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MEI STRUCTURED MATHEMATICS

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Mechanics 2

Friday      **27 JANUARY 2006**      Afternoon      1 hour 30 minutes

Additional materials:  
8 page answer booklet  
Graph paper  
MEI Examination Formulae and Tables (MF2)

**TIME**      1 hour 30 minutes

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- You are permitted to use a graphical calculator in this paper.
- Final answers should be given to a degree of accuracy appropriate to the context.
- The acceleration due to gravity is denoted by  $g \text{ m s}^{-2}$ . Unless otherwise instructed, when a numerical value is needed, use  $g = 9.8$ .

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- You are advised that an answer may receive **no marks** unless you show sufficient detail of the working to indicate that a correct method is being used.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 72.

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**This question paper consists of 6 printed pages and 2 blank pages.**

- 1 When a stationary firework P of mass 0.4 kg is set off, the explosion gives it an instantaneous impulse of 16 N s vertically upwards.

(i) Calculate the speed of projection of P.

[2]

While travelling vertically upwards at  $32 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , P collides directly with another firework Q, of mass 0.6 kg, that is moving directly downwards with speed  $u \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , as shown in Fig. 1. The coefficient of restitution in the collision is 0.1 and Q has a speed of  $4 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  vertically *upwards* immediately after the collision.

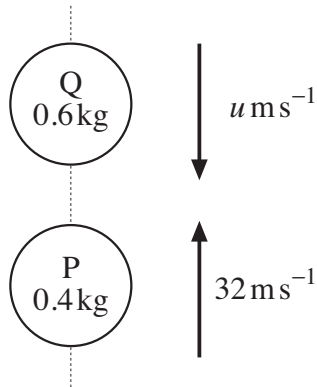


Fig. 1

- (ii) Show that  $u = 18$  and calculate the speed and direction of motion of P immediately after the collision.

[7]

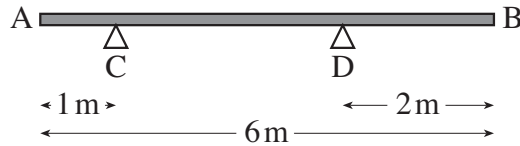
Another firework of mass 0.5 kg has a velocity of  $(-3.6\mathbf{i} + 5.2\mathbf{j}) \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , where  $\mathbf{i}$  and  $\mathbf{j}$  are horizontal and vertical unit vectors, respectively. This firework explodes into two parts, C and D. Part C has mass 0.2 kg and velocity  $(3\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j}) \text{ m s}^{-1}$  immediately after the explosion.

- (iii) Calculate the velocity of D immediately after the explosion in the form  $a\mathbf{i} + b\mathbf{j}$ . Show that C and D move off at  $90^\circ$  to one another.

[8]

- 2 A uniform beam, AB, is 6 m long and has a weight of 240 N.

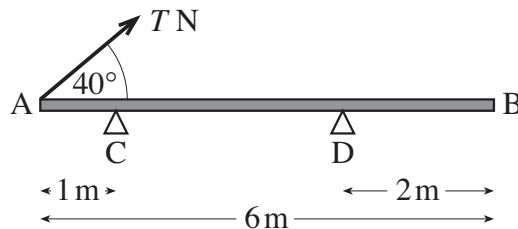
Initially, the beam is in equilibrium on two supports at C and D, as shown in Fig. 2.1. The beam is horizontal.



**Fig. 2.1**

- (i) Calculate the forces acting on the beam from the supports at C and D. [4]

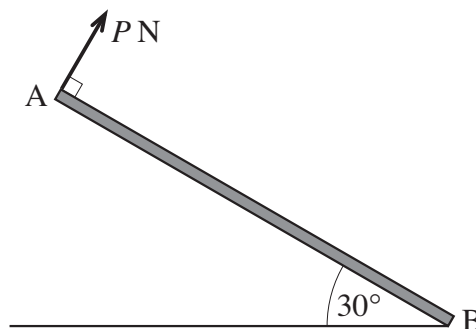
A workman tries to move the beam by applying a force  $T$  N at A at  $40^\circ$  to the beam, as shown in Fig. 2.2. The beam remains in horizontal equilibrium but the reaction of support C on the beam is zero.



