

Wednesday 14 June 2023 – Afternoon

A Level Further Mathematics B (MEI)

Y421/01 Mechanics Major

Time allowed: 2 hours 15 minutes



You must have:

- the Printed Answer Booklet
- the Formulae Booklet for Further Mathematics B (MEI)
- a scientific or graphical calculator



INSTRUCTIONS

- Use black ink. You can use an HB pencil, but only for graphs and diagrams.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided in the **Printed Answer Booklet**. If you need extra space use the lined pages at the end of the Printed Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Fill in the boxes on the front of the Printed Answer Booklet.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Where appropriate, your answer should be supported with working. Marks might be given for using a correct method, even if your answer is wrong.
- Give your final answers to a degree of accuracy that is appropriate to the context.
- The acceleration due to gravity is denoted by $g \text{ m s}^{-2}$. When a numerical value is needed use $g = 9.8$ unless a different value is specified in the question.
- Do **not** send this Question Paper for marking. Keep it in the centre or recycle it.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is **120**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [].
- This document has **12** pages.

ADVICE

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

Section A (26 marks)

- 1 A car of mass 800 kg moves in a straight line along a horizontal road.

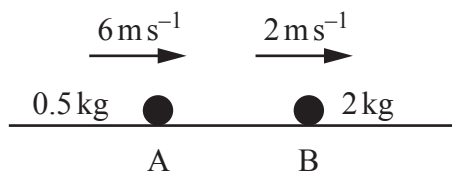
There is a constant resistance to the motion of the car of magnitude 600 N.

When the car is travelling at a speed of 15 m s^{-1} the power developed by the car is 27 kW.

Determine the acceleration of the car when it is travelling at 15 m s^{-1} .

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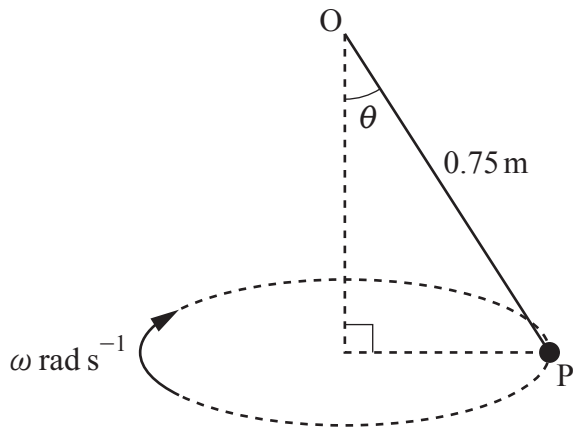


Two small uniform smooth spheres A and B have masses 0.5 kg and 2 kg respectively. The two spheres are travelling in the same direction in the same straight line on a smooth horizontal surface. Sphere A is moving towards B with speed 6 m s^{-1} and B is moving away from A with speed 2 m s^{-1} (see diagram). Spheres A and B collide. After this collision A moves with speed 0.2 m s^{-1} .

Determine the possible speeds with which B moves after the collision.

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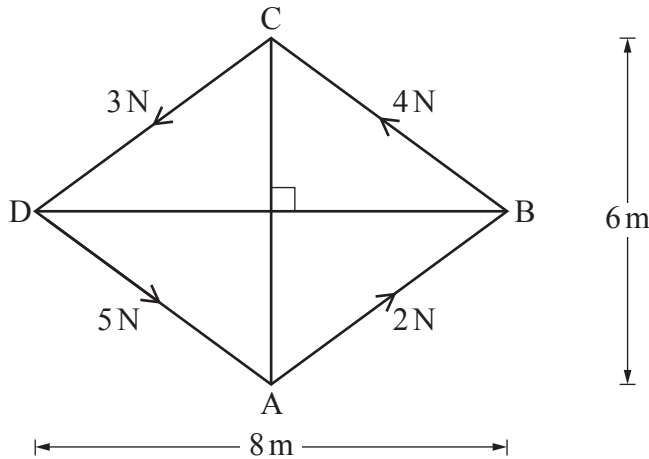
The diagram shows a particle P, of mass 0.2 kg, which is attached by a light inextensible string of length 0.75 m to a fixed point O.

