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Edexcel

2024 Predicted Paper

Paper 3

Statistics and Mechanics



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| Question | Possible Marks | Marks Gained |
|--------------------------|----------------|--------------|
| Section A: Statistics | 50 | |
| Section B: Mechanics | 50 | |
| Total | 100 | |





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SECTION A: Statistics

- 01** C and D are two independent events.

It is known that:

$$P(C') = 0.60 \text{ and } P(C \cap D) = 0.11$$

- a)** Find $P(D)$

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- b)** Find $P(C \cup D)$

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c) Find $P(C'|D)$

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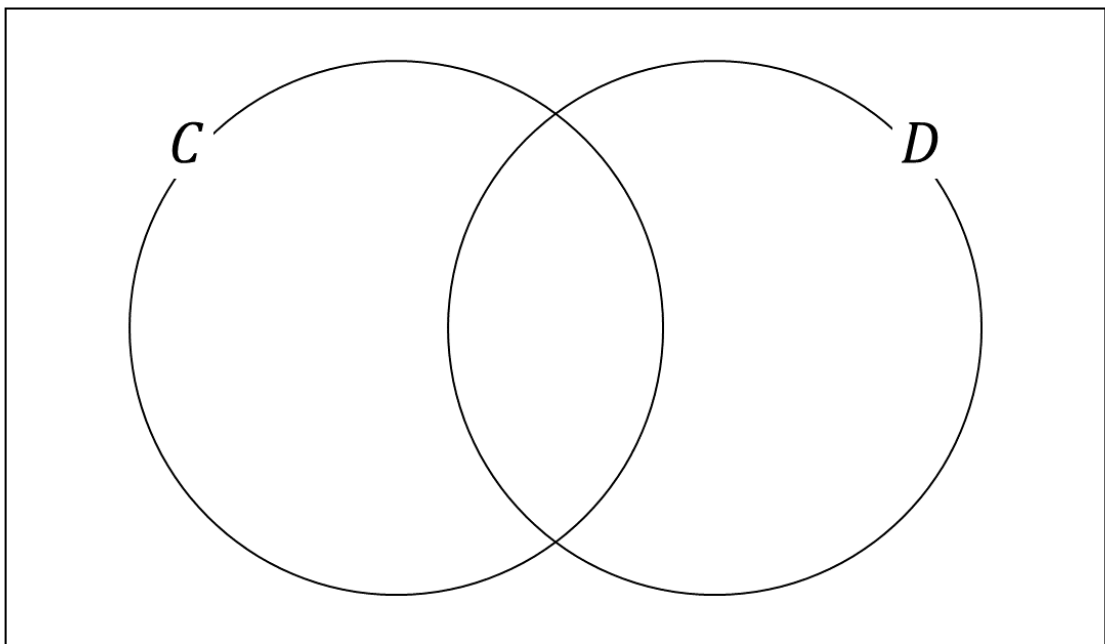
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d) Complete the Venn diagram.

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02 The time taken to complete a race is considered to follow a normal distribution.

15% of runners took more than 22 minutes to complete the race.

18% of runners took less than 12 minutes to complete the race.

a) Use this information to find the values for the mean, μ , and the standard deviation, σ .

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- b)** Write down the median time taken to complete the race.

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- c)** Find the probability that a runner took more than 25 minutes to complete the race.

Include the distribution used in your answer.

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- 03** A runner has run 20 races. They won 6 of these races.
They are going to run another 50 races in the next year.

If we assume that they have a fixed probability of winning the races
we can model this as a binomial distribution.

- a)** State **two** other conditions that must be met to model the probability
of the runner winning races as a binomial distribution.

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- b)** Write down the binomial distribution to model the probability of
winning their next 50 races.
Include the test statistic in your answer.

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- c)** Work out the probability of the runner winning exactly 25 races.

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- d)** Work out the probability of the runner winning more than 10 races but less than 20.

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The runner employed a new coach who promised to increase the proportion of races they won.

After employing the coach, the runner wins 24 out of 50 races.

- e)** Evaluate if, at the 5% level of significance, the new coach has increased the proportion of races won.
State your hypotheses clearly.

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04 A shop owner has an ice-cream shop at a holiday resort in Camborne.

They were interested to see what effect the amount of rainfall had on the sales of ice-cream.

