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**Tuesday 19 October 2021 – Afternoon**

**A Level Further Mathematics B (MEI)**

**Y431/01 Mechanics Minor**

**Time allowed: 1 hour 15 minutes**



**You must have:**

- the Printed Answer Booklet
- the Formulae Booklet for Further Mathematics B (MEI)
- a scientific or graphical calculator

**INSTRUCTIONS**

- Use black ink. You can use an HB pencil, but only for graphs and diagrams.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided in the **Printed Answer Booklet**. If you need extra space, use the lined pages at the end of the Printed Answer Booklet. The question numbers must be clearly shown.
- Fill in the boxes on the front of the Printed Answer Booklet.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Where appropriate, your answer should be supported with working. Marks might be given for using a correct method, even if your answer is wrong.
- Give your final answers to a degree of accuracy that is appropriate to the context.
- The acceleration due to gravity is denoted by  $g \text{ m s}^{-2}$ . When a numerical value is needed use  $g = 9.8$  unless a different value is specified in the question.
- Do **not** send this Question Paper for marking. Keep it in the centre or recycle it.

**INFORMATION**

- The total mark for this paper is **60**.
- The marks for each question are shown in brackets [ ].
- This document has **8** pages.

**ADVICE**

- Read each question carefully before you start your answer.

Answer **all** the questions.

- 1 (a) State the dimensions of force. [1]

The force  $F$  required to keep a car moving at constant speed on a circular track is given by the formula

$$F = \frac{mv^2}{r},$$

where

- $m$  is the constant mass of the car,
- $v$  is the speed of the car,
- $r$  is the radius of the circular track.

- (b) Verify that the formula is dimensionally consistent. [2]

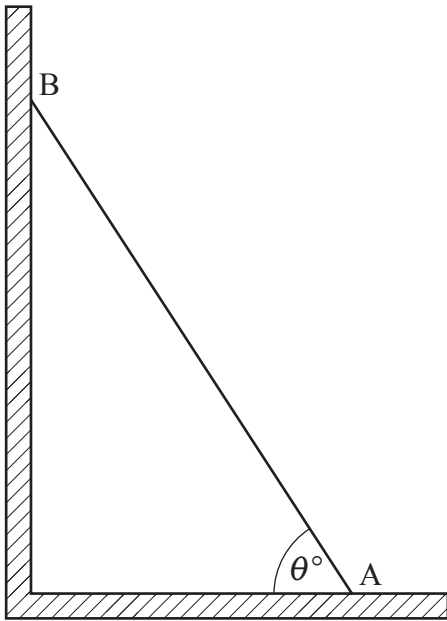
- (c) Determine the percentage increase in force required to keep a car moving on a circular track if the speed of the car were to increase by 10% and if the track radius were to decrease by 10%. [2]

It is proposed that a new unit of force, the *trackforce* (Tr), should be adopted in motor-racing. 1 Tr is defined as the amount of force required to accelerate a mass of 1 ton at a rate of 1 mile per hour per second.

It is given that 1 ton = 1016 kg and 1 mile = 1609 m.

- (d) Determine the number of newtons that are equivalent to 1 Tr. [2]

- 2 The diagram shows a uniform beam AB that rests with its end A on rough horizontal ground and its end B against a smooth vertical wall. The beam makes an angle of  $\theta^\circ$  with the ground.



The weight of the beam is  $WN$ .

The beam is in limiting equilibrium and the coefficient of friction between the beam and the ground is  $\mu$ .

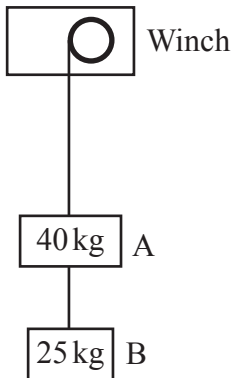
It is given that the magnitude of the contact force at A is  $70\text{ N}$  and the magnitude of the contact force at B is  $20\text{ N}$ .

