

**O Level Pure Physics Structured**

**Moments Test 1.0**

Q1

Fig. 2.1 shows a student doing a push-up. A total force  $F$  acts upwards on his hands. There is also a force  $R$  upwards on his toes.

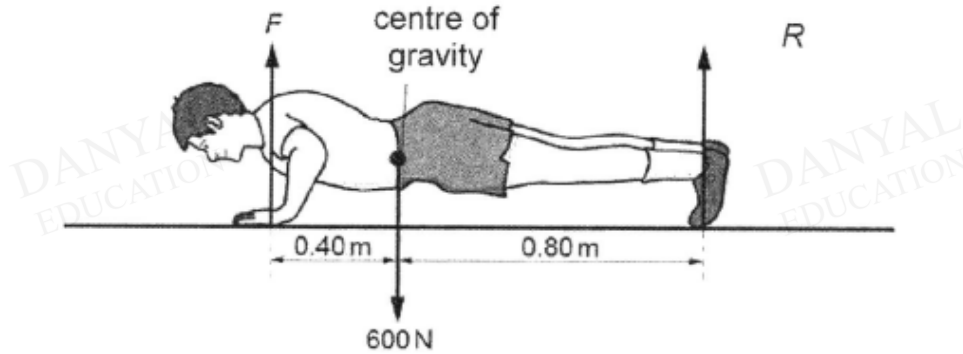


Fig. 2.1

The weight of the student is  $600\text{ N}$  and this force acts downwards from his centre of gravity.

(a) Describe how work is done on his body as it rises from the ground.

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(b) At the position shown in Fig. 2.1, the student is stationary. The weight of the student causes a moment about his toes. Calculate

(i) the moment of the weight of the student about his toes,

moment = ..... [1]

(ii) the value of the forces  $F$  and  $R$ .

$F =$  .....

$R =$  ..... [2]

(c) Describe the other force that forms a Newton's Third Law action-reaction pair with  $F$ , and state the body on which it acts.

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Q2

Fig. 2.1 shows a hand-operated hydraulic jack used to lift up a load.

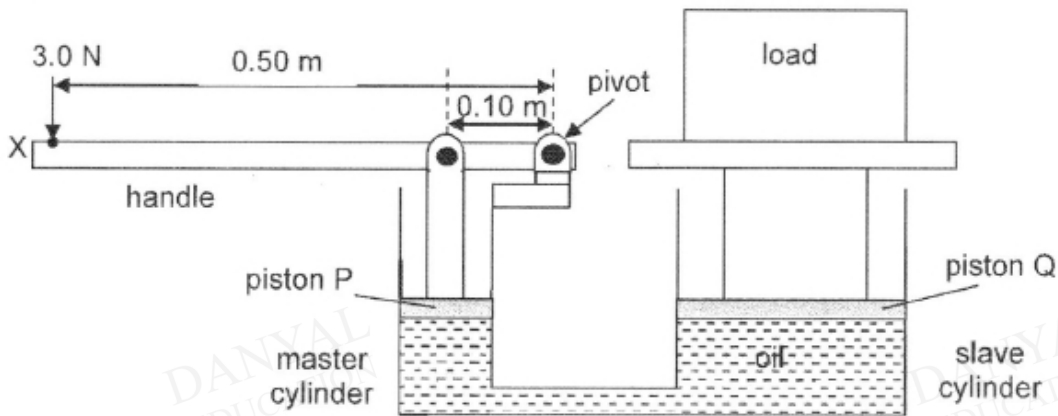


Fig. 2.1

Piston P and the handle are linked through the same pivot. When 3.0 N is applied downwards at point X, piston P in the master cylinder is pushed down with a force  $F_P$ , causing oil to flow into the slave cylinder.

(a) State the *principle of moments*.

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(b) Calculate the force  $F_P$  applied directly on piston P.

$F_P =$  \_\_\_\_\_ [2]

(c) The area of piston P is  $10 \text{ cm}^2$  and the area of piston Q is  $200 \text{ cm}^2$ . Calculate the load being pushed upwards by piston Q.

load = \_\_\_\_\_ [2]

(d) If piston P moved a distance of 25 cm downwards, determine the distance moved upwards by piston Q.

distance = \_\_\_\_\_ [2]

Q3

Fig. 2.1 shows a uniform oval disc freely pivoted at **P**. The bottom of the disc is pulled to the right by the tension in the thread **ST**.

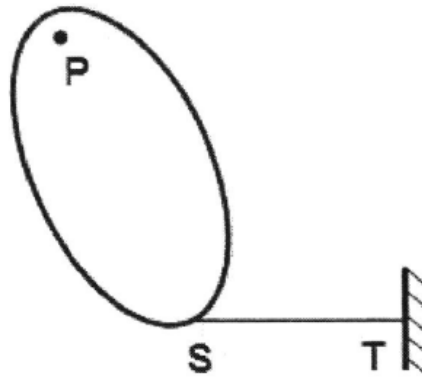


Fig. 2.1

- (a) On Fig. 2.1, draw an arrow to represent
- (i) the weight of the disc, marking out the position of the centre of gravity of the disc with a cross, X, [1]
  - (ii) the force exerted by the thread on the disc and label it as  $F_1$ , [1]
  - (iii) the force exerted by the pivot on the disc and label it as  $F_2$ . [1]

(b) Describe and explain what happens to the disc when the string **ST** is cut.

