

ENGINEERING MECHANICS

(MECH 2101)

Time Allotted : 2½ hrs

Full Marks : 60

Figures out of the right margin indicate full marks.

Candidates are required to answer Group A and any 4 (four) from Group B to E, taking one from each group.

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

Group - A

1. Answer any twelve:

$$12 \times 1 = 12$$

Choose the correct alternative for the following

- (i) If $\mathbf{i}$ and $\mathbf{j}$ are two Cartesian unit vectors than
 - (a) $\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{j} = 1$
 - (b) $\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{j} = 0$
 - (c) $\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{j} = 2$
 - (d) $\mathbf{i} \times \mathbf{j} = -1$
- (ii) Couple is a
 - (a) bound vector
 - (b) free vector
 - (c) sliding vector
 - (d) equivalent vector.
- (iii) Angle between the vectors $(\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j})$ and $(\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j})$ is
 - (a) 90°
 - (b) 45°
 - (c) 0°
 - (d) 180° .
- (iv) If φ is angle of friction, then coefficient of friction (μ) is
 - (a) $\cos \varphi$
 - (b) $\sin \varphi$
 - (c) $\tan \varphi$
 - (d) $\sec \varphi$.
- (v) Free body diagram of a body is drawn
 - (a) by isolating the body from its surrounding
 - (b) by indicating the forces acting on it
 - (c) both (a) and (b)
 - (d) none of the above.
- (vi) The maximum frictional force between two surfaces, is
 - (a) kinetic friction
 - (b) sliding friction
 - (c) rolling friction
 - (d) limiting friction.
- (vii) The ratio of limiting friction and reaction is known as
 - (a) coefficient friction
 - (b) angle of friction
 - (c) angle of repose
 - (d) sliding friction.
- (viii) The centre of gravity of solid hemisphere of radius R is
 - (a) $R/2$
 - (b) $3R/8$
 - (c) $3R/4$
 - (d) none of these.
- (ix) Moment of inertia of a triangle of base b and height h about the centroidal axis parallel to base is
 - (a) $bh^3/36$
 - (b) $bh^3/12$
 - (c) $bh^3/6$
 - (d) $bh^3/3$.

- (x) If the velocity of projection is u m/s and the angle of projection is α , the maximum height of the projectile on a horizontal plane is
- (a) $\frac{u^2 \cos^2 \alpha}{(2g)}$ (b) $\frac{u^2 \sin^2 \alpha}{(2g)}$ (c) $\frac{u^2 \tan^2 \alpha}{2g}$ (d) $\frac{u^2 \sin^2 \alpha}{g}$

Fill in the blanks with the correct word

- (xi) Work done on motion between any two points is equal to change in _____ energy.
- (xii) Any straight line in the body always retains an orientation parallel to its original direction during such a motion is known as _____.
- (xiii) Equation of motion of a particle is $s = 2t^3 - t^2$, where s is displacement in meters and t is time in seconds. Acceleration of the particle after 1 second will be _____.
- (xiv) D' Alembert's principle is applied to solve problems related to _____.
- (xv) If a momentum of a body is doubled, its kinetic energy will increase by _____ times.

Group - B

2. (a) Define direction cosines.

Prove that $\vec{e}_v = l\vec{i} + m\vec{j} + n\vec{k}$ where the symbols have their usual meanings.

[[CO1](Remember/LOCQ)]

- (b) The line of action of the 500 N force runs through the points $A(-7, -2)$ and $B(8, 6)$ as shown in Fig. 1. Find the 'x' and 'y' scalar components of force F .

[[CO1](Apply/IOCQ)]

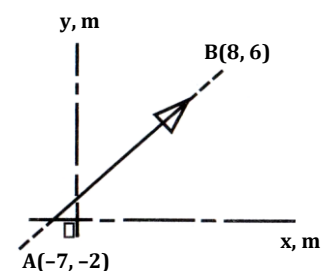


Fig. 1

$$(2 + 4) + 6 = 12$$

3. (a) State and prove the Varignon's theorem for a system of concurrent forces.

