

**ADVANCED GCE  
MATHEMATICS (MEI)**

**4762/01**

Mechanics 2

**THURSDAY 17 JANUARY 2008**

Afternoon

Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

**Additional materials:** Answer Booklet (8 pages)  
Graph paper  
MEI Examination Formulae and Tables (MF2)

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- 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.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 72.
- 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.

This document consists of **6** printed pages and **2** blank pages.

- 1 (a) A battering-ram consists of a wooden beam fixed to a trolley. The battering-ram runs along horizontal ground and collides directly with a vertical wall, as shown in Fig. 1.1. The battering-ram has a mass of 4000 kg.

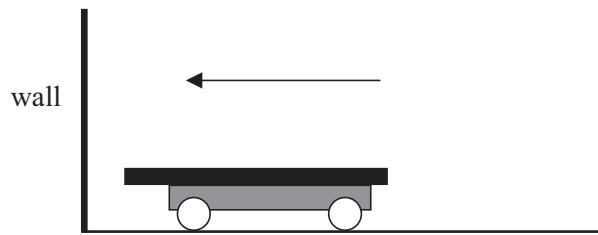


Fig. 1.1

Initially the battering-ram is at rest. Some men push it for 8 seconds and let go just as it is about to hit the wall. While the battering-ram is being pushed, the constant overall force on it in the direction of its motion is 1500 N.

- (i) At what speed does the battering-ram hit the wall? [3]

The battering-ram hits a loose stone block of mass 500 kg in the wall. Linear momentum is conserved and the coefficient of restitution in the impact is 0.2.

- (ii) Calculate the speeds of the stone block and of the battering-ram immediately after the impact. [6]
- (iii) Calculate the energy lost in the impact. [3]

- (b) Small objects A and B are sliding on smooth, horizontal ice. Object A has mass 4 kg and speed  $18 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  in the  $\mathbf{i}$  direction. B has mass 8 kg and speed  $9 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  in the direction shown in Fig. 1.2, where  $\mathbf{i}$  and  $\mathbf{j}$  are the standard unit vectors.

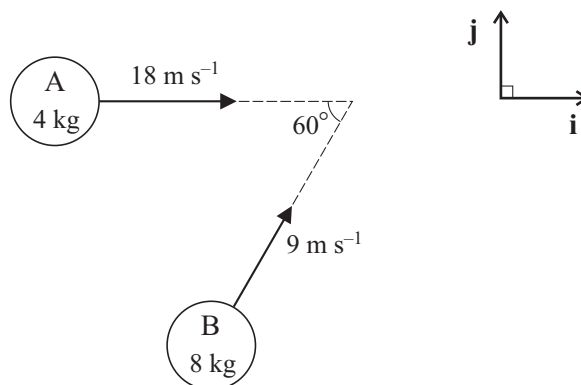


Fig. 1.2

- (i) Write down the linear momentum of A and show that the linear momentum of B is  $(36\mathbf{i} + 36\sqrt{3}\mathbf{j}) \text{ N s}$ . [2]

After the objects meet they stick together (coalesce) and move with a common velocity of  $(u\mathbf{i} + v\mathbf{j}) \text{ m s}^{-1}$ .

- (ii) Calculate  $u$  and  $v$ . [3]
- (iii) Find the angle between the direction of motion of the combined object and the  $\mathbf{i}$  direction. Make your method clear. [2]

2 A cyclist and her bicycle have a combined mass of 80 kg.

(i) Initially, the cyclist accelerates from rest to  $3 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  against negligible resistances along a horizontal road.

(A) How much energy is gained by the cyclist and bicycle? [2]

(B) The cyclist travels 12 m during this acceleration. What is the average driving force on the bicycle? [2]

(ii) While exerting no driving force, the cyclist free-wheels down a hill. Her speed increases from  $4 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  to  $10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . During this motion, the total work done against friction is 1600 J and the drop in vertical height is  $h$  m.

Without assuming that the hill is uniform in either its angle or roughness, calculate  $h$ . [5]

(iii) The cyclist reaches another horizontal stretch of road and there is now a constant resistance to motion of 40 N.

