

B.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2019
II Year IV Semester
STATICS

Time : 3 Hours

Max.marks :75

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8. What is arm and axis of a couple?
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14. Let O be the orthocentre of the triangle ABC . If forces of magnitude P , $Q < R$ acting along OA , Ob , OC are in equilibrium, show that $\frac{P}{a} = \frac{Q}{b} = \frac{R}{c}$.
15. A uniform plank AB of length $2a$ and weight W is supported horizontally on two horizontal pegs C and D at a distance d apart. The greatest weights that can be placed at the two ends in succession without upsetting the plank are W_1 and W_2 respectively. Show that $\frac{W_1}{W + W_1} + \frac{W_2}{W + W_2} = \frac{d}{a}$.

16. Show that the moment of a couple is independent of the point about which the moment is obtained.
17. A rod of length $5a$ is bent so as to form five sides of a regular hexagon. Show that its centre of mass is at a distance $a\sqrt{1.33}$ from either end of the rod.
18. Let E be the midpoint of the side CD of a square $ABCD$. Forces $16, 20, 4\sqrt{5}, 12\sqrt{2}$ act along $\overline{AB}, \overline{AD}, \overline{EA}, \overline{CA}$. Show that they are in equilibrium.
19. Find the mass centre of triangular lamina.

Section C ($3 \times 10 = 30$) Marks

Answer any **THREE** questions

20. Find the magnitude and direction of the resultant of two forces \vec{F}_1 and \vec{F}_2 .
21. Find the least force required to drag a particle on a rough horizontal plane and show that the least force acts in a direction making with the horizontal, an angle equal to the angle of friction.
22. State and prove Varignon's theorem.
23. P, Q, R are points on the sides BC, CA, AB of a triangle ABC , dividing them internally in the same ratio $1 + \lambda : 1 - \lambda$. Show that the forces $\overline{AP}, \overline{BQ}, \overline{CR}$ acting at A, B, C are equivalent to a couple of moment $2\lambda\Delta$, where Δ is the area of the triangle ABC .
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