

# ADVANCED GCE UNIT MATHEMATICS

Mechanics 3 MONDAY 21 MAY 2007

Morning

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Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet (8 pages) List of Formulae (MF1)

## 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  $g \,\mathrm{m \, s}^{-2}$ . 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.

## **ADVICE TO CANDIDATES**

- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- You are reminded of the need for clear presentation in your answers.

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1 A particle P is moving with simple harmonic motion in a straight line. The period is 6.1 s and the amplitude is 3 m. Calculate, in either order,

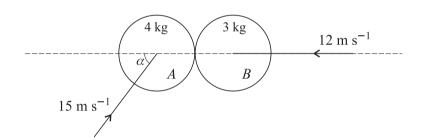
- (ii) the distance of P from the centre of motion when P has speed  $2.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . [3]
- 2 A tennis ball of mass 0.057 kg has speed  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . The ball receives an impulse of magnitude 0.6 N s which reduces the speed of the ball to  $7 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . Using an impulse-momentum triangle, or otherwise, find the angle the impulse makes with the original direction of motion of the ball. [7]
- 3 A particle P of mass 0.2 kg is projected horizontally with speed  $u \,\mathrm{m \, s^{-1}}$  from a fixed point O on a smooth horizontal surface. P moves in a straight line and, at time t s after projection, P has speed  $v \,\mathrm{m \, s^{-1}}$  and is x m from O. The only force acting on P has magnitude  $0.4v^2$  N and is directed towards O.

(i) Show that 
$$\frac{1}{v}\frac{\mathrm{d}v}{\mathrm{d}x} = -2.$$
 [2]

(ii) Hence show that  $v = ue^{-2x}$ . [4]

[4]

(iii) Find u, given that x = 2 when t = 4.

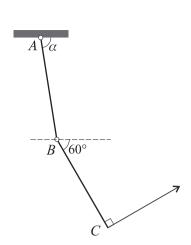


Two uniform smooth spheres *A* and *B*, of equal radius, have masses 4 kg and 3 kg respectively. They are moving on a horizontal surface, and they collide. Immediately before the collision, *A* is moving with speed  $15 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  at an angle  $\alpha$  to the line of centres, where  $\sin \alpha = 0.8$ , and *B* is moving along the line of centres with speed  $12 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  (see diagram). The coefficient of restitution between the spheres is 0.5. Find the speed and direction of motion of each sphere after the collision. [10]

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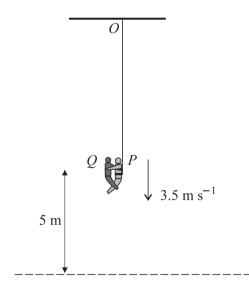


Two uniform rods *AB* and *BC*, each of length 1.4 m and weight 80 N, are freely jointed to each other at *B*, and *AB* is freely jointed to a fixed point at *A*. They are held in equilibrium with *AB* at an angle  $\alpha$  to the horizontal, and *BC* at an angle of 60° to the horizontal, by a light string, perpendicular to *BC*, attached to *C* (see diagram).

- (i) By taking moments about *B* for *BC*, calculate the tension in the string. Hence find the horizontal and vertical components of the force acting on *BC* at *B*. [7]
- (ii) Find  $\alpha$ .

[4]

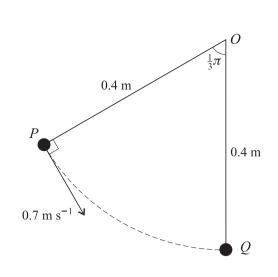




A circus performer *P* of mass 80 kg is suspended from a fixed point *O* by an elastic rope of natural length 5.25 m and modulus of elasticity 2058 N. *P* is in equilibrium at a point 5 m above a safety net. A second performer *Q*, also of mass 80 kg, falls freely under gravity from a point above *P*. *P* catches *Q* and together they begin to descend vertically with initial speed  $3.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  (see diagram). The performers are modelled as particles.

- (i) Show that, when P is in equilibrium, OP = 7.25 m. [3]
- (ii) Verify that P and Q together just reach the safety net. [5]
- (iii) At the lowest point of their motion P releases Q. Prove that P subsequently just reaches O. [3]
- (iv) State two additional modelling assumptions made when answering this question. [2]

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A particle *P* of mass 0.8 kg is attached to a fixed point *O* by a light inextensible string of length 0.4 m. A particle *Q* is suspended from *O* by an identical string. With the string *OP* taut and inclined at  $\frac{1}{3}\pi$  radians to the vertical, *P* is projected with speed 0.7 m s<sup>-1</sup> in a direction perpendicular to the string so as to strike *Q* directly (see diagram). The coefficient of restitution between *P* and *Q* is  $\frac{1}{7}$ .

- (i) Calculate the tension in the string immediately after P is set in motion. [4]
- (ii) Immediately after *P* and *Q* collide they have equal speeds and are moving in opposite directions. Show that *Q* starts to move with speed  $0.15 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . [4]
- (iii) Prove that before the second collision between *P* and *Q*, *Q* is moving with approximate simple harmonic motion. [5]
- (iv) Hence find the time interval between the first and second collisions of P and Q. [2]

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