

OCR Maths M2
Topic Questions from Papers
Circular Motion
Answers

1	(i)	$T \cos \theta = 0.01 \times 9.8$	M1		resolving vertically	
		$8/10T = 0.01 \times 9.8$	A1		with $\cos \theta = 8/10$	
		$T = 0.1225 \text{ N}$	A1	3	AG	
	(ii)	$T + T \sin \theta = ma$	M1		resolving horizontally	
		use of $m r \omega^2$	M1			
		$\omega = 5.72 \text{ rads}^{-1}$	A1	3		
(iii)	$\text{K.E.} = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.01 \times (r\omega)^2$	M1		$\frac{1}{2} m v^2$ with $v = r\omega$		
	$\text{K.E.} = 0.0588$	A1✓	2	✓ $0.0018 \times \text{their } \omega^2$	8	

(Q3, June 2005)

2	(i)	$R \cos 30^\circ = 0.1 \times 9.8$	M1		resolving vertically	
			A1			
		$R = 1.13 \text{ N}$	A1	3		
	(ii)	$r = 0.8 \cos 30^\circ = 0.693$ or $2\sqrt{3}/5$	B1		may be implied	
		$R \cos 60^\circ = 0.1 \times 0.693 \omega^2$	M1		or $0.1 v^2/r$ & $\omega = v/r$	
		$\omega = 2.86$	A1	4		
	(iii)	$T = 1.96 \text{ N}$	B1	1		
	(iv)	$R \cos 30^\circ = T \cos 60^\circ + 0.1 \times 9.8$	M1			
			A1			
		$R = 2.26 \text{ N}$	A1			
	$R \cos 60^\circ + T \cos 30^\circ = 0.1 \times v^2/r$	M1		or $m r \omega^2$ & use of $v = r\omega$		
		A1		with $R=1.13$ can get M1 only		
	4.43 ms^{-1}	A1	6		14	
or	(iv)	LHS (or RHS)	M1*		method without finding R	
		$T + 0.1 \times 9.8 \cos 60^\circ$	A1		i.e. resolving along PA	
	RHS (or LHS)	M1*				
	$0.1 \times v^2/r \times \cos 30^\circ$	A1		r to be $0.8 \cos 30^\circ$ for A1		
	solve to find v	M1*		depends on 2* Ms above		
	4.43 ms^{-1}	A1	(6)			

(Q8, Jan 2006)

3	(i)	$T = 4.9 \text{ N}$	B1		B0 for $0.5g$	6
		$T = 0.3 \times 0.2 \times \omega^2$	M1		or $0.3v^2/0.2$ and $\omega = v/0.2$	
		$\omega = 9.04 \text{ rads}^{-1}$	A1	4		
	(ii)	$\cos \theta = \sqrt{0.6/0.8} (0.968)$	B1		$(\theta=14.5^\circ)$ angle to vert. or equiv.	11
		$T \cos \theta = 0.5 \times 9.8$	M1		angle consistent with diagram	
		$T = 5.06 \text{ N}$	A1	4	can be their angle	
(iii)	$T \sin \theta = 0.5 \times v^2/0.2$	M1		must be a component of T	11	
	$v = 0.711 \text{ ms}^{-1}$	A1	3	$(\sin \theta = \frac{1}{4})$ can be their angle		

(Q6, June 2006)

4	(i)	$T\sin 30^\circ$	B1				
		$T\sin 30^\circ = 0.3 \times 0.4 \times 2^2$	M1		resolving horizontally		
			A1				
		$T = 0.96$	A1	4			
	(ii)	$R + T\cos 30^\circ = 0.3 \times 9.8$	M1		resolving vertically		
			A1				
		$R = 2.11$	A1✓	3	✓ their T (2.94 – $T\cos 30^\circ$)		
	(iii)	$T_1\sin 30^\circ = 0.3 \times v^2/0.4$	M1		or $0.3 \times 0.4 \times \omega^2$		
			A1		($T_1 = 1.5v^2$)		
		$T_1\cos 30^\circ = 0.3 \times 9.8$	B1		($T_1 = 1.96\sqrt{3} = 3.3948$)		
	$R = 0$	B1		may be implied or stated			
	$\tan 30^\circ = v^2/(0.4 \times 9.8)$ for elim of T_1	M1		and $v = 0.4\omega$ ($\omega = 3.76$)			
	$v = 1.50$	A1	6			13	

(Q7, Jan 2007)

