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# ENGINEERING MECHANICS

## MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

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## DETAILED EXPLANATIONS

1. (c)

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Normal reaction, } N &= 500 - P \sin 30^\circ \\ &= 500 - 100 \times 0.5 = 450 \text{ N}\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Limiting Frictional force, } F_{\max} = \mu N = 0.3 \times 450 = 135 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{But } F = 100 \cos 30^\circ = 86.6 \text{ N} \leq F_{\max}$$

$$\text{So, Friction force} = 86.6 \text{ N}$$

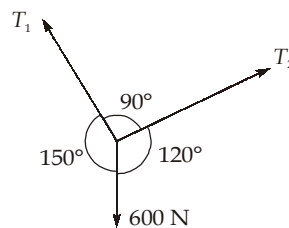
2. (a)

$$\tan \theta = \frac{3}{3} = 1 \Rightarrow \theta = 45^\circ$$

$$F_{CB} \sin 45^\circ = 40$$

$$\therefore F_{CB} = 40\sqrt{2} \text{ kN}$$

3. (a)



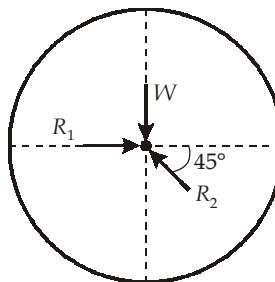
By Lami's Theorem,

$$\frac{T_1}{\sin 120^\circ} = \frac{T_2}{\sin 150^\circ} = \frac{600}{\sin 90^\circ}$$

$$\therefore \begin{aligned}T_1 &= 600 \sin 120^\circ \\ &= 519.31 \simeq 520 \text{ N}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{and } T_2 &= 600 \sin 150^\circ \\ T_2 &= 300 \text{ N}\end{aligned}$$

4. (b)



$$R_2 \cos 45^\circ = R_1$$

$$R_2 \sin 45^\circ = W$$

$$R_2 = W \times \sqrt{2}$$

$$R_1 = W \times \sqrt{2} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = W$$

$$R_1 = 50 \text{ N}$$

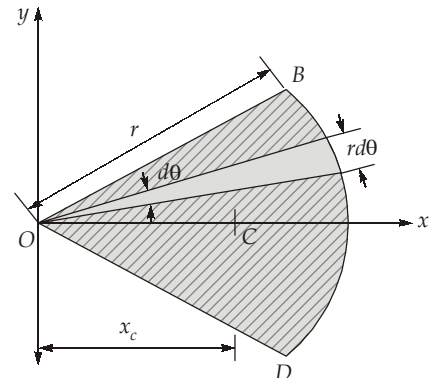
$$[\because W = 50 \text{ N}]$$

5. (c)

Considering infinitesimal triangular element of altitude  $r$  and base  $r d\theta$ . For the given circular sector OBD, there is symmetry about  $x$ -axis.

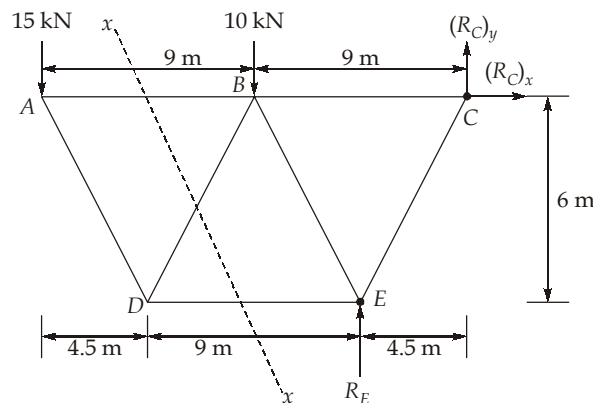
$$x_c = \frac{\int x dA}{\int dA} = \frac{2 \int_0^{\alpha/2} \left( \frac{2}{3} r \cos \theta \right) \frac{r^2 d\theta}{2}}{2 \int_0^{\alpha/2} \left( \frac{r^2}{2} \right) d\theta}$$

$$= \frac{\left( \frac{r^3}{3} \right) \sin \left( \frac{\alpha}{2} \right)}{\left( \frac{r^2}{2} \right) \times \left( \frac{\alpha}{2} \right)} = \frac{4r}{3\alpha} \sin \frac{\alpha}{2}$$

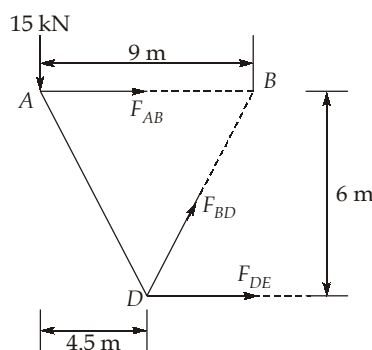


6. (a)

Let the force in member DE is  $F_{DE}$ . By method of section.



