

GATE 2021

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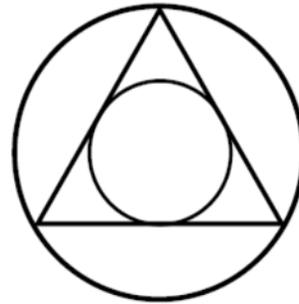
Mechanical Engineering

Questions



SECTION: GENERAL APTITUDE

- 1.** The world is going through the worst pandemic in the past hundred years. The air travel industry is facing a crisis, as the resulting quarantine requirement for travelers led to weak demand.
- In relation to the first sentence above, what does the second sentence do?
- A. Restates an idea from the first sentence.
 B. Second sentence entirely contradicts the first sentence.
 C. The two statements are unrelated.
 D. States an effect of the first sentence
- 2.** The front door of Mr. X's house faces East. Mr. X leaves the house, walking 50 m straight from the back door that is situated directly opposite to the front door. He then turns to his right, walks for another 50 m and stops. The direction of the point Mr. X is now located at with respect to the starting point is _____.
- A. South-East B. North-West
 C. North-East D. West
- 3.** A box contains 15 blue balls and 45 black balls. If 2 balls are selected randomly, without replacement, the probability of an outcome in which the first selected is a blue ball and the second selected is a black ball, is _____.
- A. $\frac{3}{4}$ B. $\frac{45}{236}$
 C. $\frac{3}{16}$ D. $\frac{1}{4}$
- 4.** If $\oplus \div \odot = 2$; $\oplus \div \Delta = 3$; $\odot + \Delta = 5$; $\Delta \times \otimes = 10$. Then, the value of $(\otimes - \oplus)^2$, is _____.
- A. 1 B. 0
 C. 16 D. 4
- 5.** Five persons P, Q, R, S and T are to be seated in a row, all facing the same direction but not necessarily in the same order. P and T cannot be seated at either end of the row. P should not be seated adjacent to S. R is to be seated at the second position from the left end of the row. The number of distinct seating arrangements possible is:
- A. 4
 B. 3
 C. 5
 D. 2
- 6.** The ratio of the area of the inscribed circle to the area of the circumscribed circle of an equilateral triangle is _____.



- A. $\frac{1}{6}$ B. $\frac{1}{2}$
 C. $\frac{1}{8}$ D. $\frac{1}{4}$
- 7.** Consider a square sheet of side 1 unit. The sheet is first folded along the main diagonal. This is followed by a fold along its line of symmetry. The resulting folded shape is again folded along its line of symmetry. The area of each face of the final folded shape, in square units equal to _____.
- A. $\frac{1}{4}$ B. $\frac{1}{16}$
 C. $\frac{1}{32}$ D. $\frac{1}{8}$

- 8.** A digital watch X beeps every 30 seconds while watch Y beeps every 32 seconds. They beeped together at 10 AM. The immediate next time that they will beep together is _____.
- A. 10.00 PM
 - B. 10.08 AM.
 - C. 11.00 AM
 - D. 10.42 AM
- 9.** Given below are two statement 1 and 2, and two conclusions I and II.
- Statement 1: All entrepreneurs are wealthy.
- Statement 2: All wealthy are risk seekers.
- Conclusion I: All risk seekers are wealthy.
- Conclusion II: Only some entrepreneurs are risk seekers.
- Based on the above statements and conclusions, which one of the following options is CORRECT?

- A. Neither conclusion I nor II is correct
 - B. Only conclusion II is correct
 - C. Both conclusions I and II are correct
 - D. Only conclusion I is correct
- 10.** Consider the following sentences:
- A. The number of candidates who appear for the GATE examination is staggering.
 - B. A number of candidates from my class are appearing for the GATE examination.
 - C. The number of candidates who appear who appear for the GATE examination are staggering.
 - D. A number of candidates from my class is appearing for the GATE examination.
- Which of the above sentences are grammatically CORRECT?
- A. (i) and (ii) B. (i) and (iii)
 - C. (ii) and (iii) D. (ii) and (iv)

