

Exam Questions – Set 2

1.

The functions f and g are defined for all real values of x by

$$f(x) = |2x + a| + 3a \quad \text{and} \quad g(x) = 5x - 4a,$$

where a is a positive constant.

- (i) State the range of f and the range of g . [2]
- (ii) State why f has no inverse, and find an expression for $g^{-1}(x)$. [3]
- (iii) Solve for x the equation $gf(x) = 31a$. [5]

2.

- (i) Prove that $\frac{\sin(\theta - \alpha) + 3 \sin \theta + \sin(\theta + \alpha)}{\cos(\theta - \alpha) + 3 \cos \theta + \cos(\theta + \alpha)} \equiv \tan \theta$ for all values of α . [5]
- (ii) Find the exact value of $\frac{4 \sin 149^\circ + 12 \sin 150^\circ + 4 \sin 151^\circ}{3 \cos 149^\circ + 9 \cos 150^\circ + 3 \cos 151^\circ}$. [3]
- (iii) It is given that k is a positive constant. Solve, for $0^\circ < \theta < 60^\circ$ and in terms of k , the equation
$$\frac{\sin(6\theta - 15^\circ) + 3 \sin 6\theta + \sin(6\theta + 15^\circ)}{\cos(6\theta - 15^\circ) + 3 \cos 6\theta + \cos(6\theta + 15^\circ)} = k.$$
 [4]

3.

In this question, I denotes the definite integral $\int_2^5 \frac{5-x}{2+\sqrt{x-1}} dx$. The value of I is to be found using two different methods.

- (i) Show that the substitution $u = \sqrt{x-1}$ transforms I to $\int_1^2 (4u - 2u^2) du$ and hence find the exact value of I . [5]
- (ii) (a) Simplify $(2 + \sqrt{x-1})(2 - \sqrt{x-1})$. [1]
- (b) By first multiplying the numerator and denominator of $\frac{5-x}{2+\sqrt{x-1}}$ by $2 - \sqrt{x-1}$, find the exact value of I . [3]

4.

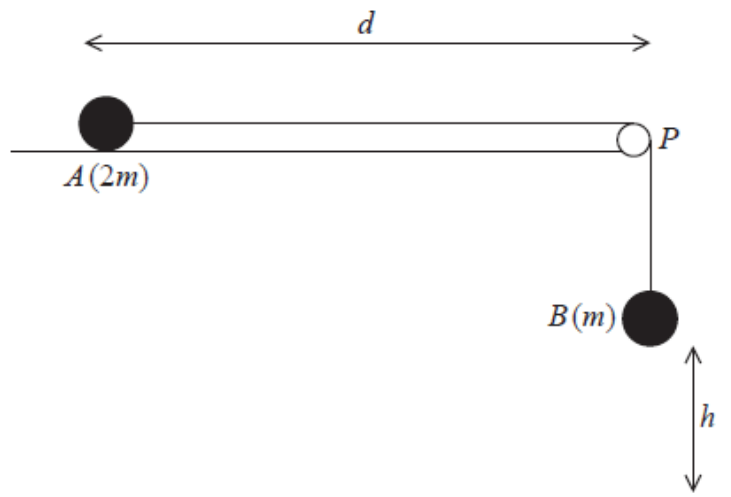


Figure 3

Two particles, A and B , have masses $2m$ and m respectively. The particles are attached to the ends of a light inextensible string. Particle A is held at rest on a fixed rough horizontal table at a distance d from a small smooth light pulley which is fixed at the edge of the table at the point P . The coefficient of friction between A and the table is μ , where $\mu < \frac{1}{2}$. The string is parallel to the table from A to P and passes over the pulley. Particle B hangs freely at rest vertically below P with the string taut and at a height h , ($h < d$), above a horizontal floor, as shown in Figure 3. Particle A is released from rest with the string taut and slides along the table.

(a) (i) Write down an equation of motion for A .

(ii) Write down an equation of motion for B .

(4)

(b) Hence show that, until B hits the floor, the acceleration of A is $\frac{g}{3}(1 - 2\mu)$.

(3)

(c) Find, in terms of g , h and μ , the speed of A at the instant when B hits the floor.

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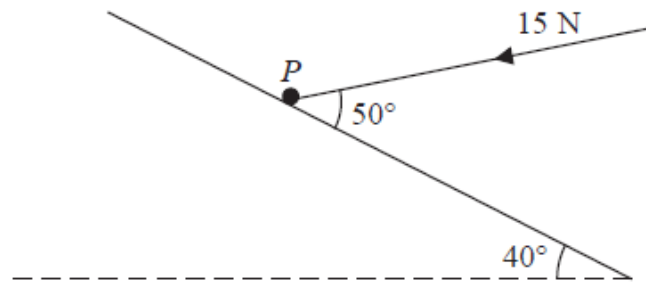


Figure 4

A particle P of mass 2.7 kg lies on a rough plane inclined at 40° to the horizontal. The particle is held in equilibrium by a force of magnitude 15 N acting at an angle of 50° to the plane, as shown in Figure 4. The force acts in a vertical plane containing a line of greatest slope of the plane. The particle is in equilibrium and is on the point of sliding down the plane.

Find

- (a) the magnitude of the normal reaction of the plane on P , (4)

- (b) the coefficient of friction between P and the plane. (5)

The force of magnitude 15 N is removed.

- (c) Determine whether P moves, justifying your answer. (4)

6.

The heights of adult females are normally distributed with mean 160 cm and standard deviation 8 cm .

- (a) Find the probability that a randomly selected adult female has a height greater than 170 cm . (3)

Any adult female whose height is greater than 170 cm is defined as tall.

An adult female is chosen at random. Given that she is tall,

- (b) find the probability that she has a height greater than 180 cm . (4)

Half of tall adult females have a height greater than $h\text{ cm}$.

- (c) Find the value of h . (5)