

**OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS**

**Advanced Subsidiary General Certificate of Education  
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**MATHEMATICS**

**2640**

**Mechanics 4**

**Monday**

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**Morning**

**1 hour 20 minutes**

Additional materials:

Answer booklet

Graph paper

List of Formulae (MF8)

**TIME** 1 hour 20 minutes

**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.
- Where a numerical value for the acceleration due to gravity is needed, use  $9.8 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ .
- You are permitted to use a graphic 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 60.
- Questions carrying smaller numbers of marks are printed earlier in the paper, and questions carrying larger numbers of marks later in the paper.
- **You are reminded of the need for clear presentation in your answers.**

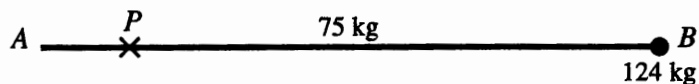
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- 1 A wheel rotating about a fixed axis is slowing down with constant angular deceleration. Initially the angular speed is  $24 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ . In the first 5 seconds the wheel turns through 96 radians.
- (i) Find the angular deceleration. [2]
- (ii) Find the total angle the wheel turns through before coming to rest. [2]
- 2 A uniform solid of revolution is formed by rotating the region bounded by the  $x$ -axis, the line  $x = 1$  and the curve  $y = x^2$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ , about the  $x$ -axis. The units are metres, and the density of the solid is  $5400 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$ . Find the moment of inertia of this solid about the  $x$ -axis. [5]
- 3 A uniform rectangular lamina  $ABCD$  of mass  $0.6 \text{ kg}$  has sides  $AB = 0.4 \text{ m}$  and  $AD = 0.3 \text{ m}$ . The lamina is free to rotate about a fixed horizontal axis which passes through  $A$  and is perpendicular to the lamina.
- (i) Find the moment of inertia of the lamina about the axis. [3]
- (ii) Find the approximate period of small oscillations in a vertical plane. [3]
- 4 A uniform circular disc has mass  $m$ , radius  $a$  and centre  $C$ . The disc is free to rotate in a vertical plane about a fixed horizontal axis passing through a point  $A$  on the disc, where  $CA = \frac{1}{3}a$ .
- (i) Find the moment of inertia of the disc about this axis. [2]
- The disc is released from rest with  $CA$  horizontal.
- (ii) Find the initial angular acceleration of the disc. [2]
- (iii) State the direction of the force acting on the disc at  $A$  immediately after release, and find its magnitude. [4]
- 5 The region bounded by the  $x$ -axis, the  $y$ -axis, the line  $x = \ln 5$  and the curve  $y = e^x$  for  $0 \leq x \leq \ln 5$ , is occupied by a uniform lamina.
- (i) Show that the centre of mass of this lamina has  $x$ -coordinate
- $$\frac{5}{4} \ln 5 - 1. \quad [5]$$
- (ii) Find the  $y$ -coordinate of the centre of mass. [3]

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An arm on a fairground ride is modelled as a uniform rod  $AB$ , of mass  $75 \text{ kg}$  and length  $7.2 \text{ m}$ , with a particle of mass  $124 \text{ kg}$  attached at  $B$ . The arm can rotate about a fixed horizontal axis perpendicular to the rod and passing through the point  $P$  on the rod, where  $AP = 1.2 \text{ m}$ .

(i) Show that the moment of inertia of the arm about the axis is  $5220 \text{ kg m}^2$ . [3]

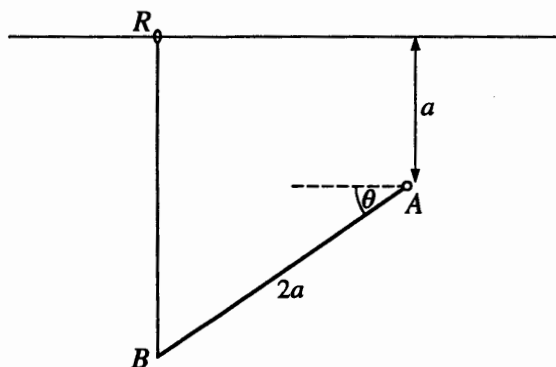
(ii) The arm is released from rest with  $AB$  horizontal, and a frictional couple of constant moment  $850 \text{ N m}$  opposes the motion. Find the angular speed of the arm when  $B$  is first vertically below  $P$ . [5]

7 At midnight, ship  $A$  is  $70 \text{ km}$  due north of ship  $B$ . Ship  $A$  travels with constant velocity  $20 \text{ km h}^{-1}$  in the direction with bearing  $140^\circ$ . Ship  $B$  travels with constant velocity  $15 \text{ km h}^{-1}$  in the direction with bearing  $025^\circ$ .

(i) Find the magnitude and direction of the velocity of  $A$  relative to  $B$ . [4]

(ii) Find the distance between the ships when they are at their closest, and find the time when this occurs. [5]

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The diagram shows a uniform rod  $AB$ , of mass  $m$  and length  $2a$ , free to rotate in a vertical plane about a fixed horizontal axis through  $A$ . A light elastic string has natural length  $a$  and modulus of elasticity  $\frac{1}{2}mg$ . The string joins  $B$  to a light ring  $R$  which slides along a smooth horizontal wire fixed at a height  $a$  above  $A$  and in the same vertical plane as  $AB$ . The string  $BR$  remains vertical. The angle between  $AB$  and the horizontal is denoted by  $\theta$ , where  $0 < \theta < \pi$ .

(i) Taking the reference level for gravitational potential energy to be the horizontal through  $A$ , show that the total potential energy of the system is

$$mga(\sin^2 \theta - \sin \theta). \quad [3]$$

(ii) Find the three values of  $\theta$  for which the system is in equilibrium. [5]

(iii) For each position of equilibrium, determine whether it is stable or unstable. [4]