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Chapter review 7

- 1 a Finding the components of P along each axis: $R(\rightarrow): P_x = 12\cos 70^\circ + 10\sin 75^\circ$ $R(\uparrow): P_y = 12\sin 70^\circ - 10\cos 75^\circ$ $\tan \theta = \frac{P_y}{P_x}$ $\tan \theta = \frac{12\sin 70^\circ - 10\cos 75^\circ}{12\cos 70^\circ + 10\sin 75^\circ} = 0.63124...$ $\theta = 32.261...$ The angle θ is 32.3° (to 3 s.f.).
 - **b** Using Pythagoras' theorem: $P^2 = P_x^2 + P_y^2$ $P^2 = (12\cos 70^\circ + 10\sin 75^\circ)^2 + (12\sin 70^\circ - 10\cos 75^\circ)^2$ $P = \sqrt{264.91...} = 16.276...$ *P* has a magnitude of 16.3 N (3 s.f.).

2 a
$$R(\nwarrow)$$
:

$$W \cos \theta = 40 \sin 30^{\circ} + 30 \sin 45^{\circ}$$
$$R(\checkmark):$$
$$30 \cos 45^{\circ} + W \sin \theta = 40 \cos 30^{\circ}$$
$$W \sin \theta = 40 \cos 30^{\circ} - 30 \cos 45^{\circ}$$

$$\frac{W\sin\theta}{W\cos\theta} = \frac{40\cos 30^{\circ} - 30\cos 45^{\circ}}{40\sin 30^{\circ} + 30\sin 45^{\circ}}$$
$$\tan\theta = \frac{20\sqrt{3} - 15\sqrt{2}}{20 + 15\sqrt{2}} = 0.35281...$$
$$\theta = 18.046...$$
The angle θ is 18.0° (to 3 s.f.).

b Using Pythagoras' theorem, $|W|^2$ is the sum of the squares of the two components.

$$W^{2} = \left(20\sqrt{3} - 15\sqrt{2}\right)^{2} + \left(20 + 15\sqrt{2}\right)^{2}$$

 $W = \sqrt{1878.8...} = 43.345...$ The weight of the particle is 43.3 N (3 s.f.).







The tensions in the two parts of the rope are 1062 N and 1013 N (nearest whole number).



$$R(\uparrow) T-2g=0 \therefore T=2g$$

For the 5 kg particle: $R(\nearrow)$ $T + F \cos \theta - 5g \sin \theta = 0$ $\therefore F \cos \theta = 5g \sin \theta - T$

As
$$T = 2g$$
, $\cos \theta = \frac{4}{5}$ and $\sin \theta = \frac{3}{5}$
 $F \times \frac{4}{5} = 5g \times \frac{3}{5} - 2g$
 $\therefore F = g \times \frac{5}{4}$
 $= \frac{5g}{4}$
 $= 12 (2 \text{ s.f.})$

b
$$R(\nwarrow)$$

 $R - F\sin\theta - 5g\cos\theta = 0$
 $\therefore R = F\sin\theta + 5g\cos\theta$
 $= \left(\frac{5}{4}g \times \frac{3}{5}\right) + \left(5g \times \frac{4}{5}\right)$

 $=\frac{19}{4}g$

= 47 (2 s.f.)



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- 4 c F will be smaller
- 5 a Resolving vertically: $T \cos 20^\circ = T \cos 70^\circ + 2g$

 $T(\cos 20^\circ - \cos 70^\circ) = 2g$

$$T = \frac{2 \times 9.8}{\cos 20^{\circ} - \cos 70^{\circ}} = 32.793...$$

The tension in the string, to two significant figures, is 33 N.



- **b** Resolving horizontally: $P = T \sin 20^{\circ} + T \sin 70^{\circ}$ $P = (\sin 20^{\circ} + \sin 70^{\circ}) \times 32.793...$ P = 42.032...The value of *P* is 42 N (2 s.f.).
- 6 Res (\bigwedge) $R = mg \cos \theta$ When the box is on the point of slipping Res (\nearrow) $\mu R = mg \sin \theta$ $\frac{\mu R}{R} = \frac{mg \sin \theta}{mg \cos \theta}$ $\mu = \tan \theta$ $\theta = \tan^{-1} \mu$ as required



7 Assuming that force is applied so that it acts in a downwards direction:

 $\leq \mu R$

$$\operatorname{Res}(\uparrow) R = mg + \frac{1}{5}mg\sin\theta$$
$$\operatorname{Res}(\rightarrow) \frac{1}{5}mg\cos\theta = F$$
$$\operatorname{Particle\ remains\ stationary\ so\ F}$$
$$\mu R \ge \frac{mg\cos\theta}{5}$$
$$\mu \ge \frac{mg\cos\theta}{5\left(mg + \frac{1}{5}mg\sin\theta\right)}$$

 $\mu \ge \frac{\cos \theta}{5 + \sin \theta}$ as required



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8 Assuming that force is applied so that it acts in an upwards direction:

 $\operatorname{Res}(\uparrow) R + 5\sin\theta = 5g$ $R = 5g - 5\sin\theta$ R If particle is on the point of slipping 5 N $\operatorname{Res}(\rightarrow) 5\cos\theta = \mu R$ Therefore, $\mu = \frac{5\cos\theta}{5g - 5\sin\theta}$ μR θ 5g $=\frac{\cos\theta}{g-\sin\theta}$ (1) Since $\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right)$ $\tan\theta = \frac{4}{3}$ $\sin\theta = \frac{4}{5}$ and $\cos\theta = \frac{3}{5}$ 4 Substituting into (1) gives $\mu = \frac{\cos\theta}{g - \sin\theta}$ 3 $=\frac{\frac{3}{5}}{g-\frac{4}{5}}$ $=\frac{3}{5g-4}$ $=\frac{1}{15}$ as required

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9 If the system is stationary For *m* Res (\uparrow) T = mgFor *M* Res (\nearrow) $T = Mg \sin \theta$ $mg = Mg \sin \theta$ $\frac{m}{M} = \sin \theta$ Since $\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{12}\right)$ $\tan \theta = \frac{5}{12}$ $\sin \theta = \frac{5}{13}$ Therefore $\frac{m}{M} = \frac{5}{13}$ as required



