

**[4856] - 24**  
**F.E. (Common)**  
**ENGINEERING MECHANICS**  
**(2008 Pattern)**

Time : 2 Hours]

[Max. Marks : 50

*Instructions to the candidates:*

- 1) Attempt Q.1 or Q.2, Q.3 or Q.4 and Q.5 or Q.6.
- 2) Neat diagram must be drawn wherever necessary.
- 3) Figures to the right indicate full marks.
- 4) Assume suitable data, if necessary and clearly state.
- 5) Use of cell phone is prohibited in the examination hall.
- 6) Use of electronic pocket calculator is allowed.

- Q1)** a) Determine the magnitude and direction of the resultant force of three forces as shown in **Fig. 1a**. [6]
- b) A 200 N block rests on a horizontal plane as shown in **Fig. 1b**. Find the magnitude of the force P required to give an acceleration of  $3 \text{ m/s}^2$  to the right. Take the Coefficient of kinetic friction between the block and the plane as  $\mu_k = 0.25$ . [6]

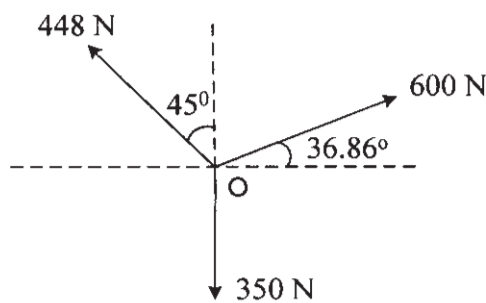


Fig. 1a

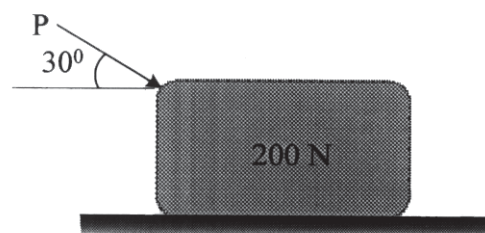


Fig. 1b

OR

- Q2)** a) Locate the position of centroid of the shaded area with respect to origin O as shown in **Fig. 2a**. [6]

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- b) The motion of a particle is defined by the relation  $x = t^3 - 6t^2 + 9t + 5$ , where  $x$  is expressed in meters and  $t$  in seconds. Determine : [6]
- the time at which the velocity is zero,
  - the position and acceleration at  $t = 5$  s.

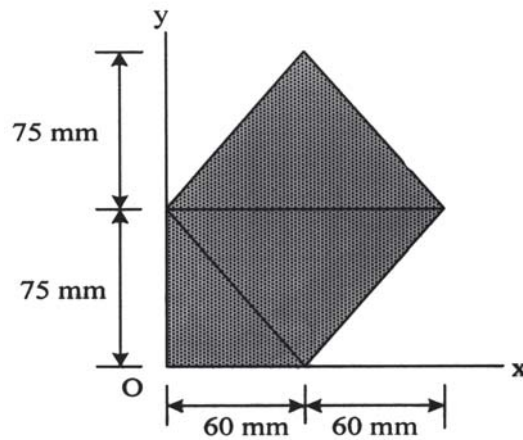


Fig. 2 a

- Q3) a) A rectangular concrete mat foundation supports four columns loaded as shown in **Fig. 3a**. Determine the magnitude and point of application of the resultant of the four forces with respect to A. [7]
- b) A 500 N crate is hoisted using the rope AB and AC as shown in **Fig. 3b**. Each rope can withstand a maximum tension of 2500 N before it breaks. If AB always remains horizontal, determine the smallest angle  $\theta$  to which the crate can be hoisted. [6]

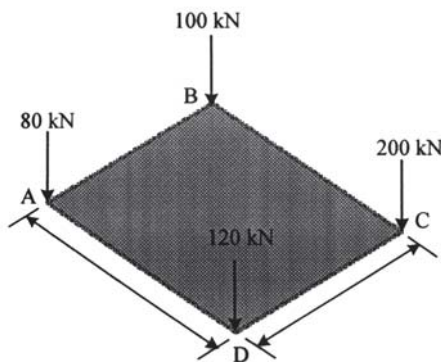


Fig. 3a

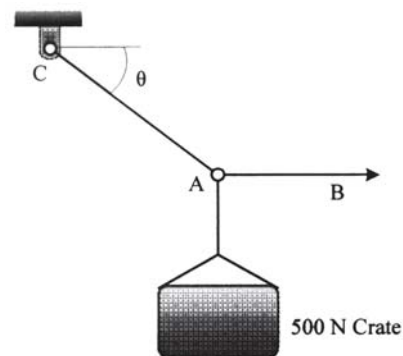


Fig. 3 b

- c) The path of a particle P is an Archimedean spiral. The motion of the particle is defined by the relations  $r = 10t$  and  $\theta = 2\pi t$ , where  $r$  is expressed in meters,  $t$  in seconds and  $\theta$  in radians. Determine the velocity of the particle at  $t = 0$  and 0.25 s. [6]

OR

Q4) a) Determine the support reaction at A and B for beam AB loaded and supported as shown in **Fig. 4a**. [6]

b) A rectangular plate is supported by three cables at A as shown in **Fig. 4b**. Knowing that the tension in cable AB is 140 N, determine the weight of the plate. [7]

