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MATHEMATICS 4728

Mechanics 1

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Additional materials: Answer booklet Graph paper List of Formulae (MF1)

TIME 1 hour 30 minutes

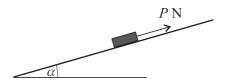
INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.
- Answer all the questions.
- Give non-exact numerical answers correct to 3 significant figures unless a different degree of accuracy is specified in the question or is clearly appropriate.
- The acceleration due to gravity is denoted by $g \, \text{m s}^{-2}$. Unless otherwise instructed, when a numerical value is needed, use g = 9.8.
- You are permitted to use a graphical calculator in this paper.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 72.
- Questions carrying smaller numbers of marks are printed earlier in the paper, and questions carrying larger numbers of marks later in the paper.
- You are reminded of the need for clear presentation in your answers.

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A box of weight $100\,\mathrm{N}$ rests in equilibrium on a plane inclined at an angle α to the horizontal. It is given that $\sin\alpha = 0.28$ and $\cos\alpha = 0.96$. A force of magnitude $P\,\mathrm{N}$ acts on the box parallel to the plane in the upwards direction (see diagram). The coefficient of friction between the box and the plane is 0.25.

- (i) Find the magnitude of the normal force acting on the box. [2]
- (ii) Given that the equilibrium is limiting, show that the magnitude of the frictional force acting on the box is 24 N. [1]
- (iii) Find the value of P for which the box is on the point of slipping
 - (a) down the plane,
 - (b) up the plane.

[3]

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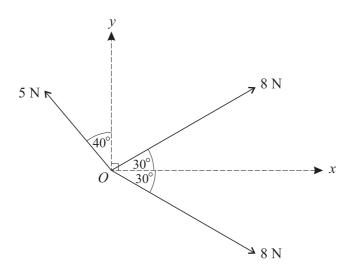


Three small uniform spheres A, B and C have masses 0.4 kg, 1.2 kg and m kg respectively. The spheres move in the same straight line on a smooth horizontal table, with B between A and C. Sphere A is moving towards B with speed $6 \,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$, B is moving towards A with speed $2 \,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$ and C is moving towards B with speed $4 \,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$ (see diagram). Spheres A and B collide. After this collision B moves with speed $1 \,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$ towards C.

- (i) Find the speed with which A moves after the collision and state the direction of motion of A. [5]
- (ii) Spheres B and C now collide and move away from each other with speeds $0.5 \,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$ and $2 \,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$ respectively. Find the value of m.

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Three coplanar forces of magnitudes 5 N, 8 N and 8 N act at the origin O of rectangular coordinate axes. The directions of the forces are as shown in the diagram.

- (i) Find the component of the resultant of the three forces in
 - (a) the x-direction,
 - **(b)** the y-direction.

[5]

(ii) Find the magnitude and direction of the resultant.

- [4]
- A particle moves in a straight line. Its velocity t s after leaving a fixed point on the line is v m s⁻¹, where $v = t + 0.1t^2$. Find
 - (i) an expression for the acceleration of the particle at time t, [2]
 - (ii) the distance travelled by the particle from time t = 0 until the instant when its acceleration is $2.8 \,\mathrm{m\,s}^{-2}$.
- Two particles A and B are projected vertically upwards from horizontal ground at the same instant. The speeds of projection of A and B are $7 \,\mathrm{m \, s}^{-1}$ and $10.5 \,\mathrm{m \, s}^{-1}$ respectively.
 - (i) Write down expressions for the heights above the ground of A and B at time t seconds after projection. [1]
 - (ii) Hence find a simplified expression for the difference in the heights of A and B at time t seconds after projection. [1]
 - (iii) Find the difference in the heights of A and B when A is at its maximum height. [3]

At the instant when B is 3.5 m above A, find

- (iv) whether A is moving upwards or downwards, [3]
- (v) the height of A above the ground. [2]

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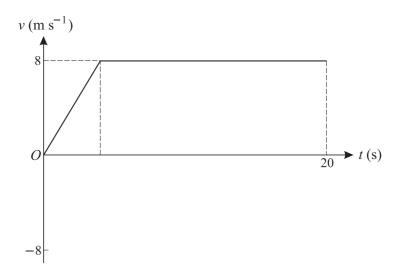


Fig. 1

A cyclist *P* travels along a straight road starting from rest at *A* and accelerating at 2 m s^{-2} up to a speed of 8 m s^{-1} . He continues at a constant speed of 8 m s^{-1} , passing through the point *B* 20 s after leaving *A*. Fig. 1 shows the (t, v) graph of *P*'s journey for $0 \le t \le 20$. Find

(i) the time for which P is accelerating, [2]

(ii) the distance AB.

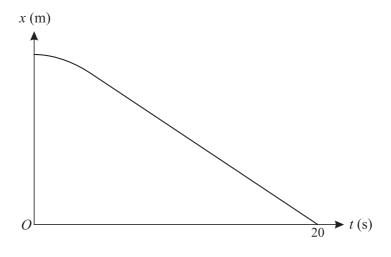


Fig. 2

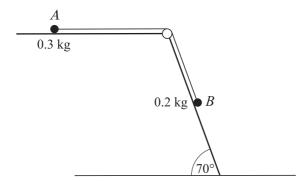
Another cyclist Q travels along the same straight road in the opposite direction. She starts at rest from B at the same instant that P leaves A. Cyclist Q accelerates at $2 \,\mathrm{m\,s^{-2}}$ up to a speed of $8 \,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$ and continues at a constant speed of $8 \,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$, passing through the point A 20 s after leaving B. Fig. 2 shows the (t, x) graph of Q's journey for $0 \le t \le 20$, where x is the displacement of Q from A towards B.

(iii) Sketch a copy of Fig. 1 and add to your copy a sketch of the (t, v) graph of Q's journey for $0 \le t \le 20$.

(iv) Sketch a copy of Fig. 2 and add to your copy a sketch of the (t, x) graph of P's journey for $0 \le t \le 20$.

(v) Find the value t at the instant that P and Q pass each other. [3]

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The upper edge of a smooth plane inclined at 70° to the horizontal is joined to an edge of a rough horizontal table. Particles A and B, of masses $0.3 \, \text{kg}$ and $0.2 \, \text{kg}$ respectively, are attached to the ends of a light inextensible string. The string passes over a smooth pulley which is fixed at the top of the smooth inclined plane. Particle A is held in contact with the rough horizontal table and particle B is in contact with the smooth inclined plane with the string taut (see diagram). The coefficient of friction between A and the horizontal table is 0.4. Particle A is released from rest and the system starts to move.

(i) Find the acceleration of A and the tension in the string. [8]

The string breaks when the speed of the particles is $1.5 \,\mathrm{m \, s}^{-1}$.

(ii) Assuming A does not reach the pulley, find the distance travelled by A after the string breaks.

[3]

(iii) Assuming *B* does not reach the ground before *A* stops, find the distance travelled by *B* from the time the string breaks to the time that *A* stops. [6]

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