Taking moment about point B,



$$15 \times 9 + F_{DE} \times 6 = 0$$

$$F_{DE} \times 6 = -135$$

$$F_{DE} = -22.5 \text{ kN}$$

$$F_{DE} = 22.5 \text{ kN (compressive)}$$

7. (c)

Given: Load,  $W = 500 \text{ N}$ ,  $\mu_d = 0.5$ ,  $V = 12.5 \text{ m/s}$

$\therefore$  There is no acceleration in the direction normal to the incline.

$$N = 500 \cos 45^\circ = 353.55 \text{ N}$$

By Newton's law along the incline,

$$500 \sin 45^\circ - \mu_d N = \left( \frac{500}{g} \right) a$$

$$353.55 - 0.5 \times 353.55 = \left( \frac{500}{9.81} \right) a$$

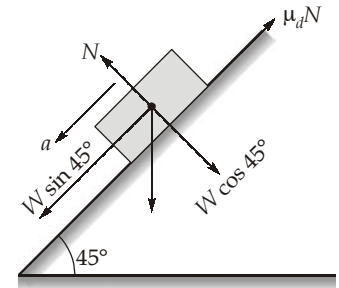
$$a = \frac{176.775 \times 9.81}{500} = 3.468 \text{ m/s}^2$$

We know that, if the acceleration is constant on any body/block,  
 By Newton's laws of motion,

$$V = u + at$$

$$12.5 = 0 + (3.468)t$$

$$t = 3.6044 \text{ second}$$



8. (c)

$$\text{Resultant force, } R = 0.8P$$

$$R = \sqrt{P^2 + Q^2 + 2PQ \cos \theta}$$

$$(0.8P)^2 = P^2 + P^2 + 2P(P) \times \cos \theta$$

$$-1.36P^2 = 2P^2 \cos \theta$$

$$\theta = \left( 132.844^\circ \times \frac{\pi}{180^\circ} \right) = 2.318 \text{ radian}$$

9. (a)

Let  $s$  = distance

$$\text{Average velocity of pet, } V_p = \frac{s}{45}$$

$$\text{Velocity of conveyor, } V_c = \frac{s}{30}$$

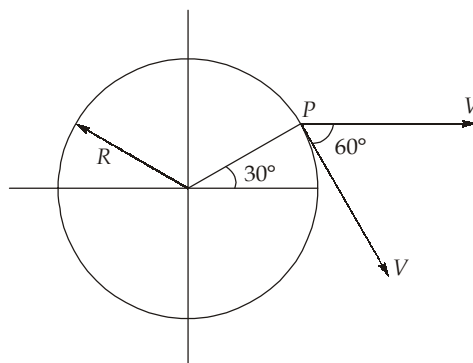
$$\text{Combined velocity, } V_{p,c} = \frac{s}{30} + \frac{s}{45} = \frac{s}{18}$$

$$t = \frac{s}{s/18} = 18 \text{ seconds}$$

10. (d)

The velocity of point Q is zero, as the point Q is in contact with surface.

11. (a)



Magnitude of velocity at point P

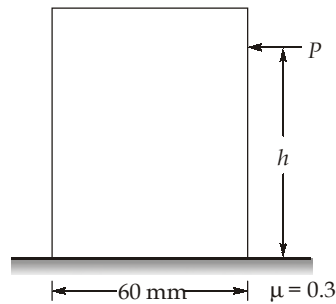
$$= \sqrt{V^2 + V^2 + 2V^2 \cos 60} = \sqrt{2V^2 + 2V^2 \cos 60}$$

$$= V\sqrt{2 + 2 \cos 60} = V\sqrt{3}$$

12. (d)