5 (i)	$5\cos 30^\circ = 0.3 \times 9.8 + S\cos 60^\circ$	M1	res. vertically (3 parts with comps)
		A1	
	2.78 N	A1	3
(ii)	$r = 0.4\sin 30^\circ = 0.2$	B1	may be on diagram
	$5\sin 30^\circ + S\sin 60^\circ = 0.3 \times 0.2 \times \omega^2$	M1	res. horizontally (3 parts with comps)
	9.04 rads^{-1}	A1	3

(Q6, June 2007)

6 (i)(a)	$T \cos 45^\circ = 2.94$ $T = 4.16 \text{ N}$	M1	Resolving vertically
		A1	2
(b)	$T\cos 45^\circ + T = 0.3 \times 1.96\omega^2$ (res. horiz.) $\omega = 3.47 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$	M1	calculates $v = 6.81$
		A1	(Max 2/3)
		A1	3
(ii)(a)	$T\cos 30^\circ + T\cos 60^\circ = 2.94$ $T = 2.15 \text{ N}$	M1	Resolving vertically
		A1	
		A1	3
(b)	$T\cos 30^\circ + T\cos 60^\circ = 0.3v^2/1.5$ (res. horiz.) $v = 3.83 \text{ m s}^{-1}$	M1	calculates $\omega = 2.56$
		A1	(Max 2/3)
		A1	3

(Q6, Jan 2008)

7 (i)	$T\cos 60^\circ = S\cos 60^\circ + 4.9$ $T\sin 60^\circ + S\sin 60^\circ = 0.5 \times 3^2/0.4$ $(S + 9.8)\sin 60^\circ + S\sin 60^\circ = 45/4$ $S = 1.60 \text{ N}$ $T = 11.4 \text{ N}$	M1	Resolving vertically nb for M1: (must be components – all 4 cases) Res. Horiz. $m\omega^2$ ok if $\omega \neq 3$ If equal tensions $2T = 45/4$ M1 only
		A1	
		M1	
		A1	
		M1	
		A1	
		A1	
		A1	
		A1	
		A1	
		A1	7
(ii)	$T\cos 60^\circ = 4.9$ $T = 9.8$ $T\sin 60^\circ = 0.5 \times 0.4\omega^2$ $\omega = 6.51 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$	M1	Resolving vertically (component)
		A1	
		M1	Resolving horiz. (component)
		A1	
		A1	or 6.5

(Q6, June 2008)

8 (i)	$0.8 S$	B1	vert comp of S
	$0.6 T$	B1	vert comp of T
	$S \cos \alpha = T \cos \beta + 0.2 \times 9.8$	M1	
	$0.8 S = 0.6 T + 1.96$	aef	AG $4S = 3T + 9.8$
(ii)	$0.6 S$	B1	
	$0.8 T$	B1	
	$0.2 \times 0.24 \times 8^2$	B1	3.072 384/125
	$S \sin \alpha + T \sin \beta = 0.2 \times 0.24 \times 8^2$	M1	must be $m r \omega^2$
	$6S + 8T = 30.72$	A1	aef
	eliminate S or T	M1	
	$S = 3.4 \text{ N}$	A1	3.411
	$T = 1.3 \text{ N}$	A1	8 1.282 12

(Q5, Jan 2009)

9 (i)	$T = 0.4 \times 0.6 \times 2^2$ $T = 0.96 \text{ N}$	M1 A1	2
(ii)	$S - T$ $S - T = 0.1 \times 0.3 \times 2^2$ $S = 1.08$	B1 M1 A1 A1	may be implied 4
(iii)	$v = r\omega$ $v_P = 0.6$ $v_B = 1.2$ $\frac{1}{2} \times 0.1 \times 0.6^2 + \frac{1}{2} \times 0.4 \times 1.2^2$ 0.306	M1 A1 A1 M1 A1	(0.018 + 0.288) separate speeds 11

(Q4, June 2009)

10 (i)	$\cos \theta = 3/5$ or $\sin \theta = 4/5$ or $\tan \theta = 4/3$ or $\theta = 53.1^\circ$ $R \cos \theta = 0.2 \times 9.8$ $R = 3.27 \text{ N}$ or $49/15$	B1 M1 A1	$\theta = \text{angle to vertical}$ [3]
(ii)	$r = 4$ $R \sin \theta = 0.2 \times 4 \times \omega^2$ $\omega = 1.81 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$	B1 M1 A1 A1	[4]
(iii)	$\varphi = 26.6^\circ$ or $\sin \varphi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{5}}$ or $\cos \varphi = \frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$ or $\tan \varphi = 0.5$ $T = 0.98$ or $0.1g$ $N \cos \theta = T \sin \varphi + 0.2 \times 9.8$ $N \times 3/5 = 0.438 + 1.96$ $N = 4.00$ $N \sin \theta + T \cos \varphi = 0.2 \times 4 \times \omega^2$ $4 \times 4/5 + 0.98 \cos 26.6^\circ = 0.8 \omega^2$ $\omega = 2.26 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$	B1 B1 M1 A1 A1 M1 A1 A1	$\varphi = \text{angle to horizontal}$ Vertically, 3 terms may be implied Horizontally, 3 terms [8] 15