The data below shows the amount of rainfall and the sales of ice-cream on different days of the week during a week in June.

| Day | Rainfall (mm) | Ice-cream sales (£) |
|-----------|---------------|---------------------|
| Monday | 4.4 | 1500.65 |
| Tuesday | 0.8 | 3001.58 |
| Wednesday | 0 | 3200.50 |
| Thursday | 0.4 | 3512.44 |
| Friday | 2.6 | 2105.65 |
| Saturday | 1.6 | 2987.58 |
| Sunday | 0.2 | 3407.98 |

a) Calculate the product moment correlation coefficient.

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b) State the explanatory (independent) variable and the response (dependent) variable.

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The shop owner wanted to investigate the correlation between rainfall and ice-cream sales.

To do this they need to use the table of critical values for correlation coefficients.

| Product moment correlation coefficient | | | | Sample size, n |
|--|--------|--------|--------|----------------|
| Significance level | | | | |
| 0.10 | 0.05 | 0.025 | 0.01 | |
| 0.6870 | 0.8054 | 0.8783 | 0.9343 | 5 |
| 0.6084 | 0.7293 | 0.8114 | 0.8822 | 6 |
| 0.5509 | 0.6694 | 0.7545 | 0.8329 | 7 |
| 0.5067 | 0.6215 | 0.7067 | 0.7887 | 8 |

- c) Test, at the 5% level of significance, whether or not there is a negative correlation between the rainfall and the ice-cream sales. State your hypothesis clearly.

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- d) Suggest a reason for the observed correlation.

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- 05** A teacher wanted to analyse their year groups mock exam results.

The results of the 130 students in the year group was summarised in the table below.

| Test score, t | Frequency |
|-----------------|-----------|
| 1-20 | 15 |
| 21-40 | 23 |
| 41-60 | 34 |
| 61-80 | 26 |
| 81-100 | 19 |
| 101-120 | 13 |

Where $\sum ft = 7565$ and $\sum ft^2 = 553332.5$

- a)** Use linear interpolation to find an estimate for the interquartile range of the results.
Give your answer to 2 decimal places.

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b) Estimate the mean test score.

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c) Estimate the variance of the test score.

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The highest score in the test was 115 and the lowest score was 2.

Outliers can be found using the equations:

$$outliers < Q_1 - 1.5 \times IQR$$

$$outliers > Q_3 + 1.5 \times IQR$$

d) Show that there are no outliers in these results.

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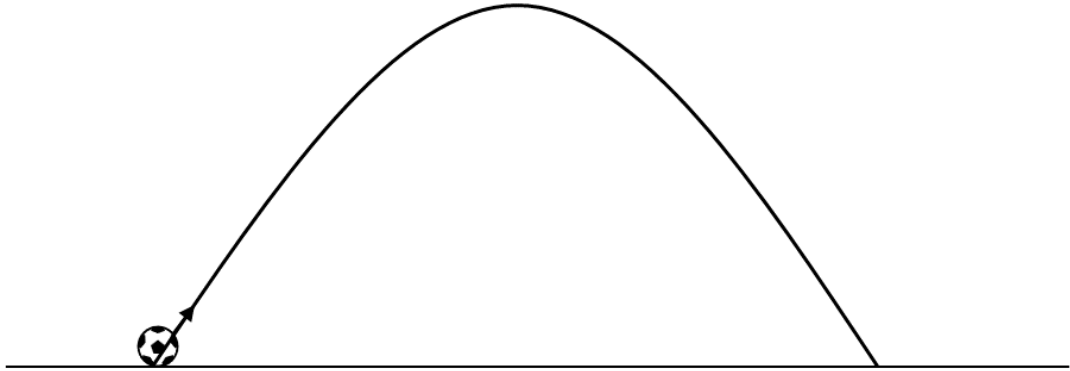
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SECTION B: Mechanics

- 06** A ball is kicked into the air from the ground by a footballer.



The moment the ball leaved the footballers foot it moves with a speed of U at an angle α to the horizontal.

The football lands on the ground 20 m away from the footballer.

The football is modelled as a particle moving freely under gravity, g .



a) Show that:

$$20 \tan \alpha - \frac{200g}{U^2} \sec^2 \alpha = 0$$

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It is given that $\cos \alpha = \frac{3}{5}$.

- b)** Find the initial speed of the ball when it is kicked by the footballer. **[3 marks]**

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- c)** Calculate the maximum height reached by the football. **[3 marks]**

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- d)** State **one** assumption made in this model. **[1 mark]**

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- 07** A particle, A, moves with a velocity \mathbf{v} ms⁻¹ at time t .

$$\mathbf{v} = (t^2 + 2t)\mathbf{i} + (-8t + 5)\mathbf{j}$$

Where \mathbf{i} and \mathbf{j} are unit vectors due east and north respectively.

