

UNIVERSITY OF SASKATCHEWAN  
 GE 226.3 – MECHANICS III  
 FINAL EXAM – APRIL 12, 2002

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3 HOURS

CLOSED BOOK, CALCULATORS PERMITTED. SHOW YOUR WORK.  
 ANSWER ALL 5 QUESTIONS. ALL QUESTIONS HAVE EQUAL VALUE.  
 GIVE FINAL ANSWERS TO 3 SIGNIFICANT FIGURES.

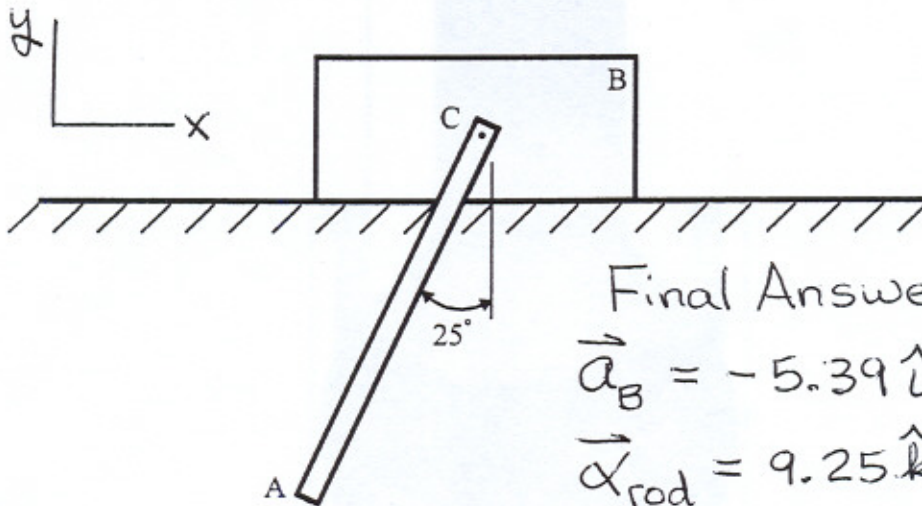
FORMULAE:

$$\vec{v}_B = \vec{v}_A + \vec{\omega} \times \vec{r}_{B/A}$$

$$\vec{a}_B = \vec{a}_A + \vec{\alpha} \times \vec{r}_{B/A} - \omega^2 \vec{r}_{B/A}$$

Additional formulae are appended to the end of the examination paper.

1. A uniform rod AC, of weight 30 lb and length 3 ft, is pin-connected to the 40-lb block B. The system is released from rest in the position shown. There is no friction between the block and the horizontal surface.



Final Answers:

$$\vec{a}_B = -5.39 \hat{i} \text{ ft/s}^2$$

$$\vec{\alpha}_{\text{rod}} = 9.25 \hat{k} \text{ rad/s}^2$$

For the instant immediately after the system has been released from rest, determine

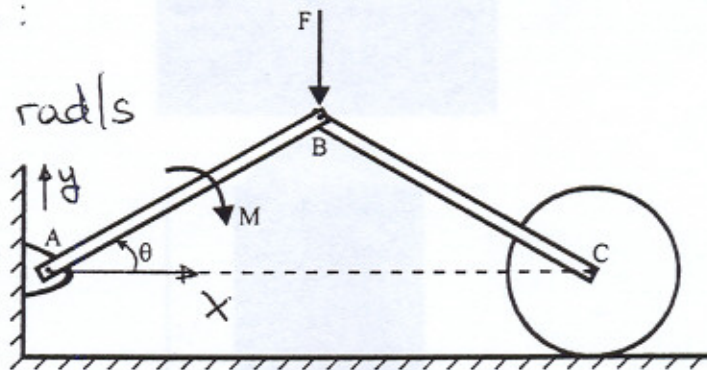
- (a) the acceleration of the block, and
- (b) the angular acceleration of the rod.

2. The linkage shown is released from rest at  $\theta = 30^\circ$ . During the motion, a constant vertical force  $F = 50 \text{ N}$  is applied at point B, and a constant clockwise torque  $M = 20 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$  is applied to link AB, as shown. Each of links AB and BC has a mass of 2 kg and a length of 800 mm. The solid circular disk, which rolls on the horizontal surface without slipping, has a mass of 3 kg and a radius of 250 mm.

