

**BIRLA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, MESRA, RANCHI**  
(MID SEMESTER EXAMINATION SP/2025)

CLASS: BARCH  
BRANCH: ARCHITECTURE

SEMESTER : II  
SESSION : SP/2025

SUBJECT: AR153 STATICS AND STRENGTH OF MATERIALS

TIME: 02 Hours

FULL MARKS: 25

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. The question paper contains 5 questions each of 5 marks and total 25 marks.
2. Attempt all questions.
3. The missing data, if any, may be assumed suitably.
4. Tables/Data handbook/Graph paper etc., if applicable, will be supplied to the candidates

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| Q.1(a) Explain the conditions of equilibrium of a body subjected to co-planar and concurrent system of forces?   | [2] | 1  | 2  |
| Q.1(b) The 20 kg homogeneous smooth sphere rests on the two inclined surfaces as shown in figure 1. Determine the reaction forces at the contact points A and B. | [3] | 1  | 3  |

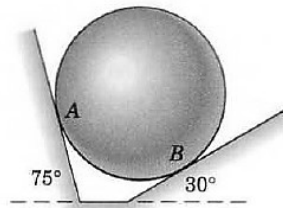


Figure 1

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| Q.2(a) Explain resultant of a system of forces with example.   | [2] | 1 | 2 |
| Q.2(b) Determine and locate the resultant of the two forces and one couple acting on the beam as shown in Figure 2. The beam is fixed at left. | [3] | 1 | 3 |

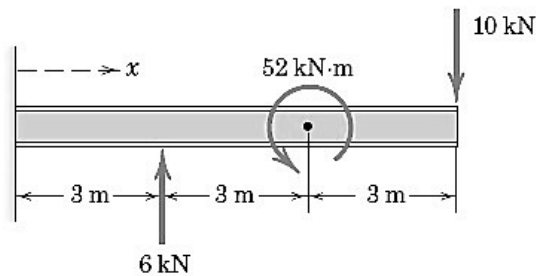


Figure 2

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| Q.3(a) Explain the terms: Plane truss and Simple truss.  | [2] | 2 | 2 |
| Q.3(b) Calculate the forces acting through the members AD and DC of the truss shown in Figure 3. Use method of joints. | [3] | 2 | 3 |

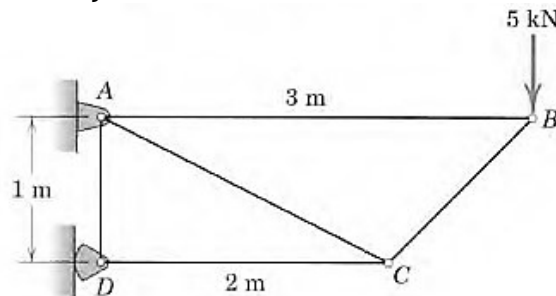


Figure 3

- Q.4(a) Illustrate the assumptions followed to analyze a plane truss problem. [2] 2 3  
 Q.4(b) Calculate the forces in members BC, BE, and EF of the truss shown in Figure 4. Use [3] 2 3  
 method of sections.

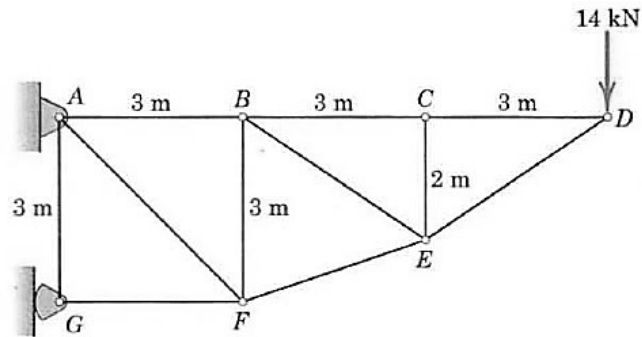


Figure 4

- Q.5 Determine the location of the centroid of the area under the parabola about the x-axis as shown in Figure 5. [5] 3 3

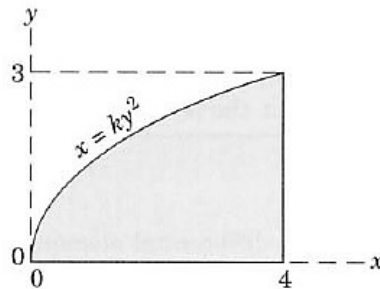


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