FRICTION

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JEE (Advanced) Syllabus

Friction : Static and dynamic friction.

JEE (Main) Syllabus

Friction : Static and kinetic friction, laws of friction, rolling friction,

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When two bodies are kept in contact, electromagnetic forces act between the charged particles (molecules) at the surfaces of the bodies. Thus, each body exerts a contact force on the other. The magnitudes of the contact forces acting on the two bodies are equal but their directions are opposite and therefore the contact forces obey Newton's third law.



The direction of the contact force acting on a particular body is not necessarily perpendicular to the contact surface. We can resolve this contact force into two components, one perpendicular to the contact surface and the other parallel to it (figure. The perpendicular component is called the normal contact force or normal force (generally written as N) and the parallel component is called friction (generally written as f).

Therefore if R is contact force then

$$\mathsf{R} = \sqrt{\mathsf{f}^2 + \mathsf{N}^2}$$

REASONS FOR FRICTION

- (i) Inter-locking of extended parts of one object into the extended parts of the other object.
- (ii) Bonding between the molecules of the two surfaces or objects in contact.

Friction

FRICTION FORCE IS OF TWO TYPES.

a. Kinetic b. Static

(a) KINETIC FRICTION FORCE

Kinetic friction exists between two contact surfaces only when there is relative motion between the two contact surfaces. It stops acting when relative motion between two surfaces ceases.

DIRECTION OF KINECTIC FRICTION ON AN OBJECT

It is opposite to the relative velocity of the object with respect to the other object in contact considered. Note that its direction is not opposite to the force applied it is opposite to the relative motion of the body considered which is in contact with the other surface.

MAGNITUDE OF KINETIC FRICTION

The magnitude of the kinetic friction is proportional to the normal force acting between the two bodies. We can write

 $f_{k} = \mu_{k} N$

where N is the normal force. The proportionality constant µ, is called the coefficient of kinetic friction and its value depends on the nature of the two surfaces in contact.

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Example 1.	Find the direction of kinetic friction force (a) on the block, exerted by the ground. (b) on the ground, exerted by the block. F=1 N 1 Kg $V = 5 m/s$							
Solution :	(a) $f_1 \leftarrow f_1 \leftarrow f_1$ (b) $f_1 \leftarrow f_1$ (c) f_1 (c) $f_1 \leftarrow f_1$ (c) f_1 (c)							
	(b) $5m/s$ $(b) \xrightarrow{5m/s} f_{2}$							
	where f_1 and f_2 are the friction forces on the block and ground respectively.							
Example 2.	In above example correct relation between magnitude of f_1 and f_2 is (A) $f_1 > f_2$ (B) $f_2 > f_1$ (C) $f_1 = f_2$ (D) not possible to decide due to insufficient data.							
Solution :	By Newton's third law the above friction forces are action-reaction pair and equal but opposite to each other in direction. Hence (C). Also note that the direction of kinetic friction has nothing to do with applied force F.							
Example 3.	All surfaces as shown in the figure are rough. Draw the friction force on A & B $A \rightarrow 10m/s$ $B \rightarrow 20m/s$ mmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmmm							
Solution :								
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Example 7. A block is given a velocity of 10 m/s and a force of 100 N in addition to friction force is also acting on the block. Find the retardation of the block?

 \therefore t = $\sqrt{5}$ sec.



Solution : As there is relative motion

 $\therefore \text{ kinetic friction will act to reduce this relative motion.}$ $f_{k} = \mu N = 0.1 \times 10 \times 10 = 10 \text{ N}$ 100 + 10 = 10a $a = \frac{110}{10} = 11 \text{ m/s}^{2}$

(b) STATIC FRICTION

It exists between the two surfaces when there is tendency of relative motion but no relative motion along the two contact surface.

For example consider a bed inside a room ; when we gently push the bed with a finger, the bed does not move. This means that the bed has a tendency to move in the direction of applied force but does not move as there exists static friction force acting in the opposite direction of the applied force.

SOLVED EXAMPLE

Example 8. What is value of static friction force on the block?



Solution : In horizontal direction as acceleration is zero.

Therefore $\Sigma F = 0$.

 $\therefore f = 0$

Direction of static friction force :

The static friction force on an object is opposite to its impending motion relative to the surface.

Following steps should be followed in determining the direction of static friction force on an object.

- (i) Draw the free body diagram with respect to the other object on which it is kept.
- (ii) Include pseudo force also if contact surface is accelerating.
- (iii) Decide the resultant force and the component parallel to the surface of this resultant force.
- (iv) The direction of static friction is opposite to the above component of resultant force.

Note : Here once again the static friction is involved when there is no relative motion between two surfaces.

SOLVED EXAMPLE.

Example 9. In the following figure an object of mass M is kept on a rough table as seen from above. Forces are applied on it as shown. Find the direction of static friction if the object does not move.



Solution : In the above problem we first draw the free body diagram of find the resultant force.



As the object doe not move this is not a case of limiting friction. The direction of static friction is opposite to the direction of the resultant force F_{R} as shown in figure by f_{s} . Its magnitude is equal to 25 N.

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MAGNITUDE OF KINETIC AND STATIC FRICTION

KINETIC FRICTION:

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 $f_{k} = \mu_{k} N$

where N is the normal force. The proportionality constant μ_k is called the coefficient of kinetic friction and its value depends on the nature of the two surfaces in contact. If the surfaces are smooth μ_{ν} will be small, if the surfaces are rough μ_{ν} will be large. It also depends on the materials of the two bodies in contact.

Static friction :

The magnitude of static friction is equal and opposite to the external force exerted, till the object at which force is exerted is at rest. This means it is a variable and self adjusting force. However it has a maximum value called limiting friction.

$$f_{max} = \mu_s N$$

The actual force of static friction may be smaller than $\mu_0 N$ and its value depends on other forces acting on the body. The magnitude of frictional force is equal to that required to keep the body at relative rest.

$$0 \le f_s \le f_{sma}$$

Here μ_s and μ_k are proportionality constants. μ_s is called coefficient of static friction and μ_k is called coefficient of kinetic friction. They are dimensionless quantities independent of shape and area of contact. It is a property of the two contact

surfaces. $\mu_s > \mu_k$ for a given pair of surfaces. If not mentioned then $\mu_s = \mu_k$ can be taken. Value of μ can be from 0 to ∞ .



Following table gives a rough estimate of the values of coefficient of static friction between certain pairs of materials. The actual value depends on the degree of smoothness and other environmental factors. For example, wood may be prepared at various degrees of smoothness and the friction coefficient will vary.

Material	μ _s	Material	μ _s
Steel and steel	0.58	Copper and copper	1.60
Steel and brass	0.35	0.04	
Glass and glass	Glass and glass 1.00		1.0
Wood and wood	0.35	concrete road	1.0
Wood and metal	0.40	Rubber tyre on wet concrete road	0.7

SOLVED EXAMPLE-

Example 10. Find acceleration of block. Initially the block is at rest.

Solution : zero

Example 11.

Find out acceleration of the block. Initially the block is at rest.



