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Mechanics M3

Advanced/Advanced Subsidiary

Thursday 14 January 2016 – Afternoon
Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Paper Reference

WME03/01**You must have:**

Mathematical Formulae and Statistical Tables (Blue)

Total Marks

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Candidates may use any calculator allowed by the regulations of the Joint Council for Qualifications. Calculators must not have the facility for symbolic algebra manipulation, differentiation and integration, or have retrievable mathematical formulae stored in them.

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- If pencil is used for diagrams/sketches/graphs it must be dark (HB or B). Coloured pencils and highlighter pens must not be used.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions and ensure that your answers to parts of questions are clearly labelled.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*
- You should show sufficient working to make your methods clear. Answers without working may not gain full credit.
- Whenever a numerical value of g is required, take $g = 9.8 \text{ m s}^{-2}$, and give your answer to either two significant figures or three significant figures.
- When a calculator is used, the answer should be given to an appropriate degree of accuracy.

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 75.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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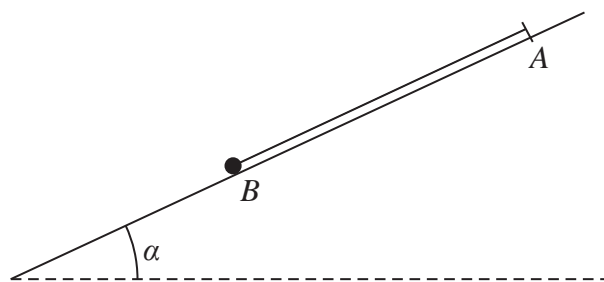


Figure 2

A particle P of mass m is attached to one end of a light elastic string, of natural length l and modulus of elasticity λ . The other end of the string is attached to a fixed point A on a smooth plane inclined at angle α to the horizontal, where $\sin \alpha = \frac{3}{5}$. The particle rests in equilibrium on the plane at the point B with the string lying along a line of greatest slope of the plane, as shown in Figure 2.

Given that $AB = \frac{6}{5}l$

(a) show that $\lambda = 3mg$ (3)

The particle is pulled down the line of greatest slope to the point C , where $BC = \frac{1}{2}l$, and released from rest.

(b) Show that, while the string remains taut, P moves with simple harmonic motion about centre B . (4)

(c) Find the greatest magnitude of the acceleration of P while the string remains taut. (2)

The point D is the midpoint of BC . The time taken by P to move directly from D to the point where the string becomes slack for the first time is $k\sqrt{\frac{l}{g}}$, where k is a constant.

(d) Find, to 2 significant figures, the value of k . (4)



