

B.E. ELECTRONICS AND TELE-COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING
FIRST YEAR 2ND SEMESTER EXAMINATION-2017

Subject: ENGINEERING MECHANICS

Time: Three Hours

Full Marks: 100

Answer Question No. 1 (compulsory) and any seven from the rest.

Value of 'g' (acceleration due to gravity) may be taken as 10 m/s^2 , if it is not specified.

Any missing data may be suitably assumed.

1. (a) Write the expression of moment of the force F about point 'O' and 'A' respectively as shown in the Fig. Q1a. [2]

(b) If a general three-dimensional force system is reduced to a wrench resultant at a point, the angle between the direction of the resultant moment vector and that of the resultant force vector is _____. (Fill up the blank with appropriate answer.) [1]

(c) A power screw has a lead of 5 mm and mean diameter of the thread 25 mm. The coefficient of static friction in the thread is 0.20. What is the helix angle for the screw? State if the screw is self-locking or overhauling. [2]

(d) A triangle with a base of length b and height h , has a second moment of area about its base equal to _____ and that about an axis parallel to the base and passing through its centroid equal to _____. (Fill up the blank with appropriate answer.) [2]

(e) In polar ($r-\theta$) coordinate system the expression of radial and transverse components of acceleration are _____ and _____ respectively. (Fill up the blank with appropriate answer.) [2]

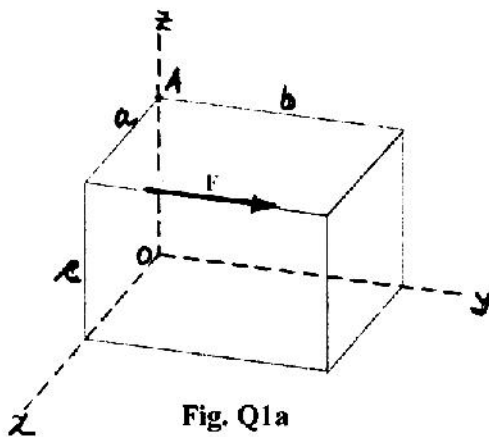


Fig. Q1f

(f) An airplane travelling at a speed v negotiates a curved path in the vertical plane, where the acceleration due to gravity is g as shown in Fig. Q1f. At what rate $\dot{\beta}$ should the pilot drop the longitudinal line of sight to achieve the condition of weightlessness at the top of the curve? [2]

(g) The ball is released from position *A* with a velocity of 3 m/s and swings in a vertical plane as shown in Fig. Q1g. At the bottommost position of the ball, the cord wraps around a fixed bar at *B*, and the ball continues to swing in the dotted arc. What will be the velocity of the ball as it passes through the position *C*? [2]

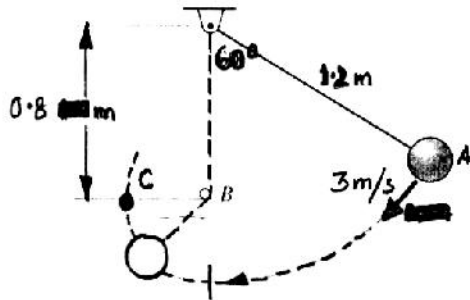


Fig. Q1g

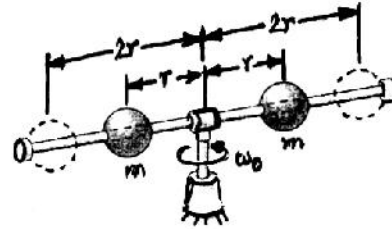


Fig. Q1h

(h) The two spheres of equal mass *m* are able to slide along the horizontal rotating rod as shown in Fig. Q1h. If they are initially latched in position at a distance *r* from the axis of rotation with the assembly rotating freely with an angular velocity ω_0 , what will be the new angular velocity ω after the spheres are released and finally assumes positions at the ends of the rod at a radial distance of $2r$. What will be the percentage of kinetic energy of the system lost in this process? [3]

2. For the loading shown in the Fig. Q2, determine the equivalent force and the moment about the point *A*. Also, determine the point on the *x*-axis through which the equivalent single resultant force will act. [12]

