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(Mechanics)

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The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

1. Choose the correct answer : **(any six)** 1×6=6
- (a) A particle in equilibrium under the action of several forces satisfies-
- (i) the sum of forces is constant
 - (ii) the forces are perpendicular to each other
 - (iii) the sum of forces is zero
 - (iv) the resultant force is not zero

- (b) The coefficient of static friction depends on-
- (i) the nature of the surfaces in contact
 - (ii) the area of contact
 - (iii) the speed of the moving object
 - (iv) the temperature of the environment
- (c) The centre of gravity of an object is-
- (i) the point where the entire weight of the object acts
 - (ii) the point where the mass of the object is zero
 - (iii) the point where the volume of the object is maximum
 - (iv) the point where density is minimum
- (d) The total work done by a conservative force over a closed path is-
- (i) always zero
 - (ii) always positive
 - (iii) always negative
 - (iv) dependent on the shape of the path
- (e) In Simple Harmonic Motion, the restoring force is proportional to-
- (i) the velocity
 - (ii) the displacement from the equilibrium position
 - (iii) the acceleration
 - (iv) the mass of the object

- (f) The time period of a simple pendulum is proportional to-
- (i) the mass of the pendulum bob
 - (ii) the square root of its length
 - (iii) the amplitude of oscillation
 - (iv) the gravitational force acting on the pendulum
- (g) In projectile motion, the horizontal range is maximum when the angle of projection is-
- (i) 30°
 - (ii) 45°
 - (iii) 60°
 - (iv) 90°
- (h) The velocity of a particle in curvilinear motion has two components, which are-
- (i) radial and normal
 - (ii) tangential and normal
 - (iii) radial and transverse
 - (iv) radial and longitudinal

- (i) Work is defined as-
- (i) force divided by distance
 - (ii) force times distance
 - (iii) force times velocity
 - (iv) velocity divided by time
- (j) Newton's First Law is also known as :
- (i) Law of force
 - (ii) Law of action and reaction
 - (iii) Law of acceleration
 - (iv) Law of inertia

2. Answer the following questions : **(any five)**

$$2 \times 5 = 10$$

- (a) A particle moves along a straight line such that its displacement x , from a point on the line at time t , is given by.

$$x = t^3 - 9t^2 + 24t + 6.$$

Determine :

- (i) the instant when the acceleration becomes zero
- (ii) the position of the particle at that instant.

- (b) State the necessary and sufficient conditions for equilibrium of rigid bodies in two-dimension.
- (c) The position vector and force are $2\hat{i} - 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ and $20\hat{i} - 260\hat{j} + 320\hat{k}$ respectively. Find the moment of the force about the origin and also find the scalar quantity of the moment.
- (d) What is the relationship between radial and transverse components of velocity?
- (e) State Newton's Third Law of Motion with an example.
- (f) Define centre of gravity and give one example.
- (g) Explain the difference between static and kinetic friction.

3. Answer the following questions : **(any six)**

$$5 \times 6 = 30$$

- (a) Show that a system of coplanar forces acting upon a rigid body will keep it in equilibrium, if the algebraic sum of the moment of the forces about each of three non-collinear points vanish.

- (b) Two rough particles connected by a light string rest on an inclined plane. If their weights and corresponding coefficients of friction are w_1, w_2 and μ_1, μ_2 respectively. Show that greatest inclination of the plane for equilibrium is $\tan^{-1} \left[\frac{(\mu_1 w_1 + \mu_2 w_2)}{(w_1 + w_2)} \right]$
- (c) Find the centre of gravity of the sector of a circle subtending an angle 2α at the centre of the circle.
- (d) A particle moves in a straight line with constant acceleration x_1, x_2, x_3 and its distances from the origin O on the line at times t_1, t_2, t_3 and x_1, x_2, x_3 respectively. Show that if t_1, t_2, t_3 form an A.P whose common difference is d and x_1, x_2, x_3 are G.P., then the acceleration is $(\sqrt{x_1} - \sqrt{x_3})^2 / d^2$.
- (e) The maximum velocity of a body moving with Simple Harmonic Motion is 2 ft/sec . and its period is $\frac{1}{5}\text{ sec}$. What is its amplitude?
- (f) State Newton's 2nd Law of Motion. Establish the relation $P = mf$. (where P, m, f are usual meaning)
- (g) A particle projected from a point O with velocity v in a direction making an angle of elevation α with the horizontal direction. Show that the kinetic energy of the particle on the projectile at $P(x, y)$ is given by $K = mgH - mgy$, where $H = v^2 / 2g$.
- (h) If R be the horizontal range and h the greatest height of a projectile, prove that the initial velocity is $\left[2g \left(h + \frac{R^2}{16h} \right) \right]^{1/2}$.
- (i) A body of mass 10 kg is pushed on a surface with a force of 50 N . The coefficient of kinetic friction is 0.3 . Calculate the acceleration of a body.
- (j) What is a simple pendulum? Derive an expression for its time period.

4. Answer the following questions : **(any two)**
 $10 \times 2 = 20$

(a) Three forces P, Q, R act along the sides of a triangle formed by the line $x+y=1, y-x=1$ and $y=2$. Find the equation of the line of action of the resultant.

(b) A body is placed on a rough inclined plane, which makes an angle greater than angle of friction with the horizontal, and is prevented from moving by a force acting parallel to the line of greatest slope. Find the limits of this force.

(c) The trajectory of a projectile in vacuum is the parabola, $y = x \tan \alpha - \frac{1}{2} g \frac{x^2}{u^2 \cos^2 \alpha}$ where u is the initial velocity of the projectile, α the angle of projection. Find the Latus-Rectum, Vertex. Focus and Directrix of the trajectory.

(d) Explain the concept of tangential and normal components of a acceleration for a particle moving along a curve.

5. Answer the following questions : **(any one)**
 $14 \times 1 = 14$

(a) A uniform rod of length ' a ' hangs against a smooth vertical wall being supported by means of a string of length ' l ', tied to one end of the rod, the other end of the string attached to a point in the wall; show that the rod can rest inclined to the wall at an angle θ given by $\cos^2 \theta = (l^2 - a^2) / 3a^2$,

What are the limits of the ratio of $a:l$ that the equilibrium may be possible?
 $10+4=14$

(b) (i) Find the C.G. of the region bounded by the parabola $x^2 = 4ay$, x -axis and the ordinate $x = b$. 7

(ii) Find the least force ' P ' required to pull a body of weight ' w ' on a rough horizontal plane. The force ' P ' makes an angle α with the horizontal and the λ the angle of friction. 7

(c) (i) If t be regarded as a function of velocity v , Prove that the rate of decrease of acceleration is given by $f^3 (d^2 t / dv^2)$, f being the acceleration. 7

- (ii) If a pendulum of length l makes n complete oscillations in s given time. Show that if the length be changed to $l+l'$, the number of oscillations lost is $nl'/(2l)$. 7
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