Mechanics 3

Solution Bank

1 a Let the speed of the particle at the lowest point be *v* m s–1, and the tension in the rod be *T*N.

> 0.5 m

> At the lowest point the particle has fallen a distance 0.5 m,
 $\frac{0.5 \text{ m}}{20.5 \text{ m}}$ $B \leftarrow \frac{0.5 \text{ m}}{4} A$ so the P.E. lost = $0.6 \times g \times 0.5$

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and the K.E. gained
$$
=\frac{1}{2} \times 0.6 \times v^2
$$

∴ $0.6 \times g \times 0.5 = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.6 \times v^2$
 $v^2 = g, v \approx 3.13 \text{ m s}^{-1}$

b At the lowest point, the force towards the centre of the circle

$$
= T - 0.6g = \frac{0.6v^2}{0.5}
$$

$$
\Rightarrow T = 0.6g + \frac{0.6g}{0.5} = 1.8g \approx 17.6 \text{ N}
$$

2 **a** μ Let the speed of the particle at the lowest point be ν m s⁻¹, A
and the tension in the rod be *T* N.

> 0.3 m

> At the lowest point the particle has fallen a distance
 0.6 m so the P E lost = $0.4 \times a \times 0.6$ 0.6 m, so the P.E. lost = $0.4 \times g \times 0.6$,

and the K.E. gained
$$
=\frac{1}{2} \times 0.4 \times v^2
$$

∴ $0.4 \times g \times 0.6 = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.4 \times v^2$
 $v^2 = 2 \times g \times 0.6 = 1.2g, v \approx 3.43 \text{ m s}^{-1}$

b At the lowest point, the force towards the centre of the circle

$$
= T - 0.4g = \frac{0.4v^2}{0.3}
$$

\n
$$
\Rightarrow T = 0.4g + \frac{0.4 \times 1.2g}{0.3} = 2g \approx 19.6 \text{ N}
$$

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3 **a** Let the speed of the particle at the lowest point be $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$, 0.15 m and the tension in the rod be *TN*.

> 0.15 m $\frac{60^{\circ}}{0.3 \text{ m}}$ At the lowest point the particle has fallen a distance P.E. lost = $0.4 \times g \times 0.45$, and the

K.E. gained =
$$
\frac{1}{2}
$$
 × 0.4 × v²
∴ 0.4 × g × 0.45 = $\frac{1}{2}$ × 0.4 × v²
 $v^2 = 2$ × g × 0.45 = 0.9g, v ≈ 2.97 ms⁻¹

b At the lowest point, the force towards the centre of the circle

$$
= T - 0.4g = \frac{0.4v^2}{0.3}
$$

$$
\Rightarrow T = 0.4g + \frac{0.4 \times 0.9g}{0.3} = 1.6g \approx 15.7 \text{ N}
$$

4 a Let the speed of the particle when the rod is horizontal be $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$, and the tension in the rod be *TN*. *v* m s⁻¹, and the tension in the rod be *TN*.

> 0.25 m 60° o 5 m \sim 0.5 cos 60° = 0.25 m so the K.E. gained $=\frac{1}{2} \times 0.6 \times v^2$ $0.6 \times g \times 0.25 = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.6 \times v^2$ $v^2 = 2 \times g \times 0.25 = 0.5g$, $v \approx 2.21$ m s⁻¹ P.E. lost = $0.6 \times g \times 0.25$, and the 2 2 $=\frac{1}{2}\times 0.6\times v$ \therefore 0.6 \times *g* \times 0.25 = $\frac{1}{2}$ \times 0.6 \times v^2

 b At the horizontal point, the force towards the centre of the circle

$$
= T = \frac{0.6v^2}{0.5}
$$

\n
$$
\Rightarrow T = \frac{0.6 \times 0.5g}{0.5} = 0.6g = 5.88 \text{ N}
$$

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5 a *A* Let the speed of the bead at the highest point be *v* m s–1, and the tension in the wire be *T*N.

