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HIGHWAY

CIVIL ENGINEERING

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ANSWER KEY ➤

1. (d)	7. (b)	13. (c)	19. (d)	25. (c)
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4. (d)	10. (b)	16. (b)	22. (b)	28. (b)
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6. (b)	12. (d)	18. (c)	24. (c)	30. (c)

DETAILED EXPLANATIONS

1. (d)

Absolute ruling minimum radius,

$$\begin{aligned} R_{\text{ruling}} &= \frac{V^2}{127(e + f)} \\ &= \frac{(110)^2}{127 \times (0.07 + 0.15)} \\ &= \frac{12100}{127 \times 0.22} = 433 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

2. (d)

$$\text{Grade compensation} = \text{Minimum of } \begin{cases} \frac{30 + R}{R} = \frac{30 + 60}{60} = 1.5\% \\ \frac{75}{R} = \frac{75}{60} = 1.25\% \end{cases}$$

$$\therefore \text{Grade compensation} = 1.25\%$$

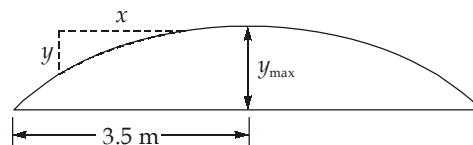
$$\text{Compensated gradient} = 5 - 1.25 = 3.75\% \text{ but } \nless 4\%$$

$$\therefore \text{Compensated gradient} = 4\%$$

$$\text{Grade compensation allowed} = 5 - 4 = 1\%$$

3. (c)

For a two lane road without raised kerbs, width of pavement, $W = 7.0$ m. For bituminous concrete pavement in heavy rainfall region, provide camber of 2% i.e. 1 in 50. So, for parabolic camber,



$$y = \frac{2x^2}{WN}$$

$$W = 7 \text{ m}$$

$$N = 50$$

$$x = 3.5 \text{ m}$$

$$\therefore y_{\text{max}} = \frac{2 \times 3.5^2}{7 \times 50}$$

$$\Rightarrow y_{\text{max}} = 0.07 \text{ m} = 70 \text{ mm}$$

4. (d)

The vehicle turning on a horizontal curve with no superelevation has to fully depend on coefficient of friction. In such case, vehicle will skid if value of friction coefficient is less than $\frac{b}{2h}$ and would

overturn if friction coefficient is more than $\frac{b}{2h}$.

5. (c)

$$e_{\text{equilibrium}} = \frac{V^2}{127R} = \frac{50 \times 50}{127 \times 300} = 0.066 = 6.6\%$$

6. (b)

$$\text{SSD} = 130 \text{ m}$$

$$n_1 = \frac{-1}{25} \quad n_2 = \frac{1}{25}$$

$$N = |n_1 - n_2| = \left| \frac{-1}{25} - \left(\frac{1}{25} \right) \right| = \frac{2}{25} = 0.08$$

Assuming $L > \text{SSD}$, so

$$L = \frac{NS^2}{1.5 + 0.035S} = \frac{0.08 \times 130^2}{1.5 + 0.035 \times 130} = 223.47 \text{ m}$$

$$L > \text{SSD}$$

(OK)

7. (b)

8. (b)

$$V = 50 \text{ kmph}, t = 2.0 \text{ sec}, l = 6 \text{ m}$$

Space headway,

$$S = 0.278 Vt + l$$

 $\Rightarrow$

$$S = 0.278 \times 50 \times 2 + 6$$

 $\Rightarrow$

$$S = 33.8 \text{ m}$$

Theoretical capacity,

$$C = \frac{1000V}{S} = \frac{1000 \times 50}{33.8}$$

$$= 1479.29 \simeq 1480 \text{ veh/hr}$$

9. (a)

