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TITLE OF PAPER:	ENGINEERING MECHANICS AND MATERIALS SCIENCE
COURSE CODE:	EE201
TIME ALLOWED:	THREE HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Answer any **four (4) questions**
2. Each question carries 25 marks.
3. Marks for different sections are shown in the right-hand margin.

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Question 1

Determine the reactions (R_A and R_B) and the stresses in members AB, EB, and BD of the roof truss shown in Figure 1. (25 marks)

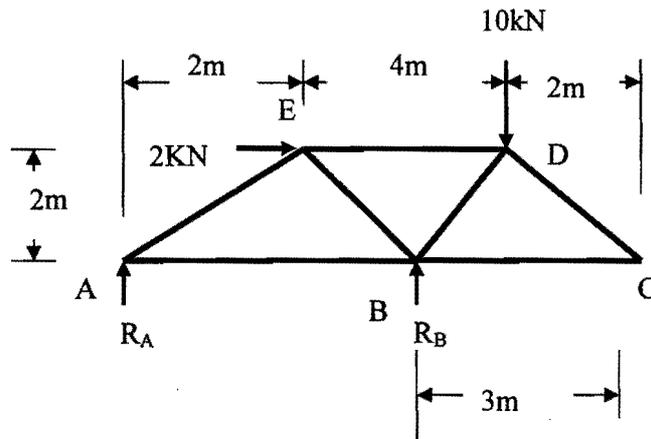


Figure 1

Question 2

Figure 2 shows masses on two rotors in planes B and C. Determine the masses (M_A and M_D) and angles (θ_A and θ_B) at which the masses (M_A and M_D) are to be added on the rotors in planes A and D at radius 45mm which will produce static and dynamic balance. (25 marks)

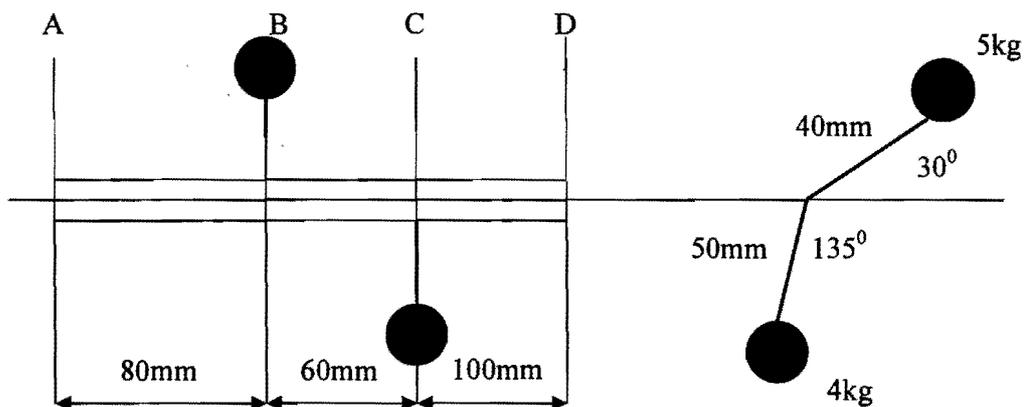


Figure 2

Question 3

If the solid cylinder shown in Figure 3 weighs 2kN, its radius r is 60 cm, and its centroidal moment of inertia I_C is 500m.N.sec^2 . It rolls without slipping down the incline. Assume rolling friction to be negligible and $g = 9.81\text{m/s}$. At time $t = 1$ second and by using impulse-momentum method, calculate:

- the linear velocity \bar{v} of its center of gravity and
- the minimum coefficient of static friction μ required to prevent slipping.

(25 marks)

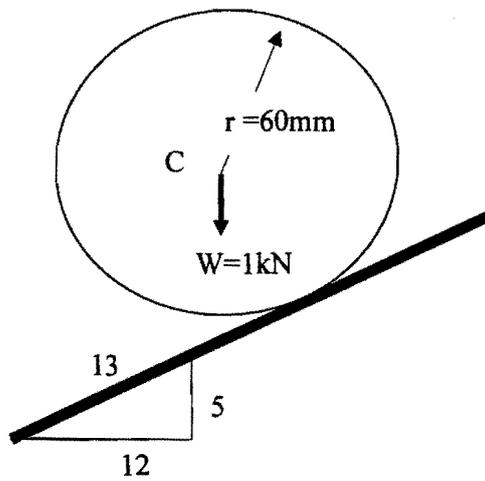


Figure 3

Question 4

- a) List the uses of the following types of copper and its alloys:
- i) Phosphorus deoxidized arsenical copper (3 marks)
 - ii) High-tensile brass (8 marks)
 - iii) Gunmetal (4 marks)
- b) List the uses of Nylon in light engineering components the uses pertaining to it being non-toxic. (10 marks)

Question 5

Define the following properties of raw materials required for forming processes and for each property state the process or processes in which the property is required.

- i) Fluidity, (5 marks)
- ii) Ductility, (5 marks)
- iii) Malleability, (5 marks)
- iv) Plasticity, and (5 marks)
- v) Toughness. (5 marks)