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MATHEMATICS

Mechanics 3

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Afternoon

1 hour 20 minutes

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Additional materials: Answer booklet Graph paper List of Formulae (MF8)

TIME 1 hour 20 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.
- Where a numerical value for the acceleration due to gravity is needed, use 9.8 m s⁻².
- You are permitted to use a graphic 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 60.
- 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.

This question paper consists of 4 printed pages.

1 A particle is moving with simple harmonic motion in a straight line. The period is 0.2 s and the amplitude of the motion is 0.3 m. Find the maximum speed of the particle. [3]

2



A sphere A of mass m, moving on a horizontal surface, collides with another sphere B of mass 2m, which is at rest on the surface. The spheres are smooth and uniform, and have equal radius. Immediately before the collision, A has velocity u at an angle θ° to the line of centres of the spheres (see diagram). Immediately after the collision, the spheres move in directions that are perpendicular to each other.

- (i) Find the coefficient of restitution between the spheres. [4]
- (ii) Given that the spheres have equal speeds after the collision, find θ . [3]
- 3 An aircraft of mass 80 000 kg travelling at 90 m s⁻¹ touches down on a straight horizontal runway. It is brought to rest by braking and resistive forces which together are modelled by a horizontal force of magnitude $(27\ 000\ +\ 50v^2)$ newtons, where $v\ m\ s^{-1}$ is the speed of the aircraft. Find the distance travelled by the aircraft between touching down and coming to rest. [8]
- 4 For a bungee jump, a girl is joined to a fixed point O of a bridge by an elastic rope of natural length 25 m and modulus of elasticity 1320 N. The girl starts from rest at O and falls vertically. The lowest point reached by the girl is 60 m vertically below O. The girl is modelled as a particle, the rope is assumed to be light, and air resistance is neglected.

(i)	Use energy considerations to find the mass of the girl.	[4]
(ii)	Find the tension in the rope when the girl is at the lowest point.	[2]

- (iii) Find the acceleration of the girl when she is at the lowest point. [3]



Two points A and B lie on a vertical line with A at a distance 2.6 m above B. A particle P of mass 10 kg is joined to A by an elastic string and to B by another elastic string (see diagram). Each string has natural length 0.8 m and modulus of elasticity 196 N. The strings are light and air resistance may be neglected.

(i) Verify that P is in equilibrium when P is vertically below A and the length of the string PA is 1.5 m.

The particle is set in motion along the line AB with both strings remaining taut. The displacement of P below the equilibrium position is denoted by x metres.

- (ii) Show that the tension in the string PA is 245(0.7 + x) newtons, and the tension in the string PB is 245(0.3 x) newtons. [2]
- (iii) Show that the motion of P is simple harmonic, and find the period.

[Questions 6 and 7 are printed overleaf.]

[5]



4

A particle P of mass 0.3 kg is moving in a vertical circle. It is attached to the fixed point O at the centre of the circle by a light inextensible string of length 1.5 m. When the string makes an angle of 40° with the downward vertical, the speed of P is 6.5 m s^{-1} (see diagram). Air resistance may be neglected.

In the subsequent motion, with the string still taut and making an angle θ° with the downward vertical, the speed of P is v m s⁻¹.

(ii) Use conservation of energy to show that
$$v^2 \approx 19.7 + 29.4 \cos \theta^\circ$$
. [4]

- (iii) Find the tension in the string in terms of θ . [3]
- (iv) Find the value of θ at the instant when the string becomes slack.



A step-ladder is modelled as two uniform rods AB and AC, freely jointed at A. The rods are in equilibrium in a vertical plane with B and C in contact with a rough horizontal surface. The rods have equal lengths; AB has weight 150 N and AC has weight 270 N. The point A is 2.5 m vertically above the surface, and BC = 1.6 m (see diagram).

- (i) Find the horizontal and vertical components of the force acting on AC at A. [7]
- (ii) The coefficient of friction has the same value μ at B and at C, and the step-ladder is on the point of slipping. Giving a reason, state whether the equilibrium is limiting at B or at C, and find μ .

[5]

[2]

7

 $\mathbf{2}$

[3]

1
$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} = \frac{2\pi}{0.2} = 10\pi$$

maximum speed $= a\omega = 0.3 \times 10\pi = 3\pi = 9.42477... = 9.42 \text{ ms}^{-1} (3 \text{ s.f.})$

 v_A

m (2m)

 $\overrightarrow{v_B}$

after collision \ldots

since the only impulse acts along the line of the centres, and it's given that the particles move away at right angles.

