



**ADVANCED GCE  
MATHEMATICS (MEI)**

Mechanics 3

**4763**

Candidates answer on the answer booklet.

**OCR supplied materials:**

- 8 page answer booklet (sent with general stationery)
- MEI Examination Formulae and Tables (MF2)

**Other materials required:**

- Scientific or graphical calculator

**Wednesday 22 June 2011  
Morning**

**Duration:** 1 hour 30 minutes



**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.
- You are permitted to use a scientific or graphical calculator in this paper.
- Final answers should be given to a degree of accuracy appropriate to the context.
- The acceleration due to gravity is denoted by  $g \text{ m s}^{-2}$ . Unless otherwise instructed, when a numerical value is needed, use  $g = 9.8$ .

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- You are advised that an answer may receive **no marks** unless you show sufficient detail of the working to indicate that a correct method is being used.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **72**.
- This document consists of **8** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

- 1** A particle is moving in a straight line. At time  $t$  its displacement  $x$  from a fixed point O on the line is given by

$$x = A \sin \omega t$$

where  $A$  and  $\omega$  are constants.

**(i)** Show that  $\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -\omega^2x$  and  $\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 = \omega^2(A^2 - x^2)$ . **[5]**

A ball floats on the surface of the sea. Waves cause the ball to rise and fall in a vertical line, and the ball is executing simple harmonic motion. The centre of the oscillations is 8 m above the sea-bed. The ball has speed  $1.2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  when it is 7.3 m above the sea-bed, and it has speed  $0.75 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  when it is 10 m above the sea-bed.

**(ii)** Show that the amplitude of the oscillations is 2.5 m, and find the period. **[6]**

**(iii)** Find the maximum speed of the ball. **[1]**

**(iv)** Find the magnitude and direction of the acceleration of the ball when it is 6.4 m above the sea-bed. **[3]**

**(v)** Find the time taken for the ball to move upwards from 6 m above the sea-bed to 9 m above the sea-bed. **[3]**

## 3

- 2 (a) A particle P of mass 0.2 kg is connected to a fixed point O by a light inextensible string of length 3.2 m, and is moving in a vertical circle with centre O and radius 3.2 m. Air resistance may be neglected. When P is at the highest point of the circle, the tension in the string is 0.6 N.
- (i) Find the speed of P when it is at the highest point. [3]
- (ii) For an instant when OP makes an angle of  $60^\circ$  with the downward vertical, find
- (A) the radial and tangential components of the acceleration of P, [5]
- (B) the tension in the string. [3]
- (b) A solid cone is fixed with its axis of symmetry vertical and its vertex V uppermost. The semi-vertical angle of the cone is  $36^\circ$ , and its surface is smooth. A particle Q of mass 0.2 kg is connected to V by a light inextensible string, and Q moves in a horizontal circle at constant speed, in contact with the surface of the cone, as shown in Fig. 2.

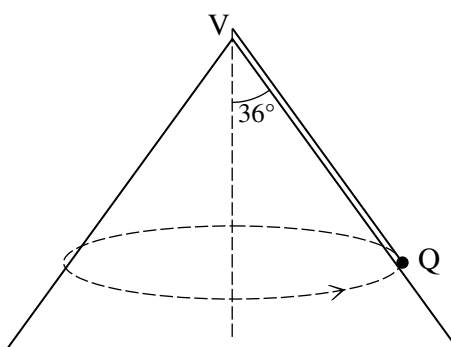


Fig. 2

The particle Q makes one complete revolution in 1.8 s, and the normal reaction of the cone on Q has magnitude 0.75 N.

- (i) Find the tension in the string. [2]
- (ii) Find the length of the string. [5]

- 3 Fixed points A and B are 4.8 m apart on the same horizontal level. The midpoint of AB is M. A light elastic string, with natural length 3.9 m and modulus of elasticity 573.3 N, has one end attached to A and the other end attached to B.

(i) Find the elastic energy stored in the string. [2]

A particle P is attached to the midpoint of the string, and is released from rest at M. It comes instantaneously to rest when P is 1.8 m vertically below M.

(ii) Show that the mass of P is 15 kg. [5]

(iii) Verify that P can rest in equilibrium when it is 1.0 m vertically below M. [4]

In general, a light elastic string, with natural length  $a$  and modulus of elasticity  $\lambda$ , has its ends attached to fixed points which are a distance  $d$  apart on the same horizontal level. A particle of mass  $m$  is attached to the midpoint of the string, and in the equilibrium position each half of the string has length  $h$ , as shown in Fig. 3.

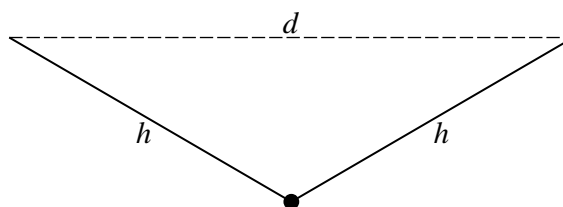


Fig. 3

When the particle makes small oscillations in a vertical line, the period of oscillation is given by the formula

$$\sqrt{\frac{8\pi^2 h^3}{8h^3 - ad^2}} m^\alpha a^\beta \lambda^\gamma.$$

(iv) Show that  $\frac{8\pi^2 h^3}{8h^3 - ad^2}$  is dimensionless. [1]

(v) Use dimensional analysis to find  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ . [4]

(vi) Hence find the period when the particle P makes small oscillations in a vertical line centred on the position of equilibrium given in part (iii). [2]

## 5

- 4 The region  $A$  is bounded by the curve  $y = x^2 + 5$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 3$ , the  $x$ -axis, the  $y$ -axis and the line  $x = 3$ . The region  $B$  is bounded by the curve  $y = x^2 + 5$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 3$ , the  $y$ -axis and the line  $y = 14$ . These regions are shown in Fig. 4.

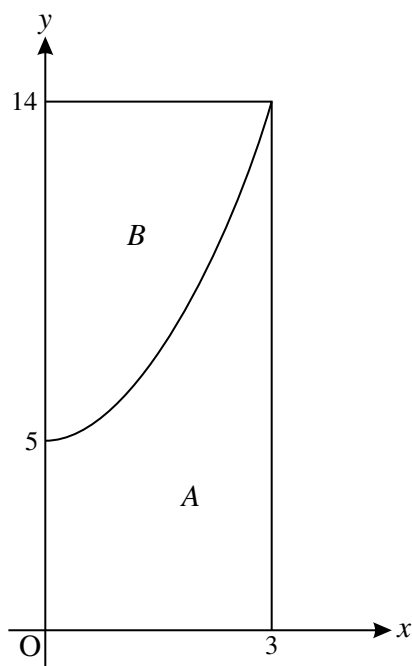


Fig. 4

- (i) Find the coordinates of the centre of mass of a uniform lamina occupying the region  $A$ . [9]
- (ii) The region  $B$  is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis to form a uniform solid of revolution  $R$ . Find the  $y$ -coordinate of the centre of mass of the solid  $R$ . [6]
- (iii) The region  $A$  is rotated through  $2\pi$  radians about the  $y$ -axis to form a uniform solid of revolution  $S$ . Using your answer to part (ii), or otherwise, find the  $y$ -coordinate of the centre of mass of the solid  $S$ . [3]