(Q7, Jan 2010)

<p>11 (i)</p>	$T\cos 45^\circ + R\sin 45^\circ = mg$ $T\sin 45^\circ - R\cos 45^\circ = ml\sin 45^\circ \omega^2$ $2T = \sqrt{2}mg + ml\omega^2$ $T = m/2(\sqrt{2}g + l\omega^2)$	<p>*M1 A1 *M1 A1 Dep*M1 A1 6</p>	<p>3 terms 3 terms; $a = r\omega^2$ Method to eliminate R AG www</p>
<p>(ii)</p>	<p>$R = 0$ $2R = \sqrt{2}mg - ml\omega^2$ or $T\cos 45^\circ = mg$ or $T = ml\omega^2$ Solve to find ω $\omega = 4.16 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$</p>	<p>B1 B1 M1 A1 4</p>	<p>may be implied 10</p>

(Q5, June 2010)

<p>12 (i)</p>	<p>$3x_G = 2 \times 0.3 + 1 \times 0.6$ OR $3x_G = 2 \times 0.3 + 0$ OR $3x_G = 4 \times 0.3$ OR $3y_G = 1 \times 0.3 + 1 \times 0.6 + 0$ OR $3y_G = 4 \times 0.3 - 1 \times 0.3$ $x_G = 0.4$ (from AD) OR $x_G = 0.2$ (from BC) $y_G = 0.3\text{m}$ from AB or CD $AG^2 = 0.4^2 + 0.3^2$ $AG = 0.5 \text{ m}$</p>	<p>M1 A1 A1 M1 A1 [5]</p>	<p>Table of moments idea. M0 for reducing to 1D problem. Masses/weights may be included. Pythagoras with 2 appropriate distances. This may only be seen in (ii), allow M1A1 in this case.</p>
<p>(ii)</p>	<p>$v = 0.5 \times 3$ $v = 1.5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$</p>	<p>M1 A1 [2]</p>	<p>Allow use of candidate's 0.2, 0.4, 0.3, 0.5</p>

(Q1, Jan 2011)

<p>13 (i)</p>	<p>$T_A \cos 30^\circ + T_B \cos 60^\circ = 0.4g$ $2T \cos 30^\circ + T \cos 60^\circ = 0.4g$ $T_B = 1.76 \text{ N}$ $T_A = 3.51 \text{ N}$</p>	<p>M1 A1 A1 A1 [4]</p>	<p>Resolves vertically, 3 terms $T = 1.756$. Watch for MR of $T \cos 30^\circ + 2T \cos 60^\circ = 0.4g$ Accept 3.52</p>
<p>(ii)</p>	<p>$r = 0.5 \sin 30^\circ (= 0.25)$ $3.51 \sin 30^\circ + 1.76 \sin 60^\circ = 0.4\omega^2 \times 0.5 \sin 30^\circ$ $\omega = 5.72 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$</p>	<p>B1 M1 A1ft A1 [4]</p>	<p>N2L radial, 3 terms $cv(1.76, 3.51, 0.25)$ Accept 5.73</p>

(Q3, Jan 2011)

<p>14 i</p>	<p>$R \sin 30^\circ = 0.3g$ $R \cos 30^\circ = 0.3\omega^2 \times 0.12$ $\omega = 11.9 \text{ rads}^{-1}$</p>	<p>M1 A1 M1 A1 A1 [5]</p>	<p>$R = 5.88$ or $0.6g$ accept $v^2/0.12$ for acceleration cao</p>
<p>ii</p>	<p>$S + R \cos 30^\circ = 0.3 \times 2.1^2 / 0.2$ $R = 5.88$ $S = 1.52 \text{ N}$</p>	<p>M1 A1 B1ft A1 [4]</p>	<p>Resolve and use N2L on sphere Q, 3 terms needed ft $cv(R)$ from (i)</p>
<p>iii</p>	<p>$v_P = 11.9 \times 0.12$, or $h = 0.2/\tan 30^\circ$ or $0.12/\tan 30^\circ$ or $0.08/\tan 30^\circ$ $+/(Q - P) =$ $0.5 \times 0.3(2.1^2 - (11.9 \times 0.12)^2)$ $+ (0.2/\tan 30^\circ - 0.12/\tan 30^\circ) \times 0.3g$ $Q - P = +/- 0.763 \text{ J}$</p>	<p>B1 M1 A2ft A1 [5]</p>	<p>$cv(\omega)$ from (i) Attempt to calculate KE or PE for both particles KE difference (ft on $cv(\omega)$) or PE difference $Q - P = +/- (0.3556 + 0.4074)$</p>

