

# INSTITUTION OF ENGINEERS, SRI LANKA

PART I EXAMINATION – OCTOBER 2010

106 – APPLIED MECHANICS

Time allowed: Three Hours

Date: October 2010

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Before answering the question paper, read and adhere to the instructions given below.

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This question paper has **two sections**, SECTION A and SECTION B. Answer **five (05) questions only** selecting **at least two (02) questions** from each section.

- All questions carry equal marks.
- Start answering each question from a new page. Write the relevant question No. on the starting page of the question.
- **It is extremely important that you write the question No. to which you answer appropriately in the cage appearing on the cover page**
- **Answers should be presented with relevant Units.** You should answer in SI Units only.
- Strike out any rough work and contents that you do not wish to draw the attention of the examiner.
- Wherever relevant, use free hand sketches to explain your answer. All calculations and analyses should be clearly presented and any symbol should be defined before use.
- Use density of water as  $1,000 \text{ kg/m}^3$ , specific gravity of mercury as 13.6 and acceleration due to gravity as  $10 \text{ m/s}^2$ , unless otherwise specified.
- **Marks will be deducted if the above instructions are not adhered to.**

## SECTION A

### Question 1

(a) Explain the following:

- i) Impulse force
- ii) Impulse momentum principle
- iii) D’Alambert principle

(b) A person of mass 60 kg stands at one end of a 6 m long boat of mass 240 kg, which floats in water. When the boat is stationary, the person starts walking straight across to the other end at a steady rate of 1.2 m/s. Determine:

- i) The velocity of the boat as observed by an observer on the ground during this process.
- ii) The distance by which the boat is shifted during the period the person walks from first to the other end.
- iii) The velocity of the boat if the person stops at the other end.
- iv) The velocity of the boat if the person, while walking, falls out of the boat at the other end.

### Question 2

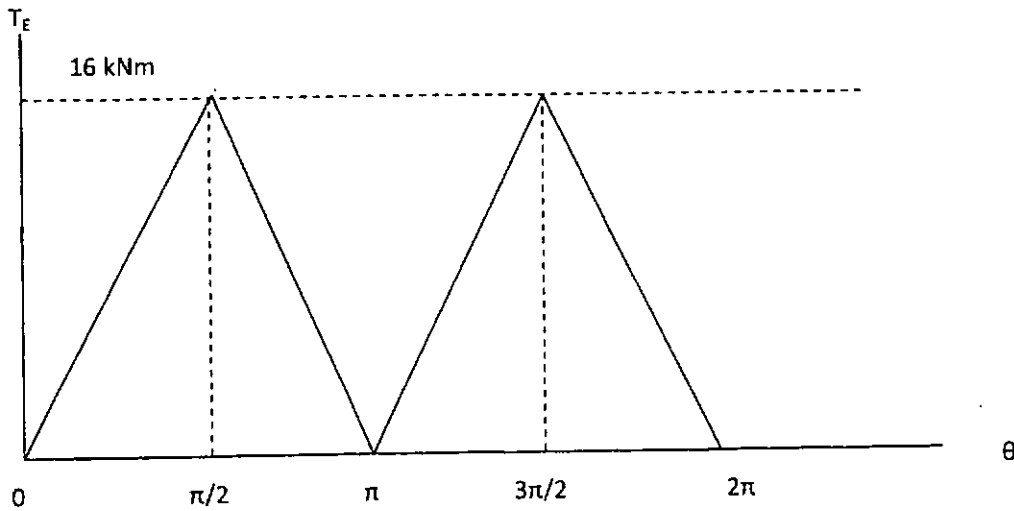


Figure Q2 (a)

