

Forces

Question paper 1

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Sub Topic	Forces
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- 1 (a) The Young modulus of the metal of a wire is 1.8×10^{11} Pa. The wire is extended and the strain produced is 8.2×10^{-4} . Calculate the stress in GPa.

stress =GPa [2]

- (b) An electromagnetic wave has frequency 12THz.

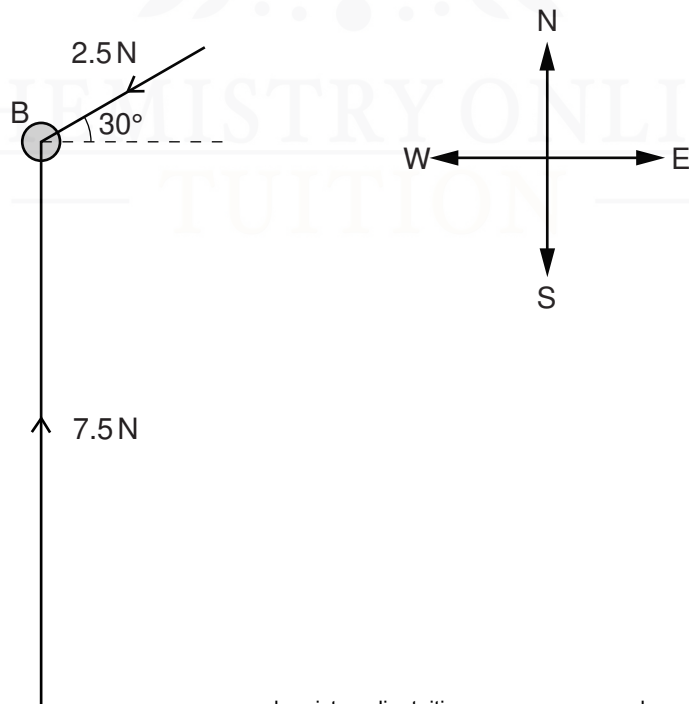
- (i) Calculate the wavelength in μm .

wavelength = μm [2]

- (ii) State the name of the region of the electromagnetic spectrum for this frequency.

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- (c) An object B is on a horizontal surface. Two forces act on B in this horizontal plane. A vector diagram for these forces is shown to scale in Fig. 1.1.



A force of 7.5 N towards north and a force of 2.5 N from 30° north of east act on B.
The mass of B is 750 g.

(i) On Fig. 1.1, draw an arrow to show the approximate direction of the resultant of these two forces. [1]

(ii) 1. Show that the magnitude of the resultant force on B is 6.6 N.

[1]

2. Calculate the magnitude of the acceleration of B produced by this resultant force.

magnitude = ms^{-2} [2]

(iii) Determine the angle between the direction of the acceleration and the direction of the 7.5 N force.

angle = ° [1]

- 2 A uniform plank AB of length 5.0m and weight 200N is placed across a stream, as shown in Fig. 3.1.

