

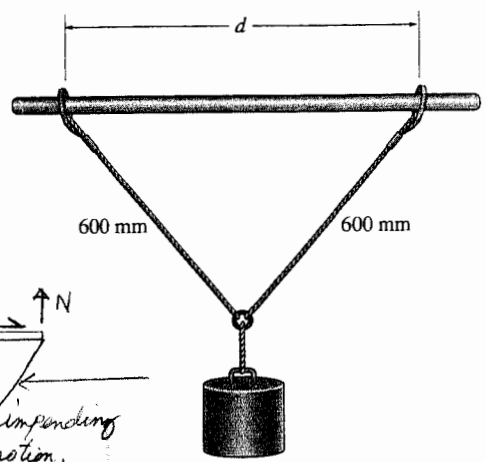
Written Quiz # 10

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Note: Rewrite the solution of your homework clearly, neatly, and completely!!!!!!

The 5-kg cylinder is suspended from two equal-length cords. The end of each cord is attached to a ring of negligible mass, which passes along a horizontal shaft. If the coefficient of static friction between each ring and the shaft is $\mu_s = 0.5$, determine the greatest distance d by which the rings can be separated and still support the cylinder.



Sol. n:

Cylinder weight
 $= 5 \times 9.81 = 49.05 \text{ N}$

From FBD (a):
 for symmetry, $N = \frac{49.05}{2} = 24.525 \text{ N}$

From FBD (b)

$2T \cos \theta = 49.05$
 $\Rightarrow T = \frac{24.525}{\cos \theta}$

From FBD (c)

at impending motion
 $F = \mu_s \times N$
 $= 0.5 \times 24.525 = 12.2625 \text{ N}$

$\sum F_x = 0$

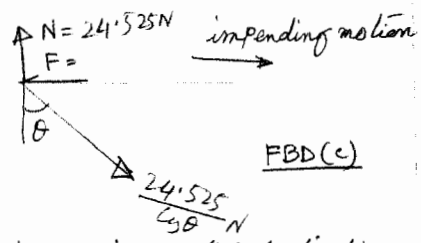
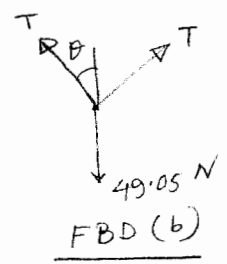
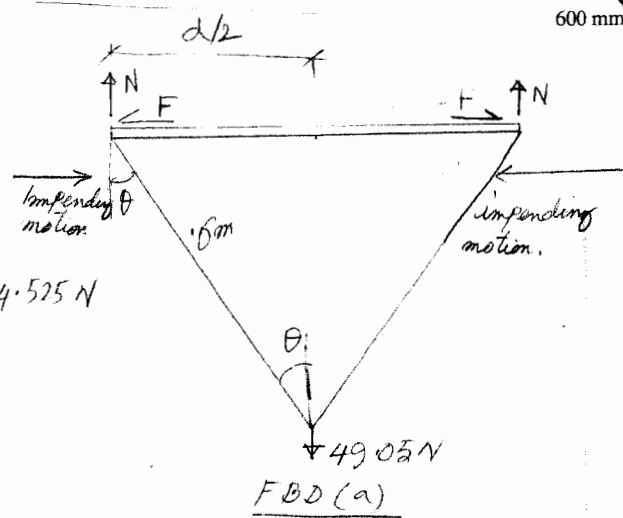
$\Rightarrow -12.2625 + \frac{24.525}{\cos \theta} \sin \theta = 0$

$\Rightarrow 24.525 \tan \theta = 12.2625$

$\Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{1}{2} \therefore \theta = 26.565^\circ$

Again $\sin \theta = \frac{d/2}{.6} \Rightarrow \sin 26.565 = \frac{d/2}{.6}$

$\Rightarrow d = 0.536666 \text{ m}$
 $\therefore d = 536.66 \text{ mm}$



Note: There is a quick method for finding 'd' w/o finding T and N; what's it? Try!