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## Pearson Edexcel Level 3 GCE

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### Mathematics

Advanced

**PAPER 32: Mechanics**



#### You must have:

Mathematical Formulae and Statistical Tables (Green), calculator

Total Marks

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- **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.
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  - *there may be more space than you need.*
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- Unless otherwise indicated, whenever a value of  $g$  is required, take  $g = 9.8 \text{ m s}^{-2}$  and give your answer to either 2 significant figures or 3 significant figures.

#### Information

- A booklet 'Mathematical Formulae and Statistical Tables' is provided.
- The total mark for this part of the examination is 50. There are 5 questions.
- 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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1. [In this question, position vectors are given relative to a fixed origin.]

At time  $t$  seconds, where  $t > 0$ , a particle  $P$  has velocity  $\text{v m s}^{-1}$  where

$$\mathbf{v} = 3t^2\mathbf{i} - 6t^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{j}$$

- (a) Find the speed of  $P$  at time  $t = 2$  seconds.

(2)

- (b) Find an expression, in terms of  $t$ ,  $\mathbf{i}$  and  $\mathbf{j}$ , for the acceleration of  $P$  at time  $t$  seconds, where  $t > 0$

(2)

At time  $t = 4$  seconds, the position vector of  $P$  is  $(\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j}) \text{ m}$ .

- (c) Find the position vector of  $P$  at time  $t = 1$  second.

(4)

$$\alpha / \text{ when } t=2 \quad \mathbf{v} = 3(2)^2 \mathbf{i} - 6(2)^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{j}$$

$$= 12\mathbf{i} - 6\sqrt{2}\mathbf{j}$$

$$\text{speed} = \sqrt{12^2 + (6\sqrt{2})^2}$$

$$= 6\sqrt{6} \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

$$\mathbf{b} / \quad \alpha = \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{6t\mathbf{i} - 3t^{-\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{j}}} \text{ ms}^{-2}$$

$$\mathbf{s} = \int \mathbf{v} dt$$

$$= \int 3t^2 \mathbf{i} - 6t^{\frac{1}{2}} \mathbf{j}$$

$$= t^3 \mathbf{i} - 4t^{\frac{3}{2}} \mathbf{j} + \mathbf{c} \quad \text{when } t=4 \quad \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j} = 64\mathbf{i} - 32\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{c}$$

$$\mathbf{c} = -63\mathbf{i} + 28\mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{s} = t^3 \mathbf{i} - 4t^{\frac{3}{2}} \mathbf{j} - 63\mathbf{i} + 28\mathbf{j}$$



**Question 1 continued**

$$s = (t^3 - 63)\vec{i} + (28 - 4t^{3/2})\vec{j}$$

when  $t = 1$        $s = \underline{-62\vec{i}} + \underline{24\vec{j}}$

(Total for Question 1 is 8 marks)



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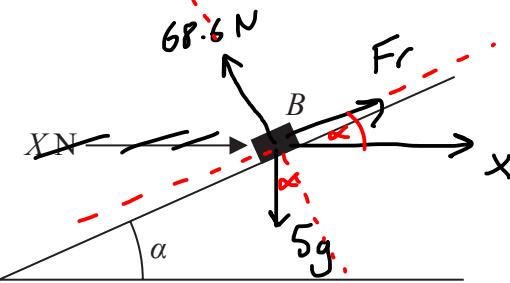
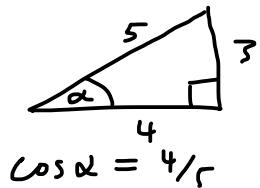


Figure 1

A rough plane is inclined to the horizontal at an angle  $\alpha$ , where  $\tan \alpha = \frac{3}{4}$

A small block  $B$  of mass 5 kg is held in equilibrium on the plane by a horizontal force of magnitude  $X$  newtons, as shown in Figure 1.



The force acts in a vertical plane which contains a line of greatest slope of the inclined plane.

The block  $B$  is modelled as a particle.

The magnitude of the normal reaction of the plane on  $B$  is 68.6 N.

Using the model,

(a) (i) find the magnitude of the frictional force acting on  $B$ ,

(3)

(ii) state the direction of the frictional force acting on  $B$ .

(1)

The horizontal force of magnitude  $X$  newtons is now removed and  $B$  moves down the plane.

Given that the coefficient of friction between  $B$  and the plane is 0.5

(b) find the acceleration of  $B$  down the plane.

(6)

a/ Resolving perp. to plane

$$68.6 = 5g \cos \alpha + X \sin \alpha$$

$$68.6 = 5g \left(\frac{4}{5}\right) + \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)X$$

$$68.6 - 4g = \frac{3}{5}X$$

$$X = 49 \text{ N}$$

Resolving parallel to the plane

**Question 2 continued**

$$F_r + 4g \cos \alpha = 5g \sin \alpha$$

$$F_r + 4g \left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = 5g \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)$$

$$F_r = -9.8 \text{ N}$$

$\therefore F_r = 9.8 \text{ N}$  acting down the plane



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## **Question 2 continued**

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## **Question 2 continued**

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3.