At edge,

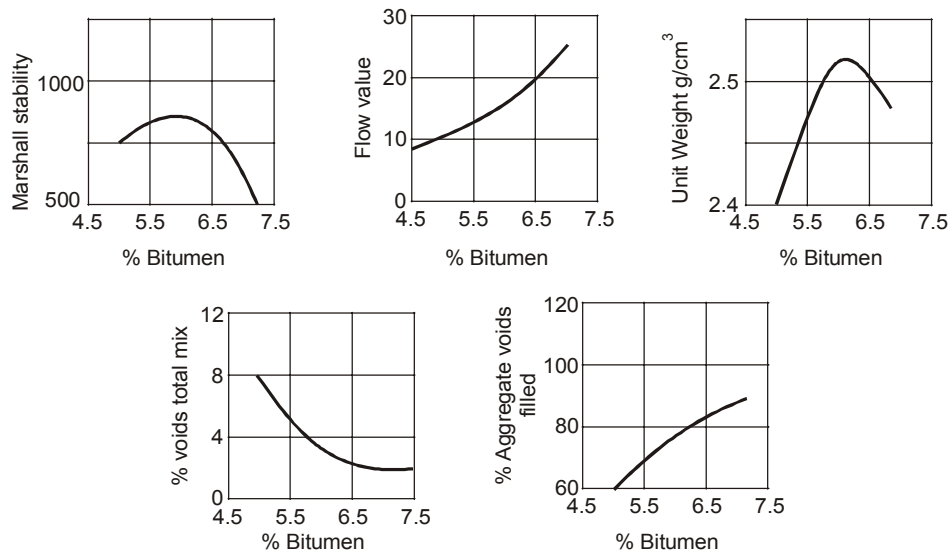
$$\text{Load stress} = \begin{cases} C \text{ at top} \\ T \text{ at bottom} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Warping stress} = \begin{cases} \text{Day} \begin{cases} C \text{ at top} \\ T \text{ at bottom} \end{cases} \\ \text{Night} \begin{cases} T \text{ at top} \\ C \text{ at bottom} \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

$$\text{Frictional stress} = \begin{cases} \text{Summer} \begin{cases} C \text{ at top} \\ C \text{ at bottom} \end{cases} \\ \text{Winter} \begin{cases} T \text{ at top} \\ T \text{ at bottom} \end{cases} \end{cases}$$

So, worst condition at edge is in winter during day at the bottom of slab.

10. (b)



11. (c)

By rate of change of centrifugal acceleration

$$C = \frac{80}{75 + V} = \frac{80}{75 + 100} = 0.457 < 0.5$$

∴

$$C = 0.5$$

$$L_s = \frac{0.0215V^3}{CR} = \frac{0.0215 \times (100)^3}{0.5 \times 400} = 107.5 \text{ m}$$

By rate of introduction of superelevation

$$\begin{aligned} L_s &= e \times W \times N & [\because \text{rotation about inner edge}] \\ &= 0.07 \times 7.6 \times 150 \\ &= 79.8 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

By IRC formula:

For plain terrain,

Minimum length of transition curve,

$$L_s = \frac{2.7V^2}{R} = \frac{2.7 \times 100^2}{400} = 67.5 \text{ m}$$

Adopting highest of the above three values,

$$L_s = 107.5 \text{ m}$$

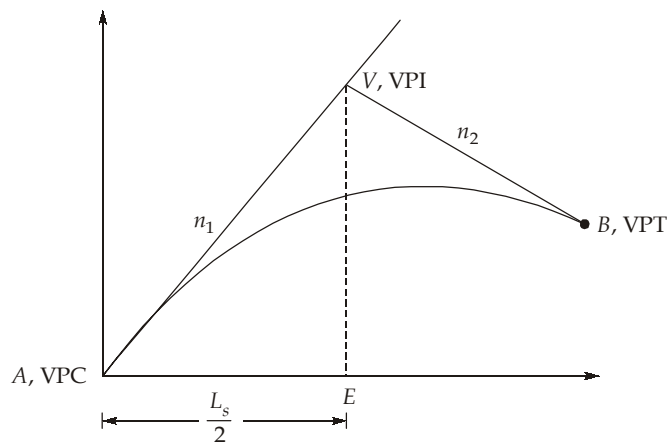
12. (d)

