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## Pearson Edexcel International Advanced Level

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### Mathematics

#### International Advanced Subsidiary/Advanced Level Mechanics M2

#### You must have:

Mathematical Formulae and Statistical Tables (Yellow), calculator

Total Marks

**Candidates may use any calculator permitted by Pearson regulations. Calculators must not have the facility for symbolic algebra manipulation, differentiation and integration, or have retrievable mathematical formulae stored in them.**

#### Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- If pencil is used for diagrams/sketches/graphs it must be dark (HB or B).
- **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.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
  - *there may be more space than you need.*
- You should show sufficient working to make your methods clear.
- Answers without working may not gain full credit.
- Whenever a numerical 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.
- There are 7 questions in this question paper. The total mark for this paper is 75.
- 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.
- If you change your mind about an answer, cross it out and put your new answer and any working underneath.

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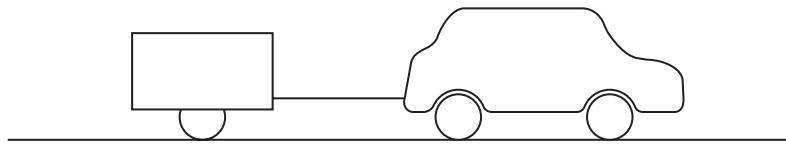
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1.

**Figure 1**

A car of mass 500 kg is towing a trailer of mass 150 kg along a straight horizontal road. The trailer is attached to the car by a towbar, as shown in Figure 1.

The towbar is parallel to the direction of motion of the car and the trailer.

The towbar is modelled as a light rod.

The resistance to the motion of the car is modelled as a constant force of magnitude 350 N.

The resistance to the motion of the trailer is modelled as a constant force of magnitude 200 N.

The engine of the car is working at a constant rate of 10.5 kW.

At the instant when the car and the trailer are moving with speed  $14 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , the acceleration of the car is  $a \text{ m s}^{-2}$  and the tension in the towbar is  $T$  newtons.

Using the model,

- (a) find the value of  $a$ , (4)
- (b) find the value of  $T$ . (3)



## **Question 1 continued**

(Total for Question 1 is 7 marks)



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

A particle  $P$  of mass 2 kg is moving on a smooth horizontal plane with velocity  $4\mathbf{i} \text{ m s}^{-1}$

The particle receives a horizontal impulse of magnitude  $\sqrt{29} \text{ N s}$ .

Immediately **after** receiving the impulse, the velocity of  $P$  is  $(3\mathbf{i} + \lambda\mathbf{j}) \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , where  $\lambda$  is a positive constant.

- (a) Find the value of  $\lambda$

(4)

- (b) Find the size of the angle between the direction of motion of  $P$  immediately **before** receiving the impulse and the direction of the impulse.

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## **Question 2 continued**

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3. [In this question, the perpendicular unit vectors  $\mathbf{i}$  and  $\mathbf{j}$  are in a horizontal plane.]

**In this question you must show all stages of your working.  
Solutions relying on calculator technology are not acceptable.**

A particle  $Q$  is moving on a smooth horizontal plane.

At time  $t$  seconds,  $t \geq 0$ , the position vector of  $Q$ , relative to a fixed origin, is  $\mathbf{r}$  metres and the velocity of  $Q$  is  $\mathbf{v} \text{ m s}^{-1}$

It is given that  $\mathbf{v} = (2t + 3)\mathbf{i} + (t^2 - 5t - 15)\mathbf{j}$

- (a) Find the acceleration of  $Q$  when  $t = 4$

(2)

When  $t = 1$ ,  $\mathbf{r} = 6\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j}$

- (b) Find an exact expression for  $\mathbf{r}$  in terms of  $t$ ,  $\mathbf{i}$  and  $\mathbf{j}$

(4)

When  $t = T$ , particle  $Q$  is moving in the direction of the vector  $5\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j}$

- (c) Find the exact speed of  $Q$  when  $t = T$

(5)



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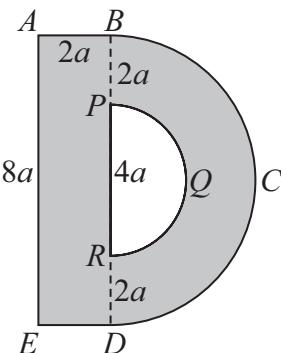


### **Question 3 continued**

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4. In this question you may assume, without proof, that the distance of the centre of mass of a uniform semicircular lamina of radius  $r$  from its diameter is  $\frac{4r}{3\pi}$



**Figure 2**

The uniform lamina  $ABDE$  is a rectangle with  $AB = 2a$  and  $AE = 8a$ .

The uniform lamina  $BCD$  is a semicircle with diameter  $BD = 8a$ .

The points  $P$  and  $R$  lie on  $BD$  with  $BP = RD = 2a$ .

The uniform lamina  $PQR$  is a semicircle with diameter  $PR = 4a$ .

