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**MATHEMATICS**

**4731**

Mechanics 4

Wednesday

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Afternoon

1 hour 30 minutes

Additional materials:

8 page answer booklet

Graph paper

List of Formulae (MF1)

**TIME** 1 hour 30 minutes

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Give non-exact numerical answers correct to 3 significant figures unless a different degree of accuracy is specified in the question or is clearly appropriate.
- The acceleration due to gravity is denoted by  $g \text{ m s}^{-2}$ . Unless otherwise instructed, when a numerical value is needed, use  $g = 9.8$ .
- You are permitted to use a graphical calculator in this paper.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 72.
- Questions carrying smaller numbers of marks are printed earlier in the paper, and questions carrying larger numbers of marks later in the paper.
- **You are reminded of the need for clear presentation in your answers.**

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**This question paper consists of 4 printed pages.**

- 1 A straight rod  $AB$  of length  $a$  has variable density. At a distance  $x$  from  $A$  its mass per unit length is  $k(a + 2x)$ , where  $k$  is a positive constant. Find the distance from  $A$  of the centre of mass of the rod. [5]

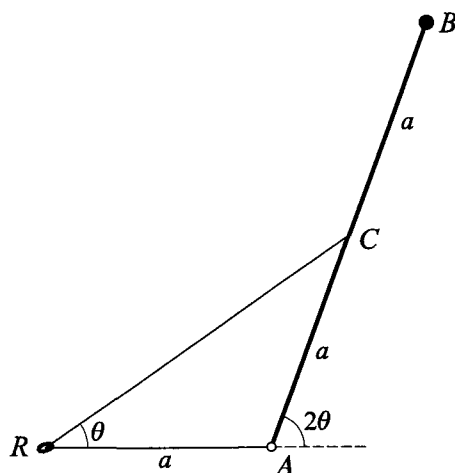
- 2 A flywheel takes the form of a uniform disc of mass 8 kg and radius 0.15 m. It rotates freely about an axis passing through its centre and perpendicular to the disc. A couple of constant moment is applied to the flywheel. The flywheel turns through an angle of 75 radians while its angular speed increases from  $10 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$  to  $25 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ .
- (i) Find the moment of the couple about the axis. [5]

When the flywheel is rotating with angular speed  $25 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ , it locks together with a second flywheel which is mounted on the same axis and is at rest. Immediately afterwards, both flywheels rotate together with the same angular speed  $9 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ .

- (ii) Find the moment of inertia of the second flywheel about the axis. [3]

- 3 The region bounded by the  $x$ -axis, the lines  $x = 1$  and  $x = 2$  and the curve  $y = \frac{1}{x^2}$  for  $1 \leq x \leq 2$ , is occupied by a uniform lamina of mass 24 kg. The unit of length is the metre. Find the moment of inertia of this lamina about the  $x$ -axis. [8]

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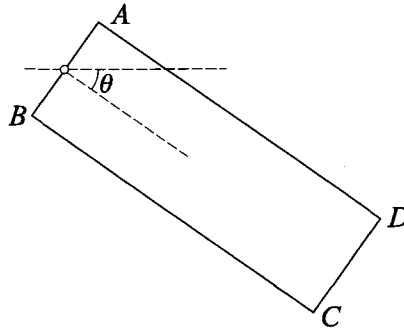


A uniform rod  $AB$ , of mass  $m$  and length  $2a$ , is freely hinged to a fixed point at  $A$ . A particle of mass  $2m$  is attached to the rod at  $B$ . A light elastic string, with natural length  $a$  and modulus of elasticity  $5mg$ , passes through a fixed smooth ring  $R$ . One end of the string is fixed to  $A$  and the other end is fixed to the mid-point  $C$  of  $AB$ . The ring  $R$  is at the same horizontal level as  $A$ , and is at a distance  $a$  from  $A$ . The rod  $AB$  and the ring  $R$  are in a vertical plane, and  $RC$  is at an angle  $\theta$  above the horizontal, where  $0 < \theta < \frac{1}{4}\pi$ , so that the acute angle between  $AB$  and the horizontal is  $2\theta$  (see diagram).