(Q6, June 2011)

15	(i)	(a)	$\sin\theta = \frac{1}{2}$ or $\theta = 30$ $T\cos\theta = 0.2 \times 1.2\cos\theta \times 2.5^2$ $T = 1.5 \text{ N}$	B1 M1 A1 A1 [4]	θ is angle with horizontal. May have angle with vertical. May be seen later. Attempt at resolving horizontally. cv(r) but not $r = 1.2$ Rounding to 1.5
		(b)	$R + T\sin\theta = 0.2g$ $R = 1.21 \text{ N}$	M1 A1 FT A1 [3]	Attempt at resolving vertically. FT on cv(T)
		(ii)	$r = \sqrt{1.2^2 - 0.6^2} = 1.2\cos\theta$ $R = 0$ $T_1\sin\theta = 0.2g$ $T_1\cos\theta = 0.2 \times v^2/r$ or $0.2 \times r\omega^2$ $v = 4.2 \text{ ms}^{-1}$	B1 B1 B1 M1 A1 [5]	May be seen in (i), must be used in here. May be implied. Attempt at resolving.

(Q4, Jan 2012)

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
16 (i)	$\sin\theta = 0.8$ or $\cos\theta = 0.6$ or $\tan\theta = 4/3$ or $\theta = 53.1$ $T_A\cos\theta + T_B\cos\theta = 2 \times 1.2 \times 4^2$ $T_A\sin\theta = T_B\sin\theta + 2g$ Solve simultaneously to get at least T_A or T_B $T_A = 44.25$ and $T_B = 19.75$	B1 *M1 A1 *M1 A1 Dep*M1 A1 [7]	θ is angle AP makes with horizontal Attempt to resolve horizontally and use N2L with a version of acceleration, not just a . Allow $T_A = T_B$ for M1 only. Use their θ Attempt to resolve vertically Use their θ For both. Allow 44.2, 44.3, 19.7, 19.8
(ii)	$T_B = 0$ $T_A\cos\theta = 2v^2/1.2$ $T_A\sin\theta = 2g$ Solve for v or ω $v = 2.97$	B1 *M1 A1 B1 Dep*M1 A1 [6]	May be implied Attempt to resolve horizontally and use N2L with a version of acceleration, not just a Use their θ Use their θ

(Q5, June 2012)

17	(i)	(a)	$0.8F + 0.6R = 0.4g$ $4F + 3R = 19.6$ [AG]	M1 A1 [2]	Attempt to resolve vertically www	
		(b)	$0.8R - 0.6F = 0.4 \times 4.5^2/3$ Solve for R or F $F = 1.516$ $R = 4.512$ Use $\mu = F/R$ to get $\mu = 0.336$ [AG]	M1 A1 M1 A1 A1 B1 [6]	Attempt with three terms. aef including cos, sin correct angle Use 2 relevant resolutions.	
		(ii)	$0.6R - 0.8F = 0.4g$ $R = 11.8$ or $F = 3.98$ $0.8R + 0.6F = 0.4 \times 3 \times \omega^2$ $\omega = 3.14 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$	M1 A1 A1 M1 A1 A1 [6]	Resolve vertically, three terms N2L, resolve horizontally, three terms	

(Q8, Jan 2013)

18	(i)	Vertical force = mg Horizontal force = $m \times 0.4 \times 7^2$ Uses vertical force = $\mu \times$ horizontal force $\mu = 0.5$	*B1 *M1A1 dep*M1 A1 [5]	Dependent on B1 and M1 If a value for m used B0M1A0M1A0 max.
	(ii)	$mg = T \times 0.3/0.5$ $m \times 0.4 \omega^2 = T \times 0.4/0.5$ Solve for ω or v $\omega = 5.72 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$	B1 *M1 A1 dep*M1 A1 [5]	Resolve T and equate to mass $\times (r\omega^2$ or $v^2/r)$ allow $7\sqrt{6}/3$ If a value for m and/or T used B0M1A0M1A0 max.

(Q5, June 2013)