

**ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY GCE
MATHEMATICS**

4728/01

Mechanics 1

FRIDAY 6 JUNE 2008

Afternoon

Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Additional materials: Answer Booklet (8 pages)
List of Formulae (MF1)

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- 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

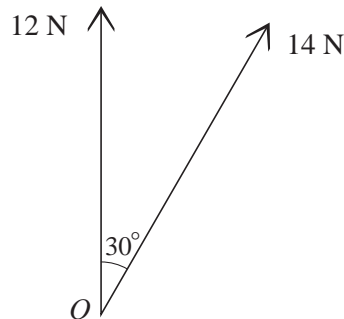
- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 72.
- **You are reminded of the need for clear presentation in your answers.**

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- 1 A car of mass 900 kg is travelling in a straight line on a horizontal road. The driving force acting on the car is 600 N, and a resisting force of 240 N opposes the motion.

- (i) Show that the acceleration of the car is 0.4 m s^{-2} . [2]
- (ii) Calculate the time and the distance required for the speed of the car to increase from 5 m s^{-1} to 9 m s^{-1} . [4]

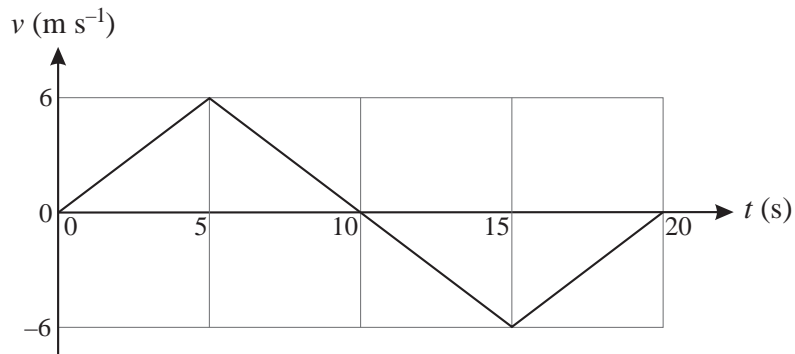
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Two horizontal forces act at the point O . One force has magnitude 12 N and acts along a bearing of 000° . The other force has magnitude 14 N and acts along a bearing of 030° (see diagram).

- (i) Show that the resultant of the two forces has magnitude 25.1 N, correct to 3 significant figures. [5]
- (ii) Find the bearing of the line of action of the resultant. [3]

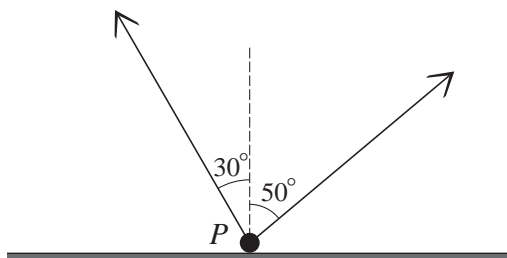
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An athlete runs in a straight line from point A to point B , and back to point A . The diagram shows the (t, v) graph for the motion of the athlete. The graph consists of three straight line segments.

- (i) Calculate the initial acceleration of the athlete. [2]
- (ii) Calculate the total distance the athlete runs. [3]
- (iii) Calculate the velocity of the athlete when $t = 17$. [3]

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A particle P of weight 30 N rests on a horizontal plane. P is attached to two light strings making angles of 30° and 50° with the upward vertical, as shown in the diagram. The tension in each string is 15 N , and the particle is in limiting equilibrium. Find

- (i) the magnitude and direction of the frictional force on P , [3]
 (ii) the coefficient of friction between P and the plane. [5]

5 A railway wagon A of mass 2400 kg and moving with speed 5 m s^{-1} collides with railway wagon B which has mass 3600 kg and is moving towards A with speed 3 m s^{-1} . Immediately after the collision the speeds of A and B are equal.

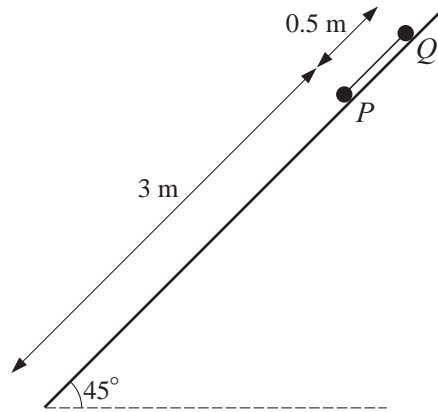
- (i) Given that the two wagons are moving in the same direction after the collision, find their common speed. State which wagon has changed its direction of motion. [5]
 (ii) Given instead that A and B are moving with equal speeds in opposite directions after the collision, calculate
 (a) the speed of the wagons,
 (b) the change in the momentum of A as a result of the collision. [5]

6 A model train travels along a straight track. At time t seconds after setting out from station A , the train has velocity $v\text{ m s}^{-1}$ and displacement x metres from A . It is given that for $0 \leq t \leq 7$

$$x = 0.01t^4 - 0.16t^3 + 0.72t^2.$$

After leaving A the train comes to instantaneous rest at station B .

- (i) Express v in terms of t . Verify that when $t = 2$ the velocity of the train is 1.28 m s^{-1} . [3]
 (ii) Express the acceleration of the train in terms of t , and hence show that when the acceleration of the train is zero $t^2 - 8t + 12 = 0$. [3]
 (iii) Calculate the minimum value of v . [4]
 (iv) Sketch the (t, v) graph for the train, and state the direction of motion of the train when it leaves B . [4]
 (v) Calculate the distance AB . [2]



Two particles P and Q are joined by a taut light inextensible string which is parallel to a line of greatest slope on an inclined plane on which the particles are initially held at rest. The string is 0.5 m long, and the plane is inclined at 45° to the horizontal. P is below the level of Q and 3 m from the foot of the plane (see diagram). Each particle has mass 0.2 kg . Contact between P and the plane is smooth. The coefficient of friction between Q and the plane is 1 . The particles are released from rest and begin to move down the plane.

- (i) Show that the magnitude of the frictional force acting on Q is 1.386 N , correct to 4 significant figures. [2]
- (ii) Show that the particles accelerate at 3.465 m s^{-2} , correct to 4 significant figures, and calculate the tension in the string. [5]
- (iii) Calculate the speed of the particles at the instant when Q reaches the initial position of P . [2]

At the instant when Q reaches the initial position of P , Q becomes detached from the string and the two particles travel independently to the foot of the plane.

- (iv) Show that Q descends at constant speed, and calculate the time interval between the arrival of P and the arrival of Q at the foot of the plane. [7]