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Problem #1: (30)

The mass *m* is attached to a rigid lever having negligible mass and negligible friction in the pivot. The input is the displacement *x*. When *x* and θ are θ , the springs are at their free length. Assuming that θ is small, solve the following:

- a) The <u>free body diagram</u> of the lever
- b) The <u>equations of motion</u> for θ with x as the input
- c) The equations of motion in terms of the appropriate <u>state variables</u>



Problem #2: (20)

For the geared system shown below, assume that the shaft inertias and gear inertias, I_1 , I_2 , and I_3 are negligible. The motor and load inertias are I_4 and I_5 , respectively. The speed ratios are

$$\frac{\omega_1}{\omega_2} = \frac{\omega_2}{\omega_3} = N$$

Derive the following:

- a) The <u>free body diagrams</u>
- b) The system model in terms of the speed ω_3 , with the applied torque T as the input



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Problem #3: (30)

Assume the cylinder below rolls without slipping. Neglecting the mass of the pulleys and derive the following:

- a) The free body diagrams
- b) The equation of motion of the system in terms of the displacement x
- c) The equations of motion in terms of the appropriate state variables

Hint: Do a summation of moments about the point of contact between the cylinder and the table.



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Problem #4: (20)

Given a motor with inertia I_m with a drive torque T that is connected to a pinion with inertia I_p and radius R. The shaft connecting the to motor to the pinion has a stiffness of k_t . The pinion is driving a rack whose mass is m_r . The rack has a spring attached to it and is fighting a viscous friction with coefficient c as shown below. Derive the governing equation or system of equations of the system below.

