

Mechanics Mid Sem - I

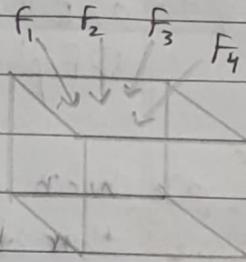
Q3) Explain System of Forces.

Ans When two or more forces act on a body then they are said to have formed a system of forces.

Type of System of Forces:

1) Coplanar system of forces

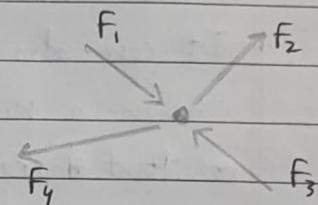
When a number of forces act simultaneously on the same plane then they are called coplanar forces.



2) Concurrent force system

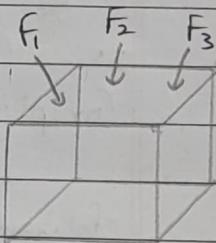
When a number of forces

When the line of action of a number of forces pass through the same point then they are called coplanar force system.



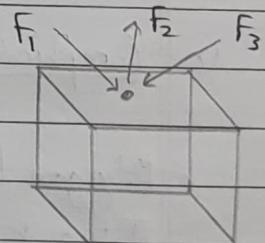
3) Coplanar Non-concurrent force System

When a number of forces act on the same plane but their line of actions do not pass through a common point then they are called coplanar non-concurrent force system.



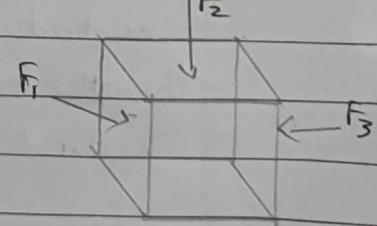
4) Coplanar Concurrent force system

When a number of forces act on the same plane and their line of actions pass through a common point then they are called coplanar concurrent forces.



5) Non-coplanar Non-concurrent force system

When a number of forces do not act on the same plane and their line of action do not pass from a common point then they are called Non-coplanar non-concurrent forces.



6) Colinear force system

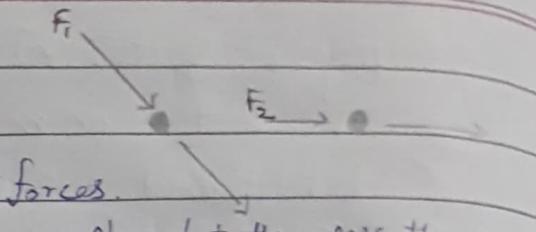
When line of action of number of forces

are same, they form a colinear system of forces.

7) Non coplanar concurrent forces \rightarrow LOA doesn't lie on some plane but they pass thru same point

Q4) a) Define resultant force and write about the methods to find it.

b) Explain triangle law of force and Polygon law of forces



Ans a) When a number of forces act simultaneously on a body then their algebraic or vector sum is called their resultant force.

It can also be defined as :

When a number of forces act simultaneously on a body then their resultant force is the force which when applied on the body will give the same effects as all the forces together.

Methods to find resultant force

Graphical method

Polygon law of forces

Analytical method

Parallelogram law
of forces

Resolution of
forces

i) Graphical Method

Polygon law of forces:

If a number of forces acting simultaneously

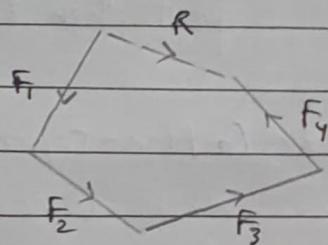
on a body may be represented in magnitude

and direction by the sides of a polygon in an order

then the resultant may be represented in magnitude

& direction by completing side of polygon
[closing]

but in opposite direction.



2) Analytical Method

i) Parallelogram law of forces

When two forces act simultaneously on a

body maybe represented by ^{adjacent} sides of a parallelogram

then their in magnitude & direction, then

the diagonal of parallelogram will represent their resultant force in magnitude & direction

$$\text{i.e Resultant force } R = \sqrt{F_1^2 + F_2^2 + 2F_1 F_2 \cos\theta}$$

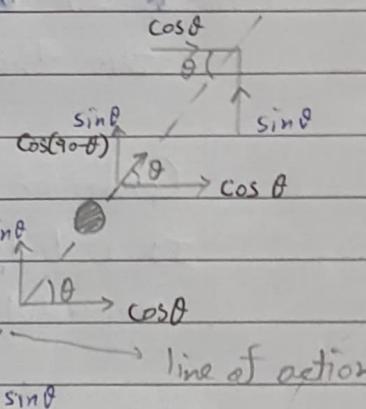
$$\text{and the direction is given by, } \tan\phi = \frac{F_1 \sin\theta}{F_1 \cos\theta + F_2}$$