Solution :



N + 24 − 100 = 0 for vertical direction ∴ N = 76 N Now $0 \le f_s \le \mu_s N$ $0 \leq f_s \leq 76 \times 0.5$

$$0 \le f_a \le 38 \text{ N}$$

- \therefore acceleration of block is zero.
- **Example 12.** Find out acceleration of the block for different ranges of F.

$$\begin{array}{c} & & \\ & &$$

Solution :

$$\begin{split} &0\leq f\leq \ \mu_s mg\\ &a=0 \ \ \text{if } F\leq \mu_s mg\\ &a=\frac{F-\mu Mg}{M} \ \ \text{if } F>\mu Mg \end{split}$$

 $0 \le f \le \mu_s N$

nple 13. Find out acceleration of the block. Initially the block is at rest.

$$\mu_{s} = 0.5$$

$$\mu_{k} = 0.3$$

Solution :

 $0 \le f_s \le 50$

 $0 \le f_s \le \mu_s N$

Now 51 > 50

:. Block will move but if the block starts moving then kinetic friction is involved. $K_F = \mu_k N = 0.3 \times 100 = 30 N$

$$30 \leftarrow 10 \rightarrow 51$$
 $\therefore 51 - 30 = 10 a$

N F

Example 14. Find out the minimum force that must be applied on the block vertically downwards so that the block doesn't move.

$$\begin{array}{c}
10 \text{kg} \\
10 \text{kg} \\
\mu=0.5
\end{array}$$

Solution :

$$f \leftarrow 10 \text{ kg} \rightarrow 100\text{ N}$$

$$f \leftarrow 10 \text{ g} \rightarrow 100\text{ N}$$

$$100 - f_s = 0$$

$$\therefore f_s = 100 \dots (1)$$

$$F + 10 \text{ g} = \text{N} \implies \text{N} = 100 + \text{F} \dots (2)$$

$$\text{Now} \quad 0 \le f_s \le \mu\text{N}$$

$$100 \le 0.5 \text{ N}$$

$$100 \le 0.5 \text{ [100 + F]}$$

$$200 \le 100 + \text{F}$$

$$F \ge 100 \text{ N}$$

$$\therefore \text{ Minimum F} = 100 \text{ N}$$

Example 15. The angle of inclination is slowly increased. Find out the angle at which the block starts moving.



Example 16. Find out the acceleration of the block. If the block is initially at rest.





(FBD of the block excluding friction)



$$\begin{split} N &= 10 \text{ g cos } 37^{\circ} = 80 \text{ N} \\ \text{Now} \quad 0 \leq \text{f}_{\text{s}} \leq \mu \text{N} \\ 0 \leq \text{f}_{\text{s}} \leq 0.5 \times 80 \\ \therefore \quad \text{f}_{\text{s}} \leq 40 \text{ N} \end{split}$$



We will put value of f in the last i.e. in the direction opposite to resultant of other forces. f acts down the incline and its value is of = 75 - 60 = 15 N So acceleration is zero

Example 17. In the above problem how much force should be added to 75 N force so that block starts to move up the incline.

Solution: $\therefore 60 + 40 = 75 + f_{extra}$ $\therefore f_s = 25 \text{ N}$

- **Example 18.** In the above problem what is the minimum force by which 75 N force should be replaced with so that the block does not move.
- **Solution :** In this case the block has a tendency to move downwards. Hence friction acts upwards.



∴ F + 40 = 60 ∴ F = 20 N

Example 19. Top view of a block on a table is shown (g = 10 m/s^2).



Find out the acceleration of the block.

Solution :

$$40 \text{ g} \quad F_{R} = 40 \sqrt{2} \cong 56 \text{ N}$$

Now $f_s \le \mu N$ ∴ $f_s \le 50$ $F_R > f_{smax}$

Hence the block will move.

a =
$$\frac{40\sqrt{2}-50}{10}$$
 = $(4\sqrt{2}-5)$ m/s²

Example 20. Find minimum μ so that the blocks remain stationary.



 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Solution}: & T = 100 \ g = 1000 \ N \\ & \therefore \ f = 1000 \ to \ keep \ the \ block \ stationary \\ & Now \ f_{max} = 1000 \\ & \mu N = 1000 \\ & \mu = 2 \\ & Can \ \mu \ be \ greater \ than \ 1 \ ? \\ & Yes \ 0 < \mu \leq \ \infty \end{array}$



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Example 21. Find out minimum acceleration of block A so that the 10 kg block doesn't fall.

Solution :

Applying NL in horizontal direction N = 10 a (1) Applying NL in vertical direction $10 \text{ g} = \mu \text{ N} \dots (2)$ $10 \text{ g} = \mu 10 \text{ a} \text{ from } (1) \& (2)$

:.
$$a = \frac{g}{\mu} = 20 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Example 22. Find the tension in the string in situation as shown in the figure below. Forces 120 N and 100 N start acting when the system is at rest and the maximum value of static friction on 10 kg is 90 N and that on 20 kg is 60N?



Solution : (i) Let us assume that system moves towards left then as it is clear from FBD, net force in horizontal direction is towards right. Therefore the assumption is not valid.



Above assumption is not possible as net force on system comes towards right. Hence system is not moving towards left.

(ii) Similarly let us assume that system moves towards right.

$$120 \text{ N} \xleftarrow{10} 20 \xrightarrow{100 \text{ N}} 100 \text{ N}$$

Above assumption is also not possible as net force on the system is towards left in this situation. Hence assumption is again not valid.

Therefore it can be concluded that the system is stationary.

120 N
$$\leftarrow$$
 10 \rightarrow T \leftarrow 20 \rightarrow 100 N
f_{max} = 90N f_{max} = 60N

Assuming that the 10 kg block reaches limiting friction first then using FBD's.

$$120 \text{ N} \longleftarrow 10 \xrightarrow{10} \text{T} \qquad \text{T} \xleftarrow{20} \xrightarrow{100 \text{ N}} 100 \text{ N}$$

90N f

 $120 = T + 90 \Rightarrow T = 30 N$

Also T + f = 100

$$\therefore$$
 30 + f = 100 \Rightarrow

f = 70 N which is not possible as the limiting value is 60 N for this surface of block.

: Our assumption is wrong and now taking the 20 kg surface to be limiting we have

$$120N \leftarrow 10 \rightarrow T \qquad T \leftarrow 20 \rightarrow 100N$$

 $\begin{array}{l} T+60=100\ N\ \Rightarrow\ T=40\ N\\ \mbox{Also}\quad f+T=120\ N\ \Rightarrow\ f=80\ N\\ \mbox{This is acceptable as static friction at this surface should be less than 90\ N}.\\ \mbox{Hence the tension in the string is}\\ T=40\ N. \end{array}$

Example 23. In the following figure force F is gradually increased from zero. Draw the graph between applied force F and tension T in the string. The coefficient of static friction between the block and the ground is μ_{e} .



Solution : As the external force F is gradually increased from zero it is compensated by the friction and the string bears no tension. When limiting friction is achieved by increasing force F to a value till μ_s mg, the further increase in F is transferred to the string.



Example 24. Force F is gradually increased from zero. Determine whether the block will first slide or lift up?



There are minimum magnitude of forces required both in horizontal and vertical direction either to Solution : slide on lift up the block. The block will first slide on lift up will depend upon which minimum magnitude of force is lesser.

For vertical direction to start lifting up



 $F \sin 37^\circ + N - Mg \ge 0.$ N becomes zero just lifting condition.

$$F_{lift} \ge \frac{10g}{3/5}$$

$$\therefore \quad \mathsf{F}_{\text{lift}} \geq \frac{500}{3} \mathsf{N}$$

For horizontal direction to start sliding $F \cos 37 \ge \mu_s N$ $F \cos 37^{\circ} > 0.5 [10g - F \sin 37^{\circ}]$ (:: N = 10 g - F sin 37^{\circ}) Hence $F_{slide} > \frac{50}{\cos 37^\circ + 0.5 \sin 37^\circ}$ $F_{slide} > \frac{500}{11} N$ $F_{\text{lift}} > \frac{500}{3} N.$

 $\Rightarrow \mathsf{F}_{_{\text{slide}}} < \mathsf{F}_{_{\text{lift}}}$ Therefore the block will begin to slide before lifting.