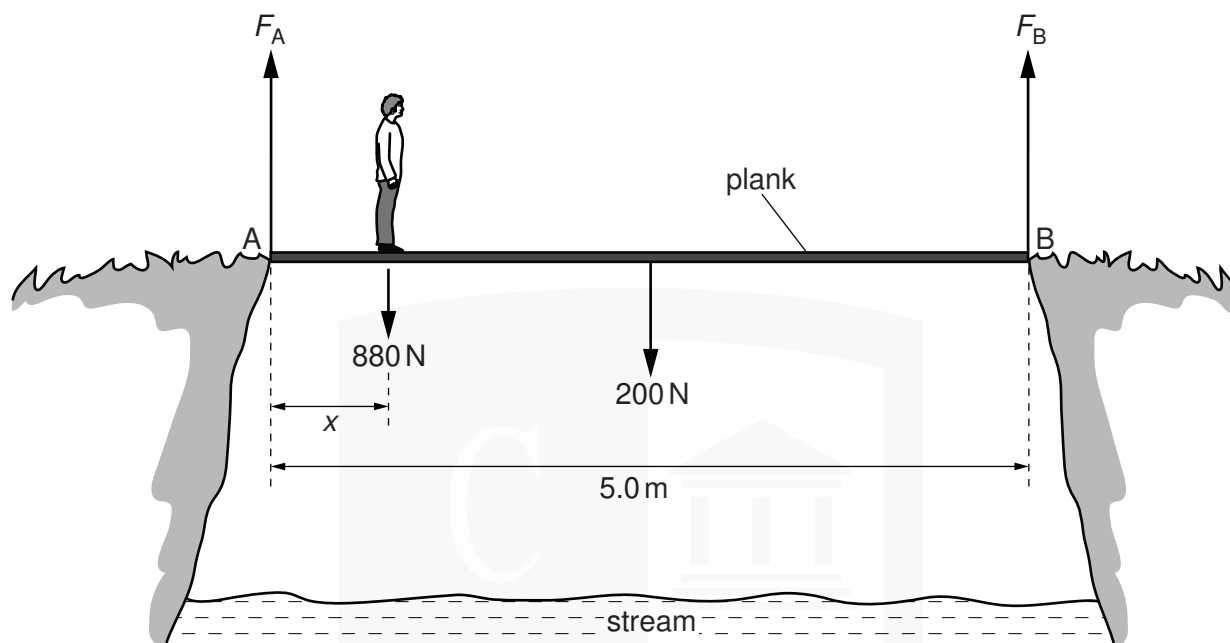


Fig. 3.1

A man of weight 880N stands a distance x from end A. The ground exerts a vertical force F_A on the plank at end A and a vertical force F_B on the plank at end B. As the man moves along the plank, the plank is always in equilibrium.

- (a) (i) Explain why the sum of the forces F_A and F_B is constant no matter where the man stands on the plank.

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- (ii) The man stands a distance $x = 0.50\text{m}$ from end A. Use the principle of moments to calculate the magnitude of F_B .

(b) The variation with distance x of force F_A is shown in Fig. 3.2.

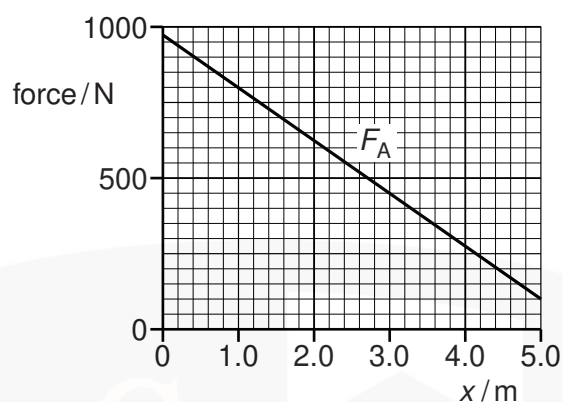


Fig. 3.2

On the axes of Fig. 3.2, sketch a graph to show the variation with x of force F_B .

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- 3 (a) Distinguish between *mass* and *weight*.

mass:

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weight:

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[2]

- (b) An object O of mass 4.9 kg is suspended by a rope A that is fixed at point P. The object is pulled to one side and held in equilibrium by a second rope B, as shown in Fig. 2.1.

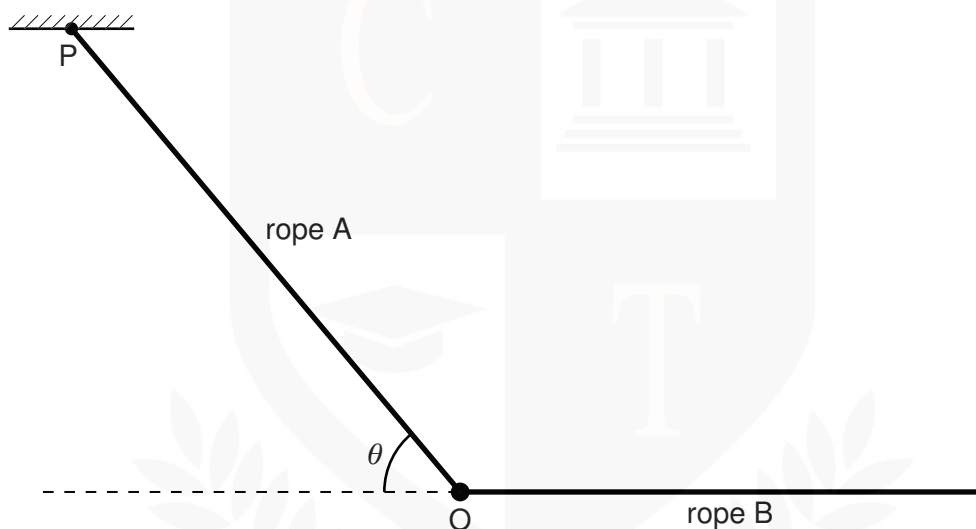


Fig. 2.1

Rope A is at an angle θ to the horizontal and rope B is horizontal. The tension in rope A is 69 N and the tension in rope B is T .