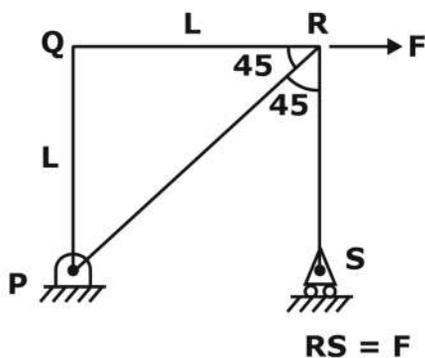
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- Which of the following is responsible for eddy viscosity (or turbulent viscosity) in a turbulent boundary layer over a flat plate.
 - A. Nikuradse stresses
 - B. Prandtl stresses
 - C. Reynolds stresses
 - D. Boussinesq stresses

2. Consider the open feed water heater (FWH) shown in the figure given below:
 is 2624 kJ/kg. specific enthalpy of water at location 5 is 226.7 kJ/kg and specific enthalpy of saturated water at location 6 is 708.6 kJ/kg. If the mass flow rate of water entering the open feed water heater (at location 5) is 100 kg/s then the mass flow rate of steam at location 2 will be kg/s (round off to one decimal place).

- The value of $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \int_0^{\cos \theta} r \sin \theta dr d\theta$ is
 - A. π
 - B. 0
 - C. $\frac{1}{6}$
 - D. $\frac{4}{3}$

4. A Plane truss PQRS (PQ =RS & $\angle PQR = 90^\circ$) is shown in figure.



The forces in the members PR and RS respectively, are

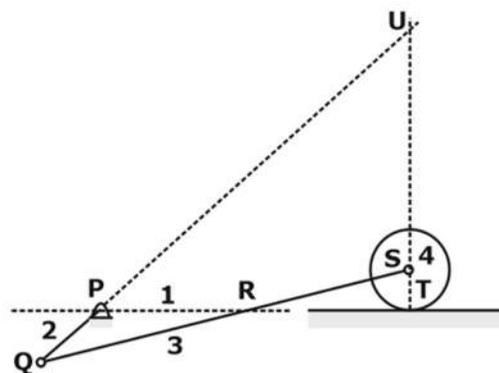
- A. $F\sqrt{2}$ (tensile) and F (tensile)
- B. F (tensile) and $F\sqrt{2}$ (tensile)
- C. F (Compressive) and $F\sqrt{2}$ (compressive)
- D. $F\sqrt{2}$ (tensile) and F (compressive)

5. The demand and forecast of an item for five months are given in the table.

Month	Demand	Forecast
April	225	200
May	220	240
June	285	300
July	290	270
August	250	230

The Mean Absolute Percent Error (MAPE) in the forecast is _____% (round off to two decimal places)

- A column with one end fix and other end free is having a buckling load of 100N. For the same column if the free end is replaced by with a pinned end then the critical buckling load will beN (round off to the nearest integer)
- Consider the mechanism shown in the figure. There is rolling without slip between the disc and the ground.

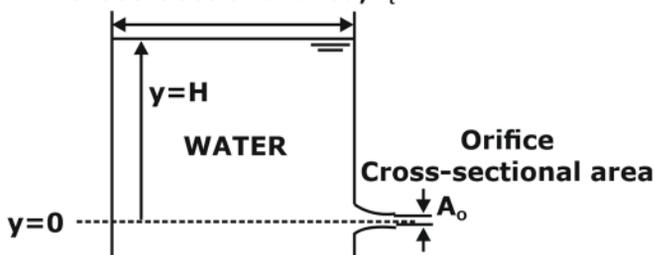


The capacity constraints and inventory balance constraints for this formulation respectively are

- A. $\sum_i^m a_{ij} X_{it} \leq c_{jt} \quad \forall i, t$ and $I_{it} = I_{i,t-1} + X_{it} - d_{it} \quad \forall i, t$
- B. $\sum_i^m a_{ij} X_{it} \leq c_{jt} \quad \forall j, t$ and $I_{it} = I_{i,t-1} + X_{it} - S_{it} \quad \forall i, t$
- C. $\sum_i^m a_{ij} X_{it} \leq d_{jt} \quad \forall i, t$ and $I_{it} = I_{i,t-1} + X_{it} - S_{it} \quad \forall i, t$
- D. $\sum_i^m a_{ij} X_{it} \leq d_{jt} \quad \forall i, t$ and $I_{it} = I_{i,t-1} + S_{it} - X_{it} \quad \forall i, t$