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Q4

Ailee wanted to lift a uniform slab on a step. She inserted the end of a 2.0 m long non-uniform metal bar under the slab and arranged the system as shown in Fig. 14.3. The weight of the metal bar is 80 N.

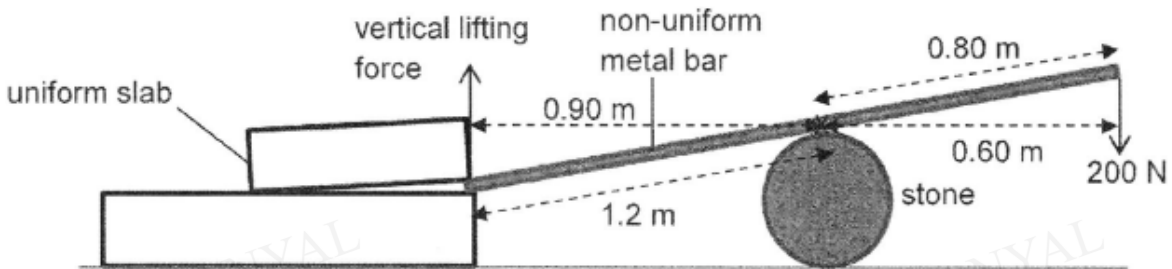


Fig. 14.3

A stone was placed such that the centre of gravity, X of the metal bar was directly above the stone. Ailee just managed to lift the metal bar by exerting a force of 200 N on the end of the bar.

(a) Define *centre of gravity*.

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 ..... [1]

(b) Describe the other force that is part of the action-reaction pair with the vertical lifting force exerted on the edge of the slab.

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 ..... [1]

(c) Calculate the vertical lifting force exerted on the edge of the slab.

lifting force = ..... [2]

(d) Calculate the force of the stone on the bar.

force = ..... [1]

(e) Calculate the weight of the uniform slab.

weight = \_\_\_\_\_ [1]

(f) Suggest a way for Ailee to lift the stone slab with a force that is less than 200 N. Explain your answer.

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(g) Ailee wanted to verify that the centre of gravity of the metal bar is 0.80 m from the right end of the bar.

Describe an experiment to determine the exact location of the centre of the gravity of the bar. In your account,

- set-up must be drawn and clearly labelled,
- explain how Ailee can conclude that the centre of gravity is indeed 0.80 m from the right end of the bar.

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Q5

Fig. 3.1 shows a firefighter of total weight 840 N in equilibrium at the top of a ladder that is pivoted at point P.

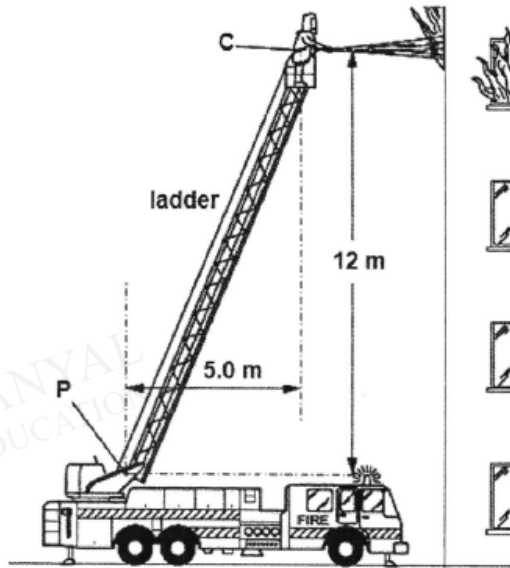


Fig. 3.1

The ladder leans towards a burning building at an angle such that the centre of gravity C of the firefighter is 12 m above and 5.0 m to the right of P. The firefighter holds a hose that directs a high-speed jet of water horizontally into a burning building.

(a) Calculate the moment  $M$  of the firefighter's weight about P.

moment  $M = \dots\dots\dots$  [2]

(b) The jet of water causes a horizontal force  $R$  on the firefighter that acts towards the left, through C. This opposes the turning effect of his weight. Calculate the magnitude of force  $R$  that, on its own, ensures that  $M$  is exactly cancelled.

force  $R = \dots\dots\dots$  [2]

(c) Suggest a third force that has a clockwise turning effect about P on the ladder.