Assume $S < L$,

$$L = \frac{Ns^2}{(\sqrt{2H} + \sqrt{2h})^2}$$

$$N = n_1 - n_2 = 1.5 - (-0.5) = 2\%; H = 1.125 \text{ m}; h = 0.1 \text{ m}$$

$$L = \frac{0.02 \times 300^2}{(\sqrt{2 \times 1.125} + \sqrt{2 \times 0.1})^2} = 474.73 \text{ m} > 300 \text{ m} \quad \therefore \text{OK}$$



$$\begin{aligned}
 RL_A &= RL_V - \frac{L_s}{2} \times n \\
 &= 75 - \frac{474.73}{2} \times 0.015 = 71.44 \text{ m}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{RL of VPT (RL of B)} &= RL_A + \frac{L_s}{2} (n_1 + n_2) \\
 &= 71.44 + \frac{474.73}{2} \frac{(1.5 - 0.5)}{100} = 73.81 \text{ m}
 \end{aligned}$$

13. (c)

$$\text{Width of the pavement} = W + W_e$$

$$W_e = \frac{nl^2}{2R} + \frac{V}{9.5\sqrt{R}}$$

$$\text{Length of wheel base} = 6.1 \text{ m (as per IRC)}$$

$$W_e = \frac{2 \times (6.1)^2}{2 \times 280} + \frac{80}{9.5\sqrt{280}} = 0.636 \text{ m} \simeq 0.64 \text{ m}$$

$$\therefore \text{Width of pavement} = 7.0 + 0.64 = 7.64 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Distance between centre line of highway and centre line of inner lane} = \frac{W + W_e}{4} = \frac{7.64}{4} = 1.91 \text{ m}$$

Given : Length of the curve = 180 m; Sight distance = 250 m

L.C < S.D

$\therefore$ Set back distance from centre line of road,

$$m = R - (R - d) \cos \frac{\alpha}{2} + \left(\frac{S - L}{2} \right) \sin \frac{\alpha}{2}$$

$$L = (R - d) \alpha$$

$$\alpha = \left(\frac{180}{280 - 1.91} \right) \times \frac{180}{\pi} = 37.086^\circ$$

$\therefore$

$$\begin{aligned}
 m &= 280 - (280 - 1.91) \cos \left(\frac{37.086}{2} \right) + \left(\frac{250 - 180}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{37.086}{2} \right) \\
 &= 280 - 278.09 \cos \left(\frac{37.086}{2} \right) + 35 \times \sin \left(\frac{37.086}{2} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

$$= 27.48 \text{ m}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Set back distance required from outer edge of pavement} &= (m + 2d) \\ &= (27.48 + 2 \times 1.91) = 31.3 \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$

14. (a)

$$\begin{aligned}V &= 70 \text{ kmph} \\ f &= 0.35 \\ t &= 2.5 \text{ s (for SSD)} \\ \eta &= 50\% = 0.5 \\ n &= -2\% = -0.02\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Headlight sight distance} &= \text{SSD} = 0.278Vt + \frac{v^2}{254(\eta f \pm n\%)} \\ &= 0.278 \times 70 \times 2.5 + \frac{70^2}{254(0.5 \times 0.35 - 0.02)}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Headlight sight distance} &= 48.65 + 124.46 = 173.11 \text{ m} \\ \text{Intermediate sight distance} &= 2 \times \text{SSD} \\ &= 2 \times 173.11 = 346.22 \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$

