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Marking schemes are working documents. While a draft marking scheme is prepared in advance of the examination, the scheme is not finalised until examiners have applied it to candidates' work and the feedback from all examiners has been collated and considered in light of the full range of responses of candidates, the overall level of difficulty of the examination and the need to maintain consistency in standards from year to year. This published document contains the finalised scheme, as it was applied to all candidates' work.

In the case of marking schemes that include model solutions or answers, it should be noted that these are not intended to be exhaustive. Variations and alternatives may also be acceptable. Examiners must consider all answers on their merits, and will have consulted with their Advising Examiners when in doubt.

Future Marking Schemes

Assumptions about future marking schemes on the basis of past schemes should be avoided. While the underlying assessment principles remain the same, the details of the marking of a particular type of question may change in the context of the contribution of that question to the overall examination in a given year. The Chief Examiner in any given year has the responsibility to determine how best to ensure the fair and accurate assessment of candidates' work and to ensure consistency in the standard of the assessment from year to year. Accordingly, aspects of the structure, detail and application of the marking scheme for a particular examination are subject to change from one year to the next without notice.

General Guidelines

1 Penalties of three types are applied to candidates' work as follows:

Slips - numerical slips S(-1)

Blunders - mathematical errors B(-3)

Misreading - if not serious M(-1)

Serious blunder or omission or misreading which oversimplifies:
- award the attempt mark only.

Attempt marks are awarded as follows: 5 (att 2).

2 The marking scheme shows one correct solution to each question.
In many cases there are other equally valid methods.

1. (a) Two cars, P and Q, travel with the same constant velocity 15 m s^{-1} along a straight level road. The front of car P is 24 m behind the rear of car Q. At a given instant both cars decelerate, P at 4 m s^{-2} and Q at 5 m s^{-2} .

- (i) Find, in terms of t , the distance between the cars t seconds later.
- (ii) Find the distance between the cars when they are at rest.

(i)	$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$ $s_Q = 15t + \frac{1}{2}(-5)t^2$ $s_P = 15t + \frac{1}{2}(-4)t^2$ $d = 24 + s_Q - s_P$ $= 24 - \frac{1}{2}t^2$	5	
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(ii)	$v^2 = u^2 + 2as$ $0 = 15^2 + 2(-5)s_Q$ $\Rightarrow s_Q = 22.5$ $0 = 15^2 + 2(-4)s_P$ $\Rightarrow s_P = 28.125$ $d = 24 + s_Q - s_P$ $= 24 + 22.5 - 28.125$ $= 18.375 \text{ m}$	5	
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1. (b) At a particular instant a car of mass 1200 kg is towing a trailer of mass 450 kg on a level road at a speed of 25 m s^{-1} when the engine exerts a constant power of 50 kW. Friction and air resistance amount to 930 N on the car and 200 N on the trailer.

- (i) Find the acceleration of the car at this instant.
- (ii) Calculate the maximum speed at which the car (without the trailer) could travel up an incline of $\sin^{-1} \frac{1}{10}$ against the same resistance with the engine working at the same rate.

(i)

$$P = Tv$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{50000}{25} = 2000$$

$$2000 - 930 - 200 = 1650a$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{29}{55} = 0.527 \text{ m s}^{-2}$$

(ii) $T - 930 - 1200g \sin \alpha = 1200 \times 0$

$$T - 930 - 120g = 0$$

$$T = 2106$$

$$P = Tv$$

$$v = \frac{50000}{2106}$$

$$= 23.74 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

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2. (a) Three ships X, Y and Z are observed from a coastguard station at half-hour intervals. With distances measured in kilometres and speeds in kilometres per hour, they have the following displacement and uniform velocity vectors:

Ship	X	Y	Z
Time	14:00	14:30	15:00
Displacement	$2\vec{i} + 7\vec{j}$	$6\vec{i} + 9\vec{j}$	$12\vec{i} + 9\vec{j}$
Velocity	$4\vec{i} + 5\vec{j}$	$3\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}$	$2\vec{i} + 6\vec{j}$

- (i) Prove that if X and Z continue with their uniform velocities they will collide. Find the time of the collision.

