

**ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY GCE UNIT  
MATHEMATICS**

Mechanics 1

**MONDAY 21 MAY 2007**

**4728/01**

Morning

Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Additional Materials: Answer Booklet (8 pages)  
List of Formulae (MF1)

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- 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 graphical calculator in this paper.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

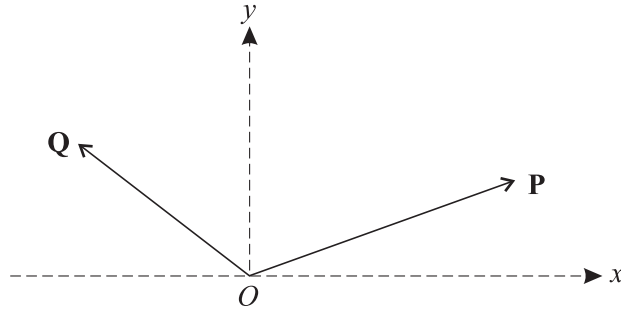
- The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 72.

**ADVICE TO CANDIDATES**

- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- **You are reminded of the need for clear presentation in your answers.**

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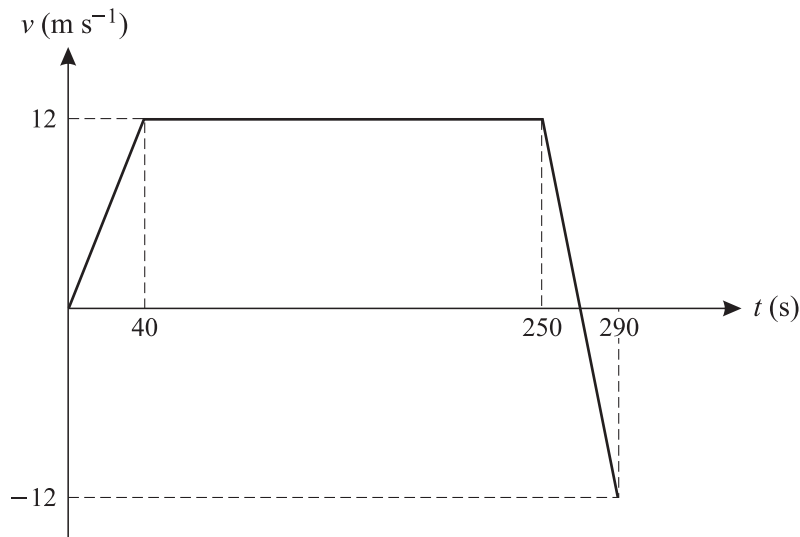
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Two horizontal forces **P** and **Q** act at the origin  $O$  of rectangular coordinates  $Oxy$  (see diagram). The components of **P** in the  $x$ - and  $y$ -directions are 14 N and 5 N respectively. The components of **Q** in the  $x$ - and  $y$ -directions are  $-9$  N and 7 N respectively.

- (i) Write down the components, in the  $x$ - and  $y$ -directions, of the resultant of **P** and **Q**. [2]
- (ii) Hence find the magnitude of this resultant, and the angle the resultant makes with the positive  $x$ -axis. [4]

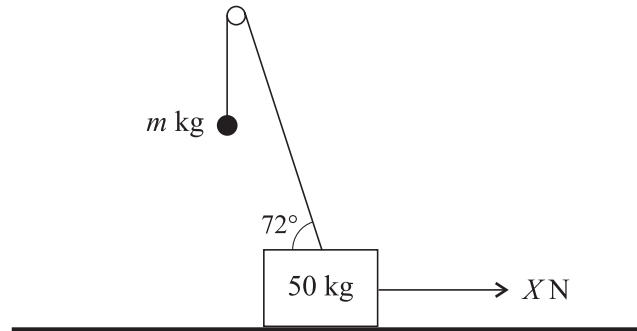
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A particle starts from the point  $A$  and travels in a straight line. The diagram shows the  $(t, v)$  graph, consisting of three straight line segments, for the motion of the particle during the interval  $0 \leq t \leq 290$ .

- (i) Find the value of  $t$  for which the distance of the particle from  $A$  is greatest. [2]
- (ii) Find the displacement of the particle from  $A$  when  $t = 290$ . [3]
- (iii) Find the total distance travelled by the particle during the interval  $0 \leq t \leq 290$ . [2]

3



A block of mass 50 kg is in equilibrium on smooth horizontal ground with one end of a light wire attached to its upper surface. The other end of the wire is attached to an object of mass  $m$  kg. The wire passes over a small smooth pulley, and the object hangs vertically below the pulley. The part of the wire between the block and the pulley makes an angle of  $72^\circ$  with the horizontal. A horizontal force of magnitude  $X$  N acts on the block in the vertical plane containing the wire (see diagram).