**Fig. 2.2**

- (ii) (A) Calculate the value of  $T$ . [4]  
 (B) Explain why the support at D cannot be smooth. [1]

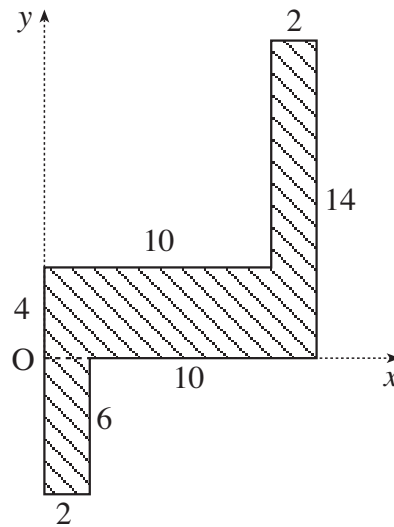
The beam is now supported by a light rope attached to the beam at A, with B on rough, horizontal ground. The rope is at  $90^\circ$  to the beam and the beam is at  $30^\circ$  to the horizontal, as shown in Fig. 2.3. The tension in the rope is  $P$  N. The beam is in equilibrium on the point of sliding.



**Fig. 2.3**

- (iii) (A) Show that  $P = 60\sqrt{3}$  and hence, or otherwise, find the frictional force between the beam and the ground. [5]  
 (B) Calculate the coefficient of friction between the beam and the ground. [5]

- 3 (a) A uniform lamina made from rectangular parts is shown in Fig. 3.1. All the dimensions are centimetres. All coordinates are referred to the axes shown in Fig. 3.1.



**Fig. 3.1**

- (i) Show that the  $x$ -coordinate of the centre of mass of the lamina is 6.5 and find the  $y$ -coordinate. [5]

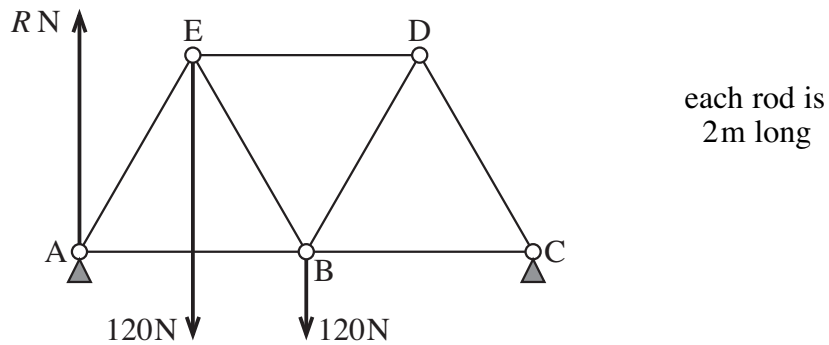
A square of side 2 cm is to be cut from the lamina. The sides of the square are to be parallel to the coordinate axes and the centre of the square is to be chosen so that the  $x$ -coordinate of the centre of mass of the new shape is 6.4.

- (ii) Calculate the  $x$ -coordinate of the centre of the square to be removed. [3]

The  $y$ -coordinate of the centre of the square to be removed is now chosen so that the  $y$ -coordinate of the centre of mass of the final shape is as large as possible.

- (iii) Calculate the  $y$ -coordinate of the centre of mass of the lamina with the square removed, giving your answer correct to three significant figures. [3]

- (b) Fig. 3.2 shows a framework made from light rods of length 2m freely pin-jointed at A, B, C, D and E. The framework is in a vertical plane and is supported at A and C. There are loads of 120 N at B and at E. The force on the framework due to the support at A is  $R$  N.



**Fig. 3.2**

- (i) Show that  $R = 150$ . [2]
- (ii) Draw a diagram showing all the forces acting at the points A, B, D and E, including the forces internal to the rods.
- Calculate the internal forces in rods AE and EB, and determine whether each is a tension or a thrust. [You may leave your answers in surd form.] [6]
- (iii) Without any further calculation of the forces in the rods, explain briefly how you can tell that rod ED is in thrust. [1]

**[Question 4 is printed overleaf.]**

- 4 A block of mass 20 kg is pulled by a light, horizontal string over a rough, horizontal plane. During 6 seconds, the work done against resistances is 510 J and the speed of the block increases from  $5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  to  $8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ .

(i) Calculate the power of the pulling force. [4]

The block is now put on a rough plane that is at an angle  $\alpha$  to the horizontal, where  $\sin \alpha = \frac{3}{5}$ . The frictional resistance to sliding is  $11g \text{ N}$ . A light string parallel to the plane is connected to the block. The string passes over a smooth pulley and is connected to a freely hanging sphere of mass  $m \text{ kg}$ , as shown in Fig. 4.

