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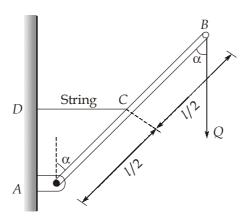
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ANSWER KEY >

1.	(b)	7.	(c)	13.	(c)	19.	(a)	25.	(a)
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5.	(c)	11.	(a)	17.	(b)	23.	(c)	29.	(a)
6.	(a)	12.	(d)	18.	(a)	24.	(b)	30.	(a)

DETAILED EXPLANATIONS

1. (b)



Given tension developed in the string = S

Taking moments about A

$$\Sigma M_A = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad S \times \frac{l}{2} \cos \alpha = Q l \sin \alpha$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad S = \frac{Ql\sin\alpha}{\frac{1}{2}\cos\alpha}$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 $S = 2 Q \tan \alpha$

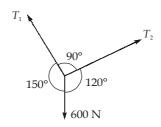
2. (a)

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

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

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

3. (a)



By Lami's Theorem,

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

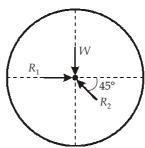
$$\therefore T_1 = 600 \sin 120^{\circ}$$

$$= 519.31 \simeq 520 \text{ N}$$

$$T_2 = 600 \sin 150^{\circ}$$

 $T_2 = 300 \text{ N}$

4. (b)



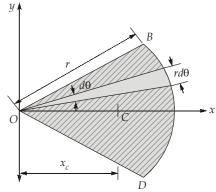
$$R_2 \cos 45^\circ = R_1$$

 $R_2 \sin 45^\circ = W$
 $R_2 = W \times \sqrt{2}$
 $R_1 = W \times \sqrt{2} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} = W$
 $R_1 = 50 \text{ N}$ [:: $W = 50 \text{ N}$]

5. (c)

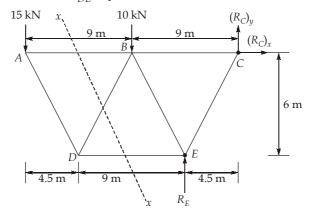
Considering inifinitesimal triangular element of altitude r and base $rd\theta$. For the given circular sector OBD, there is symmetry about x-axis.

$$x_{c} = \frac{\int x dA}{\int dA} = \frac{2\int_{0}^{\alpha/2} \left(\frac{2}{3}r\cos\theta\right) \frac{r^{2}d\theta}{2}}{2\int_{0}^{\alpha/2} \left(\frac{r^{2}}{2}\right) d\theta}$$
$$= \frac{\left(\frac{r^{3}}{3}\right)\sin\left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)}{\left(\frac{r^{2}}{2}\right) \times \left(\frac{\alpha}{2}\right)} = \frac{4r}{3\alpha}\sin\frac{\alpha}{2}$$



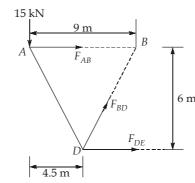
6. (a)

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



Taking moment about point B,





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

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

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

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

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

: 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,

$$V = u + at$$

 $12.5 = 0 + (3.468)t$
 $t = 3.6044$ second



Resultant force,
$$R = 0.8P$$

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

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

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

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

Let
$$s = \text{distance}$$

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

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

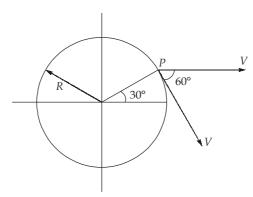
Combined velocity,
$$V_{P,C} = \frac{s}{30} + \frac{s}{45} = \frac{s}{18}$$

$$t = \frac{s}{s/18} = 18$$
 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,

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

$$h$$

$$h$$

$$h = 0.3$$

where,W - weight of block

b – width of block

For slipping without tipping

$$P > f$$
 (force of friction)
 $P > \mu W$...(2)

From equation (1) and (2),

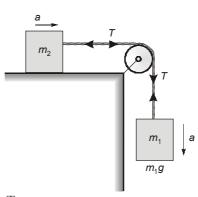
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$$h < \frac{b}{2\mu}$$

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

h < 100 mm

13. (c)



$$\Rightarrow$$

$$m_1 g - T = m_1 a$$
$$T = m_2 a$$

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

14. (c)

$$v_x = \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{3}{2}t^2 - 4t$$

$$v_{x(\text{at }t=1)} = \frac{3}{2} - 4 = -2.5 \text{ m/s}$$

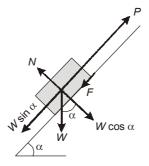
$$v_y = \frac{dy}{dt} = t - 2$$

$$v_{y(\text{at }t=1)} = 1 - 2 = -1 \text{ m/s}$$

 $\therefore \qquad \text{Velocity of particle, } v = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2}$

$$= \sqrt{(-2.5)^2 + (-1)^2} = 2.69 \text{ m/s}$$

15. (a)



Let the block is displaced by an amount of Δ . The equation of virtual work becomes,

$$P \times \Delta - W \sin \alpha \times \Delta - F \times \Delta = 0$$

 $F = Frictional force = \mu N = \mu W \cos \alpha$

$$P\Delta - W\Delta \sin \alpha - \mu W \cos \alpha \times \Delta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 $P = W(\mu \cos \alpha + \sin \alpha)$

Alternatively,

Body will be in equilibrium just before the impending motion. Consider forces along the plane.

$$W \sin \alpha + Friction = Tension in Rope$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 $W \sin \alpha + \mu \cdot W \cos \alpha = P$

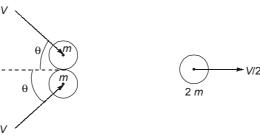
$$\Rightarrow$$
 $P = W(\mu \cos \alpha + \sin \alpha)$

16. (c)

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

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

17. (b)



Momentum will be conserved in x-direction,

Let θ be the angle of velocity of each mass from x-direction as shown in figure.

$$mV\cos\theta + mV\cos\theta = 2m \times \frac{V}{2}$$

 $2\cos\theta = 1$
 $\cos\theta = \frac{1}{2}$
 $\theta = 60^{\circ}$
So the total angle = $2\theta = 120^{\circ}$

18.