ii) Resolution of forces

In resolution of forces, each forces is

resolved / split into two components: horizontal and vertical component and then $\sum H$ & $\sum V$ are

calculated so as to determine the resultant force by using the formula,



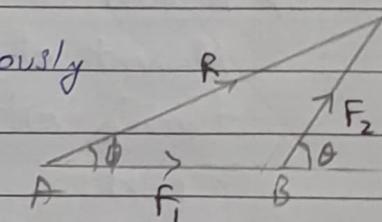
$$\text{Resultant force i.e } R = \sqrt{(\sum H)^2 + (\sum V)^2}$$

$$\text{and direction is given by } \tan\theta = \frac{\sum V}{\sum H}$$

iii) Triangle law of force:

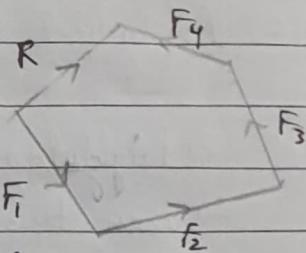
It states that "If two forces act simultaneously on a body be represented by two sides of a triangle taken in order in magnitude and direction then the resultant of all these forces

may be represented in magnitude and direction by the third side of the triangle taken in opposite order.



Polygon law of forces :

It is an extension of triangle law of forces, which states that 'IF a number of forces acting on a body be represented by, in magnitude & direction by the sides of a polygon taken in order then the resultant force maybe represented by the closing side of polygon taken in opposite order. (in magnitude and direction)



Q8) a) Explain conditions of equilibrium

b) Explain moment of a force & Varignon's principle of moments.

Ans

a) If the resultant of number of forces acting on a body is zero then the body is said to be in equilibrium.

Condition of equilibrium :-

If a body is completely at rest then it means that there is neither any resultant force nor a couple acting on it. Thus,

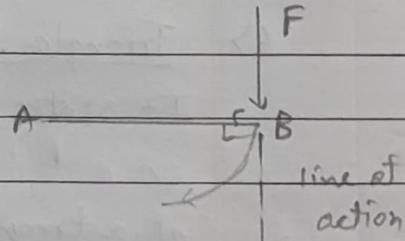
i) $\sum H = 0$, The algebraic sum of all horizontal forces must be zero.

ii) $\sum V = 0$, The algebraic sum of all vertical forces must be zero.

iii) $\sum M = 0$, The algebraic sum of moment of all forces about any point must be zero.

b) Moment of a force

Moment of a force can be defined as the turning effect produced by the force about a point.



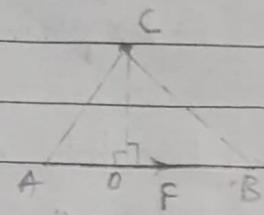
It is equal to the product of the force and the perpendicular distance between the point, about which moment is required, and the line of action of force.

$$\text{i.e. Moment of Force about point A} = \text{Force} \times \text{1st distance} = F \times AB$$

Its unit is Newton metres. (Nm)

Graphical representation of a Moment

Moment of force F about point C
 $= 2 \times \text{area of } \triangle ABC$

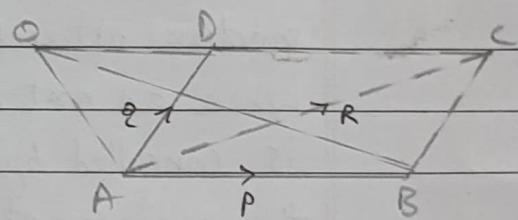


Varignon's principle of Moment

It states that 'If a number of coplanar forces are acting simultaneously on a body then the algebraic sum of all the forces about one point point is equal to the moment of resultant force about the same point'

i.e

Moment of force R about point O
 $= \text{moment of } P \text{ about } O + \text{moment of } Q$
about O



Proof \rightarrow Moment of R about $O = 2 \times \text{Area of } \triangle AOC$

Moment of P about $O = 2 \times \text{Area of } \triangle AOB$

Moment of Q about $O = 2 \times \text{Area of } \triangle AOD$

Area of $\triangle AOB = \text{Area of } \triangle ADC = \text{Area of } \triangle AOC$ (1)