15. (c)

$$\begin{aligned}V_b &= 50 \text{ kmph} \\ s_1 &= 20 \text{ m and } s_2 = 16 \text{ m}; \quad s = s_1 + s_2 = 36 \text{ m} \\ a &= 0.5 \text{ m/s}^2\end{aligned}$$

$$T = \sqrt{\frac{2(s_1 + s_2)}{a}} \Rightarrow T = \sqrt{\frac{2(20 + 16)}{0.5}}$$

$$\Rightarrow T = 12 \text{ sec}$$

Distance travelled by overtaking vehicle is

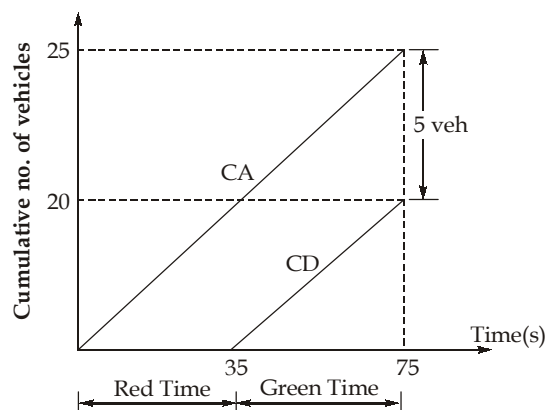
$$d = 0.278V_b T + (s_1 + s_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow d = 0.278 \times 50 \times 12 + 36$$

$$\Rightarrow d = 202.8 \text{ m}$$

16. (b)

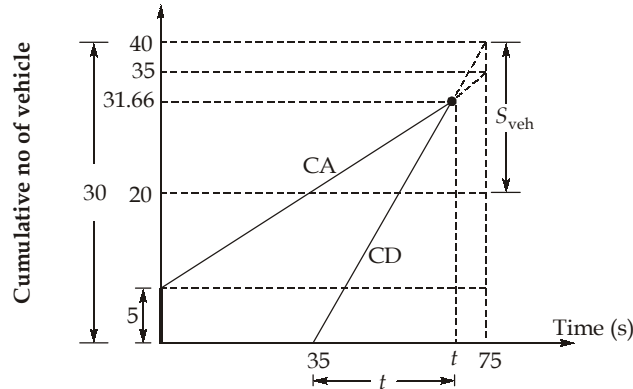
1st cycle:



$$\text{Cumulative arrival} = 20 \times \frac{75}{60} = 25 \text{ veh}$$

$$\text{Cumulative departure} = 30 \times \frac{40}{60} = 20 \text{ veh}$$

Next cycle:



$$\text{Cumulative arrival} = 20 \times 1.2 \times \frac{75}{60} + 5 = 35 \text{ veh}$$

$$\text{Cumulative departure} = 30 \times 2 \times \frac{40}{60} = 40 \text{ veh}$$

∴ Cumulative departure > Cumulative arrival is not possible. So let's say after $(35 + t)$ s,

$$CA = CD$$

$$\Rightarrow 5 + \frac{20 \times 1.2 \times (35 + t)}{60} = (30 \times 2) \times \frac{t}{60}$$

$$\Rightarrow t = 31.67 \text{ s}$$

$$\therefore \text{In } 31.67 \text{ s, } CD = 30 \times 2 \times \frac{31.67}{60} = 31.67 \text{ veh}$$

$$\therefore \text{Total number of vehicle having no delay} = 35 - 31.67 = 3.33 \approx 3 \text{ veh}$$

17. (b)

Theoretical specific gravity,

$$G_t = \frac{100}{\frac{W_{CA}}{G_{CA}} + \frac{W_{FA}}{G_{FA}} + \frac{W_{Fine}}{G_{Fine}} + \frac{W_{Bit}}{G_{Bit}}}$$

$$= \frac{100}{\frac{60}{2.52} + \frac{25}{2.63} + \frac{10}{2.68} + \frac{5}{1.06}} = 2.3944$$

$$\text{Volume of paraffin wax coated sample} = \frac{(1290 - 703) \text{ g}}{1 \text{ g/cc}} = 587 \text{ cc}$$