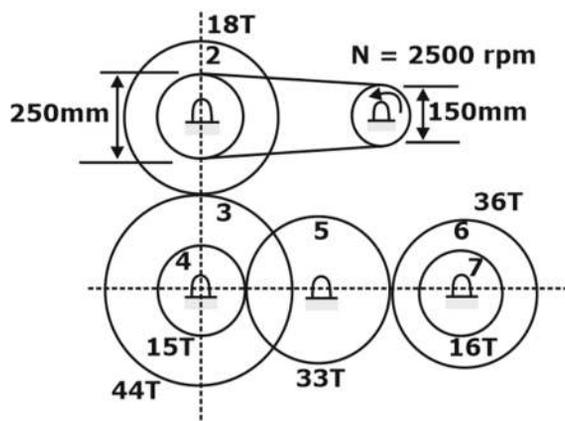
- 13.** Water flows out from a large tank of cross-sectional area $A_t = 1 \text{ m}^2$ through a small rounded orifice of cross-sectional area $A_o = 1 \text{ cm}^2$, located at $y = 0$. Initially the water level (H), measured from $y = 0$, is 1 m. The acceleration due to gravity is 9.8 m/s^2 .

Cross-sectional area, A_t



Neglecting any losses, the time taken by water in the tank to reach a level of $y = H/4$ is seconds (round off to one decimal place).

- 14.** A power transmission mechanism consists of a belt drive and a gear train as shown in the figure.

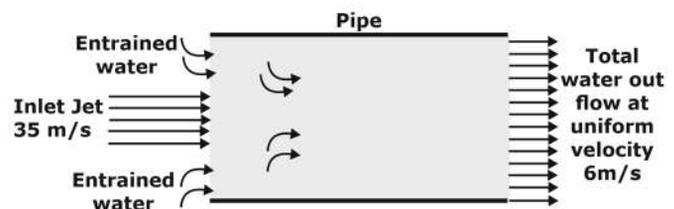


Diameters of pulleys of belt drive and number of teeth (T) on the gears 2 to 7 are indicated in the figure. The speed and direction of rotation of gear 7, respectively, are

- A. 255.68 rpm: clockwise
 - B. 575.28 rpm: clockwise
 - C. 575.28 spin: anticlockwise
 - D. 255.68 spin: anticlockwise
- 15.** Value of $(1+i)^8$ where $i = \sqrt{-1}$ is equal to

- A. 16
- B. $16i$
- C. $4i$
- D. 4

- 16.** A high velocity water jet of cross section area $= 0.01 \text{ m}^2$ and velocity $= 35 \text{ m/s}$ enters a pipe filled with stagnant water. The diameter of the pipe is 0.32 m. This high velocity water jet entrains additional water front the pipe and the total water leaves the pipe with a velocity 6 m/s as shown in the figure.



The flow rate of entrained water is litre/s (round off to two decimal places).

- 17.** A 76.2 mm gauge block is used under one end of a 254 mm sine bar with roll diameter of 25.4 mm. The height of gauge blocks required at the other end of the sine bar to measure an angle of 30° is _____ mm (round off to two decimal places).

- 18.** Daily production capacity of a bearing manufacturing company is 30000 bearings. The daily demand of the bearing is 15000. The holding cost per year of keeping a bearing in the inventory is Rs. 20. The setup cost for the production of a batch is Rs. 1800.

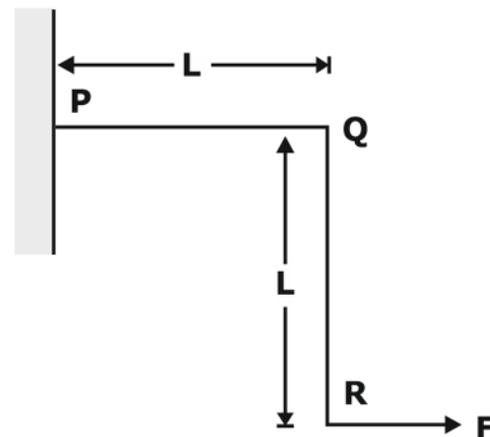
Assuming 300 working days in a year. the economic batch quantity in number of bearings is _____ (in integer).