The mass per unit area of the lamina  $ABDE$  is equal to the mass per unit area of the lamina  $BCD$ .

The uniform template  $ABCDE$ , shown shaded in Figure 2, is formed by joining the lamina  $ABDE$  to the lamina  $BCD$  and removing the lamina  $PQR$ .

The distance of the centre of mass of the template **from**  $BD$  is  $d$ .

(a) Show that  $d = \frac{32a}{3(8+3\pi)}$  (5)

The template is free to rotate in a vertical plane about a smooth horizontal axis through  $B$  and hangs freely in equilibrium with  $BD$  at an angle  $\phi^\circ$  to the downward vertical.

(b) Find the value of  $\phi$ . (3)

The weight of the template is  $15W$ . A particle of weight  $kW$  is attached to the template at  $E$ .

The template is again free to rotate in a vertical plane about a smooth horizontal axis through  $B$ . The template is held in equilibrium, with  $BD$  vertical, by a horizontal force of magnitude  $W$  which is applied to the template at  $E$  and acts towards  $D$ .

(c) Find the value of  $k$ . (4)





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## **Question 4 continued**

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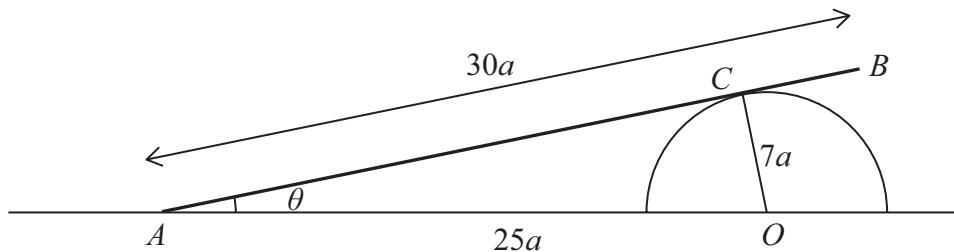


Figure 3

A smooth solid hemisphere is fixed with its plane face in contact with rough horizontal ground. The hemisphere has centre  $O$  and radius  $7a$

A uniform rod  $AB$ , of length  $30a$  and weight  $W$ , rests in limiting equilibrium on the hemisphere with end  $A$  on the ground. The rod is in contact with the hemisphere at the point  $C$ . The rod is at an angle  $\theta$  to the ground, as shown in Figure 3.

Points  $A$ ,  $C$ ,  $B$  and  $O$  all lie in the same vertical plane.

Given that  $AO = 25a$

(a) show that  $AC = 24a$  (1)

(b) Show that the magnitude of the normal reaction on the rod at  $C$  is  $\frac{3}{5} W$  (3)

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

(c) Find the value of  $\mu$  (6)



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## **Question 5 continued**

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6. Two particles,  $P$  of mass  $9m$  and  $Q$  of mass  $3m$ , are at rest on a smooth horizontal surface.

Particle  $P$  is projected with speed  $4u$  towards  $Q$  and  $P$  collides with  $Q$ .

The coefficient of restitution between the particles is  $e$ .

- (a) Show that the speed of  $Q$  immediately after the collision is  $3u(1 + e)$ . (5)

The total kinetic energy lost in the collision between  $P$  and  $Q$  is  $kmu^2$

Given that  $e = \frac{2}{3}$

- (b) find the value of  $k$ . (4)

After being struck by  $P$ , particle  $Q$  goes on to hit a fixed vertical wall. The wall is perpendicular to the direction of motion of  $Q$ .

In the collision with the wall,  $Q$  receives an impulse of magnitude  $21mu$ .

- (c) Find the coefficient of restitution between  $Q$  and the wall. (3)



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**Figure 4**

A rough straight ramp is fixed at an angle  $\alpha$  to horizontal ground, where  $\tan \alpha = \frac{5}{12}$

The point  $A$  is at the bottom of the ramp and the point  $B$  is at the top of the ramp. Points  $A$  and  $B$  are on a line of greatest slope of the ramp, with  $AB = 5\text{ m}$ , as shown in the sketch in Figure 4.

A particle of mass  $0.5\text{ kg}$  is projected up the ramp from  $A$ , along the line  $AB$ , with speed  $U\text{ m s}^{-1}$ . At the instant when it reaches  $B$ , the speed of the particle is  $26\text{ m s}^{-1}$

The coefficient of friction between the particle and the ramp is  $\frac{1}{3}$

(a) Find the work done against friction as the particle moves from  $A$  to  $B$ .

(3)

(b) Use the work–energy principle to find the value of  $U$ .

(4)

After leaving the ramp at  $B$ , the particle moves freely under gravity.

The particle is above the level of  $B$  for  $T$  seconds.

(c) Find the value of  $T$ .

(3)

The particle hits the ground for the first time at the point  $C$ .

(d) Find the distance  $AC$ .

(6)



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