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B.Sc.Mathematics - END SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS - APRIL 2025

SEMESTER - IV

20UMACT4008 - Statics

Total Duration : 2 Hrs.30 Mins.

Total Marks : 60

Section B

Answer any **SIX** questions ($6 \times 5 = 30$ Marks)

- The magnitude of the resultant of two given forces P, Q is R . If Q is doubled, then R is doubled. If Q is reversed then also R is doubled.
Show that $P:Q:R = \sqrt{2}:\sqrt{3}:\sqrt{2}$.
- A weight is supported on a smooth plane of inclination α by a string inclined to the horizon at an angle γ . If the slope of the plane be increased to β and the slope of the sting be unaltered, the tension of the string is doubled.
Prove that $\cot \alpha - 2\cot \beta = \tan \gamma$.
- If two like parallel forces of magnitude $P, Q (P > Q)$, acting on a rigid body at A,B, are interchanged in position, show that the line of action of the resultant is displaced through a distance $\frac{AB(P - Q)}{P + Q}$.
- $ABCDEF$ is a regular hexagon. Forces $P, 2P, 3P, 4P, 5P, 6P$ act along AB, BC, CD, DE, EF, AF . Prove that the six forces are equivalent to a couple and find the moment of the couple.
- Find the centre of gravity of a uniform quadrant of an elliptic lamina.
- If E is 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.
- Three forces of magnitudes P, Q, R acting at a point being parallel to the sides of a triangle, are in equilibrium. If another set of forces of magnitudes P', Q', R' acting at a point being parallel to the sides of the same triangle, are also in equilibrium. Show that $\frac{P}{P'} = \frac{Q}{Q'} = \frac{R}{R'}$.
- Find the resultant of two parallel forces acting on a rigid body.

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Section C

Answer any **THREE** questions ($3 \times 10 = 30$ Marks)

9. Two forces of magnitudes F_1 and F_2 act at a point. They are inclined at an angle α . If the forces are interchanged, prove that their resultant is turned through the angle $2 \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{F_1 - F_2}{F_1 + F_2} \tan \frac{\alpha}{2} \right)$.
10. State and prove Lami's theorem.
11. State and prove Varignon's theorem.
12. Five equal forces act along the sides AB, BC, CD, DE, EF of a regular hexagon. Prove that the sum of the moments of these forces about any point Q on FA is a constant.
13. Find the centre of gravity of a solid hemisphere.
