



**AS Level Mathematics B (MEI)**  
**H630/01 Pure Mathematics and Mechanics**

**Question Set 6**

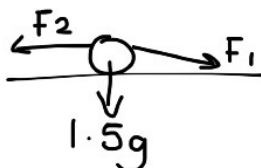
1.

In this question, the  $x$  and  $y$  directions are horizontal and vertically upwards respectively.

A particle of mass  $1.5 \text{ kg}$  is in equilibrium under the action of its weight and forces  $F_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -2 \end{pmatrix} \text{ N}$  and  $F_2$ .

- (a) Find the force  $F_2$ .

[3]



$$-(1.5 \times 9.8)\mathbf{j} + 4\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$(-14.7 - 2 + y)\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{0}\mathbf{j} \quad (4 + x)\mathbf{i} = \mathbf{0}\mathbf{i}$$

$$-16.7 + y = 0$$

$$y = 16.7$$

$$4 + x = 0$$

$$x = -4$$

$$\therefore -4\mathbf{i} + 16.7\mathbf{j} = F_2$$

- (b) The force  $F_2$  is changed to  $\begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 20 \end{pmatrix} \text{ N}$ .

Find the acceleration of the particle.

[2]

$$F = ma$$

$$4\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j} + 2\mathbf{i} + 20\mathbf{j} = 1.5\mathbf{a}$$

$$6\mathbf{i} + 18\mathbf{j} = 1.5\mathbf{a}$$

$$\frac{6\mathbf{i} + 18\mathbf{j}}{1.5} = \mathbf{a}$$

$$4\mathbf{i} + 12\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{a}$$

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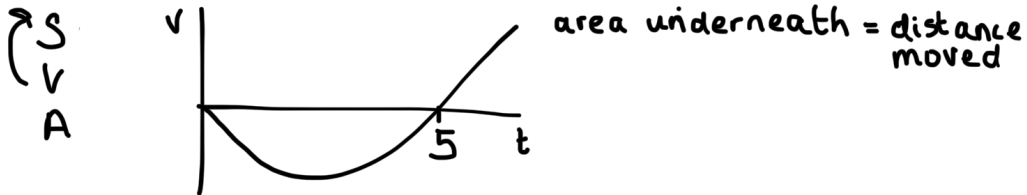
In this question you must show detailed reasoning.

A particle moves in a straight line. Its velocity  $v \text{ ms}^{-1}$  after  $t$  s is given by  $v = t^3 - 5t^2$ .

- (a) Find the times at which the particle is stationary. [2]

$$\begin{aligned} & \underline{0 \rightarrow t^3 - 5t^2} \\ v &= 0 \\ \therefore 0 &= t^3 - 5t^2 \\ 0 &= t^2(t - 5) \\ t^2 &= 0 \quad \therefore t = 0 \\ \text{or } t - 5 &= 0 \quad t = 5 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Find the total distance travelled by the particle in the first 6 seconds. [3]

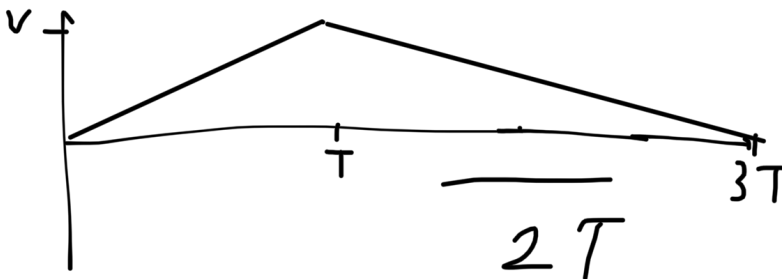


$$\begin{aligned} & \int_0^5 t^3 - 5t^2 \, dt + \int_5^6 t^3 - 5t^2 \, dt \\ & - \left[ \frac{1}{4}t^4 - \frac{5}{3}t^3 \right]_0^5 + \left[ \frac{1}{4}t^4 - \frac{5}{3}t^3 \right]_5^6 \\ & \frac{625}{12} + \frac{193}{12} = \frac{409}{6} = 68 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

3

A car travelling in a straight line accelerates uniformly from rest to  $V \text{ ms}^{-1}$  in  $T$  s. It then slows down uniformly, coming to rest after a further  $2T$  s.

- (a) Sketch a velocity-time graph for the car. [2]



(b) Calculate the values of  $V$  and  $T$ .

[4]

$$S_1 = \frac{Vt}{2} \quad S_2 = \frac{V2t}{2} = Vt$$
$$vt + \frac{vt}{2} = S$$

S  $S_1$   
U 0  
V V  
A a  
T T

S  $S_1$   
U V  
V 0  
A  $-\frac{1}{2}a$   
T 2T

$$V = aT$$
$$0 = V - \frac{1}{2}a \times 2T$$
$$0 = V - aT$$

An astronaut on the surface of the moon drops a ball from a point 2m above the surface.

4

Without any calculations, explain why a standard model using  $g = 9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$  will not be appropriate to model the fall of the ball. [1]

(a)

Because on the moon the gravitational field strength is less therefore the value of  $g$  will be lower as  $9.81$  only applies to the Earth.

The ball takes 1.6s to hit the surface.

(b)

Find the acceleration of the ball which best models its motion. Give your answer correct to 2 significant figures. [2]

S 2 +  $\downarrow$   
U 0  
V  
A x  
T 1.6

$$S = Ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$
$$2 = 0.5a \times 1.6^2$$

$$\frac{2}{0.5 \times 1.6^2} = a$$

$$1.5625 = a$$

$$1.6 \text{ ms}^{-2} = a$$

- (c) Use this value to predict the maximum height of the ball above the point of projection when thrown vertically upwards with an initial velocity of  $15\text{ms}^{-1}$ . [2]

$$\begin{array}{l} S = \\ U = 15 \\ V = 0 \\ a = -1.6 \\ t \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} V^2 = U^2 + 2as \\ 0 = 15^2 + 2 \times -1.6 \times s \\ -225 = 3.2s \\ -70.3125 = s \\ \therefore 70.3\text{m high} \end{array}$$

**Total Marks for Question Set 6: 21 marks**