> $T \times T$ At the highest point the bead has risen a distance 1.4 m, so the

> > P.E. gained = $0.5 \times g \times 1.4$, and the

K.E. lost =
$$
\frac{1}{2} \times 0.5 \times 10^2 - \frac{1}{2} \times 0.5 \times v^2
$$

\n $\therefore 0.5 \times g \times 1.4 = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.5 \times (100 - v^2)$
\n $100 - v^2 = 2 \times g \times 1.4 = 2.8g, v \approx 8.52 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

b The reaction is towards the centre of the circle.

$$
R + 0.5g = \frac{0.5(100 - 2.8g)}{0.7}
$$

$$
R = \frac{0.5(100 - 2.8g)}{0.7} - 0.5g
$$

$$
= 46.928...
$$

$$
= 46.9N
$$

6 a When the angle between *AB* and the vertical is θ the particle has speed v ms⁻¹

P.E. gained = $mgh = 0.5 \times g \times 0.7(1 - \cos \theta)$ Loss in K.E. $\frac{1}{2}mu^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{0.5}{2}(u^2 - v^2)$ $mu^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{0.5}{2}(u^2 - v^2)$ Energy is conserved Hence, $0.5g \times 0.7(1-\cos\theta) = \frac{0.5}{2}(u^2 - v^2)$ $g \times 0.7(1-\cos\theta) = \frac{0.5}{2}(u^2 - v^2)$ $v^2 = u^2 - 1.4g(1 - \cos \theta)$ \Rightarrow $v = \sqrt{u^2 - 1.4g(1 - \cos \theta)}$

b If the particle is to reach the top of the circle then we require $v > 0$ when $\theta = 180^\circ$. $\Rightarrow u^2 - 1.4g(1 - \cos 180^\circ) > 0$

But so $u^2 \geqslant 1.4g \times 2$ $\cos 180^\circ = -1$ $\Rightarrow u \ge \sqrt{2.8g}$

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7 a Take the lowest point of the circle as the zero level for potential energy.

At the lowest level the particle has

K.E. =
$$
\frac{1}{2} \times 1.5 \times u^2 = 0.75u^2
$$
J and P.E. = 0 J

When the rod is at angle θ to the vertical the particle has

K.E. =
$$
\frac{1}{2} \times 1.5 \times v^2 = 0.75v^2
$$
 J and
P.E. = $1.5 \times g \times 2(1 - \cos \theta)$ J

$$
\therefore 0.75u^2 = 0.75v^2 + 3g(1 - \cos \theta)
$$

Resolving towards the centre of the circle:

$$
T-1.5g\cos\theta = \frac{mv^2}{r} = \frac{1.5v^2}{2}
$$
, so substituting for v^2

gives **gives**

$$
T = 1.5g \cos \theta + \frac{3}{4} (u^2 - 4g + 4g \cos \theta)
$$

= 4.5g \cos \theta + \frac{3u^2}{4} - 3g

b If the particle is to reach to top of the circle then we require $T > 0$ when $\theta = 180$.

$$
\Rightarrow -4.5g + \frac{3u^2}{4} - 3g > 0, \frac{3u^2}{4} > 7.5g, u^2 > 10g, u > \sqrt{10g}
$$

8 a \overline{A} Impulse = change in momentum, so if the initial speed of the bead is $u \text{ m s}^{-1}$ then

$$
I = 0.05u
$$
, or $u = 20I$.

 $B \left\{\n\begin{array}{c}\n\text{Take the lowest point of the circle as the zero level} \\
\text{for potential energy.}\n\end{array}\n\right\}$ for potential energy.

 0.75 m At the lowest level the particle has

K.E. =
$$
\frac{1}{2}
$$
 × 0.05 × u^2 = 0.025 × 400 I^2 = 10 I^2 J and
P.E. = 0 J

 \mathbf{A} t the highest level the particle has K.E. = 0 (since 0.05 g
we are told that the bead if just reaches the top) and we are told that the bead if just reaches the top) and it has risen 1.5 m so it has

$$
P.E. = 0.05 \times g \times 1.5 = 0.075 g
$$

Energy is conserved, $\therefore 10I^2 = 0.075 g$, \Rightarrow $I^2 = 0.0075g, I \approx 0.27$

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8 b Let the lowest point of the circle be the zero level for potential energy. At the lowest level the bead has