- (i) By considering the energy of the system, find the value of  $\theta$  for which the system is in equilibrium. [7]
- (ii) Determine whether this position of equilibrium is stable or unstable. [3]

- 5 A uniform rectangular lamina  $ABCD$  has mass 20 kg and sides of lengths  $AB = 0.6$  m and  $BC = 1.8$  m. It rotates in its own vertical plane about a fixed horizontal axis which is perpendicular to the lamina and passes through the mid-point of  $AB$ .

(i) Show that the moment of inertia of the lamina about the axis is  $22.2 \text{ kg m}^2$ . [3]

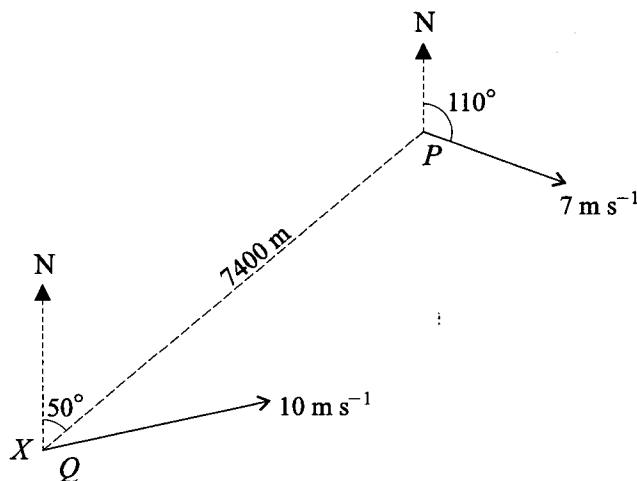


The lamina is released from rest with  $BC$  horizontal and below the level of the axis. Air resistance may be neglected, but a frictional couple opposes the motion. The couple has constant moment  $44.1 \text{ N m}$  about the axis. The angle through which the lamina has turned is denoted by  $\theta$  (see diagram).

(ii) Show that the angular acceleration is zero when  $\cos \theta = 0.25$ . [3]

(iii) Hence find the maximum angular speed of the lamina. [5]

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A ship  $P$  is moving with constant velocity  $7 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  in the direction with bearing  $110^\circ$ . A second ship  $Q$  is moving with constant speed  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  in a straight line. At one instant  $Q$  is at the point  $X$ , and  $P$  is  $7400$  m from  $Q$  on a bearing of  $050^\circ$  (see diagram). In the subsequent motion, the shortest distance between  $P$  and  $Q$  is  $1790$  m.

(i) Show that one possible direction for the velocity of  $Q$  relative to  $P$  has bearing  $036^\circ$ , to the nearest degree, and find the bearing of the other possible direction of this relative velocity. [3]

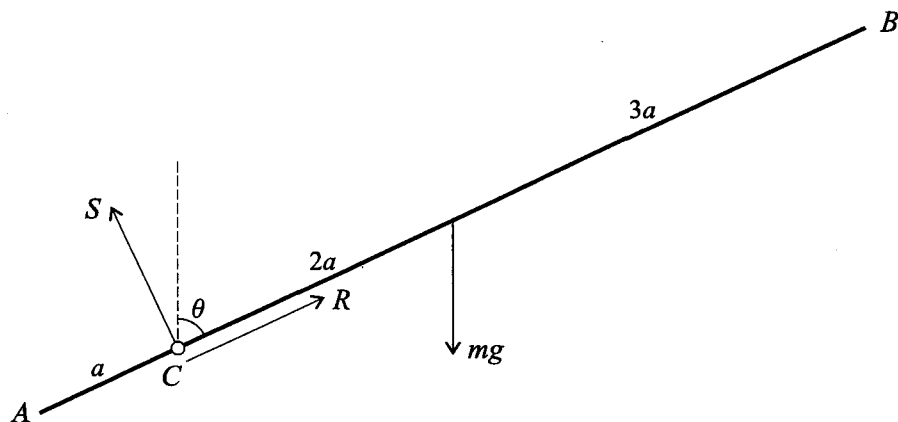
Given that the velocity of  $Q$  relative to  $P$  has bearing  $036^\circ$ , find