- a)** Find the magnitude of the acceleration of the particle when $t = 5$ s.
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b) Find the displacement between $t = 1\text{ s}$ and $t = 4\text{ s}$.

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c) Find the times the particle is moving in the north-west direction.

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08 Two balls, A and B, are connected by a light, inextensible string.

Ball A has a mass of 2.3 kg and ball B has a mass of 2.7 kg.

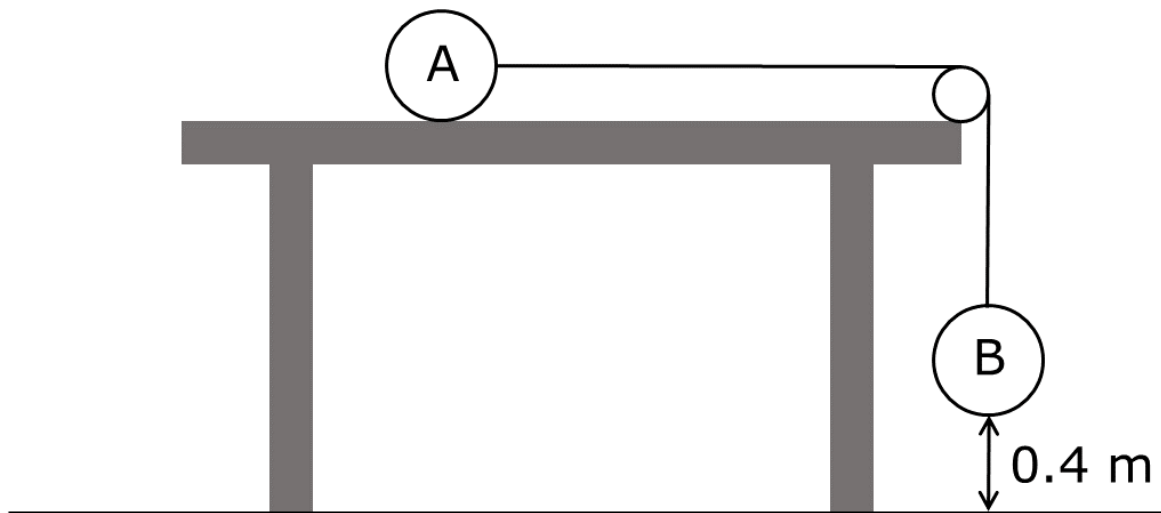
Ball A is held at rest on the surface of a rough, horizontal table.

The string connecting A and B is passed over a smooth, light pulley.

Ball B hangs freely at rest, vertically below the pulley.

At $t = 0$, ball A is released and moves with an acceleration of a .

Ball B hits the ground in 0.7 seconds.





a) Calculate the acceleration of ball A.

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b) Calculate the tension, T , in the string.

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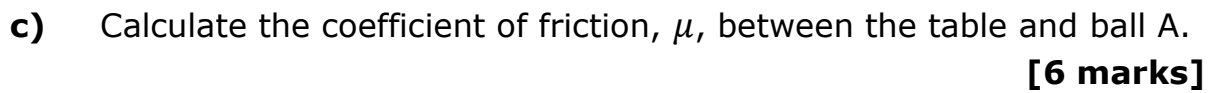
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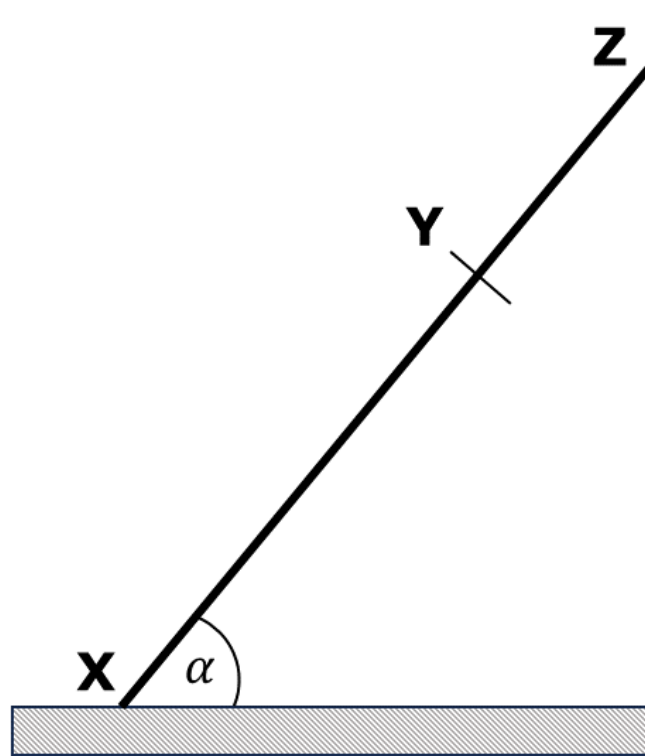
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- 09** A ladder of mass 5 kg and length $10a$ is placed against a smooth vertical wall onto rough horizontal ground.



