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106 APPLIED MECHANICS

TIME ALLOWED : THREE HOURS

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*This question paper has two sections, SECTION A and SECTION B. Answer six (06) questions selecting a maximum of three (03) questions from each of the two parts. All questions carry equal marks.*

*Also, write the question No. appropriately in the cage appearing on the cover page.*

*Wherever relevant, use density of water as  $1,000 \text{ kg/m}^3$  and acceleration due to gravity as  $10 \text{ m/s}^2$ .*

SECTION A

Question 1

- a) Explain the following:
- Instantaneous center of velocity
  - Instantaneous center of acceleration
  - Coriolis component of acceleration
- b) The ends of a link AB of length 600 mm slide in horizontal and vertical guides Ox and Oy as shown in Fig. Q1.

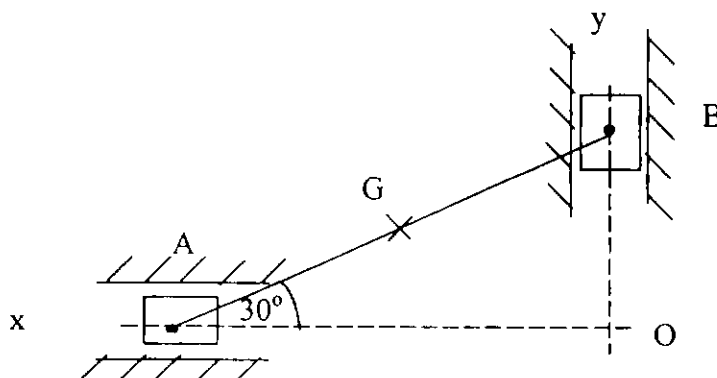


Fig. Q1

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For the given configuration  $A$  has a velocity of  $1.5\text{ m/s}$  towards  $O$  and acceleration of  $15\text{ m/s}^2$  in the same direction.

Draw the given configuration, and velocity and acceleration diagrams clearly and neatly on graph papers to suitable scales. Hence determine:

- i) the angular velocity and acceleration of  $AB$ .
- ii) the velocity and acceleration of the end  $B$ .
- iii) the velocity and acceleration of the mid-point  $G$  of  $AB$ .

Indicate the scales of each diagramme.

### Question 2

The torque exerted on the crankshaft of an engine is given by the equation,

$$T(\text{Nm}) = 10,500 + 1,620 \sin 2\theta - 1,340 \cos 2\theta,$$

where  $\theta$  is the crank-angle displacement from the inner dead center. The resisting torque is constant.

Show that the mean torque is  $10,500\text{ Nm}$

Hence determine the following:

- a) the power of the engine when the speed is  $150\text{ rev/min}$ .
- b) the moment of inertia of the flywheel if the speed variation is not to exceed  $\pm 0.5\%$  of the mean speed,
- c) the angular acceleration of the flywheel when the crank has turned through  $30^\circ$  from the inner dead center.

### Question 3

Fig. Q3 shows a compound pendulum comprising a non-uniform bar having a mass of  $24\text{ kg}$  pivoted at a point  $O$  to swing in a vertical plane. The distance  $OG$  from pivot to mass center is  $0.64\text{ m}$ . The moment of inertia of the bar about a transverse axis through  $O$  is  $12.6\text{ kg m}^2$ . The bar is swung to one side until  $G$  is level with  $O$  and released from rest. It comes to rest on the opposite swing  $7^\circ$  below the horizontal. There is a resistance to the motion of the pendulum as a friction torque at  $O$  of constant magnitude.

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- a) Determine the angular velocity of the pendulum at the instant  $OG$  is first vertical.
- b) If  $OG$  makes an angle  $\theta_3$  with the horizontal when the pendulum again comes instantaneously to rest, show that

$$150.7 \sin \theta_3 + 0.1062 \theta_3 - 36.73 = 0 \quad (\theta_3 \text{ is in degrees})$$

Assume the air resistance is negligible. Use work and energy equation.