At the instant of the collision ship Y changes course and then proceeds directly to the scene of the collision at its original speed.

- (ii) Find the time, to the nearest minute, at which Y will arrive at the scene of the collision.

$$(i) \quad 2\vec{i} + 7\vec{j} + (4\vec{i} + 5\vec{j})t = 12\vec{i} + 9\vec{j} + (2\vec{i} + 6\vec{j})(t-1)$$

$$2 + 4t = 12 + 2(t-1)$$

$$t = 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{time} = 18:00$$

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$$(ii) \quad t = 18:00$$

$$\vec{r}_X = 2\vec{i} + 7\vec{j} + (4\vec{i} + 5\vec{j})4$$

$$= 18\vec{i} + 27\vec{j}$$

$$\vec{r}_Y = 6\vec{i} + 9\vec{j} + (3\vec{i} + 4\vec{j})(3.5)$$

$$= 16.5\vec{i} + 23\vec{j}$$

$$|XY| = \sqrt{(18 - 16.5)^2 + (27 - 23)^2}$$

$$= 4.272 \text{ km}$$

$$t_1 = \frac{4.272}{5} \times 60 = 51$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{time} = 18:51$$

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2. (b) At noon ship B is 300 km south of ship A.
 Ship A is travelling southwest at $24\sqrt{2}$ km h⁻¹. Ship B is travelling due west at 31 km h⁻¹.

(i) Find the magnitude and direction of the velocity of B relative to A.

A and B can exchange signals when they are within d km of each other.

(ii) If the ships can exchange signals for 2.8 hours, find the value of d .

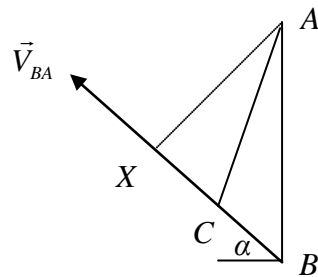
(i)
$$\vec{V}_A = -24\vec{i} - 24\vec{j}$$

$$\vec{V}_B = -31\vec{i}$$

$$\vec{V}_{BA} = \vec{V}_B - \vec{V}_A = -7\vec{i} + 24\vec{j}$$

$$|\vec{V}_{BA}| = \sqrt{(-7)^2 + (24)^2} = 25$$

$$\alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{24}{7}\right) = 73.74^\circ$$



(ii)
$$|AX| = 300\cos\alpha$$

$$= 84$$

$$|CX| = \vec{V}_{BA}(1.4)$$

$$= 35$$

$$d = |AC| = \sqrt{84^2 + 35^2}$$

$$= 91 \text{ km.}$$

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3. (a) A particle is projected from a point on the horizontal ground with speed $u \text{ m s}^{-1}$ at an angle 30° to the horizontal. The particle is at a height of 7.35 m above the horizontal ground at times t_1 and t_2 seconds.

If $t_2 - t_1 = 1.5$ seconds, find the value of u .

$$\vec{r} = (u \cos 30.t) \vec{i} + \left(u \sin 30.t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2\right) \vec{j}$$

$$r_j = 7.35$$

$$u \sin 30.t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2 = 7.35$$

$$\frac{1}{2}ut - \frac{1}{2}gt^2 = 7.35$$

$$gt^2 - ut + 14.7 = 0$$

$$t = \frac{u \pm \sqrt{u^2 - 58.8g}}{2g}$$

$$t_1 = \frac{u - \sqrt{u^2 - 58.8g}}{2g}, \quad t_2 = \frac{u + \sqrt{u^2 - 58.8g}}{2g}$$

$$t_2 - t_1 = \frac{\sqrt{u^2 - 58.8g}}{g} = 1.5$$

$$u^2 - 58.8g = 2.25g^2$$

$$u^2 = 792.33$$

$$u = 28.15 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

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3. (b) A particle is projected up an inclined plane with initial speed u .
 The line of projection makes an angle α with the inclined plane and the plane is inclined at an angle β to the horizontal.
 The plane of projection is vertical and contains the line of greatest slope.
 The particle is moving horizontally when it strikes the inclined plane.