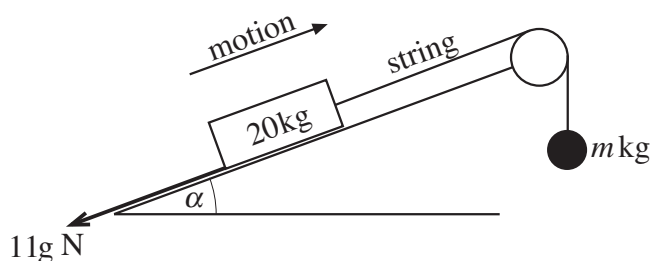


Fig. 4

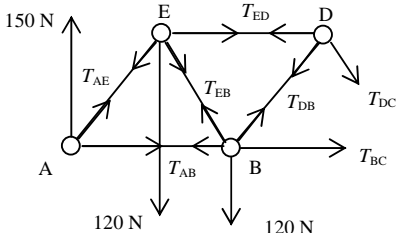
In parts (ii) and (iii), the sphere is pulled downwards and then released when travelling at a speed of  $4 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  vertically downwards. The block never reaches the pulley.

- (ii) Suppose that  $m = 5$  and that after the sphere is released the block moves  $x \text{ m}$  up the plane before coming to rest.
- (A) Find an expression in terms of  $x$  for the change in gravitational potential energy of the system, stating whether this is a gain or a loss. [4]
- (B) Find an expression in terms of  $x$  for the work done against friction. [1]
- (C) Making use of your answers to parts (A) and (B), find the value of  $x$ . [3]
- (iii) Suppose instead that  $m = 15$ . Calculate the speed of the sphere when it has fallen a distance 0.5 m from its point of release. [4]

Q 1		mark		Sub
(i)	$16 = 0.4v$ so $40 \text{ m s}^{-1}$	M1 A1	Use of $I = \Delta mv$	2
(ii)	PCLM $\uparrow$ +ve $0.4 \times 32 - 0.6u = 0.4v_p + 0.6 \times 4$  NEL $\uparrow$ +ve $\frac{4 - v_p}{-u - 32} = -0.1$  Solving $u = 18$   $v_p = -1$ so $1 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ downwards	M1 A1  M1 A1  E1  A1 A1	Use of PCLM Any form  Use of NEL. Allow sign errors. Any form  Must be obtained from a pair of correct equations. If given $u = 18$ used then $v_p = -1$ must be obtained from 1 equation and both values tested in the second equation  cao. Accept use of given $u = 18$ cao	7
(iii) )	Considering the momenta involved  $0.5 \begin{pmatrix} -3.6 \\ 5.2 \end{pmatrix} = 0.2 \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix} + 0.3 \mathbf{v}_D$  $\mathbf{v}_D = \begin{pmatrix} -8 \\ 6 \end{pmatrix}$ so $a = -8$ and $b = 6$  Gradients of the lines are $\frac{4}{3}$ and $\frac{6}{-8}$  Since $\frac{4}{3} \times \frac{6}{-8} = -1$ , they are at $90^\circ$	M1  B1 B1 A1 A1 A1 M1 E1	PCLM applied. May be implied.  LHS momentum of C correct Complete equation. Accept sign error. cao cao Any method for the angle Clearly shown	8
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Q 2		mark		Sub
(i)	<p>Moments about C</p> $240 \times 2 = 3R_D$ $R_D = 160 \text{ so } 160 \text{ N}$ <p>Resolve vertically</p> $R_C + R_D = 240$ $R_C = 80 \text{ so } 80 \text{ N}$	<p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>M1</p> <p>F1</p>	<p>Moments about C or equivalent. Allow 1 force omitted</p> <p>Resolve vertically or moments about D or equivalent. All forces present. FT from <b>their</b> <math>R_D</math> only</p>	4
(ii) (A)	<p>Moments about D</p> $240 \times 1 = 4T \sin 40$ $T = 93.343 \dots \text{ so } 93.3 \text{ N (3 s. f.)}$	<p>M1</p> <p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>A1</p>	<p>Moments about D or equivalent Attempt at resolution for RHS RHS correct</p>	4
(ii) (B)	<p>In equilibrium so horizontal force needed to balance cpt of <math>T</math>. This must be friction and cannot be at C.</p>		<p>Need reference to horizontal force that must come from friction at D.</p>	1
(iii) ) (A)	<p>Moments about B</p> $3 \times 240 \times \cos 30 = 6P$ $P = 60\sqrt{3} \text{ (103.92.....)}$ <p><math>P</math> inclined at <math>30^\circ</math> to vertical</p> <p>Resolve horizontally. Friction force <math>F</math></p> $F = P \sin 30$ $\text{so } F = 30\sqrt{3} \text{ (51.961...)}$	<p>M1</p> <p>E1</p> <p>B1</p> <p>M1</p> <p>A1</p>	<p>All terms present, no extras. Any resolution required attempted.</p> <p>Accept decimal equivalent</p> <p>Seen or equivalent or implied in (iii) (A) or (B).</p> <p>Resolve horizontally. Any resolution required attempted Any form</p>	5

