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General Certificate of Education Advanced Subsidiary Examination June 2012

# **Mathematics**

MM1A/W

**Unit Mechanics 1A** 

Thursday 24 May 2012 9.00 am to 10.15 am

### For this paper you must have:

• the blue AQA booklet of formulae and statistical tables. You may use a graphics calculator.

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### Time allowed

• 1 hour 15 minutes

# Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Pencil should only be used for drawing.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer all questions.
- Write the question part reference (eg (a), (b)(i) etc) in the left-hand margin.
- You must answer each question in the space provided for that question. If you require extra space, use an AQA supplementary answer book; do **not** use the space provided for a different question.
- Do not write outside the box around each page.
- · Show all necessary working; otherwise marks for method may be lost.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work that you do not want to be marked.
- The **final** answer to questions requiring the use of calculators should be given to three significant figures, unless stated otherwise.
- Take  $g = 9.8 \,\mathrm{m \, s^{-2}}$ , unless stated otherwise.

# Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 60.
- Unit Mechanics 1A has a written paper and coursework.

### Advice

- Unless stated otherwise, you may guote formulae, without proof, from the booklet.
- You do not necessarily need to use all the space provided.



# Answer all questions.

Answer each question in the space provided for that question.

Two toy trains, A and B, are moving in the same direction on a straight horizontal track when they collide. As they collide, the speed of A is  $4 \,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$  and the speed of B is  $3 \,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$ . Immediately after the collision, they move together with a speed of  $3.8 \,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$ .

The mass of A is 2 kg. Find the mass of B.

(3 marks)

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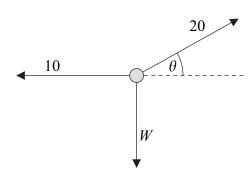
| 2                     | A car is travelling at a speed of $20\mathrm{ms^{-1}}$ along a straight horizontal road. The driver applies the brakes and a constant braking force acts on the car until it comes to rest. Assume that no other horizontal forces act on the car. |
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| (a                    | After the car has travelled 75 metres, its speed has reduced to $10\mathrm{ms^{-1}}$ . Find the acceleration of the car.   |
| (b                    | Find the time taken for the speed of the car to reduce from $20 \mathrm{ms^{-1}}$ to zero. (2 marks)   |
| (с                    | Given that the mass of the car is 1400 kg, find the magnitude of the constant braking force.  (2 marks)  |
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A particle, of weight W newtons, is held in equilibrium by two forces of magnitudes 10 newtons and 20 newtons. The 10-newton force is horizontal and the 20-newton force acts at an angle  $\theta$  above the horizontal, as shown in the diagram. All three forces act in the same vertical plane.



- (a) Find  $\theta$ . (3 marks)
- (b) Find W. (2 marks)
- (c) Calculate the mass of the particle. (2 marks)

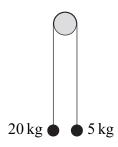
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Two particles have masses of 20 kg and 5 kg. They are connected by a light inextensible string that passes over a smooth fixed peg, as shown in the diagram.



The particles are released from rest.

By forming two equations of motion, find the magnitude of the acceleration of the particles. (4 marks)

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| 5                             | A helicopter is travelling in a straight horizontal line. The air is moving north-east at a speed of $20 \mathrm{ms^{-1}}$ . Relative to the air, the helicopter travels due north at a speed of $V \mathrm{ms^{-1}}$ . The magnitude of the resultant velocity of the helicopter is $50 \mathrm{ms^{-1}}$ . |
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|                               | Find V. (5 marks)  |
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A child pulls a sledge, of mass 8 kg, along a rough horizontal surface, using a light rope. The coefficient of friction between the sledge and the surface is 0.3. The tension in the rope is 40 newtons. The rope is kept at an angle of  $\theta$  to the horizontal, as shown in the diagram.



Model the sledge as a particle.

- (a) Draw a diagram to show all the forces acting on the sledge. (1 mark)
- (b) Find the magnitude of the normal reaction force acting on the sledge, in terms of  $\theta$ .

  (3 marks)
- (c) The acceleration of the sledge is

$$p + q\cos\theta + r\sin\theta$$

Find p, q and r. (5 marks)

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| 7                             | A particle moves with a constant acceleration of $(0.1\mathbf{i} - 0.2\mathbf{j})\mathrm{ms^{-2}}$ . It is initially at the origin where it has velocity $(-\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j})\mathrm{ms^{-1}}$ . The unit vectors $\mathbf{i}$ and $\mathbf{j}$ are directed east and north respectively. |
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| (a                            | Find an expression for the position vector of the particle $t$ seconds after it has left the origin. (2 marks)  |
| (b                            | Find the time that it takes for the particle to reach the point where it is due east of the origin.  (3 marks)  |
| (с                            | ) Find the speed of the particle when it is travelling south-east. (6 marks)  |
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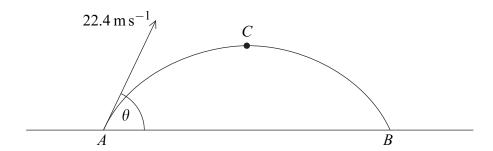
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A particle is launched from the point A on a horizontal surface, with a velocity of  $22.4 \,\mathrm{m\,s^{-1}}$  at an angle  $\theta$  above the horizontal, as shown in the diagram.



After 2 seconds, the particle reaches the point C, where it is at its maximum height above the surface.

- (a) Show that  $\sin \theta = 0.875$ . (3 marks)
- (b) Find the height of the point C above the horizontal surface. (3 marks)
- (c) The particle returns to the surface at the point B. Find the distance between A and B.

  (3 marks)
- (d) Find the length of time during which the height of the particle above the surface is greater than 5 metres. (5 marks)

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