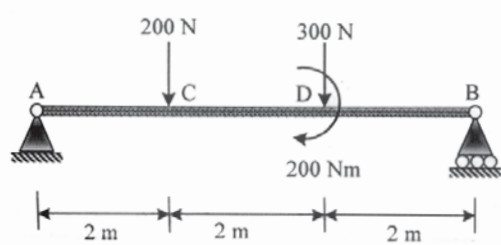
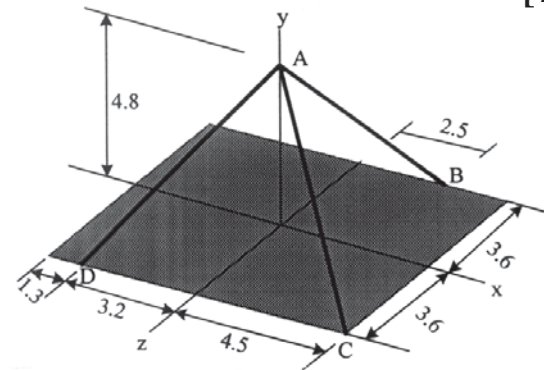


Fig. 4 a



All dimensions are in m

Fig. 4 b

c) The small ball of mass  $m$  and its supporting wire AB become a simple pendulum when the horizontal cord BC is severed. Determine the ratio  $k$  of the tension  $T$  in the supporting wire immediately after the cord is cut to that in the wire before the cord is cut. Refer **Fig. 4c**. [6]

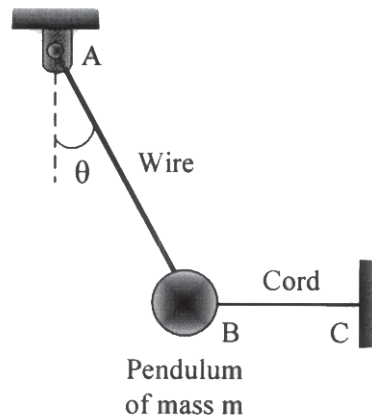


Fig. 4 c

Q5) a) Find the magnitude and nature of the forces in the members of the truss loaded and supported as shown in the **Fig. 5a** and tabulate the result. [6]

b) A block of weight 500 N rest on an inclined plane which makes an angle of  $30^\circ$  with horizontal as shown in **Fig. 5b**. If the coefficient of friction between the block and plane is  $\mu_s = 0.2$ , determine the range of force  $P$  to impend the motion. [7]

- c) A woman having a mass of 70 kg stands in an elevator which has a downward acceleration of  $4 \text{ m/s}^2$  starting from rest. Determine the work done by her weight and the work done of the normal force which the floor exerts on her when the elevator descend 6 m. [6]

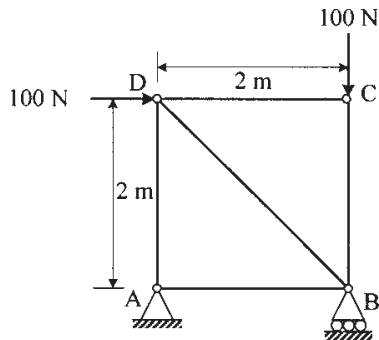


Fig. 5 a

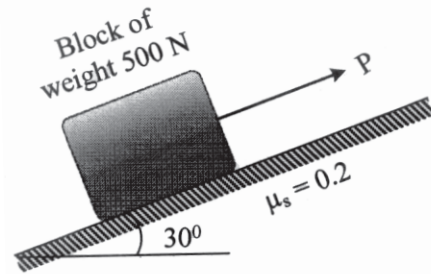


Fig. 5 b

OR

- Q6) a) Determine the reactions at A, D and tension in BC of the rope ABCD loaded and supported as shown in Fig. 6a. [6]
- b) A ladder AB of weight 250 N and length 6 m rest against a smooth vertical wall and rough horizontal wall as shown in Fig. 6b. Determine the slope of the ladder  $\theta$  with vertical to maintain equilibrium if the coefficient of static friction at floor and ladder is  $\mu_s = 0.25$ . [7]

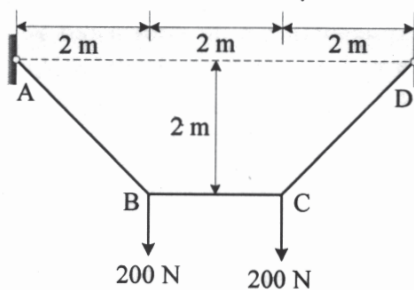


Fig. 6 a

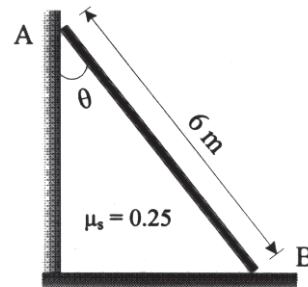


Fig. 6 b

- c) The velocities of two steel balls before impact are as shown in the Fig. 6b. If after impact the velocity of ball B was observed to be 2.5 m/s to the right, determine the coefficient of restitution between the balls. [6]

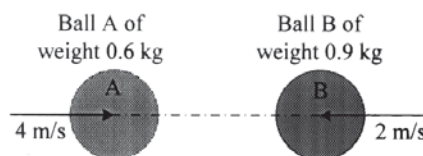


Fig. 6 c

