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Paper Code : ME-101
ENGINEERING MECHANICS

Time Allotted : 3 Hours

Full Marks : 70

The figures in the margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.

GROUP - A

(Multiple Choice Type Questions)

1. Choose the correct alternatives for any ten of the following : 10 × 1 = 10

i) Volumetric strain of a rectangular body subjected to an axial force, in term on terms of linear strain ϵ and Poisson's ratio ν is given by

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| a) $\epsilon (1 + 2\nu)$ | b) $\epsilon (1 - 2\nu)$ |
| c) $\epsilon (1 + \nu)$ | d) $\epsilon (1 - \nu)$ |

vii) The velocity-time relationship of a moving particle is given by the equation $\dot{x} = (1/2)ct^2$, where $c = 2.4 \text{ m/s}^2$. Determine the displacement of the particle at the instant $t = 3$ seconds, if there is no initial displacement.

a) 10.8 m

b) 9 m

c) 12.7 m

d) 3.6 m.

viii) When a body slides down an inclined surface (angle of inclination $= \theta$), the acceleration f of the body is given by

a) $f = g$

b) $f = g \sin \theta$

c) $f = g \cos \theta$

d) $f = \tan \theta$.

ix) If moment of the body is doubled, its kinetic energy will

a) get doubled

b) get halved

c) get quadrupled

d) remain same.

x) If i and j are two Cartesian unit vectors then

a) $i \cdot j = 0$

b) $i \cdot j = 1$

c) $i \cdot j = 2$

d) none of these.

xi) M.I. of circular area whose diameter is d about an axis perpendicular to the area passing through its centre is given by

a) $\pi d^4/64$

b) $\pi d^4/32$

c) $\pi d^4/12$

d) $\pi d^4/16$.

xii) Null vector is known as

a) negative vector

b) unit vector

c) zero vector

d) all of these.

GROUP - B

(Short Answer Type Questions)

Answer any *three* of the following. $3 \times 5 = 15$

A force given by $F = 3i + 2j - 4k$ is applied at the point P (1, -1, 2). Find the moment of the force F about the point O (2, -1, 3) & about origin.

3. A simply supported beam AB of span 4m is carrying point loads of 5kN, 2kN & 3kN at 1m, 2m & 3m from the left supported at A. Calculate the reactions at the supports A & B.

4. A particle travels along a straight line with a velocity $v_p = \frac{a}{b + x_p}$. Determine the acceleration when $x_p = 2m$.

Given that $a = 6m^2/s$ and $b = 3m$.

5. Determine the tensile force in cables AB and BC as shown in Fig. 1. Assume the pulleys to be frictionless.

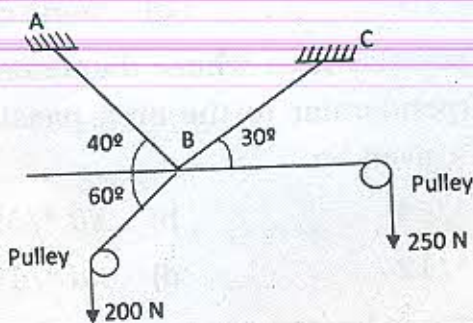


Fig.-1

6. A weight $Q = 12\text{ N}$ rests in a right-angled trough, as shown in Fig. 2. Determine the forces exerted on the sides of the trough at D and E if all surfaces are perfectly smooth.

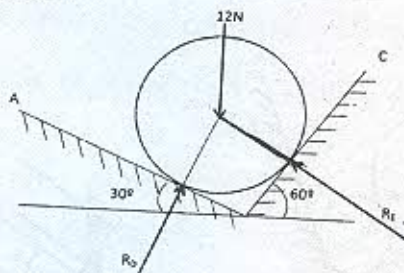


Fig.-2

7. A roller of radius 50 cm and weight 4000 N is to be pulled over rectangular block of height 30 cm as shown in figure 3. A force P is applied tangentially at point C through a string wound the circumference of the roller. Find the magnitude of force P required just to turn the wheel over the corner of rectangular block. Also determine the magnitude and direction of reaction at A and B . All surfaces are assumed to be smooth.

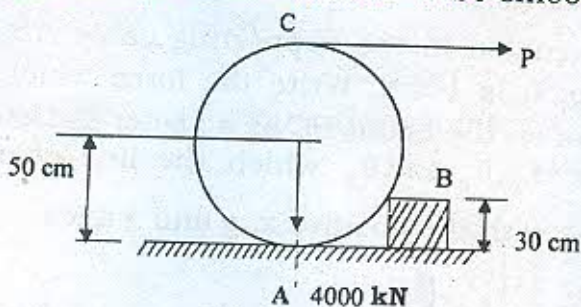


Fig.-3

GROUP - C

(Long Answer Type Questions)

Answer any *three* of the following. $3 \times 15 = 45$

8. a) Two cylinders are supported in a right-angled wedge support as shown in figure 4. The side OL



makes 30° angle with horizontal. The diameters of the cylinders A and B are 250mm and 500mm , and their weights being 100N and 400N , respectively. Determine the reactions R between all contact points.