TWO BLOCK PROBLEMS

SOLVED EXAMPLE

Example 25. Find the acceleration of the two blocks. The system is initially at rest and the friction coefficient are as shown in the figure?



Solution : Method of solving

Step 1 : Make force diagram.

- Step 2 : Show static friction force by f because value of friction is not known.
- Step 3 : Calculate separately for two cases.

Friction

Case 1 : Move together

- Step 4 : Calculate acceleration.
- Step 5 : Check value of friction for above case.
- Step 6 : If required friction is less than available it means they will move together else move sepaately.
- Step 7: (a) above acceleration will be common acceleration for both

Case 2 : Move separately

Step 7(b) If they move separately then kinetic friction is involved. whose value is μN . Step 8 : Calculate acceleration for above case.

Move separately

No need to calculate

$$f \leftarrow A \rightarrow 50 \qquad B \qquad f$$

 \therefore f \leq 50 N (available friction)

(i)
$$a = \frac{50}{10+10} = 2.5 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Move together

(ii) Check friction for B : f = 10 × 2.5 = 25

25 N is required which is less than available friction hence they will move together. and $a_{A} = a_{B} = 2.5 \text{ m/s}^{2}$

Example 26. Find the acceleration of the two blocks. The system is initially at rest and the friction coefficient are as shown in the figure?



Solution : $f_{max} = 50 \text{ N}$ $\therefore f \le 50 \text{ N}$

(i) If they move together $a = \frac{101}{20} = 5.05 \text{ m/s}^2$

⇒f

(ii) Check friction on B

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$$f = 10 \times 5.05 = 50.5$$
 (required)

50.5 > 50 (therefore required > available) Hence they will <u>not</u> move together. (iii) Hence they move separately so kinetic friction is involved.

$$f_{k}=50 \xleftarrow{A} 101$$

$$\xrightarrow{B} f_{k} = \mu N = 50$$

$$\therefore \text{ for } a_{A} = \frac{101-50}{10} = 5.1 \text{ m/s}^{2} \Rightarrow a_{B} = \frac{50}{10} = 5 \text{ m/s}^{2}$$

 $\therefore 101 \quad a_{A} = \frac{10}{10} = 5.1 \text{ m/s}^{2} \Rightarrow a_{B} = \frac{10}{10}$

Also $a_A > a_B$ as force is applied on A.

Example 27. Find the acceleration of the two blocks. The system is initially at rest and the friction coefficient are as shown in the figure?



Solution : <u>Move Together</u>

60

No need to calculate.

Move Separately

$$a = \frac{60}{30} = 2 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Check friction on 20 kg.

f = 20 x 2 f = 40 (which is required) 40 < 50 (therefore required < available) ∴ will move together.

- **Example 28.** In above example find maximum F for which two blocks will move together.
- **Solution :** Observing the critical situation where friction becomes limiting.

$$f_{max} = 50 \checkmark F \qquad 20 \qquad f_{max} = 50$$
$$\therefore F - f_{max} = 10 \text{ a} \dots \dots (1)$$
$$f_{max} = 20 \text{ a} \dots \dots (2)$$
$$\therefore F = 75 \text{ N}$$

- **Example 29.** Initially the system is at rest. find out minimum value of F for which sliding starts between the two blocks.
- **Solution :** At just sliding condition limiting friction is acting.

$$f = 50 \leftarrow 20 \rightarrow F$$

F - 50 = 20 a(1)
f = 10 a(2)
50 = 10 a
∴ a = 5 m/s²
hence F = 50 + 20 × 5 = 150 N
∴ F_{min} = 150 N



Example 30. In the figure given below force F applied horizontally on lower block, is gradually increased from zero. Discuss the direction and nature of friction force and the accelerations of the block for different values of F (Take $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$).



Solution : In the above situation we see that the maximum possible value of friction between the blocks is $\mu_s m_a g = 0.3 \times 10 \times 10 = 30 \text{ N}.$

Case (i) When F = O.

Considering that there is no slipping between the blocks the acceleration of system will be

$$a = \frac{120}{20 + 10} = 4 \text{ m/s}^2$$

But the maximum acceleration of B can be obtained by the following force diagram.



 $a_{B} = \frac{30}{20} = 1.5 \text{ m/s}^2$ (:: only friction force by block A is responsible for producing acceleration in

block B)

Because 4 > 1.5 m/s² we can conclude that the blocks do not move together. Now drawing the F.B.D. of each block, for finding out individual accelerations.

$$f_{max} = 30 \text{ N}$$
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$$a_{A} = \frac{120 - 30}{10} = 9 \text{ m/s}^{2} \text{ towards right}$$

$$a_{\rm B} = \frac{30}{20} = 1.5 \text{ m/s}^2 \text{ towards right.}$$

Case (ii)

e (ii) F is increased from zero till the two blocks just start moving together.

As the two blocks move together the friction is static in nature and its value is limiting. FBD in this case will be

$$f_{max} = 30 \text{ N} \xleftarrow{10 \text{ Kg}} 120 \text{ N}$$

$$a_{A} = \frac{120 - 30}{10} = 9 \text{ m/s}^{2} \implies a_{B} = \frac{F + 30}{20} = a_{A} \implies \frac{F + 30}{20} = 9$$

∴ F = 150 N

Hence when 0 < F < 150 N the blocks do not move together and the friction is kinetic. As F increases acceleration of block B increases from 1.5 m/s².

At F = 150 N limiting static friction start acting and the two blocks start moving together.

Case (iii) When F is increased above 150 N.

In this scenario the static friction adjusts itself so as to keep the blocks moving together. The value of static friction starts reducing but the direction still remains same. This happens continuously till the value of friction becomes zero. In this case the FBD is as follows

$$f \leftarrow 10 \longrightarrow 120 \text{ N} \qquad 20 \longrightarrow F > 150 \text{ N}$$
$$a_{A} = a_{B} = \frac{120 - f}{10} = \frac{F + f}{20}$$

: when friction force f gets reduced to zero the above accelerations become

$$a_A = \frac{120}{10} = 12 \text{ m/s}^2 \implies a_B = \frac{F}{20} = a_A = 12 \text{ m/s}^2$$

∴ F = 240 N

Hence when $150 \le F \le 240$ N the static friction force continuously decreases from maximum to zero at F = 240 N. The accelerations of the blocks increase from 9 m/s² to 12 m/s² during the change of force F.

Case (iv) When F is increased again from 240 N the direction of friction force on the block reverses but it is still static. F can be increased till this reversed static friction reaches its limiting value. FBD at this juncture will be

$$f_{max} = 30N \leftarrow 20 \rightarrow F$$

The blocks move together therefore.

$$a_A = \frac{120 + 30}{10} = 15 \text{ m/s}^2 \Rightarrow a_B = \frac{F - 30}{20} = a_A = 15 \text{ m/s}^2$$

∴ $\frac{F - 30}{20} = 15 \text{ m/s}^2$

Hence F = 330 N.

Case (v) When F is increased beyond 330 N. In this case the limiting friction is achieved and slipping takes place between the blocks (kinetic friction is involved).

 \therefore a_A = 15 m/s² which is constant

$$a_{B} = \frac{F - 30}{20} \text{ m/s}^{2} \text{ where F > 330 N}$$

Exercise #1

PART-I : SUBJECTIVE QUESTIONS

* Marked Questions are having more than one correct option.