For no tipping or prevent overturning,

$$Ph < \frac{Wb}{2}$$



where,  $W$  - weight of block

$b$  - width of block

$$h < Wb/2P \quad \dots(1)$$

For slipping without tipping

$$P > f \text{ (force of friction)}$$

$$P > \mu W \quad \dots(2)$$

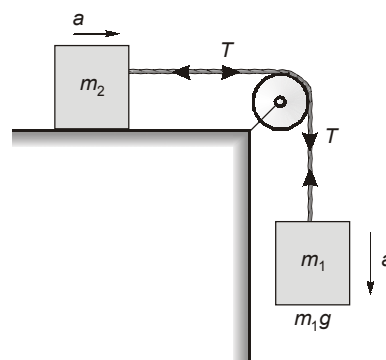
From equation (1) and (2),

$$h < \frac{b}{2\mu}$$

$$h < \frac{60}{0.6}$$

$$h < 100 \text{ mm}$$

13. (c)



$$m_1 g - T = m_1 a$$

$$T = m_2 a$$

and

$\Rightarrow$

$$a = \frac{m_1 g}{m_1 + m_2}$$

14. (c)

As the body just reaches the top most point  $B$ , therefore

$$v_A = \sqrt{5gL} \text{ and } v_B = \sqrt{gL}$$

Let the point be  $C$  having angular displacement  $\theta$  at which speed becomes half of the initial value  $v_A$ .

Using the law of conservation of energy,

$$\text{Energy at } A = \text{Energy at } C$$

$$\frac{1}{2}mv_A^2 = \frac{1}{2}mv_C^2 + mgL(1 - \cos\theta)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}m(v_A^2 - v_C^2) = mgL(1 - \cos\theta)$$

$$\frac{1}{2}m\left(5gL - \frac{5gL}{4}\right) = mgL(1 - \cos\theta)$$

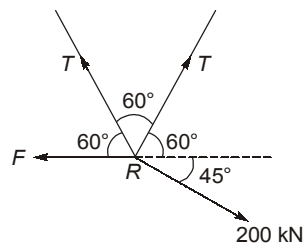
$$\frac{15}{8} = 1 - \cos\theta$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{-7}{8}$$

So  $\theta$  lies between  $\frac{3\pi}{4}$  and  $\pi$

or, 
$$\frac{3\pi}{4} < \theta < \pi$$

15. (c)



Since  $PR$  and  $QR$  are identically loaded, so considering horizontal equilibrium,

$$T\cos 60^\circ + F = T\cos 60^\circ + 200 \cos 45^\circ$$

$$F = 200 \cos 45^\circ = 200 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = 141.4 \text{ kN}$$

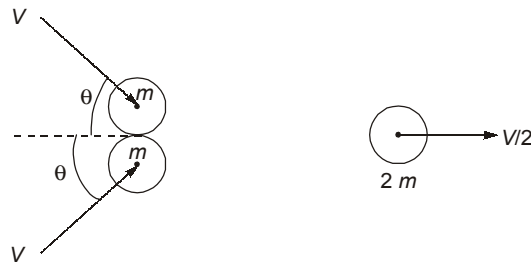
16. (c)

$$\text{K.E.} = \frac{1}{2}I\omega^2 + \frac{1}{2}mV^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{2}{5}mr^2\right)\omega^2 + \frac{1}{2}mV^2$$

$$\text{K.E.} = \frac{1}{5}m\omega^2 r^2 + \frac{1}{2}mV^2 = \frac{7}{10}mV^2$$

17. (b)



Momentum will be conserved in x-direction,  
Let  $\theta$  be the angle of velocity of each mass from x-direction as shown in figure.

$$\begin{aligned} mV\cos\theta + mV\cos\theta &= 2m \times \frac{V}{2} \\ 2\cos\theta &= 1 \\ \cos\theta &= \frac{1}{2} \\ \theta &= 60^\circ \\ \text{So the total angle} &= 2\theta = 120^\circ \end{aligned}$$

18. (a)

Resolving forces in horizontal and vertical direction,

$$\Sigma F_H = 1000\cos 90^\circ + 1500\cos 60^\circ + 1000 \cos 45^\circ + 500\cos 30^\circ$$

$$= 0 + 1500 \times 0.5 + 1000 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + 500 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\Sigma F_H = 750 + 500\sqrt{2} + 250\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Sigma F_H = 1890.12 \text{ N}$$

$$\Sigma F_V = 1000\sin 90^\circ + 1500\sin 60^\circ + 1000 \sin 45^\circ + 500 \sin 30^\circ$$

$$= 1000 + 1500 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + 1000 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + 500 \times 0.5$$

$$= 1250 + 750\sqrt{3} + 500\sqrt{2}$$

$$\Sigma F_V = 3256.14 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{Resultant force, } R = \sqrt{(\Sigma F_H)^2 + (\Sigma F_V)^2} = \sqrt{(1890.12)^2 + (3256.14)^2}$$

$$R = 3764.97 \text{ N}$$

Taking moment of vertical component of forces about A. Let resultant force  $R$  act at a distance of ' $x$ ' m from A.