The coefficient of friction between the ladder and the ground is 0.4.

The angle between the ladder and the ground is α .

A person of weight 70 kg stands on the ladder at the point Y where $XY:YZ = 3:1$.



Given that the ladder is modelled as a uniform rod and is under limiting equilibrium, find the angle α .

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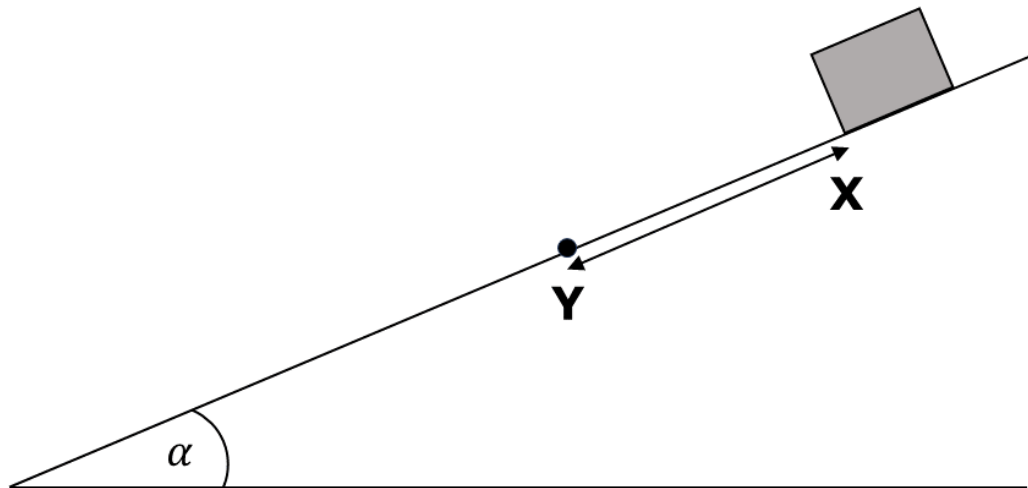
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- 10** A box of mass 2 kg is placed on a rough plane at point X.



The coefficient of friction between the plane and the box is 0.7.

The incline of the plane is α , such that $\cos \alpha = \frac{3}{10}$

The box is released from rest, and it slides down the plane.
After 0.5 seconds the box reaches point Y.



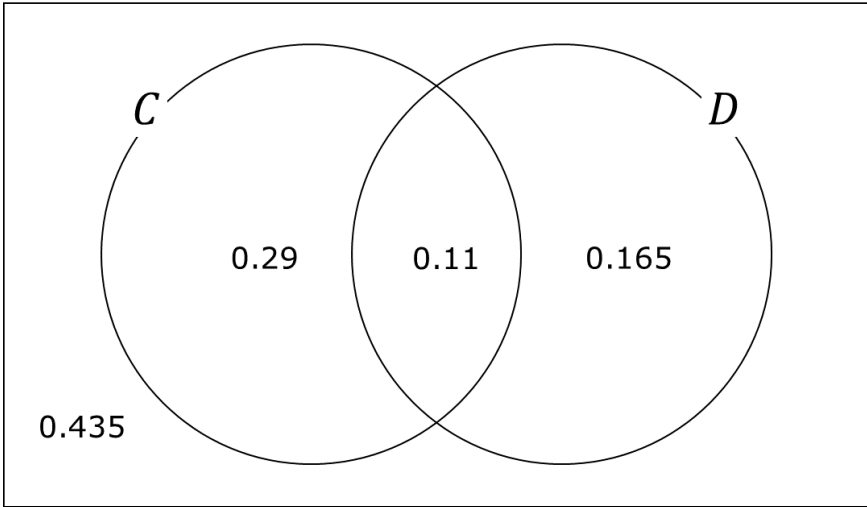
Find the velocity of the box at Y.