SECTION (A) : KINETIC FRICTION

A-1. In the given diagram find the direction of friction forces on each block and the ground (Assume all surfaces are rough and all velocities are with respect to ground).



A-2. The wheel shown in the figure is fixed at 'O' and is in contact with a rough surface as shown. The wheel rotates with an angular velocity ω. What is the direction and nature of friction force on the wheel and on the ground.



A-3. In the following figure, find the direction of friction on the blocks and ground .



A-4. In the following figure, find the direction and nature of friction on the block.



A-5. A block is shot with an initial velocity 5ms⁻¹ on a rough horizontal plane. Find the distance covered by the block till it comes to rest. The coefficient of kinetic friction between the block and plane is 0.1.

SECTION (B) : STATIC FRICTION

B-1. The angle between the resultant contact force and the normal force exerted by a body on the other is called the angle of friction. Show that, if λ be the angle of friction and μ the coefficient of static friction, $\lambda \leq \tan^{-1} \mu$

B-2. ➤ In the given figure a monkey of mass m is climbing a rope hanging from the roof with acceleration a. The coefficient of static friction between the body of the monkey and the rope is µ. Find the direction and value of friction force on the monkey.



B-3. The rear side of a truck is open and a box of 40 kg mass is placed 5 m away from the open end as shown in figure. The coefficient of friction between the box and the surface below it is 0.15. On a straight road, the truck starts from rest and accelerates with 2 ms⁻². Find the distance travelled by the truck by the time box falls from the truck. (Ignore the size of the box).



B-4. What is the minimum value of force (in following two cases) required to pull a block of mass M on a horizontal surface having coefficient of friction μ ? Also find the angle this force makes with the horizontal.

(a) If force is parallel to horizontal surface

(b) If force is in any direction (Also find the angle this force makes with the horizontal.)

SECTION (C) : MISCELLANEOUS QUESTIONS

- C-1. A body of mass 5 kg is kept on a rough horizontal surface. It is found that the body does not slide if a horizontal force less than 30 N is applied to it. Also it is found that it takes 5 seconds to slide throughout the first 10 m if a horizontal force of 30 N is applied and the body is gently pushed to start the motion. Taking g= 10 m/s², calculate the coefficients of static and kinetic friction between the block and the surface.
- C-2. Aln the given figures find the accelerations and the friction forces involved :



PART - II : OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS

SECTION (A) : KINETIC FRICTION

- A-1. Starting from rest a body slides down a 45° inclined plane in twice the time it takes to slide down the same distance in the absence of friction. The co-efficient of friction between the body and the inclined plane is:
 (A) 0.75
 (B) 0.33
 (C) 0.25
 (D) 0.80
- **A-2.** A block of mass M = 5 kg is resting on a rough horizontal surface for which the coefficient of friction is 0.2. When a force F = 40 N is applied as shown in figure the acceleration of the block will be (g = 10 m/s²):



A-3. Two blocks $m_1 = 4$ kg and $m_2 = 2$ kg, connected by a weightless rod on a plane having inclination of 37° as shown in figure. The coefficients of dynamic friction of m_1 and m_2 with the inclined plane are $\mu = 0.25$. Then the common acceleration of the two blocks and the tension in the rod are :



SECTION (B) : STATIC FRICTION

(A) 4 m/s², T = 0

(C) 10 m/s²,T = 10 N

B-1. If the normal force is doubled the co-efficient of friction is :

(A) halved (B) doubled (C) tripled (D) not changed

B-2. A box 'A' is lying on the horizontal floor of the compartment of a train running along horizontal rails from left to right. At time 't', it decelerates. Then the resultant contact force R by the floor on the box is given best by:



B-3. A cart of mass M has a block of mass m attached to it as shown in the figure. Co-efficient of friction between the block and cart is μ. What is the minimum acceleration of the cart so that the block m does not fall?



- **B-4.*** A contact force exerted by one body on horizontal surface is equal to the normal force ($\neq 0$) between them. It can be said that :
 - (A) the contact surfaces must be frictionless
 - (B) the force of friction between the contact surfaces is zero
 - (C) the magnitude of normal force equals that of friction
 - (D) It is possible that the bodies are rough and they do not slip on each other.
- B-5. A block of mass 2 kg rests on a rough inclined plane making an angle of 30° with the horizontal. The coefficient of static friction between the block and the plane is 0.7. The frictional force on the block is :
 - (B) 0.7 × 9.8 $\sqrt{3}$ N (C) 9.8 × 7 N (D) 0.8 × 9.8 N (A) 9.8 N
- **B-6**. Two masses A and B of 10 kg and 5 kg respectively are connected with a string passing over a frictionless pulley fixed at the corner of a table as shown. The coefficient of static friction of A with table is 0.2. The minimum mass of C that may be placed on A to prevent it ______ from moving is (A) 15 kg (B) 10 kg (C) 5 kg



C-1. A force F = t is applied to block A as shown in figure. The force is applied at t = 0 seconds when the system was at rest and string is just straight without tension. Which of the following graphs gives the friction force between B and horizontal surface as a function of time 't'.



A plank of mass $m_1 = 8$ kg with a bar of mass $m_2 = 2$ kg placed on its rough C-2. surface, lie on a smooth floor of elevator ascending with an acceleration g/4. The coefficient of friction is $\mu = 1/5$ between m₁ and m₂. A horizontal force F = 30 N is applied to the plank. Then the acceleration of bar and the plank in the reference frame of elevator are:



(B) 5 m/s², $\frac{50}{8}$ m/s² (A) 3.5 m/s², 5 m/s² (C) 2.5 m/s², $\frac{25}{8}$ m/s² (D)4.5 m/s², 4.5m/s² В

С

A

(D) 12 kg

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C-3. A man of mass m is applying a horizontal force to slide a box of mass m' on a rough horizontal surface. It is known that the man does not slide. The coefficient of friction between the shoes of the man and the floor is u and between the box and the floor is μ '. In which of the following cases it is certainly not possible to slide the box?

(A) $\mu > \mu', m < m'$	(B) μ < μ', m < m'
(C) $\mu < \mu', m > m'$	(D) $\mu > \mu', m > m'$

PART - III : MATCH THE COLUMN

1. In the given figure find the accelerations of blocks A and B for the following cases ($g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$)



Column - I

(A) $\mu_1 = 0$ and	μ ₂ = 0.1
(B) $\mu_2 = 0$ and	μ ₁ = 0.1

(C) $\mu_1 = 0.1$ and $\mu_2 = 1.0$

(D) μ_1 = 1.0 and μ_2 = 0.1

2.

(s) $a_A = 1$, $a_B = 9 \text{ m/s}^2$ Column II gives certain situations involving two blocks of mass 2 kg and 4 kg. The 4 kg block lies on a smooth horizontal table. There is sufficient friction between both the block and there is no relative motion between both the blocks in all situations. Horizontal forces act on one or both blocks as shown. Column I gives certain statement related to figures given in column II. Match the statements in column I with the figure in column II.