- 19.** A vertical shaft Francis turbine rotates at 300 rpm. The available head at the inlet to the turbine is 200 m. The tip speed of the rotor is 40 m/s. Water leaves the runner of the turbine without whirl. Velocity at the exit of the draft tube is 3.5 m/s. The head losses in different components of the turbine are: (i) stator and guide vanes: 5 m (ii) rotor: 10 m. and (iii) draft tube: 2 m. Flow rate through the turbine is 20 m³/s. Take $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$. The hydraulic efficiency of the turbine is _____ % (round off to one decimal place).
- 20.** Let the superscript T represent the transpose operation. Consider the function $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} x^T Qx - r^T x$, where x and r are $n \times 1$ vectors and Q is a symmetric $n \times n$ matrix. The stationary point of $f(x)$ is
- A. $Q^{-1}r$ B. $Q^T r$
 C. $\frac{r}{r^T r}$ D. r
- 21.** Ambient air flows over a heated slab having flat. top surface at $y = 0$. The local temperature (in Kelvin) profile within the thermal boundary layer is given by $T(y) = 300 + 200 \exp(-5y)$. where y is the distance measured from the slab surface in meters. If the thermal conductivity of air is 0.02 W/m-K and that of the slab is 100 W/m-K , then the magnitude of temperature gradient $\left| \frac{dT}{dy} \right|$ within the slab at $y = 0$ is _____ K/m (round off to the nearest integer).
- 22.** In forced convection heat transfer, Stanton number (St), Nusselt Number (Nu) , Reynolds

number (Re) and prandtl number are related as

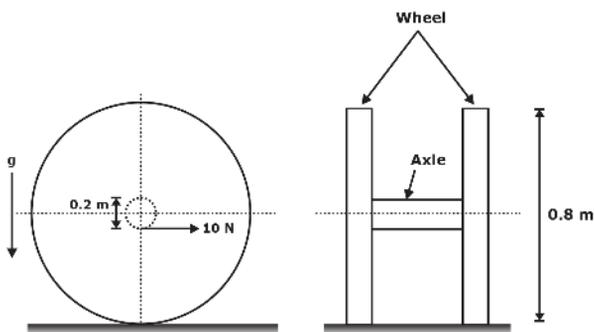
- A. $St = \frac{Nu \times Re}{Pr}$ B. $St = \frac{Nu}{Re \times Pr}$
 C. $St = \frac{Nu \times Pr}{Re}$ D. $St = Nu \times Pr \times Re$

- 23.** Find the positive real root of $x^3 - x - 3 = 0$ using Newton - Raphson method. if the starting guess (x_0) is 2, The numerical value of the root after two iteration (x_2) is (round off to two decimal places)
- 24.** A plane frame PQR (fixed at P and free at R) is shown in the figure. Both members (PQ and QR) have length. L . and flexural rigidity. EI . Neglecting the effect of axial stress and transverse shear. the horizontal deflection at free end R is.



- A. $\frac{FL^3}{3EI}$ B. $\frac{4FL^3}{3EI}$
 C. $\frac{2FL^3}{3EI}$ D. $\frac{5FL^3}{3EI}$
- 25.** A cantilever beam with a uniform flexural rigidity ($EI = 200 \times 10^6 \text{ N.m}^2$) is loaded with a concentrated force at its free end. The area of the bending moment diagram corresponding to the full length of the beam is 10000 N-m^8 . The magnitude of the slope of the beam at its free end ismicro radian (round off to the nearest integer).

