

- (b) Find the centre of gravity of a quadrilateral lamina.
6. (a) State and prove the principle of virtual work.
- (b) State and prove Newton's laws of motion.
7. (a) Find the resultant of two simple harmonic motions of the same period and in the same straight line.
- (b) In a S.H.M., if  $f$  be acceleration and  $V$  be the velocity at any time and  $T$  is the periodic time, prove that
- $$f^2 T^2 + 4 \pi^2 v^2$$
- is constant.
8. (a) Show that the path of a projectile is a parabola.
- (b) If a particle is projected from a point  $O$  on a plane of inclination  $\beta$  with a velocity  $u$  making an angle  $\alpha$  with the horizontal then find the range on the plane.

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*Answer any FIVE questions.*

*All questions carry equal marks.*

1. (a) State and prove Zami's theorem.

(b) ABC is a given triangle. Forces  $\vec{P}$ ,  $\vec{Q}$ ,  $\vec{R}$  acting along the lines OA, OB, OC are in equilibrium.

**Turn over**

Prove that

$$(i) \quad P : Q : R = a^2(b^2 + c^2 - a^2) \\ = b^2(c^2 + a^2 - b^2) = c^2(a^2 + b^2 - c^2)$$

if O is the ortho center of the triangle.

$$(ii) \quad P : Q : R = \cos \frac{A}{2} : \cos \frac{B}{2} : \cos \frac{C}{2}$$

if O is the incenter of the triangle.

2. (a) OA, OB, OC are the lines of action of two forces P and Q and their resultant R respectively. Any transversal meets the line in L, M, N respectively: prove that

$$\frac{P}{OL} + \frac{Q}{OM} = \frac{R}{ON}$$

- (b) Forces of 2,  $\sqrt{3}$ ,  $5\sqrt{3}$  2 kgs wt. respectively act at one of the angular points of a regular hexagon towards the five others in order. Find the direction and magnitude of the resultant.
3. (a) Two unlike parallel forces  $\overline{P}$  and  $\overline{Q}$  acting on a rigid body at A and B respectively by interchanged in position. Show that the point of application of the resultant

AB will be displaced along AB through a distance

$$\frac{P + Q}{P - Q} \cdot AB.$$

- (b) State and prove Varignon's theorem of moments.
4. (a) Prove the resultant of any number of couples in the same plane on a rigid body is a single couple whose moment is equal to the algebraic sum of the moments of the several couples.
- (b) Derive the equation to the line of action of the resultant for a number of forces acting on a rigid body.
5. (a) A ladder AB rests with A resting on the ground and B against a vertical wall, the co-efficients of friction of the ground and the wall being  $\mu$  and  $\mu'$  respectively. The centre of gravity G of the ladder divides AB in the ratio  $l : n$ . If the ladder is on the point of slipping at both ends, show that its inclination to the ground by

$$\tan \theta = \frac{1 - n \mu \mu'}{(n + 1) \mu}$$

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