(i) Show that $\tan \alpha = \frac{\tan \beta}{1 + 2 \tan^2 \beta}$.

- (ii) Hence or otherwise, show that $\tan \alpha < \tan \beta$.

(i) $r_j = 0$ 5

$$u \sin \alpha \times t - \frac{1}{2} g \cos \beta \times t^2 = 0$$

$$t = \frac{2u \sin \alpha}{g \cos \beta}$$
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$$\begin{aligned} v_i &= u \cos \alpha - g \sin \beta \times t \\ &= u \cos \alpha - 2u \sin \alpha \tan \beta \end{aligned}$$
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$$\begin{aligned} v_j &= u \sin \alpha - g \cos \beta \times t \\ &= -u \sin \alpha \end{aligned}$$
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$$\tan \ell = \frac{-v_j}{v_i}$$

$$\tan \beta = \frac{u \sin \alpha}{u \cos \alpha - 2u \sin \alpha \tan \beta}$$

$$\tan \beta = \frac{\tan \alpha}{1 - 2 \tan \alpha \tan \beta}$$

$$\tan \beta - 2 \tan \alpha \tan^2 \beta = \tan \alpha$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tan \beta &= \tan \alpha + 2 \tan \alpha \tan^2 \beta \\ &= \tan \alpha (1 + 2 \tan^2 \beta) \end{aligned}$$

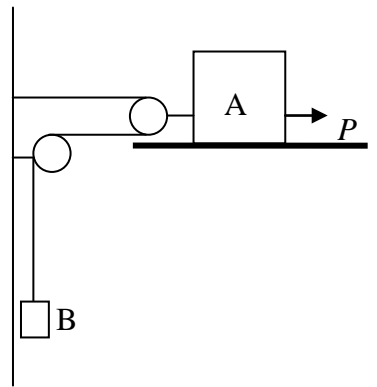
$$\tan \alpha = \frac{\tan \beta}{1 + 2 \tan^2 \beta}$$
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(ii) $1 + 2 \tan^2 \beta > 1$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{\tan \beta}{1 + 2 \tan^2 \beta} < \tan \beta$$
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4. (a) A block A of mass 4 kg, can slide on a rough horizontal table. It is connected inelastically to a pulley system from which B, a mass of 8 kg, hangs freely under gravity by a light inelastic string, as shown in the diagram. A horizontal force P of 320 N is applied to the mass A, which then moves in the direction of P .



The coefficient of friction between A and the table is $\frac{4}{7}$.

- Find (i) the acceleration of A
(ii) the tension in the string connected to B.

$$(i) \quad 320 - 2T - \frac{4}{7}(4g) = 4f$$

$$T - 8g = 8(2f)$$

$$320 - 2T - \frac{16g}{7} = 4f$$

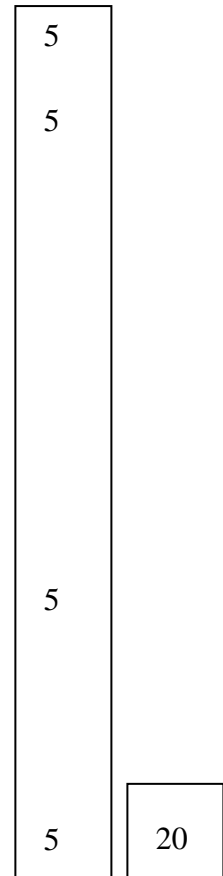
$$2T - 16g = 32f$$

$$320 - \frac{16g}{7} - 16g = 36f$$

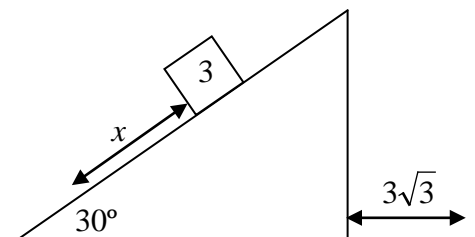
$$\Rightarrow f = 3.91 \text{ m s}^{-2}$$