- 26.** Consider an ideal vapour compression refrigeration cycle working on R-134a refrigerant. The COP of the cycle is 10 and the refrigeration capacity is 150 kJ/kg. The heat rejected by the refrigerant in the condenser is kJ/kg (round off to the nearest integer).
- 27.** A two-dimensional flow has velocities in x and y directions given by $u = 2xyt$ and $v = -y^2t$, where t denotes time. The equation for streamline passing through $x = 1, y = 1$ is
 A. $x^2y = 1$ B. $x/y^2 = 1$
 C. $xy^2 = 1$ D. $x^2y^2 = 1$
- 28.** The machining process that involves ablation is
 A. Chemical Machining
 B. Laser Beam Machining
 C. Electrochemical Machining
 D. Abrasive Jet Machining
- 29.** The wheels and axle system lying on a rough surface is shown in the figure.



Each wheel has diameter 0.8 m and mass 1 kg. Assume that the mass of the wheel is concentrated at rim and neglect the mass of the spokes. The diameter of axle is 0.2 m and its mass is 1.5 kg. Neglect the moment of inertia of the axle and assume $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$. An effort of 10 N is applied on the axle in the horizontal direction shown at mid span of the axle. Assume that the wheels move on a horizontal surface without slip. The

acceleration of the wheel axle system in horizontal direction is m/s^2 (round off to one decimal place).

- 30.** The mean and variance respectively of a binomial distribution for n independent trials with the probability of success as p are
 A. $np, np(1 - p)$ B. $\sqrt{np}, \sqrt{np(1 - p)}$
 C. np, np D. $\sqrt{np}, np(1 - 2p)$
- 31.** In a pure orthogonal turning by a zero rake angle single point carbide cutting tool. the shear force has been computed to be 400 N. If the cutting velocity, $V_c = 100 \text{ m/min}$. depth of cut. $t = 0.1 \text{ mm}$. feed. $s_o = 0.1 \text{ mm/revolution}$ and chip velocity. $V_f = 20 \text{ m/min}$. then the shear strength τ_s of the material will be _____ MPa (round off to two decimal places).
- 32.** A PERT network has 9 activities on its critical path. The standard deviation of each activity on the critical path is 3. The standard deviation of the critical path is
 A. 9 B. 3
 C. 81 D. 27
- 33.** A shell and tube heat exchanger is used as a steam condenser. Coolant water enters the tube at 300 K at a rate of 100 kg/s. The overall heat transfer coefficient is $1500 \text{ W/m}^2\text{-K}$. and total heat transfer area is 400 m^2 . Steam condenses at a saturation temperature of 350 K. Assume that the specific heat of coolant water is 4000 J/kg.K . The temperature of the coolant water coming out of the condenser is _____ K (round off to the nearest integer).
- 34.** Consider the following differential equation $(1 + y) \frac{dy}{dx} = y$. The solution of the equation that satisfies the condition $y(1) = 1$ is _____.

- A. $ye^y = e^x$ B. $(1+y)e^y = 2e^x$
 C. $2ye^y = e^x + e$ D. $y^2e^y = e^x$

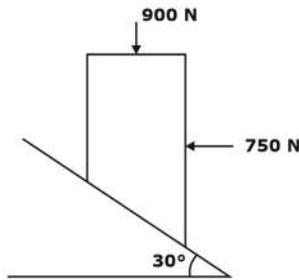
- 35.** An object is moving with a Mach number of 0.6 in an ideal gas environment, which is at a temperature of 350 K. The gas constant is 320 J/kg. K and ratio of specific heats is 1.3. The speed of the object is _____ m/s (round off to nearest integer).
- 36.** The figure shows the relationship between fatigue strength (S) and fatigue life (N) of a material. The fatigue strength of the material for a life of 1000 cycles is 450 MPa. while its fatigue strength for a life of 10^6 cycles is 150 MPa.
- 37.** A steel cubic block of side 200 mm is subjected to hydrostatic pressure of 250 N/mm². The elastic modulus is 2×10^5 N/mm² and Poisson's ratio is 0.3 for steel. The side of the block is reduced by _____ mm (round off to two decimal places).
- 38.** Consider adiabatic flow of air through a duct. At a given point in the duct, velocity of air is 300 m/s, temperature is 330 K and pressure is 180 kPa. Assume that the air behaves as a perfect gas with constant $C_p = 1.005$ kJ/kg.K. The stagnation temperature at this point is _____ (round off to two decimal places).
- 39.** If the Laplace transform of a function $f(t)$ is given by $\frac{s+3}{(s+1)(s+2)}$, then $f(0)$ is _____.
- A. 3/2 B. 0
 C. 1 D. 1/2
- 40.** In a CNC machine tool, the function of an interpolator is to generate _____.
- A. NC code from the part drawing during post processing.