Column I

Column II

(p) $a_A = a_B = 9.5 \text{ m/s}^2$

(r) $a_A = a_B = g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$

(q) $a_A = 9 \text{ m/s}^2$, $a_B = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$



Friction

Exercise #2

PART - I : OBJECTIVE QUESTIONS

1. A body is projected up along the rough inclined plane from the bottom with some velocity. It travels up the incline and then returns back. If the time of ascent is t_a and time of descent is t_d , then

(A) $t_a = t_d$ (B) $t_a > t_d$ (C) $t_a < t_d$ (D) data insufficient

2. The upper portion of an inclined plane of inclination α is smooth and the lower portion is rough. A particle slides down from rest from the top and just comes to rest at the foot. If the ratio of the smooth length to rough length is m : n, the coefficient of friction is :

(A) $\left[\frac{m+n}{n}\right]$ tan α (B) $\left(\frac{m+n}{n}\right)$ cot α (C) $\left(\frac{m-n}{n}\right)$ cot α (D) $\frac{1}{2}$

- A uniform rope so lies on a table that part of it lays over. The rope begins to slide when the length of hanging part is 25 % of entire length. The co-efficient of friction between rope and table is:
 (A) 0.33
 (B) 0.25
 (C) 0.5
 (D) 0.2
- 4. A 1.5 kg box is initially at rest on a horizontal surface when at t = 0 a horizontal force $\vec{F} = (1.8t)\hat{i}N$ (with t in seconds), is applied to the box. The acceleration of the box as a function of time t is given by : (g = 10m/s²)

 $\vec{a} = 0$ for $0 \le t \le 2.85$

 $\vec{a} = (1.2t - 2.4)\hat{i} m/s^2$ for t > 2.85

The coefficient of kinetic friction between the box and the surface is :

(A) 0.12 (B) 0.24 (C) 0.36 (D) 0.48

5. Starting from rest, A flat car is given a constant acceleration $a_0 = 2 \text{ m/s}^2$. A cable is connected to a crate A of mass 50 kg as shown. Neglect the friction between floor and car wheels and mass of pulley. The cofficient of friction between crate & floor of the car is $\mu = 0.3$. The tension in cable is -



6. A block lying on a long horizontal conveyor belt moving at a constant velocity receives a velocity 5 m/s at t = 0 sec. relative to the ground in the direction opposite to the direction of motion of the conveyor. After t = 4 sec, the velocity of the block becomes equal to the velocity of the belt. The coefficient of friction between the block and the belt is 0.2. Then the velocity of the conveyor belt is : ($g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$)



In the arrangement shown in the figure mass of the block B and A are 2 m, 8 m respectively. Surface between B and floor is smooth. The block B is connected to block C by means of a pulley. If the whole system is released then the minimum value of mass of the block C so that the block A remains stationary with respect to B is : (Co-efficient of friction between A and B is μ and pulley is ideal)



(A)
$$\frac{m}{\mu}$$
 (B) $\frac{2m}{\mu+1}$ (C) $\frac{10 \text{ m}}{1-\mu}$ (D) $\frac{10 \text{ m}}{\mu-1}$

8. A block of mass m lying on a rough horizontal plane is acted upon by a horizontal force P and another force Q inclined an at an angle θ to the vertical. The minimum value of coefficient of friction between the block and the surface for which the block will remain in equilibrium is:



9. In the given figure the coefficient of friction between 4kg and 5 kg blocks is 0.2 and between 5 kg block and ground is 0.1 respectively. Choose the correct statements



- (A) Minimum force needed to cause system to move is 17 N
- (B) When force is 4N static friction at all surfaces is 4N to keep system at rest
- (C) Maximum acceleration of 4kg block is 2m/s²
- (D) Slipping between 4kg and 5 kg blocks start when F is > 17N
- 10. A bead of mass m is located on a parabolic wire with its axis vertical and vertex directed downward as in figure and whose equation is x² = ay. If the coefficient of friction is µ, the highest distance above the x-axis at which the particle will be in equilibrium is:





(A) µa

(B) µ²a



11. Two blocks of masses m_1 and m_2 are connected with a massless undeformed spring and placed over a plank moving with an acceleration 'a' as shown in figure. The coefficient of friction between the blocks and platform is μ .



- (A) spring will be stretched if a > μ g
- (B) spring will be compressed if a $\leq \mu g$
- (C) spring will neither be compressed nor be stretched only if $a \leq \mu g$
- (D) spring will be in its natural length under all conditions only if initial velocities of blocks are same





 $(-)^{\mu} = 1$

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PART - II : SUBJECTIVE QUESTIONS

1. In the arrangement shown find tension (in Newton) in the string connecting 4kg and 6kg masses



- **2.** A block of mass 2 kg is pushed against a rough vertical wall with a force of 30 N, coefficient of static friction being 0.5. Another horizontal force of 15 N is applied on the block in a direction parallel to the wall. What is the acceleration of block (in m/s²)
- **3.** A heavy chain with, mass per unit length ' ρ ' is pulled by the constant force F along a horizontal surface consisting of a smooth section and a rough section. The chain is initially at rest on the rough surface with x = 0. If the coefficient of kinetic friction between the chain and the rough surface is μ_k , then what is the velocity v(in m/s) of the chain when x = L, if the force F is greater than $\mu_k \rho gL$ in order to initiate the motion. Given : F = 21N, μ = 0.5, L = 1m, ρ = 2kg/m



4. In figure block 1 has one fourth mass and one fourth length of block 2 (mass 4m and length ℓ). No friction exists between block 2 and surface on which it rests. Coefficient of friction is μ_{k} between 1 & 2.

The distance block 2 moves when only half of block 1 is still on block 2 is $\frac{x\mu_k\ell}{8(2-3\mu_k)}$. Then find value of x .





5. In the given situation it is known that when released the blocks slide. Find the time when the small block will fall off from the larger block. (The size of m is very –very small then M, see figure). If m = 1kg, M = 4kg, $\ell = 4m, \theta = 37^{\circ}, \mu = 0.4$



6. $M_A = 3 \text{ kg}, M_B = 4 \text{ kg}$ and $M_C = 8 \text{ kg}. \mu$ between any two surfaces is 0.25. Pulley is frictionless and string is massless. block, A is connected to the wall through a massless rigid rod as shown in figure. If F is 200 N then find acceleration (in m/s²) of B. (g=10m/s²)



7. A In the figure shown, the coefficient of static friction between C and ground is 0.5, coefficient of static friction between A and B is 0.25, coefficient of static friction between B and C is zero. Find the minimum value of force 'F' (in Newton), to cause sliding between A and B. Masses of A, B and C are respectively 2 kg, 4 kg and 5 kg.



PART - III : ONE OR MORE THAN ONE CORRECT QUESTION

1. A block of mass 15 kg is resting on a rough inclined plane as shown in figure. The block is tied up by a horizontal string which has a tension of 50 N. The coefficient of friction between the surfaces of contact is ($g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$)



2. A block on a long table is tied by massless ropes to two hanging blocks as in figure. Initially block C is moving downwards with non zero velocity. The static and kinetic friction between block B & table is 0.3 and 0.1 respectively.



- (A) Acceleration of block C is approx. 0.4 m/s² downwards
- (B) Acceleration of block C is approx. 0.43 m/s² upwards
- (C) Block C comes to rest after some time
- (D) Acceleration of block C is zero, all the time
- **3.** Two masses $m_1 = 4 \text{ kg}$ and $m_2 = 2 \text{ kg}$ are connected with an inextensible, massless string that passes over a frictionless pulley and through a slit, as shown. The string is vertical on both sides and the string on the left is acted upon by a constant friction force 10 N by the slit as it moves. (use $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$)

(A) Acceleration of mass m_1 is $\frac{5}{3}$ m/s², downwards.

- (B) Tension in the string is same throughout.
- (C) Force exerted by the string on mass m_2 is $\frac{70}{3}$ N.



(D) If positions of both the masses are interchanged, then 2kg mass moves up with an acceleration $\frac{10}{3}$ m/s².

4. Car is accelerating with acceleration = 20 m/s^2 . A box of mass m = 10 kg that is placed inside the car, it is put in contact with the vertical wall of car as shown. The friction coefficient between the box and the wall is $\mu = 0.6$.