(because they have same base and are b/w same parallel lines)

Area of $\triangle AOC = \text{Area of } \triangle AOD + \text{Area of } \triangle ADC$

[From eq (1), $\text{Ar } \triangle ADC = \text{Ar } \triangle AOB$]

Multiplying both sides by 2

$2 \times \text{Area of } \triangle AOC = 2 \times \text{Area of } \triangle AOD + 2 \times \text{Area of } \triangle AOB$

Moment of R = Moment of Q + Moment of P about O
about O

- Q5) a) Explain free body diagram with neat examples.
 b) Explain Lami's theorem.

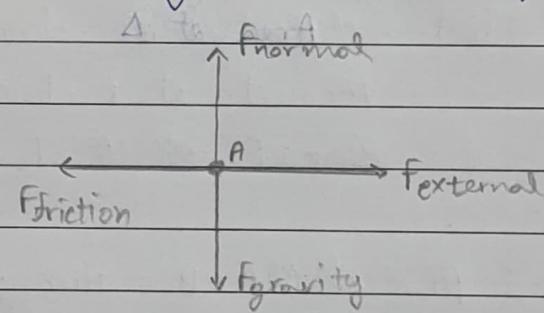
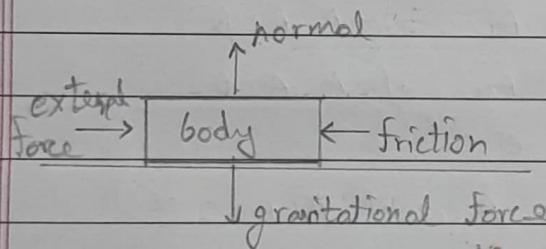
Ans a) Free body diagram

When a system of, consisting of number of bodies, is in equilibrium then the diagram of each body, separately, which shows the forces and reactions is called free body diagram. It follows bow's notation.

Eg → Let us consider a body lying completely on rest on the surface of the table. Gravitational force is acting vertically downwards on this body which is cancelled out by the normal reaction offered vertically upwards by the table surface.

when an external force is applied horizontally on the body, it is cancelled by the equal and opposite friction offered by the surface of the table.

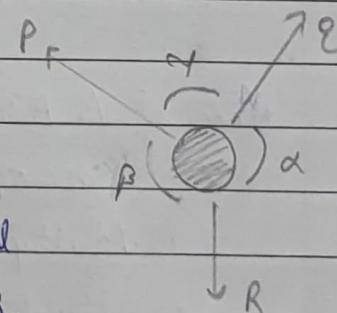
Then the free body diagram of this body, which is in equilibrium is as follows



Lami's Theorem

Lami's theorem states that:

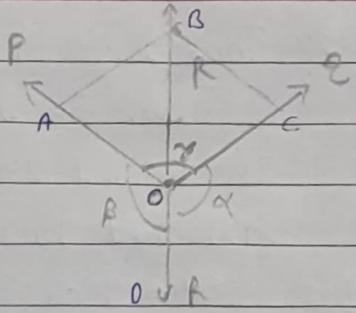
If a body in equilibrium is acted upon by three forces then each force is proportional to the sine of angle between the other two forces
 i.e $P \propto \sin \alpha$, $Q \propto \sin \beta$, $R \propto \sin \gamma$



$$\therefore \frac{P}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{Q}{\sin \beta} = \frac{R}{\sin \gamma}$$

Proof \rightarrow In $\triangle AOB$, $\angle AOB = 180^\circ - \beta$

$$\angle ABO = \angle BOC = 180^\circ - \alpha$$



$$\angle AOB + \angle ABO + \angle OAB = 180^\circ$$

$$180^\circ - \beta + 180^\circ - \alpha + \angle OAB = 180^\circ$$

$$\angle OAB = \alpha + \beta - 180^\circ$$

$$\angle OAB = 360^\circ - \gamma - 180^\circ$$

$$\boxed{\angle OAB = 180^\circ - \gamma}$$

$$\alpha + \beta + \gamma = 360^\circ$$

$$\boxed{\alpha + \beta = 360^\circ - \gamma}$$

Using sine law in $\triangle AOC$,

$$\frac{OA}{\sin(180 - \alpha)} = \frac{AB}{\sin(180 - \beta)} = \frac{OB}{\sin(180 - \gamma)}$$