Determine, in any order,

- the value of  $W$ ,
- the value of  $\mu$ ,
- the value of  $\theta$ .

[7]

- 3 The diagram shows an electric winch raising two crates A and B, with masses 40 kg and 25 kg, respectively. The cable connecting the winch to A, and the cable connecting A to B may both be modelled as light and inextensible. Furthermore, it can be assumed that there are no resistances to motion.



Throughout the entire motion, the power  $PW$  developed by the winch is constant.

Crates A and B are both being raised at a constant speed  $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$  when the cable connecting A and B breaks. After the cable between A and B breaks, crate A continues to be raised by the winch. Crate A now accelerates until it reaches a new constant speed of  $(v + 3) \text{ m s}^{-1}$ .

Determine

- the value of  $v$ ,
- the value of  $P$ .

[5]

- 4 A child throws a ball of mass  $m$  kg vertically upwards with a speed of  $7.2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . The ball leaves the child's hand at a height of  $1.6 \text{ m}$  above horizontal ground.

- (a) Ignoring any possible air resistance, use an energy method to determine the maximum height reached by the ball above the ground. [2]

In fact, the ball only reaches a height of  $4.1 \text{ m}$  above the ground. For the rest of this question you should assume that the air resistance may be modelled as a constant force acting in the opposite direction to the ball's motion.

- (b) Show that the ball does  $0.568m \text{ J}$  of work against air resistance per metre travelled. [2]

- (c) Calculate the speed of the ball just before it hits the ground. [3]

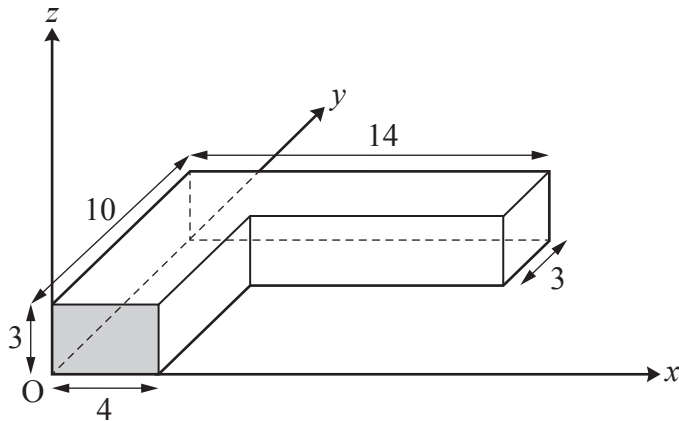
The ball bounces off the ground and first comes instantaneously to rest  $2.8 \text{ m}$  above the ground.

- (d) Determine the coefficient of restitution between the ball and the ground. [3]

In the first impact between the ball and the ground, the magnitude of the impulse exerted on the ball by the ground is  $12 \text{ N s}$ .

- (e) Determine the value of  $m$ . [2]

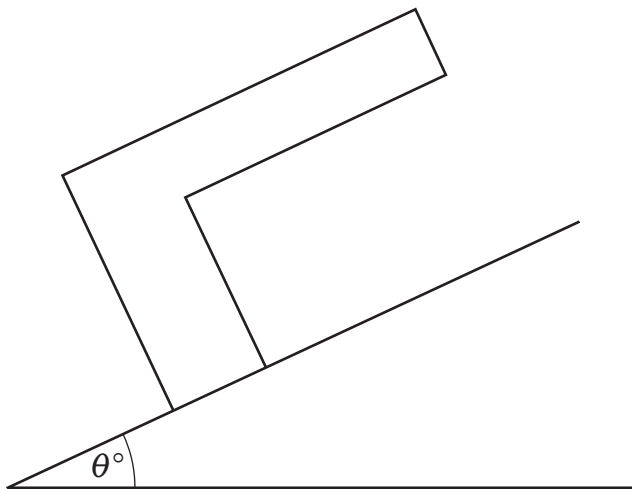
- 5 **Fig. 5.1** shows a solid L-shaped ornament, of uniform density. The ornament is 3 cm thick. The  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  axes are shown, along with the dimensions of the ornament. The measurements are in centimetres.



