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Advanced

PAPER 32: Mechanics



You must have:

Mathematical Formulae and Statistical Tables (Green), calculator

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– *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.
- 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 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)

a) sub $t = 2$ into \mathbf{v} : $\mathbf{v} = 3(2)^2\mathbf{i} - 6(2)^{\frac{1}{2}}\mathbf{j}$

$$\mathbf{v} = 12\mathbf{i} - 6\sqrt{2}\mathbf{j} \quad \textcircled{1} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\text{speed} = \sqrt{12^2 + (-6\sqrt{2})^2} = 6\sqrt{6} = 15 \text{ ms}^{-1} \text{ (2sf)}$$

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

c) $\mathbf{r} = \int \mathbf{v} dt = t^3\mathbf{i} - 4t^{\frac{3}{2}}\mathbf{j} + \mathbf{c}$ $\textcircled{1}$

sub in $t = 4$, $\mathbf{r} = \mathbf{i} - 4\mathbf{j}$

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

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

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

$$\therefore \mathbf{r} = (t^3 - 63)\mathbf{i} + (-4t^{\frac{3}{2}} + 28)\mathbf{j}$$

sub in $t = 1$

$$\mathbf{r} = -62\mathbf{i} + 24\mathbf{j} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

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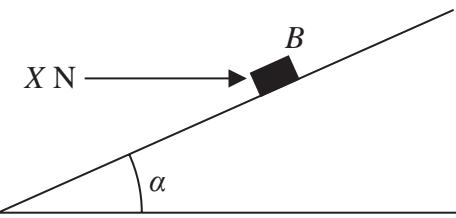
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2.

**Figure 1**

A rough plane is inclined to the horizontal at an angle α , 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)

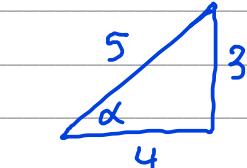
The horizontal force of magnitude X newtons is now removed and B moves down the plane.

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

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

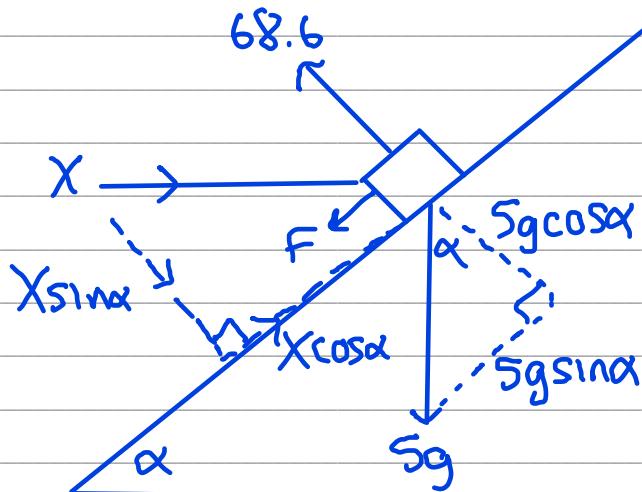
(6)

