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Mid Semester Examination (Autumn)
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Time: 2 hours
Full Marks: 90
Subject Name: MECHANICS

Instructions: Answer all SEVEN questions. Any data, if not furnished, may be assumed with justification.

1. The weld at A, shown in Fig.1, can support a maximum of 2.5 kN of force along each of the n and t directions and a maximum moment of 1350 Nm. Determine the allowable range for the direction θ of the 2.7 kN force applied at B. The angle θ is restricted to $0^\circ \leq \theta \leq 90^\circ$. (8)

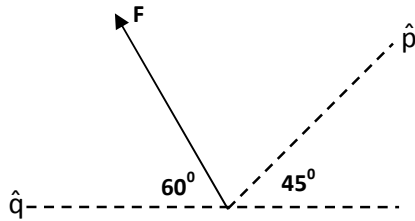
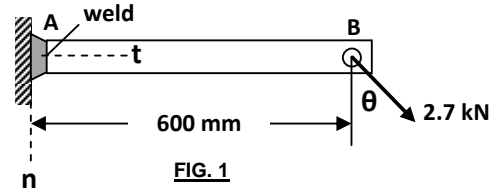


FIG. 2

2. With reference to Fig.2, (a) determine the components of the force $F = 800$ N along \hat{p} and \hat{q} axes and (b) the projections of the force F on \hat{p} and \hat{q} axes. (7)

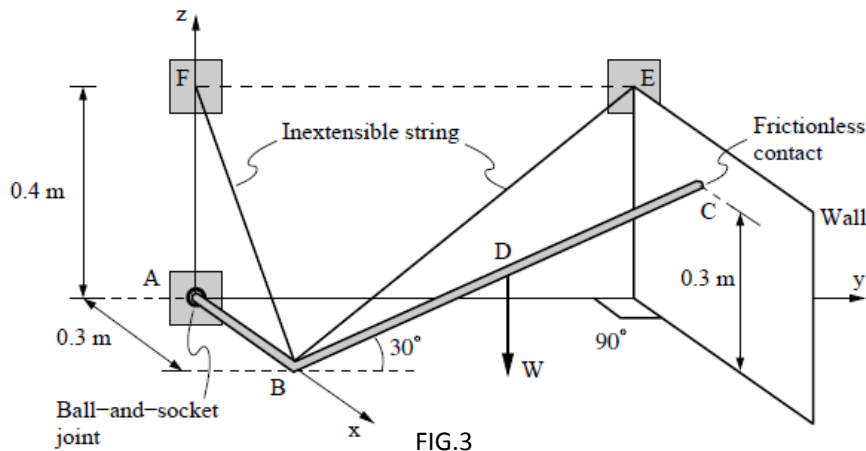
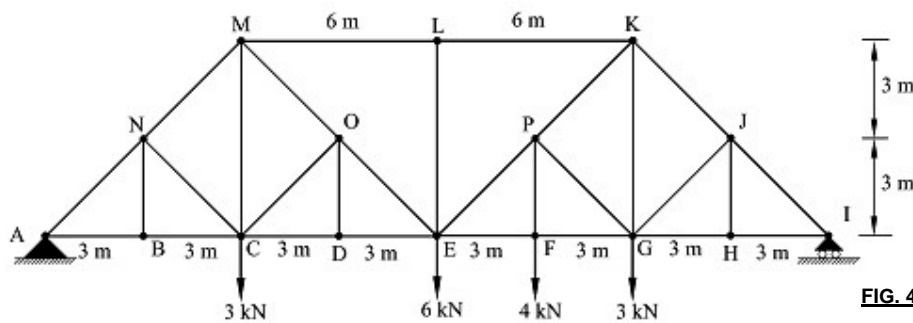


FIG. 3

3. A massless L-shaped frame ABC with $\angle ABC = 90^\circ$ is suspended as shown in Fig.3. A vertical force W is applied at D, where $|BD| = |DC|$. (a) Draw the free body diagram of the frame ABC. (b) For a load $W = 100$ N, determine the wall reaction at C for equilibrium. (c) For some load W , if the magnitude of the wall reaction at C is 20 N, find the tension in the string BE for equilibrium. (d) If the reaction at the ball-and-socket joint at A is $60\hat{i}$ N, determine the force W for equilibrium. (15)

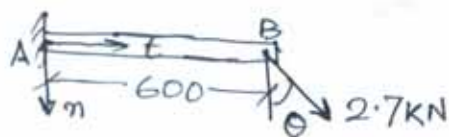


4. For the truss shown in Fig.4, determine **(a)** the ground reaction at the hinge A, **(b)** force in the members CD, ML and EF (indicating tension or compression) and **(c)** all the zero-force members in the truss. (15)