Particle P moves with constant angular speed $\omega \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ in a horizontal circle with centre vertically below O. The string is inclined at an angle θ to the vertical.

The greatest tension that the string can withstand without breaking is 15 N.

- (a) Find the greatest possible value of θ , giving your answer to the nearest degree. [2]
- (b) Determine the greatest possible value of ω . [3]

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A rigid lamina of negligible mass is in the form of a rhombus ABCD, where $AC = 6\text{ m}$ and $BD = 8\text{ m}$. Forces of magnitude 2 N , 4 N , 3 N and 5 N act along its sides AB, BC, CD and DA, respectively, as shown in the diagram. A further force \mathbf{F} , acting at A, and a couple of magnitude $G\text{ Nm}$ are also applied to the lamina so that it is in equilibrium.

(a) Determine the magnitude and direction of \mathbf{F} . [4]

(b) Determine the value of G . [2]

5 A particle P of mass $m\text{ kg}$ is projected with speed $u\text{ m s}^{-1}$ along a rough horizontal surface. During the motion of P, a constant frictional force of magnitude $F\text{ N}$ acts on P. When the velocity of P is $v\text{ m s}^{-1}$, it experiences a force of magnitude $kv\text{ N}$ due to air resistance, where k is a constant.

(a) Determine the dimensions of k . [3]

At time $T\text{ s}$ after projection P comes to rest. A formula approximating the value of T is

$$T = \frac{mu}{F} - \frac{kmu^2}{2F^2} + \frac{1}{3}k^2m^\alpha u^\beta F^\gamma.$$

(b) Use dimensional analysis to find α , β and γ . [4]

Section B (94 marks)

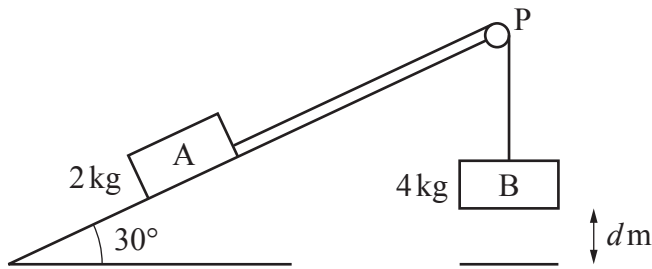
- 6 At time t seconds, where $t \geq 0$, a particle P has position vector \mathbf{r} metres, where

$$\mathbf{r} = (2t^2 - 12t + 6)\mathbf{i} + (t^3 + 3t^2 - 8t)\mathbf{j}.$$

The velocity of P at time t seconds is $\mathbf{v} \text{ m s}^{-1}$.

- (a) Find \mathbf{v} in terms of t . [1]
- (b) Determine the speed of P at the instant when it is moving parallel to the vector $\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j}$. [5]
- (c) Determine the value of t when the magnitude of the acceleration of P is 20.2 m s^{-2} . [3]

- 7 One end of a rope is attached to a block A of mass 2 kg. The other end of the rope is attached to a second block B of mass 4 kg. Block A is held at rest on a fixed rough ramp inclined at 30° to the horizontal. The rope is taut and passes over a small smooth pulley P which is fixed at the top of the ramp. The part of the rope from A to P is parallel to a line of greatest slope of the ramp. Block B hangs vertically below P, at a distance d m above the ground, as shown in the diagram.



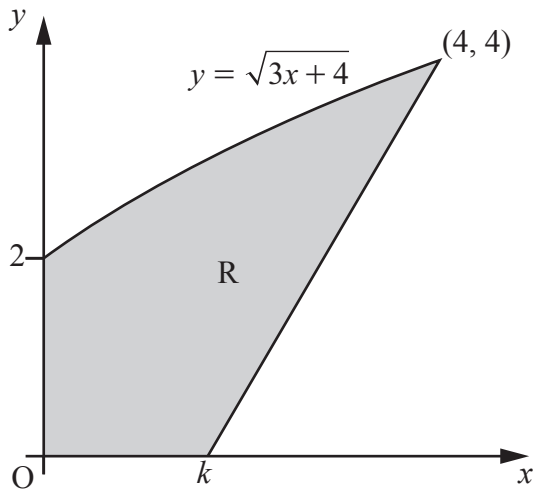
Block A is more than d m from P. The blocks are released from rest and A moves up the ramp.