$$\text{Bulk volume of sample} = 587 - \frac{1290 - 1240}{0.9} = 531.44 \text{ cc}$$

$$\text{Bulk specific gravity, } G_m = \frac{(1240 / 531.44) \text{ g/cc}}{1 \text{ g/cc}} = 2.3333$$

$$\text{Air voids, } V_a = \frac{G_t - G_m}{G_t} \times 100 = \frac{2.3944 - 2.3333}{2.3944} \times 100 = 2.55\%$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Percentage volume of bitumen, } V_b &= \frac{W_b}{G_b} \times \left(\frac{G_m}{W_T} \right) \times 100 \\ &= \frac{5}{1.06} \times \left(\frac{2.3333}{100} \right) \times 100 = 11.01\%\end{aligned}$$

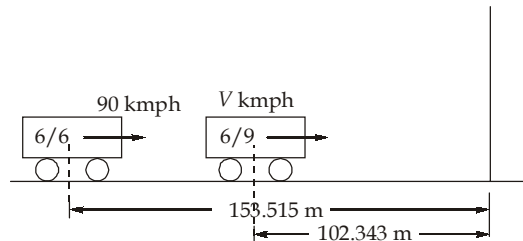
Voids in mineral aggregate

$$VMA = V_a + V_b = 2.55\% + 11.01\% = 13.56\%$$

18. (c)

Safe stopping distance for 6/6 vision driver

$$\begin{aligned}SSD &= vt + \frac{v^2}{2gf} \\ &= \frac{90}{3.6}(2.5) + \frac{(90/3.6)^2}{2 \times 9.81 \times 0.35} \\ &= 62.5 + 91.015 = 153.515 \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$



For 6/9 vision driver, intersection will be visible, from $153.515 \times 6/9 = 102.343 \text{ m}$
 $\Rightarrow$ 6/9 vision driver will start reacting 102.343 m before intersection.

$$\begin{aligned}\Rightarrow 102.343 &= v(2.5) + \frac{v^2}{2 \times 9.81 \times 0.35} \\ \Rightarrow 702.7894 &= 17.1675v + v^2 \\ \Rightarrow v &= 19.28 \text{ m/s} \\ \Rightarrow V &= 69.408 \text{ kmph} \simeq 70 \text{ kmph}\end{aligned}$$

19. (d)

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore e &= \frac{V^2}{225R} \\ \therefore e &= \frac{100^2}{225 \times 500} = 0.088 > 0.07 \\ \text{So, } e &= 0.07 \\ \Delta h &= eB = 0.07 \times 7.5 = 0.525 \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$

20. (b)

Case-1: As per rate of change of centrifugal force

$$L_{TC} = \frac{V^3}{CR}$$

where,

$$C = \frac{80}{75 + V} = \frac{80}{75 + 70} = 0.5517 \text{ m/s}^2 \text{ which lies between 0.5 and 0.8}$$

(O.K)

$$\therefore L_{TC} = \frac{(70/3.6)^3}{0.5517(250)} = 53.30 \text{ m}$$

Case-2: As per introduction of superelevation.

$$L_{TC} = eN(W + W_e)$$

($\because$ Heavy rainfall area, superelevation will be attained by rotating the outer edge)

$$e = \frac{V^2}{225R} = \frac{(70)^2}{225 \times 250} = 0.087 > 0.07$$

Now,
$$e + f = \frac{V^2}{127R} \text{ (Take } e = e_{\max} = 0.07 \text{ for plain terrain)}$$

$$\Rightarrow 0.07 + f = \frac{70^2}{127(250)}$$

$$\Rightarrow f = 0.0843 < 0.15 \quad \therefore e = 0.07$$

N = rate of change in superelevation i.e. 1 in 150.

$$\therefore L_{TC} = 0.07 \times 150 \times 7.615 = 79.96 \text{ m}$$

Case-3: As per empirical formula of IRC.