- (A) The acceleration of the box will be 20 m/sec²
- (B) The friction force acting on the box will be 100 N
- (C) The contact force between the vertical wall and the box will be 100 $\sqrt{5}$ N
- (D) The net contact force between the vertical wall and the box is only of electromagnetic in nature.
- **5.** The force F_1 parallel to inclined plane that is necessary to move a body up an inclined plane is double the force F_2 that is necessary to just prevent it from sliding down, then :

where ϕ = limiting angle of repose

- θ = angle of inclined plane
- w = weight of the body
- (A) $F_2 = w \sin(\theta \phi) \sec \phi$ (B) $F_1 = w \sin(\theta \phi) \sec \phi$
- (C) $tan\phi = 3tan\phi$ (D) $tan\theta = 3tan\phi$
- 6. ➤ A solid cube of mass 5 kg is placed on a rough horizontal surface, in xy-plane as shown. The friction coefficient between the surface and the cube is 0.4. An external force F = 6i + 8j + 20k N is applied on the cube. (use g = 10 m/s²)



- (A) The block starts slipping over the surface
- (B) The friction force on the cube by the surface is 10 N.
- (C) The friction force acts in xy-plane at angle 127° with the positive x-axis in clockwise direction.
- (D) The contact force exerted by the surface on the cube is $10\sqrt{10}$ N.

7. In the figure shown below the friction between the 4 kg block and the incline as μ_1 and between 8 kg and incline is μ_2 . Calculate the accelerations of the blocks 8kg & 4kg respectively when (a) $\mu_1 = 0.2$ and $\mu_2 = 0.3$ (b) $\mu_1 = 0.3$ and $\mu_2 = 0.2$. (take g = 10 m/s²)



- (A) Accelerations of the blocks 8kg when μ_1 = 0.2 and μ_2 = 0.3 is $\left(5 \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$ m/s²
- (B) Accelerations of the blocks 4kg when μ_1 = 0.2 and μ_2 = 0.3 is $\left(5 \frac{4}{\sqrt{3}}\right)m/s^2$
- (C) Accelerations of the blocks 8kg μ_1 = 0.3 and μ_2 = 0.2 is $(5-\sqrt{3})$ m/s²
- (D) Accelerations of the blocks 8kg μ_1 = 0.3 and μ_2 = 0.2 is $(5-1.5\sqrt{3})$ m/s²

PART - IV : COMPREHENSION

Comprehension - 1 🔈

A block of mass 15 kg is placed over a frictionless horizontal surface. Another block of mass 10 kg is placed over it, that is connected with a light string passing over two pulleys fastened to the 15 kg block. A force F = 80 N is applied horizontally to the free end of the string. Friction coefficient between two blocks is 0.6. The portion of the string between 10 kg block and the upper pulley is horizontal as shown in figure Pulley string & connecting rods are massless. (Take g = 10 m/s²)



1. The magnitude of acceleration of the 10 kg block is :

(A) 3.2 m/s^2 (B) 2.0 m/s^2 (C) 1.6 m/s^2 (D) 0.8 m/s^2

2. If applied force F = 120 N, then magnitude of acceleration of 15 kg block will be :

(A) 8 m/s^2 (B) 4 m/s^2 (C) 3.2 m/s^2 (E)	D) 4.8 m/s ²
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3. Continuing with the situation, if the force F = 80 N is directed vertically as shown, the acceleration of the 10 kg block will be :



(A) 2 m/s², towards right

(C) 6 m/s², towards left

(B) 2 m/s², towards left

(D) 16/5 m/s², towards right

Comprehension # 2 🔈

Impending state of motion is a critical border line between static and dynamic states of a body. A block of mass m is supported on a rough vertical wall by applying a force F as shown in figure. Coefficient of static friction between block and wall is μ_s . The block under the influence of F sin θ may have a tendency to move upward or it may be assumed that F sin θ just prevents downward fall of the block. Read the above passage carefully and answer the following questions.



4. The minimum value of force F required to keep the block stationary is :

(A) $\frac{mg}{\mu\cos\theta}$ (B) $\frac{mg}{\sin\theta + \mu\cos\theta}$ (C) $\frac{mg}{\sin\theta - \mu\cos\theta}$ (D) $\frac{mg}{\mu\tan\theta}$

5. The value of F for which friction force between the block and the wall is zero.

(A) mg (B)
$$\frac{mg}{\sin\theta}$$
 (C) $\frac{mg}{\cos\theta}$ (D) $\frac{mg}{\tan\theta}$

- **6.** If F is the force applied on the block as shown and F_{min} is the minimum value of force required to keep the block stationary. Then choose the correct alternative.
 - (A) If $F < F_{min}$; the block slides downward
 - (B) If $F = F_{min}$; the block slides upward
 - (C) In each case (for any value of F) the friction force f \leq mg
 - (D) All the above

Exercise #3

PART - I : JEE (ADVANCED) / IIT-JEE PROBLEMS (PREVIOUS YEARS)

1. A block of mass m is on inclined plane of angle θ . The coefficient of friction between the block and the plane is μ and $\tan \theta > \mu$. The block is held stationary by applying a force P parallel to the plane. The direction of force pointing up the plane is taken to be positive. As P is varied from P₁ = mg(sin θ - μ cos θ) to P₂ = mg(sin θ + μ cos θ), the frictional force f versus P graph will look like : [JEE 2010, 3/163, -1]



- A block is moving on an inclined plane making an angle 45° with the horizontal and the coefficient of friction is μ. The force required to just push it up the inclined plane is 3 times the force required to just prevent it from sliding down. If we define N = 10 μ, then N is [JEE 2011, 4/160]
- A small block of mass of 0.1 kg lies on a fixed inclined plane PQ which makes an angle θ with the horizontal. A horizontal force of 1 N on the block through its center of mass as shown in the figure. The block remains stationary if (take g = 10 m/s²)



(A) θ = 45°

- (B) θ > 45° and a frictional force acts on the block towards P.
- (C) θ > 45° and a frictional force acts on the block towards Q.
- (D) θ < 45° and a frictional force acts on the block towards Q.

(1) 120 N

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4. A block of mass $m_1 = 1$ kg another mass $m_2 = 2$ kg, are placed together (see figure) on an inclined plane with angle of inclination θ . Various values of θ are given in List I. The coefficient of friction between the block m_1 and the plane is always zero. The coefficient of static and dynamic friction between the block m_2 and the plane are equal to $\mu = 0.3$. In List II expression for the friction on block m_2 given. Match the correct expression of the friction in List II with the angles given in List I, and choose the correct option. The acceleration due to gravity is denoted by g. [JEE (Advanced)-2014, 3/60, -1]

[Useful information : $tan(5.5^\circ) \approx 0.1$; $tan(11.5^\circ) \approx 0.2$; $tan(16.5^\circ \approx 0.3)$]



PART - II : JEE(MAIN) / AIEEE PROBLEMS (PREVIOUS YEARS)

1. The minimum force required to start pushing a body up a rough (frictional coefficient μ) inclined plane is F_1 while the minimum force needed to prevent it from sliding down is F_2 . If the inclined plane makes an angle θ from the

horizontal such that $\tan \theta = 2\mu$ then the ratio $\frac{F_1}{F_2}$ is : [AIEEE 2011, 11 May; 4/120, -1] (1) 1 (2) 2 (3) 3 (4) 4

2. A block of mass m is placed on a surface with a vertical cross section given by $y = \frac{x^3}{6}$. If the coefficient of

friction is 0.5, the maximum height above the ground at which the block can be placed without slipping is : [JEE- Main - 2014]