The coefficient of friction between A and the ramp is $\frac{1}{2\sqrt{3}}$.

The blocks are modelled as particles, the rope is modelled as light and inextensible, and air resistance can be ignored.

- (a) Determine, in terms of g and d , the work done against friction as A moves d m up the ramp. [3]
- (b) Given that the speed of B immediately before it hits the ground is 1.75 m s^{-1} , use the work–energy principle to determine the value of d . [5]
- (c) Suggest one improvement, apart from including air resistance, that could be made to the model to make it more realistic. [1]

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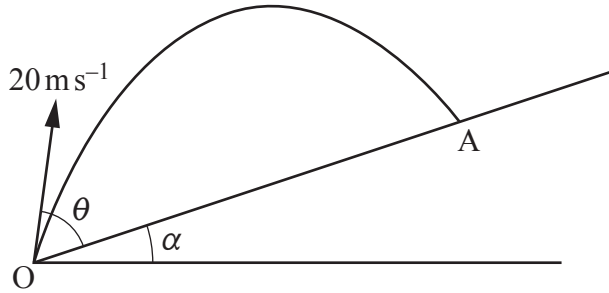
The diagram shows the shaded region R bounded by the curve $y = \sqrt{3x+4}$, the x -axis, the y -axis, and the straight line that passes through the points $(k, 0)$ and $(4, 4)$, where $0 < k < 4$.

Region R is occupied by a uniform lamina.

- (a) Determine, in terms of k , an expression for the y -coordinate of the centre of mass of the lamina. Give your answer in the form $\frac{a+bk}{c+dk}$, where a , b , c and d are integers to be determined. [6]
- (b) Show that the y -coordinate of the centre of mass of the lamina cannot be $\frac{3}{2}$. [2]

9 In this question take $g = 10$.

A small ball P is projected with speed 20 m s^{-1} at an angle of elevation of $(\alpha + \theta)$ from a point O at the bottom of a smooth plane inclined at an angle α to the horizontal, where $\tan \alpha = \frac{5}{12}$ and $\tan \theta = \frac{3}{4}$. The ball subsequently hits the plane at a point A, where OA is a line of greatest slope of the plane, as shown in the diagram.



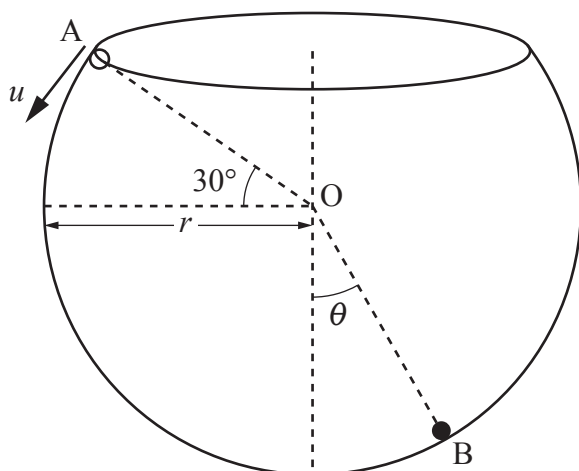
(a) Determine the following, in either order.

- The components of the velocity of P, parallel and perpendicular to the plane, immediately before P hits the plane at A.
- The distance OA. [9]

After P hits the plane at A it continues to move away from O. Immediately after hitting the plane at A the direction of motion of P makes an angle β with the horizontal.

(b) Determine the maximum possible value of β , giving your answer to the nearest degree. [3]

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A hollow sphere has centre O and internal radius r . A bowl is formed by removing part of the sphere. The bowl is fixed to a horizontal floor, with its circular rim horizontal and the centre of the rim vertically above O .

The point A lies on the rim of the bowl such that AO makes an angle of 30° with the horizontal (see diagram).

A particle P of mass m is projected from A , with speed u , where $u > \sqrt{\frac{gr}{2}}$, in a direction perpendicular to AO and moves on the smooth inner surface of the bowl.

The motion of P takes place in the vertical plane containing O and A . The particle P passes through a point B on the inner surface, where OB makes an acute angle θ with the vertical.