(ii) the bearing of the direction in which  $Q$  is moving, [4]

(iii) the magnitude of the velocity of  $Q$  relative to  $P$ , [2]

(iv) the time taken for  $Q$  to travel from  $X$  to the position where the two ships are closest together, [3]

(v) the bearing of  $P$  from  $Q$  when the two ships are closest together. [1]

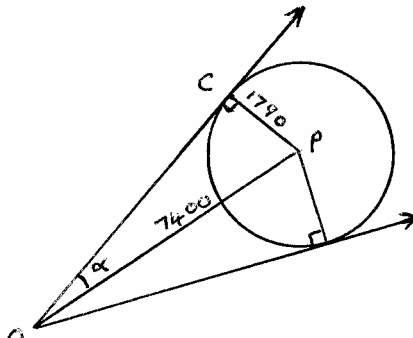
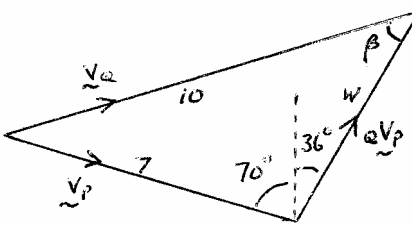


A uniform rod  $AB$  has mass  $m$  and length  $6a$ . It is free to rotate in a vertical plane about a smooth fixed horizontal axis passing through the point  $C$  on the rod, where  $AC = a$ . The angle between  $AB$  and the upward vertical is  $\theta$ , and the force acting on the rod at  $C$  has components  $R$  parallel to  $AB$  and  $S$  perpendicular to  $AB$  (see diagram). The rod is released from rest in the position where  $\theta = \frac{1}{3}\pi$ . Air resistance may be neglected.

- (i) Find the angular acceleration of the rod in terms of  $a$ ,  $g$  and  $\theta$ . [4]
- (ii) Show that the angular speed of the rod is  $\sqrt{\frac{2g(1 - 2\cos\theta)}{7a}}$ . [3]
- (iii) Find  $R$  and  $S$  in terms of  $m$ ,  $g$  and  $\theta$ . [6]
- (iv) When  $\cos\theta = \frac{1}{3}$ , show that the force acting on the rod at  $C$  is vertical, and find its magnitude. [4]