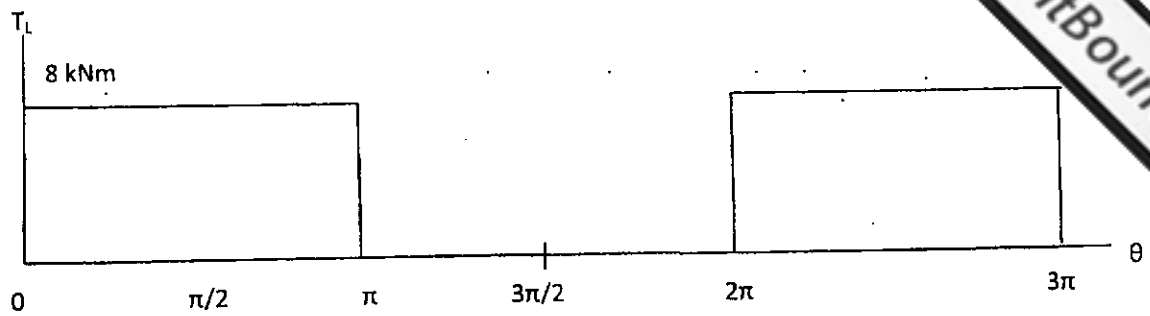


Figure Q2 (b)

(a) Explain Inertia force and Inertia torque.

(b) The turning moment diagramme shown in Figure Q2 (a) is developed by a double acting single cylinder steam engine, which rotates at 130 rev/min. The mass of the flywheel is restricted to cause a speed fluctuation of  $\pm 1.8\%$  of the mean speed. The load on the engine is repetitive as in Figure Q2 (b). If the flywheel has a radius of gyration of 1.1 m, determine the power developed by the engine and the mass of the flywheel.

**Question 3**

Crank OA of the link mechanism shown in Figure Q3 is 125 mm long and rotates clockwise with a uniform velocity of 180 rev/min. The link AC, which is 600 mm long, slides in a swivel pin at B. The end C slides on a swinging link DE. For the configuration shown in the figure the angle BOA is  $120^\circ$ . Draw the link mechanism for the given configuration to an appropriate scale. Use graphical method and find the velocity and acceleration of the link DE. Use graph papers.

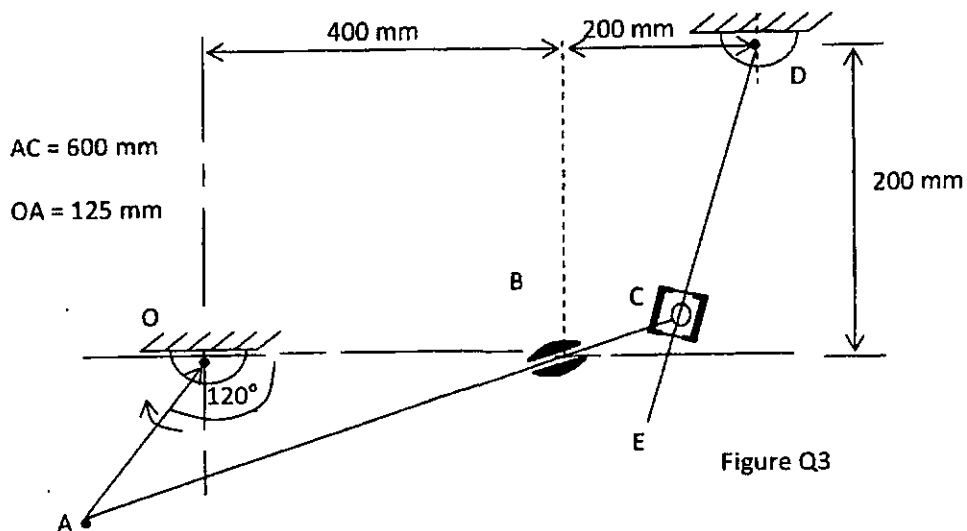


Figure Q3

**Question 4**

- (a) A screw jack with a square thread with helical angle  $\alpha$  and friction angle  $\lambda$  is used to lift a vertical load  $W$ . If the load is to be sustained, show that  $\alpha < \lambda$ .
- (b) A differential screw jack is shown in Figure Q4. The part B, which has a right handed square thread with 9.5 mm pitch on a 57 mm mean diameter, is screwed to the nut fitted in base C. The part A, which is prevented from rotation, carries a right handed square thread with 6 mm pitch on a 30 mm mean diameter. It is screwed into part B. If the coefficient of friction of each thread is 0.15, find the torque necessary to be applied on B to raise a load of 5 kN.

