



**GCE AS/A level**

0982/01

**MATHEMATICS M3**

**Mechanics 3**

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1½ hours

#### **ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

In addition to this examination paper, you will need:

- a 12 page answer book;
- a Formula Booklet;
- a calculator.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Use black ink or black ball-point pen.

Answer **all** questions.

Take  $g$  as  $9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ .

Sufficient working must be shown to demonstrate the **mathematical** method employed.

#### **INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

You are reminded of the necessity for good English and orderly presentation in your answers.

1. A car of mass 600 kg starts from rest and moves along a straight horizontal road. At time  $t$  s, the force acting on the car has magnitude  $\frac{27000}{(t+3)^2}$  N acting in the direction of motion.

Resistance to motion may be ignored.

- (a) Find an expression for  $v \text{ ms}^{-1}$ , the velocity of the car at time  $t$  s. Hence show that the speed of the car has a limiting value as  $t$  increases and find this limiting value. [7]
- (b) Calculate the distance travelled by the car in the first 6 s of motion. Give your answer correct to two decimal places. [5]

2. The points  $O$ ,  $A$  and  $B$  lie, in that order, on a straight line with  $OA = 0.6$  m and  $OB = 0.8$  m. A particle  $P$  performs Simple Harmonic Motion along the line with centre  $O$ . The speed of  $P$  at  $A$  is  $0.3\sqrt{3} \text{ ms}^{-1}$  and its speed at  $B$  is  $0.2\sqrt{5} \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .

- (a) Show that the amplitude of the motion is 1.2 m and that the period is  $4\pi$  s. [7]
- (b) Determine the magnitude of the acceleration of  $P$  at  $A$ . [2]
- (c) Calculate the time taken for  $P$  to move directly from  $A$  to  $B$ . Give your answer correct to 3 significant figures. [4]
- (d) Given that  $P$  is at  $O$  at time  $t = 0$ , find the distance of  $P$  from  $O$  when  $t = \frac{2\pi}{3}$ . [2]
- (e) Given that  $P$  is at  $O$  when  $t = 0$ , find the speed of  $P$  when  $t = \frac{2\pi}{3}$ . [3]

3. Find the solution of the second order differential equation

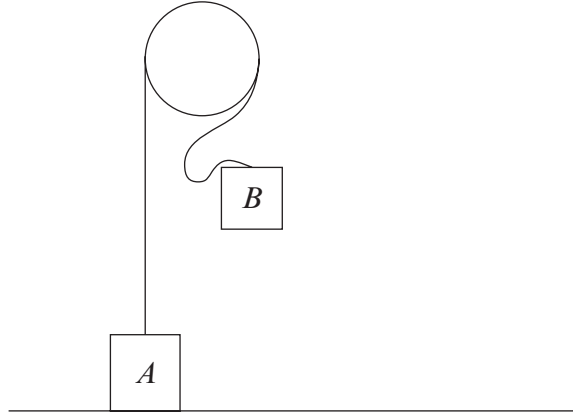
$$2\frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + 5\frac{dx}{dt} + 2x = 6t + 5$$

such that  $x = 3$  and  $\frac{dx}{dt} = 2$  when  $t = 0$ . [12]

4. A particle  $P$ , of mass 0.5 kg, moves along the positive  $x$ -axis away from the origin  $O$ . At time  $t$  s, the displacement of  $P$  from  $O$  is  $x$  m and its speed is  $v \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . The particle is moving under the action of a force of magnitude  $\frac{4}{2x+1}$  N acting in the direction of motion. As  $P$  passes point  $A$ , where  $OA = 3$  m, its speed is  $4 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .

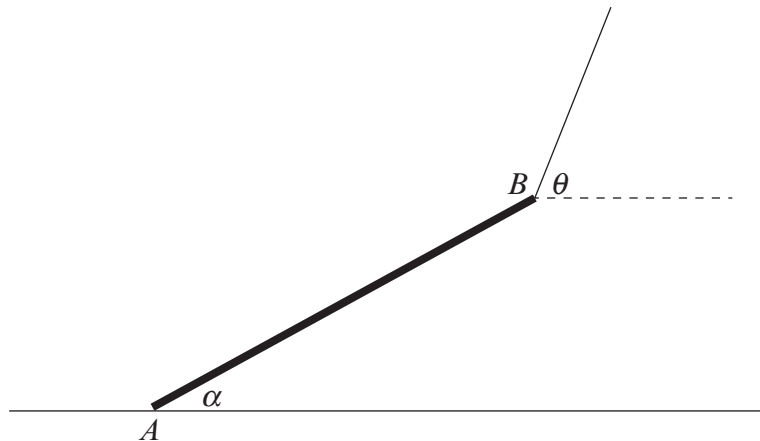
- (a) Find an expression for  $v^2$  in terms of  $x$ , and hence calculate the speed of  $P$  when it is 10 m from  $O$ . [8]
- (b) Find the distance of  $P$  from  $O$  when its speed is  $6 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . [3]

5. A particle  $A$ , of mass 5 kg, rests on a horizontal surface. It is attached to one end of a light inextensible string which passes over a smooth light fixed pulley. The other end of the string is attached to another particle  $B$  of mass 2 kg. Initially, the particles are held at rest with the string just taut. Particle  $B$  is then raised vertically and released from rest. After dropping for 0.5 s, the string becomes taut.



Find the speed with which particle  $A$  begins to rise and the impulsive tension in the string. [8]

6. The diagram shows a straight uniform beam  $AB$  of weight 2100 N and length 2 m resting in equilibrium with its end  $A$  on rough horizontal ground. A light cable, which is attached to the other end  $B$ , is holding the beam with the end  $B$  off the ground so that the beam makes an angle  $\alpha$  with the ground, where  $\tan \alpha = \frac{5}{12}$ . The cable makes an angle  $\theta$  with the horizontal.



The coefficient of friction between the end  $A$  and the ground is  $\frac{3}{4}$ . Given that the end  $A$  of the beam is about to slip,

- (a) find the normal reaction of the ground on the beam at  $A$ , [6]  
 (b) calculate the tension in the cable and the value of the angle  $\theta$ . [8]