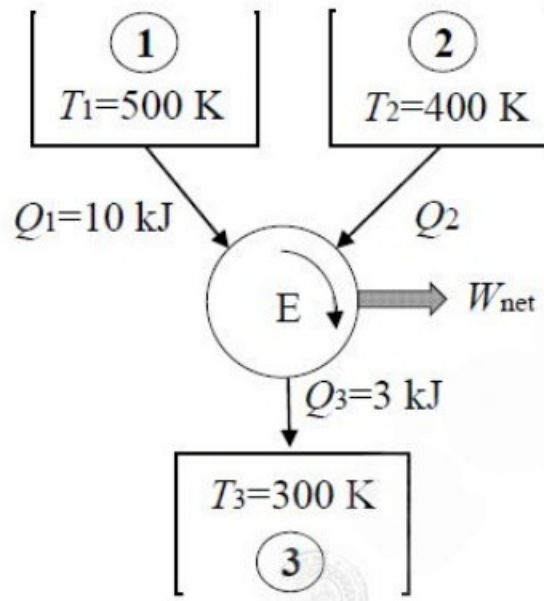


Fig. 7

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- 36) A schematic diagram of peripheral milling is shown in figure .

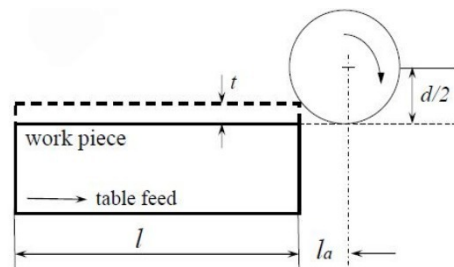


Fig. 8

If  $t$  is the depth of cut and  $d$  is the cutter diameter, the length of approach  $l_a$  is:

- a)  $\sqrt{d(t-d)}$   
b)  $d(d-t)$

- c)  $t(d-t)$   
d)  $t(t-d)$

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- 37) An electrical appliances showroom sells 2400 ceiling fans in one year (52 weeks). The holding cost is 10% of the cost of the fan, unit cost = Rs. 600, ordering cost = Rs. 201/order, lead time = 5 weeks. The EOQ and reorder level respectively (rounded to next higher integer) are:

- a) 231, 127                      b) 38, 231                      c) 127, 231                      d) 127, 13

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- 38) In a calendar year, the demand forecast of motorbikes for June is 200. The actual demand for June and July are 300 and 350, respectively. Using single exponential smoothing with smoothing constant 0.7, the forecast for August is .....

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- 39) In a project, tasks A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J have given precedence and durations. The time required (in days) to complete the project along the critical path is.....

Tasks	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
Time(days)	8	10	8	10	16	17	18	14	9	4
Preceding Tasks	-	-	-	A	A	B,D	C	C	F,G	E,I,H

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- 40) The potential production alternatives for manufacturing a product and their unit cost/capacity are given in the table Inventory at July end = 100 units, August demand = 620 units. The minimum total cost (in Rs.) to meet the demand is .....

S.No	Production Alternatives	Unit Cost (Rs.)	Capacity /month
1	Regular time production	5	300
2	Overtime production	6	200
3	Subcontracting	10	500

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- 41) The preparatory and miscellaneous codes used in CNC part programming and the functions are given in the Table.

Group I	Group II
P. G01	1.Circular interpolation, counter-clock wise
Q. G03	2.End of program
R. M06	3.Tool change
S. M02	4. Linear interpolation

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- 42) A surface  $30\text{mm} \times 30\text{mm}$  of an iron block is machined using electrochemical machining. For iron: atomic weight = 55.85, valency = 2, density =  $7.860\text{kg/m}^3$ . If input current is 1000 A and Faraday's constant 96540 C, then the feed rate (in mm/min) is ..... (up to two decimal places)

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- 43) Quality control department of a company maintains a  $c$ -chart to assess the quality of laptops. In this process, twenty laptops are examined randomly. The number of nonconformities observed per laptop is:

Laptop no.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Nonconformities	1	3	7	4	10	6	1	5	4	3	6	4	2	7	4	2	9	8	5	2



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- Diagram illustrating the forces acting on a wedge tool during orthogonal cutting. The tool is shown removing a chip from a workpiece. The forces are labeled  $f_1$  through  $f_6$ .  $f_1$  is the rake face force,  $f_2$  is the flank face force,  $f_3$  is the uncut chip thickness,  $f_4$  is the shear force,  $f_5$  is the friction force,  $f_6$  is the normal force, and  $f_7$  is the tangential force.

The coefficient of friction can be estimated from the ratio:

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- a) 1.84                      b) 3.14                      c) 6.84                      d) 8.23

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- 49) In a machine shop, four jobs need to be assigned to four different machines. The processing time (in hours) is:

	M1	M2	M3	M4
J1	15	13	14	17
J2	11	12	15	13
J3	13	12	10	11
J4	15	17	14	16

The optimal assignment to minimize total time is:

- a)  $J1 \Rightarrow M4, J2 \Rightarrow M2, J3 \Rightarrow M3, J4 \Rightarrow M1$
- b)  $J1 \Rightarrow M2, J2 \Rightarrow M1, J3 \Rightarrow M4, J4 \Rightarrow M3$
- c)  $J1 \Rightarrow M2, J2 \Rightarrow M1, J3 \Rightarrow M3, J4 \Rightarrow M4$
- d)  $J1 \Rightarrow M4, J2 \Rightarrow M2, J3 \Rightarrow M1, J4 \Rightarrow M3$

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- 50) A hose coupling manufacturer has annual production capacity = 2500 units. Selling price/unit = Rs. 150, fixed cost = Rs. 80,000, variable cost/unit = Rs. 70. If desired annual profit = Rs. 20,000, the minimum annual quantity to produce is: .....

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- 51) Schematic diagram of pouring basin and sprue of a gating system is shown in the figure. Depth of molten metal in the pouring basin is 100 mm and the height of the sprue is 1500mm.

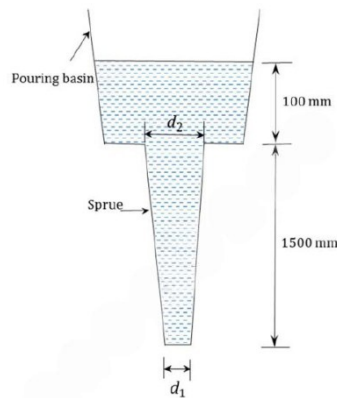


Fig. 10

Considering the cross - section of the sprue is circular, the ratio  $d_1 : d_2$  to avoid aspiration is:

- a) 3:2
- b) 5:6
- c) 15:16
- d) 1:2

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- 52) In a numerical control (NC) machine positioning system, the measures of precision are expressed by considering a single axis as shown in the figure. If  $\sigma$  is standard deviation of the error distribution, then  $l$ ,  $m$  and  $n$  are:

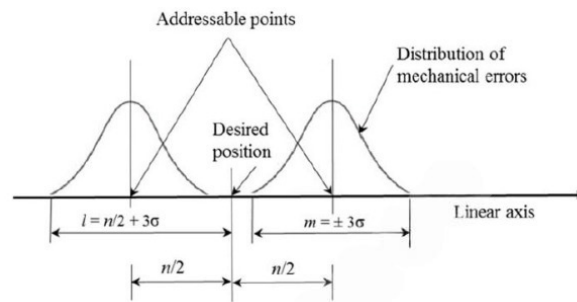


Fig. 11

- a)  $l$  = Accuracy,  $m$  = Repeatability,  $n$  = Control resolution
- b)  $l$  = Repeatability,  $m$  = Accuracy,  $n$  = Control resolution
- c)  $l$  = Control resolution,  $m$  = Repeatability,  $n$  = Accuracy
- d)  $l$  = Accuracy,  $m$  = Control resolution,  $n$  = Repeatability

