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Mathematics

International Advanced Subsidiary/Advanced Level
Mechanics M2

You must have:
Mathematical Formulae and Statistical Tables (Yellow), calculator

Total Marks

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Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- If pencil is used for diagrams/sketches/graphs it must be dark (HB or B).
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions and ensure that your answers to parts of questions are clearly labelled.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
  – *there may be more space than you need.*
- You should show sufficient working to make your methods clear. Answers without working may not gain full credit.
- Whenever a numerical value of g is required, take $g = 9.8\,\text{m}\,\text{s}^{-2}$, and give your answer to either 2 significant figures or 3 significant figures.

Information

- A booklet 'Mathematical Formulae and Statistical Tables' is provided.
- There are 8 questions in this question paper. The total mark for this paper is 75.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
  – *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.
- If you change your mind about an answer, cross it out and put your new answer and any working underneath.

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1. **In this question you must show all stages of your working.**
Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.

At time t seconds, $t \geqslant 0$, a particle P is at the point with position vector $\mathbf{r}$ metres relative to a fixed origin, where

$$\mathbf{r} = 4e^{2t}\mathbf{i} + (12t - e^{2t})\mathbf{j}$$

(a) Find, in terms of e, the exact velocity of P when $t = 3$

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At time T seconds, $T \geqslant 0$, P is moving in the direction of the vector $\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j}$

(b) Find the exact acceleration of P when $t = T$

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Question 1 continued

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2. [*In this question* **i** *and* **j** *are perpendicular horizontal unit vectors*.]

A particle Q of mass 5 kg is moving on a smooth horizontal surface.

Particle Q is moving with velocity $(2\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j})\,\text{m s}^{-1}$ when it receives a horizontal impulse of magnitude $10\sqrt{2}\,\text{N s}$.

Immediately after receiving the impulse, the velocity of Q is $(a\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j})\,\text{m s}^{-1}$, where a is a positive constant.

(a) Find the value of a.

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The angle between the direction of motion of Q before receiving the impulse and the direction of motion of Q after receiving the impulse is $\theta°$.

(b) Find the value of θ.

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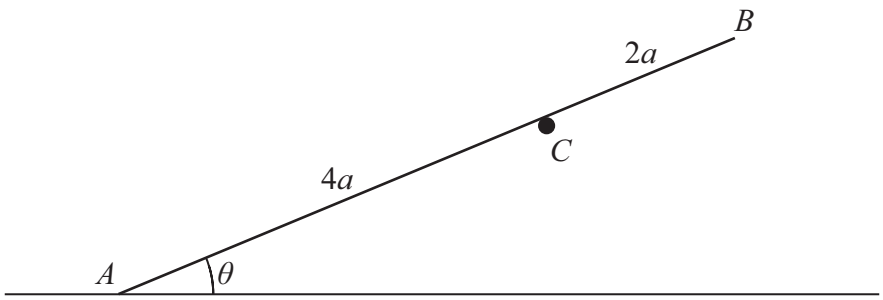


Figure 1

A beam AB, of weight W and length $6a$, rests in equilibrium with its end A on rough horizontal ground.
The beam rests on a rough horizontal peg at C, where $AC = 4a$, as shown in Figure 1.
Friction is limiting at both A and C.

- the coefficient of friction between the beam and the peg at C is $\frac{1}{6}$
- the beam is inclined at an angle θ to the ground, where $\tan\theta = \frac{3}{4}$
- the beam is modelled as a uniform rod that lies in a vertical plane perpendicular to the peg
- the normal reaction between the beam and the peg at C has magnitude kW

Using the model,

(a) find the exact value of k,

(3)

(b) find the exact value of the coefficient of friction between the beam and the ground.

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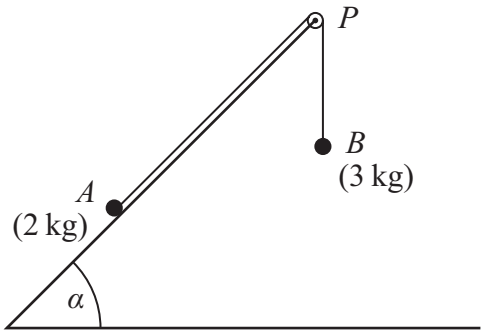


Figure 2

Two particles, A and B, of mass 2 kg and 3 kg respectively, are connected by a light inextensible string.