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END OF QUESTIONS



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| Question | Solution |
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| 1 (a) | A1M for $P(C) = 1 - P(C') = 0.4$ A1M for use of $P(C) \times P(D) = P(C \cap D)$ $P(D) = 0.11/0.4$ A1M for 0.275 |
| 1 (b) | A1M for use of $P(C \cup D) = P(C) + P(D) - P(C \cap D)$ $P(C \cup D) = 0.4 + 0.275 - 0.11$ A1M for 0.565 |
| 1 (c) | A1M for $P(C' \cap D) = 0.165$ A1M for use of $P(C' D) = \frac{P(C' \cap D)}{P(D)} = \frac{0.165}{0.275}$ A1M for 0.6 |
| 1 (d) | <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p>A2M for correct Venn diagram Allow A1M for 3 correct values</p> |
| 2 (a) | A1M for $P(X < 12) = 0.18$ A1M for $\frac{12 - \mu}{\sigma} = -0.91537$ A1M for $P(X > 22) = 0.15$ A1M for $\frac{22 - \mu}{\sigma} = 1.03643$ A1M for correct method to solve e.g. simultaneous equations A1M for $\mu = 16.6899 \dots$ A1M for $\sigma = 5.1235 \dots$ |



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| 2 (b) | A1M for 16.6899 ... |
| 2 (c) | A1M for $X \sim N(16.6899, 5.1235^2)$ A1M for $P(X > 25)$ A1M for 0.05241 |
| 3 (a) | A2M for any two from: The is a fixed number of trials Each trial has only two outcomes – winning the race or not winning The trials are independent of each other |
| 3 (b) | A1M for $X \sim B(50, 0.3)$ A1M for $X = \text{number of races won}$ |
| 3 (c) | A1M for $P(X = 25) = 0.00144$ |
| 3 (d) | A1M for $P(X \leq 10) = 0.07885$ A1M for $P(X < 20) = P(X \leq 19) = 0.9152$ A1M for $P(10 < X < 20) = 0.9152 - 0.07885 = 0.83635$ |
| 3 (e) | A1M for $H_0 = 0.3$ and $H_1 > 0.3$ A1M for $P(X \geq 24) = 1 - P(X \leq 23)$ or alternative method to find $P(X \geq 24)$ A1M for $P(X \geq 24) = 0.00559$ (implies previous mark – award both for correct value) A1M for $0.00559 < 0.05$ A1M for reject null hypothesis A1M for there is sufficient evidence that the new coach increased the likelihood of winning races. |
| 4 (a) | A1M for -0.9646 |
| 4 (b) | A1M for Explanatory – rainfall A1M for Response – ice-cream sales |
| 4 (c) | A1M for $H_0: \rho = 0$ and $H_1: \rho < 0$ A1M for $0.6694 < 0.9646$ A1M for There is enough evidence to reject H_0 , there is a negative correlation between rainfall and ice-cream sales. |
| 4 (d) | A1M for any reasonable explanation, e.g. People are more likely to stay home when it rains and therefore not buy ice-cream. |
| 5 (a) | A1M for $Q_1 = \frac{20}{23} \times 17.5 + 20.5$ or alternative method to find Q_1 OR Q_3 A1M for $Q_1 = 35.71739...$ AND $Q_3 = 80.11538...$ A1M for $IQR = 44.40$ |
| 5 (b) | A1M for $\mu = \frac{7565}{130} = 58.1923076 ...$ Accept correctly rounded answer e.g. 58.2 |