[[CO1](Remember/LOCQ)]

- (b) A force of 200 N is directed along the line drawn from the point $P(5, 2, 4)$ to the point $Q(3, -5, 6)$. Determine the moment of this force about a point $A(4, 3, 2)$. The distances are in meters.

[[CO1](Apply/IOCQ)]

$$6 + 6 = 12$$

Group - C

4. (a) A horizontal bar AB is hinged to a vertical wall at A and supported at its mid-point C by a cable CD as shown in Fig. 2. The bar is subjected to a vertical load P applied at the free end B. The bar maintains horizontal position. Find the tension in the cable and reaction at A. Neglect the weight of the bar.

[[CO2](Apply/IOCQ)]

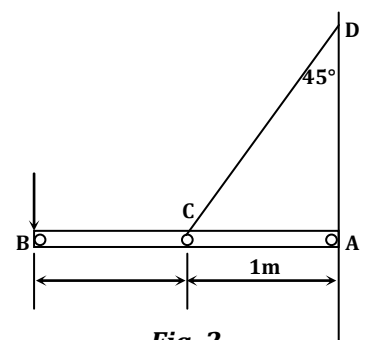


Fig. 2

- (b) A ball of weight $Q = 120 \text{ N}$ rests in trough ABC, as shown in Fig. 3. Determine the forces exerted on the sides, on the vertical face at D and on the inclined face at E, if all the surfaces are perfectly smooth.

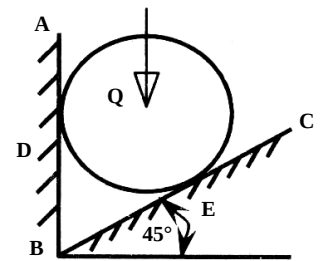


Fig. 3

[[CO2](Analyze/HOCQ)]

$$6 + 6 = 12$$

5. (a) A 150 kg man stands on the mid-point of a 50 kg ladder as shown in Fig. 4. Assuming that floor and the wall are perfectly smooth, find the reactions at points A and B.

[[CO2](Evaluate/HOCQ)]

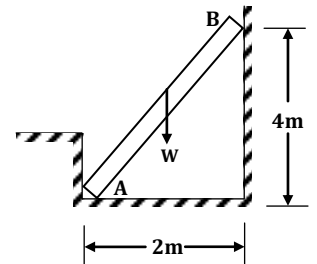


Fig. 4

- (b) A roller of radius 'r' and weight 'W' is to be rolled over a curb of height 'h' by a horizontal force 'P' applied to the end of a string wound around the circumference of the roller as shown in Fig. 5. Find the magnitude of P required to start the roller over the the curb. Assume that contact at B is frictionless, but there is sufficient friction between the roller surface and the edge of the curb to prevent slip at A. Given $r = 2h$.

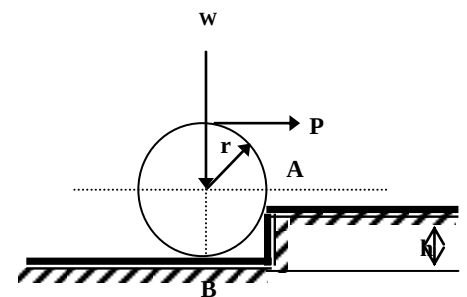


Fig. 5

[[CO2](Evaluate/HOCQ)]

$$6 + 6 = 12$$

Group - D

6. (a) Define the angle of friction and angle of repose with neat sketch. [[CO3](Remember/LOCQ)]

- (b) A block A weighing 1000 N rests on a rough inclined plane as shown in Fig. 6 whose inclination to horizontal is 45° . The block is connected to another block B weighing 3000 N resting on a rough horizontal plane, by a weightless rigid bar inclined at an angle of 30° to the horizontal. Find the horizontal force required to be applied to the block B, to just move the block A in upward direction. Assume angle of limiting friction is 15° at all surfaces where is sliding.

