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# A-LEVEL MATHEMATICS

## Unit Mechanics 2B

Monday 26 June 2017

Afternoon

Time allowed: 1 hour 30 minutes

### Materials

For this paper you must have:

- the blue AQA booklet of formulae and statistical tables.
- You may use a graphics calculator.

### Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Pencil should only be used for drawing.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions.
- Write the question part reference (eg (a), (b)(i) etc) in the left-hand margin.
- You must answer each question in the space provided for that question. If you require extra space, use an AQA supplementary answer book; do **not** use the space provided for a different question.
- Do not write outside the box around each page.
- Show all necessary working, otherwise marks for method may be lost.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.
- The **final** answer to questions requiring the use of calculators should be given to three significant figures, unless stated otherwise.
- Take  $g = 9.8 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ , unless stated otherwise.

### Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 75.

### Advice

- Unless stated otherwise, you may quote formulae, without proof, from the booklet.
- You do not necessarily need to use all the space provided.

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Answer **all** questions.

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- 1** A ball of mass 3 kg is thrown from a hot-air balloon. When the ball is thrown, it is 50 metres above the ground. The ground is horizontal. The ball initially moves with speed  $12 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ .
- In this question, model the ball as a particle and ignore air resistance.
- (a) Find the initial kinetic energy of the ball. **[2 marks]**
- (b) Find the kinetic energy of the ball when it hits the ground. **[3 marks]**
- (c) Hence find the speed of the ball when it hits the ground. **[2 marks]**

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**2** A particle moves on a horizontal plane in a straight line. At time  $t$  seconds, it has velocity  $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$  where  $v = 4t^3 - 3 \sin 4t + 8$ ,  $t \geq 0$ .

**(a) (i)** Find an expression for the acceleration of the particle at time  $t$ .

**[2 marks]**

**(ii)** Find the acceleration of the particle when  $t = \frac{\pi}{4}$ .

**[2 marks]**

**(b)** When  $t = 0$ , the particle is at the origin.

Find an expression for the displacement of the particle from the origin at time  $t$ .

**[5 marks]**

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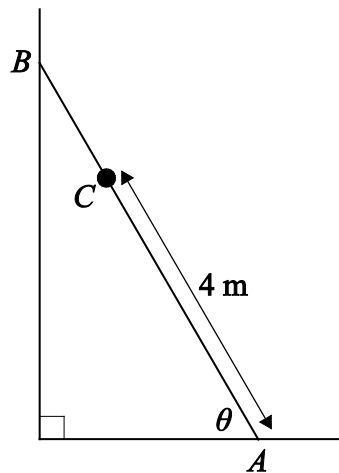
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- 3 A uniform ladder  $AB$  of length 7 metres and mass 15 kg rests with its foot  $A$  on a rough horizontal floor. Its top  $B$  is leaning against a smooth vertical wall. The vertical plane containing the ladder is perpendicular to the wall, and the angle between the ladder and the floor is  $\theta$ .

A man of mass 70 kg is standing at point  $C$  on the ladder so that the distance  $AC$  is 4 metres. With the man in this position, the ladder is on the point of slipping. The coefficient of friction between the ladder and the horizontal floor is 0.3. Model the man as a particle at  $C$ .



Find the angle  $\theta$ .

[6 marks]

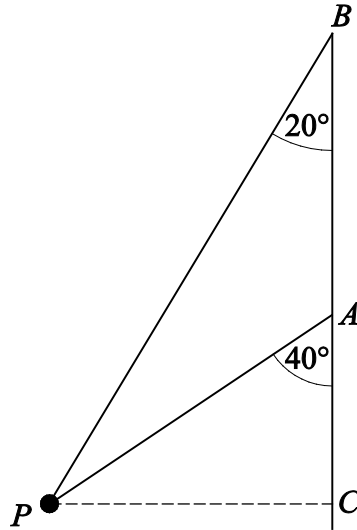
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- 4 Two light inextensible strings each have one end attached to a particle  $P$  of mass 6 kg. The other ends of the strings are attached to the fixed points  $A$  and  $B$ . The point  $B$  is vertically above the point  $A$ . The particle moves at a constant speed in a horizontal circle. The centre,  $C$ , of this circle is directly below the point  $A$ . The two strings are inclined at  $20^\circ$  and  $40^\circ$  to the vertical, as shown in the diagram. Both strings are taut. As the particle moves in the horizontal circle, the tension in the string  $BP$  is 30 N.



- (a) Find the tension in the string  $AP$ .

[3 marks]

- (b) The speed of the particle is  $8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ .

Find the length of  $CP$ , the radius of the horizontal circle.

[4 marks]

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- 8 (a)** Hooke's law states that the tension in a stretched string of natural length  $l$  and modulus of elasticity  $\lambda$  is  $\frac{\lambda e}{l}$  when its extension is  $e \geq 0$ .

Using this formula, prove that the work done in stretching a string from an unstretched position to a position in which its extension is  $e$  is  $\frac{\lambda e^2}{2l}$ .

**[3 marks]**

- (b)** A particle of mass 10 kg is attached to one end of a light elastic string of natural length 0.8 metres and modulus of elasticity 250 N. The other end of the string is fixed to a point  $O$ .

- (i)** Find the extension of the elastic string when the particle hangs in equilibrium directly below  $O$ .

**[2 marks]**

- (ii)** The particle is pulled down and held at the point  $P$ , which is 1.4 metres vertically below  $O$ .

Find the elastic potential energy of the string when the particle is in this position.

**[2 marks]**

- (iii)** The particle is released from rest at the point  $P$ . In the subsequent motion, the particle has speed  $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$  when it is  $x$  metres **above**  $P$ .

Show that, while the string is taut,  $20v^2 = 358x - 625x^2$ .

**[5 marks]**

- (iv)** Find the value of  $x$  when the particle comes to rest for the first time after being released, given that the string is still taut.

**[2 marks]**

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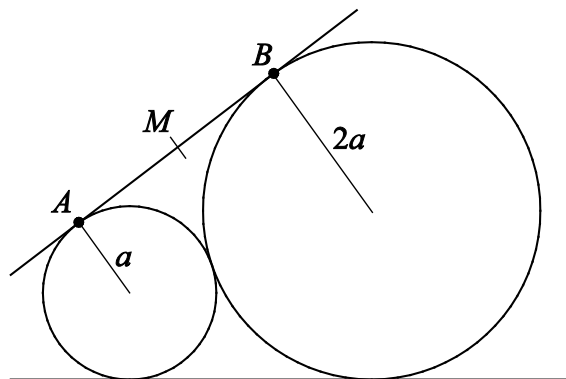


- 9 Two spheres, one of radius  $a$  and the other of radius  $2a$ , are fixed in space with their bases on a horizontal plane so that the two spheres are in contact with each other.

A rod is positioned so that the rod is a tangent to the sphere of radius  $a$  at the point  $A$  and to the sphere of radius  $2a$  at the point  $B$ .

The coefficient of friction between the rod and the sphere of radius  $2a$  at  $B$  is  $\mu$ , and the coefficient of friction between the rod and the sphere of radius  $a$  at  $A$  is  $2\mu$ .

The length of the rod is  $4a$ , with its centre of mass  $M$  being equidistant from  $A$  and  $B$ .



- (a) The rod is inclined at an angle of  $2\theta$  to the horizontal.

Prove that  $\sin 2\theta = \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{9}$ .

[2 marks]

- (b) Find  $\mu$  if the rod is in limiting equilibrium at both  $A$  and  $B$ .

[6 marks]

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