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**Friday 14 June 2019**

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Paper Reference **9MA0-32**

**Mathematics  
Advanced  
Paper 32: Mechanics**

**You must have:**

Mathematical Formulae and Statistical Tables, calculator

Total Marks

**Candidates may use any calculator allowed 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.
- Answers should be given to three significant figures unless otherwise stated.

**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.*
- Unless otherwise stated, 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.

**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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**Answer ALL questions. Write your answers in the spaces provided.**

1. [In this question position vectors are given relative to a fixed origin O]

At time  $t$  seconds, where  $t \geq 0$ , a particle,  $P$ , moves so that its velocity  $\text{m s}^{-1}$  is given by

$$\mathbf{v} = 6t\mathbf{i} - 5t^2\mathbf{j}$$

When  $t = 0$ , the position vector of  $P$  is  $(-20\mathbf{i} + 20\mathbf{j})\text{m}$ .

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

(3)

- (b) Find the position vector of  $P$  when  $t = 4$

(3)

$$a) \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = 6\mathbf{i} - \frac{3}{2}(5)t^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{j}$$

$$= 6\mathbf{i} - \frac{15}{2}t^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{j}$$

$$\text{when } t = 4, \frac{d\mathbf{v}}{dt} = 6\mathbf{i} - \frac{15}{2}(4)^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{j}$$

$$= 6\mathbf{i} - 15\mathbf{j} \text{ m s}^{-2}$$

$$b) \int \mathbf{v} dt = \frac{6t^2}{2}\mathbf{i} - \frac{5t^{\frac{5}{2}}}{\frac{5}{2}}\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{c}$$

$$= 3t^2\mathbf{i} - 2t^{\frac{5}{2}}\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{c}$$

$$\text{when } t = 0, \mathbf{c} = -20\mathbf{i} + 20\mathbf{j}$$

$$3(4)^2\mathbf{i} - 2(4)^{\frac{5}{2}}\mathbf{j} + (-20\mathbf{i} + 20\mathbf{j}) = 28\mathbf{i} - 44\mathbf{j} \text{ m}$$



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2. A particle,  $P$ , moves with constant acceleration  $(2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j}) \text{ m s}^{-2}$

At time  $t = 0$ , the particle is at the point  $A$  and is moving with velocity  $(-\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j}) \text{ m s}^{-1}$

At time  $t = T$  seconds,  $P$  is moving in the direction of vector  $(3\mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j})$

- (a) Find the value of  $T$ .

(4)

At time  $t = 4$  seconds,  $P$  is at the point  $B$ .

- (b) Find the distance  $AB$ .

(4)

$$\text{a) } \mathbf{v} = \mathbf{u} + \mathbf{a}t$$

$$= -\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j} + (2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j})T$$

$$\frac{4 - 3T}{-1 + 2T} = \frac{-4}{3}$$

$$12 - 9T = 4 - 8T$$

$$T = 8$$

$$\text{b) } \mathbf{s} = \mathbf{u}t + \frac{1}{2}\mathbf{a}t^2$$

$$= (-\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j})(4) + \frac{1}{2}(2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{j})(4^2)$$

$$= -4\mathbf{i} + 16\mathbf{j} + 16\mathbf{i} - 24\mathbf{j}$$

$$= 12\mathbf{i} - 8\mathbf{j}$$

$$|AB| = \sqrt{12^2 + (-8)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{208}$$

$$= 4\sqrt{13} \text{ m}$$

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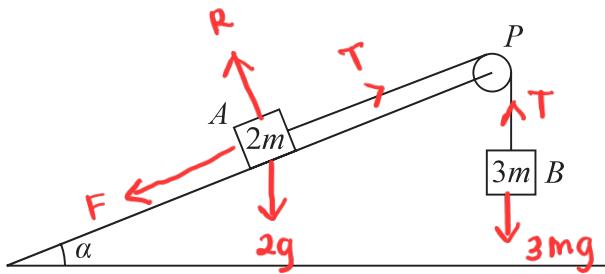
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3.