<p><b>1</b></p>	$\int x\rho dx = \int_0^a k(a+2x)x dx$ $= k \left[ \frac{1}{2}ax^2 + \frac{2}{3}x^3 \right]_0^a \quad (= \frac{7}{6}ka^3)$ $\int \rho dx = k \int_0^a (a+2x) dx = k \left[ ax + x^2 \right]_0^a$ $= 2ka^2$ $\bar{x} = \frac{\frac{7}{6}ka^3}{2ka^2}$ $= \frac{7}{12}a$	<p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>B1</p> <p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> <p><b>5</b></p>	<p>for <math>\int \dots(a+2x)x dx</math></p> <p>for ... <math>\left[ ax + x^2 \right]_0^a</math></p> <p>Dependent on first M1</p> <p>Accept 0.583a</p>
<p><b>2 (i)</b></p>	$I = \frac{1}{2} \times 8 \times 0.15^2 \quad (= 0.09 \text{ kg m}^2)$ <hr/> <p>Using <math>\omega_2^2 = \omega_1^2 + 2\alpha\theta</math></p> $25^2 = 10^2 + 2\alpha \times 75$ $\alpha = 3.5 \text{ rad s}^{-2}$ <p>Couple is <math>I\alpha = 0.09 \times 3.5</math></p> $= 0.315 \text{ N m}$ <hr/> <p>OR Increase in KE is <math>\frac{1}{2} \times 0.09 \times (25^2 - 10^2)</math> M1A1 ft</p> $= 23.625 \text{ J}$ <p style="text-align: right;">M1</p> <p>Couple is <math>\frac{23.625}{75} = 0.315 \text{ N m}</math> A1 ft</p>	<p>B1</p> <p>M1A1</p> <p>M1</p> <p>A1 ft</p> <p>M1</p> <p>A1 ft</p> <p><b>5</b></p>	<p>ft from wrong <math>I</math> and / or <math>\alpha</math>, but ft requires M1M1</p> <p>WD by couple is <math>L \times 75</math></p> <p>ft requires M1M1</p> <p>Using angular momentum</p> <p><b>3</b></p>
<p><b>3</b></p>	$\int_1^2 \frac{1}{x^2} dx = \left[ -\frac{1}{x} \right]_1^2$ $= \frac{1}{2}$ <p>Mass per unit area <math>\rho = 48 \text{ kg m}^{-2}</math></p> $I = \int \frac{4}{3}(\rho y \delta x) \left( \frac{1}{2}y \right)^2$ $= \int \frac{1}{3} \rho y^3 dx$ $= \frac{1}{3} \rho \int_1^2 \frac{1}{x^6} dx$ $= \frac{1}{3} \rho \left[ -\frac{1}{5x^5} \right]_1^2$ $= \frac{31}{480} \rho = \frac{31}{480} \times 48$ $= 3.1 \text{ kg m}^2$	<p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>B1</p> <p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>A1 ft</p> <p>A1</p> <p>A1</p> <p><b>8</b></p>	<p>For integral of <math>y^3</math></p> <p>For correct integration of <math>\frac{1}{x^6}</math></p>

<p><b>4 (i)</b></p>	$RC = 2a \cos \theta$ $\text{EPE} = \frac{5mg}{2a} (2a \cos \theta)^2$ $\text{GPE} = mga \sin 2\theta + 2mg(2a \sin 2\theta)$ $V = 10mga \cos^2 \theta + 5mga \sin 2\theta$ $\frac{dV}{d\theta} = -20mga \cos \theta \sin \theta + 10mga \cos 2\theta$ $= -10mga \sin 2\theta + 10mga \cos 2\theta$ <p>For equilibrium, <math>10mga(\cos 2\theta - \sin 2\theta) = 0</math></p> $\tan 2\theta = 1$ $\theta = \frac{1}{8}\pi$	<p>B1 M1 M1 A1 B1 M1 A1</p>	<p>or <math>RC^2 = 2a^2 + 2a^2 \cos 2\theta</math></p> <p>One term sufficient for M1</p> <p>Correct differentiation of <math>\cos^2 \theta</math> (or <math>\cos 2\theta</math>) and <math>\sin 2\theta</math></p> <p>For using <math>\frac{dV}{d\theta} = 0</math></p> <p>Accept <math>22\frac{1}{2}^\circ</math>, 0.393</p>
<p><b>(ii)</b></p>	$\frac{d^2V}{d\theta^2} = -20mga \cos 2\theta - 20mga \sin 2\theta$ <p>When <math>\theta = \frac{1}{8}\pi</math>, <math>\frac{d^2V}{d\theta^2} (= -20\sqrt{2}mga) &lt; 0</math></p> <p>Hence the equilibrium is unstable</p> <hr/> <p>OR Other method for determining whether <math>V</math> has a maximum or a minimum</p> <p>Correct determination</p> <p>Equilibrium is unstable</p>	<p>B1 ft M1 A1</p>	<p>Determining the sign of <math>V''</math></p> <p>Correctly shown</p>
<p><b>5 (i)</b></p>	$I = \frac{1}{3}(20)(0.3^2 + 0.9^2) + 20 \times 0.9^2$ $= 22.2 \text{ kg m}^2$ <hr/> <p>OR <math>I = \frac{1}{3} \times 20 \times 0.3^2 + \frac{4}{3} \times 20 \times 0.9^2</math></p> $= 22.2 \text{ kg m}^2$	<p>M1 M1 A1 (ag)</p>	<p>MI of lamina about any axis</p> <p>Use of parallel (or perp) axes rule</p> <p>Correctly obtained</p>
<p><b>(ii)</b></p>	<p>Total moment is <math>20 \times 9.8 \times 0.9 \cos \theta - 44.1</math></p> <p>Angular acceleration is zero when moment is zero</p> $\cos \theta = \frac{44.1}{20 \times 9.8 \times 0.9} = 0.25$	<p>M1 M1 A1 (ag)</p>	<p>As above</p>
<p><b>(iii)</b></p>	<p>Maximum angular speed when <math>\cos \theta = 0.25</math></p> $\theta = 1.318$ <p>Work done against couple is <math>44.1 \times 1.318</math></p> <p>By work energy principle,</p> $\frac{1}{2}I\omega^2 = 20 \times 9.8 \times 0.9 \sin \theta - 44.1\theta$ $\omega = 3.19 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$	<p>M1 A1 M1 A1 ft A1</p>	<p>Equation involving work, KE and PE</p>