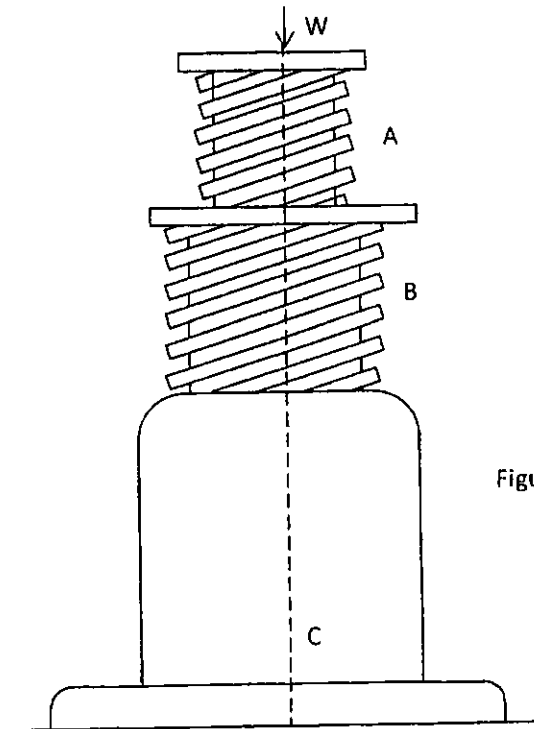


Figure Q4

**Question 5**

- (a) Explain briefly the following:
- i) Free vibration
  - ii) Damped vibration
  - iii) Forced vibration

(b) A mass of 10 kg is connected at the end C of arm ABC with angle ABC being  $90^\circ$  supported at C by a vertical spring having a stiffness of 5 N/mm. The arm, which is pivoted at B, is connected at the end A to a horizontal spring with stiffness 10 N/mm and a damping system with unknown damping coefficient. This arrangement is shown in Figure Q5.

- i) Starting from first principles set up the equation of motion for small angular displacements of the mass C. Show clearly the derivation of the equation.
- ii) If the system is critically damped, what should be the damping coefficient?
- iii) If the damping ratio is reduced to 0.5, explain the response of mass C for small angular displacements.

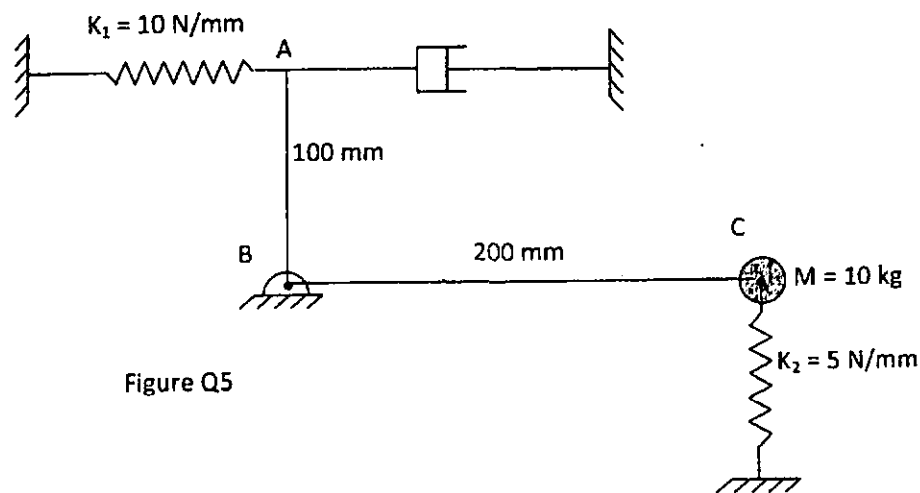


Figure Q5

## SECTION B

### Question 6

- (a) What is Coefficient of Velocity ( $C_v$ ) for an orifice?
- (b) The rectangular tank shown in Figure Q6 has two identical orifices one vertically below the other on the same side of the tank. The lower orifice is 3 m below, whereas the other is 1.5 m below the water surface. The water level of the tank is maintained at a constant height. Determine the point at which the two water jets will intersect each other if the coefficient of velocity ( $C_v$ ) is 0.02 for both orifices.