(A) When the power of the driving force on the bicycle is a constant 200 W, what constant speed can the cyclist maintain? [3]

(B) Find the power of the driving force on the bicycle when travelling at a speed of  $0.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  with an acceleration of  $2 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ . [5]

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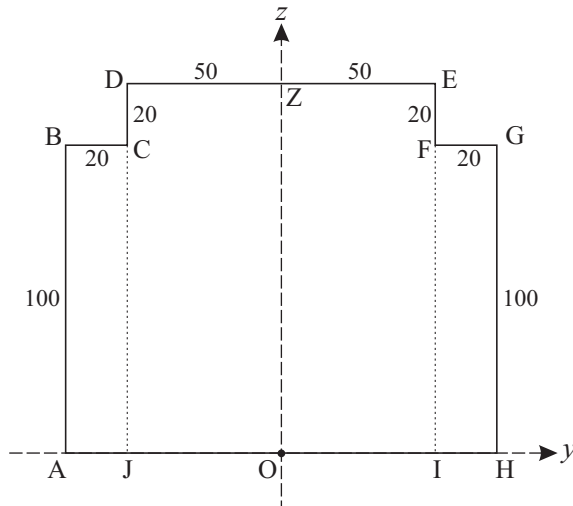


Fig. 3.1

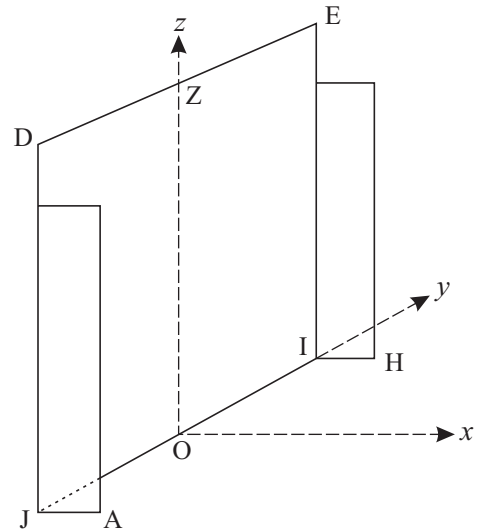


Fig. 3.2

A lamina is made from uniform material in the shape shown in Fig. 3.1. BCJA, DZOJ, ZEIO and FGHI are all rectangles. The lengths of the sides are shown in centimetres.

- (i) Find the coordinates of the centre of mass of the lamina, referred to the axes shown in Fig. 3.1. [5]

The rectangles BCJA and FGHI are folded through  $90^\circ$  about the lines CJ and FI respectively to give the fire-screen shown in Fig. 3.2.

- (ii) Show that the coordinates of the centre of mass of the fire-screen, referred to the axes shown in Fig. 3.2, are  $(2.5, 0, 57.5)$ . [4]

The  $x$ - and  $y$ -axes are in a horizontal floor. The fire-screen has a weight of 72 N. A horizontal force  $P$  N is applied to the fire-screen at the point Z. This force is perpendicular to the line DE in the **positive**  $x$  direction. The fire-screen is on the point of tipping about the line AH.

- (iii) Calculate the value of  $P$ . [5]

The coefficient of friction between the fire-screen and the floor is  $\mu$ .

- (iv) For what values of  $\mu$  does the fire-screen slide before it tips? [4]

- 4 Fig. 4.1 shows a uniform beam, CE, of weight 2200 N and length 4.5 m. The beam is freely pivoted on a fixed support at D and is supported at C. The distance CD is 2.75 m.

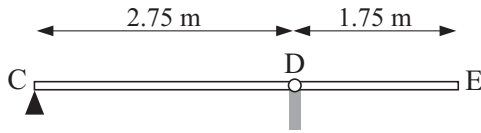


Fig. 4.1

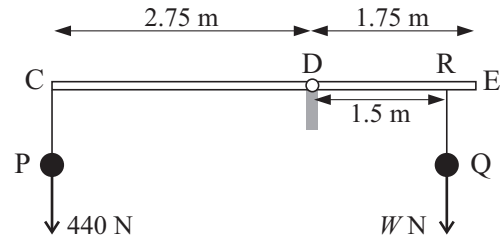


Fig. 4.2

The beam is horizontal and in equilibrium.

- (i) Show that the anticlockwise moment of the weight of the beam about D is 1100 N m.

Find the value of the normal reaction on the beam of the support at C. [6]

The support at C is removed and spheres at P and Q are suspended from the beam by light strings attached to the points C and R. The sphere at P has weight 440 N and the sphere at Q has weight  $W$  N. The point R of the beam is 1.5 m from D. This situation is shown in Fig. 4.2.

