

G481 Mechanics

CATEGORISATION OF MARKS

The marking schemes categorise marks on the MACB scheme.

- B** marks: These are awarded as independent marks, which do not depend on other marks. For a **B**-mark to be scored, the point to which it refers must be seen specifically in the candidate's answers.
- M** marks: These are method marks upon which **A**-marks (accuracy marks) later depend. For an **M**-mark to be scored, the point to which it refers must be seen in the candidate's answers. If a candidate fails to score a particular **M**-mark, then none of the dependent **A**-marks can be scored.
- C** marks: These are compensatory method marks which can be scored even if the points to which they refer are not written down by the candidate, providing subsequent working gives evidence that they must have known it. For example, if an equation carries a **C**-mark and the candidate does not write down the actual equation but does correct working which shows the candidate knew the equation, then the **C**-mark is given.
- A** marks: These are accuracy or answer marks, which either depend on an **M**-mark, or allow a **C**-mark to be scored.

SIGNIFICANT FIGURES

In general, there is no penalty when the candidate's answer is more than the sf of the data given in the question. For example, in a question where the data is given to 2 sf, the answer can be 2 sf or more. An answer given to 1 sf may be penalised.

Question		Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
1	(a) (i)	Both measured in metre/m	B1	Allow: Both have the same unit/Both have 'magnitude' Not: Both are distance/length
	(ii)	Distance is a scalar/does not have direction or Displacement is a vector/has direction	B1	Not: One is a vector and the other a scalar
	(b) (i)	$\text{time} = \frac{3.6 \times 10^5}{170}$ $\text{time} = 2.1(18) \times 10^3 \text{ (s) or } 2.1 \times 10^3 \text{ (s)}$	B1	Note: Answer to 2sf or more is required
	(ii)	Correct vector triangle Eg: <div style="text-align: center;"> </div> $s^2 = 360^2 + 100^2 \quad / \quad s = \sqrt{(360^2 + 100^2)}$ $s = 373.6 \text{ (km) } / 370 \text{ (km)}$	B1 C1 A1	The vector triangle must have at least two labels (360, 100 and s – allow <i>x</i> or <i>d</i> for <i>s</i>). The 'orientation' of the triangle must be as shown. Ignore the direction of the arrows. Allow: Full credit can be given for a scale drawing 2 marks if answer in the range (370 – 380) 1 mark if answer in the range (360 – 370) or (380 - 390) Note: Bald answer to 2sf or more and no diagram scores 2/3 marks.
		Total	6	

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2	(a)	(i)	$a = \text{gradient/slope}$ (of the line)	B1	<p>Allow: $a = \text{change}$ in velocity/time or 'rate of <u>change</u> of velocity'</p> <p>Allow: Correct equation plus labels; $a = (v - u)/t$; $v = \text{final velocity}$, $u = \text{initial velocity}$ and $t = \text{time}$</p> <p>Note: The term <i>gradient/slope/change/initial</i> to be included and spelled correctly to gain mark</p>
		(ii)	$s = \text{area}$ (under the graph)	B1	
	(b)		<p>area of 'rectangle' = 'ut'</p> <p>area of 'triangle' = $\frac{1}{2} \times t \times (v - u)$</p> <p>area of 'triangle' = $\frac{1}{2} \times t \times at$</p>	<p>M1</p> <p>M1</p>	<p>Note: The second M1 mark is not for '$\frac{1}{2} at^2$' but for '$\frac{1}{2} \times t \times at$'</p> <p>Allow: 'Area of trapezium method': $s = \frac{1}{2}(u + v)t$ and $v = u + at$ M1 Correct substitution leading to correct answer M1</p> <p>Note: Substitution method starting with $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$ scores zero</p>
	(c)	(i)	$32 = \frac{1}{2} \times a \times 2.8^2$ $a = \frac{32 \times 2}{2.8^2}$ $a = 8.16 \text{ (m s}^{-2}\text{) or } 8.2 \text{ (m s}^{-2}\text{)}$	<p>C1</p> <p>A1</p>	<p>Note: The C1 mark is for substitution into the equation given in (b) with $u = 0$</p> <p>Note: Bald answer of 8.16 (m s⁻²) or 8.2 (m s⁻²) scores 2/2 marks Bald 8 (m s⁻²) scores 1/2</p>
		(ii)	Drag/air resistance/air friction (makes the time longer)	B1	Note: 'Reaction time'/'wind'
			Total	7	