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A1



$$F_t = 2.7 \times 10^3 \times \sin \theta \leq 2.5 \times 10^3 \quad \dots (1)$$

$$F_n = 2.7 \times 10^3 \times \cos \theta \leq 2.5 \times 10^3 \quad \dots (2)$$

$$M_A = 2.7 \times 10^3 \times \cos \theta \times 0.6 \leq 1350 \quad (3)$$

From (1) $\theta = 67.81^\circ$

$$F_n = 2.7 \times 10^3 \times \cos 67.81^\circ = 1.02 \text{ kN} - \text{valid.}$$

$$M_A = 611.88 \text{ Nm} - \text{valid.}$$

From (2) $\theta = 22.19^\circ$

$$F_t = 2.7 \times 10^3 \times \sin 22.19^\circ = 1.02 \text{ kN} - \text{valid.}$$

$$M_A = 1500 \text{ Nm} - \text{Not valid.}$$

From (3) $\theta = 33.56^\circ$

$$F_t = 1.49 \text{ kN} - \text{valid.}$$

$$F_n = 2.25 \text{ kN} - \text{valid.}$$

\therefore Range of θ is $33.56^\circ \leq \theta \leq 67.81^\circ$

alternative.

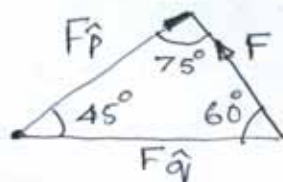
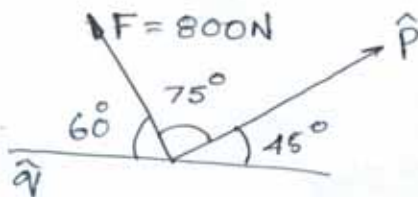
From (1) $\theta = 67.81^\circ \therefore 67.81^\circ > \theta > 0^\circ$

From (2) $\theta = 22.19^\circ \therefore 90^\circ > \theta > 22.19^\circ$

From (3) $\theta = 33.56^\circ \therefore 90^\circ > \theta > 33.56^\circ$

\therefore Range of θ is $33.56^\circ \leq \theta \leq 67.81^\circ$

A2



$$a) \frac{F_{\hat{p}}}{\sin 60^\circ} = \frac{F_{\hat{q}}}{\sin 75^\circ} = \frac{F}{\sin 45^\circ}$$

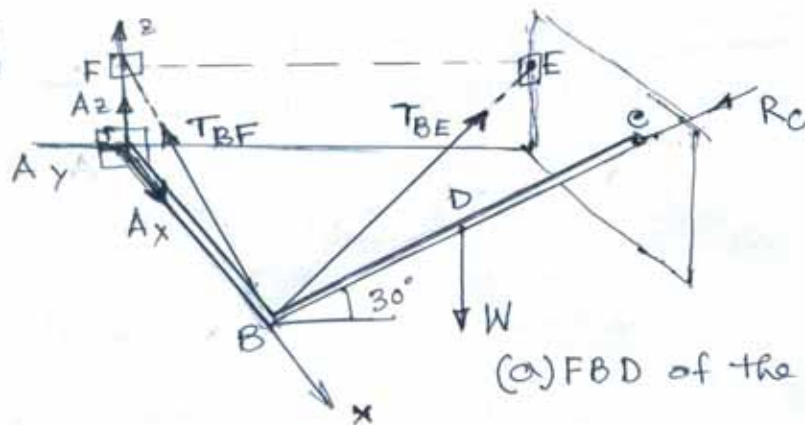
$$\therefore F_{\hat{p}} = \frac{800 \times \sin 60^\circ}{\sin 45^\circ} = 979.8 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{\hat{q}} = \frac{800 \times \sin 75^\circ}{\sin 45^\circ} = 1092.8 \text{ N}$$

$$b) F \text{ on } \hat{p} = 800 \cos 75^\circ = 207.06 \text{ N}$$

$$F \text{ on } \hat{q} = 800 \cos 60^\circ = 400 \text{ N.}$$

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(a) FBD of the structure

(b) $\sum M_{AB} = 0$, only W and R_C will contribute.

$$M_{AB} = M_B \cdot \hat{i}$$

$$= [BD \cos 30^\circ \hat{j} \times W(-\hat{k}) + 0.3\hat{k} \times R_C(-\hat{j})] \cdot \hat{i} = 0$$

$$= (-0.26W\hat{i} + 0.3R_C\hat{i}) \cdot \hat{i} = 0 \therefore R_C = 86.6 \text{ N}$$

(c) Moment about AE will have contribution from R_C and tension in BE.

