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**ADVANCED LEVEL**

Subject Title	<b>Pure Mathematics with Mechanics</b>
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Subject Code No.	<b>0765</b>

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**Duration: Three Hours**

**Full marks may be obtained for answers to ALL questions.**

All questions carry equal marks.

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

**Mathematical formulae booklets published by the Board are allowed.** ✓

In calculations, you are advised to show all the steps in your working, giving the answer at each stage.

Calculators are allowed.

**Start each question on a fresh page.**

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1. The position vector  $\mathbf{r}$  of a particle  $P$  of mass  $3 \text{ kg}$  at time  $t$  seconds is given by
- $$\mathbf{r} = [(t + \sin 2t)\mathbf{i} + (\cos 2t)\mathbf{j}] \text{ m.}$$

Find, when  $t = \frac{\pi}{4}$ ,

- (a) the acceleration of  $P$ , (6 marks)
- (b) the magnitude of the force acting on  $P$ , (3 marks)
- (c) the magnitude of the momentum of the particle. (2 marks)

Another particle  $Q$  is moving with velocity  $\mathbf{v} = (-\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}) \text{ m s}^{-1}$  in the same direction as  $P$ .

- (d) Find the velocity of  $P$  relative to  $Q$  when  $t = \frac{\pi}{4}$ . (2 marks)

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2. (i) Particles of masses  $m \text{ kg}$ ,  $4 \text{ kg}$ ,  $3 \text{ kg}$  and  $1 \text{ kg}$  are placed in the  $xy$  plane at points with position vectors  $(5\mathbf{i} - \mathbf{j}) \text{ m}$ ,  $(3\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}) \text{ m}$ ,  $(-3\mathbf{i} + 3\mathbf{j}) \text{ m}$  and  $(-6\mathbf{i} - 2\mathbf{j}) \text{ m}$  respectively. Given that their centre of mass is at the point with position vector  $(a\mathbf{i} + \frac{17}{10}\mathbf{j})$ , where  $a$  is a constant.

Find the values of  $m$  and  $a$ .

(6 marks)

- (ii) A particle of mass  $3 \text{ kg}$  is attached to the centre of a smooth horizontal table by a light inextensible string of length  $3 \text{ m}$ . If the particle moves in a horizontal circle on the table with constant speed  $3\sqrt{3} \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , find,

- (a) the angular speed of the particle, (2 marks)
- (b) the tension in the string. (2 marks)

- (iii) An elastic string of natural length  $0.8 \text{ m}$  and modulus of elasticity  $32 \text{ N}$  is stretched until the tension in it is  $1.8 \text{ N}$ . Calculate the energy stored in the string. (3 marks)

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3. A block  $P$  of mass  $4 \text{ kg}$  lies on a plane inclined at an angle of  $60^\circ$  to the horizontal. It is connected to another block  $Q$  of mass  $6 \text{ kg}$  which hangs freely by means of a light inextensible string passing over a smooth fixed pulley at the top of the plane. Find the acceleration of the system and the tension in the string if

- (a) the plane is smooth, (6 marks)

- (b) the plane is rough and the coefficient of friction between  $P$  and the plane is  $\frac{3}{5}$ . (7 marks)

(Take  $g$  as  $10 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ )

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4. Two smooth spheres  $A$  and  $B$  of equal radii and of masses  $1 \text{ kg}$  and  $3 \text{ kg}$  respectively, are moving in the same direction on a smooth horizontal floor with speeds  $4 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  and  $2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  respectively. Sphere  $A$  subsequently collides with  $B$ . Given that the coefficient of restitution between  $A$  and  $B$  is  $\frac{1}{3}$ ,

find,

- (a) the speeds of  $A$  and  $B$  immediately after collision, (6 marks)
- (b) the magnitude of the impulse exerted by  $A$  on  $B$  during the collision, (3 marks)
- (c) the kinetic energy lost during the collision. (4 marks)

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5. A particle is projected from a point  $O$  with speed  $52 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  at an angle  $\theta$  to the horizontal, where  $\tan \theta = \frac{5}{12}$ . Find,

- (a) the distance from  $O$ , of the particle  $1.5$  seconds later, (5 marks)
- (b) the maximum height attained above the point of projection, (2 marks)
- (c) the time taken to attain the maximum height, (2 marks)
- (d) the horizontal range and the total time of flight. (4 marks)

(Take  $g$  as  $10 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ )

6. A uniform ladder  $AB$ , of length  $2a$  and weight  $W$  is in equilibrium with the end  $A$  on a rough horizontal floor and the end  $B$  against a smooth vertical wall. The ladder makes an angle of  $45^\circ$  with the horizontal and is in a vertical plane which is perpendicular to the wall.
- (a) Find the value of  $\mu$ , the coefficient of friction between the ladder and the floor. (7 marks)
- (b) find how far up the ladder a boy of weight  $2W$  can climb before the ladder begins to slip. (6 marks)
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7. (i) A car of mass  $1000 \text{ kg}$  is subjected to a non gravitational resistance to its motion of magnitude  $(100 + kv^2)$  newtons, where  $k$  is a constant and  $v$  is the speed of the car. When the engine of the car is working at a rate of  $28 \text{ kW}$ , the maximum speed up a slope of inclination  $\theta$  to the horizontal, where  $\sin \theta = \frac{1}{20}$  is  $20 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ .
- (a) Find the value of  $k$ . (4 marks)
- Given that the engine of the car continues to work at the same rate,
- (b) find the acceleration of the car when its speed is  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  up the slope. (4 marks)
- (ii) A particle moves in a straight line such that its acceleration  $a$  at time  $t$  seconds is given by
- $$a = \left(\frac{v}{2} - 1\right) \text{ m s}^{-2},$$
- where  $v$  is the speed of the particle. Initially, the particle is at the origin moving with speed  $3 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . Show that at time  $t$  seconds, the speed of the particle is given by  $v = 2 + e^{\frac{1}{2}t}$ . (5 marks)
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8. (i) Two independent events  $A$  and  $B$  are such that  $P(A) = \frac{1}{4}$ ,  $P(A \cup B) = \frac{3}{4}$ . Find,
- (a)  $P(B)$ , (2 marks)
- (b) the probability of either  $A$  or  $B$ , but not both occurring. (3 marks)
- (ii) A bag contains 5 red balls and 4 white balls. A ball is drawn at random from the bag, its color noted and is then replaced with another ball of the other color. A second ball is drawn from the bag.
- (a) Draw a probability tree diagram showing all possible outcomes. (2 marks)
- Hence, find the probability of drawing
- (b) two balls of the same color, (3 marks)
- (c) at least a red ball. (3 marks)
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