- B. error signal for tool radius compensation during machining.
 C. signal for the lubrication pump during machining
 D. reference signal prescribing the shape of the part of the machined.

- 41.** The thickness, width and length of a metal slab are 50 mm, 250 mm and 3600 mm, respectively. A rolling operation on this slab reduces the thickness by 10% and increase the width by 3%. The length of the rolled slab is _____ mm (round off to one decimal place).
- 42.** The Von-mises stress at a point in a body subjected to forces is proportional to square root of _____.
- A. total strain energy per unit volume
 B. dilatational strain energy per unit volume
 C. distortional strain energy per unit volume
 D. normal strain energy per unit volume
- 43.** The torque provided by an engine is given by $T(\theta) = 12000 + 2500 \sin(2\theta)$ N.m. where θ is the angle turned by the crank from inner dead center. The mean speed of the engine is 200 ipm and it drives a machine that provides a constant resisting torque. If variation of the speed from the mean speed is not to exceed $\pm 0.5\%$. the minimum mass moment of inertia of the flywheel should be _____ kg.M² (round off to the nearest integer).
- 44.** A cast product of a particular material has dimensions 75 mm x 125 mm x 20 mm. The total solidification time for the cast product is found to be 8.0 minutes as calculated using Chvorinov's rule having the index. $n = 2$. If under the identical casting conditions. the cast

product shape is changed to a cylinder having diameter = 50 mm and height = 50 mm. the total solidification time will be _____minutes (round off to two decimal places).

- 45.** A block of negligible mass rests on a surface that is inclined at 30° to the horizontal plane as shown in the figure. When a vertical force of 900 N and a horizontal force of 750 N are applied, the block is just about to slide.



The coefficient of static friction between the block and surface is _____ (round off to two decimal places).

- 46.** A rigid tank of volume 50 m^3 contains a pure substance as a saturated liquid vapour mixture at 400 kPa. Of the total mass of the mixture, 20% mass is liquid, and 80% mass is vapour. Properties at 400 kPa are: Saturation temperature, $T_{\text{sat}} = 143.61^\circ\text{C}$; Specific volume of saturated liquid, $v_f = 0.001084 \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}$; Specific volume of saturated vapour, $v_g = 0.46242 \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}$. The total mass of liquid vapour mixture in the tank is _____ kg (round off to the nearest integer).
- 47.** A machine of mass 100 kg is subjected to an external harmonic force with a frequency of 40 rad/s. The designer decides to mount the machine on an isolator to reduce the force transmitted to the foundation. The isolator can be considered as a combination of stiffness (K)

and damper (damping factor, ξ) in parallel. The designer has the following four isolators:

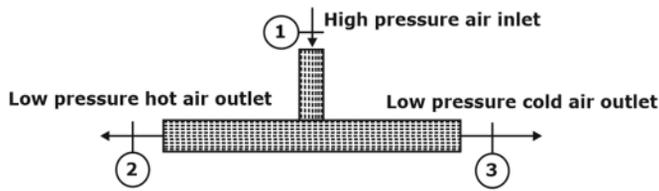
- A. $K = 640 \text{ kN/m}$, $\xi = 0.70$
- B. $K = 640 \text{ kN/m}$, $\xi = 0.07$
- C. $K = 22.5 \text{ kN/m}$, $\xi = 0.70$
- D. $K = 22.5 \text{ kN/m}$, $\xi = 0.07$

Arrange the isolators in the ascending order of the force transmitted to the foundation.