Co-ordinates: $A(0,0,0)$, $B(0.3,0,0)$, $C(0.3,0.52,0.3)$
 $E(0,0.52,0.4)$

$$\vec{BE} = (-0.3\hat{i} + 0.52\hat{j} + 0.4\hat{k}); \hat{BE} = (-0.416\hat{i} + 0.721\hat{j} + 0.555\hat{k})$$

$$\vec{AC} = 0.3\hat{i} + 0.52\hat{j} + 0.3\hat{k}$$

$$M_{AE} = M_A \cdot \hat{k} = 0$$

$$[(0.3\hat{i} + 0.52\hat{j} + 0.3\hat{k}) \times -20\hat{j} + 0.3\hat{i} \times T_{BE}(-0.416\hat{i} + 0.721\hat{j} + 0.555\hat{k})] \cdot \hat{k} = 0$$

$$\therefore T_{BE} = 27.74 \text{ N}$$

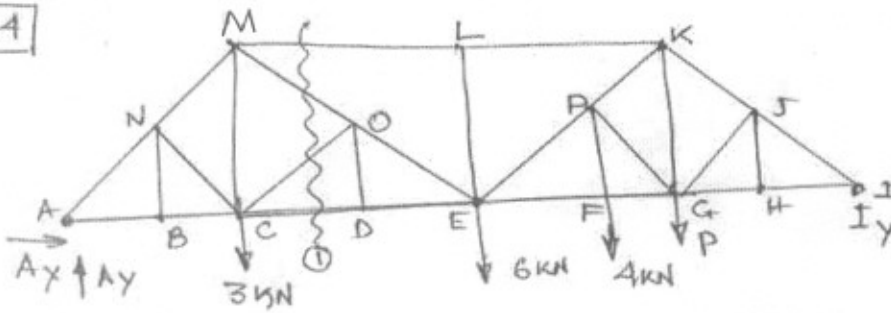
(d) $\sum M_{FE} = 0$, only R_A and W will contribute.

$$M_{FE} = (M_E \cdot \hat{j}) = 0; \vec{FD} = 0.3\hat{i} + 0.26\hat{j} - 0.25\hat{k}$$

$$= [-0.4\hat{k} \times 60\hat{i} + (0.3\hat{i} + 0.26\hat{j} - 0.25\hat{k}) \times W(-\hat{k})] \cdot \hat{j} = 0$$

$$[-24\hat{j} + 0.3W\hat{j}] \cdot \hat{j} = 0 \therefore W = 80 \text{ N}$$

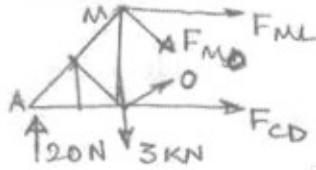
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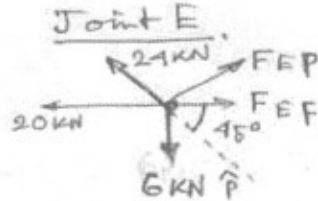
(a) $A_x = 0$; $A_y \times 24 = 3 \times 18 + 6 \times 12 + 4 \times 9 + P \times 6$ $[\sum M_A = 0]$
 $P = 3 \text{ kN}$
 $\therefore A_y = 7.5 \text{ kN}$

(b) Zero force members: NB, NC, CO, OD, LE, GJ and JH

(c) Section-1.

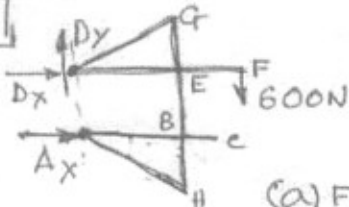


$\sum M_M = 0$; $20 \times 6 - F_{CD} \times 6 = 0 \therefore F_{CD} = 20 \text{ kN (T)}$
 $F_{MD} \cos 45^\circ + 3 \text{ kN} - 20 \text{ kN} = 0 \therefore F_{MD} = 24.04 \text{ kN (T)}$
 $F_{ML} + F_{MD} \sin 45^\circ + F_{CD} = 0 \therefore F_{ML} = 37 \text{ kN (C)}$



$\sum \hat{P} = 0$
 $F_{EF} \cos 45^\circ + 6 \sin 45^\circ - 24$
 $- 20 \cos 45^\circ = 0$
 $\therefore F_{EF} = 48 \text{ kN (T)}$