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3	(a)	<p>... immediately after jumping Only force is the weight/drag = 0/net force = weight acceleration = $g/9.8(1 \text{ m s}^{-2})$ (Allow 'mg' for weight. Do not allow 'gravity' for weight.)</p> <p>... before terminal velocity is reached Any two from: Drag increases (with speed) /drag \propto speed² Net or resultant or total force decreases / weight > drag Acceleration is less than g</p> <p>... at terminal velocity weight = drag / net force = 0 acceleration = 0 /<u>constant</u> speed or velocity (AW)</p>	<p>B1 B1</p> <p>B1 B1 B1</p> <p>B1 B1</p>	<p>Alternatives accepted for <i>drag</i> are: friction/air resistance Allow: 'Has acceleration of free-fall/due to gravity' as alternative for second B1 mark</p> <p>Allow: velocity instead of speed. Allow: 'drag \propto speed' as BOD.</p> <p>Allow: Acceleration decreases</p> <p>Allow: upward force(s) = downward force/'forces balanced'</p>
	(b)	(Transformed to) heat/thermal (energy)	B1	Not: 'Friction'/sound
	(c)	Any two from: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> The terminal velocity increases Initial gradient/slope is the same/equal to g Time taken to reach terminal velocity is longer 	B1 \times 2	Allow: Initial acceleration is the same/ $g/9.8(1 \text{ m s}^{-2})$
		Total	9	

Question		Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
4	(a)	work done = force \times distance <u>moved</u> in the direction of the force	M1 A1	Allow: 'displacement' instead of 'distance' Allow: 1 mark for 'force \times distance in the direction of the force' Not: work done = energy transfer
	(b)	power = work (done)/time or power = energy/time or power = rate of work done	B1	Not: Mixture of quantities and units, e.g: 'energy per second'
	(c)	This is because of heat/thermal energy/friction	B1	Not: sound/vibrations
	(d) (i)	$E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$ / $E_k = \frac{1}{2} \times 810 \times 30^2$ $E_k = 3.645 \times 10^5$ (J) or 3.65×10^5 (J)	C1 A1	Note: Bald answer 3.645×10^5 (J) or 3.6×10^5 (J) scores 2/2 marks Allow: 1 mark for wrongly rounded answer of 3.7×10^5 (J)
	(ii)	power = $\frac{3.65 \times 10^5}{12}$ power = 3.04×10^4 (W) $\approx 3.0 \times 10^4$ (W)	B1	Possible ecf
	(iii) 1.	work done = 500×30 work done = 15000 (J s ⁻¹) -----	B1	
	2.	'output energy' = $18 \times 46 \times 10^6 \times 0.25$ (= 2.07×10^8 J) total drive time = $\frac{18 \times 46 \times 10^6 \times 0.25}{15000}$ (= 1.38×10^4 s) total drive distance = $1.38 \times 10^4 \times 30$ = 4.1×10^5 (m)	C1 C1 A1	Allow: 'input energy' = $18 \times 46 \times 10^6$ (= 8.28×10^8 J) This C1 mark can also be scored using: 'distance = $2.07 \times 10^8/500$ ' Possible ecf from iii 1. Allow: Bald 4.1×10^5 (m) scores 3/3 2/3 for 1.66×10^6 m if 25% efficiency is not used 2/3 if 30 kW from ii is used; answer 2.0 or 2.1×10^5 (m)
		Total	11	