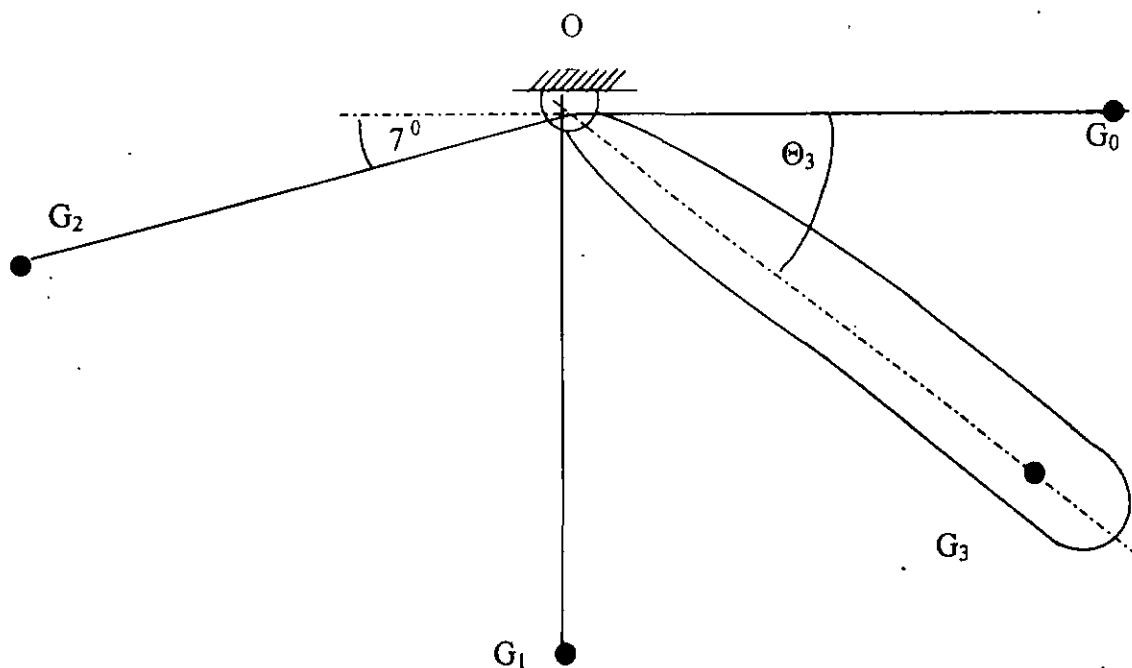


Fig Q3

#### Question 4

A platform is supported by a set of springs and a dashpot that provides viscous damping. The platform has a mass of 500 kg, springs have an effective stiffness of 72 kN/m and dashpot provides damping 20% of the critical value. The motion of the system is further subjected to a force of 720 N.

- a) Show that the motion of the system can be represented by the equation

$$\ddot{x} + 4.8\dot{x} + 144x = 1.44$$

- b) The platform is depressed downwards a distance  $x = 200$  mm from its mid-equilibrium position and then released from rest. Determine the position of the platform when it comes to rest for the first time.

### Question 5

a) Explain

- (i) Linear momentum
- (ii) Angular momentum
- (iii) Impulse

- b) The winding drum shown in Fig Q5 has a moment of inertia,  $I = 840 \text{ kg m}^2$  about the transverse axis through the center of rotation and a winding radius,  $R = 1.9 \text{ m}$ .

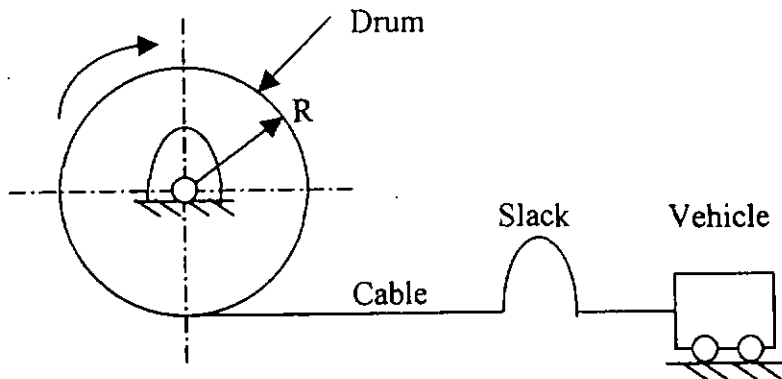


Fig. Q5

It winds a cable turning at a steady angular velocity of  $12 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . The free end of the cable is connected to a vehicle of  $184 \text{ kg}$  mass, which is stationary on a horizontal plane and the cable being initially slack. Once the slack portion diminishes, the cable suddenly tightens.

