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MATHEMATICS

9709/42

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.
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- 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** Small smooth spheres A and B , of equal radii and of masses 5 kg and 3 kg respectively, lie on a smooth horizontal plane. Initially B is at rest and A is moving towards B with speed 8.5 m s^{-1} . The spheres collide and after the collision A continues to move in the same direction but with a quarter of the speed of B .

- (a)** Find the speed of B after the collision. [3]

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- (b)** Find the loss of kinetic energy of the system due to the collision. [2]

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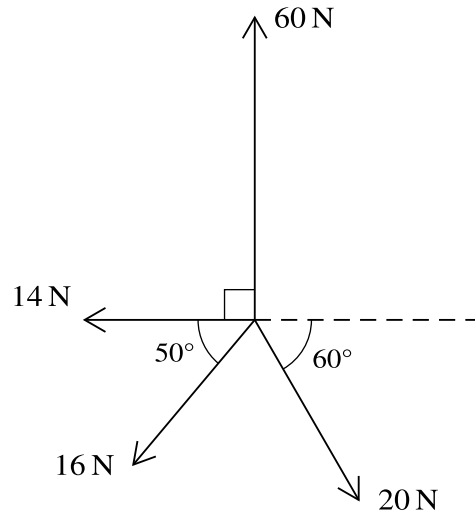
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Coplanar forces of magnitudes 60 N, 20 N, 16 N and 14 N act at a point in the directions shown in the diagram.

Find the magnitude and direction of the resultant force. [6]

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3 Two particles A and B , of masses 2.4 kg and 1.2 kg respectively, are connected by a light inextensible string which passes over a fixed smooth pulley. A is held at a distance of 2.1 m above a horizontal plane and B is 1.5 m above the plane. The particles hang vertically and are released from rest. In the subsequent motion A reaches the plane and does not rebound and B does not reach the pulley.

(a) Show that the tension in the string before A reaches the plane is 16 N and find the magnitude of the acceleration of the particles before A reaches the plane. [4]

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(b) Find the greatest height of B above the plane. [3]

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4 A particle *A*, moving along a straight horizontal track with constant speed 8 m s^{-1} , passes a fixed point *O*. Four seconds later, another particle *B* passes *O*, moving along a parallel track in the same direction as *A*. Particle *B* has speed 20 m s^{-1} when it passes *O* and has a constant deceleration of 2 m s^{-2} . *B* comes to rest when it returns to *O*.

- (a) Find expressions, in terms of *t*, for the displacement from *O* of each particle *t* seconds after *B* passes *O*. [3]

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- (b) Find the values of t when the particles are the same distance from O . [3]

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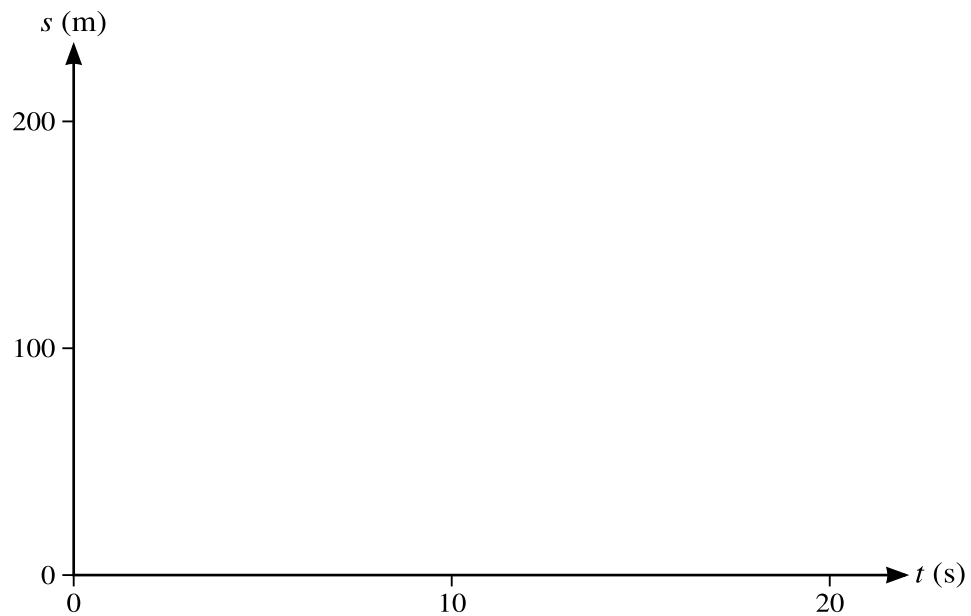
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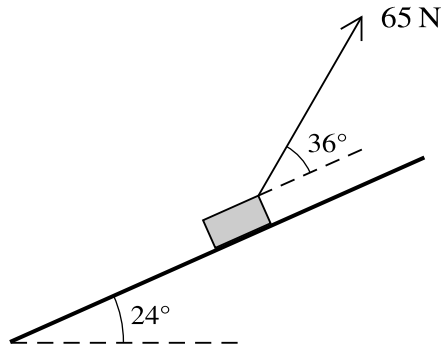
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- (c) On the given axes, sketch the displacement-time graphs for both particles, for values of t from 0 to 20. [3]





A block of mass 12 kg is placed on a plane which is inclined at an angle of 24° to the horizontal. A light string, making an angle of 36° above a line of greatest slope, is attached to the block. The tension in the string is 65 N (see diagram). The coefficient of friction between the block and plane is μ . The block is in limiting equilibrium and is on the point of sliding up the plane.

Find μ .

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6 A car of mass 900 kg is moving up a hill inclined at $\sin^{-1} 0.12$ to the horizontal. The initial speed of the car is 11 m s^{-1} . After 12 s, the car has travelled 150 m up the hill and has speed 16 m s^{-1} . The engine of the car is working at a constant rate of 24 kW.

(a) Find the work done against the resistive forces during the 12 s. [5]

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The car then travels along a straight horizontal road. There is a resistance to the motion of the car of $(1520 + 4v)\text{ N}$ when the speed of the car is $v\text{ m s}^{-1}$. The car travels at a constant speed with the engine working at a constant rate of 32 kW .

(b) Find this speed. [3]

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7 A particle P moves in a straight line. The velocity $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$ at time t seconds is given by

$$v = 0.5t \quad \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq 10,$$
$$v = 0.25t^2 - 8t + 60 \quad \text{for } 10 \leq t \leq 20.$$

- (a) Show that there is an instantaneous change in the acceleration of the particle at $t = 10$. [3]

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