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MATHEMATICS

9709/43

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.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- 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 [].

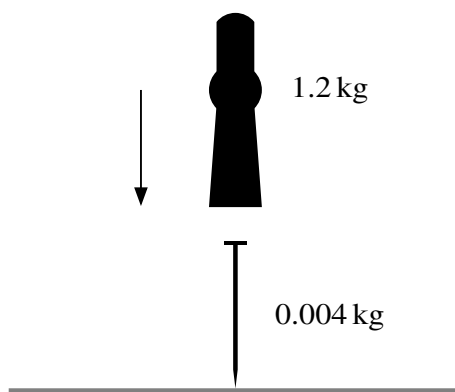
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- 1 A particle is projected vertically upwards from horizontal ground with a speed of $u \text{ m s}^{-1}$. The particle has height $s \text{ m}$ above the ground at times 3 seconds and 4 seconds after projection.

Find the value of u and the value of s .

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A machine for driving a nail into a block of wood causes a hammerhead to drop vertically onto the top of a nail. The mass of the hammerhead is 1.2 kg and the mass of the nail is 0.004 kg (see diagram). The hammerhead hits the nail with speed $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$ and remains in contact with the nail after the impact. The combined hammerhead and nail move immediately after the impact with speed 40 m s^{-1} .

- (a) Calculate v , giving your answer as an exact fraction. [2]

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- (b) The nail is driven 4 cm into the wood.

Find the constant force resisting the motion. [3]

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- 3** A block of mass 8 kg slides down a rough plane inclined at 30° to the horizontal, starting from rest. The coefficient of friction between the block and the plane is μ . The block accelerates uniformly down the plane at 2.4 m s^{-2} .

(a) Draw a diagram showing the forces acting on the block. [1]

(b) Find the value of μ . [4]

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(c) Find the speed of the block after it has moved 3 m down the plane. [1]

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4 A car has mass 1600 kg.

- (a) The car is moving along a straight horizontal road at a constant speed of 24 m s^{-1} and is subject to a constant resistance of magnitude 480 N .

Find, in kW, the rate at which the engine of the car is working. [2]

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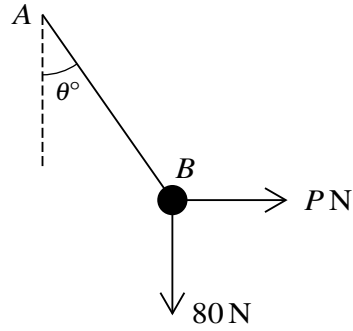
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The car now moves down a hill inclined at an angle of θ to the horizontal, where $\sin \theta = 0.09$. The engine of the car is working at a constant rate of 12 kW. The speed of the car is 24 m s^{-1} at the top of the hill. Ten seconds later the car has travelled 280 m down the hill and has speed 32 m s^{-1} .

- (b) Given that the resistance is not constant, use an energy method to find the total work done against the resistance during the ten seconds. [5]

[illegible]

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A light string AB is fixed at A and has a particle of weight 80 N attached at B . A horizontal force of magnitude $P\text{ N}$ is applied at B such that the string makes an angle θ° to the vertical (see diagram).

- (a) It is given that $P = 32$ and the system is in equilibrium.

Find the tension in the string and the value of θ .

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- (b)** It is given instead that the tension in the string is 120 N and that the particle attached at B still has weight 80 N.

Find the value of P and the value of θ .

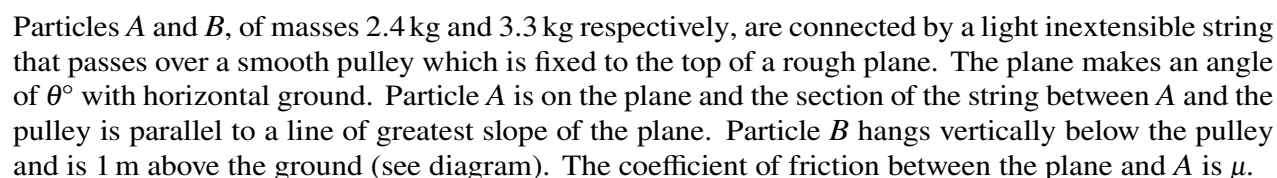
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- 6** A particle moves in a straight line. At time t s, the acceleration, a m s^{-2} , of the particle is given by $a = 36 - 6t$. The velocity of the particle is 27 m s^{-1} when $t = 2$.

(a) Find the values of t when the particle is at instantaneous rest. [4]

[illegible]



- Show that $\mu = 1.01$ correct to 3 significant figures. [5]

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- (b)** It is given instead that $\theta = 20$ and $\mu = 1.01$. The system is released from rest with the string taut.

Find the total distance travelled by A before coming to instantaneous rest. You may assume that A does not reach the pulley and that B remains at rest after it hits the ground. [8]

[illegible]

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