**Figure 1**

Two blocks,  $A$  and  $B$ , of masses  $2m$  and  $3m$  respectively, are attached to the ends of a light string.

Initially  $A$  is held at rest on a fixed rough plane.

The plane is inclined at angle  $\alpha$  to the horizontal ground, where  $\tan \alpha = \frac{5}{12}$

The string passes over a small smooth pulley,  $P$ , fixed at the top of the plane.

The part of the string from  $A$  to  $P$  is parallel to a line of greatest slope of the plane. Block  $B$  hangs freely below  $P$ , as shown in Figure 1.

The coefficient of friction between  $A$  and the plane is  $\frac{2}{3}$

The blocks are released from rest with the string taut and  $A$  moves up the plane.

The tension in the string immediately after the blocks are released is  $T$ .

The blocks are modelled as particles and the string is modelled as being inextensible.

(a) Show that  $T = \frac{12mg}{5}$  (8)

After  $B$  reaches the ground,  $A$  continues to move up the plane until it comes to rest before reaching  $P$ .

(b) Determine whether  $A$  will remain at rest, carefully justifying your answer. (2)

(c) Suggest two refinements to the model that would make it more realistic. (2)

3 a) resolving perpendicular to plane :

$$R = 2mg \cos \alpha$$

$$= \frac{12}{13} (2mg)$$

$$= \frac{24}{13} mg$$

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**Question 3 continued**

$$F = \mu R$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} R$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} \left( \frac{24}{13} \right) mg$$

$$= \frac{16}{13} mg$$

$$A : T - F - 2mg \sin \alpha = 2ma \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$B : 3mg - T = 3ma \quad \textcircled{2}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad T - \frac{16}{13} mg - \frac{5}{13} (2mg) = 2ma$$

$$T - 2mg = 2ma \quad \textcircled{3}$$

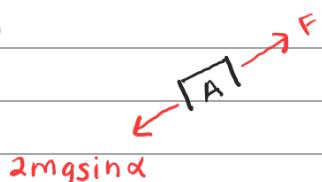
$$\textcircled{3} \times 3 \quad 3T - 6mg = 6ma \quad \textcircled{4}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \times 2 \quad 6mg - 2T = 6ma \quad \textcircled{5}$$

$$\textcircled{4} - \textcircled{5} \quad 5T - 12mg = 0$$

$$T = \frac{12mg}{5}$$

b)



$$2mg \sin \alpha = \frac{10}{13} mg$$

$$\frac{16}{13} mg > \frac{10}{13} mg$$

$\therefore A$  will remain at rest

c) Extensible string and friction at pulley .



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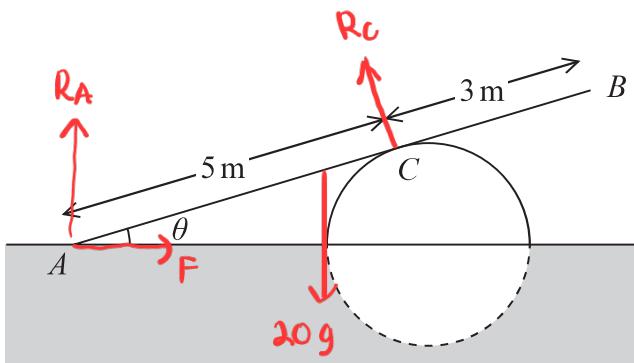
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**Figure 2**

A ramp,  $AB$ , of length 8 m and mass 20 kg, rests in equilibrium with the end  $A$  on rough horizontal ground.

The ramp rests on a smooth solid cylindrical drum which is partly under the ground. The drum is fixed with its axis at the same horizontal level as  $A$ .

The point of contact between the ramp and the drum is  $C$ , where  $AC = 5 \text{ m}$ , as shown in Figure 2.

The ramp is resting in a vertical plane which is perpendicular to the axis of the drum, at an angle  $\theta$  to the horizontal, where  $\tan \theta = \frac{7}{24}$

The ramp is modelled as a uniform rod.

- (a) Explain why the reaction from the drum on the ramp at point  $C$  acts in a direction which is perpendicular to the ramp.