Particle A is held at rest on a fixed rough ramp that is inclined at an angle α to the horizontal ground, where $\tan\alpha = \frac{4}{3}$

The string passes over a small smooth pulley P that is fixed at the top of the ramp. Particle B hangs vertically below P, as shown in Figure 2.

The particles are released from rest with the string taut so that A moves up the ramp. The section of the string from A to P is parallel to a line of greatest slope of the ramp.

The coefficient of friction between A and the ramp is $\frac{1}{4}$

Air resistance is ignored.

(a) Find the magnitude of the frictional force acting on A as A moves up the ramp.

(2)

When the particles are released from rest, A is more than 2.5 m from the pulley and B is more than 2.5 m above the ground.

(b) Use the work-energy principle to find the speed of A at the instant when it has moved 2.5 m up the ramp.

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5. [*In this question you may assume, without proof, that the centre of mass of a circular sector of radius r and angle 2α is* $\frac{2r\sin\alpha}{3\alpha}$ *from the centre.*]

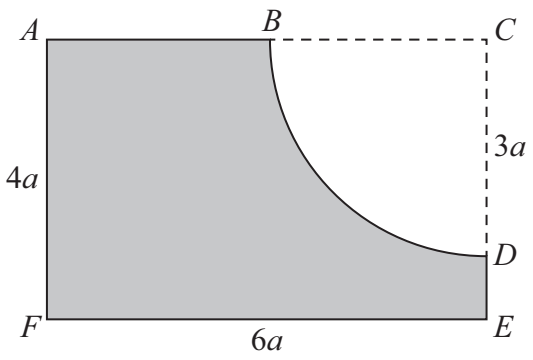


Figure 3

The uniform **lamina** *ACEF* is a rectangle with $AF = 4a$ and $FE = 6a$.

The point *B* on *AC* and the point *D* on *CE* are such that the arc *BD* is a quarter circle with radius $3a$ and centre *C*.
The sector *BCD* is removed from the lamina to form the template shown shaded in Figure 3.

(a) Show that the centre of mass of the **sector** *BCD* is $\frac{4a}{\pi}$ from *CD*.

(2)

The distance of the centre of mass of the **template** from *AF* is *d*.

(b) Show that $d = \frac{108 - 18\pi}{32 - 3\pi}a$

(5)

The template is suspended from *A* and hangs freely in equilibrium.

(c) Find the size of the angle between *AF* and the downward vertical.

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6. A particle P has mass $2m$ and a particle Q has mass $4m$.
The particles are moving in the **same** direction along the same straight line on a smooth horizontal surface, with P behind Q.

Particle P collides directly with particle Q and both particles continue to move in the **same** direction.

Immediately **before** the collision, the speed of P is $4u$ and the speed of Q is u.
Immediately **after** the collision, the speed of P is w and the speed of Q is v.

The coefficient of restitution between P and Q is e, where $e > 0$

(a) Show that $v = 2u + eu$

(5)

(b) Hence find, in terms of u, the full range of possible values of w.

(2)

After the collision with P, particle Q collides directly with a third particle R.
Before the collision with Q, particle R was at rest on the same straight line as P and Q.
The coefficient of restitution between Q and R is also e.

