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MATHEMATICS

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Paper 4 Mechanics

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1 hour 15 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: List of formulae (MF19)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
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- You should use a calculator where appropriate.
- You must show all necessary working clearly; no marks will be given for unsupported answers from a calculator.
- Give non-exact numerical answers correct to 3 significant figures, or 1 decimal place for angles in degrees, unless a different level of accuracy is specified in the question.
- Where a numerical value for the acceleration due to gravity (g) is needed, use 10 m s^{-2} .

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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- 1 A particle of mass 0.6 kg is projected with a speed of 4 m s^{-1} down a line of greatest slope of a smooth plane inclined at 10° to the horizontal.

Use an energy method to find the speed of the particle after it has moved 15 m down the plane. [3]

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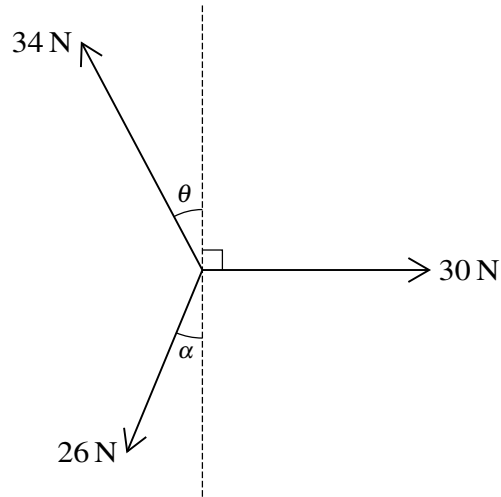
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Coplanar forces of magnitudes 34 N, 30 N and 26 N act at a point in the directions shown in the diagram.

Given that $\sin \alpha = \frac{5}{13}$ and $\sin \theta = \frac{8}{17}$, find the magnitude and direction of the resultant of the three forces. [6]

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- 3 A ring of mass 0.3 kg is threaded on a horizontal rough rod. The coefficient of friction between the ring and the rod is 0.8. A force of magnitude 8 N acts on the ring. This force acts at an angle of 10° above the horizontal in the vertical plane containing the rod.

Find the time taken for the ring to move, from rest, 0.6 m along the rod.

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- 4 A particle of mass 12 kg is stationary on a rough plane inclined at an angle of 25° to the horizontal. A pulling force of magnitude $P \text{ N}$ acts at an angle of 8° above a line of greatest slope of the plane. This force is used to keep the particle in equilibrium. The coefficient of friction between the particle and the plane is 0.3 .

Find the greatest possible value of P .

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5 A car of mass 1250 kg is pulling a caravan of mass 800 kg along a straight road. The resistances to the motion of the car and caravan are 440 N and 280 N respectively. The car and caravan are connected by a light rigid tow-bar.

(a) The car and caravan move along a horizontal part of the road at a constant speed of 30 m s^{-1} .

(i) Calculate, in kW, the power developed by the engine of the car. [2]

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(ii) Given that this power is suddenly decreased by 8 kW, find the instantaneous deceleration of the car and caravan and the tension in the tow-bar. [4]

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(b) The car and caravan now travel along a part of the road inclined at $\sin^{-1} 0.06$ to the horizontal. The car and caravan travel up the incline at constant speed with the engine of the car working at 28 kW.

(i) Find this constant speed. [3]

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(ii) Find the increase in the potential energy of the caravan in one minute. [2]

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- 6 A particle A is projected vertically upwards from level ground with an initial speed of 30 m s^{-1} . At the same instant a particle B is released from rest 15 m vertically above A . The mass of one of the particles is twice the mass of the other particle. During the subsequent motion A and B collide and coalesce to form particle C .

Find the difference between the two possible times at which C hits the ground. [8]

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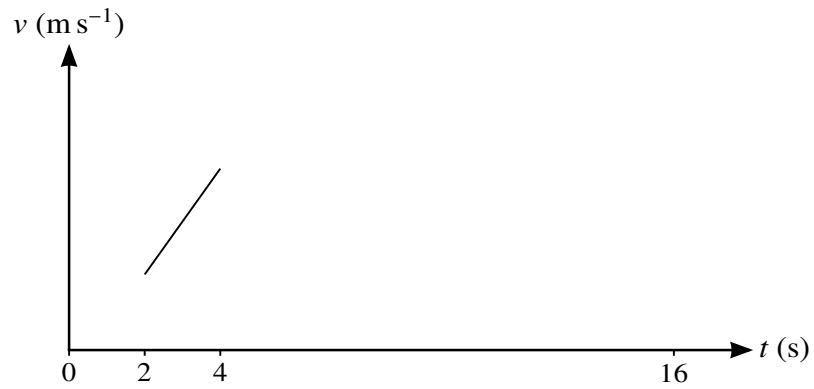
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(b) Complete the sketch of the velocity-time diagram.

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(c) Find the distance travelled by *P* when it is decelerating.

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