- (ii) The beam is horizontal and in equilibrium. Show that  $W = 1540$ . [3]

The sphere at P is changed for a lighter one with weight 400 N. The sphere at Q is unchanged. The beam is now held in equilibrium at an angle of  $20^\circ$  to the horizontal by means of a light rope attached to the beam at E. This situation (but without the rope at E) is shown in Fig. 4.3.

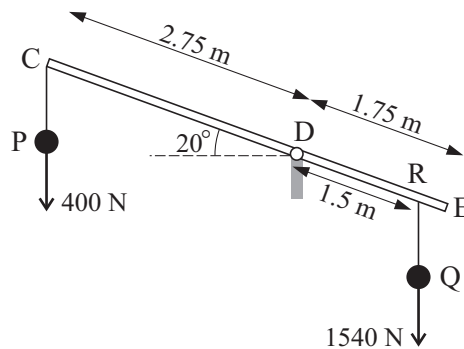


Fig. 4.3

- (iii) Calculate the tension in the rope when it is
- (A) at  $90^\circ$  to the beam, [6]
- (B) horizontal. [3]

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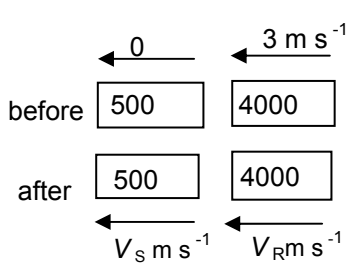
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Q1	Mark	Comment	Sub
<p><b>(a)</b> (i) <b>either</b> In direction of the force <math>I = Ft = mv</math> so <math>1500 \times 8 = 4000v</math> giving <math>v = 3</math> so <math>3 \text{ m s}^{-1}</math> <b>or</b> N2L gives <math>a = \frac{1500}{4000}</math> <math>v = 0 + \frac{1500}{4000} \times 8</math> giving <math>v = 3</math> so <math>3 \text{ m s}^{-1}</math></p>	<p>M1 A1 A1  M1 A1 A1</p>	<p>Use of <math>Ft = mv</math>  Appropriate use of N2L <b>and</b> <math>uvast</math></p>	3
<p>(ii)</p>  <p>PCLM <math>12000 = 4000V_R + 500V_S</math> so <math>24 = 8V_R + V_S</math> NEL <math>\frac{V_S - V_R}{0 - 3} = -0.2</math> so <math>V_S - V_R = 0.6</math> Solving <math>V_R = 2.6, V_S = 3.2</math> so ram <math>2.6 \text{ m s}^{-1}</math> and stone <math>3.2 \text{ m s}^{-1}</math></p>	<p>M1 A1 M1 A1 A1 F1</p>	<p>Appropriate use of PCLM Any form Appropriate use of NEL Any form Either value</p>	6
<p>(iii)</p> <p><math>0.5 \times 4000 \times 3^2 - 0.5 \times 4000 \times 2.6^2 - 0.5 \times 500 \times 3.2^2</math>  <math>= 1920 \text{ J}</math></p>	<p>M1 B1 A1</p>	<p>Change in KE. Accept two terms Any relevant KE term correct (FT their speeds) cao</p>	3
<b>(b)</b> see over			