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{3}{4}$$

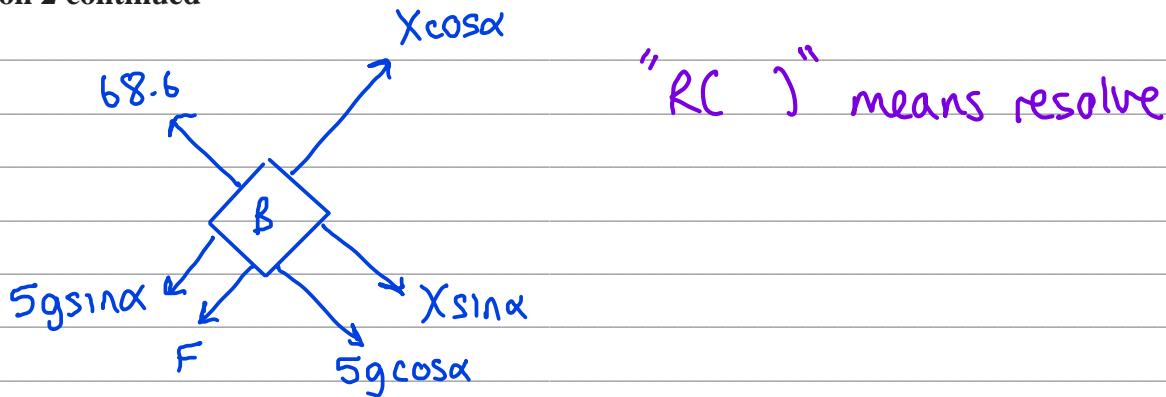


$$\sin \alpha = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{4}{5}$$



Question 2 continued



a)

$$(i) R(\downarrow): 68.6 = X\sin\alpha + 5g\cos\alpha \quad (1)$$

$$\Rightarrow X = \frac{68.6 - 5g\cos\alpha}{\sin\alpha} = 49 \text{ N} \quad (1)$$

$$R(\rightarrow): X\cos\alpha = 5g\sin\alpha + F$$

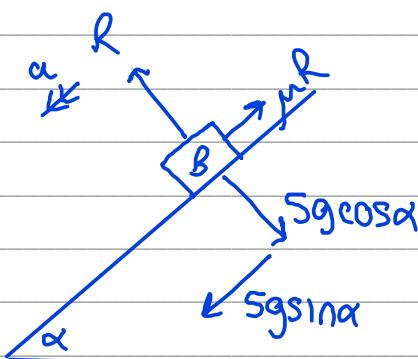
$$\Rightarrow F = X\cos\alpha - 5g\sin\alpha = 9.8 \text{ N} \quad (1)$$

(ii) Down the plane (1)

Friction opposes motion; without friction the box would slide up the plane, so friction must act down to counteract this.

$$(b) \mu = 0.5$$

$$F = \mu R \\ = 0.5R \quad (1)$$



- R changes as X is removed
- friction now acts up the plane

$$R(\uparrow): R = 5g\cos\alpha = 39.2 \quad (1)$$

$$\therefore a = \frac{5g\sin\alpha - \mu R}{m}$$

$$R(\leftarrow): 5g\sin\alpha - \mu R = 5a \quad (1)$$

$$a = 1.96 \text{ ms}^{-2} \text{ (3sf)} \quad (1)$$

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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 λ and μ 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) $\mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{F}_2 = k \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}$

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

$$\begin{aligned} 4 + \lambda &= 3k & ① \\ -1 + \mu &= k & ② \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{sub } ② \text{ into } ①: \quad 4 + \lambda &= 3(-1 + \mu) & ① \\ 4 + \lambda &= -3 + 3\mu & ① \\ \Rightarrow \lambda - 3\mu + 7 &= 0 & ① \end{aligned}$$

b) given $\lambda = 2$, so find μ :

$$\begin{aligned} 2 - 3\mu + 7 &= 0 \\ \mu &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

\therefore resultant force is

$$\begin{pmatrix} 4 \\ -1 \end{pmatrix} + \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 2 \end{pmatrix} \quad ①$$

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Question 3 continued

$$\underline{F} = m \underline{a}$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{c} 6 \\ 2 \end{array} \right) = 4 \underline{a} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$$\underline{a} = \left(\begin{array}{c} 1.5 \\ 0.5 \end{array} \right)$$

motion AB:

$s = s$

$s = 0$

$v =$

$\underline{a} = 1.5 \underline{i} + 0.5 \underline{j}$

$t = 4$

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

$$= 0 + \frac{4^2}{2} \left(\begin{array}{c} 1.5 \\ 0.5 \end{array} \right) \quad \textcircled{1}$$

$s = \left(\begin{array}{c} 12 \\ 4 \end{array} \right)$

 $u=0$ as starts from rest

$$\text{distance} = |\underline{s}| = \sqrt{12^2 + 4^2} = 4\sqrt{10} \quad \textcircled{1}$$