$$\begin{aligned} L_{TC} &= 2.7 \frac{V^2}{R} \\ &= 2.7 \times \frac{70^2}{250} = 52.92 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore L_{TC} = \max.[53.30 \text{ m}, 79.96 \text{ m}, 52.92 \text{ m}]$$

$$\text{Hence, } L_{TC} = 79.96 \text{ m} \simeq 80 \text{ m}$$

21. (d)

For section 1-2

$$\text{Weaving ratio} = \frac{b + c}{a + b + c + d}$$

where,

$$a = V_{12} = 50$$

$$b = V_{13} + V_{14} = 800 + 400 = 1200$$

$$c = V_{32} + V_{42} = 600 + 500 = 1100$$

$$d = V_{43} = 700$$

$$\therefore \text{Weaving ratio} = \frac{1200 + 1100}{50 + 1200 + 1100 + 700} = 0.75$$

22. (b)

No. of vehicles running throughout the year

$$= 36.5 \times 10^6$$

$$\text{AADT} = \frac{\text{No. of vehicles running throughout the year}}{365} \text{ veh/day}$$

$$AADT = \frac{36.5 \times 10^6}{365} = 10^5 \text{ veh/day}$$

Now, monthly expansion factor (MEF) = $\frac{AADT}{ADT}$

$$\Rightarrow ADT = \frac{10^5}{2} = 5 \times 10^4 \text{ veh/day}$$

But $ADT = \frac{\text{No. of vehicles running in a week}}{7}$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \text{No. of vehicles running in a week} &= ADT \times 7 \\ &= 5 \times 10^4 \times 7 \\ &= 35 \times 10^4 \end{aligned}$$

23. (a)

$$V = \left[75 - \left(\frac{2}{3} \right) K \right]$$

Capacity, $q = V \times K$

$$= 75K - \frac{2}{3} K^2$$

For q to be maximum, $\frac{dq}{dK} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dq}{dK} = 75 - \frac{4}{3} K = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow K = 56.25$$

$\therefore$ Maximum capacity, $q = 75K - \frac{2}{3} K^2$

$$\begin{aligned} &= 75 \times 56.25 - \frac{2}{3} \times (56.25)^2 \\ &= 2109.375 \simeq 2109 \text{ veh/hr} \end{aligned}$$

24. (c)

$$P_{(n, t)} = \frac{e^{-\lambda t} (\lambda t)^n}{n!}$$

Here, $\lambda = \text{No. of veh/h} = 260 \text{ vehicles/hr} = \frac{260}{3600} \text{ veh/s}$

$$\begin{aligned} P(2, 30) &= \frac{e^{-\frac{260 \times 30}{3600}} \times \left(\frac{260}{3600} \times 30 \right)^2}{2!} \\ &= 0.269 \simeq 0.27 \end{aligned}$$

25. (c)

$$\frac{\log(ESWL) - \log(P)}{\log(2P) - \log(ESWL)} = \frac{\log Z - \log \frac{d}{2}}{\log 2S - \log Z} \quad \dots(i)$$

Here, $ESWL = 62 \text{ kN}$

$$P = 35 \text{ kN}$$

$$Z = 30 \text{ cm}$$

$$S = 20 \text{ cm}$$

$$d = ?$$

Substitute all the values in eq. (i)

$$\frac{\log 62 - \log 35}{\log 70 - \log 62} = \frac{\log 30 - \log \frac{d}{2}}{\log 40 - \log 30}$$

$$\Rightarrow d = 15.47 \text{ cm}$$

26. (c)

$$\text{Theoretical specific gravity, } G_t = \frac{825 + 1200 + 325 + 150 + 100}{\frac{825}{2.63} + \frac{1200}{2.51} + \frac{325}{2.46} + \frac{150}{2.43} + \frac{100}{1.05}}$$

$$G_t = 2.4055 \text{ g/cc}$$

$$\text{Bulk specific gravity, } G_m = \frac{M}{V} \quad (\because \rho_w = 1 \text{ g/cc})$$

$$\Rightarrow G_m = \frac{1100}{475} = 2.316 \text{ g/cc}$$

$$\text{Percentage of air voids, } V_v = \frac{G_t - G_m}{G_t} \times 100 = \frac{2.4055 - 2.316}{2.4055} \times 100 = 3.72\%$$

$$\text{Total weight of all constituents} = 825 + 1200 + 325 + 150 + 100 = 2600 \text{ g}$$