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| 5 (c) | <p>A1M for $\sigma^2 = \frac{553332.5}{130} - \left(\frac{7565}{130}\right)^2$</p> <p>A1M for = 870.05917...</p> <p>Accept correctly round answer e.g. 870.1</p> |
| 5 (d) | <p>A1M for $35.71739 - 1.5 \times 44.40 = -30.88261$ AND $80.11538 + 1.5 \times 44.40 = 146.71538$</p> <p>A1M for No outliers, as the biggest result is smaller than 146.7 and smallest result is bigger than -30.88.</p> |
| 6 (a) | <p>A2M for $x = U \cos \alpha t = 20$</p> <p>A2M for $y = U \sin \alpha t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2 = 0$</p> <p>A1M for correct substitution</p> $U \sin \alpha \times \frac{20}{U \cos \alpha} - \frac{1}{2}g \times \frac{400}{U^2 \cos^2 \alpha} = 0$ <p>A1M for correct use of identities to get:</p> $20 \tan \alpha - \frac{200g}{U^2} \sec^2 \alpha = 0$ |
| 6 (b) | <p>A1M for correctly identifying:</p> $\tan \alpha = \frac{4}{3}$ $\sec \alpha = \frac{5}{3}$ <p>A1M for correct substitution:</p> $20 \times \frac{4}{3} - \frac{200g}{U^2} \times \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)^2 = 0$ <p>A1M for $U = 14.29 \text{ ms}^{-1}$</p> |
| 6 (c) | <p>A1M Use of $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$</p> <p>A1M correct substitution:</p> $0^2 = \left(14.29 \times \frac{4}{5}\right)^2 + 2 \times -9.8 \times s$ <p>A1M for $s = 6.67 \text{ m}$</p> |
| 6 (d) | A1M for No air resistance/wind. |
| 7 (a) | <p>A1M for $\mathbf{a} = \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = (2t + 2)\mathbf{i} - 8\mathbf{j}$</p> <p>A1M for $(2 \times 5 + 2)\mathbf{i} - 8\mathbf{j} = 12\mathbf{i} - 8\mathbf{j}$</p> <p>A1M for $\sqrt{12^2 + (-8)^2}$</p> <p>A1M for 14.42 ms^{-2}</p> |



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| 7 (b) | <p>A2M for $s = \int_1^4 v dt = \left[\left(\frac{t^3}{3} + \frac{2t^2}{2} \right) i + \left(-\frac{8t^2}{2} + 5t \right) j \right]_1^4$</p> <p>A1M for $\left[\left(\frac{4^3}{3} + \frac{2 \times 4^2}{2} \right) i + \left(-\frac{8 \times 4^2}{2} + 5 \times 4 \right) j \right] - \left[\left(\frac{1^3}{3} + \frac{2 \times 1^2}{2} \right) i + \left(-\frac{8 \times 1^2}{2} + 5 \times 1 \right) j \right]$</p> <p>A1M for 36i-45j</p> |
| 7 (c) | <p>A1M for $-(t^2 + 2t) = (-8t + 5)$</p> <p>A1M for $(t - 5)(t - 1) = 0$</p> <p>A1M for $t = 1s$ and $t = 5s$</p> |
| 8 (a) | <p>A1M for Use of $s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$</p> <p>A1M for Correct substitution $0.4 = 0 \times 0.7 + \frac{1}{2} \times a \times 0.7^2$</p> <p>A1M for 1.63 ms^{-2}</p> |
| 8 (b) | <p>A2M for $2.7g - T = 2.7 \times 1.63$</p> <p>A1M for $T = 22.059N$</p> |
| 8 (c) | <p>A1M for $R = 2.3g$</p> <p>A1M for $F_r = \mu \times 2.3g$</p> <p>A2M for $T - \mu \times 2.3g = 2.3a$</p> <p>A1M for $22.059 - \mu \times 2.3g = 2.3 \times 1.63$</p> <p>A1M for $\mu = 0.81$</p> |
| 9 | <p>A1M for resolving vertically $R = 5g + 70g = 75g$</p> <p>A1M for resolving horizontally $F_r = \mu R = N$</p> <p>A2M for moments around X</p> $5a \cos \alpha \times 5g + 7.5a \cos \alpha \times 70g = N \times 10a \sin \alpha$ <p>A1M for correct substitution:</p> $5a \cos \alpha \times 5g + 7.5a \cos \alpha \times 70g = 0.4 \times 75g \times 10a \sin \alpha$ <p>A1M for correct simplification</p> $\tan \alpha = \frac{55}{30}$ <p>A1M for $\alpha = 61.4^\circ$</p> |



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| 10 | <p>A1M for resolving perpendicular to the plane:</p> $R = 2g \cos \alpha = 2g \times \frac{3}{10}$ <p>A2M for resolving perpendicular to the plane:</p> $2g \sin \alpha - 0.7 \times 2g \cos \alpha = 2a$ <p>A1M for correct substitution:</p> $2g \times \frac{\sqrt{91}}{10} - 0.7 \times 2g \times \frac{3}{10} = 2a$ <p>A1M for $a = 7.29 \text{ ms}^{-2}$</p> <p>A1M for correct use of suvat:</p> $v = 0 + 7.29 \times 0.5$ <p>A1M for $v = 3.645 \text{ ms}^{-1}$</p> |
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