[In this question,  $\mathbf{i}$  and  $\mathbf{j}$  are horizontal unit vectors.]

A particle  $P$  of mass 4 kg is at rest at the point  $A$  on a smooth horizontal plane.

At time  $t = 0$ , two forces,  $\mathbf{F}_1 = (4\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j})\text{N}$  and  $\mathbf{F}_2 = (\lambda\mathbf{i} + \mu\mathbf{j})\text{N}$ , where  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are constants, are applied to  $P$

Given that  $P$  moves in the direction of the vector  $(3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j})$

(a) show that

$$\lambda - 3\mu + 7 = 0 \quad (4)$$

At time  $t = 4$  seconds,  $P$  passes through the point  $B$ .

Given that  $\lambda = 2$

(b) find the length of  $AB$ . (5)

$$a/ \quad F_1 + F_2 = x \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} \lambda \\ \mu \end{pmatrix} = x \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$4 + \lambda = 3x \\ -1 + \mu = x \quad (\times 3)$$

$$-3 + 3\mu = 3x$$

$$4 + \lambda = -3 + 3\mu$$

$$\lambda - 3\mu + 7 = 0$$

$$b/ \quad \lambda = 2 \quad 2 - 3\mu + 7 = 0$$

$$9 = 3\mu \\ \mu = 3$$

$$\therefore F_1 + F_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$F = ma$$



**Question 3 continued**

$$\binom{6}{2} = 4a$$

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} 1.5 \\ 0.5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$s =$$

$$u = 0$$

v

$$a = \begin{pmatrix} 1.5 \\ 0.5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$t = 4$$

$$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

$$= 0(4) + \frac{1}{2} \begin{pmatrix} 1.5 \\ 0.5 \end{pmatrix} (4)^2$$

$$= 8 \begin{pmatrix} 1.5 \\ 0.5 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 12 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{distance} = \sqrt{12^2 + 4^2}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{4\sqrt{10} \text{ m}}}$$



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### **Question 3 continued**

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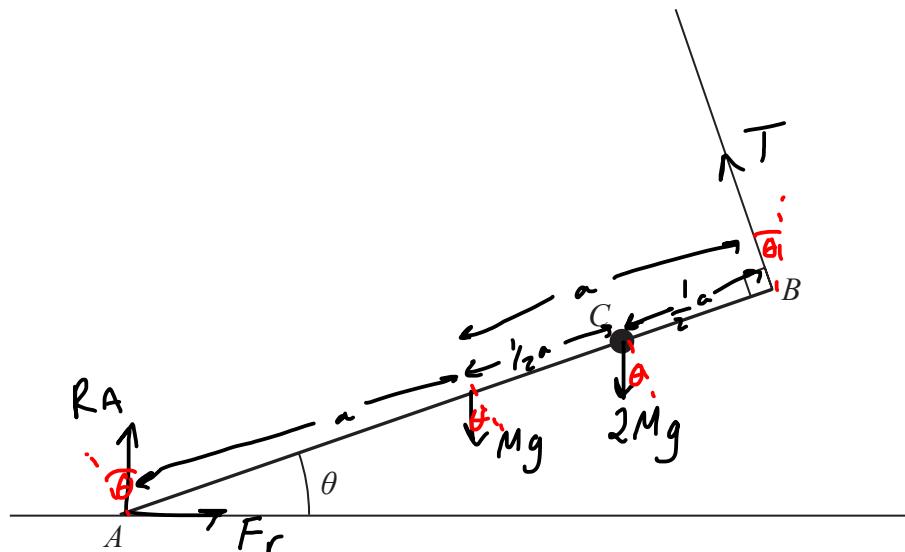


Figure 2

A uniform rod  $AB$  has mass  $M$  and length  $2a$

A particle of mass  $2M$  is attached to the rod at the point  $C$ , where  $AC = 1.5a$

The rod rests with its end  $A$  on rough horizontal ground.

The rod is held in equilibrium at an angle  $\theta$  to the ground by a light string that is attached to the end  $B$  of the rod.

The string is perpendicular to the rod, as shown in Figure 2.

- (a) Explain why the frictional force acting on the rod at  $A$  acts horizontally to the right on the diagram. (1)

The tension in the string is  $T$

- (b) Show that  $T = 2Mg \cos \theta$

Given that  $\cos \theta = \frac{3}{5}$        $\sin \theta = \frac{4}{5}$



- (c) show that the magnitude of the vertical force exerted by the ground on the rod at  $A$

is  $\frac{57Mg}{25}$

(3)

The coefficient of friction between the rod and the ground is  $\mu$

Given that the rod is in limiting equilibrium,

(d) show that  $\mu = \frac{8}{19}$

(4)



## Question 4 continued

a) It opposes the motion, the only other horizontal force acts to the left.