Percentage of volume of bitumen,

$$V_b = G_m \times \frac{W_b \%}{G_b} = 2.316 \times \frac{\frac{100}{2600} \times 100}{1.05} = 8.48\%$$

$$\therefore \text{VMA} = V_v + V_b = 3.72 + 8.48 = 12.2\%$$

$$\text{Voids filled with bitumen, VFB} = \frac{V_b \%}{\text{VMA}\%} \times 100 = \frac{8.48}{12.2} \times 100 = 69.51\% \simeq 0.695$$

27. (c)

$$S_a = 1250 \text{ PCU/hr}$$

$$S_b = 1000 \text{ PCU/hr}$$

$$x_b = \frac{q_b}{s_b} = \frac{250}{1000} = 0.25$$

$$C_o = \frac{1.5L + 5}{1 - y}$$

$$L = 2n + R = 2 \times 2 + 12 = 6s$$

$$C_o = 67.5 - \frac{1.5 \times 16 + 15}{1 - y}$$

$$1 - y = \frac{29}{67.5}$$

$$y = 0.57$$

$$y_a + y_b = 0.57$$

$$y_a = 0.32$$

$$y_a = \frac{q_a}{s_a} = 0.32$$

$$q_a = 0.32 \times 1250$$

$$q_a = 400 \text{ PCU/hr}$$

28. (b)

As, vehicle travelling towards upgrade requires 10 m less than travelling towards downgrade with same grade, so

$$\frac{V^2}{254(f + n)} = \frac{V^2}{254(f - n)} - 10$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{65^2}{254(0.4 + n)} = \frac{65^2}{254(0.4 - n)} - 10$$

$$\Rightarrow 16.63 \left(\frac{1}{0.4 - n} - \frac{1}{0.4 + n} \right) = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow 3.33n = 0.4^2 - n^2$$

$$\Rightarrow n^2 + 3.33n - 0.4^2 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 0.0474$$

So, gradient of pavement is 4.74%.

29. (a)

Given,

$$\text{Average arrival rate, } \lambda = 260 \text{ veh/hr}$$

$$= \frac{260}{3600} \text{ veh/sec}$$

We know,

$$P(x = n) = \frac{e^{-\lambda t} (\lambda t)^n}{n!}$$

$$P(x = 0) = \frac{e^{-\left(\frac{260}{3600} \times 3\right)} \cdot \left(\frac{260}{3600} \times 3\right)^0}{0!} = 0.805$$

30. (c)

Road	Length (km)	Total utility served by the road	Utility per unit length	Priority
P	500	$100 \times 1 + 70 \times 2 + 50 \times 4 + 20 \times 8 + 50 \times 2 + 20 \times 10 = 900$	$\frac{900}{500} = 1.8$	II
Q	600	$200 \times 1 + 120 \times 2 + 30 \times 4 + 10 \times 8 + 60 \times 2 + 25 \times 10 = 1010$	$\frac{1010}{600} = 1.683$	IV
R	800	$100 \times 1 + 90 \times 2 + 80 \times 4 + 80 \times 8 + 30 \times 2 + 15 \times 10 = 1450$	$\frac{1450}{800} = 1.625$	I
S	900	$150 \times 1 + 130 \times 2 + 100 \times 4 + 10 \times 8 + 50 \times 2 + 12 \times 10 = 1110$	$\frac{1110}{900} = 1.23$	IV