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(b) $\sum M_B = 0$
 $600 \times 800 - A_x \times 600 = 0$
 $\therefore A_x = 800 \text{ N}$

(a) FBD

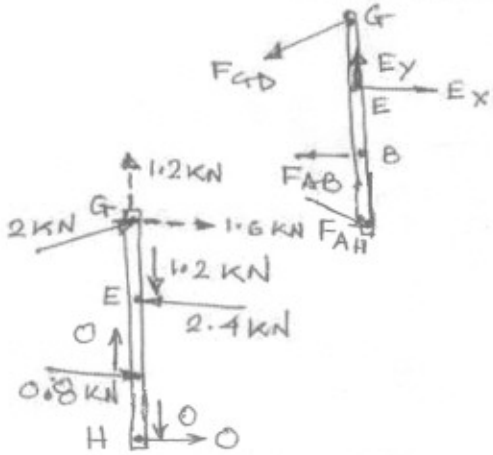
$\theta = \tan^{-1} 3/4$
 $\sin \theta = 0.6$
 $\cos \theta = 0.8$

(c) FBD of ABH



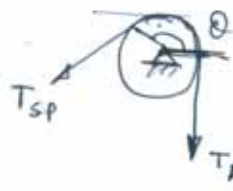
$F_{AH} = 0$
 $F_{AB} = -A_x = -800 \text{ N}$

FBD of GEBH



$\sum M_E = 0$
 $F_{GD} \cos \theta \times 300 - F_{AB} \times 600 = 0$
 $\therefore F_{GD} = -2000 \text{ N} = -2 \text{ kN}$
 $F_{GD} \sin \theta - E_y = 0 \therefore E_y = -1200 \text{ N} = -1.2 \text{ kN}$
 $E_x - F_{AB} - F_{GD} \cos \theta = 0$
 $E_x = F_{AB} + F_{GD} \cos \theta$
 $= -800 - 2000 \times 0.8$
 $= -2400 \text{ N} = -2.4 \text{ kN}$

A6



$$T_{sp} = 100 \times 0.5 = 50 \text{ N}$$

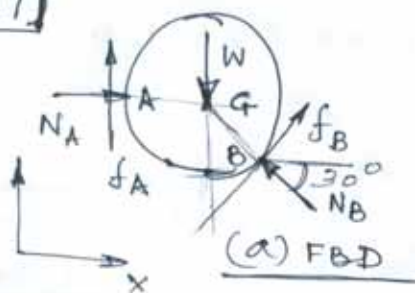
$$\theta = \frac{2\pi}{3} \text{ (angle of wrap)}$$

$$(a) T_{AB} > T_{sp} \therefore T_{AB}/T_{sp} = e^{(0.2 \times \frac{2\pi}{3})}$$

$$\therefore T_{AB} = 76 \text{ N}$$

Part(b) $T_{sp} > T_{AB} \therefore T_{sp} = T_{AB} e^{(0.2 \times \frac{2\pi}{3})} \therefore T_{AB} = 32.9 \text{ N}$

A7



$$(b) \mu_B = 0.2, \mu_W = 0.2$$

$$\sum M_G = 0; f_A = \mu_B N_B$$

$$\sum F_y = 0; f_A + f_B \cos 30^\circ + N_B \sin 30^\circ - W = 0$$

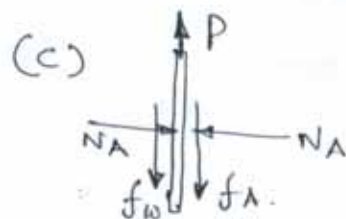
$$(\mu_B + \mu_B \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + \frac{1}{2}) N_B = W$$

$$\therefore N_B = 114.5 \text{ N}$$

$$\sum F_x = 0; N_A + f_B \sin 30^\circ - N_B \cos 30^\circ = 0$$

$$N_A = (\cos 30^\circ - \mu_B \sin 30^\circ) N_B = 87.71 \text{ N}$$

$$\therefore \mu_A \geq \frac{f_A}{N_A} = \frac{\mu_B}{(\cos 30^\circ - \mu_B \sin 30^\circ)} = 0.261 (\mu_A \text{ min})$$



$$P = f_W + f_A$$

$$\mu_A = 0.3 > \mu_A(\text{min}) = 0.261$$

$\therefore f_B$ prevails

Slip at B and roll at A.

$$\therefore P = f_W + f_A = \mu_W \times N_A + f_B = 40.44 \text{ N}$$

$$= (0.2 \times 87.7 + 0.2 \times 114.5) \text{ N}$$

$$= 40.44 \text{ N}$$