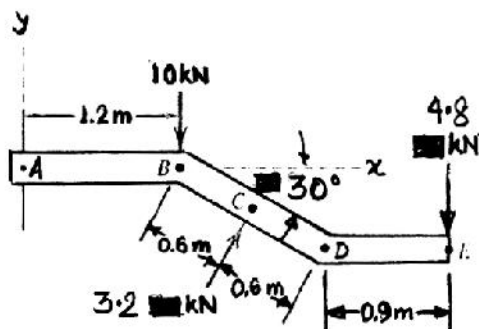


Fig. Q2

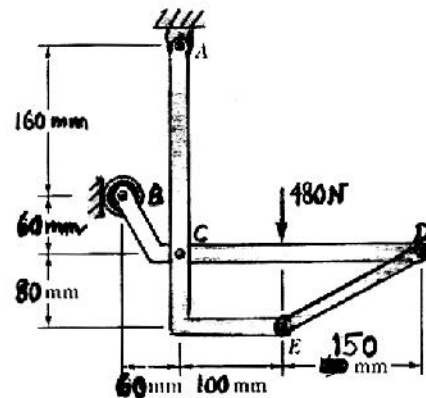
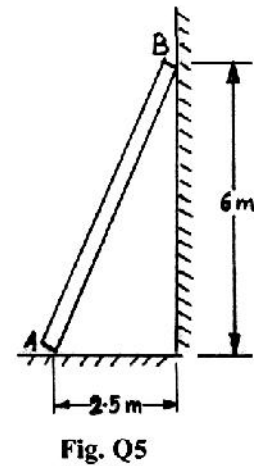
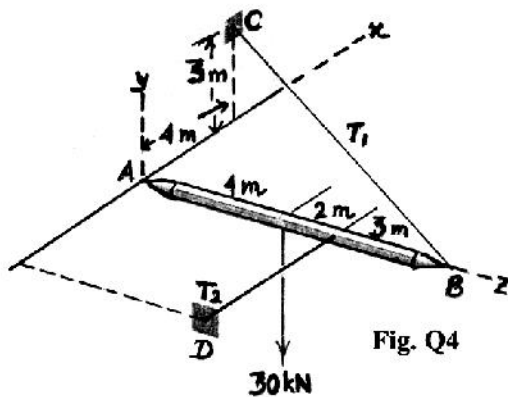


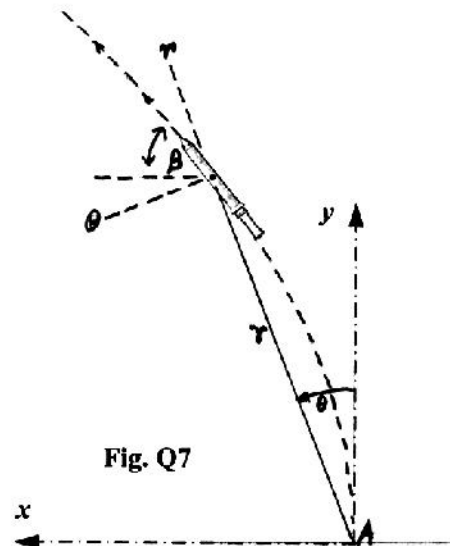
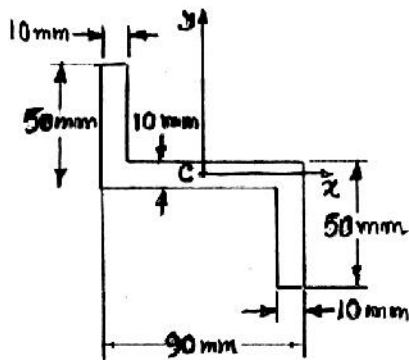
Fig. Q3

3. Two rigid members *ACE* and *BCD* of the frame in Fig. Q3 are connected by a pin at *C* and by the link *DE*. For the loading shown, find out the reactions at supports *A* and *B*, determine the force in link *DE* and the components of the force exerted at *C* on member *BCD*. Draw the necessary free-body diagram(s). [12]

4. For the boom shown in Fig. Q4 self-weight is negligible compared to the applied 30-kN load. Determine the tensions T_1 and T_2 in the cables and the components of the reaction force acting at the ball and socket joint at A . Draw the necessary free-body diagram(s). [12]