- (i) On Fig. 2.1, draw arrows to represent the directions of all the forces acting on object O. [2]

(ii) Calculate

1. the angle θ ,

$\theta = \dots\dots\dots^\circ$ [3]

2. the tension T .

$T = \dots\dots\dots$ N [2]

- 4 (a) Define *centre of gravity*.

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- (b) A uniform rod AB is attached to a vertical wall at A. The rod is held horizontally by a string attached at B and to point C, as shown in Fig. 3.1.

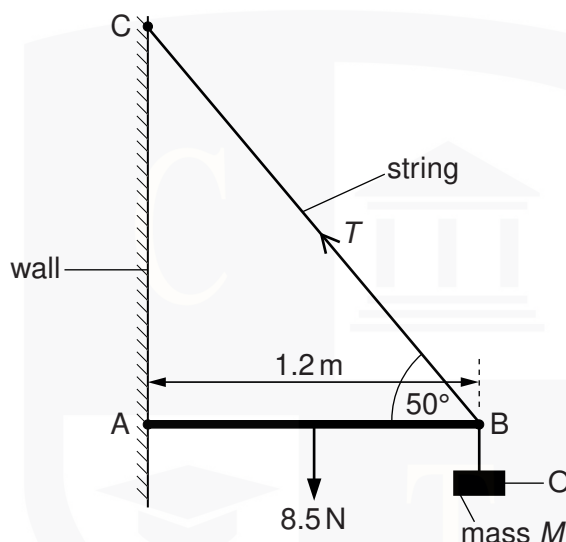


Fig. 3.1

The angle between the rod and the string at B is 50° . The rod has length 1.2 m and weight 8.5 N. An object O of mass M is hung from the rod at B. The tension T in the string is 30 N.

- (i) Use the resolution of forces to calculate the vertical component of T .

vertical component of $T = \dots\dots\dots$ N [1]

- (ii) State the *principle of moments*.

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- (iii) Use the principle of moments and take moments about A to show that the weight of the object O is 19 N.

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- (iv) Hence determine the mass M of the object O.

$M = \dots\dots\dots$ kg [1]

- (c) Use the concept of equilibrium to explain why a force must act on the rod at A.

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- 5 (a) Define *power*.

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- (b) A cyclist travels along a horizontal road. The variation with time t of speed v is shown in Fig. 3.1.

