



**GCE AS/A level**

0982/01

**MATHEMATICS – M3**  
**Mechanics**

A.M. FRIDAY, 21 June 2013

1½ hours

**ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

In addition to this examination paper, you will need:

- a 12 page answer book;
- a Formula Booklet;
- a calculator.

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Answer **all** questions.

Take  $g$  as  $9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ .

Sufficient working must be shown to demonstrate the **mathematical** method employed.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

You are reminded of the necessity for good English and orderly presentation in your answers.

1. At time  $t = 0$ , a particle of mass 6 kg is projected vertically upwards from a point  $A$  with a speed of  $24.5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . The resistance acting on the particle has magnitude  $3v \text{ N}$ , where  $v \text{ ms}^{-1}$  is the speed of the particle at time  $t \text{ s}$ .

(a) (i) Show that  $v$  satisfies the equation

$$2 \frac{dv}{dt} = -19.6 - v.$$

(ii) Find an expression for  $v$  in terms of  $t$ . [8]

(b) Determine the time when the particle reaches its maximum height. [2]

(c) Find an expression for  $x$  in terms of  $t$ , where  $x \text{ m}$  is the distance of the particle from  $A$  at time  $t \text{ s}$ . [4]

2. A particle  $P$  moves in a straight line with Simple Harmonic Motion about a fixed centre  $O$  with period 2 s. At time  $t = 0 \text{ s}$ ,  $P$  is at a point  $A$  where  $OA = 0.5 \text{ m}$  and its velocity is zero.

(a) Write down the amplitude of the motion. [1]

(b) Find the maximum magnitude of the acceleration of  $P$  and state the positions of  $P$  when this occurs. [4]

(c) Find the smallest positive value of time  $t$  for which  $AP$  is  $0.75 \text{ m}$ . [3]

(d) Determine the speed of  $P$  when it is  $0.3 \text{ m}$  from  $O$ . [3]

3. (a) A particle  $P$ , of mass 2 kg, moves along the horizontal  $x$ -axis under the action of a force directed towards the origin  $O$ . The magnitude of the force is equal to  $8x \text{ N}$ , where  $x \text{ m}$  is the displacement of  $P$  from  $O$ . The particle is also subjected to a resistive force which is equal to  $10v \text{ N}$ , where  $v \text{ ms}^{-1}$  is the speed of  $P$  at time  $t \text{ s}$ . When  $t = 0 \text{ s}$ , the particle  $P$  is at  $x = 2 \text{ m}$  and it is moving away from  $O$  with speed  $3 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .

(i) Show that the equation of motion of the particle is

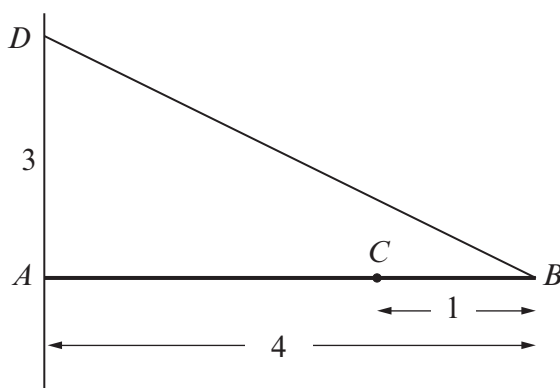
$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} = -4x - 5\frac{dx}{dt}.$$

(ii) Find an expression for  $x$  in terms of  $t$ . [10]

(b) Find the general solution of the second order differential equation

$$\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 5\frac{dx}{dt} + 4x = 12t - 3. \quad [4]$$

4. Two particles  $A$  and  $B$ , of masses  $5\text{ kg}$  and  $3\text{ kg}$  respectively, rest on a smooth horizontal surface. Particle  $A$  lies at the edge of the surface and particle  $B$  lies a distance of  $0.2\text{ m}$  from the edge such that the line  $AB$  is perpendicular to the edge of the surface. The two particles are connected by a light inextensible string of length  $1.8\text{ m}$ . Particle  $A$  is then allowed to drop from rest from the edge of the surface. Calculate the speed of  $B$  immediately after the string becomes taut and find the impulsive tension in the string. [9]
5. A particle  $P$ , of mass  $0.25\text{ kg}$ , moves away from the origin along the positive  $x$ -axis under the action of a force of magnitude  $\frac{5}{2x+1}\text{ N}$  directed away from the origin  $O$ . When  $P$  is at the origin, its speed is  $4\text{ ms}^{-1}$ .
- (a) Find an expression for  $x$  in terms of the speed  $v\text{ ms}^{-1}$ . [8]
- (b) Find the value of  $x$  when the speed of  $P$  is  $6\text{ ms}^{-1}$ . [2]
- (c) Find the speed of  $P$  when the acceleration of  $P$  is  $5\text{ ms}^{-2}$ . [4]
6. The diagram shows a uniform rod  $AB$ , of mass  $6\text{ kg}$  and length  $4\text{ m}$ , held in a horizontal position by means of a light inextensible string  $BD$ , where  $D$  is a point  $3\text{ m}$  vertically above  $A$ . The end  $A$  of the rod rests against a rough vertical wall. A particle of mass  $3\text{ kg}$  is attached to the rod at  $C$ , where  $BC = 1\text{ m}$ . The rod is in limiting equilibrium in a vertical plane perpendicular to the wall.



- (a) Calculate the tension in the string. [4]
- (b) Find the vertical component and the horizontal component of the force exerted by the wall on the rod.  
Hence find
- (i) the magnitude of the resultant force exerted by the wall on the rod,
- (ii) the coefficient of friction between the rod and the wall. [9]