K.E. =
$$
\frac{1}{2}
$$
 × 0.05 × u^2 = 0.025 × 400 I^2 = 10 I^2 J
P.E. = 0 J

When the particle just reaches the point where AB is at angle arctan $\frac{3}{4}$ 4 to the vertical the particle

has K.E. = 0 J as greatest speed is zero,
\nP.E. =
$$
0.05 \times g \times 0.75 \left\{ 1 + \cos \left(\tan^{-1} \frac{3}{4} \right) \right\}
$$

\n= 0.0675 g J
\nEnergy is conserved
\n $10I^2 = 0.0675 g$
\n $\Rightarrow I = 0.2571...$

$$
I\approx 0.26
$$

speed of the speed is $u \text{ m s}^{-1}$ then

$$
I = 0.05u
$$
, or $u = 20I$.

Take the lowest point of the circle as the zero level for

P Pearson

At the lowest level the particle has

K.E. =
$$
\frac{1}{2} \times 0.05 \times u^2 = 0.025 \times 400I^2 = 10I^2J
$$

and P.E. = 0 J

 If the particle just reaches the top of the circle then this is $\frac{1}{2}$ the point at which the tension in the string becomes $\frac{3.65 \text{ g}}{2}$ zero. If the speed of the particle at this point is *v* m s⁻¹

$$
0.05g = \frac{mv^2}{r} = \frac{0.05v^2}{0.75}, v^2 = 0.75g
$$

The particle has risen 1.5 m so it has

$$
P.E = 0.05 \times g \times 1.5 = 0.075 g
$$

Energy is conserved, so

$$
10I2 = 0.075g + \frac{1}{2} \times 0.05 \times 0.75g = 0.09375g, I \approx 0.30
$$

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9 b Let the lowest point of the circle be the zero level for potential energy. At the lowest level the particle has

K.E. =
$$
\frac{1}{2}
$$
 × 0.05 × u^2 = 0.025 × 400 I^2 = 10 I^2J
P.E. = 0 J

When the particle just reaches the point where AB is at angle arctan $\frac{3}{4}$ 4 to the vertical the tension in

the string becomes zero. If the speed of the bead at this point is $v \text{ ms}^{-1}$ then

$$
0.05g \cos\left(\tan^{-1}\frac{3}{4}\right) = \frac{mv^2}{r} = \frac{0.05v^2}{0.75}
$$

\n
$$
v^2 = 0.75 \times g \times \frac{4}{5} = 0.6 g
$$

\nThe particle has risen
\n
$$
0.75 + 0.6 = 1.35 m
$$

\ngain in P.E. = $0.05 \times g \times 1.35 = 0.0675 g$
\nEnergy is conserved
\n
$$
\Rightarrow 10I^2 = 0.0675g + \frac{1}{2} \times 0.05 \times 0.6g = 0.0825g
$$

\n
$$
\Rightarrow I = 0.2843...
$$

\n
$$
I = 0.28
$$

c The particle will continue in a parabolic arc (projectile motion) in the negative *x* direction, initially increasing in *y* before decreasing in *y*.

10 a **Let the speed of the particle at the lowest point be** *v* m s–1, and the tension in the rod be *T*N.

P Pearson

 Take the starting level as the zero level for potential $R = \frac{2 \text{ m}}{4}$ energy, the particle starts with

$$
P.E. = 0
$$
 and $K.E. = 0$.

P.E. = -0.8 × g × 2 = -1.6g
\nK.E. =
$$
\frac{1}{2}
$$
 × m × v² = $\frac{1}{2}$ × 0.8v² = 0.4v²

$$
\Rightarrow -1.6g + 0.4v^2 = 0, \quad v^2 = 4g
$$

$$
v \approx 6.26 \,\mathrm{m\,s}^{-1}
$$

Force towards the centre of the circle $= T - 0.8g = \frac{mv^2}{r^2} = \frac{0.8 \times 4g}{r^2} = 1.6$ 2 $T = 2.4 g \approx 23.5 N$ $T-0.8g = \frac{mv^2}{r} = \frac{0.8 \times 4g}{r} = 1.6g$ *r* $T = T - 0.8g = \frac{mv^2}{r} = \frac{0.8 \times 4g}{r} =$