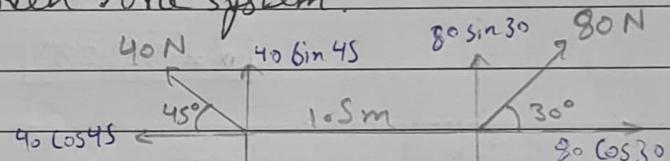
$$[\because \sin(180 - \theta) = \sin \theta]$$

$$\therefore \frac{P}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{Q}{\sin \beta} = \frac{R}{\sin \gamma}$$

Q1) A body is under action of four coplanar forces as shown in Fig 1. Find magnitude of resultant of given force system.

Sol

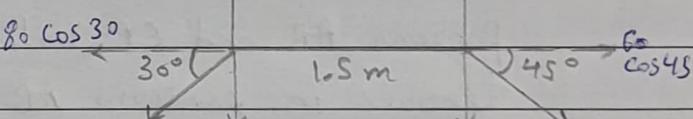
$$\sum H = 80 \cos 30 + 60 \cos 45 - 80 \cos 30 - 40 \cos 45$$



$$= \cos 45 (60 - 40) = 0.707 \times 20$$

$$\boxed{\sum H = 14.14}$$

$$\sum V = 80 \sin 30 + 40 \sin 45 - 80 \sin 30 - 60 \sin 45$$



$$\sum V = (40 - 60) \sin 45 = -20 \times 0.707$$

$$\boxed{\sum V = -14.14}$$

$$\text{Resultant force i.e } R = \sqrt{(\sum H)^2 + (\sum V)^2} = \sqrt{(14.14)^2 + (-14.14)^2} \\ = \sqrt{199.93 + 199.93} = \sqrt{399.87}$$

$$\boxed{R = 19.99 \text{ N}}$$

$$\text{Direction is given by } \alpha = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\sum V}{\sum H} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{-14.14}{14.14} \right) = \tan^{-1}(-1) = 45^\circ$$

" $\sum H$ is +ve & $\sum V$ is -ve, \therefore actual α lies between 270° and 360°

$$\text{Actual angle} = 360 - \alpha = 360 - 45 = \boxed{315^\circ}$$

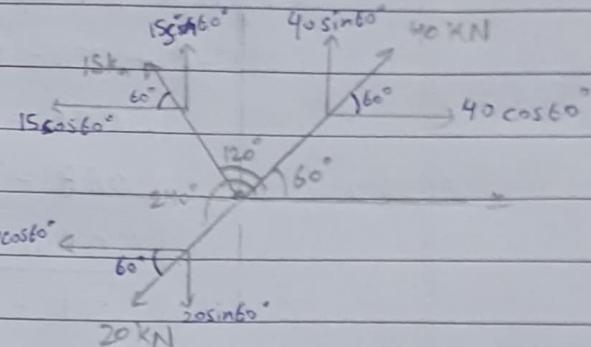
Q27 Three forces of magnitude 40 kN, 15 kN, 20 kN are acting at point O as shown in fig, the angles made by these forces with x-axis are 60°, 120° and 240° respectively. Determine the magnitude and direction of resultant force.

Ans

$$\Sigma H = 40 \cos 60^\circ - 15 \cos 60^\circ - 20 \cos 60^\circ$$

$$\Sigma H = (40 - 15 - 20) \cos 60^\circ = 5 \times 1$$

$$|\Sigma H = 2.5|$$



$$\Sigma V = 40 \sin 60^\circ + 15 \sin 60^\circ - 20 \sin 60^\circ$$

$$\Sigma V = (40 + 15 - 20) \sin 60^\circ = 35 \times 0.866$$

$$|\Sigma V = 30.31|$$

$$\text{Resultant i.e } R = \sqrt{(\Sigma H)^2 + (\Sigma V)^2} = \sqrt{(2.5)^2 + (30.31)^2} = \sqrt{6.25 + 918.69}$$