(1)

- (b) Find the magnitude of the resultant force acting on the ramp at  $A$ .

(9)

The ramp is still in equilibrium in the position shown in Figure 2 but the ramp is not now modelled as being uniform.

Given that the centre of mass of the ramp is assumed to be closer to  $A$  than to  $B$ ,

- (c) state how this would affect the magnitude of the normal reaction between the ramp and the drum at  $C$ .

(1)

a) Drum is smooth

b) Moment about A :  $20g(4)\cos\theta = 5R_C$

$$80\left(\frac{24}{25}\right)g = 5R_C$$

$$R_C = 15.36g$$

$$\approx 15.4g$$



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**Question 4 continued**

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\uparrow) \quad & 15.36 g \cos \theta + R_A = 20 g \\
 & 15.36 \left(\frac{24}{25}\right) g + R_A = 20 g \\
 & R_A = 5.2544 g \\
 & \approx 5.25 g
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (\rightarrow) \quad & F = R_C \sin \theta \\
 & = 15.36 g \left(\frac{7}{25}\right) \\
 & = 4.3008 g \\
 & \approx 4.30 g
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\text{Force}| &= \sqrt{(R_A)^2 + F^2} \\
 &= \sqrt{(5.25 g)^2 + (4.30 g)^2} \\
 &= 66.5047.. \\
 &\approx 67 \text{ N}
 \end{aligned}$$

c) decreases

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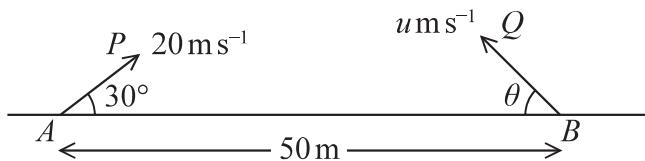
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**Figure 3**

The points  $A$  and  $B$  lie 50 m apart on horizontal ground.

At time  $t = 0$  two small balls,  $P$  and  $Q$ , are projected in the vertical plane containing  $AB$ .

Ball  $P$  is projected from  $A$  with speed  $20 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  at  $30^\circ$  to  $AB$ .

Ball  $Q$  is projected from  $B$  with speed  $u \text{ ms}^{-1}$  at angle  $\theta$  to  $BA$ , as shown in Figure 3.

At time  $t = 2$  seconds,  $P$  and  $Q$  collide.

Until they collide, the balls are modelled as particles moving freely under gravity.

(a) Find the velocity of  $P$  at the instant before it collides with  $Q$ . (6)

(b) Find

(i) the size of angle  $\theta$ ,

(ii) the value of  $u$ . (6)

(c) State one limitation of the model, other than air resistance, that could affect the accuracy of your answers. (1)

a)  $(\rightarrow) v = 20 \cos 30^\circ$   
 $= 10\sqrt{3}$

$(\uparrow) v = u + at$   
 $= 20(\sin 30^\circ) - 2g$   
 $= 10 - 2g$   
 $= -9.6$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{-9.6}{10\sqrt{3}} \right)$$

$$= 29.0^\circ$$



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**Question 5 continued**

$$\text{speed} = \sqrt{(10\sqrt{3})^2 + (-9.6)^2}$$

$$= 19.803$$

$$\approx 19.8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

Ans :  $19.8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  at  $29.0^\circ$  to horizontal

b) i)  $t = 2, (10\sqrt{3})2 + u \cos \theta \times 2 = 50$

$$u \cos \theta = 25 - 10\sqrt{3} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

$$20 \sin 30^\circ (2) - \frac{4g}{2} = u \sin \theta \times 2 - \frac{4g}{2}$$

$$10 = u \sin \theta \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

$$(2) \div (1) :$$

$$\frac{u \sin \theta}{u \cos \theta} = \frac{10}{25 - 10\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{10}{25 - 10\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\theta = 52.5^\circ$$

(ii) sub  $\theta$  into (2) :

$$u = \frac{10}{\sin \theta}$$

$$= 12.6085$$

$$\approx 12.6$$

c) It does not take into account the sizes of the balls



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