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10 b Let tension in the rod be *T* N and the speed of the particle at the point when

 $\tan^{-1} \frac{3}{4}$ 4 $\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{3}{4}$ be *v* ms⁻¹

 Take the starting level as the zero level for potential energy, the parcel starts with $P.E. = -0.8 \times g \times 1.6 = -1.28 g$

K.E. =
$$
\frac{1}{2} \times m \times v^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.8v^2 = 0.4v^2
$$

Conservation of energy
 $\Rightarrow -1.28g + 0.4v^2 = 0$

$$
1.20g + 0.7v = 0
$$

 $v^2 = 3.2g$

$$
v=5.6~\mathrm{ms}^{-1}
$$

Force towards the centre of the circle,

$$
T - 0.8g \cos \theta = \frac{mv^2}{r}
$$

= $\frac{0.8 \times 3.2g}{2}$ = 1.28g

$$
T = 1.28g + 0.8g \times \frac{4}{5}
$$

= 1.8816g
= 18.8 N (3 s.f.)

horizontal be $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$

 $\begin{array}{c|c}\n1.5 \text{ m}\n\end{array}$ Take the lowest point as the zero level for potential energy, the particle starts with

Pearson

P.E. =
$$
0.5 \times g \times 3
$$
 and K.E. = $\frac{1}{2} \times 0.5 \times 8^2$

When the string is horizontal,

P.E. =
$$
0.5 \times g \times 1.5
$$
 and K.E. = $\frac{1}{2} \times 0.5 \times v^2$

Energy is conserved

$$
\Rightarrow 1.5g + 16 = 0.75g + \frac{v^2}{4}
$$

$$
v^2 = 4(0.75g + 16), v \approx 9.66 \text{ ms}^{-1}
$$

b The only force with a vertical component is the weight. Acceleration = g m s⁻²

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11 **c** \rightarrow 8 m s⁻¹ Let the speed of the particle at the lowest point be *v* m s–1, and the tension in the rod be *T*N.

> $T = 1.5 \text{ m}$ Take the lowest point as the zero level for potential energy, the particle starts with

P.E. =
$$
0.5 \times g \times 3
$$
 and K.E. = $\frac{1}{2} \times 0.5 \times 8^2$

P.E. = 0 and K.E. =
$$
\frac{1}{2} \times 0.5 \times v^2
$$

$$
\Rightarrow 1.5g + 16 = \frac{v^2}{4}, \quad v \approx 11.1 \,\text{ms}^{-1}
$$

$$
T - 0.5g = \frac{0.5v^2}{1.5}, \quad T \approx 45.8 \,\text{N}
$$

The K.E. at the lowest point is

$$
\frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 6.5^2 = 84.5 \text{ J}.
$$

2

When AB is at angle θ to the vertical, the tension in $\left| \begin{array}{c} 1 \text{ m} \end{array} \right|$ \mathcal{M}^A the rod is *T*, and the particle has speed *v* m s⁻¹

> Particle has risen $(1-\cos\theta)$, so $P.E. = 4 \times g \times (1 - \cos \theta)$ J and $=\frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times v^2 = 2v^2$

Energy is conserved \Rightarrow 84.5 = $2v^2 + 4g(1 - \cos \theta)$, $v^2 = 42.25 - 2g(1 - \cos \theta)$

Force towards the centre of the circle

$$
= T - 4g \cos \theta = \frac{mv^2}{r} = \frac{4(42.25 - 2g(1 - \cos \theta))}{1}
$$

\n
$$
\therefore T = 4g \cos \theta + 169 - 8g(1 - \cos \theta) = 169 + 12g \cos \theta - 8g = 0 \text{ when}
$$

\n
$$
\cos \theta = \frac{8g - 169}{12g} = -0.77... \text{ giving } \theta \approx 140.4^{\circ}
$$

\ni.e. $\theta \approx 39.6^{\circ}$ to the upward vertical and
\n $v^2 = 42.25 - 2g(1 - \cos \theta) = 7.5..., v \approx 2.74 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

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13 $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$ Let the speed at the lowest point be *u* m s⁻¹, and the speed at the highest point be $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$

> T The gain in P.E. in moving from the lowest point to the highest is 2*mgr*.

