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Paper 3 Further Mechanics **May/June 2020**

1 hour 30 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.
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- 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 $10\,\text{m}\,\text{s}^{-2}$.

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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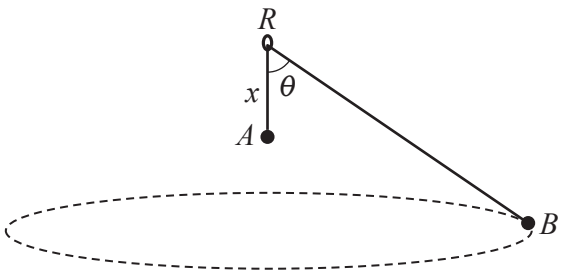
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1 A particle P is projected with speed u at an angle of 30° above the horizontal from a point O on a horizontal plane and moves freely under gravity. The particle reaches its greatest height at time T after projection.

Find, in terms of u, the speed of P at time $\frac{2}{3}T$ after projection. [5]

2



A light inextensible string of length a is threaded through a fixed smooth ring R. One end of the string is attached to a particle A of mass $3m$. The other end of the string is attached to a particle B of mass m. The particle A hangs in equilibrium at a distance x vertically below the ring. The angle between AR and BR is θ (see diagram). The particle B moves in a horizontal circle with constant angular speed $2\sqrt{\frac{g}{a}}$.

Show that $\cos\theta = \frac{1}{3}$ and find x in terms of a. [5]

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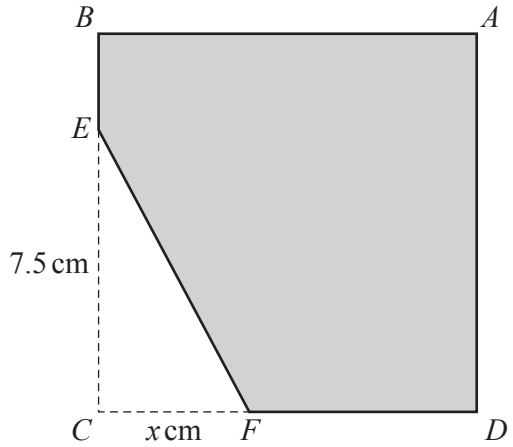
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3 One end of a light elastic spring, of natural length a and modulus of elasticity $5mg$, is attached to a fixed point A. The other end of the spring is attached to a particle P of mass m. The spring hangs with P vertically below A. The particle P is released from rest in the position where the extension of the spring is $\frac{1}{2}a$.

(a) Show that the initial acceleration of P is $\frac{3}{2}g$ upwards. [3]

(b) Find the speed of P when the spring first returns to its natural length. [4]

4



A uniform square lamina $ABCD$ has sides of length 10 cm. The point E is on BC with $EC = 7.5$ cm, and the point F is on DC with $CF = x$ cm. The triangle EFC is removed from $ABCD$ (see diagram). The centre of mass of the resulting shape $ABEFD$ is a distance $\bar{x}$ cm from CB and a distance $\bar{y}$ cm from CD.

(a) Show that $\bar{x} = \dfrac{400 - x^2}{80 - 3x}$ and find a corresponding expression for $\bar{y}$. [4]

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The shape *ABEFD* is in equilibrium in a vertical plane with the edge *DF* resting on a smooth horizontal surface.

(b) Find the greatest possible value of x, giving your answer in the form $a + b\sqrt{2}$, where a and b are constants to be determined. [3]

5 A particle P is moving along a straight line with acceleration $3ku - kv$ where v is its velocity at time t, u is its initial velocity and k is a constant. The velocity and acceleration of P are both in the direction of increasing displacement from the initial position.

(a) Find the time taken for P to achieve a velocity of $2u$. [3]

(b) Find an expression for the displacement of P from its initial position when its velocity is $2u$. [5]

6 A particle P of mass m is moving with speed u on a fixed smooth horizontal surface. The particle strikes a fixed vertical barrier. At the instant of impact the direction of motion of P makes an angle α with the barrier. The coefficient of restitution between P and the barrier is e. As a result of the impact, the direction of motion of P is turned through 90°.

(a) Show that $\tan^2\alpha = \frac{1}{e}$. [3]

The particle P loses two-thirds of its kinetic energy in the impact.

(b) Find the value of α and the value of e. [5]

7 A hollow cylinder of radius a is fixed with its axis horizontal. A particle P, of mass m, moves in part of a vertical circle of radius a and centre O on the smooth inner surface of the cylinder. The speed of P when it is at the lowest point A of its motion is $\sqrt{\frac{7}{2}ga}$.

The particle P loses contact with the surface of the cylinder when OP makes an angle θ with the upward vertical through O.

(a) Show that $\theta = 60°$. [5]

(b) Show that in its subsequent motion P strikes the cylinder at the point A. [5]

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