<p>6 (i)</p>	<p>As viewed from P</p>  $\sin \alpha = \frac{1790}{7400}$ $\alpha = 14.0^\circ$ <p>Bearing of relative velocity is <math>50 - \alpha = 036^\circ</math> or <math>50 + \alpha = 064^\circ</math></p>	<p>M1 A1 (ag) B1 ft</p>	<p>For 64 or ft <math>50 + \alpha</math></p> <p>3</p>
<p>(ii)</p>	<p>Velocity diagram</p>  $\frac{\sin \beta}{7} = \frac{\sin 106}{10}$ $\beta = 42.3^\circ$ <p>Bearing of <math>v_Q</math> is <math>36 + \beta = 078.3^\circ</math></p>	<p>B1 M1 A1 A1</p>	<p>Correct diagram (<i>may be implied</i>)</p> <p>Correct triangle must be intended</p> <p>Accept <math>78^\circ</math></p> <p>4</p>
<p>(iii)</p>	$\frac{w}{\sin 31.7} = \frac{10}{\sin 106}$ $w = 5.47 \text{ ms}^{-1}$	<p>M1 A1</p>	<p>If cosine rule is used, M1 also requires an attempt at solving the quadratic</p> <p>2</p>
	<p>Alternative for (ii) and (iii)</p> $\begin{pmatrix} w \sin 36 \\ w \cos 36 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 10 \sin \theta \\ 10 \cos \theta \end{pmatrix} - \begin{pmatrix} 7 \sin 110 \\ 7 \cos 110 \end{pmatrix}$ <p>Obtaining an equation in <math>\theta</math> only, and solving it <math>\theta = 78.3^\circ</math> M1 A2</p> <p>Obtaining an equation in <math>w</math> only, and solving it <math>w = 5.47 \text{ ms}^{-1}</math> M1 A1</p>	<p>B1</p>	<p>e.g. <math>10 \sin \theta - 7.2654 \cos \theta = 8.3173</math> or A1A1 if another angle found first</p>
<p>(iv)</p>	$QC = \sqrt{7400^2 - 1790^2} = 7180 \text{ m}$ <p>Time taken is <math>\frac{7180}{5.468}</math> <math>= 1310 \text{ s}</math></p>	<p>M1 M1 A1 ft</p>	<p>(Or M2 for other complete method for finding the time)</p> <p>For attempt at relative distance <math>\div w</math> (not awarded for <math>7400 \div w</math>) or 21.9 minutes ft is <math>7180 \div w</math></p> <p>3</p>
<p>(v)</p>	<p>Bearing of CP is <math>90 + 36 = 126^\circ</math></p>	<p>B1</p>	<p>1</p>