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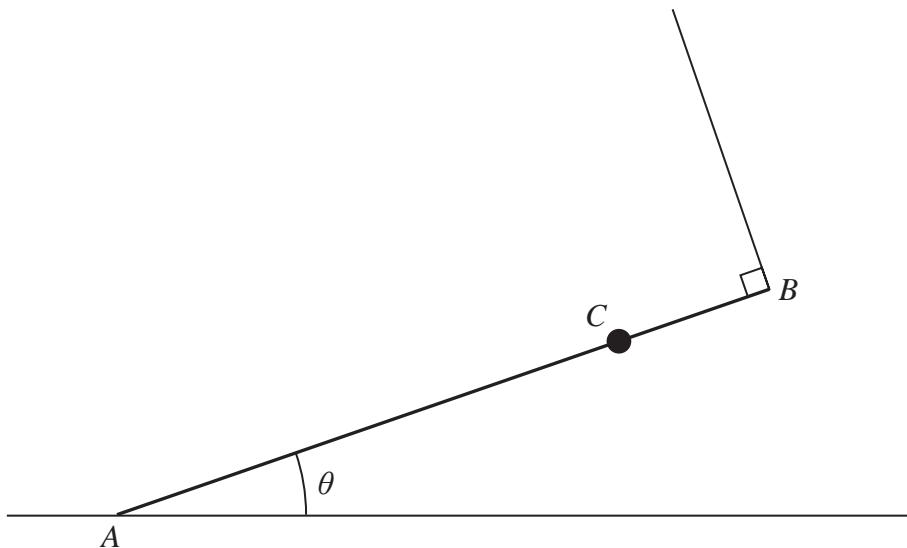
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4.

**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 θ 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 $T = 2Mg \cos \theta$

(3)

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

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

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

(3)

The coefficient of friction between the rod and the ground is μ

Given that the rod is in limiting equilibrium,

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

(4)

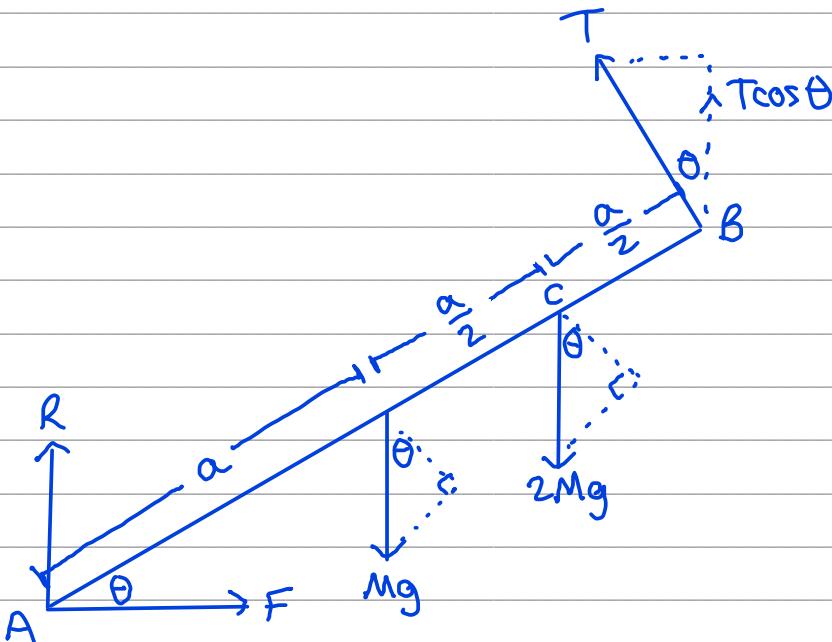
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Question 4 continued



a) The only other force that has a horizontal component is T , which acts to the left. for the rod to be in equilibrium, friction must act to the right. ①

$$\text{b) } M(A): Mg \times a \cos\theta + 2Mg \times \frac{3a}{2} \cos\theta = T \times 2a \quad ①$$

$$① 4aMg \cos\theta = 2aT$$

$$T = \frac{4aMg \cos\theta}{2a} = 2Mg \cos\theta \quad ①$$

$$\text{c) } \cos\theta = \frac{3}{5} \quad \therefore T = 2Mg \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) = \frac{6Mg}{5}$$

