

ADVANCED GCE UNIT MATHEMATICS

Mechanics 4 FRIDAY 22 JUNE 2007

Morning

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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.
- 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 $g \,\mathrm{m \, s}^{-2}$. 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

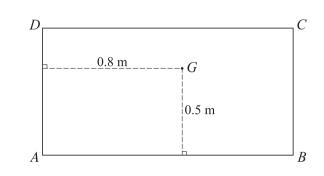
- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 72.

ADVICE TO CANDIDATES

- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- You are reminded of the need for clear presentation in your answers.

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- 1 The driveshaft of an electric motor begins to rotate from rest and has constant angular acceleration. In the first 8 seconds it turns through 56 radians.
 - (i) Find the angular acceleration. [2]
 - (ii) Find the angle through which the driveshaft turns while its angular speed increases from 20 rad s^{-1} to 36 rad s^{-1} . [2]
- 2 The region *R* is bounded by the curve $y = \sqrt{4a^2 x^2}$ for $0 \le x \le a$, the *x*-axis, the *y*-axis and the line x = a, where *a* is a positive constant. The region *R* is rotated through 2π radians about the *x*-axis to form a uniform solid of revolution. Find the *x*-coordinate of the centre of mass of this solid. [7]



A non-uniform rectangular lamina ABCD has mass 6 kg. The centre of mass G of the lamina is 0.8 m from the side AD and 0.5 m from the side AB (see diagram). The moment of inertia of the lamina about AD is 6.2 kg m^2 and the moment of inertia of the lamina about AB is 2.8 kg m^2 .

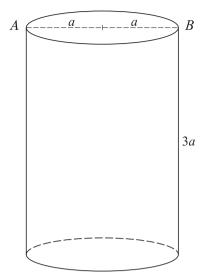
The lamina rotates in a vertical plane about a fixed horizontal axis which passes through A and is perpendicular to the lamina.

(i) Write down the moment of inertia of the lamina about this axis. [1]

The lamina is released from rest in the position where AB and DC are horizontal and DC is above AB. A frictional couple of constant moment opposes the motion. When AB is first vertical, the angular speed of the lamina is 2.4 rad s⁻¹.

- (ii) Find the moment of the frictional couple. [5]
- (iii) Find the angular acceleration of the lamina immediately after it is released. [3]

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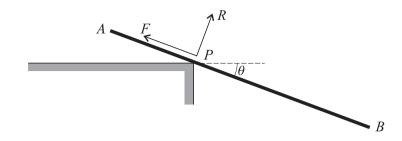
A uniform solid cylinder has radius a, height 3a, and mass M. The line AB is a diameter of one of the end faces of the cylinder (see diagram).

(i) Show by integration that the moment of inertia of the cylinder about AB is $\frac{13}{4}Ma^2$. (You may assume that the moment of inertia of a uniform disc of mass *m* and radius *a* about a diameter is $\frac{1}{4}ma^2$.) [7]

The line AB is now fixed in a horizontal position and the cylinder rotates freely about AB, making small oscillations as a compound pendulum.

- (ii) Find the approximate period of these small oscillations, in terms of *a* and *g*. [3]
- 5 A ship S is travelling with constant speed 12 m s^{-1} on a course with bearing 345° . A patrol boat B spots the ship S when S is 2400 m from B on a bearing of 050° . The boat B sets off in pursuit, travelling with constant speed $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$ in a straight line.
 - (i) Given that v = 16, find the bearing of the course which *B* should take in order to intercept *S*, and the time taken to make the interception. [8]
 - (ii) Given instead that v = 10, find the bearing of the course which *B* should take in order to get as close as possible to *S*. [4]

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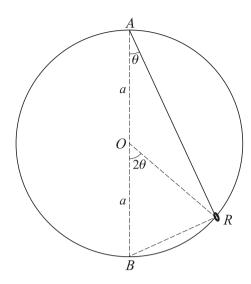


A uniform rod *AB* has mass *m* and length 2*a*. The point *P* on the rod is such that $AP = \frac{2}{3}a$. The rod is placed in a horizontal position perpendicular to the edge of a rough horizontal table, with *AP* in contact with the table and *PB* overhanging the edge. The rod is released from rest in this position. When it has rotated through an angle θ , and no slipping has occurred at *P*, the normal reaction acting on the rod at *P* is *R* and the frictional force is *F* (see diagram).

- (i) Show that the angular acceleration of the rod is $\frac{3g\cos\theta}{4a}$. [4]
- (ii) Find the angular speed of the rod, in terms of a, g and θ . [3]
- (iii) Find F and R in terms of m, g and θ .

[6]

(iv) Given that the coefficient of friction between the rod and the edge of the table is μ , show that the rod is on the point of slipping at *P* when $\tan \theta = \frac{1}{2}\mu$. [2]



A smooth circular wire, with centre *O* and radius *a*, is fixed in a vertical plane. The highest point on the wire is *A* and the lowest point on the wire is *B*. A small ring *R* of mass *m* moves freely along the wire. A light elastic string, with natural length *a* and modulus of elasticity $\frac{1}{2}mg$, has one end attached to *A* and the other end attached to *R*. The string *AR* makes an angle θ (measured anticlockwise) with the downward vertical, so that *OR* makes an angle 2θ with the downward vertical (see diagram). You may assume that the string does not become slack.

(i) Taking A as the level for zero gravitational potential energy, show that the total potential energy V of the system is given by

$$V = mga(\frac{1}{4} - \cos\theta - \cos^2\theta).$$
 [4]

- (ii) Show that $\theta = 0$ is the only position of equilibrium.
- (iii) By differentiating the energy equation with respect to time t, show that

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}^2\theta}{\mathrm{d}t^2} = -\frac{g}{4a}\sin\theta(1+2\cos\theta).$$
 [5]

(iv) Deduce the approximate period of small oscillations about the equilibrium position $\theta = 0$. [3]

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