$$(ii) \quad T - 8g = 16f$$

$$T = 140.96 \text{ N}$$



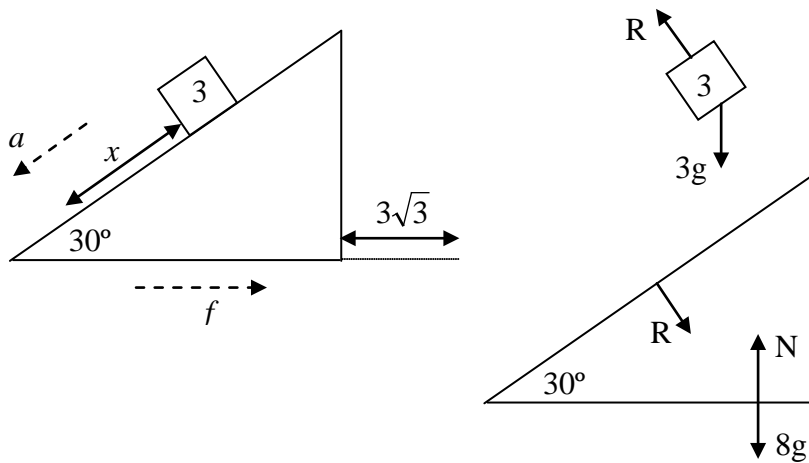
4. (b) A smooth wedge, of mass 8 kg and slope 30° , rests on a smooth horizontal surface. A particle of mass 3 kg is placed on the smooth inclined face of the wedge. The system is released from rest.



- (i) Show, on separate diagrams, the forces acting on the wedge and on the particle.

The wedge moves $3\sqrt{3}$ cm in t seconds and in this time the particle moves a distance x cm relative to the wedge.

- (ii) Find the value of t and the value of x .



$$3g \sin 30 = 3(a - f \cos 30)$$

$$3g \cos 30 - R = 3f \sin 30$$

$$R \sin 30 = 8f$$

$$R \sin 30 = 8f \quad \Rightarrow R = 16f$$

$$3g \cos 30 - R = 3f \sin 30$$

$$3g \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) - 16f = \frac{3f}{2} \quad \Rightarrow f = \frac{3\sqrt{3}g}{35}$$

$$\frac{3g}{2} = 3 \left(a - \frac{3\sqrt{3}g}{35} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right)$$

$$a = \frac{22g}{35}$$

$$\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{100} = 0 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{3\sqrt{3}g}{35} \right) t^2 \quad \Rightarrow t = \sqrt{\frac{7}{10g}}$$

$$x = 0 + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{22g}{35} \right) \left(\frac{7}{10g} \right) = 0.22 \text{ m}$$

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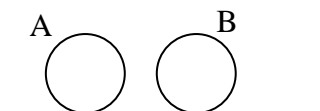
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5. (a) A smooth sphere A, of mass $2m$, moving with speed u collides directly with a smooth sphere B, of mass $7m$, which is at rest. B then collides with a vertical wall which is perpendicular to the direction of motion of the spheres.



The coefficient of restitution is $\frac{1}{2}$ for all collisions.

- (i) Show that the spheres will not collide for a second time.
(ii) What is the total loss of kinetic energy due to the impacts?

(i) PCM $2m(u) + 7m(0) = 2mv_1 + 7mv_2$

NEL $v_1 - v_2 = -\frac{1}{2}(u - 0)$

$$v_1 = \frac{-u}{6}, \quad v_2 = \frac{u}{3}$$

$$v_3 = -ev_2$$

$$= \frac{-u}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow v_1 = v_3$$

(ii) $KE_B = \frac{1}{2}(2m)u^2 = mu^2$

$$KE_A = \frac{1}{2}(2m)\frac{u^2}{36} + \frac{1}{2}(7m)\frac{u^2}{36}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8}mu^2$$

$$KE_B - KE_A = \frac{7}{8}mu^2$$

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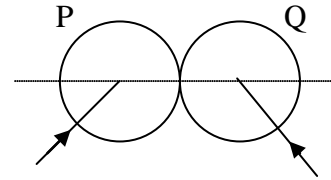
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5. (b) A smooth sphere P, of mass $2m$, collides with a smooth sphere Q, of mass m . The velocity of P is $3u \vec{i} + 4u \vec{j}$ and the velocity of Q is $-4u \vec{i} + 3u \vec{j}$. When they collide their line of centres is parallel to the unit vector \vec{i} .



