

DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED MECHANICS
MAJOR TEST (I-SEMESTER, 2006-2007)
AML110: MECHANICS

Time allowed: 2 hour
 Maximum Marks: 80

Answer all the questions. Each question carries 10 Marks. Take $g = 9.81 \text{ m/sec}^2$

Q. 1. For the structure shown in Fig 1, determine the force in the cable EF.

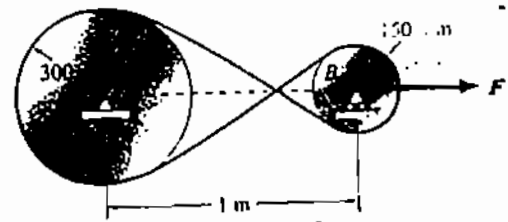
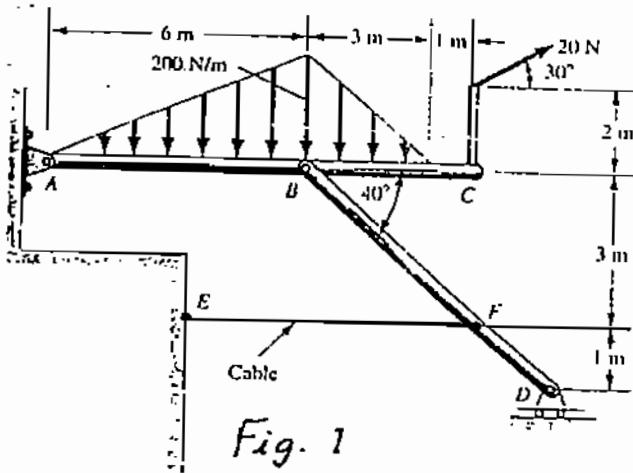


Fig. 2

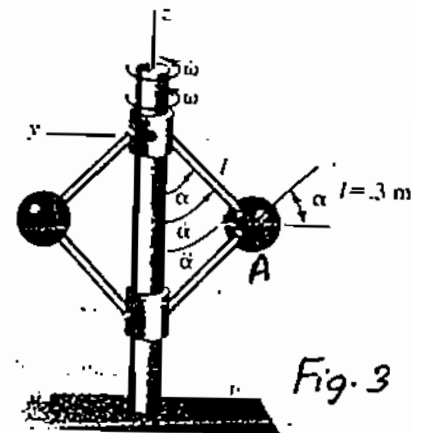
Q. 2. What minimum force F is needed so that drum A (Fig. 2) can transmit a clockwise torque of 700 N-m without slipping? The coefficient of friction between A and the belt is 0.7 . What minimum coefficient of static friction is needed between drum B and belt for no slipping?

Q. 3. A flyball governor has (Fig 3) the following data at the instant of interest:

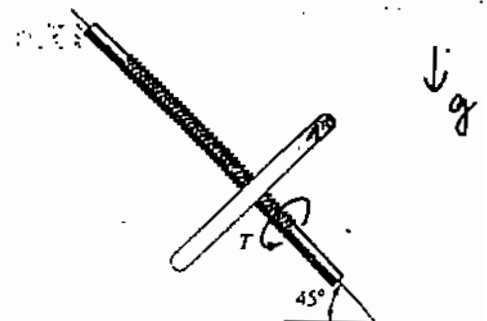
$$\omega = 0.2 \text{ rad/sec}; \dot{\omega} = 0.04 \text{ rad/sec}^2; \alpha = 45^\circ;$$

$$\omega = \quad \dot{\alpha} = 5 \text{ rad/sec}; \ddot{\alpha} = 0.2 \text{ rad/sec}^2$$

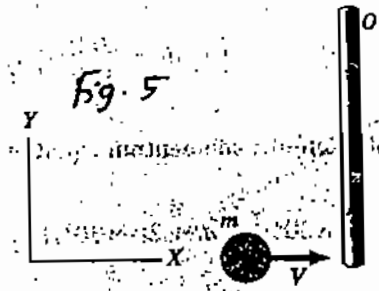
If at this instant, the arms are in the xz plane, give the velocity and acceleration vectors of the sphere A using cylindrical coordinates for the axial, transverse and radial directions.