$$R = \sqrt{924.94}$$

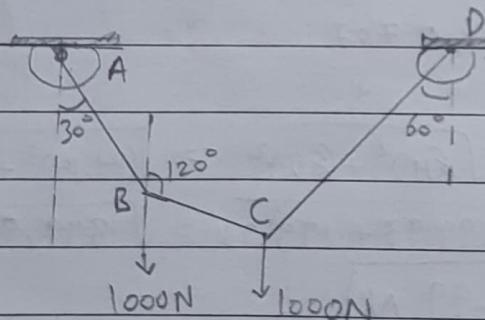
$$R = 30.41 \text{ kN}$$

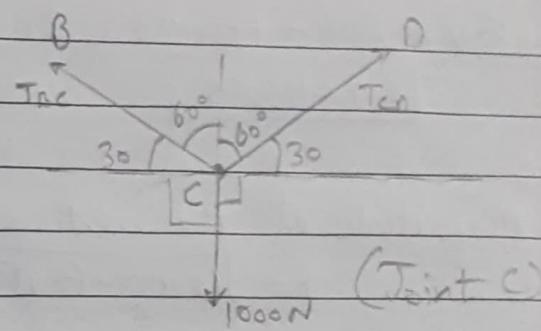
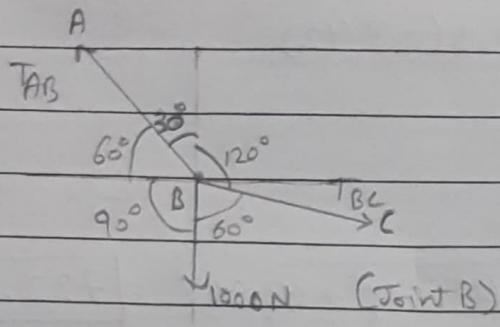
$$\alpha = \tan^{-1} \frac{\Sigma V}{\Sigma H} = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{30.31}{2.5} \right) = \tan^{-1} (12.124) = 85.28^\circ$$

$\because \Sigma H$ is positive & ΣV is positive \therefore actual angle is between 0° and 90°

$$|\alpha = 85.28^\circ|$$

Q67 A string ABCD, attached to fixed points A and D has two equal weights of 1000 N attached to it at B & C. The weights rest with the portions AB and CD inclined at angles as shown in fig. Find the tensions in portions AB, BC and CD of string, if inclination of portion BC with vertical is 120° .





T_{AB} = Tension in the portion AB of the string

T_{BC} = Tension in portion BC of string

T_{CD} = Tension in portion CD of string.

By Lami's theorem

$$\frac{T_{AB}}{\sin 60^\circ} = \frac{T_{BC}}{\sin 150^\circ} = \frac{1000}{\sin 150^\circ}$$

$$T_{AB} = \frac{1000 \times \sin 60^\circ}{\sin 150^\circ}$$

$$T_{AB} = \frac{1000 \times 0.866}{1/2}$$

$$T_{AB} = 1732 \text{ N}$$

By Lami's theorem

$$\frac{T_{BC}}{\sin 120^\circ} = \frac{1000}{\sin 120^\circ} = \frac{T_{CD}}{\sin 120^\circ}$$

$$T_{BC} = \frac{1000 \sin 150^\circ}{\sin 150^\circ}$$

$$T_{BC} = 1000 \text{ N}$$

$$T_{BC} = T_{CD} = 1000 \text{ N}$$

Q7) The lever ABC of a component of a machine is hinged at B, and is subjected to a system of coplanar forces as shown in Fig.

Ans

By Varignon's theorem,

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Moment of } P = \text{Moment of } 200 + \text{Moment of } 300 \\ \text{about B} \qquad \qquad \text{about B} \qquad \qquad \text{about B} \end{array}$$

$$P \times 10 \sin 60^\circ = 200 \times 12 \cos 30^\circ + 300 \times 12 \cos 60^\circ$$

$$P \times 10 \times 0.866 = 200 \times 12 \times 0.866 + 300 \times 12 \times 0.5$$

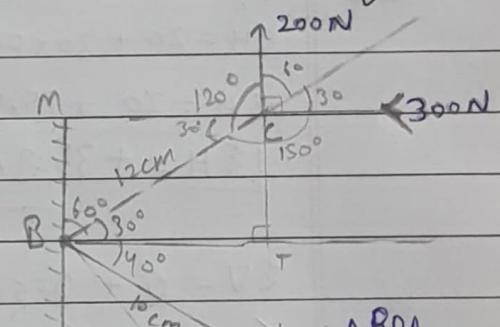
$$8.66 P = 2078 + 1800$$

$$P = \frac{3878}{8.66}$$

$$P = 447.8 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{At B, } \sum H = 300 + P \cos 20^\circ = 300 + 447.8 (0.939)$$

