## ME 274 – Spring 2025 Quiz03 – 3:30 section

## **SOLUTION**

## **Question Q1**

Block D moves to the right with a speed of  $v_D$ .

**Part** A – Show the location of the instant center for link DE in the figure to the right. The figure is drawn to scale.

**Part B** – If  $\vec{\omega}_{DE}$  represents the angular velocity of link DE, then:

a) 
$$\vec{\omega}_{DE} = CCW$$

$$\vec{b}) \vec{\omega}_{DE} = 0$$

c) 
$$\vec{\omega}_{DE} = CW$$

**Part** C – If  $v_E$  represents the speed of E in position

shown, then:

a) 
$$v_D > v_E$$

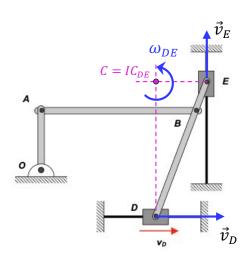
$$b) \ v_D = v_E$$

c) 
$$v_D < v_E$$

$$v_D = |\vec{r}_{D/C}|\omega_{DE}$$

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$$|\vec{r}_{D/C}| > |\vec{r}_{D/C}| \Rightarrow v_D > v_E$$



## **Question Q2**

A disk rolls to the right with its center O having a speed of  $v_0$  and  $\dot{v}_0 < 0$ . Circle the figure below that most accurately represents the direction of the acceleration of the no-slip contact point C.

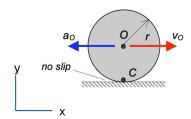




Figure A



Figure B



Figure 5

 $\vec{a}_{c}$ =

Since C is no-slip point on a fixed surface aligned with the x-axis, we know that  $a_{Cx}=0$ . Also, O moves on a straight path aligned with the x-axis.

$$\begin{split} \vec{a}_C &= \vec{a}_0 + \vec{a} \times \vec{r}_{C/O} - \omega^2 \vec{r}_{C/O} \\ \mathbf{a}_{Cy}\hat{\mathbf{j}} &= -a_0\hat{\imath} + \left(\alpha \hat{k}\right) \times (-r\hat{\jmath}) - \omega^2 (-r\hat{\jmath}) \\ &= \left(-a_0 + r\alpha\right)\hat{\imath} + r\omega^2\hat{\jmath} \end{split}$$

Balancing the y-components shows that  $a_{Cy} = r\omega^2 > 0$ .