Calculate

- (iv) the speeds of the vehicle and the drum.
- (v) the energy lost, and
- (vi) the magnitude of the impulse in the cable.

SECTION B

Question 6

- (a) From first principles prove that the hydrostatic force on a plane surface placed in a liquid at an angle of inclination  $\alpha$  to the liquid level is  $\rho g \bar{z}$ , where  $\rho$  is the density of the liquid and  $\bar{z}$  is the vertical distance to the centre of gravity of the plane surface from the liquid level.

Hence show that the centre of pressure locates at a distance  $\bar{z}_p$  vertically below the liquid level given by

$$\bar{z}_p = \bar{z} + \frac{I_c \sin^2 \alpha}{A \bar{z}}$$

where  $I_c$  = Second moment of area of the plane about the transverse axis through centre of gravity and  $A$  is the area of the plane.

- (b) Fig.Q6 shows a tipping arrangement, in which the gate is initially at rest at an angle  $60^\circ$  to the horizontal and it starts tipping about the hinge at  $O$  when the water level reaches a certain height.

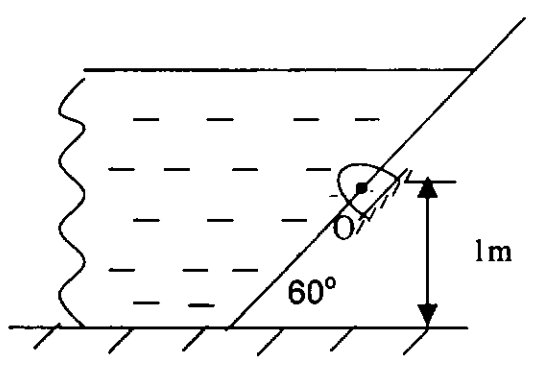


Fig. Q6

What is the depth of water for tipping to commence?

Question 7

- a) Define clearly a streamline.
- b) At a given time the velocity vector of a stream line  $\underline{U} = u \underline{i} + v \underline{j} + w \underline{k}$

Considering an elementary displacement given as

$\delta \underline{s} = \delta x \underline{i} + \delta y \underline{j} + \delta z \underline{k}$ , where  $\underline{i}$ ,  $\underline{j}$  and  $\underline{k}$  are unit vectors in the directions of  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$ , show that

$$\frac{\delta x}{u} = \frac{\delta y}{v} = \frac{\delta z}{w}$$

c)

i) State the continuity equation for three-dimensional flow. If this flow is incompressible, explain the change of the above equation.

ii) The velocity in an incompressible fluid flow is given by

$$\underline{U} = (x^3 - y^3) \underline{i} + (z^3 - y^3) \underline{j} + w \underline{k}$$

If this flow has a stagnation point at the origin, determine the third velocity component ( $w$ ).

### Question 8

a) Water flows over a flat plate with the velocity at the leading edge being  $U$  and that at the trailing edge increasing linearly from zero to  $U$  over a height  $h$ . The profile of this velocity variation is shown in the Fig. Q8.

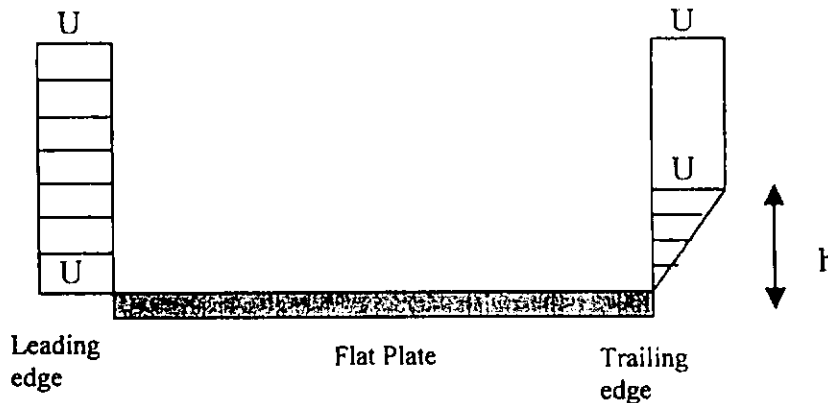


Fig.Q8

Show that the force exerted by the fluid on the plate is  $(\rho U^2 h/6)$ .