Resolving forces in horizontal and vertical direction,

$$\begin{split} \Sigma F_H &= 1000 \text{cos} 90^\circ + 1500 \text{cos} 60^\circ + 1000 \text{ cos} 45^\circ + 500 \text{cos} 30^\circ \\ &= 0 + 1500 \times 0.5 + 1000 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + 500 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \\ \Sigma F_H &= 750 + 500 \sqrt{2} + 250 \sqrt{3} \\ \Sigma F_H &= 1890.12 \text{ N} \\ \Sigma F_V &= 1000 \text{sin} 90^\circ + 1500 \text{sin} 60^\circ + 1000 \text{ sin} 45^\circ + 500 \text{ sin} 30^\circ \\ &= 1000 + 1500 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} + 1000 \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + 500 \times 0.5 \end{split}$$

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

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

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

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

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

On integrating

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

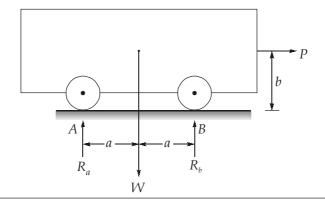
$$0 - \frac{v_0^2}{2} = \frac{-\mu W}{m} \times x$$

$$\mu = \frac{mv_0^2}{2mx} = \mu = \frac{v_0^2}{2gx}$$
or
$$v^2 = u^2 + 2aS$$

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

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

20. (d)



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$$\Sigma F_V = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow R_a + R_b = W$$

Taking moments about B,

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \Sigma M_B &=& 0 \\ \Rightarrow & R_a \times 2a + P \times b &=& W \times a \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow R_a = \frac{Wa - Pb}{2a}$$

$$\therefore \qquad \qquad R_b = W - R_a$$

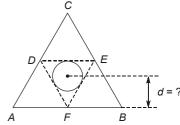
$$\Rightarrow R_b = W - \left(\frac{Wa - Pb}{2a}\right)$$

$$\Rightarrow R_b = \frac{Wa + Pb}{2a}$$

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

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

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



22. (b)

Taking joint A,

Resolving forces, as the trusses in equilibrium,

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

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



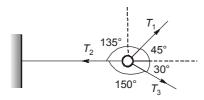
 \Rightarrow

$$\Sigma H = 25 - 20 = 5 \text{ kN } (\rightarrow)$$

 $\Sigma V = 50 + 35 = 85 \text{ kN } (\downarrow)$

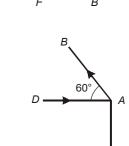
$$\therefore \qquad \text{Resultant force} = \sqrt{(\Sigma H)^2 + (\Sigma V)^2}$$
$$= \sqrt{5^2 + 85^2}$$
$$= 85.147 \text{ kN}$$

24. (b)



: Applying lami's theorem as the disc is in equilibrium,

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



10 kN

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

25. (a)

Reaction at A is R_A

Taking moments from point *E*,

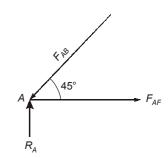
$$W \times \frac{a}{2} + Wa = 2a \cdot R_A$$
$$R_A = 0.75 \text{ W}$$

Joint A

:.

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

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



26. (c)

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

Resistance =
$$mg + W = 200 \times 9.81 + 100$$

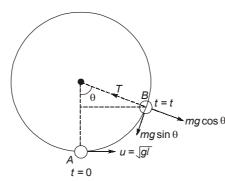
= 2062 N

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

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

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

28. (c)



Let

T = mg at angle θ shown in figure

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

Apply conservation of mechanical energy between points A and B,

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

$$u^2 = gl \qquad ...(2)$$

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

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$$v =$$
Speed of particle in position on B
 $v^2 = u^2 - 2gh$...(3)

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

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

$$v^2 = gl(1 - \cos\theta) \qquad ...(4)$$

 \Rightarrow

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),
$$v = \sqrt{\frac{gl}{2}}$$

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,

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

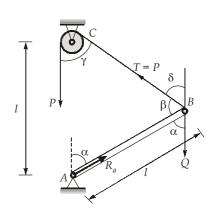
$$Pl \sin(\alpha + \delta) = Ql \sin\alpha$$

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

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

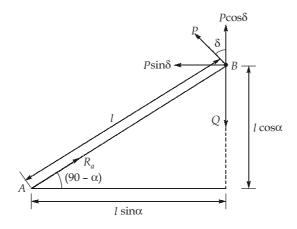
$$P\cos\frac{\alpha}{2} = 2Q\sin\frac{\alpha}{2}\cos\frac{\alpha}{2}$$

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



or

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

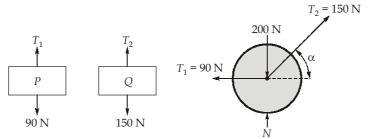


$$\alpha = 2\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{P}{2Q}\right) = 2\sin^{-1}\left(\frac{900}{2 \times 2200}\right) = 23.6057^{\circ}$$

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

30. (a

FBD for different elements,



If there is no friction on pulley,

$$T_1 = 90 \text{ N}, \qquad T_2 = 150 \text{ N}$$

Now, normal reaction between ball and plane,

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

By horizontal force balace 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 × 0.8
 $N = 80 \text{ N}$