Question			Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
5	(a)	(i)	N is normal to the ramp (judged by eye) F is parallel <u>and</u> up the ramp	B1 B1	Allow marks even if the labels N and F are omitted
		(ii)	$F = W \sin \theta$	B1	
	(b)	(i)	Expected answer: <i>'For equilibrium of an object the sum of clockwise moments about a point = sum of anticlockwise moments about the same point.'</i> clockwise moment(s) = anticlockwise moment(s) Reference to one of the moments taken about a <u>point</u> /'equilibrium'/sum (or total or net or Σ) mentioned once	M1 A1	Note: The term ' <i>clockwise</i> ' to be included and spelled correctly to gain the M1 mark Note: 'net moment = 0' is equivalent to the M1 mark Note: If M1 is lost for incorrect spelling of ' <i>clockwise</i> ', then allow this A1 mark
		(ii)	$200 \times 12 = F \times 75$ $F = 32$ (N)	C1 A1	Note: Bald answer of 32 (N) scores 2/2 marks
		(iii)	$p = \frac{32}{6.0 \times 10^{-5}}$ pressure = 5.3×10^5 (Pa)	C1 A1	Possible ecf Note: Bald answer of 5.3×10^5 (Pa) scores 2/2 marks
		(iv)	(Pressure is) greater because the force/ F is larger (to provide the same moment)	B1 B1	
Total				11	

Question		Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
6	(a)	time = $6.9 \times 3.16 \times 10^7$ (= 2.18×10^8 s) average speed = $\frac{5.0 \times 10^{12}}{6.9 \times 3.16 \times 10^7}$ average speed = 2.29×10^4 or 2.3×10^4 (m s ⁻¹)	C1 A1	Allow: 1 mark for $5.0 \times 10^{12}/6.9 = 7.2(46) \times 10^{11}$ (m y ⁻¹) Allow: 1 mark for $\frac{5.0 \times 10^{12}}{3.16 \times 10^7} = 1.58 \times 10^5$ (m s ⁻¹)
	(b)	distance = 0.70×200 (= 140 mm) or KE = $\frac{1}{2} \times 4.0 \times 10^{-6} \times 6100^2$ (= 74.4 J) work done = change in KE $F \times (0.70 \times 10^{-3} \times 200) = \frac{1}{2} \times 4.0 \times 10^{-6} \times 6100^2$ $F = 530$ (N) ----- or ----- $F = ma$ $a = \frac{6100^2}{2 \times (0.70 \times 10^{-3} \times 200)}$ (= 1.33×10^8) $F = 4.0 \times 10^{-6} \times 1.33 \times 10^8$ $F = 530$ (N)	C1 C1 A1 C1 C1 A1	Note: Bald answer scores 3/3 marks Note: 0.53 (N) scores 2/3 because of 10 ⁿ error in distance 1.06 × 10 ⁵ (N) scores 2/3 because '200' not taken into account 106 (N) scores 1/3 because '200' missed out and 10 ⁿ error
Total			5	

Question		Expected Answers	Marks	Additional Guidance
7	(a)	Straight line through origin (judge by eye)	B1	
		Correct shape of curve in the plastic region	B1	
	(b)	Copper	B1	
	(c)	Maximum stress material can withstand (before fracture)	B1	Allow: UTS = breaking stress Allow: UTS = breaking force / (cross-sectional) area
	(d)	extension (or compression) \propto force (as long as elastic limit is not exceeded)	B1	Allow: 'load' instead of force Not: $x \propto F$, unless the labels are defined
	(e)	force = 75×0.085	C1	
		$F = 6.38 \text{ (N)} \approx 6.4 \text{ (N)}$	A1	
	(ii)	acceleration = $\frac{6.38}{2.5 \times 10^{-3}}$ acceleration = $2550 \text{ (m s}^{-2}\text{)}$	B1	Note: $a = \frac{kx - mg}{m}$ gives $2540 \text{ (m s}^{-2}\text{)}$ Possible ecf
	(iii)	Correct selection of equation: $mgh / \frac{1}{2}kx^2 / \frac{1}{2}Fx$	C1	
		$0.0025 \times 9.81 \times h = \frac{1}{2} \times 75 \times 0.085^2$	C1	
		height = 11 (m)	A1	Note: Bald answer of 11 (m) scores 3/3 marks
		Total	11	