[JEE-Main-2015]

(3) 100 N

(1)
$$\frac{1}{6}$$
 m (2) $\frac{2}{3}$ m (3) $\frac{1}{3}$ m

3. Given in the figure are two blocks A and B of weight 20 N and 100 N, respectively. These are being pressed against a wall by a force F as shown. If the coefficient of friction between the blocks is 0.1 and between block B and the wall is 0.15, the frictional force applied by the wall on block B is :-

(2) 150 N



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- 4. A rocket is fired vertically from the earth with an acceleration of 2g, where g is the gravitational acceleration. On an inclined plane inside the rocket, making an angle θ with the horizontal, a point object of mass m is kept. The minimum coefficient of friction μ_{min} between the mass and the inclined surface such that the mass does not move is: [JEE-Main Online-2016]
 - (1) $2 \tan \theta$ (2) $3 \tan \theta$ (3) $\tan \theta$ (4) $\tan 2\theta$
- 5. Two masses $m_1 = 5$ kg and $m_2 = 10$ kg, connected by an inextensible string over a frictionless pulley, are moving as shown in the figure. The coefficient of friction of horizontal surface is 0.15. The minimum weight m that should be put on top of m_2 to stop the motion is :- [JEE-Main-2018]



(1) 27.3 kg

(2) 43.3 kg

(3) 10.3 kg

(4) 18.3 kg

Answers

Exercise # 1

PART - I

SECTION (A):



						PA	RT - II						
SEC	CTION (A)):											
A-1 .	(A)		A-2.	(A)		A-3.	(A)						
SEC	CTION (B):											
B-1.	(D)		B-2.	(C)		B-3.	(C)	В	-4.	(B,D)	В	-5.	(A)
B-6 .	(A)												
SEC	CTION (C):											
C-1.	(A)		C-2.	(C)		C-3.	(B)						
						ΡΑ	RT - II						
1.	$(A) \to$	r; (B)	→ q; (0	C) →	p ; (D	$) \rightarrow$ S	2.	$(A) \rightarrow s;$	(B) <i>→</i>	r; (C)	\rightarrow p, s; (I)) →	q, r
						Exerc	ise	# 2					
						PA	RT - I						
1.	(C)	2.	(A)		3.	(A)	4.	(B)	5.	(B)			
6.	(C)	7.	(D)		8.	(A)	9.	(C)	10.	(C)	11. (D)	
						PA	RT - II						
1.	8	2.	5		3.	4	4.	7	5.	2			
6.	10	7.	15										
						PA	RT - II	I					
1.	(A,B,C)	2.	(B,C	,)	3.	(A.C)	4.	(A,B,C,D)	5.	(A,D)			
6.	(B,C,D)	7.	(A,B,	C)									
						PA	RT - IN	/					
1.	(A)	2.	(B)		3.	(A)	4.	(B)	5.	(B)	6.	(A	۹)
						Exerc	ise	# 3					
						PA	RT - I						
1.	(A)	2.	N = {	5	3.	(A,C)	4.	(D)					
						PA	RT - II						
1.	(3)	2.	(1)		3.	(1)	4.	(3)	5.	(1)			

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Ranker Problems

SUBJECTIVE QUESTIONS

 In the situation shown in figure for what value of horizontal force F (in Newton), sliding between middle and lower block will start? (Take g = 10 m/s²)



2. In the situation shown find the accelerations of the blocks. Also find the accelerations if the force is shifted from the upper block to the lower block.



- 3. A small body was launched up an inclined plane set at an angle $\alpha = 15^{\circ}$ against the horizontal. Find the coefficient of friction, if the time of the ascent of the body is $\eta = 2.0$ times less than the time of its descent.
- **4.** The inclined plane of Fig. forms an angle $\alpha = 30^{\circ}$ with the horizontal. The mass ratio $m_2/m_1 = \eta = 2/3$. The coefficient of friction between the body m_1 and the inclined plane is equal to k = 0.10. The masses of the pulley and the threads are negligible. Find the magnitude and the direction of acceleration of the body m_2 when the formerly stationary system of masses starts moving.



5. A small body A starts sliding down from the top of a wedge (Fig.) whose base is equal to $\ell = 2.10$ m. The coefficient of friction between the body and the wedge-surface is k = 0.140. At what value of the angle α will the time of sliding be the least? What will it be equal to?



6. A bar of mass m is pulled by means of a thread up an inclined plane forming an angle α with the horizontal (fig.). The coefficient of friction is equal to k. Find the angle β which the thread must form with the inclined plane for the tension of the thread to be minimum. What is it equal to ?



7. In the arrangement shown in Fig. the mass of the rod M exceeds the mass m of the ball. The ball has an opening permitting it to slide along the thread with some friction. The mass of the pulley, mass of the string and the friction in its axle are negligible. At the initial moment the ball was located opposite the lower end of the rod. When set free, both bodies began moving with constant accelerations. Find the friction force between the ball and the thread if t seconds after the beginning of motion the ball got opposite the upper end of the rod. The rod length equals *l*.



8. In the arrangement shown in figure the masses of the wedge M and the body m are known. The appreciable friction exists only between the wedge and the body m, the friction coefficient being equal to k. The masses of the pulley and the thread are negligible. Find the acceleration of the body m relative to the horizontal surface on which the wedge Slides.



9. What is the minimum acceleration with which bar A (figure) should be shifted horizontally to keep bodies 1 and 2 stationary relative to the bar? The masses of the bodies are equal and the coefficient of friction between the bar and the bodies is equal to k. The masses of the pulley and the threads are negligible, the friction in the pulley is absent.



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- 10. Prism 1 with bar 2 of mass m placed on it gets a horizontal acceleration a₀ directed to the left (figure). At what maximum value of this acceleration will the bar be still stationary relative to the prism, if the coefficient of friction between them k < cot α?</p>



11. Find the accelerations a_1 , a_2 , a_3 of the three blocks shown in figure. If a horizontal force of 10N is applied on (i) 2 kg block, (ii) 3 kg block, (iii) 7 kg block. (Take g = 10 m/s²)



12. The three flat blocks as shown in the figure are positioned on the 37° incline and a force P parallel to the inclined plane is applied to the middle block. The upper block is prevented from moving by a wire which attaches it to the fixed support. The masses of three blocks in kg and coefficient of static friction for each of the three pairs of contact surfaces are shown in the figure. Determine the maximum value which force P may have before slipping take place anywhere. (g = 10 m/s²)



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swers

1. 30 N

- 2. Upper block 4 m/s², lower block 1 m/s² ; Both blocks 2 m/s²
- **3.** $k = [(\eta^2 1) / (\eta^2 + 1)] \tan \alpha = 0.16$
- 4. $a_2 = g(\eta \sin \alpha k \cos \alpha) / (\eta + 1) = 0.05 g.$
- 5. $\tan 2\alpha = (-1 / k), \alpha = 49^{\circ}, t_{\min} = 1.0s$
- 6. $\tan \beta = k$; $T_{\min} = mg (\sin \alpha + k \cos \alpha) / \sqrt{1 + k^2}$.
- 7. $F_{fr} = 2 \ell mM/(M-m)t^2$
- 8. $a = g\sqrt{2} / (2 + k + M / m)$
- **9.** $w_{min} = g (1-k) / (1+k)$
- **10.** $w_{max} = g (1 + k \cot \alpha) / (\cot \alpha k)$

11. (i)
$$a_1 = 3 \text{ m/s}^2$$
, $a_2 = a_3 = 0.4 \text{ m/s}^2$, (ii) $a_1 = a_2 = a_3 = \frac{5}{6} \text{ m/s}^2$, (iii) same as (b)

12. P = 12 N

Self Assessment Test

JEE (ADVANCED) PAPER-1

SECTION-1 : ONE OPTION CORRECT

A wooden block of mass m resting on a rough horizontal table (coefficient of friction = μ) is pulled by a force F as shown in figure. The acceleration of the block moving horizontally is :



2. A block of mass 5 kg and surface area 2 m² just begins to slide down an inclined plane when the angle of inclination is 30°. Keeping mass same, the surface area of the block is doubled. The angle at which this starts sliding down is :

3. A plank is held at an angle α to the horizontal (Fig.) on two fixed supports A and B. The plank can slide against the supports (without friction) because of its weight Mg. With what acceleration and in what direction, a man of mass m should move so that the plank does not move.