Final Answers:

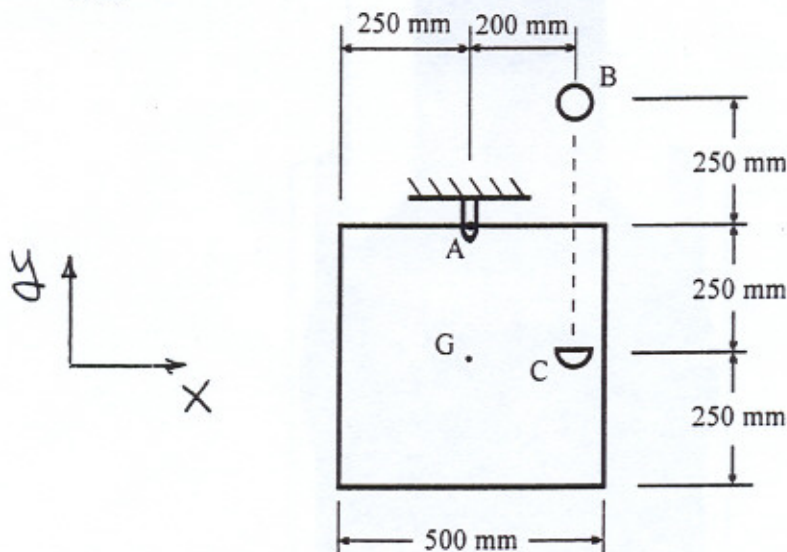
$$\vec{\omega}_{AB} = -6.27 \hat{k} \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\vec{\omega}_{BC} = -\vec{\omega}_{AB} = 6.27 \hat{k} \text{ rad/s}$$



Determine the angular velocity of link AB and the angular velocity of link BC when  $\theta = 10^\circ$ .

3. An 8-kg wooden panel is suspended from a pin support at A and is initially at rest. A 2-kg metal sphere is released from rest at B and falls into a hemispherical cup C attached to the panel at the same level as the mass center G. The hemispherical cup has negligible mass.

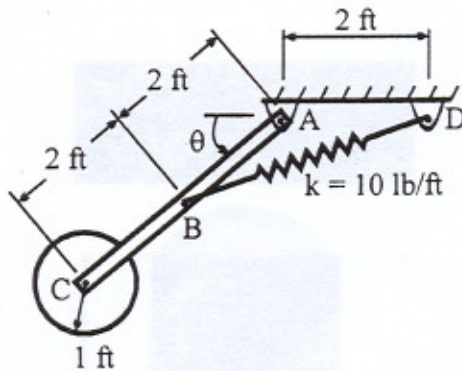


Final Answer:  
 $\vec{U}_G = -0.302 \hat{i} \text{ m/s}$

Assuming that the impact is perfectly plastic, determine the velocity of the mass center G of the panel immediately after impact.



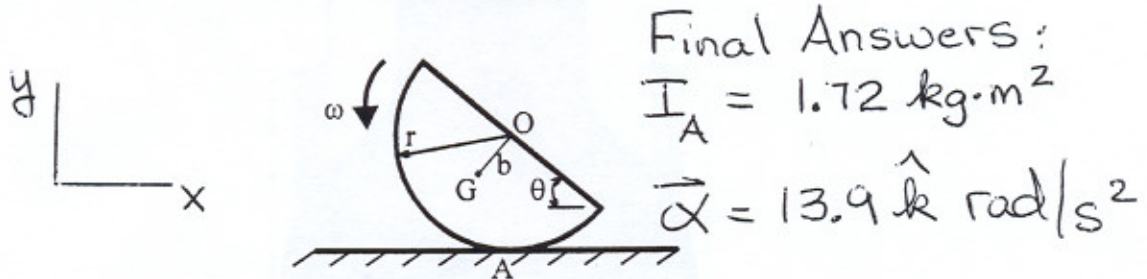
4. The assembly consists of a 5-lb slender rod AC to which is pin-connected a 12-lb disk and spring BD. The spring in its unstretched state has a length of 1 ft. The disk has a radius of 1 ft.



Final Answer:  
 $\vec{\omega}_{rod} = (3.12 \frac{rad}{s}) \hat{k}$

If the rod is brought into the horizontal position  $\theta = 0^\circ$ , and the disk is given a counterclockwise rotation of 3 rad/s when the rod is released from rest, determine the angular velocity of the rod at the instant  $\theta = 30^\circ$ .

5. The semicircular disk having a mass of 10 kg is rotating at  $\omega = 4 \text{ rad/s}$  at the instant  $\theta = 60^\circ$ . The disk has a radius  $r = 0.4 \text{ m}$  and its center of mass  $G$  is located a distance  $b = 0.170 \text{ m}$  from geometric center  $O$ . The coefficient of static friction at  $A$  is  $\mu_s = 0.5$  and the kinetic coefficient of friction at  $A$  is  $\mu_k = 0.4$ .



For the instant shown, determine the moment of inertia of the disk about point  $A$ . Also, find the angular acceleration of the disk at this instant.

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