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(b) (i)	$72\mathbf{i} \text{ N s}$ $8(9 \cos 60\mathbf{i} + 9 \sin 60\mathbf{j})$ $= (36\mathbf{i} + 36\sqrt{3}\mathbf{j}) \text{ N s}$	B1 E1	Neglect units but must include direction Evidence of use of $8 \text{ kg}$ , $9 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ and $60^\circ$	2
(ii)	$72\mathbf{i} + (36\mathbf{i} + 36\sqrt{3}\mathbf{j}) = 12(u\mathbf{i} + v\mathbf{j})$ Equating components $72 + 36 = 12u$ so $u = 9$ $36\sqrt{3} = 12v$ so $v = 3\sqrt{3}$	M1 M1 A1	PCLM. Must be momenta both sides  Both	3
(iii)	<b>either</b> $4 \times 18 = 8 \times 9$ so equal momenta so $60/2 = 30^\circ$  <b>or</b> $\arctan\left(\frac{3\sqrt{3}}{9}\right) = \arctan\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) = 30^\circ$	M1 A1 M1 A1	Must be clear statements cao  FT <b>their</b> $u$ and $v$ . cao	2
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Q 2		Mark	Comment	Sub
(i) (A)	$0.5 \times 80 \times 3^2 = 360 \text{ J}$	M1 A1	Use of KE	2
(B)	$360 = F \times 12$ so $F = 30$ so $30 \text{ N}$	M1 F1	$W = Fd$ attempted FT <b>their</b> WD	2
(ii)	Using the WE equation  $0.5 \times 80 \times 10^2 - 0.5 \times 80 \times 4^2$ $= 80 \times 9.8 \times h - 1600$ $h = 6.32653\dots$ so $6.33$ (3 s. f.)	M1 M1 B1 A1 A1	Attempt to use the WE equation. Condone one missing term  $\Delta$ KE attempted  1600 with correct sign All terms present and correct (neglect signs) cao	5
(iii) (A)	We have driving force $F = 40$ so $200 = 40v$ and $v = 5$ so $5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$	B1 M1 A1	May be implied Use of $P = Fv$	3
(B)	From N2L, force required to give accn is $F - 40 = 80 \times 2$ so $F = 200$ $P = 200 \times 0.5 = 100$ so $100 \text{ W}$	M1 A1 A1 M1 A1	Use of N2L with all terms present (neglect signs) All terms correct  correct use of $P = Fv$ cao	5
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Q 3		Mark	Comment	Sub
(i)	For $\bar{z}$ $(2 \times 20 \times 100 + 2 \times 50 \times 120)\bar{z}$ $= 2 \times 2000 \times 50 + 2 \times 6000 \times 60$ so $\bar{z} = 57.5$ and $\bar{y} = 0$	M1 B1 B1 A1 B1	Method for c.m. Total mass of 16000 (or equivalent) At least one term correct NB This result is given below. NB This result is given below. Statement (or proof) required. N.B. If incorrect axes specified, award max 4/5	5
(ii)	$\bar{y}$ and $\bar{z}$ are not changed with the folding For $\bar{x}$ $100 \times 120 \times 0 + 2 \times 20 \times 100 \times 10 = 16000\bar{x}$ so $\bar{x} = \frac{40000}{16000} = 2.5$	E1 M1 B1 E1	A statement, calculation or diagram required. Method for the c.m. with the folding Use of the 10 Clearly shown	4
(iii)	Moments about AH. Normal reaction acts through this line  c.w. $P \times 120 - 72 \times (20 - 2.5) = 0$  so $P = 10.5$	M1 B1  B1 A1 A1	May be implied by diagram or statement  20 – 2.5 or equivalent All correct cao	5
(iv)	$F_{\max} = \mu R$ so $F_{\max} = 72\mu$ For slipping before tipping we require $72\mu < 10.5$ so $\mu < 0.1458333\dots$ ( $\frac{7}{48}$ )	M1 A1  M1 A1	Allow $F = \mu R$ Must have clear indication that this is max F  Accept $\leq$ . Accept <b>their</b> $F_{\max}$ and $R$ . cao	4
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Q 4	Mark	Comment	Sub
(i) Centre of CE is 0.5 m from D a.c. moment about D $2200 \times 0.5 = 1100$ so 1100 N m c.w moments about D $R \times 2.75 - 1100 = 0$  $R = 400$ so 400 N	B1 M1 E1  M1 B1 A1	Used below correctly Use of <b>their</b> 0.5 0.5 must be clearly established.  Use of moments about D in an equation Use of 1100 and 2.75 or equiv	6
(ii) c.w moments about D $W \times 1.5 - 1100 - 440 \times 2.75 = 0$  so $W = 1540$	M1 A1 E1	Moments of all relevant forces attempted All correct Some working shown	3
(iii) (A) c.w. moments about D $1.5 \times 1540 \cos 20 - 1.75T$ $- 1100 \cos 20 - 400 \times 2.75 \cos 20 = 0$  $T = 59.0663\dots$ so 59.1 N (3 s. f.)	M1 M1  A1 B1 A1 A1	Moments equation. Allow one missing term; there must be some attempt at resolution. At least one res attempt with correct length Allow $\sin \leftrightarrow \cos$  Any two of the terms have $\cos 20$ correctly used (or equiv) 1.75 T All correct cao Accept no direction given	6
(iii) (B) <b>either</b> Angle required is at $70^\circ$ to the normal to CE so $T_1 \cos 70 = 59.0663\dots$  so $T_1 = 172.698\dots$ so 173 N (3 s.f.)  <b>or</b> $400 \cos 20 \times 2.75 + 1100 \cos 20$ $= 1540 \cos 20 \times 1.5 - T \sin 20 \times 1.75$  $T = 172.698\dots$ so 173 N (3s.f.)	B1 M1 A1  M1 A1 A1	FT (iii) (A)  Moments attempted with all terms present  All correct (neglect signs) FT(iii)(A)	3
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### General Comments