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- 53) In a machining operation with turning tool, the tool life ( $T$ ) is related to cutting speed  $v$  (m/s), feed  $f$  (mm) and depth of cut  $d$  (mm) as:

$$T = C v^{-0.25} f^{-0.9} d^{-0.15}$$

where  $C$  is a constant. The suggested values are  $v = 1.5$  m/s,  $f = 0.25$  mm and  $d = 3$  mm for normal rough turning. If the operation is performed at twice the cutting speed and other parameters remain unchanged, the corresponding percentage change in tool life is: .....

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- 54) The annual demand of wrist watches produced on an assembly line is 103,125 units. The line operates 50 weeks/year, 5 shifts/week, and 7.5 hours/shift. The uptime efficiency of the line is 99%. The cycle time ( $T_c$ ) of the assembly line (in minutes/unit) is: ..... (up to two decimal places)

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- 55) In a gear manufacturing company, three orders P, Q and R are to be processed on a hobbing machine. The orders were received in the sequence P-Q-R. The table indicates the process time remaining and due date for each order:

Order	Process Time Remaining (days)	Due Date
P	4	Day 20
Q	16	Day 30
R	6	Day 19

Considering today as Day 10 of the production calendar, the sequence scheduled using the 'Critical Ratio' rule is:

- a) P-Q-R
- b) P-R-Q
- c) Q-P-R
- d) Q-R-P

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- 56) She has a sharp tongue and it can occasionally turn

- a) hurtful
- b) left
- c) methodical
- d) vital

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- 57) I .....made arrangements had I ..... informed earlier.

- a) could have, been
- b) would have, being

- c) had, have
- d) had been, been

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- 58) In the summer, water consumption is known to decrease overall by 25%. A Water Board official states that in the summer household consumption decreases by 20%, while other consumption increases by 70%.

Which of the following statements is correct?

- a) The ratio of household to other consumption is 8/17
- b) The ratio of household to other consumption is 1/17
- c) The ratio of household to other consumption is 17/8
- d) There are errors in the official's statement

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- 59) 40% of deaths on city roads may be attributed to drunken driving. The number of degrees needed to represent this as a slice of a pie chart is:

- a) 120
- b) 144
- c) 160
- d) 212

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- 60) Some tables are shelves. Some shelves are chairs. All chairs are benches.

Which of the following conclusions can be deduced from the preceding sentences? i. At least one bench is a table.

ii. At least one shelf is a bench.

iii. At least one chair is a table.

iv. All benches are chairs.

- a) Only i
- b) Only ii
- c) Only ii and iii
- d) Only iv

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- 61) "If you are looking for a history of India, or for an account of the rise and fall of the British Raj, or for the reason of the cleaving of the subcontinent into two mutually antagonistic parts and the effects this mutilation will have in the respective sections, and ultimately on Asia, you will not find it in these pages; for though I have spent a lifetime in the country, I lived too near the seat of events, and was too intimately associated with the actors, to get the perspective needed for the impartial recording of these matters."

Here, the word 'antagonistic' is closest in meaning to:

- a) impartial
- b) argumentative
- c) separated
- d) hostile

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- 62) S, T, U, V, W, X, Y and Z are seated around a circular table. T's neighbours are Y and V. Z is seated third to the left of T and second to the right of S. U's neighbours are S and Y; and T and W are not seated opposite each other.

Who is third to the left of V?

- a) X
- b) W
- c) U
- d) T

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- 63) Trucks (10 m long) and cars (5 m long) go on a single lane bridge. There must be a gap of at least 20 m after each truck and a gap of at least 15 m after each car. Trucks and cars travel at a speed of 36 km/hr.