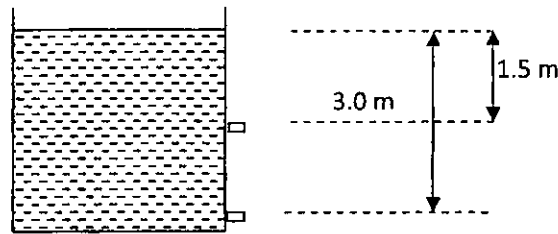


Figure Q6

## Question 7

- (a) Illustrate the application of venturimeter to measure the rate of discharge in a pipeline when the pipe line is
- horizontal
  - vertical
- (b) A U tube mercury differential manometer has been used to measure the pressure differential across the inlet and throat of a venturimeter that conveys water. Calculate the pressure difference in kPa when
- Venturimeter is laid horizontally and manometer reads 250 mm.
  - Venturimeter is laid vertically, inlet lies 200 mm above the throat and manometer reads 100 mm.

## Question 8

- (a) Explain the principle of momentum which is an useful tool in solving problems in fluid mechanics.
- (b) A pipe bend placed in a vertical plane tapers from 500 mm section at inlet to 250 mm diameter at outlet. An oil of density  $9,000 \text{ kg/m}^3$  enters the reducing bend and turns through  $45^\circ$  in the clockwise direction following the profile of the pipe bend, which is shown in Figure Q3. When the oil flows at the rate of  $0.45 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  and the pressure at the inlet is  $140 \text{ kN/m}^2$ , determine the magnitude and direction of the resultant force on the bend.

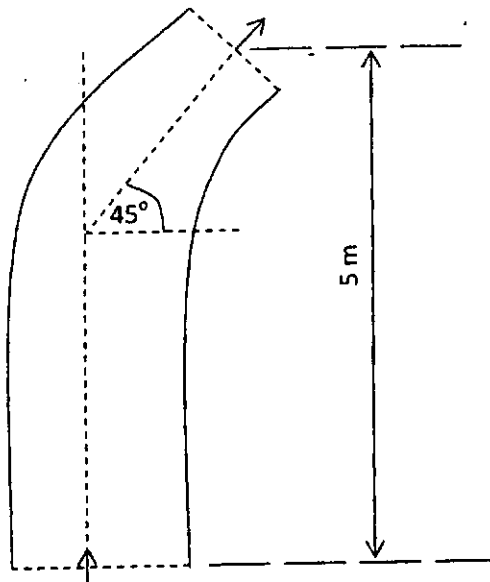


Figure Q3

Question 9

(a) Derive Darcy-Weisbach formula for calculating loss of head due to friction in a pipe. Define clearly any symbols used and state any assumptions.

(b)