The tension in the wire is  $T$  N and the contact force exerted by the ground on the block is  $R$  N.

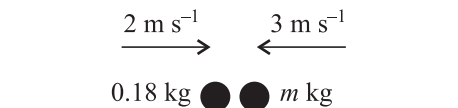
- (i) By resolving forces on the block vertically, find a relationship between  $T$  and  $R$ . [2]

It is given that the block is on the point of lifting off the ground.

- (ii) Show that  $T = 515$ , correct to 3 significant figures, and hence find the value of  $m$ . [4]

- (iii) By resolving forces on the block horizontally, write down a relationship between  $T$  and  $X$ , and hence find the value of  $X$ . [2]

4



Two particles of masses 0.18 kg and  $m$  kg move on a smooth horizontal plane. They are moving towards each other in the same straight line when they collide. Immediately before the impact the speeds of the particles are  $2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  and  $3 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  respectively (see diagram).

- (i) Given that the particles are brought to rest by the impact, find  $m$ . [3]

- (ii) Given instead that the particles move with equal speeds of  $1.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  after the impact, find

- (a) the value of  $m$ , assuming that the particles move in opposite directions after the impact, [3]

- (b) the two possible values of  $m$ , assuming that the particles coalesce. [4]

5 A particle  $P$  is projected vertically upwards, from horizontal ground, with speed  $8.4 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ .

(i) Show that the greatest height above the ground reached by  $P$  is 3.6 m. [3]

A particle  $Q$  is projected vertically upwards, from a point 2 m above the ground, with speed  $u \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . The greatest height **above the ground** reached by  $Q$  is also 3.6 m.

(ii) Find the value of  $u$ . [2]

It is given that  $P$  and  $Q$  are projected simultaneously.

(iii) Show that, at the instant when  $P$  and  $Q$  are at the same height, the particles have the same speed and are moving in opposite directions. [6]

6 A particle starts from rest at the point  $A$  and travels in a straight line. The displacement  $s$  m of the particle from  $A$  at time  $t$  s after leaving  $A$  is given by

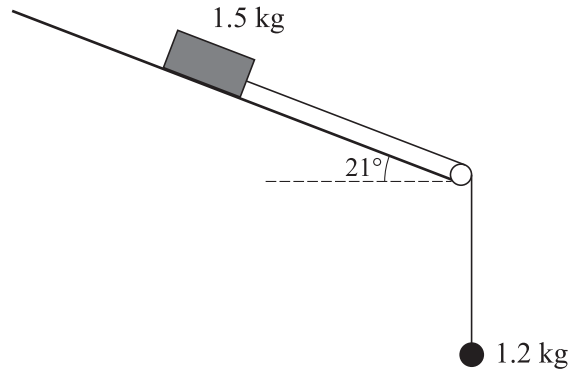
$$s = 0.001t^4 - 0.04t^3 + 0.6t^2, \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 10.$$

(i) Show that the velocity of the particle is  $4 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  when  $t = 10$ . [3]

The acceleration of the particle for  $t \geq 10$  is  $(0.8 - 0.08t) \text{ m s}^{-2}$ .

(ii) Show that the velocity of the particle is zero when  $t = 20$ . [5]

(iii) Find the displacement from  $A$  of the particle when  $t = 20$ . [6]



One end of a light inextensible string is attached to a block of mass 1.5 kg. The other end of the string is attached to an object of mass 1.2 kg. The block is held at rest in contact with a rough plane inclined at  $21^\circ$  to the horizontal. The string is taut and passes over a small smooth pulley at the bottom edge of the plane. The part of the string above the pulley is parallel to a line of greatest slope of the plane and the object hangs freely below the pulley (see diagram). The block is released and the object moves vertically downwards with acceleration  $a \text{ m s}^{-2}$ . The tension in the string is  $T \text{ N}$ . The coefficient of friction between the block and the plane is 0.8.

- (i) Show that the frictional force acting on the block has magnitude 10.98 N, correct to 2 decimal places. [3]
- (ii) By applying Newton's second law to the block and to the object, find a pair of simultaneous equations in  $T$  and  $a$ . [5]
- (iii) Hence show that  $a = 2.24$ , correct to 2 decimal places. [2]
- (iv) Given that the object is initially 2 m above a horizontal floor and that the block is 2.8 m from the pulley, find the speed of the block at the instant when
- (a) the object reaches the floor, [2]
- (b) the block reaches the pulley. [4]

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