The impact causes a loss of kinetic energy equal to $\frac{25mu^2}{2}$.

- (i) Find the coefficient of restitution between the spheres.
(ii) If the magnitude of the impulse imparted to each sphere due to the collision is $km u$, find the value of k .

(i) PCM $2m(3u) + m(-4u) = 2mv_1 + mv_2$

NEL $v_1 - v_2 = -e(3u + 4u)$

$$v_1 = \frac{u(2 - 7e)}{3}$$

$$v_2 = \frac{2u(1 + 7e)}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(2m)(9u^2) + \frac{1}{2}(m)(16u^2) - \frac{1}{2}(2m)(v_1)^2 - \frac{1}{2}(m)(v_2)^2 = \frac{25}{2}mu^2$$

$$34 - \frac{2}{9}(4 - 28e + 49e^2) - \frac{4}{9}(1 + 14e + 49e^2) = 25$$

$$294e^2 = 69$$

$$\Rightarrow e = \sqrt{\frac{23}{98}} = 0.484$$

(ii) $I = mv_2 - m(-4u)$

$$I = \frac{2mu(1 + 7e)}{3} + 4mu$$

$$I = 6.93mu$$

$$\Rightarrow k = 6.93$$

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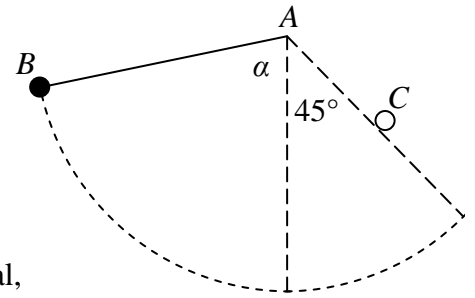
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6. (b) A particle of mass m , is suspended by a light inextensible string AB of length $2d$. The end A is fixed and the particle is released from rest when AB makes an angle α with the downward vertical through A .



When B has risen again to a height so that AB makes an angle of 45° with the downward vertical, the midpoint of the string comes into contact with a small horizontal peg C .

- (i) If $\cos \alpha = \frac{1}{4}$ find, in terms of d , the speed of the particle at the moment that the string touches the peg.
- (ii) Find, in terms of m , the tension in the string when the particle reaches the same height as the peg.

$$(i) \quad \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = mg\{2d \cos 45 - 2d \cos \alpha\}$$

$$v^2 = 2g\{\sqrt{2}d - \frac{1}{2}d\}$$

$$v^2 = gd\{2\sqrt{2} - 1\}$$

$$v = \sqrt{gd(2\sqrt{2} - 1)} = 4.233\sqrt{d}$$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{1}{2}m(v_1)^2 + mg\{d \cos 45\}$$

$$(v_1)^2 = v^2 - 2gd \cos 45$$

$$= gd\{2\sqrt{2} - 1\} - \sqrt{2}gd$$

$$= gd\{\sqrt{2} - 1\} = 4.06d$$

$$T = \frac{m(v_1)^2}{d}$$

$$= \frac{mgd\{\sqrt{2} - 1\}}{d}$$

$$\Rightarrow T = mg\{\sqrt{2} - 1\} = 4.06m$$

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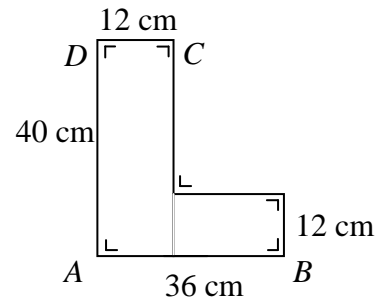
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7. (a) A letter L is made from a sheet of uniform thin plastic, with dimensions as shown in the diagram.