$$(3256.14)x = (1000\sin 90^\circ) \times 0 + (1500\sin 60^\circ) \times 3 + (1000\sin 45^\circ) \times 6 + (500\sin 30^\circ) \times 9$$

$$(3256.14)x = 10389.755$$

$$x = 3.1908 \simeq 3.19 \text{ m}$$

19. (a)

Acceleration of block is given by,

$$\therefore a = \frac{-\mu W}{m}$$

$$\therefore \frac{v dv}{dx} = \frac{-\mu W}{m}$$

$$\therefore v dv = \frac{-\mu W}{m} dx$$

On integrating

$$\left[ \frac{v^2}{2} \right]_{v_0}^0 = \frac{-\mu W}{m} [dx]_0^x$$

$$0 - \frac{v_0^2}{2} = \frac{-\mu W}{m} \times x$$

$$\Rightarrow \mu = \frac{mv_0^2}{2mx} = \mu = \frac{v_0^2}{2gx}$$

or

$$v^2 = u^2 + 2aS$$

$$0 = v_0^2 + 2(-ug)x$$

$$u = \frac{v_0^2}{2gx}$$

20. (b)

$$\text{Force} = f_0 - kt$$

Let  $m$  be the mass of the particle,

$$\therefore \frac{md^2x}{dt^2} = f_0 - kt$$

On integrating,

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1}{m} \left[ f_0 \times t - \frac{kt^2}{2} + C \right]$$

$$\text{At } t = 0, \\ V = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = 0$$

$$\therefore C = 0$$

$$\therefore \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1}{m} \left[ f_0 t - \frac{kt^2}{2} \right]$$

$$x = \frac{1}{m} \left[ \frac{f_0 t^2}{2} - \frac{k}{2} \times \frac{t^3}{3} + C^1 \right]$$

$$\text{At } t = 0; x = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow C^1 = 0$$

$$\text{At } x = 0$$

We have,

$$\frac{1}{m} \left[ \frac{f_0 t^2}{2} - \frac{kt^3}{6} \right] = 0$$



$$\Rightarrow \frac{f_0 t^2}{2} = \frac{kt^3}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \frac{6f_0}{2k} = \frac{6 \times 53.4}{2 \times 8.9}$$

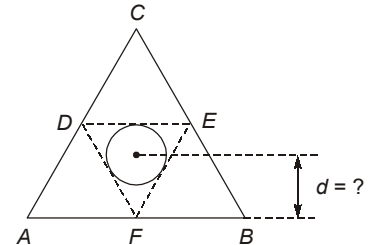
$$t = 18 \text{ sec}$$

21. (a)

$$AB = BC = CA = a = 5 \text{ m}$$

$$h = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} a = \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\text{C.G} = \frac{h}{3} = \frac{5\sqrt{3}}{2 \times 3} = \frac{5}{2\sqrt{3}} = 1.443 \text{ m}$$

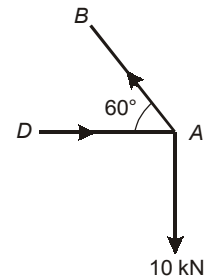


22. (b)

Taking joint A,  
Resolving forces, as the trusses in equilibrium,

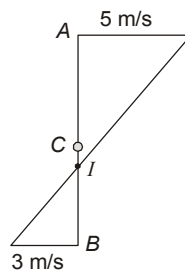
$$P_{AB} \times \sin 60^\circ = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow P_{AB} = \frac{10}{\sin 60^\circ} = 11.5 \text{ kN (Tensile)}$$



23. (b)