(iii) ) (B)	Resolve vertically. Normal reaction $R$ $P \cos 30 + R = 240$  Using $F = \mu R$ $\mu = \frac{30\sqrt{3}}{240 - 60\sqrt{3} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}$ $= \frac{30\sqrt{3}}{240 - 90} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{5} = 0.34641 \text{ so } 0.346 \text{ (3 s. f.)}$	M1  A1 M1  A1  A1	Resolve vertically. All terms present and resolution attempted    Substitute <b>their expressions</b> for $F$ and $R$  cao. Any form. Accept 2 s. f. or better	5
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Q 3		mark		Sub
(a) (i)	$80\left(\frac{\bar{x}}{\bar{y}}\right) = 48\left(\frac{6}{2}\right) + 12\left(\frac{1}{-3}\right) + 20\left(\frac{11}{9}\right)$ $80\left(\frac{\bar{x}}{\bar{y}}\right) = \begin{pmatrix} 520 \\ 240 \end{pmatrix}$ $\bar{x} = 6.5$ $\bar{y} = 3$	M1 B1 B1 E1 A1	Correct method for c.m. Total mass correct One c.m. on RHS correct [If separate components considered, B1 for 2 correct] cao	5
(ii)	Consider $x$ coordinate $520 = 76 \times 6.4 + 4x$  so $x = 8.4$	M1 B1 A1	Using additive principle o. e. on $x$ cpts Areas correct. Allow FT from masses from (i) cao	3
(iii) )	$y$ coordinate is 1 so we need $240 = 76\bar{y} + 4 \times 1$ and $\bar{y} = 3.10526...$ so 3.11 (3 s. f.)	B1 M1 A1	Position of centre of square cao	3
(b) (i)	Moments about C $4R = 120 \times 3 + 120 \times 2$ so $4R = 600$ and $R = 150$	M1 E1	Moments equation. All terms present	2
(ii)	 $A \uparrow 150 + T_{AE} \cos 30 = 0$ $T_{AE} = -100\sqrt{3}$ so $100\sqrt{3}$ N (C) $E \downarrow 120 + T_{AE} \cos 30 + T_{EB} \cos 30 = 0$ $T_{EB} = 20\sqrt{3}$ so $20\sqrt{3}$ N (T)	B1  M1 A1 M1 F1 F1	Equilibrium at a pin-joint Any form. Sign correct. Neglect (C) Equilibrium at E, all terms present Any form. Sign follows working. Neglect (T). T/C consistent with answers	

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(iii) )	Consider $\rightarrow$ at E, using (ii) gives ED as thrust	E1	Clearly explained. Accept 'thrust' correctly deduced from wrong answers to (ii).	1
				20

Q 4		mark		Sub
(i)	$\frac{0.5 \times 20 \times 8^2 - 0.5 \times 20 \times 5^2 + 510}{6}$ $= 150 \text{ W}$	M1 B1 A1 A1	Use of $P = \text{WD}/t$ $\Delta \text{KE}$ . Accept $\pm 390$ soi All correct including signs	4
(ii) (A)	$20g \times \frac{3}{5}x - 5gx$ $7gx \text{ (68.6x) gain}$	M1 B1 A1 A1	Use of $mgh$ on both terms Either term (neglecting signs) $\pm 7gx$ in any form. cao	4
(B)	$11gx$	B1		1
(C)	$0.5 \times 25 \times 4^2 = 7gx + 11gx = 18gx$ $x = 1.13378\dots \text{ so } 1.13 \text{ m (3 s. f.)}$	M1 B1 A1	Use of work-energy equation. Allow 1 RHS term omitted. KE term correct cao. Except follow wrong sign for $7gx$ only.	3
(iii) )	<p><b>either</b></p> $0.5 \times 35 \times v^2 - 0.5 \times 35 \times 16$ $= 15g \times 0.5 - 11g \times 0.5 - 12g \times 0.5$ $v^2 = 13.76 \text{ so } v = 3.70944\dots$ $\text{so } 3.71 \text{ m s}^{-1} \text{ (3 s. f.)}$ <p><b>or</b></p> $15g - T = 15a \quad T - 12g - 11g = 20a$ $\text{so } a = -2.24$ $v^2 = 4^2 + 2 \times (-2.24) \times 0.5$ $\text{so } 3.71 \text{ m s}^{-1} \text{ (3 s. f.)}$	M1 B1 A1 A1 M1 A1 M1 A1	Use of work-energy. KE, GPE and WD against friction terms present. $\Delta \text{GPE}$ correct inc sign (1.5g J loss) All correct cao N2L in 1 or 2 equations. All terms present cao Use of appropriate (sequence of) <i>uvast</i> cao	4
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