Given that the mass of R is $5m$,

(c) show that there will be a second collision between P and Q.
(*Solutions relying entirely on calculator technology are not acceptable.*)

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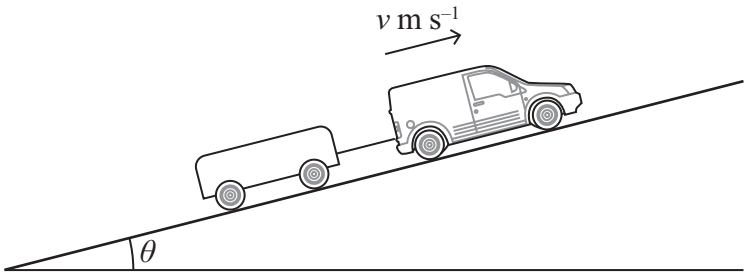


Figure 4

A van of mass 800 kg is moving up a straight road that is inclined at an angle θ to the horizontal, where $\sin\theta = \frac{1}{12}$

The van is towing a trailer of mass 300 kg. The trailer is attached to the van by a rigid towbar that is parallel to the direction of motion of the van and the trailer, as shown in Figure 4.

- the resistance to the motion of the **van** from non-gravitational forces is modelled as a constant force of magnitude 400 N
- the resistance to the motion of the **trailer** from non-gravitational forces is modelled as a constant force of magnitude 200 N
- the towbar is modelled as a light rod

The engine of the van is working at a constant rate of 12 kW.

The van is moving up the straight road at a constant speed of $v\,\text{m s}^{-1}$

(a) Find the value of v.

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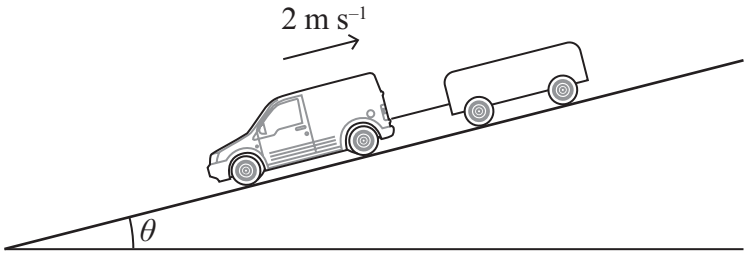


Figure 5

On another occasion, the van and the trailer are **reversing up** the same straight road. The towbar is again parallel to the direction of motion of the van and the trailer, as shown in Figure 5.

- the resistance to the motion of the **van** from non-gravitational forces is again modelled as a constant force of magnitude 400 N
- the resistance to the motion of the **trailer** from non-gravitational forces is again modelled as a constant force of magnitude 200 N
- the towbar is modelled as a light rod

The engine of the van is working at a constant rate of 4 kW.

(b) Find the thrust in the towbar at the instant when the speed of the van **up the road** is 2 m s^{-1}

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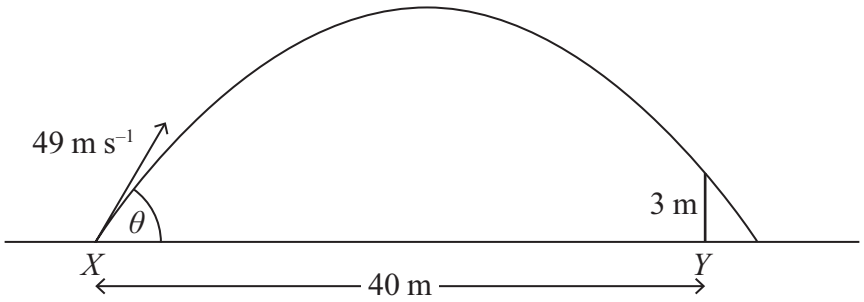


Figure 6

Two points X and Y, on horizontal ground, are 40 m apart.

A vertical pole, fixed to the ground at Y, has length 3 m.

At time $t = 0$, a particle P is projected from X with speed $49\,\text{m s}^{-1}$ at an angle θ to the ground.

Particle P **just** passes over the top of the pole, as shown in Figure 6.

(a) Show that $\tan\theta$ satisfies the equation $a\tan^2\theta + b\tan\theta + c = 0$, where a, b and c are integers to be given to 3 significant figures.

(6)

A particle Q is now projected from X with speed $49\,\text{m s}^{-1}$ at 30° to the ground.
The particle passes over the top of the pole and reaches the ground at the point Z.

(b) Find the minimum speed of Q on its journey from X to Z.

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(c) Find the speed of Q at the instant when it is vertically above the top of the pole.

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