$\therefore$  Velocities are in opposite directions,  
 $\therefore I$  will lie between A and B,



$$\frac{IA}{IB} = \frac{V_a}{V_b} = \frac{5}{3}$$

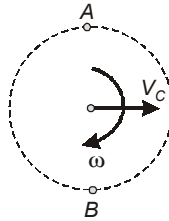
$$\Rightarrow \frac{0.5 - IB}{IB} = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$IB = 0.1875 \text{ m}$$

$$IA = 0.3125 \text{ m}$$

$$\omega = \frac{V_A}{IA} = \frac{5}{0.3125} = 16 \text{ rad/s}$$

Alternatively,



$$\therefore V_A = V_C + R\omega$$

$$V_B = R\omega - V_C$$

$$\therefore V_C + R\omega = 5$$

$$R\omega - V_C = 3$$

$$V_C + 0.25 \omega = 5 \quad \dots(a)$$

$$0.25 \omega - V_C = 3 \quad \dots(b)$$

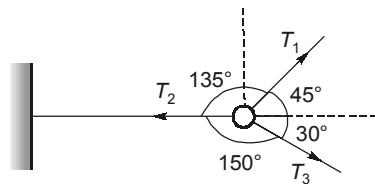
On solving (a) and (b),

$$\omega = 16 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$V_C = 1 \text{ m/s}$$

where  $V_C$  = velocity of centre C.

24. (b)



$\therefore$  Applying Lami's theorem as the disc is in equilibrium,

$$\frac{T_1}{\sin 150^\circ} = \frac{T_2}{\sin 75^\circ} = \frac{T_3}{\sin 135^\circ}$$

$$\therefore \frac{T_1}{T_2} = \frac{\sin 150^\circ}{\sin 75^\circ} = 0.517$$

25. (a)

Reaction at A is  $R_A$

Taking moments from point E,

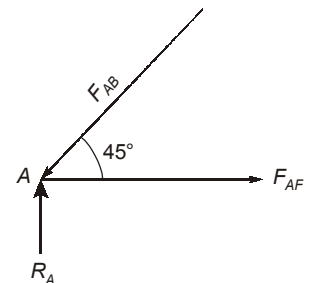
$$W \times \frac{a}{2} + Wa = 2a \cdot R_A$$

$$\therefore R_A = 0.75 W$$

Joint A

$$F_{AB} \sin 45^\circ = R_A$$

$$F_{AB} = 1.06 W \text{ (compressive)}$$



26. (c)

$$I = 2000 \times 0.25^2 = 125 \text{ kg-m}^2$$

$$\text{for retardation, } \omega = \omega_0 + \alpha t$$

$$\omega = 0$$

$$\omega_0 = \frac{2\pi N}{60} = \frac{2\pi \times 3000}{60}$$

$$t = 10 \text{ min} = 600 \text{ sec}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{2\pi \times 3000}{60 \times 600} = 0.5236 \text{ rad/s}$$

So, average frictional torque,

$$I\alpha = 65.44 \text{ Nm}$$

27. (c)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Resistance} &= mg + W = 200 \times 9.81 + 100 \\ &= 2062 \text{ N} \end{aligned}$$

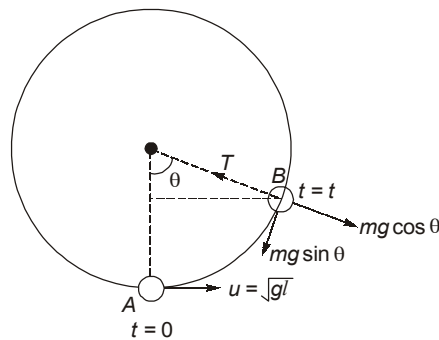
$\therefore$

$$a = \frac{2062}{200}$$

$$a = 10.31 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$\frac{V^2}{2a} = S = \frac{4^2}{2 \times 10.31} = 0.776 \text{ m}$$

28. (c)



Let

$$T = mg \text{ at angle } \theta \text{ shown in figure}$$

$$h = l(1 - \cos \theta)$$

...(1)

Apply conservation of mechanical energy between points A and B,

$$\frac{1}{2}m(u^2 - v^2) = mgh$$

$$u^2 = gl$$

...(2)

$$v = \text{Speed of particle in position on B}$$

$$v^2 = u^2 - 2gh$$

...(3)

$$T - mg \cos \theta = \frac{mv^2}{l}$$

$$mg - mg \cos \theta = \frac{mv^2}{l}$$

$\Rightarrow$

$$v^2 = gl(1 - \cos \theta)$$

...(4)

Substituting the values of  $v^2$ ,  $u^2$  and  $h$  from equations (4), (2) and (1) in equation (3).

$$gl(1 - \cos \theta) = gl - 2gl(1 - \cos \theta)$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)$$

Substituting  $\cos \theta = \frac{2}{3}$  in equation (4),

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{gl}{3}}$$

29. (a)

There are three forces acting on the bar AB; pull Q at B, tension in string  $T = P$  and reaction at point A i.e.  $R_a$ .