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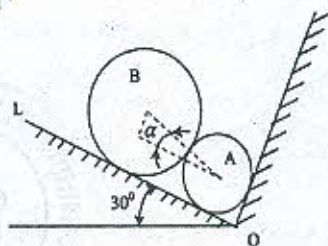


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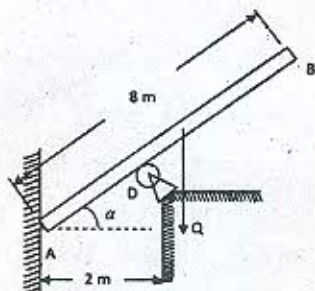


Fig.-5

- b) A heavy prismatic bar AB of weight ' Q ' and length $2l$ rests on a very small frictionless roller at D and against a smooth vertical wall at A , as shown in figure 5. Determine the angle α that the bar must make with the horizontal in the condition of equilibrium.

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9. a) The tension in the supporting cable AB , as shown in fig. 6 is 10kN . Write the force which the cable exerts on the boom BC as a vector T . Determine the angle θ_x, θ_y and θ_z which the line of action of T forms with the positive x, y and z axes.

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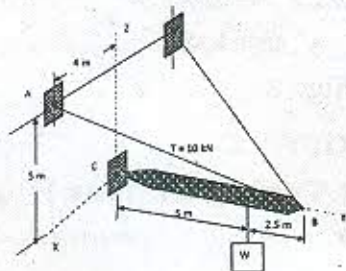


Fig.-6

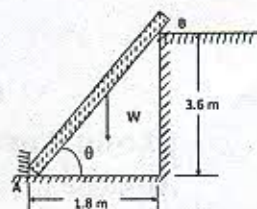


Fig.-7

- b) A 667.5 N man stands on the middle rung of a 222.5 N ladder as shown in figure 7. Assuming the end B rests on the corner of a wall and a stop at A to prevent slipping, find the reactions at A and B. 7

10. a) A block of weight W , height $2h$ and width $2c$ rests on a flat car which moves horizontally with constant acceleration a , as shown in Fig. 8. Determine (a) the value of the acceleration a at which slipping of the block on the car will impend if the coefficient of friction is μ and (b) the value of the acceleration at which tipping of the block about the edge A will impend, assuming sufficient friction to prevent slipping. 7

- b) A solid right circular cylinder of weight $W = 50$ N and cross-sectional area $A = 100 \text{ cm}^2$ is suspended by a spring of constant $k = 2 \text{ N/cm}$ and hangs partially submerged in water ($w = 9810 \text{ N/m}^3$), as shown in Fig. 9. Calculate the period τ for small vertical oscillations. Neglect inertia of water. 8

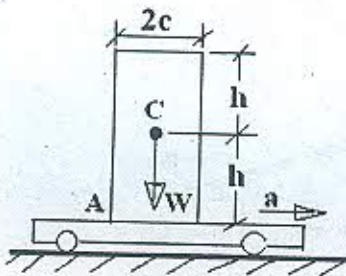


Fig.-8

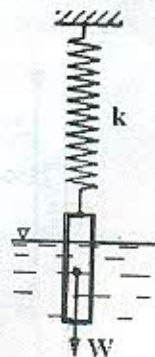


Fig.-9

11. a) An I-section has the following dimensions in mm units.

Bottom flange = 100×20

Top flange = 60×20

Web = 100×20

Determine the moment of inertia of the I-section about Centroidal $x-x$ axis passing through its centroid & parallel to base. 9

Draw the stress-strain diagram of a mild steel specimen by showing all the salient points on it. 6

12. A ball is dropped vertically on to a 20° inclined plane at 'A'. The direction of rebound forms an angle of 35° with vertical. Knowing that the ball strikes the inclined plane at 'B' as shown in figure 10. Determine :

- The velocity of rebound at 'A'
 - The time required for the ball to travel from 'A' to 'B'
 - What do you mean by Free body diagram ? Explain with suitable example.
- 5 + 5 + 5

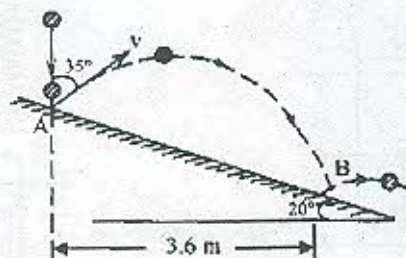


Fig.-10