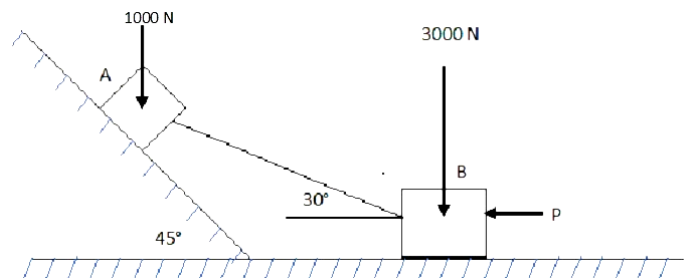


Fig. 6

[[CO4](Apply/HOCQ)]

$$(2 + 2) + 8 = 12$$

7. (a) State and explain the parallel axis theorem of area moment of inertia. [[CO5](Remember/LOCQ)]

- (b) Determine the polar moment of inertia of the section shown in Fig. 7 about its centroidal axis.

[[C05](Apply/IOCQ)]

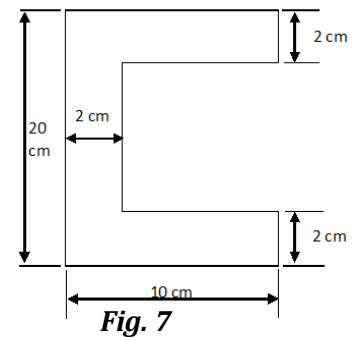


Fig. 7

$$(2 + 2) + 8 = 12$$

Group - E

8. (a) A projectile is launched with an initial speed of 200 m/s at an angle of 60° with respect to the horizontal as shown in Fig. 8. Compute the range R as measured up the incline.

[[C04](Apply/HOCQ)]

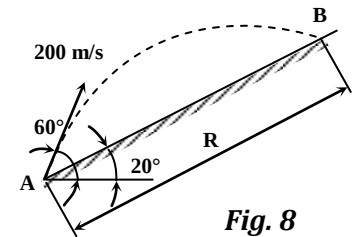


Fig. 8

- (b) Prove that work done on motion between any two points is equal to the change in kinetic energy.

[[C06](Remember/LOCQ)]

$$6 + 6 = 12$$

9. (a) The 3 kg slider is released from rest at point A and slides with negligible friction in a vertical plane along the circular rod. The attached spring has a stiffness of 350 N/m and has an unstretched length of 0.6 m as shown in Fig. 9. Determine the velocity of the slider as it passes position B.

[[C06](Solve/HOCQ)]

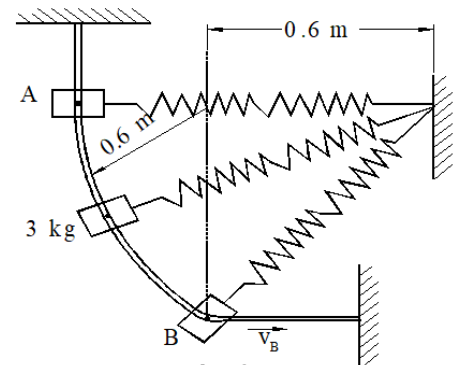


Fig. 9

- (b) Determine the tension in the strings and accelerations of two blocks of masses 150 kg and 50 kg connected by a string and a frictionless, weightless pulley as shown in Fig. 10.

[[C04](Apply/HOCQ)]

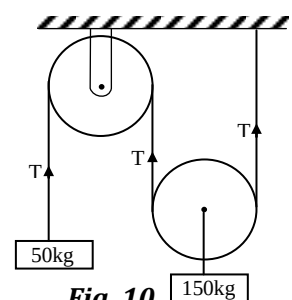


Fig. 10

$$6 + 6 = 12$$

Cognition Level	LOCQ	IOCQ	HOCQ
Percentage distribution	27	27	46

Course Outcomes (CO):

After going through the course, the students will be able to

- C01: Describe basic concepts of vector algebra as applied to engineering mechanics.
 C02: Construct a free body diagram of a system under equilibrium.
 C03: Interpret friction phenomenon and calculate friction force.
 C04: Execute dynamics of members/links in a mechanism and inertia force with the help of D'Alembert's principle.
 C05: Develop the steps to calculate the centroid and MI values required for designing structures.
 C06: Implement the principles of work-energy and impulse-momentum for analysis of dynamic systems.

*LOCQ: Lower Order Cognitive Question; IOCQ: Intermediate Order Cognitive Question; HOCQ: Higher Order Cognitive Question.