<p>7 (i)</p>	$I = \frac{1}{3}m(3a)^2 + m(2a)^2$ $= 7ma^2$ $mg(2a \sin \theta) = I\alpha$ $\alpha = \frac{2g \sin \theta}{7a}$	<p>M1 A1 M1 A1</p>	<p>Using parallel axes rule</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>4</b></p>
<p>(ii)</p>	<p>By conservation of energy</p> $\frac{1}{2}I\omega^2 = mg(2a \cos \frac{1}{3}\pi - 2a \cos \theta)$ $\frac{7}{2}ma^2\omega^2 = mga(1 - 2 \cos \theta)$ $\omega = \sqrt{\frac{2g(1 - 2 \cos \theta)}{7a}}$	<p>M1 A1  A1 (ag)</p>	<p>Equation involving KE and PE Need to see how <math>\frac{1}{3}\pi</math> is used</p> <p>Correctly obtained</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>3</b></p>
<p>(iii)</p>	$mg \cos \theta - R = m(2a\omega^2)$ $R = mg \cos \theta - \frac{4}{7}mg(1 - 2 \cos \theta)$ $= \frac{1}{7}mg(15 \cos \theta - 4)$	<p>M1 A1  A1</p>	<p>For radial acceleration <math>r\omega^2</math></p>
<p></p>	$mg \sin \theta - S = m(2a\alpha)$ $S = mg \sin \theta - \frac{4}{7}mg \sin \theta$ $= \frac{3}{7}mg \sin \theta$	<p>M1 A1  A1</p>	<p>For transverse acceleration <math>r\alpha</math></p> <p style="text-align: right;"><b>6</b></p>
<p></p>	<p>OR <math>S(2a) = I_G\alpha = (3ma^2)\alpha</math> M1A1 <math>S = \frac{3}{7}mg \sin \theta</math> A1</p>	<p></p>	<p>Must use <math>I_G</math></p>
<p>(iv)</p>	<p>When <math>\cos \theta = \frac{1}{3}</math>, <math>\sin \theta = \frac{\sqrt{8}}{3}</math>, <math>\tan \theta = \sqrt{8}</math></p> $R = \frac{1}{7}mg, S = \frac{\sqrt{8}}{7}mg$ <p>Angle with <math>R</math> is <math>\tan^{-1} \frac{S}{R} = \tan^{-1} \sqrt{8} = \theta</math></p> <p>so the resultant force is vertical</p> <p>Magnitude is <math>\sqrt{R^2 + S^2}</math></p> $= \frac{1}{7}mg\sqrt{1 + 8} = \frac{3}{7}mg$	<p>M1  A1 M1 A1</p>	<p style="text-align: right;"><b>4</b></p>
<p></p>	<p>OR When resultant force is <math>F</math> vertically upwards</p> $S = F \sin \theta, \text{ hence } F = \frac{3}{7}mg \quad \text{M1A1}$ $R = F \cos \theta, \text{ so}$ $\frac{1}{7}mg(15 \cos \theta - 4) = \frac{3}{7}mg \cos \theta \quad \text{M1}$ $\cos \theta = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{A1}$	<p></p>	<p></p>
<p></p>	<p>OR Horizontal force is <math>R \sin \theta - S \cos \theta</math></p> $= \frac{1}{7}mg(15 \cos \theta - 4) \sin \theta - \frac{3}{7}mg \sin \theta \cos \theta \quad \text{M1}$ $= \frac{1}{7}mg \sin \theta(12 \cos \theta - 4)$ $= 0 \text{ when } \cos \theta = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{A1}$ <p>Vertical force is <math>R \cos \theta + S \sin \theta</math></p> $= \frac{1}{7}mg \times \frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{7}mg \times \frac{8}{9} = \frac{3}{7}mg \quad \text{M1A1}$	<p></p>	<p></p>