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## FURTHER MATHEMATICS

9231/32

Paper 3 Further Mechanics

May/June 2021

1 hour 30 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.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- If additional space is needed, you should use the lined page at the end of this booklet; the question number or numbers must be clearly shown.
- 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  $10 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ .

## 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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- 2 A hollow hemispherical bowl of radius  $a$  has a smooth inner surface and is fixed with its axis vertical. A particle  $P$  of mass  $m$  moves in horizontal circles on the inner surface of the bowl, at a height  $x$  above the lowest point of the bowl. The speed of  $P$  is  $\sqrt{\frac{8}{3}ga}$ .

Find  $x$  in terms of  $a$ .

[6]

[illegible]

- 3 One end of a light elastic string, of natural length  $a$  and modulus of elasticity  $kmg$ , is attached to a fixed point  $A$ . The other end of the string is attached to a particle  $P$  of mass  $4m$ . The particle  $P$  hangs in equilibrium a distance  $x$  vertically below  $A$ .

(a) Show that  $k = \frac{4a}{x-a}$ . [1]

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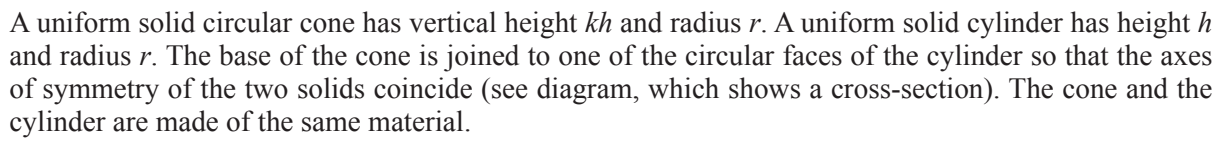
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An additional particle, of mass  $2m$ , is now attached to  $P$  and the combined particle is released from rest at the original equilibrium position of  $P$ . When the combined particle has descended a distance  $\frac{1}{3}a$ , its speed is  $\frac{1}{3}\sqrt{ga}$ .

(b) Find  $x$  in terms of  $a$ . [6]

[illegible]



- [illegible]

[3]

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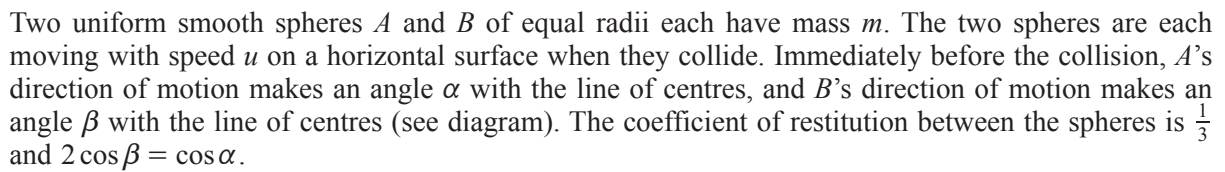
- 5 A particle  $P$  of mass  $m$  is attached to one end of a light inextensible string of length  $a$ . The other end of the string is attached to a fixed point  $O$ . The particle completes vertical circles with centre  $O$ . The points  $A$  and  $B$  are on the path of  $P$ , both on the same side of the vertical through  $O$ .  $OA$  makes an angle  $\theta$  with the downward vertical through  $O$  and  $OB$  makes an angle  $\theta$  with the upward vertical through  $O$ .

The speed of  $P$  when it is at  $A$  is  $u$  and the speed of  $P$  when it is at  $B$  is  $\sqrt{ag}$ . The tensions in the string at  $A$  and  $B$  are  $T_A$  and  $T_B$  respectively. It is given that  $T_A = 7T_B$ .

Find the value of  $\theta$  and find an expression for  $u$  in terms of  $a$  and  $g$ . [8]

[illegible]





- [4]

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[illegible]

- 7 A particle  $P$  is projected from a point  $O$  on a horizontal plane and moves freely under gravity. The initial velocity of  $P$  is  $100 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  at an angle  $\theta$  above the horizontal, where  $\tan \theta = \frac{4}{3}$ . The two times at which  $P$ 's height above the plane is  $H \text{ m}$  differ by 10 s.

**(a)** Find the value of  $H$ .

[5]

[illegible]

- (b)** Find the magnitude and direction of the velocity of  $P$  one second before it strikes the plane. [4]

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