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General Certificate of Education  
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# Mathematics

# MM04

## Unit Mechanics 4

Thursday 24 June 2010 9.00 am to 10.30 am

**For this paper you must have:**

- the blue AQA booklet of formulae and statistical tables.

You may use a graphics calculator.

**Time allowed**

- 1 hour 30 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 the questions in the spaces provided. 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  $g = 9.8 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ , unless stated otherwise.

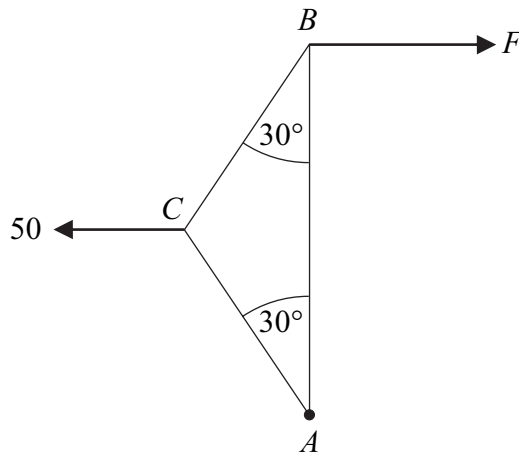
- Information**
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
  - The maximum mark for this paper is 75.

- Advice**
- Unless stated otherwise, you may quote formulae, without proof, from the booklet.



Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

- 1** A framework consists of three light inextensible smoothly jointed rods  $AB$ ,  $BC$  and  $CA$ . Rods  $BC$  and  $CA$  each have length 2 metres and angle  $BAC = \text{angle } ABC = 30^\circ$ . The framework is freely pivoted to a fixed support at  $A$ . Two horizontal forces, of magnitudes 50 newtons and  $F$  newtons, act on the framework. The system is in equilibrium in a vertical plane with  $AB$  vertical, as shown in the diagram.



- (a) By taking moments about  $A$ , find  $F$ . (2 marks)
- (b) State the magnitude and direction of the reaction force acting on the framework at  $A$ . (2 marks)
- (c) (i) Find the magnitude of the force in the rod  $BC$ . (2 marks)
- (ii) Find the magnitude of the force in the rod  $AB$ . (2 marks)

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**2** Stephanie is practising a ballet dancing routine. As part of the routine, she rotates about a vertical axis through her centre of mass.

**(a)** When both her arms are fully extended, her moment of inertia about her axis of rotation is  $0.6 \text{ kg m}^2$  and her angular speed is  $3 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ . Find her angular momentum. (2 marks)

**(b)** Stephanie now lowers her arms until they are vertical. Her moment of inertia in this position is  $0.45 \text{ kg m}^2$ . Find her angular speed when her arms are vertical. (2 marks)

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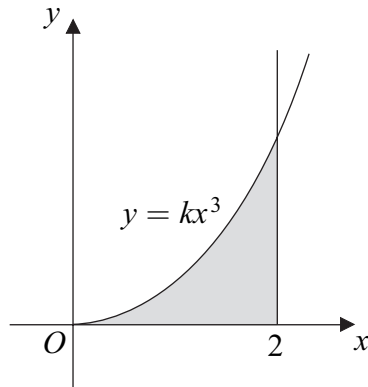
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A uniform lamina is bounded by the curve  $y = kx^3$ , the line  $x = 2$  and the  $x$ -axis, as shown in the diagram.



- (a) Find an expression for the area of the lamina in terms of  $k$ . (2 marks)
- (b) Find the  $x$ -coordinate of the centre of mass of the lamina. (4 marks)
- (c) The  $y$ -coordinate of the centre of mass of the lamina is 8.
  - (i) Determine the value of  $k$ . (4 marks)
  - (ii) The lamina is freely suspended from the corner at the origin  $O$ . Find the acute angle between the straight edge at the point of suspension and the vertical. (3 marks)

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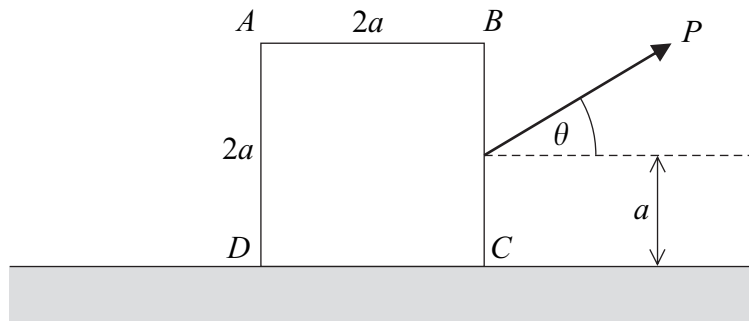








- 4 A uniform cube, of side  $2a$  and mass  $m$ , rests on a rough horizontal plane. The diagram shows a vertical cross-section  $ABCD$  through the centre of mass of the cube.



A force, of magnitude  $P$ , is applied at the mid-point of  $BC$ . This force acts in the plane  $ABCD$  and makes an angle  $\theta$  with the horizontal. The coefficient of friction between the cube and the plane is  $\mu$ .