The loss in K.E. is
$$
\frac{1}{2}mu^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv^2
$$

$$
\therefore 2mgr = \frac{1}{2}mu^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv^2, v^2 = u^2 - 4gr
$$

At the lowest point $3T - mg = \frac{mu^2}{r}$

At the highest point $T + mg = \frac{mv^2}{m}$ *r* $+mg =$

Substituting for T and v^2 in the first of these two equations:

$$
3\left(\frac{m(u^2 - 4gr)}{r} - mg\right) - mg = \frac{mu^2}{r}, 3\frac{(u^2 - 4gr)}{r} - 4g = \frac{u^2}{r}
$$

$$
\frac{2u^2}{r} = 16g, u^2 = 8gr, u = \sqrt{8gr}
$$

14 a $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$ **Let the speed at the lowest point be** $\frac{3v}{2} \text{ m s}^{-1}$ **,** 2 $\frac{v}{\sqrt{2}}$ ms⁻¹, and T the speed at the highest point be $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$

 The gain in P.E. in moving from the lowest point to the highest is 2*mgr*.

The loss in K.E. is
$$
\frac{1}{2}m\left(\frac{3v}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv^2
$$

Energy is conserved

$$
\therefore 2mgr = \frac{1}{2}m \times \frac{9v^2}{4} - \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{5}{8}mv^2
$$

$$
v^2 = \frac{16gr}{5}, v = \sqrt{\frac{16gr}{5}}
$$

b At the highest point, $T + mg = \frac{mv^2}{m} = \frac{m\frac{16}{3}}{2}$ $\frac{r_{\rm gr}}{5} = \frac{16mg}{5}$, $T = \frac{11m}{15}$ 5 5 $T + mg = \frac{mv^2}{m} = \frac{m\frac{16gr}{5}}{2m} = \frac{16mg}{5}, T = \frac{11mg}{5}$ *r r* $+mg = \frac{mv}{r} = \frac{m_{5}}{s} = \frac{10mg}{s}, T =$

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15 a With *OP* horizontal, the particle has

P.E. = 0 and K.E. =
$$
\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{1}{2}mgr
$$
.

 \overrightarrow{O} \overrightarrow{r} P When *OP* is θ below the horizontal, the tension in the string is *T* and the speed of the particle is *v*.

 $\sqrt{g r}$ m s⁻¹ The particle has

$$
P.E. = -mgr\sin\theta \text{ and } K.E. = \frac{1}{2}mv^2
$$

 $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$ \bigvee_{mg} Energy is conserved

$$
\therefore \frac{1}{2} mgr = -mgr \sin \theta + \frac{1}{2} m v^2
$$

$$
v^2 = gr(1 + 2 \sin \theta)
$$

Resolving towards *O*:

$$
T - mg\sin\theta = \frac{mv^2}{r} = \frac{mgr(1+2\sin\theta)}{r}
$$

$$
T = mg(1+3\sin\theta)N
$$

b When $T = 2mg \text{ N}$, $2mg = mg(1 + 3\sin\theta)$, $\sin\theta = \frac{1}{2}, \theta \approx 19.5$ 3 $T = 2mg$ N, $2mg = mg(1 + 3\sin\theta)$, $\sin\theta = \frac{1}{2}, \theta \approx 19.5^\circ$

16 a At point S: G.P.E. = $0.4 \times g \times 3.8 = 1.52g$ $K.E. = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.4 \times v^2 = 0.2v^2$ $K.E. = 0$ At point P: G.P.E. = $0.4 \times g \times 4 \sin \theta$ $=1.6g\sin\theta$ 2 $=\frac{1}{2} \times 0.4 \times v^2 = 0.2v^2$

 $1.52g = 1.6g \sin \theta + 0.2v^2$ \Rightarrow 0.2 v^2 = 1.52g - 1.6g sin θ \Rightarrow $v^2 = 7.6g - 8g \sin \theta$ By conservation of energy: $\Rightarrow v = \sqrt{7.6g - 8g}\sin\theta$

 b Vertical height above *O,* 3.8 m.

c In reality there will be frictional forces acting on the handle so the height will be less than 3.8 m.