5. A 6.5-m ladder AB of mass 10 kg leans against a vertical wall as shown in Fig. Q5. Assuming that the coefficient of static friction μ_s is same at both surfaces of contact, determine the smallest value of μ_s for which equilibrium can be maintained. Draw the necessary free-body diagram. [12]
6. Determine the moments of inertia of the shaded area shown in Fig. Q6 about x - and y -axes. [12]



7. A rocket is tracked by radar from its launching point at A as shown in Fig. Q7. When it is 10 seconds into its flight, the following radar measurements are recorded: $r = 2200$ m, $\dot{r} = 500$ m/s, $\ddot{r} = 4.66$ m/s², $\theta = 22^\circ$, $\dot{\theta} = 0.0788$ rad/s and $\ddot{\theta} = -0.0341$ rad/s². For this instant determine the angle β between the horizontal and the direction of the trajectory of the rocket. Also determine the magnitudes of velocity and acceleration. Also find the unit vector along the direction of the resultant acceleration vector in terms of unit vectors along x and y - directions as shown. [12]

8. The x - and y -motions of guides A and B with right-angle slots control the curvilinear motion of the connecting pin P , which slides in both slots as shown in Fig. Q8. For a short interval, the motions are

governed by $x = 20 + \frac{t^2}{4}$ and $y = 15 - \frac{t^3}{6}$,

where x and y are in mm and t is in second.

(a) Find the magnitudes of the velocity and acceleration of the pin for $t = 2$ s.

(b) From the expression of velocity vector at $t = 2$ s determine the unit tangential vector at that instant of time.

(c) Find out the magnitudes of tangential and normal components of acceleration at that instant of time.

(d) Determine the radius of curvature for the path of the pin at that instant of time. [4+2+4+2]

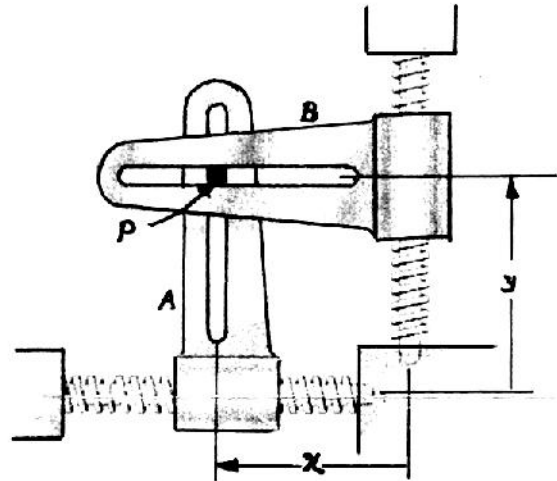


Fig. Q8

9. For the system shown in Fig. Q9, determine the acceleration of bodies A and B if they are released from rest. Also find out the tension in the connecting cable. Neglect friction and mass of the pulleys. Draw the necessary free-body diagram(s). [12]

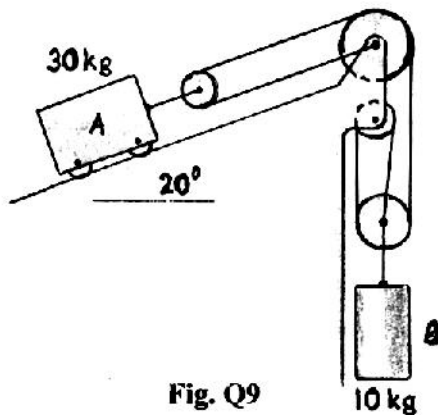


Fig. Q9

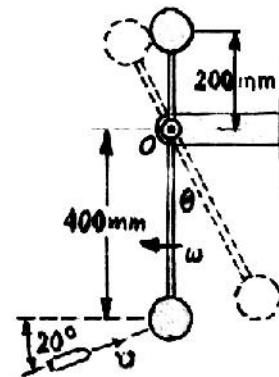


Fig. Q10

10. A pendulum consists of two 3.2-kg concentrated masses on a light but rigid rod as shown in Fig. Q10. The pendulum is swinging through the vertical position with a clockwise angular velocity $\omega = 6$ rad/s when a 0.05-kg bullet, travelling with velocity $v = 300$ m/s in the direction shown strikes the lower mass and becomes embedded on it. Calculate the angular velocity of the pendulum immediately after the impact and find the maximum angular deflection of the pendulum from the vertical position.