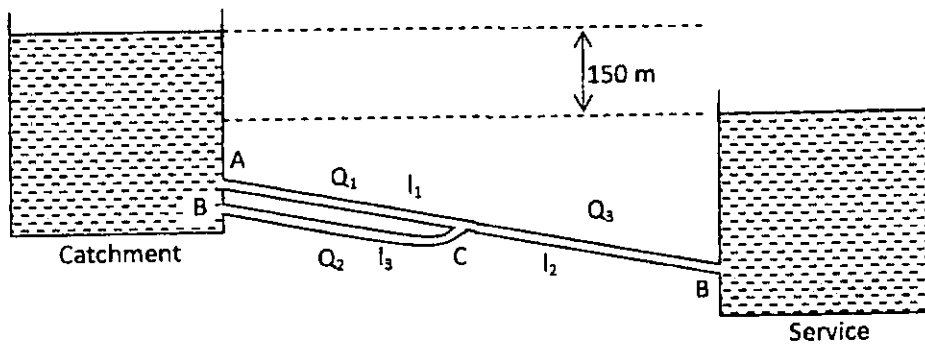


Figure Q2

- (a) A Catchment area and a service reservoir, which supply water to a town, lie 65 km apart and have a difference of 150 m in their water levels as shown in Figure Q9. These two reservoirs are connected by a single pipe AB that can carry  $0.3 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$  of water. Calculate the diameter of the pipe.

Subsequently it was required to increase the flow rate between the two reservoirs by another  $0.15 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ . This was achieved by laying a second pipe BC of the same diameter in parallel over a part length of the pipe AB. Find the necessary length of the second pipe. Consider only friction losses of pipes and for each pipe  $f$  (Darcy Coefficient) = 0.008.

### Question 10

- (a) An inclined plane surface is immersed in a liquid. Starting from first principles derive an expression for the depth of centre of pressure from the surface of the liquid. Define clearly any symbols used.
- (b) The tank shown in Figure Q10 has a square opening  $1.2 \text{ m} \times 1.2 \text{ m}$ , which is closed by a square door of same size. The door edge shown in the elevation has an inclination of  $60^\circ$  to the horizontal, while it is hinged to the tank along the edge A. The tank contains oil with specific gravity of 0.8 under a pressure and the gauge indicates a pressure of  $23.5 \text{ kN/m}^2$ . This condition is maintained by a force  $F$  applying perpendicular to the door along the edge B. Determine the following:
- Total oil pressure applied on the door,
  - Magnitude of the force  $F$
  - Hinge reaction.



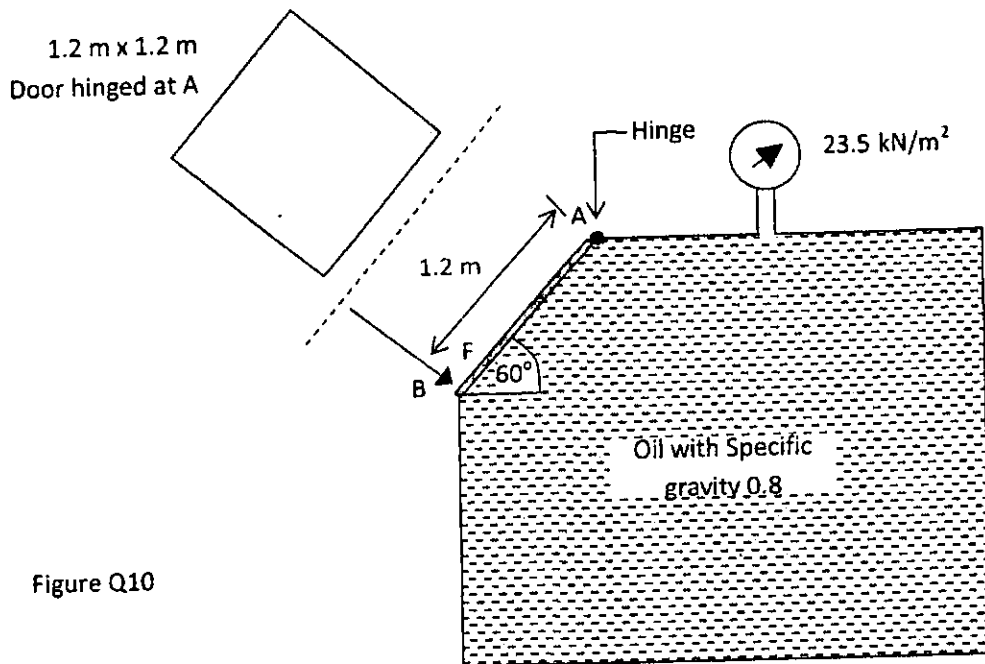


Figure Q10

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