- A. 1-3-4-2 B. 4-3-1-2
- C. 1-3-2-4 D. 3-1-2-4

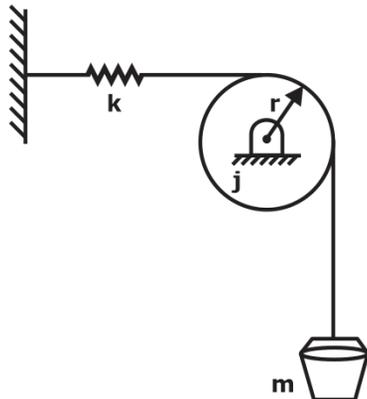
- 48.** A spot welding operation performed on two pieces of steel yielding a nugget with a diameter of 5 mm and a thickness of 1 mm. The welding time was 0.1 s. The melting energy for the steel is 20 J/mm^3 . Assuming the heat conversion efficiency as 10%, the power required for performing spot welding operation is _____ kW (round off to two decimal places).
- 49.** A surface grinding operation has been performed on a Cast Iron plate having dimensions 300 mm (length) \times 10 mm (width) \times 50 mm (height). The grinding was performed using an alumina wheel having a wheel diameter of 150 mm and wheel width of 12 mm. The grinding velocity used is 40 m/s. table speed is 5 m/min. depth of cut per pass is 50 μm and the number of grinding passes is 20. The average tangential and average normal forces for each pass are found to be 40 N and 60 N respectively. The value of the specific grinding energy under the aforesaid grinding conditions is _____ J/mm^3 (Round off to one decimal place).
- 50.** An adiabatic vortex tube, shown in the figure given below is supplied with 5 kg/s of air (inlet 1) at 500 kPa and 300 K. Two separate streams of air are leaving the device from outlets 2 and

C. Hot air leaves the device at a rate of 3 kg/s from outlet 2 at 100 kPa and 340 K. while 2 kg/s of cold air stream is leaving the device from outlet 3 at 100 kPa and 240 K.



Consider constant specific heat of air is 1005 J/kg/K and gas constant is 287 J/kg/K. There is no work transfer across the boundary of this device. The rate of entropy generation is kW/K (round off to one decimal place).

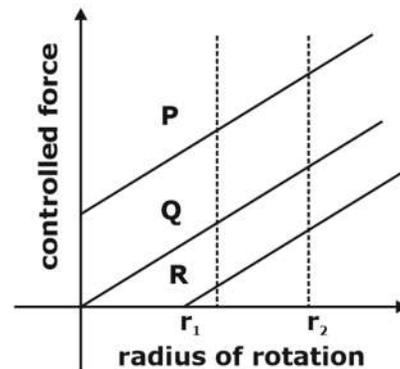
51. Consider the system shown in the figure. A rope goes over a pulley. A mass, m , is hanging from the rope. A spring of stiffness, k , is attached at one end of the rope. Assume rope is inextensible, massless and there is no slip between pulley and rope.



The pulley radius is r and its mass moment of inertia is J . Assume the mass is vibrating harmonically about its equilibrium position. The natural frequency of the system is _____.

- A. $\sqrt{\frac{k}{m}}$ B. $\sqrt{\frac{kr^2}{J}}$
 C. $\sqrt{\frac{kr^2}{J - mr^2}}$ D. $\sqrt{\frac{kr^2}{J + mr^2}}$
52. The Controlling force curves P, Q and R for a spring-controlled governor are shown in the

figure. Where r_1 and r_2 are any two radii of rotation.



The Characteristics shown by the curves are _____.

- A. P-Unstable, Q-Isochronous, R-stable
 B. P-Unstable, Q-stable, R- Isochronous
 C. P-Stable, Q- Unstable, R- Isochronous
 D. P-Stable, Q- Isochronous, R-Unstable
53. The cast iron which possesses all the carbon in the combined form as cementite is known as _____.
- A. Gray Cast Iron
 B. White Cast Iron
 C. Malleable Cast Iron
 D. spheroidal Cast Iron
54. Value of $\int_4^{5.2} \ln x \, dx$ using Simpson's one third rule with interval size 0.3 is _____.
- A. 1.60 B. 1.06
 C. 1.83 D. 1.51
55. The size distribution of the powder particles used in Powder Metallurgy Process can be determined by _____.
- A. Laser scattering
 B. Laser penetration
 C. Laser absorption
 D. Laser reflection

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