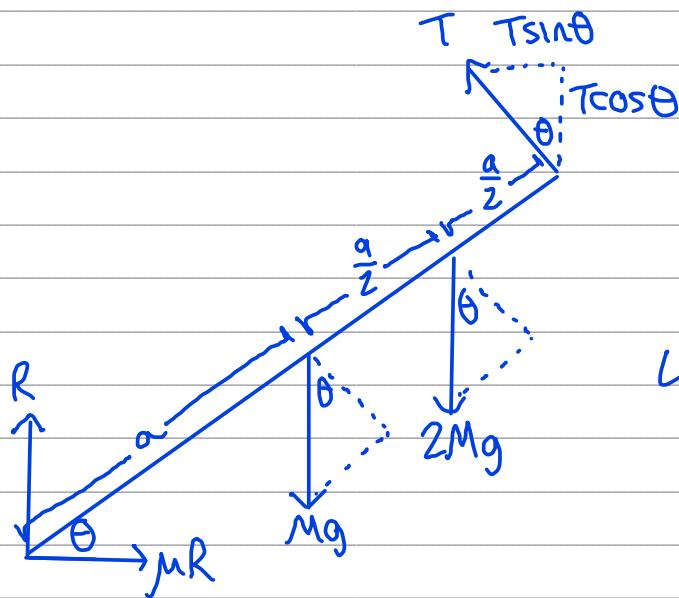
$$R(\uparrow): R + T \cos\theta = Mg + 2Mg \quad ①$$

$$R = 3Mg - \frac{6}{5}Mg \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)$$

$$R = \frac{57Mg}{25} \quad ①$$

Question 4 continued

d)



Limiting equilibrium
 $\therefore F = \mu R$ ①

$$R(\rightarrow) : \mu R = T \sin \theta \quad ①$$

$$\text{sub in } R = \frac{57Mg}{25}, \quad T = \frac{6Mg}{5}, \quad \sin \theta = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\mu = \frac{T \sin \theta}{R} = \frac{\frac{6}{5} Mg \times \frac{4}{5}}{\frac{57 Mg}{25}} = \frac{8}{19} \quad ①$$

Question 4 continued

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5.

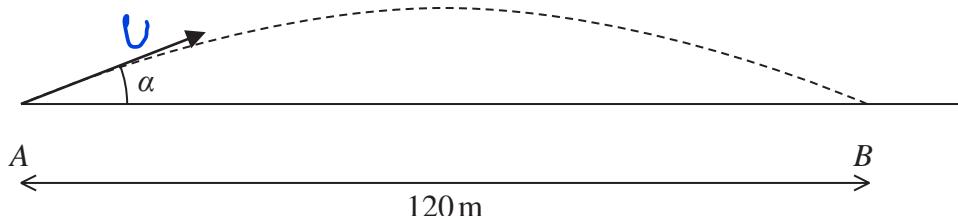


Figure 3

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

The ball is hit and initially moves at an angle α 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 $U \text{ m s}^{-1}$

Using this model,

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

The ball reaches a maximum height of 10m 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 $V \text{ m s}^{-1}$

