

**ADVANCED GCE  
MATHEMATICS**

Mechanics 3

**4730**

Candidates answer on the answer booklet.

**OCR supplied materials:**

- 8 page answer booklet (sent with general stationery)
- List of Formulae (MF1)

**Other materials required:**

- Scientific or graphical calculator

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Morning**

**Duration:** 1 hour 30 minutes



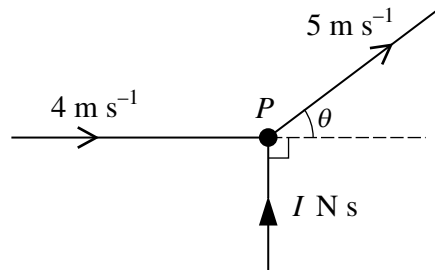
**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.
- 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.
- The acceleration due to gravity is denoted by  $g \text{ m s}^{-2}$ . Unless otherwise instructed, when a numerical value is needed, use  $g = 9.8$ .
- You are permitted to use a scientific or graphical calculator in this paper.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

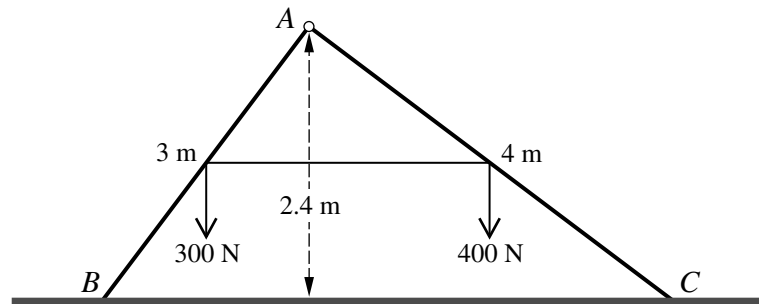
- The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- **You are reminded of the need for clear presentation in your answers.**
- The total number of marks for this paper is **72**.
- This document consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

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A particle  $P$  of mass  $0.3 \text{ kg}$  is moving in a straight line with speed  $4 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  when it is deflected through an angle  $\theta$  by an impulse of magnitude  $I \text{ N s}$ . The impulse acts at right angles to the initial direction of motion of  $P$  (see diagram). The speed of  $P$  immediately after the impulse acts is  $5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . Show that  $\cos \theta = 0.8$  and find the value of  $I$ . [4]

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Two uniform rods  $AB$  and  $AC$ , of lengths  $3 \text{ m}$  and  $4 \text{ m}$  respectively, have weights  $300 \text{ N}$  and  $400 \text{ N}$  respectively. The rods are freely jointed at  $A$ . The mid-points of the rods are joined by a light inextensible string. The rods are in equilibrium in a vertical plane with the string taut and  $B$  and  $C$  in contact with a smooth horizontal surface. The point  $A$  is  $2.4 \text{ m}$  above the surface (see diagram).

(i) Show that the force exerted by the surface on  $AB$  is  $374 \text{ N}$  and find the force exerted by the surface on  $AC$ . [4]

(ii) Find the tension in the string. [3]

(iii) Find the horizontal and vertical components of the force exerted on  $AB$  at  $A$  and state their directions. [3]

3 A particle  $P$  of mass  $0.25 \text{ kg}$  is projected horizontally with speed  $5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  from a fixed point  $O$  on a smooth horizontal surface and moves in a straight line on the surface. The only horizontal force acting on  $P$  has magnitude  $0.2v^2 \text{ N}$ , where  $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$  is the velocity of  $P$  at time  $t \text{ s}$  after it is projected from  $O$ . This force is directed towards  $O$ .

(i) Find an expression for  $v$  in terms of  $t$ . [5]

The particle  $P$  passes through a point  $X$  with speed  $0.2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ .

(ii) Find the average speed of  $P$  for its motion between  $O$  and  $X$ . [5]

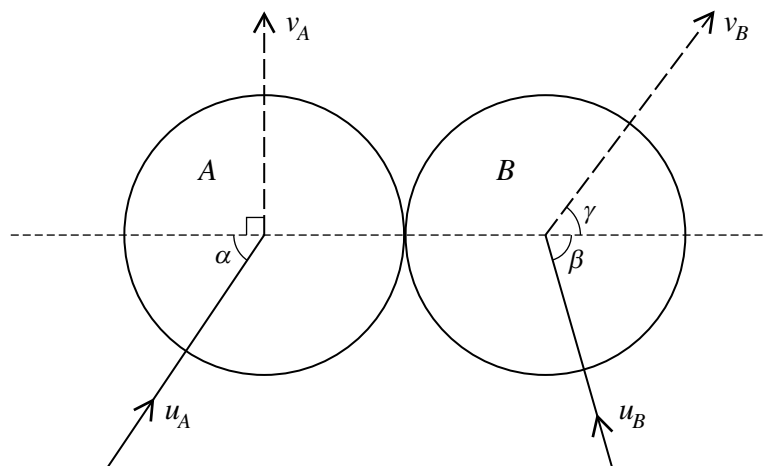
- 4 One end of a light inextensible string of length 2 m is attached to a fixed point  $O$ . A particle  $P$  of mass 0.2 kg is attached to the other end of the string.  $P$  is held at rest with the string taut so that  $OP$  makes an angle of 0.15 radians with the downward vertical.  $P$  is released and  $t$  seconds afterwards  $OP$  makes an angle of  $\theta$  radians with the downward vertical.