- (a) In the case where the cube does not slide but is on the point of toppling about the edge through  $C$ , find an expression for  $P$  in terms of  $m$ ,  $g$  and  $\theta$ . (3 marks)
- (b) In the case where the cube remains upright but is on the point of sliding along the plane, show that  $P = \frac{\mu mg}{\cos \theta + \mu \sin \theta}$ . (4 marks)
- (c) Find an inequality that  $\mu$  must satisfy if the cube slides before it topples. (3 marks)
- (d) Would your answer in part (c) change if the mass of the cube were doubled? Explain why. (2 marks)

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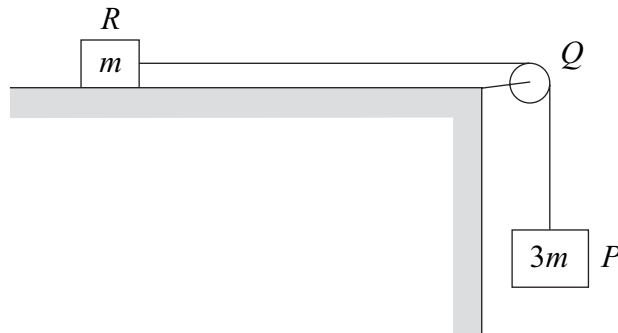
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5 A pulley  $Q$  is fixed to the edge of a smooth horizontal table. The pulley can rotate freely in a vertical plane about a horizontal axis through its centre.

A light inextensible string runs over the pulley, connecting a block  $R$ , of mass  $m$ , to a block  $P$ , of mass  $3m$ . The block  $R$  is held at rest on the table with block  $P$  hanging freely, as shown in the diagram.



Model the pulley as a uniform disc of mass  $12m$  and radius  $r$ . Model the blocks as particles.

- (a) Write down the moment of inertia of the pulley about the horizontal axis through its centre and perpendicular to its plane. (1 mark)
- (b) Block  $R$  is released. In the subsequent motion,  $R$  moves on the table. The string between  $P$  and  $Q$  is vertical and has tension  $T_1$ . The string between  $Q$  and  $R$  is horizontal and has tension  $T_2$ . The pulley has angular acceleration  $\ddot{\theta}$ . Assume that the string does not slip and that  $R$  does not reach the pulley.
- (i) Show that  $T_1 - T_2 = 6mr\ddot{\theta}$ . (3 marks)
- (ii) Show that  $\ddot{\theta} = \frac{3g}{10r}$ . (6 marks)
- (iii) Find  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  in terms of  $m$  and  $g$ . (3 marks)

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- 6** Two forces,  $2\mathbf{i} + a\mathbf{k}$  and  $-2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$ , act at the points whose coordinates are  $(1, 0, 3)$  and  $(-1, 2, 0)$  respectively.
- (a)** Show that the resultant moment of these forces about the origin is  $6\mathbf{i} + (9 - a)\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{k}$ . (5 marks)
- (b)** This system is equivalent to a force  $\mathbf{F}$  that acts at the origin together with a couple of magnitude 7.
- (i)** Show that one possible value of  $a$  is 7 and find the other possible value of  $a$ . (4 marks)
- (ii)** In the case where  $a = 7$ , find  $\mathbf{F}$ . (2 marks)

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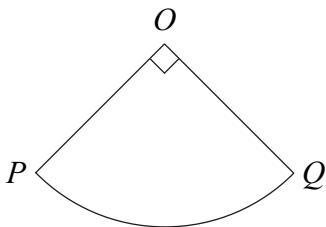






7 (a) Prove by integration that the moment of inertia of a uniform rod, of mass  $m$  and length  $2a$ , about an axis through one end of the rod and perpendicular to the rod is  $\frac{4}{3}ma^2$ . (4 marks)

(b) The diagram shows a simple model of a theme park swingboat ride.



The model consists of two uniform rods,  $OP$  and  $OQ$ , and a seat in the form of a circular arc  $PQ$  with centre  $O$ . Each rod has mass  $m$  and length  $2a$ . The seat is of mass  $4m$  and angle  $POQ = 90^\circ$ . The rods and the seat are rigidly fixed together and the model is free to rotate about a horizontal axis through  $O$ . The axis is perpendicular to the plane of  $OPQ$ .

(i) Show that the moment of inertia of the model about this axis is  $\frac{56ma^2}{3}$ . (4 marks)

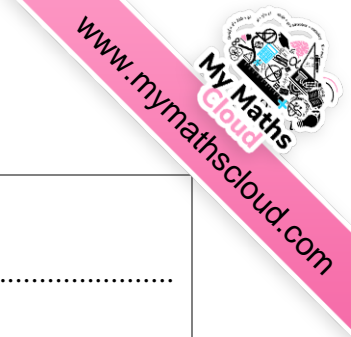
(ii) The centre of mass of the model is at a distance of approximately  $1.44a$  from the point  $O$ . The model is rotated until  $OQ$  is horizontal, with  $P$  vertically below  $O$ , and is then released from rest.

In the case where  $a = 1.5$ , find the greatest angular speed during the subsequent motion. (6 marks)

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**END OF QUESTIONS**