This refined model is used to calculate a value for V

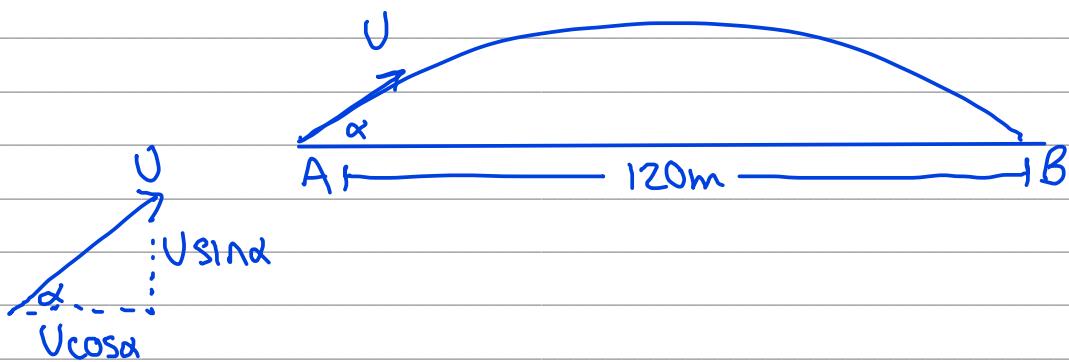
(c) State which is greater, U or V , giving a reason for your answer. (1)

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



Question 5 continued

a)



Motion AB:

Method: eliminate t to form an equation in terms of only U and alpha.

Horizontal ($\rightarrow +$)

$$s = 120 \quad (1) \quad s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

$$u = U\cos\alpha$$

$$v = \quad 120 = U\cos\alpha t \quad (1)$$

$$a = 0$$

$$t = t \quad \Rightarrow t = \frac{120}{U\cos\alpha}$$

Vertical ($\uparrow +$)

$$s = 0 \quad (1) \quad s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

$$u = Usin\alpha$$

$$v =$$

$$a = -g$$

$$t = \frac{120}{U\cos\alpha} \quad (1)$$

$$0 = \frac{120Usin\alpha}{U\cos\alpha} - \frac{9}{2} \left(\frac{120}{U\cos\alpha} \right)^2 \quad (1)$$

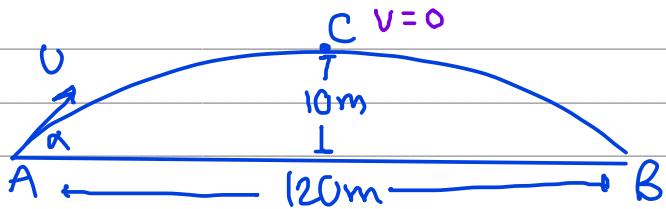
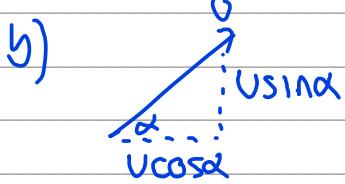
$$0 = \frac{120sin\alpha}{\cos\alpha} - 4.9 \left(\frac{14,400}{U^2\cos^2\alpha} \right)$$

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

$$120U^2\sin\alpha\cos\alpha = 70560$$

$$U^2\sin\alpha\cos\alpha = 588 \quad (1)$$

Question 5 continued



Motion AC:

Vertical: ($\uparrow +$) ①

$s = 10$

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

$u = Usin\alpha$

$v = 0$

$0 = U^2 \sin^2 \alpha - 20g$ ①

$a = -9$

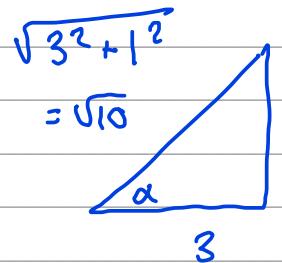
$t =$

$U^2 \sin^2 \alpha = 196$ ①

from (a), $U^2 \sin \alpha \cos \alpha = 588$ ②

① ÷ ②: $\frac{U^2 \sin^2 \alpha}{U^2 \sin \alpha \cos \alpha} = \frac{196}{588}$ ①

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



$\therefore \sin \alpha = \frac{1}{\sqrt{10}} \Rightarrow \sin^2 \alpha = \frac{1}{10}$

we don't need to worry about the sign of $\sin \alpha$; α is acute so $\sin \alpha, \cos \alpha$, and $\tan \alpha$ are all positive.

①; $U^2 = \frac{196}{1/10} = 1960$ ①

c) V must be greater as air resistance has to be overcome ①

d) consider the dimensions of the ball. ①

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