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**Answers**

**Moments Test 1.0**

Q1

a	When he pushes the floor, his body rises and <u>moves through a distance in the same direction as the force F</u> , hence work is done. [B1]
bi	$\begin{aligned} \text{Moment} &= F \times d \\ &= 600 \times 0.80 \\ &= \underline{480 \text{ Nm}} \text{ [A1]} \end{aligned}$
bii	By Principle of Moments, $F \times 1.2 = 480$ $F = \underline{400 \text{ N [A1]}}$ (ecf awarded)  $\Sigma \text{ upward forces} = \Sigma \text{ downward forces}$ $F + R = 600$ $R = \underline{200 \text{ N [A1]}}$
c	The other force that forms an action-reaction pair with $F$ is the force <u>exerted by the boy's hand on the floor</u> . [B1] It has an <u>equal magnitude but acting in the opposite direction</u> to $F$ . [B1]

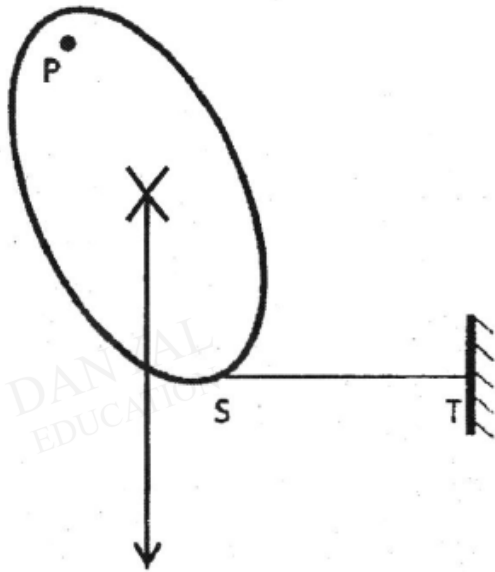
Q2

2(a)	Principle of Moments states that the <u>sum of clockwise moments is equal to the sum of anticlockwise moments</u> about the <u>same pivot</u> such that the system is in <u>equilibrium</u> .	[1] [1]
(b)	$3.0 \times 0.50 = F_p \times 0.10$ $F_p = 15 \text{ N}$	[1] [1]
(c)	$F_p/A_p = F_q/A_q$ $15/10 = F_q/200$ load = 300 N [allow ecf]	[1] [1]
(d)	work done is same at P and Q, $F_p \times D_p = F_q \times D_q$ $15 \times 0.25 = 300 \times D_q$ $D_q = 0.0125 \text{ m}$ [allow ecf]	[1] [1]



Q3

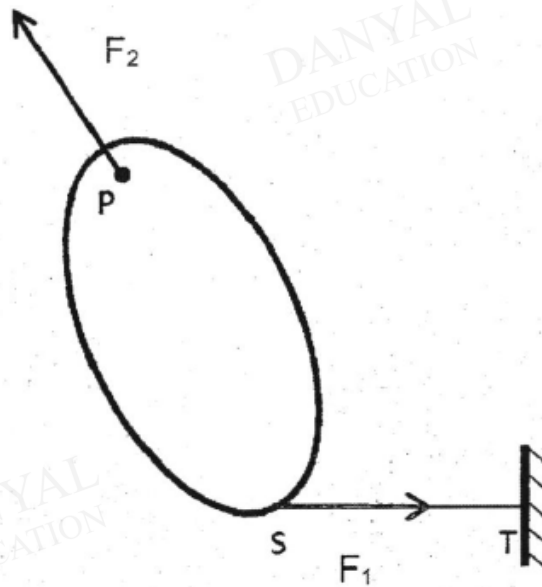
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Correct position of X and arrow vertically down passing through X

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b

The weight of the disc will produce a moment (about the pivot) and disc will rotate clockwise OR disc will come to rest with centre of gravity directly below pivot.

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Q4

4a	The Center of Mass/Gravity of an object is the point where the whole weight of the object appears to act for <u>any orientation of the object.</u>	1
4b	Force of slab on bar	1
4c	Force $\times 0.9 = 200 \times 0.6$ Force = 133 N	1 1
4d	Force = 133 + 80 + 200 = 413 N	1
4e	If the stone slab is 1.0 m wide, Weight $\times 0.5 = 133 \times 1$ Weight = 266 N	1
4f	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• shift the stone to the left of the bar</li> <li>• the anticlockwise moment provided by the force of slab on bar will decrease. For the clockwise moment to decrease too, the force applied by Ailee will decrease, with a longer perpendicular distance between force and the pivot.</li> </ul>	1 1
4g	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• using a string, hang the bar at a distance of 0.80 m from the right end of the bar</li> <li>• if the bar is horizontal, the cg is at the pivot. The moments provided by the weight of the bar is zero.</li> </ul>	1 1

Q5

(a)	Moments (M) = F $\times$ d = (840N)(5.0m) = <b>4200 Nm</b>	[1]: W & C/F [1]: A & U
(b)	Apply principle of moments about P: (R)(12) = (840)(5.0) Force R = <b>350 N</b>	[1]: W & C/F [1]: A & U
(c)	weight of ladder / hose / fire engine	[1]