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Mathematics Hour.

B.Sc. Part-II

Paper-IV

Topic: System of Coplanar forces (Static)

Force: Force is an external effort in the form of push or pull which (i) produces motion in a body, (ii) stops a moving body, (iii) changes the direction of motion of the body.

Force (P) = mass  $\times$  acceleration

$$P = m \cdot a$$

System of Coplanar forces:

The system of coplanar forces acting on a rigid body is reduced to a single force  $R$  acting at an arbitrary chosen point  $O$  in the plane of the forces together with the couple say  $G$ .

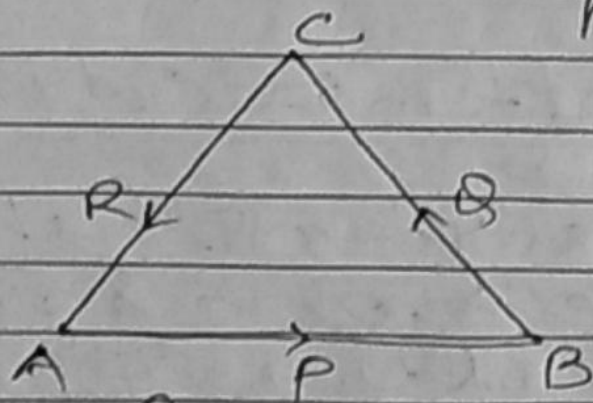
vector :- The physical quantities which have both magnitude and direction are called vector.

e.g. velocity, momentum, acceleration, force etc.

Coplanar vectors! The vectors which are acting in the same plane are called coplanar vectors.

The Triangle Law of Forces!

if three forces acting on a particle at the same time are represented in magnitude and direction by the sides of a triangle taken in one order then the particle will be in equilibrium.



From figure  $P + Q + R = 0$ .

Polygon of forces! if number of forces acting on a particle at the same time are represented in magnitude

and direction by the two sides of closed polygon taken in any order, then the forces will be in equilibrium. These forces are called polygon of forces.  
From figure:

$$P + Q + R + S + T = 0.$$

Couple: When two equal unlike parallel forces acting on a body then this forces are called couple.

By the action of couple force we can rotate the body round without moving in any direction.

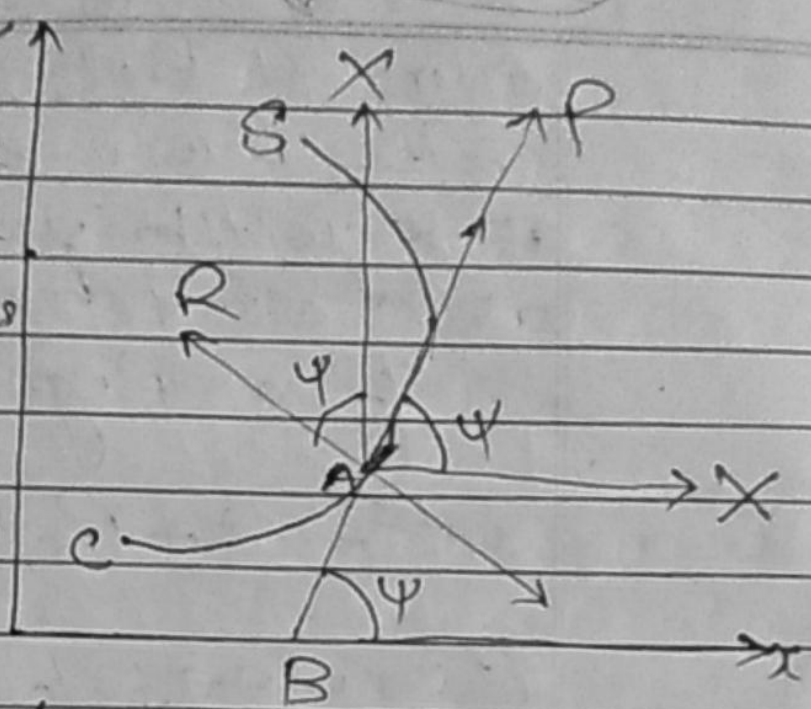
Theorem: if a particle rest on a smooth curve under the action of any force, find the position of equilibrium.

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Let  $y = f(x)$  be the equation of the smooth curve.  $A(x, y)$  be any position of the particle.



Let  $\psi$  be the angle which makes between tangent and x-axis  
Then,



$$\sin \psi = \frac{dy}{ds}, \quad \cos \psi = \frac{dx}{ds}$$

$$\text{and } \tan \psi = \frac{dy}{dx} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

Where  $CA = s$ .

Let by the action of given force P, the particle at A be at rest. R be the normal reaction at A. Then by resolving along and perpendicular to the tangent, we have for equilibrium.

$$X \cos \psi + Y \sin \psi = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow X \frac{dx}{ds} + Y \frac{dy}{ds} = 0 \quad [\text{using (1)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow X + Y \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \quad [\because \text{multiplying by } \frac{ds}{dx} \text{ both side.}]$$

forces  $\vec{F}_1, \vec{F}_2, \vec{F}_3$  acting at the points  $P_1, P_2, P_3$  respectively and  $O$  be any given arbitrary point themselves which not affect the effect of the given force.

The forces  $-\vec{F}_1$  at  $O$  and  $\vec{F}_1$  at  $P_1$  constitute a couple of moment  $\vec{OP}_1 \times \vec{F}_1$  in the figure two forces  $\vec{F}_1$  and  $-\vec{F}_1$  at  $O$  are in equilibrium.

Hence the force  $\vec{F}_1$  at  $P_1$  is equivalent to a force  $\vec{F}_1$  at  $O$  together with a couple of moment  $\vec{OP}_1 \times \vec{F}_1$ . In the same way for  $\vec{F}_2, \vec{F}_3$  we have couple of moment  $\vec{OP}_2 \times \vec{F}_2$   $\vec{OP}_3 \times \vec{F}_3$ .

Now all the couples can be combined into a single resultant couple.

$$\vec{G} = \vec{OP}_1 \times \vec{F}_1 + \vec{OP}_2 \times \vec{F}_2 + \vec{OP}_3 \times \vec{F}_3 + \dots$$

and single resultant force

$$\vec{F} = \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 + \vec{F}_3 + \dots$$