(i) Show that  $\frac{d^2\theta}{dt^2} = -4.9 \sin \theta$  and give a reason why the motion is approximately simple harmonic. [3]

Using the simple harmonic approximation,

- (ii) obtain an expression for  $\theta$  in terms of  $t$  and hence find the values of  $t$  at the first and second occasions when  $\theta = -0.1$ , [5]
- (iii) find the angular speed of  $OP$  and the linear speed of  $P$  when  $t = 0.5$ . [3]

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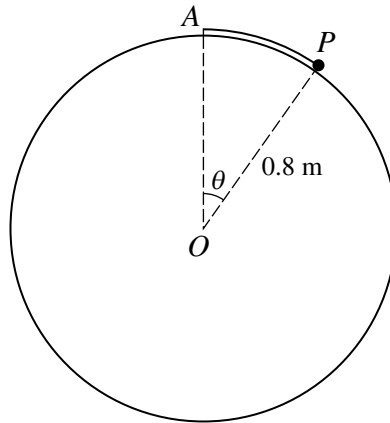


Two uniform smooth identical spheres  $A$  and  $B$  are moving towards each other on a horizontal surface when they collide. Immediately before the collision  $A$  and  $B$  are moving with speeds  $u_A \text{ m s}^{-1}$  and  $u_B \text{ m s}^{-1}$  respectively, at acute angles  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$ , respectively, to the line of centres. Immediately after the collision  $A$  and  $B$  are moving with speeds  $v_A \text{ m s}^{-1}$  and  $v_B \text{ m s}^{-1}$  respectively, at right angles and at acute angle  $\gamma$ , respectively, to the line of centres (see diagram).

- (i) Given that  $\sin \beta = 0.96$  and  $\frac{v_B}{u_B} = 1.2$ , find the value of  $\sin \gamma$ . [2]
- (ii) Given also that, before the collision, the component of  $A$ 's velocity parallel to the line of centres is  $2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , find the values of  $u_B$  and  $v_B$ . [5]
- (iii) Find the coefficient of restitution between the spheres. [3]
- (iv) Given that the kinetic energy of  $A$  immediately before the collision is  $6.5m \text{ J}$ , where  $m \text{ kg}$  is the mass of  $A$ , find the value of  $v_A$ . [2]

[Questions 6 and 7 are printed overleaf.]

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A particle  $P$  of weight  $6\text{ N}$  is attached to the highest point  $A$  of a fixed smooth sphere by a light elastic string. The sphere has centre  $O$  and radius  $0.8\text{ m}$ . The string has natural length  $\frac{1}{10}\pi\text{ m}$  and modulus of elasticity  $9\text{ N}$ .  $P$  is released from rest at a point  $X$  on the sphere where  $OX$  makes an angle of  $\frac{1}{4}\pi$  radians with the upwards vertical.  $P$  remains in contact with the sphere as it moves upwards to  $A$ . At time  $t$  seconds after the release,  $OP$  makes an angle of  $\theta$  radians with the upwards vertical (see diagram). When  $\theta = \frac{1}{6}\pi$ ,  $P$  passes through the point  $Y$ .

(i) Show that as  $P$  moves from  $X$  to  $Y$  its gravitational potential energy increases by  $2.4(\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{2})\text{ J}$  and the elastic potential energy in the string decreases by  $0.4\pi\text{ J}$ . [5]

(ii) Verify that the transverse acceleration of  $P$  is zero when  $\theta = \frac{1}{6}\pi$ , and hence find the maximum speed of  $P$ . [6]

7 One end of a light inextensible string of length  $0.8\text{ m}$  is attached to a fixed point  $O$ . A particle  $P$  of mass  $0.3\text{ kg}$  is attached to the other end of the string.  $P$  is projected horizontally from the point  $0.8\text{ m}$  vertically below  $O$  with speed  $5.6\text{ m s}^{-1}$ .  $P$  starts to move in a vertical circle with centre  $O$ . The speed of  $P$  is  $v\text{ m s}^{-1}$  when the string makes an angle  $\theta$  with the downward vertical.

(i) While the string remains taut, show that  $v^2 = 15.68(1 + \cos \theta)$ , and find the tension in the string in terms of  $\theta$ . [7]

(ii) For the instant when the string becomes slack, find the value of  $\theta$  and the value of  $v$ . [3]

(iii) Find, in either order, the speed of  $P$  when it is at its greatest height after the string becomes slack, and the greatest height reached by  $P$  above its point of projection. [4]

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