- (a) Determine, in terms of m , g , u , r and θ , the magnitude of the force exerted on P by the bowl when P is at B . [7]

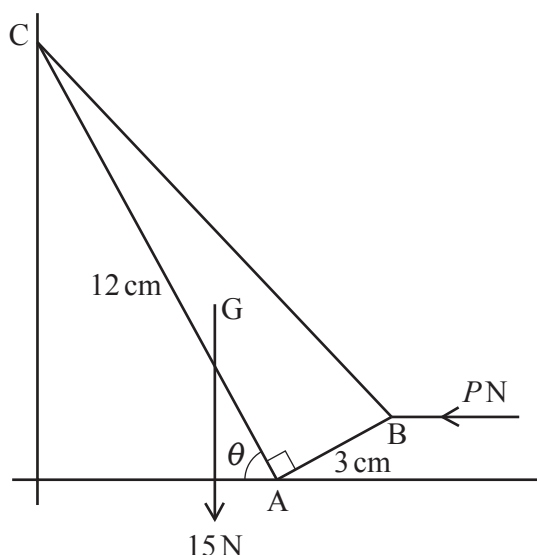
The difference between the magnitudes of the force exerted on P by the bowl when P is at points A and B is $4mg$.

- (b) Determine, in terms of r , the vertical distance of B above the floor. [4]

It is given that when P leaves the inner surface of the bowl it does not fall back into the bowl.

- (c) Show that $u^2 > 2gr$. [5]

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The diagram shows the cross-section through the centre of mass of a uniform solid prism. The cross-section is a right-angled triangle ABC , with AB perpendicular to AC , which lies in a vertical plane. The length of AB is 3 cm, and the length of AC is 12 cm.

The prism is resting in equilibrium on a horizontal surface and against a vertical wall. The side AC of the prism makes an angle θ with the horizontal.

A horizontal force of magnitude PN is now applied to the prism at B . This force acts towards the wall in the vertical plane which passes through the centre of mass G of the prism and is perpendicular to the wall.

The weight of the prism is 15 N and the coefficients of friction between the prism and the surface, and between the prism and the wall, are each $\frac{1}{2}$.

(a) Show that the least value of P needed to move the prism is given by

$$P = \frac{40 \cos \theta + 95 \sin \theta}{16 \sin \theta - 13 \cos \theta}. \quad [8]$$

(b) Determine the range in which the value of θ must lie. [4]

- 12 Two small uniform smooth spheres A and B are of equal radius and have masses m and λm respectively. The spheres are on a smooth horizontal surface.

Sphere A is moving on the surface with velocity $u_1 \mathbf{i} + u_2 \mathbf{j}$ towards B, which is at rest. The spheres collide obliquely. When the spheres collide, the line joining their centres is parallel to \mathbf{i} .

The coefficient of restitution between A and B is e .

- (a) (i) Explain why, when the spheres collide, the impulse of A on B is in the direction of \mathbf{i} . [1]
(ii) Determine this impulse in terms of λ , m , e and u_1 . [6]

The loss in kinetic energy due to the collision between A and B is $\frac{1}{8}mu_1^2$.

- (b) Determine the range of possible values of λ . [6]

13 A particle P of mass m is fixed to one end of a light spring of natural length a and modulus of elasticity man^2 , where $n > 0$. The other end of the spring is attached to the ceiling of a lift. The lift is at rest and P is hanging vertically in equilibrium.

(a) Find, in terms of g and n , the extension in the spring. [3]

At time $t = 0$ the lift begins to accelerate upwards from rest. At time t , the upward displacement of the lift from its initial position is y and the extension of the spring is x .

(b) Express, in terms of g , n , x and y , the upward displacement of P from its initial position at time t . [2]

(c) Given that $\ddot{y} = kt$, where k is a positive constant, express the upward acceleration of P in terms of \ddot{x} , k and t . [1]

(d) Show that x satisfies the differential equation

$$\ddot{x} + n^2x = kt + g. \quad [3]$$

(e) Verify that $x = \frac{1}{n^3}(knt + gn - k \sin(nt))$. [4]

(f) By considering \dot{x} comment on the motion of P relative to the ceiling of the lift for all times after the lift begins to move. [2]

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