(i) Find the distance of its centre of mass from each of the lines AB and AD .

This letter L is to be used for a shop sign. It is held in position by nails at D and C .

The nail at C breaks so that the letter is freely suspended from D .

(ii) What angle will the line AD make with the vertical when the letter is hanging in equilibrium?

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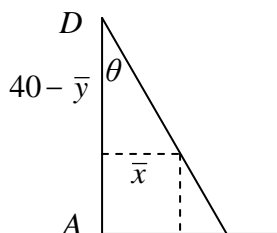
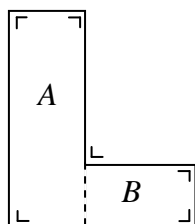
A :	480m	(6, 20)	}
B :	288m	(24, 6)	
L :	768m	(\bar{x}, \bar{y})	

$$768m \bar{x} = 480m(6) + 288m(24)$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{x} = 12.75$$

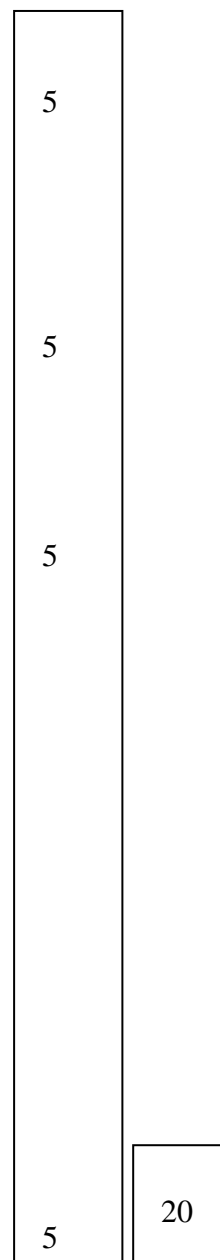
$$768m \bar{y} = 480m(20) + 288m(6)$$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{y} = 14.75$$



(ii)

$$\begin{aligned} \tan \theta &= \frac{\bar{x}}{40 - \bar{y}} \\ &= \frac{12.75}{40 - 14.75} = 0.50495 \\ \theta &= 26.79^\circ \end{aligned}$$



8. (a) Prove that the moment of inertia of a uniform circular disc, of mass m and radius r , about an axis through its centre, perpendicular to its plane, is $\frac{1}{2} m r^2$.

Let M = mass per unit area

$$\text{mass of element} = M\{2\pi x \, dx\}$$

$$\text{moment of inertia of the element} = M\{2\pi x \, dx\} x^2$$

$$\text{moment of inertia of the disc} = 2\pi M \int_0^r x^3 \, dx$$

$$= 2\pi M \left[\frac{x^4}{4} \right]_0^r$$

$$= M\pi \frac{r^4}{2}$$

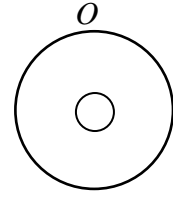
$$= \frac{1}{2} m r^2$$

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8. (b) A uniform disc, of mass M and radius r , oscillates as a compound pendulum about a horizontal axis perpendicular to its plane through a point O on its circumference.

(i) Find the period of small oscillations.

A mass $0.2M$ is removed by drilling a circular hole through the centre of the disc.



(ii) The effect of removing a mass $0.2M$ is to increase the period of small oscillations by a factor of $\frac{4}{\sqrt{k}}$.

Find k .

$$(i) \quad T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I}{Mgh}} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{\frac{1}{2}Mr^2 + Mr^2}{Mgr}}$$

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{3r}{2g}}$$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{M}{\pi r^2} = \frac{0.2M}{\pi x^2}$$

$$x^2 = 0.2r^2$$

$$I = \left\{ \frac{1}{2}Mr^2 - \frac{1}{2}(0.2M)x^2 \right\} + (M - 0.2M)r^2$$

$$= 1.28Mr^2$$

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I}{Mgh}} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{1.28Mr^2}{(M - 0.2M)gr}}$$

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{8r}{5g}}$$

$$2\pi \sqrt{\frac{8r}{5g}} = \frac{4}{\sqrt{k}} \times 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{3r}{2g}}$$

$$k = 15$$

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9. (a) When equal volumes of two substances are mixed the density of the mixture is 4000 kg m^{-3} . When equal masses of the same two substances are mixed the density of the mixture is 3840 kg m^{-3} .

