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A2 GCE MATHEMATICS

4731/01 Mechanics 4

QUESTION PAPER

Candidates answer on the Printed Answer Book.

OCR supplied materials:

- Printed Answer Book 4731/01
- List of Formulae (MF1)

Other materials required:

Scientific or graphical calculator

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

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- The Question Paper will be found inside the Printed Answer Book.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the Printed Answer Book. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided in the Printed Answer Book. Additional paper may be used if necessary but you must clearly show your candidate number, centre number and question number(s).
- Use black ink. HB pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Answer all the guestions.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Do not write in the barcodes.
- You are permitted to use a scientific or graphical calculator in this paper.
- 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.

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- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question on the Question Paper.
- You are reminded of the need for clear presentation in your answers.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 72.
- The Printed Answer Book consists of 12 pages. The Question Paper consists of 8 pages.
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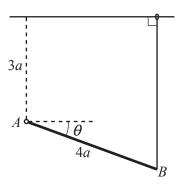
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Answer all the questions.

- A uniform rod with centre C has mass 2M and length 4a. The rod is free to rotate in a vertical plane about a smooth fixed horizontal axis passing through a point A on the rod, where AC = ka and 0 < k < 2. The rod is making small oscillations about the equilibrium position with period T.
 - (i) Show that $T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{a}{3g} \left(\frac{4+3k^2}{k}\right)}$. (You may assume the standard formula $T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I}{mgh}}$ for the period of small oscillations of a compound pendulum.)
 - (ii) Hence find the value of k^2 for which the period of oscillations is least. [3]
- A ship S is travelling with constant speed $5 \,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$ on a course with bearing 325°. A second ship T observes S when S is 9500 m from T on a bearing of 060° from T. Ship T sets off in pursuit, travelling with constant speed $8.5 \,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$ in a straight line.
 - (i) Find the bearing of the course which T should take in order to intercept S. [4]
 - (ii) Find the distance travelled by S from the moment that T sets off in pursuit until the point of interception. [5]

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A uniform rod AB has mass m and length 4a. The rod can rotate in a vertical plane about a smooth fixed horizontal axis passing through A. One end of a light elastic string of natural length a and modulus of elasticity λmg is attached to B. The other end of the string is attached to a small light ring which slides on a fixed smooth horizontal rail which is in the same vertical plane as the rod. The rail is a vertical distance 3a above A. The string is always vertical and the rod makes an angle θ radians with the horizontal, where $0 \le \theta \le \frac{1}{2}\pi$ (see diagram).

(i) Taking A as the reference level for gravitational potential energy, find an expression for the total potential energy V of the system, and show that

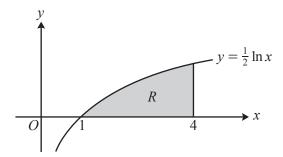
$$\frac{\mathrm{d}V}{\mathrm{d}\theta} = 2mga\cos\theta \left(4\lambda(1+2\sin\theta) - 1\right).$$
 [6]

Determine the positions of equilibrium and the nature of their stability in the cases

(ii)
$$\lambda > \frac{1}{12}$$
, [9]

(iii)
$$\lambda < \frac{1}{12}$$
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The diagram shows the curve with equation $y = \frac{1}{2} \ln x$. The region R, shaded in the diagram, is bounded by the curve, the x-axis and the line x = 4. A uniform solid of revolution is formed by rotating R completely about the y-axis to form a solid of volume V.

(i) Show that
$$V = \frac{1}{4}\pi (64 \ln 2 - 15)$$
. [4]

(ii) Find the exact y-coordinate of the centre of mass of the solid. [7]

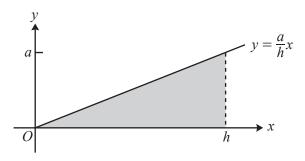


Fig. 1

Fig. 1 shows part of the line $y = \frac{a}{h}x$, where a and h are constants. The shaded region bounded by the line, the x-axis and the line x = h is rotated about the x-axis to form a uniform solid cone of base radius a, height h and volume $\frac{1}{3}\pi a^2 h$. The mass of the cone is M.

(i) Show by integration that the moment of inertia of the cone about the y-axis is $\frac{3}{20}M(a^2+4h^2)$. (You may assume the standard formula $\frac{1}{4}mr^2$ for the moment of inertia of a uniform disc about a diameter.)

[7]

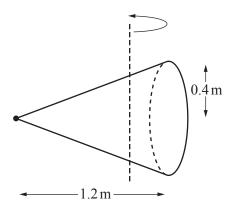
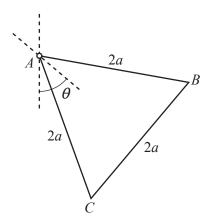


Fig. 2

A uniform solid cone has mass 3 kg, base radius 0.4 m and height 1.2 m. The cone can rotate about a fixed vertical axis passing through its centre of mass with the axis of the cone moving in a horizontal plane. The cone is rotating about this vertical axis at an angular speed of $9.6 \, \text{rad s}^{-1}$. A stationary particle of mass $m \, \text{kg}$ becomes attached to the vertex of the cone (see Fig. 2). The particle being attached to the cone causes the angular speed to change instantaneously from $9.6 \, \text{rad s}^{-1}$ to $7.8 \, \text{rad s}^{-1}$.

(ii) Find the value of m. [5]



A triangular frame ABC consists of three uniform rods AB, BC and CA, rigidly joined at A, B and C. Each rod has mass m and length 2a. The frame is free to rotate in a vertical plane about a fixed horizontal axis passing through A. The frame is initially held such that the axis of symmetry through A is vertical and BC is below the level of A. The frame starts to rotate with an initial angular speed of ω and at time t the angle between the axis of symmetry through A and the vertical is θ (see diagram).

- (i) Show that the moment of inertia of the frame about the axis through A is $6ma^2$. [3]
- (ii) Show that the angular speed $\dot{\theta}$ of the frame when it has turned through an angle θ satisfies

$$a\dot{\theta}^2 = a\omega^2 - kg\sqrt{3}(1-\cos\theta),$$

stating the exact value of the constant k.

Hence find, in terms of a and g, the set of values of ω^2 for which the frame makes complete revolutions. [5]

At an instant when $\theta = \frac{1}{6}\pi$, the force acting on the frame at A has magnitude F.

(iii) Given that
$$\omega^2 = \frac{2g}{a\sqrt{3}}$$
, find F in terms of m and g. [8]

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