Conservation of Momentum (\rightarrow) $m(u\cos\theta) = (2m)v_B \Rightarrow v_B = \frac{1}{2}u\cos\theta$ Newton's Law of Impact $\frac{1}{2}u\cos\theta - 0 = -e(0 - u\cos\theta) \Rightarrow e = \frac{1}{2}$ [4]

$$v_A = u \sin \theta$$
 and given speeds are equal after collision $v_B = v_A$
 $\frac{1}{2} u \cos \theta = u \sin \theta$
 $\tan \theta = \frac{1}{2}$ $\theta = 26 \cdot 6^{\circ} (3 \text{ s.f.})$ [3]

$$3 F = ma$$

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}v}{\mathrm{d}t} = -\frac{1}{80\,000} \left(27\,000 + 50\,v^2 \right)$$

$$v \frac{\mathrm{d}v}{\mathrm{d}x} = -\frac{1}{1\,600} \left(540 + v^2 \right)$$

$$\int \frac{\mathrm{d}v}{540 + v^2} \,\mathrm{d}v = -\frac{1}{1\,600} \int \mathrm{d}x$$

$$\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(540 + v^2 \right) = -\frac{1}{1\,600} x + c$$

$$x = A - 800 \ln \left(540 + v^2 \right)$$

$$x = 0, v = 90$$

$$x = 800 \ln \left(8640 \right) - 800 \ln \left(540 + v^2 \right) = 800 \ln \left(\frac{8640}{540 + v^2} \right)$$

$$\mathrm{distance \ till \ 'plane \ comes \ to \ rest} = 800 \ln \left(\frac{8640}{540} \right)$$

$$= 800 \ln (16)$$

$$= 3200 \ln(2) = 2218 \cdot 070... = 2220 \text{ m} (3 \text{ s.f.})$$

[8]

at lowest point ...

 $\mathbf{4}$

 $\mathbf{5}$

6

loss of
$$G.P.E$$
 for girl = gain in $E.P.E$. of rope

$$mg \times 60 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1320}{25} (60 - 25)^2$$

$$m = \mathbf{22} \mathbf{k} \mathbf{k}$$

tension in rope
$$=\frac{1320}{25} \cdot 35 = 1848 \,\mathrm{N}$$
 [2]

acceleration =
$$\frac{1848 - mg}{m} = 23 \cdot 8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$$
 vertically upwards

[3]

when PA = 1.5 (\downarrow) $\sum F = 10 \times 9 \cdot 8 + \frac{196}{0.8} \times 0 \cdot 3 - \frac{196}{0.8} \times 0 \cdot 7 = 98 + 73 \cdot 5 - 171 \cdot 5 = 0$ so the system is in equilibrium.

[3]

at displacement $x\ldots$

$$T_{PA} = \frac{196}{0.8} (1 \cdot 5 + x - 0 \cdot 8) = 245 (0 \cdot 7 + x) \qquad T_{PB} = \frac{196}{0.8} (2 \cdot 6 - 1 \cdot 5 - x - 0 \cdot 8) = 245 (0 \cdot 3 - x)$$

$$N2(\downarrow) \qquad 10\ddot{x} = 245 (0 \cdot 3 - x) - 245 (0 \cdot 7 + x) + 98$$
[2]

$$\ddot{x} = -49x$$
 so SHM with period $T = \frac{2\pi}{7} = \mathbf{0} \cdot \mathbf{898} \mathbf{s}$

acceleration

mg

radial =
$$v_{r}^{2} = 6 \cdot 5_{1.5}^{2} = 28\frac{1}{6}$$
 transverse = $-g \sin 40^{\circ} = 6 \cdot 29931... = 6 \cdot 30 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ [2]

conservation of energy (relative to $\theta = 40^{\circ}$)

gain in G.P.E = loss in K.E.

$$0 \cdot 3 \times 9 \cdot 8 \left(1 \cdot 5 \cos 40^{\circ} - 1 \cdot 5 \cos \theta^{\circ}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \times 0 \cdot 3 \left(6 \cdot 5^{2} - v^{2}\right)$$

$$29 \cdot 4 \left(\cos 40^{\circ} - \cos \theta^{\circ}\right) = 42 \cdot 25 - v^{2}$$

$$v^{2} \approx 19 \cdot 7 + 29 \cdot 4 \cos \theta^{\circ} \qquad \text{(show)}$$

$$V^{2} \left(\text{radially}\right) \qquad T - mg \cos \theta^{\circ} = \frac{mv^{2}}{r}$$

$$V^{2} \left(\frac{1}{r}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1$$

$$T \approx 2 \cdot 94 \cos \theta^{\circ} + \frac{0 \cdot 3 \left(19 \cdot 7 + 29 \cdot 4 \cos \theta^{\circ}\right)}{1 \cdot 5}$$
$$T \approx 8 \cdot 82 \cos \theta^{\circ} + 3 \cdot 94$$
[3]

string becomes slack when ... $\cos \theta^{\circ} = \frac{-3 \cdot 94}{8 \cdot 82}$ $\theta = 116 \cdot 5329... = 117^{\circ}$ (3 s.f.)

[2]



The magnitudes of the frictional forces at A and $C\,{\rm must}$ both be 33.6.

Since the normal contact force at B is less than that at C, friction must be limiting at B and

$$\mu = \frac{F_{R}}{R} = \frac{33 \cdot 6_{180}}{180} = \frac{14_{75}}{75} \qquad \left(= 0 \cdot 186666\right)$$
[5]