Find the density of each of the substances.

$$m_1 + m_2 = m_M$$

$$\rho_1 \times V + \rho_2 \times V = 4000 \times (2V)$$

$$\rho_1 + \rho_2 = 8000$$

$$V_1 + V_2 = V_M$$

$$\frac{m}{\rho_1} + \frac{m}{\rho_2} = \frac{2m}{3840}$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho_1} + \frac{1}{\rho_2} = \frac{2}{3840}$$

$$\frac{1}{\rho_1} + \frac{1}{8000 - \rho_1} = \frac{2}{3840}$$

$$\frac{8000}{\rho_1(8000 - \rho_1)} = \frac{1}{1920}$$

$$\rho_1^2 - 8000\rho_1 + 15360000 = 0$$

$$\rho_1 = 3200 \quad \text{or} \quad 4800$$

$$\rho_1 = 3200 \quad \rho_2 = 4800$$

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10. (a) A particle moving in a straight line experiences a retardation of $0.7v^3 \text{ m s}^{-2}$, where $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$ is its speed.

It takes 0.04 seconds to reduce its speed from an initial value of 200 m s^{-1} to $v_1 \text{ m s}^{-1}$.

- Find (i) the value of v_1
(ii) the distance travelled during this 0.04 seconds.

(i)
$$\frac{dv}{dt} = -0.7v^3$$

$$-\int_{200}^{v_1} \frac{dv}{v^3} = 0.7 \int_0^{0.04} dt$$

$$\left[\frac{1}{2v^2} \right]_{200}^{v_1} = 0.7[t]_0^{0.04}$$

$$\frac{1}{2v_1^2} - \frac{1}{2 \times 200^2} = 0.028$$

$$v_1 = 4.225 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

(ii)
$$v \frac{dv}{ds} = -0.7v^3$$

$$-\int_{200}^{4.225} \frac{dv}{v^2} = 0.7 \int_0^s ds$$

$$\left[\frac{1}{v} \right]_{200}^{4.225} = 0.7s$$

$$\frac{1}{4.225} - \frac{1}{200} = 0.7s$$

$$s = 0.33 \text{ m}$$

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10. (b) A particle moves in a straight line with an acceleration $(2t - 3) \text{ m s}^{-2}$ at time t seconds. At time $t = 0$ the particle has velocity of 2 m s^{-1} and displacement of 1 m relative to a fixed point O on the line. Find

- (i) the times when the particle changes direction
- (ii) an expression for the displacement of the particle from O at time t
- (iii) the total distance travelled in the first 2 seconds.

(i)
$$\frac{dv}{dt} = 2t - 3$$

$$[v]_2^v = [t^2 - 3t]_0^t$$

$$v - 2 = t^2 - 3t$$

$$v = t^2 - 3t + 2$$

$$v = 0 \Rightarrow t = 1, t = 2$$

(ii)
$$\frac{ds}{dt} = t^2 - 3t + 2$$

$$[s]_1^s = \left[\frac{1}{3}t^3 - \frac{3}{2}t^2 + 2t \right]_0^t$$

$$s - 1 = \frac{1}{3}t^3 - \frac{3}{2}t^2 + 2t$$

$$s = \frac{1}{3}t^3 - \frac{3}{2}t^2 + 2t + 1$$

(iii)
$$t = 1 \Rightarrow s = \frac{11}{6}$$

$$t = 2 \Rightarrow s = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$x = \left(\frac{11}{6} - 1 \right) + \left(\frac{11}{6} - \frac{5}{3} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1 \text{ m.}$$

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