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MATHEMATICS

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Paper 4 Mechanics

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1 hour 15 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: List of formulae (MF19)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
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- If additional space is needed, you should use the lined page at the end of this booklet; the question number or numbers must be clearly shown.
- You should use a calculator where appropriate.
- You must show all necessary working clearly; no marks will be given for unsupported answers from a calculator.
- Give non-exact numerical answers correct to 3 significant figures, or 1 decimal place for angles in degrees, unless a different level of accuracy is specified in the question.
- Where a numerical value for the acceleration due to gravity (g) is needed, use 10 m s^{-2} .

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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- 1** A particle B of mass 5 kg is at rest on a smooth horizontal table. A particle A of mass 2.5 kg moves on the table with a speed of 6 m s^{-1} and collides directly with B . In the collision the two particles coalesce.

(a) Find the speed of the combined particle after the collision. [2]

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(b) Find the loss of kinetic energy of the system due to the collision. [3]

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- 2 A car of mass 1400 kg is moving along a straight horizontal road against a resistance of magnitude 350 N.

(a) Find, in kW, the rate at which the engine of the car is working when it is travelling at a constant speed of 20 m s^{-1} . [2]

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(b) Find the acceleration of the car when its speed is 20 m s^{-1} and the engine is working at 15 kW. [3]

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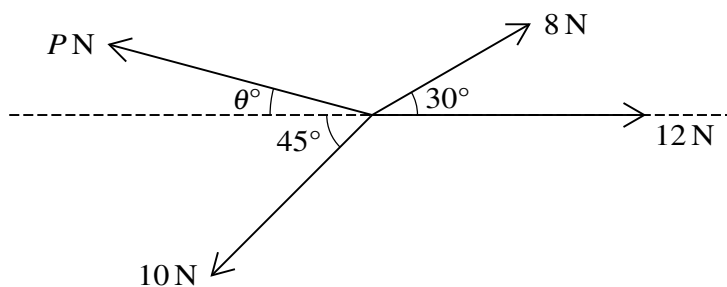
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Coplanar forces of magnitudes 8 N, 12 N, 10 N and P N act at a point in the directions shown in the diagram. The system is in equilibrium.

Find P and θ .

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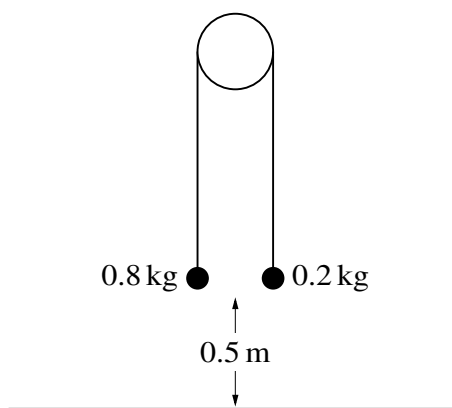
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- 4** A particle P moves in a straight line. It starts from rest at a point O on the line and at time t s after leaving O it has acceleration $a \text{ m s}^{-2}$, where $a = 6t - 18$.

Find the distance P moves before it comes to instantaneous rest.

[6]

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Two particles of masses 0.8 kg and 0.2 kg are connected by a light inextensible string that passes over a fixed smooth pulley. The system is released from rest with both particles 0.5 m above a horizontal floor (see diagram). In the subsequent motion the 0.2 kg particle does not reach the pulley.

- (a) Show that the magnitude of the acceleration of the particles is 6 m s^{-2} and find the tension in the string. [4]

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- (b)** When the 0.8 kg particle reaches the floor it comes to rest.

Find the greatest height of the 0.2 kg particle above the floor.

[3]

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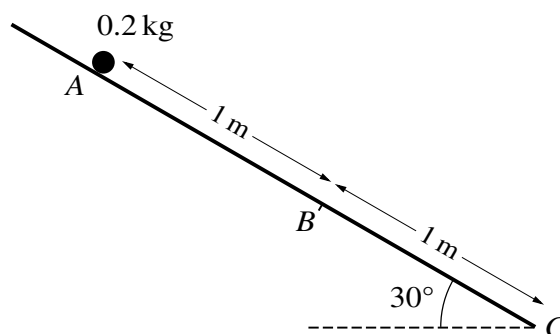
- 6** A car of mass 1500 kg is pulling a trailer of mass 750 kg up a straight hill of length 800 m inclined at an angle of $\sin^{-1} 0.08$ to the horizontal. The resistances to the motion of the car and trailer are 400 N and 200 N respectively. The car and trailer are connected by a light rigid tow-bar. The car and trailer have speed 30 m s^{-1} at the bottom of the hill and 20 m s^{-1} at the top of the hill.

- (a) Use an energy method to find the constant driving force as the car and trailer travel up the hill.

[5]

[illegible]

- [illegible]



Three points A , B and C lie on a line of greatest slope of a plane inclined at an angle of 30° to the horizontal, with $AB = 1$ m and $BC = 1$ m, as shown in the diagram. A particle of mass 0.2 kg is released from rest at A and slides down the plane. The part of the plane from A to B is smooth. The part of the plane from B to C is rough, with coefficient of friction μ between the plane and the particle.

- (a) Given that $\mu = \frac{1}{5}\sqrt{3}$, find the speed of the particle at C . [8]

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- (b) Given instead that the particle comes to rest at C , find the exact value of μ . [4]

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