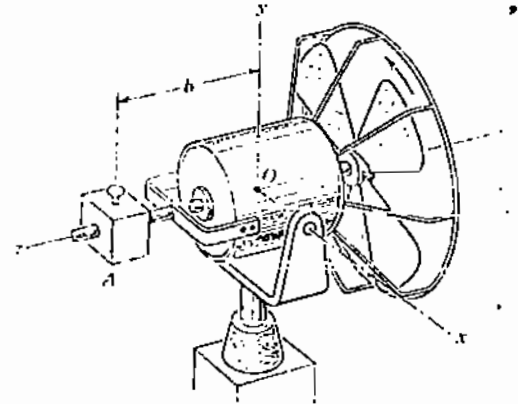
Q. 4. A square-threaded screw has a diameter of 50 mm and is inclined 45° to the horizontal as shown in Fig 4. The pitch of the thread is 5 mm , and it is single-threaded. A body A weighing 290 N and having a radius of gyration of 300 mm screws onto the shaft. A torque T of 45 N-m is applied to A as shown. What is the angular speed of A after three revolutions starting from a rest configuration? Neglect friction.



- Q. 5. A 22-N sphere moving at a speed of 10 m/sec hits the end of a 1-m rod having a mass of 10 kg (Fig 5). The coefficient of restitution for the impact is 0.9. What is the post-impact angular velocity of the rod if it is stationary just before impact? The rod is pinned at O.

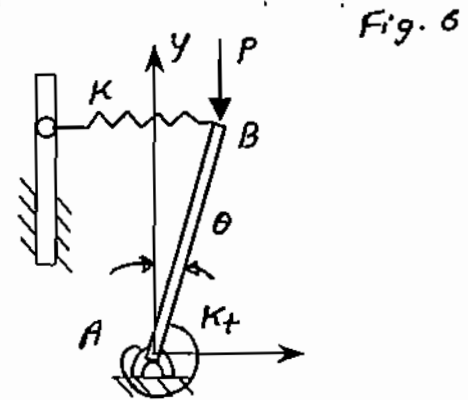


- Q. 6. The special-purpose fan is mounted as shown in Fig 6. The motor armature, shaft and blades have a combined mass of 2.2 kg with radius of gyration of 60 mm. The axial position b of the 0.8 kg block A can be adjusted. With the fan turned off, the unit is balanced about the X - axis when $b = 180$ mm. The motor and fan operate at 1725 rev/min in the direction shown. Determine the value of b that will produce a constant angular speed of 0.2 rad/sec about the positive y axis.



- Q 7) a) State the conditions for balancing a body that is constrained to rotate about a fixed axis (say z axis). (2)

b) A light rod AB (of length L) is hinged at A and connected to a linear spring (of constant k) which is always horizontal as shown. At the hinged end a torsional spring is connected (of constant k_t). A constant vertical load P acts at B. Both the springs are undeformed for $\theta=0$. (Note: the energy stored in a torsional spring for an angular deflection θ is $\frac{1}{2} k_t \theta^2$).



- i) Write the expression for the combined potential energy $V(\theta)$.
 ii) Derive the condition that the equilibrium configuration(s) must satisfy and show that $\theta = 0$ is an equilibrium configuration.
 iii) Discuss the stability of the equilibrium at $\theta = 0$.

- Q 8) A thin uniform rod of mass per unit length, λ , is welded to a light vertical rod that can rotate about a fixed vertical axis. An external torque M_0 acts on the vertical shaft and makes the system rotate at angular speed ω and angular acceleration $\dot{\omega}$ as shown. Determine the force \vec{F}_O and the couple \vec{C}_O acting at a section just to the left of O as shown. Hence determine the axial force, shear force, twisting moment and bending moment at that section. (10)