$$\sum H = 720.8$$



$$\Delta BDA$$

$$\sin 60^\circ = \frac{BD}{10}$$

$$BD = 10 \sin 60^\circ$$

$$\Delta BTC$$

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{BT}{12}$$

$$BT = 12 \tan 30^\circ$$

$$\Delta BMC$$

$$\cos 60^\circ = \frac{MC}{12}$$

$$MC = 12 \cos 60^\circ$$

$$\Sigma V = 200 - P \sin 20^\circ = 200 - 447.8 (0.342)$$

$$\boxed{\Sigma V = 46.85}$$

Magnitude of the reaction at B

$$R = \sqrt{(\Sigma H)^2 + (\Sigma V)^2} = \sqrt{(720.8)^2 + (46.85)^2} = \boxed{722.3 \text{ N}}$$

Direction of reaction at B

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\Sigma V}{\Sigma H} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{46.85}{720.8} \right) = \tan^{-1} (0.065)$$

$$\boxed{\theta = 3.7^\circ}$$

$\because \Sigma H$ and ΣV are both +ve $\therefore \theta$ lies between 0° to 90° .

Q7 Neglecting friction, find the magnitude of the force (P) to keep the lever in equilibrium. Also determine the magnitude and direction of the reaction at B.

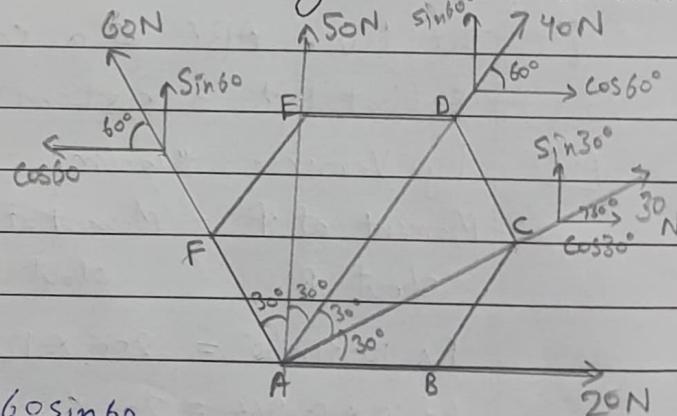
Q9> The forces 20 N, 30 N, 40 N, 50 N and 60 N are acting at one of the angular points of a regular hexagon, towards the other five angular points, taken in order. Find the magnitude and direction of resultant force.

Sol $\Sigma H = +20 + 30 \cos 30^\circ + 40 \cos 60^\circ + 0 - 60 \cos 60^\circ$

$$\Sigma H = 20 + 30 \times 0.866 + (40 - 60) \times 0.5$$

$$\Sigma H = 20 + 25.98 - 10$$

$$\boxed{\Sigma H = +35.9 \text{ N}}$$



$$\Sigma V = 0 + 30 \sin 30^\circ + 40 \sin 60^\circ + 50 + 60 \sin 60^\circ$$

$$\Sigma V = 30 (0.5) + 40 (0.866) + 50 + 60 (0.866)$$

$$\Sigma V = 15 + 34.64 + 50 + 51.96$$

$$\boxed{\Sigma V = 151.6 \text{ N}}$$

$$R = \sqrt{(\Sigma H)^2 + (\Sigma V)^2} = \sqrt{(35.9)^2 + (151.6)^2} = \sqrt{1288.81 + 22982.56}$$