(A)
$$g \sin \alpha \left(1 + \frac{m}{M}\right)$$
 down the incline
(B) $g \sin \alpha \left(1 + \frac{M}{m}\right)$ down the incline
(C) $g \sin \alpha \left(1 + \frac{m}{M}\right)$ up the incline
(D) $g \sin \alpha \left(1 + \frac{M}{m}\right)$ up the incline

4. A smooth block is released at rest on a 45° incline and then slides a distance d. The time taken to slide is n times as much to slide on rough incline than on a smooth incline. The coefficient of friction is-

(A)
$$\mu_s = 1 - \frac{1}{n^2}$$
 (B) $\mu_s = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{n^2}}$ (C) $\mu_k = 1 - \frac{1}{n^2}$ (D) $\mu_k = \sqrt{1 - \frac{1}{n^2}}$

SECTION-2 : ONE OR MORE THAN ONE CORRECT (Maximum Marks - 32)

5. In the given figure the value(s) of mass m for which the 100 kg block remains in static equilibrium is $(g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2)$



6. A block placed on a rough horizontal surface is pushed with a force F acting horizontally on the block. The magnitude of F is increased and acceleration produced is plotted in the graph shown.



- (A) Mass of the block is 2 kg.
- (B) Coefficient of friction between block and surface is 0.5.
- (C) Limiting friction between block and surface is 10 N.
- (D) When F = 8 N, friction between block and surface is 10 N.
- 7. A block of mass 1 kg is stationary with respect to a conveyer belt that is accelerating with 1 m/s² upwards at an angle of 30° as shown in figure. Which of the following is/are correct?



- (A) Force of friction on block is 6 N upwards along the inclined plane.
- (B) Force of friction on block is 1.5 N upwards along the inclined plane.
- (C) Contact force between the block & belt is 10.5 N.
- (D) Contact force between the block & belt is $5\sqrt{3}$ N.

8. An arrangement of the masses and pulleys is shown in the figure. Strings connecting masses A and B with pulleys are horizontal and all pulleys and strings are light. Friction coefficient between the surface and the block B is 0.2 and between blocks A and B is 0.7. The system is released from rest. (use g = 10 m/s²)



- (A) The magnitude of acceleration of the system is 2 m/s² and there is no slipping between block A and block B.
- (B) The magnitude of friction force between block A and block B is 42 N.
- (C) Acceleration of block C is 1 m/s² downwards.
- (D) Tension in the string connecting block B and block D is 12 N.
- **9.** A block A (5 kg) rests over another block B (3 kg) placed over a smooth horizontal surface. There is friction between A and B. A horizontal force F₁ gradually increasing from zero to a maximum is applied to A so that the blocks move together without relative motion. Instead of this another horizontal force F₂, gradually increasing from zero to a maximum is applied to B so that the blocks move together without relative motion. Then

F₁ →	А	5kg	
	В	3kg	
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(A) $F_1(max) = F_2(max)$

(C)
$$F_1$$
 (max) < F_2 (max

(B) $F_1(max) > F_2(max)$

- (D) F_1 (max): F_2 (max) = 5: 3
- 10. A fixed wedge with both surface inclined at 45° to the horizontal as shown in the figure. A particle P of mass m is held on the smooth plane by a light string which passes over a smooth pulley A and attached to a particle Q of mass 3m which rests on the rough plane. The system is released from rest. Given that the acceleration of

each particle is of magnitude $\frac{g}{5\sqrt{2}}$ then

(A) The tension in the string is $\frac{6 \text{ mg}}{5\sqrt{2}}$

(B) the coefficient of friction between Q and the rough plane is $\frac{2}{5}$

- (C) the coefficient of friction between Q and the rough plane is $\frac{1}{5}$
- (D) the tension in the string is $\frac{mg}{2}$



11. An insect of mass m, starts moving on a rough inclined surface from point A. As the surface is very sticky, the coefficient of friction between the insect and the incline is $\mu = 1$. Assume that it can move in any direction ; up the incline or down the incline then



- (A) The maximum possible acceleration of the insect can be 14 m/sec²
- (B) The maximum possible acceleration of the insect can be 2 m/sec²
- (C) The insect can move with a constant velocity
- (D) The insect can not move with a constant velocity
- 12. A block of mass 1 kg is held at rest against a rough vertical surface by pushing

by a force F horizontally. The coefficient of friction is 0.5. When

- (A) F = 40 N, friction on the block is 20 N.
- (B) F = 30 N, friction on the block is 10 N.
- (C) F = 20 N, friction on the block is 10 N.
- (D) Minimum value of force F to keep block at rest is 20 N.

SECTION-3 : NUMERICAL VALUE TYPE (Maximum Marks - 18)

- **13.** A block of mass 1 kg lies on a horizontal surface in a truck. The coefficient of static friction between the block and the surface is 0.6 If the acceleration of the truck is 5 m/s², find the frictional force (in Newton) acting on the block :
- 14. A 60 kg body is pushed horizontally with just enough force to start it moving across a floor and the same force continues to act afterwards. The coefficient of static friction and sliding friction are 0.5 and 0.4 respectively. Find the acceleration (in m/s²) of the body
- **15.** Two blocks A and B of equal masses are sliding down along straight parallel lines on an inclined plane of 45°. Their coefficients of kinetic friction are $\mu_A = 0.2$ and $\mu_B = 0.3$ respectively. At t = 0, both the blocks are at rest and block A is $\sqrt{2}$ meter behind block B. Find the time (in seconds) when the front faces of the blocks come in line on the inclined plane as shown in figure. (Use g = 10 ms⁻².)





16. A disc is kept on a smooth horizontal plane with its plane parallel to horizontal plane. A groove is made in the disc as shown in the figure. The coefficient of friction between mass m and surface of the groove is 2/5 and sin $\theta = 3/5$. Find the acceleration (in m/s²) of mass with respect to the frame of reference of the disc.



17. A horizontal force of 10 N is necessary to just hold a block stationary against a wall. The coefficient of friction between the block and the wall is 0.2. Find the weight (in Newton) of the block :



18. The upper half of an incline plane with inclination ϕ is perfectly smooth while the lower half is rough. A body starting from rest at the top will again come to rest at the the bottom if the coefficient of friction for the lower half is xtan ϕ then find the value of x.

Answers

SELF ASSESSMENT TEST

1.	(C)	2.	(A)	3.	(B)	4.	(C)	5.	(B,C,)	6.	(A,B,C)
7.	(A,C,)	8.	(A,D)	9.	(B,D)	10.	(A,B)	11.	(A,C)	12.	(B,C,D)
13.	5.00	14.	1.00	15.	2.00	16.	10.00	17.	2.00	18.	2.00