For isosceles triangle ABC,

$$\beta = \gamma = \left(\frac{\pi - \alpha}{2}\right) = 90^\circ - \left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)$$

If there is no friction on pulley, tension in string BC will be P.

Taking moment about point A,

$$(P \cos \delta) \times (l \sin \alpha) + (P \sin \delta)(l \cos \alpha) = Q l \sin \alpha$$

$$P l \sin(\alpha + \delta) = Q l \sin \alpha$$

$$P \sin(180^\circ - \beta) = Q \sin \alpha$$

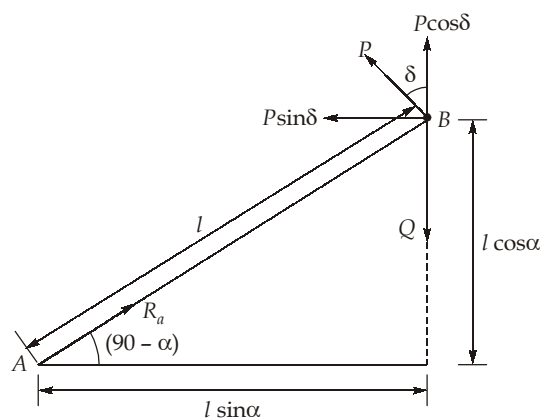
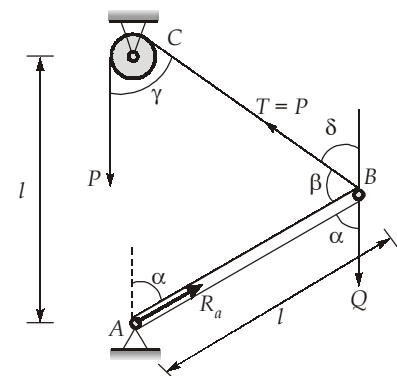
$$P \sin \left[ 180 - 90 + \frac{\alpha}{2} \right] = Q \sin \alpha$$

$$P \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} = 2Q \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \cos \frac{\alpha}{2}$$

$$\left( \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} \right) \left[ P - 2Q \sin \frac{\alpha}{2} \right] = 0$$

or

$$\sin \frac{\alpha}{2} = \frac{P}{2Q}$$

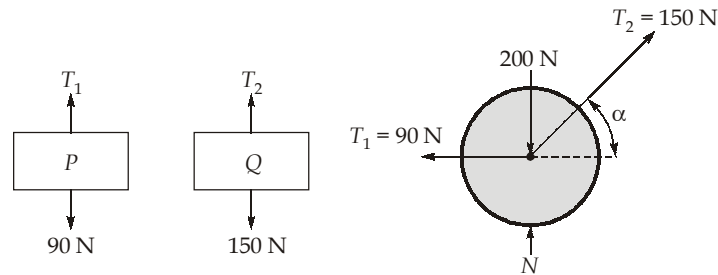


$$\alpha = 2 \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{P}{2Q} \right) = 2 \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{900}{2 \times 2200} \right) = 23.6057^\circ$$

$$\alpha = 23.6057 \times \left( \frac{\pi}{180} \right) = 0.412 \text{ radian}$$

30. (a)

FBD for different elements,



If there is no friction on pulley,

$$T_1 = 90 \text{ N},$$

$$T_2 = 150 \text{ N}$$

Now, normal reaction between ball and plane,

$$N = 200 - Q \sin \alpha = 200 - 150 \sin \alpha$$

By horizontal force balance for ball,

$$T_1 = T_2 \cos \alpha$$

$$90 = 150 \cos \alpha$$

$$\cos \alpha = 0.6$$

$$\sin \alpha = \sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \alpha} = \sqrt{1 - (0.6)^2} = 0.8$$

Normal reaction between the ball and plane,

$$N = 200 - 150 \sin \alpha$$

$$= 200 - 150 \times 0.8$$

$$N = 80 \text{ N}$$