**Fig. 5.1**

- (a) Determine, with reference to the axes shown, the coordinates of the ornament's centre of mass. [4]

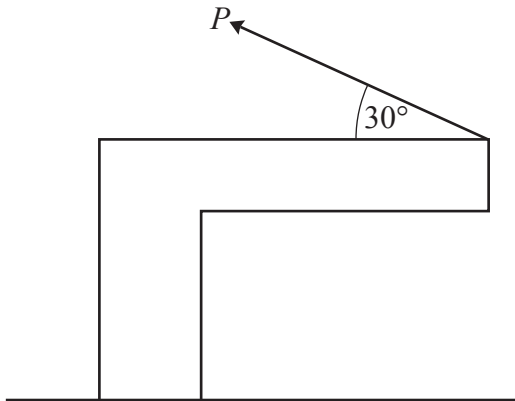
**Fig. 5.2** shows the ornament placed so that the shaded face (indicated in **Fig. 5.1**) is in contact with a plane inclined at  $\theta^\circ$  to the horizontal, with the 4 cm edge parallel to a line of greatest slope. The surface of the plane is sufficiently rough so that the ornament will not slip down the plane.



**Fig. 5.2**

- (b) Determine the minimum and maximum possible values of  $\theta$  for which the ornament does not topple. [3]

The ornament is now placed with its shaded face in contact with a rough horizontal surface. A force of magnitude  $P$  N, acting parallel to the planes of the L-shaped faces, is applied to one of the edges of the ornament, as shown in **Fig. 5.3**. The force is inclined at an angle of  $30^\circ$  to the horizontal. The coefficient of friction between the ornament and the surface is  $\mu$ .



**Fig. 5.3**

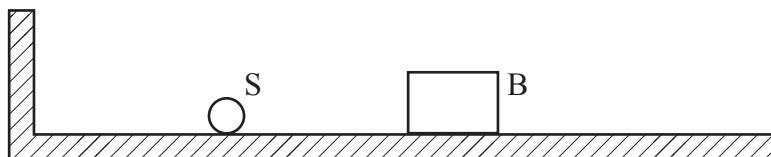
The value of  $P$  is gradually increased until the ornament is on the point of toppling but does not slide.

- (c) Determine the minimum value of  $\mu$ . [7]
- (d) Explain how your answer to part (c) would change if the angle between  $P$  and the horizontal was less than  $30^\circ$ . [2]

- 6 A block rests on a horizontal surface. The coefficient of friction between the block and the surface is  $\mu$ .

- (a) Show that if the block is given an initial speed of  $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , it will move a distance of  $\frac{v^2}{2\mu g}$  before coming to rest. [3]

Block B rests on the same horizontal surface as a sphere S. On the other side of S is a vertical wall, as shown below. The mass of B is 8 times the mass of S.



S is projected directly towards B with speed  $u \text{ m s}^{-1}$  and hits B. It is given that

- the coefficient of restitution between S and B is 0.8,
- collisions between S and the wall are perfectly elastic,
- the wall is perpendicular to the direction of motion of S and B.

Furthermore, you should model the contact between B and the surface as **rough** and model the contact between S and the surface as **smooth**.

- (b) Determine, in terms of  $u$ , expressions for

- the speed of S
- the speed of B

immediately after the first collision between S and B. In each case stating the corresponding direction of motion. [5]

It is given that B has sufficient time to come to rest before each subsequent collision with S.

Let  $x_n$  be the distance B moves after the  $n$ th impact between S and B.

- (c) Explain why  $x_{n+1} = \frac{9}{25}x_n$ . [2]

- (d) Given that  $u = 11.2$  and the coefficient of friction between B and the surface is  $\frac{1}{7}$ , show that B will travel a total distance that cannot exceed 2.8 m. [3]

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