

Section A

Answer **all** the questions in this Section in the spaces provided.

- 1 A student is exploring Physics principles with wooden blocks and some Physics activities.

- (a) Fig. 1.1 shows the first experiment with block A attached to a frictionless pulley using an inelastic massless string. Block A accelerates up a frictionless inclined plane of angle 50° . Block B of mass 8.3 kg is attached to the string on the opposite end of the pulley.

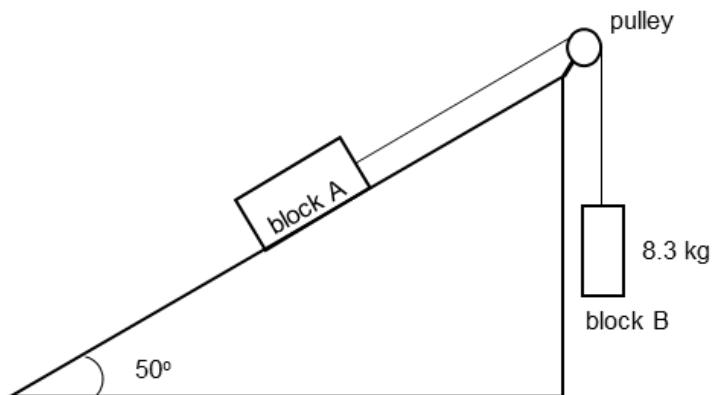


Fig. 1.1

- (i) On Fig. 1.2, label the forces acting on block A.

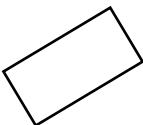


Fig. 1.2

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- (ii) The tension of the string is 54 N.

Show that the mass of block A is 5.0 kg.

[3]

- (b) Fig. 1.3 shows another experiment with block A from (a). Block A moves along a frictionless horizontal plane towards a stationary block C of mass 10 kg at a constant speed. Block A collides with block C at $t = 0$ s.



Fig. 1.3

The variation with time t of the momentum p of block A is shown in Fig. 1.4.

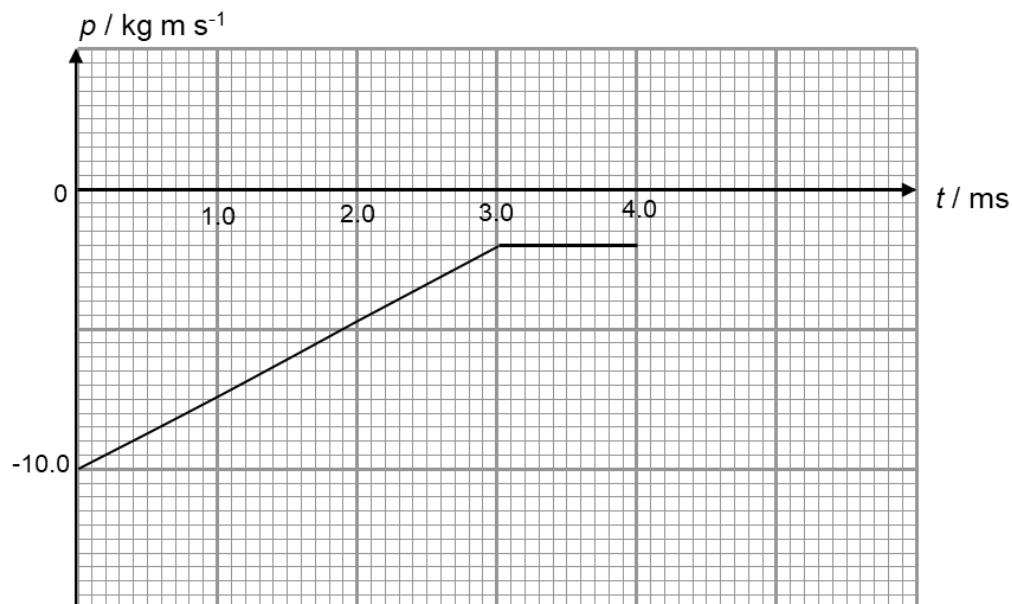


Fig. 1.4

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- (i) Determine the force acting on block C during the collision.

force = N [2]

- (ii) Calculate the velocity of block A after the collision.

velocity = m s^{-1} [2]

- (iii) Deduce whether the collision between the two blocks is elastic or inelastic.

Show your working.

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