If cars and trucks go alternately, the maximum number of vehicles that can use the bridge in one hour is:

- a) 1440                      b) 1200                      c) 720                      d) 600

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64) There are 3 Indians and 3 Chinese in a group of 6 people. How many subgroups of this group can be chosen so that every subgroup has at least one Indian?

- a) 56                      b) 52                      c) 48                      d) 44

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65) A contour line joins locations having the same height above mean sea level. The following is a contour plot of a geographical region. Contour lines are shown at 25 m intervals.

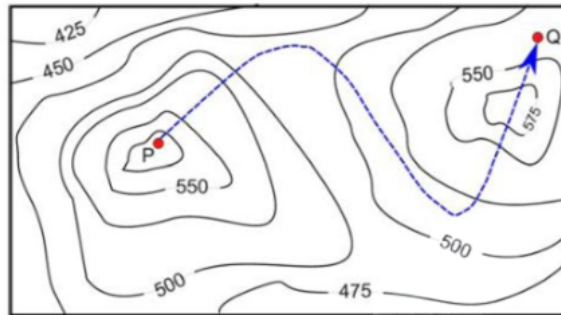


Fig. 12

The path from  $P$  to  $Q$  is best described by:

- a) Up-Down-Up-Down                      c) Down-Up-Down  
b) Down-Up-Down-Up                      d) Up-Down-Up

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Q.No.	Type	Section	Key	Marks
1	MCQ	PI	C	1
2	MCQ	PI	D	1
3	MCQ	PI	A	1
4	MCQ	PI	D	1
5	MCQ	PI	B	1
6	MCQ	PI	A	1
7	NAT	PI	1.4 to 1.4	1
8	MCQ	PI	B	1
9	NAT	PI	0.41 to 0.42	1
10	MCQ	PI	B	1
11	MCQ	PI	C	1
12	MCQ	PI	C	1
13	MCQ	PI	C	1
14	MCQ	PI	A	1
15	NAT	PI	384 to 385	1
16	MCQ	PI	C	1
17	MCQ	PI	C	1
18	MCQ	PI	C	1
19	NAT	PI	1.80 to 1.85	1
20	MCQ	PI	D	1
21	MCQ	PI	A	1
22	MCQ	PI	B	1
23	MCQ	PI	D	1
24	MCQ	PI	D	1
25	MCQ	PI	B	1
26	MCQ	PI	C	2
27	MCQ	PI	A	2
28	NAT	PI	2.2 to 2.3	2
29	NAT	PI	70 to 70	2
30	NAT	PI	18.00 to 19.00	2
31	MCQ	PI	A	2
32	MCQ	PI	C	2
33	NAT	PI	2.0 to 2.0	2
34	NAT	PI	5.5 to 6.0	2
35	NAT	PI	3 to 3	2
36	MCQ	PI	C	2
37	MCQ	PI	C	2
38	NAT	PI	326 to 326	2
39	NAT	PI	48 to 48	2
40	NAT	PI	2900 to 2900	2
41	MCQ	PI	A	2
42	NAT	PI	2.40 to 2.50	2
43	NAT	PI	11.00 to 11.20	2
44	MCQ	PI	D	2
45	NAT	PI	0.970 to 0.980	2
46	NAT	PI	1 to 1	2
47	MCQ	PI	B	2
48	NAT	PI	2250.0 to 2265.0	2
49	MCQ	PI	B	2
50	NAT	PI	1250 to 1250	2
51	MCQ	PI	D	2
52	MCQ	PI	A	2
53	NAT	PI	-84 to -80 or 80 to 84	2
54	NAT	PI	1.00 to 1.10	2
55	MCQ	PI	D	2
56	MCQ	GA	A	1
57	MCQ	GA	A	1
58	MCQ	GA	D	1
59	MCQ	GA	B	1
60	MCQ	GA	B	1
61	MCQ	GA	D	2
62	MCQ	GA	A	2
63	MCQ	GA	A	2
64	MCQ	GA	A	2
65	MCQ	GA	C	2