$$R = \sqrt{24271.37}$$

$$\boxed{R = 155.7 \text{ N}} \text{ i.e. Resultant force}$$

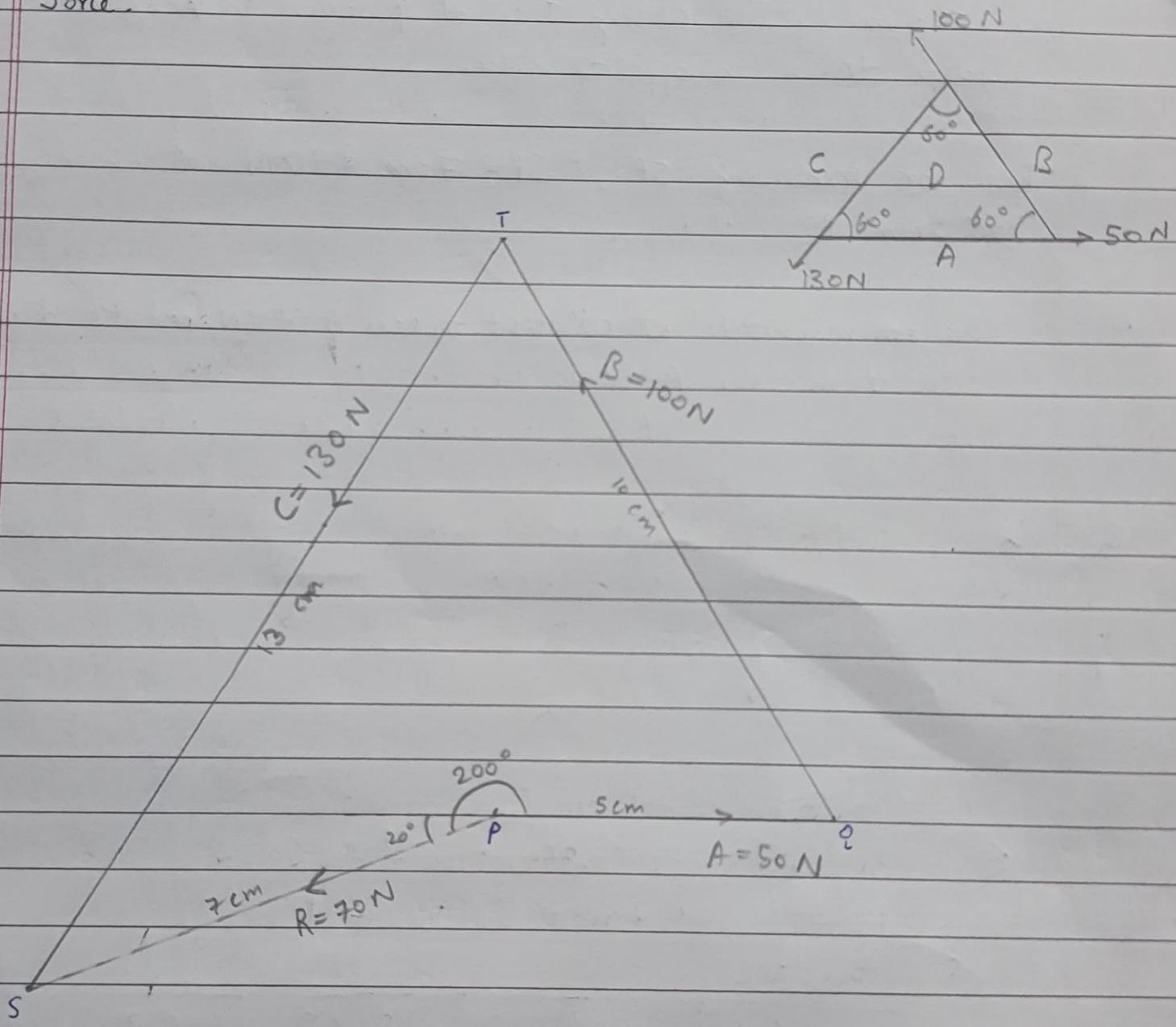
Direction is given by, $\tan \theta = \frac{\Sigma V}{\Sigma H}$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{151.6}{35.9} \right) = \tan^{-1}(4.22)$$

$$\boxed{\theta = 76.67^\circ}$$

$\because \Sigma H$ & ΣV are both +ve $\therefore \theta$ lies b/w 0° to 90°

- Q10) A particle is acted upon by three forces equal to 80N, 100N and 130N, along the three sides of an equilateral triangle, taken in order. Find graphically the magnitude and direction of the resultant force.



- * First let $10\text{ N} = 1\text{ cm}$ be the scale
 $\therefore A = 50\text{ N} = 5\text{ cm}$, $B = 100\text{ N} = 10\text{ cm}$, $C = 130\text{ N} = 13\text{ cm}$
- * Draw force A as PQ of 5 cm
- * Draw force B as QT of 10 cm at 60° from PQ
- * Draw force C as TS of 13 cm at 60° from QT.
- * Complete the polygon by joining SP.

According to polygon's law of forces,

If a number of forces acting simultaneously on a body be given by sides of a polygon in magnitude and direction, then their resultant may be given by the closing side of polygon, in magnitude and direction, taken in opposite order.

- * Thus on measuring SP, $SP = 7\text{ cm} = 70\text{ N}$ at an angle of 200° from PQ

\therefore The ~~is~~ magnitude of resultant force is 70 N and its direction is 200° from force A = SON.