b) Taking moments about A:

$$a Mg \cos \theta + \frac{3}{2}a \cdot 2Mg \cos \theta = 2a T$$

$$Mg \cos \theta + 3Mg \cos \theta = 2T$$

$$4Mg \cos \theta = 2T$$

$$\underline{2Mg \cos \theta = T}$$

c)  $\cos \theta = 3/5 \quad \therefore T = \frac{6}{5} Mg$

Forces up = Forces down

$$T \cos \theta + R_A = 3Mg$$

$$\frac{6}{5} Mg \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) + R_A = 3Mg$$

$$\frac{18}{25} Mg + R_A = 3Mg$$

$$R_A = \frac{57}{25} Mg$$

d) Fr takes max value =  $\mu R_A$

Forces left = Forces right

$$T \sin \theta = \mu R_A$$

$$\frac{6}{5} Mg \left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = \mu \frac{57}{25} Mg$$



**Question 4 continued**

$$\frac{24}{25} = \frac{57}{28} \mu$$

$$\mu = \frac{24}{57} = \frac{8}{19}$$

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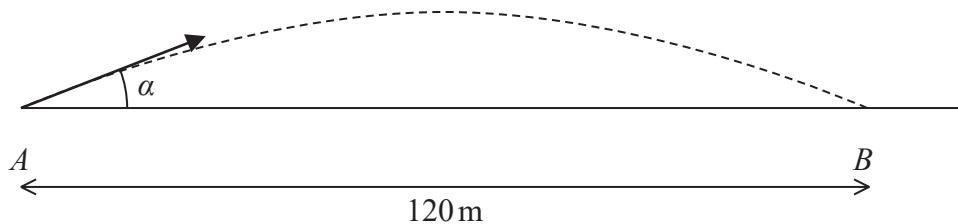


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**Figure 3**

A golf ball is at rest at the point  $A$  on horizontal ground.

The ball is hit and initially moves at an angle  $\alpha$  to the ground.

The ball first hits the ground at the point  $B$ , where  $AB = 120\text{ m}$ , as shown in Figure 3.

The motion of the ball is modelled as that of a particle, moving freely under gravity, whose initial speed is  $U\text{ ms}^{-1}$

Using this model,

(a) show that  $U^2 \sin \alpha \cos \alpha = 588$  (6)

The ball reaches a maximum height of  $10\text{ m}$  above the ground.

(b) Show that  $U^2 = 1960$  (4)

In a refinement to the model, the effect of air resistance is included.

The motion of the ball, from  $A$  to  $B$ , is now modelled as that of a particle whose initial speed is  $V\text{ ms}^{-1}$

This refined model is used to calculate a value for  $V$

(c) State which is greater,  $U$  or  $V$ , giving a reason for your answer. (1)

(d) State one further refinement to the model that would make the model more realistic. (1)

a/ Horizontally

$$\begin{aligned}s &= 120 \\ u &= U \cos \alpha \\ v &= U \sin \alpha \\ a &= 0 \\ t &= T\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}s &= ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2 \\ 120 &= (U \cos \alpha)T\end{aligned}$$

Vertically

$$\begin{aligned}s &= 0 \\ u &= U \sin \alpha \\ v &= \\ a &= -9.8 \\ t &= T\end{aligned}$$

$$0 = (U \sin \alpha)T + \frac{1}{2}(-9.8)T^2$$

## Question 5 continued

$$T = \frac{120}{u \cos \alpha}$$

$$0 = u \sin \alpha \cdot \frac{120}{u \cos \alpha} + \frac{1}{2} (-9.8) \left( \frac{120}{u \cos \alpha} \right)^2$$

$$0 = \frac{120u \sin \alpha}{u \cos \alpha} - 4.9 \left( \frac{14400}{u^2 \cos^2 \alpha} \right)$$

$$0 = 120 \sin \alpha - 4.9 \left( \frac{14400}{u^2 \cos \alpha} \right)$$

$$0 = 120u^2 \cos \alpha \sin \alpha - 70560$$

$$0 = u^2 \cos \alpha \sin \alpha - 588$$

$$\underline{u^2 \cos \alpha \sin \alpha = 588}$$

b) Max height = 10 Vertically

when at max  $v=0$

$$s = 10$$

$$u = u \sin \alpha$$

$$v = 0$$

$$a = -9.8$$

$$t = T.$$

$$v^2 = u^2 + 2as$$

$$0 = (u \sin \alpha)^2 + 2(-9.8)(10)$$

$$0 = u^2 \sin^2 \alpha - 196$$

$$u^2 \sin^2 \alpha = 196 \quad u^2 \cos \alpha \sin \alpha = 588$$

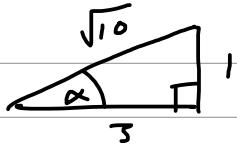
$$\frac{u^2 \sin^2 \alpha}{u^2 \cos \alpha \sin \alpha} = \frac{196}{588}$$



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Question 5 continued

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{1}{3}$$



$$\cos \alpha = \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}} \quad \sin \alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}}$$

$$U^2 \cos \alpha \sin \alpha = 588$$

$$U^2 \left( \frac{3}{\sqrt{10}} \right) \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \right) = 588$$

$$\frac{3}{10} U^2 = 588$$

$$\underline{\underline{U^2 = 1960}}$$

c) v because of the air resistance

d) The ball could not be modelled as a particle. {size/shape/dimensions of the ball included}



## **Question 5 continued**



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### **Question 5 continued**

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