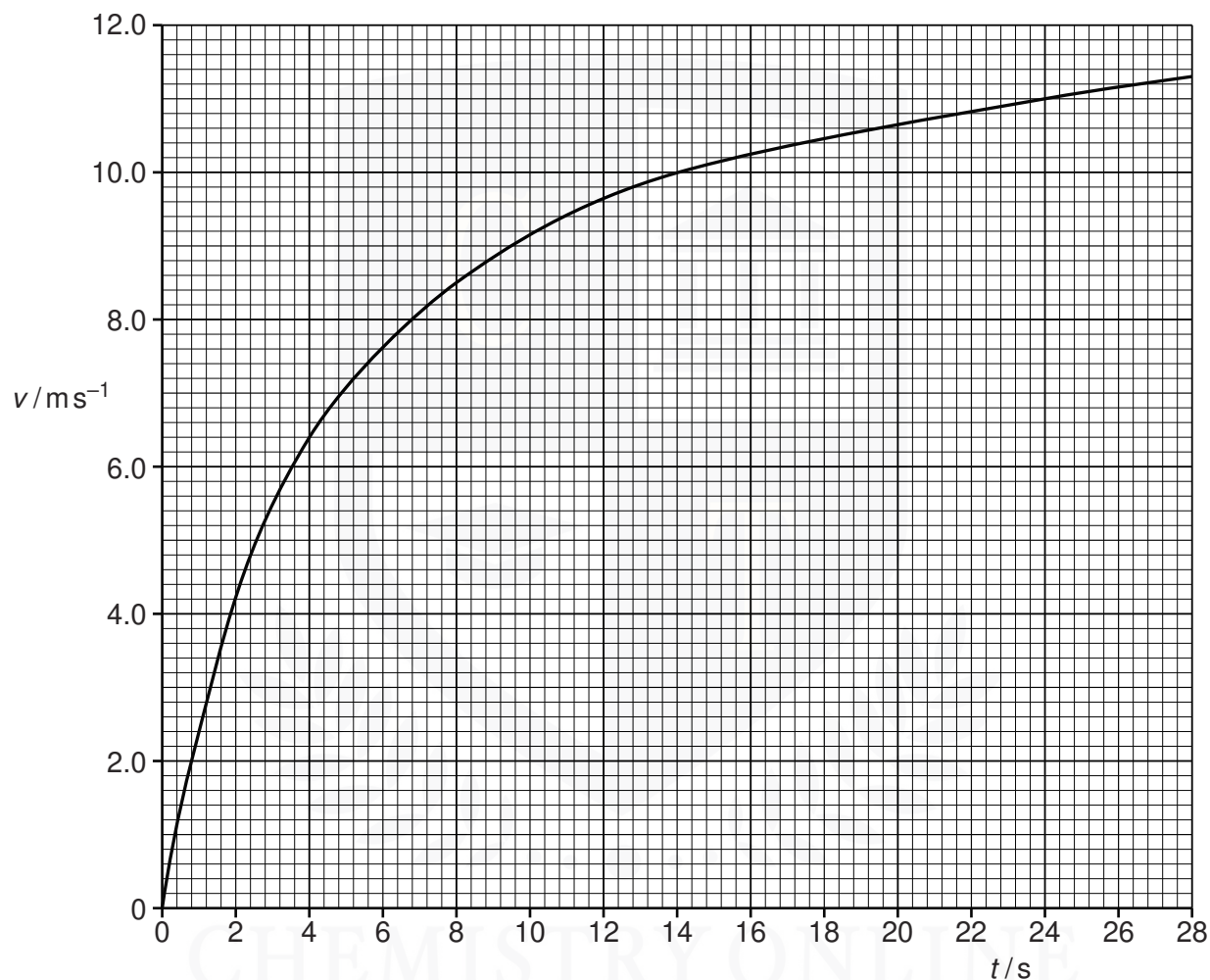


Fig. 3.1

The cyclist maintains a constant power and after some time reaches a constant speed of 12 ms^{-1} .

- (i) Describe and explain the motion of the cyclist.

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- (ii) When the cyclist is moving at a constant speed of 12 m s^{-1} the resistive force is 48 N . Show that the power of the cyclist is about 600 W . Explain your working.

[2]

- (iii) Use Fig. 3.1 to show that the acceleration of the cyclist when his speed is 8.0 m s^{-1} is about 0.5 m s^{-2} .

[2]

- (iv) The total mass of the cyclist and bicycle is 80 kg . Calculate the resistive force R acting on the cyclist when his speed is 8.0 m s^{-1} . Use the value for the acceleration given in (iii).

$R = \dots\dots\dots \text{ N}$ [3]

- (v) Use the information given in (ii) and your answer to (iv) to show that, in this situation, the resistive force R is proportional to the speed v of the cyclist.

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- 6 A motor drags a log of mass 452 kg up a slope by means of a cable, as shown in Fig. 2.1.

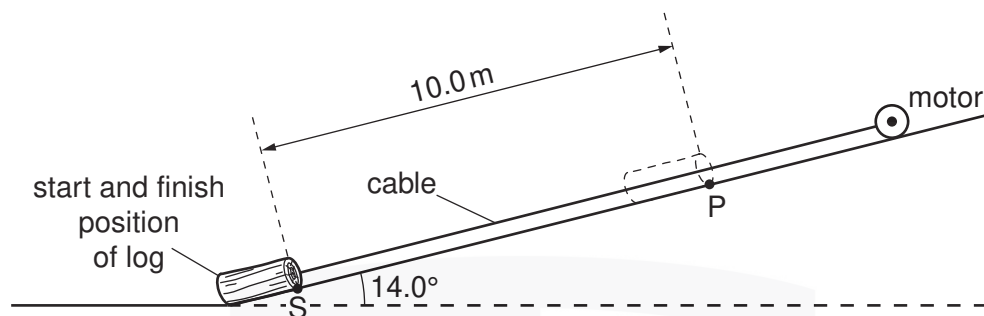


Fig. 2.1

The slope is inclined at 14.0° to the horizontal.

- (a) Show that the component of the weight of the log acting down the slope is 1070 N.

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- (b) The log starts from rest. A constant frictional force of 525 N acts on the log. The log accelerates up the slope at 0.130 m s^{-2} .

- (i) Calculate the tension in the cable.

tension = N [3]

- (ii) The log is initially at rest at point S. It is pulled through a distance of 10.0 m to point P.

Calculate, for the log,

1. the time taken to move from S to P,

time = s [2]

2. the magnitude of the velocity at P.

velocity = ms^{-1} [1]

- (c) The cable breaks when the log reaches point P. On Fig. 2.2, sketch the variation with time t of the velocity v of the log. The graph should show v from the start at S until the log returns to S. [4]

