MEC85 / CEC30 Midterm 1 – Fall 2019 Professor Grace X. Gu

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Total Points: 32 (3 Problems)

Show all your work and write neatly. Clearly state the direction of the forces you evaluate. Partial credit will be given. Good luck!

Problem 1 (10 points) - Suppose that $P_1 = 6$ kN, $P_2 = 9$ kN, and $P_3 = 12$ kN. Determine the force in the members BQBE, and EF of the truss and state if the members are in tension or compression.



Problem 2 (12 points)

A two-member frame is subjected to external loads as shown below.

- a) Draw the free-body diagram of member AC and CB. (4 points)
- b) Determine the magnitude of the horizontal and vertical components of the force acting on pin C. (8 points)



Problem 3 (10 points) – The pipe of weight W is to be pulled up the inclined plane of slope α using a force P.

- a) Draw a free-body diagram of the pipe. (4 points)
- b) If P acts at an angle φ , show that for slipping $P = W \sin(\alpha + \theta) / \cos(\varphi \theta)$, where θ is the angle of static friction; $\theta = tan^{-1}\mu_s$. (6 points)

