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A2 GCE MATHEMATICS (MEI)

4764/01 Mechanics 4

QUESTION PAPER

Candidates answer on the Printed Answer Book.

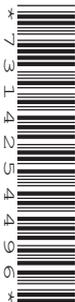
OCR supplied materials:

- Printed Answer Book 4764/01
- MEI Examination Formulae and Tables (MF2)

Other materials required:

- Scientific or graphical calculator

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

These instructions are the same on the Printed Answer Book and the Question Paper.

- 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.** If additional space is required, you should use the lined page(s) at the end of this booklet. The question number(s) must be clearly shown.
- Use black ink. HB pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Do **not** write in the barcodes.
- You are permitted to use a scientific or graphical calculator in this paper.
- Final answers should be given to a degree of accuracy appropriate to the context.
- The acceleration due to gravity is denoted by $g \text{ ms}^{-2}$. Unless otherwise instructed, when a numerical value is needed, use $g = 9.8$.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

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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 advised that an answer may receive **no marks** unless you show sufficient detail of the working to indicate that a correct method is being used.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **72**.
- The Printed Answer Book consists of **16** pages. The Question Paper consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

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Section A (24 marks)

- 1 A rocket is launched vertically upwards from rest. The initial total mass of the rocket and its fuel is 1500 kg. The propulsion system of the rocket burns fuel at a constant rate of 20 kg s^{-1} and the fuel is ejected vertically downwards with a speed of 1800 m s^{-1} relative to the rocket. The only other force acting on the rocket is its weight. The acceleration due to gravity is constant throughout the motion. At time t s after launch, where $t \leq 60$, the speed of the rocket is $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$. The rocket stops burning fuel 60 seconds after the launch.

(i) Show that, while fuel is being burnt,

$$\frac{dv}{dt} - \frac{1800}{75-t} = -g. \quad [6]$$

(ii) Solve this differential equation to find an expression for v in terms of t . Calculate, correct to 3 significant figures, the speed of the rocket when $t = 30$. [6]

- 2 Fig. 2 shows a uniform rigid rod AB of mass m and length a . The rod is freely hinged at A so that it can rotate in a vertical plane. The end B of the rod is attached to one end of a light elastic string BC of modulus λ and natural length a . The other end of the string, C, is fixed at a point vertically above A, where the distance AC is a . The rod makes an angle 2θ with the downward vertical, where $0 < \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{4}$.

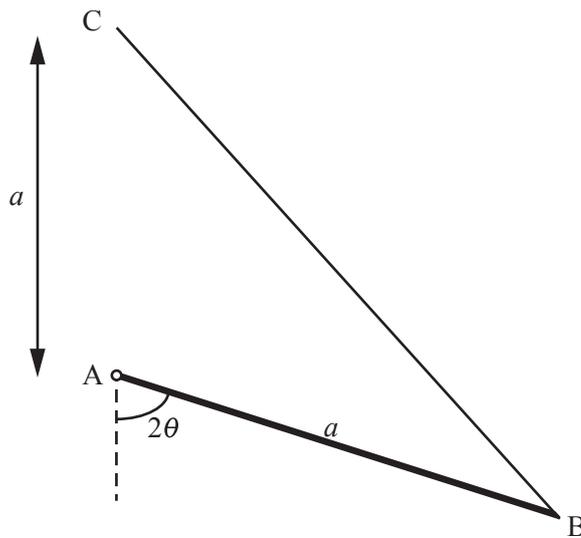


Fig. 2

(i) Find the potential energy, V , of the system relative to a situation in which the rod AB is horizontal, and hence show that

$$\frac{dV}{d\theta} = 2a \sin \theta (\lambda + mg \cos \theta - 2\lambda \cos \theta). \quad [5]$$

(ii) Show that if there is a position of equilibrium then $mg < \lambda \leq mg \left(1 + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right)$. Deduce that any such position of equilibrium is stable. [7]

Section B (48 marks)

- 3 A particle P of mass m kg is held at rest at a point O on a fixed plane inclined at an angle of 30° to the horizontal. P is released and moves down a line of greatest slope. The total resistance acting on P is kv^2 N, where k is a positive constant and where v m s⁻¹ is the velocity of P when P has travelled a distance x m from O.

- (i) Write down an equation of motion for P and show that

$$v^2 = \frac{mg}{2k} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{2kx}{m}} \right).$$
 [7]

It is given that $k = 0.2$, $m = 3$ and P travels a distance of 1.5 m before reaching the foot of the plane.

- (ii) Show, by integration, that the work done against the resistance in the first 1.5 m of the motion is

$$\frac{9}{4}g(5e^{-0.2} - 4)J,$$

and verify that this is equal to the loss in mechanical energy of P. [6]

At the bottom of the slope the particle P moves onto a smooth horizontal plane without loss of speed; a force then acts on P. This force, which acts in the direction of motion of P, has a magnitude of $\ln(2t + 1)$ N where t s is the time from the moment that P begins to move horizontally. When travelling horizontally there are no resistances to motion acting on P.

- (iii) Given that the impulse of the force over the first T seconds is 20 N s show that T satisfies

$$T = \frac{40 + 2T - \ln(2T + 1)}{2 \ln(2T + 1)}.$$
 [7]

- (iv) Use an iterative process based on the equation in part (iii), with a suitable starting value, to find T correct to 3 decimal places. [2]

- (v) Find the velocity of P after P has travelled horizontally for T seconds. [2]

Question 4 begins on page 4.

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- 4 (i) Show, by integration, that the moment of inertia of a thin uniform rigid rod of length $3a$ and mass $2m$ about an axis through one end and perpendicular to the rod is $6ma^2$. [4]

A pendulum consists of a thin uniform rigid rod AB of length $3a$ and mass $2m$ and a uniform circular disc of radius a , mass m and centre C. The end B of the rod is rigidly attached to a point on the circumference of the disc in such a way that ABC is a straight line. The pendulum is initially at rest with B vertically below A. The pendulum is free to rotate in a vertical plane about a smooth fixed horizontal axis passing through A where the axis is perpendicular to the plane of the disc (see Fig. 4). At time $t = 0$ the pendulum is set in motion with initial angular velocity ω .

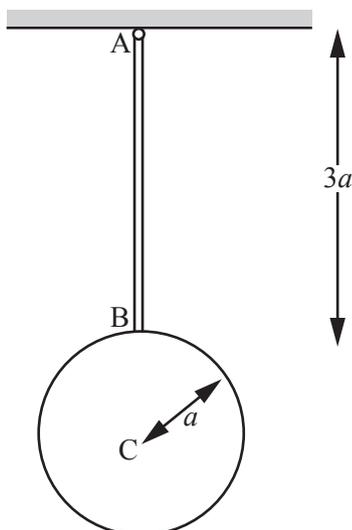


Fig. 4

- (ii) Show that the angular velocity $\dot{\theta}$ when the pendulum makes an angle θ with the downward vertical is given by

$$\dot{\theta}^2 = \omega^2 + k(\cos \theta - 1),$$

where k is a constant to be determined in terms of a and g . [8]

- (iii) Find, in terms a , g and θ , the angular acceleration of the pendulum. [2]

The pendulum is making small oscillations about the equilibrium position.

- (iv) Show that the motion is approximately simple harmonic, and find the approximate period of oscillations in terms of a and g . [2]

- (v) Now suppose θ is such that θ^3 and higher powers can be neglected. Show that

$$\frac{dt}{d\theta} \approx \left(\omega^2 - \frac{1}{2}k\theta^2 \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}},$$

and hence, by integration, express θ in terms of k , ω and t . [8]

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