b) A flat plate is towed longitudinally at 10 m/s in water, which is stationary otherwise. It is observed that the velocity at the trailing edge is linearly varying from the edge so that it is zero at the edge and 10m/s at a level vertically 100 mm above the edge. Calculate the drag on the plate. Assume that the pressure is same everywhere in the flow field.

## Question 9

- a) A fluid flows steadily with a velocity  $U$  through a pipe of constant diameter  $d$ . From first principles show that the pressure drop over a length  $l$ , is

$$h_f = \frac{f l U^2}{d 2g}, \text{ where } f \text{ is the friction factor for pipe roughness.}$$

- b) A pipe of diameter  $D$  has an arrangement as shown in Fig.Q9 to discharge the flow across its surface at a rate of  $q$  per unit length. The up stream flow rate is  $Q$  and at the end of the entire length of the pipe the flow rate is zero.

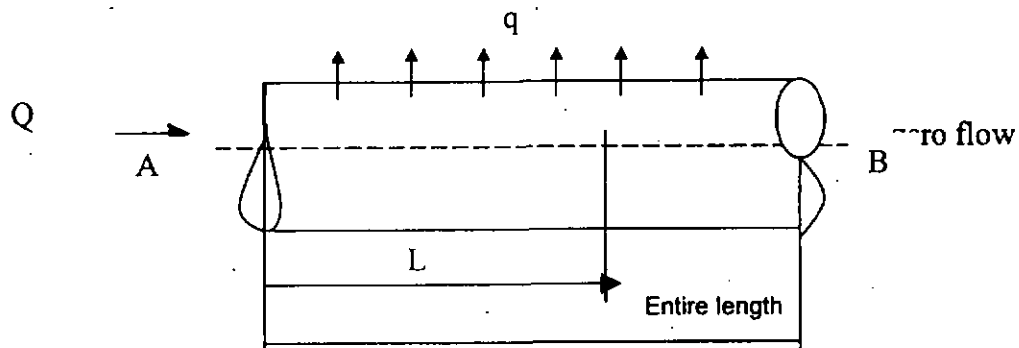


Fig. Q9

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Prove that the head loss over a length  $L$ .

$$h_{fL} = \frac{fLQ^2}{12D^5} \left[ 1 + \frac{q^2 L^2}{3Q^2} - \frac{qL}{Q} \right]$$

Hence show that head loss for entire length (AB).

$$h_f = \frac{fQ^3}{36 qD^5}$$

## Question 10

$$a) \quad \frac{du}{dr} = \frac{1}{2\mu} \frac{dp}{dx} r$$

is a relationship that can be established for laminar flow of a fluid with viscosity  $\mu$  through a pipe with radius  $R$  ( $2R=D$ ).  $\frac{dp}{dx}$  is the pressure gradient and  $u$  is the velocity at a radius  $r$  ( $r < R$ ).

Show that

i) The velocity profile is a paraboloid of revolution.

ii) The total discharge through the pipe

$$Q = - \frac{\pi}{128\mu} D^4 \left( \frac{dp}{dx} \right)$$

(iii) The drop in pressure over a finite length  $L$

$$\Delta p = \frac{8\mu U}{R^2} L, \text{ where } U \text{ is the average velocity}$$

b) A liquid having a viscosity of  $0.098 \text{ Ns/m}^2$  and a specific gravity of 1.59 flows through a horizontal pipe of 50 mm diameter with a pressure drop of  $6 \text{ kN/m}^2$  per meter length of the pipe.

Determine the following:

i) The rate of flow in kg per minute

ii) The maximum shear stress

iii) The total drag for 100 m length of the pipe

iv) Power required to maintain the flow through 100 m length of the pipe

Assume that shear stress,  $\tau = -\frac{dp}{dx} \frac{r}{2}$