Many excellent scripts were seen in response to this paper with the majority of candidates able to make some progress worthy of credit on every question. The majority of candidates seemed to understand the principles being employed. However, some did not clearly identify the principle or process being used and, as has happened in previous sessions, those parts of the questions that were least well done were those that required an explanation or interpretation of results or that required the candidate to show a given answer. In the latter case some candidates failed to include all of the relevant steps in the working. Those candidates who appreciated the value of a good diagram were generally more successful than those who avoided drawing any diagram.

### Comments on Individual Questions

- 1)            **Impulse and momentum**  
Many candidates understood what to do and did it well. Those that drew diagrams were usually more successful than those who did not.
- (a)(i)    Few candidates had problems with this part of the question.
- (ii)        Many candidates did well on this part of the question. The main sources of error were inconsistencies between the equations for the Principle of Conservation of Momentum and Newton's Experimental Law. Candidates who drew a diagram with velocities clearly labelled with arrows to show direction were generally more successful than those candidates who either did not draw a diagram or who failed to label their diagram fully.
- (iii)       Many candidates gained full credit for this part of the question. However, a small minority wrongly used  $v^2 - u^2 = (v - u)^2$  when calculating the change in kinetic energy.
- (b)(i)    A high proportion of the candidates stated that the linear momentum of A was 72 Ns but failed to give any indication of direction of this vector quantity. Almost all of the candidates could correctly show the given answer for the momentum of B.
- (ii)        A small minority of candidates did not realise that conservation of momentum was required to solve this part of the question but did realise that they had to equate components in order to obtain values for  $u$  and  $v$ .
- (iii)       Most candidates correctly used their answer to the previous part to find the angle requested.
- 2)            **Work – Energy**  
It was pleasing to see that the majority of candidates used work-energy methods throughout.
- (i)        (A) This part was well done by almost all of the candidates.  
(B) Few candidates had difficulties in completing this part of the question.

- (ii) Most candidates did well on this part with a large number scoring full marks. Those that did not gain full marks had usually omitted either one of the kinetic energy terms or the work done from their work- energy equation.
- (iii) (A) The majority of candidates successfully completed this part.  
(B) Many candidates had problems with this part. The most common error was to omit the resistance term when calculating the force required to produce the given acceleration.

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### **Centres of mass**

Only the last two parts of this question caused any problems to a large majority of candidates. The principles behind the calculation of centres of mass appeared to be well understood and candidates who adopted column vector notation made fewer mistakes than those who calculated co-ordinates separately.

- (i) Most candidates obtained full marks for this part. However, some did not refer their answers to the axes requested in the question. Others chose to relabel the axes as  $x$  and  $y$  but then confused themselves when tackling the next part of the question.
- (ii) Few candidates had difficulty in establishing the given  $x$  co-ordinate but many failed to explain, or show, that the  $y$ - and  $z$  co-ordinates should remain the same as in the previous part.
- (iii) Few candidates made much progress with this part. While many appreciated that taking moments about AH was required they made mistakes when trying to calculate the necessary lengths. Others did not show (either on a diagram or in a statement) that the normal reaction would act through the line AH and hence have zero moment about this line. Candidates who drew a diagram generally gained more credit than those who did not.
- (iv) Many candidates followed through their answer to the previous part and obtained a numerical answer for the coefficient of friction. However, many of them failed to explain that the friction was limiting and failed to establish clearly the inequality. Some candidates attempted to calculate an angle  $\alpha$  in the mistaken belief that they could equate the coefficient of friction to  $\tan \alpha$

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### **Moments and resolution**

It was very pleasing to see some good answers to this question with many completely correct answers. Those candidates who drew clear diagrams made fewer errors than those who either did not draw a diagram or who drew a poorly labelled one.

- (i) Most of the candidates knew what to do and did it well but many failed to show clearly that the distance from D of the line of action of the weight was 0.5 m. Few candidates had difficulty in calculating the normal reaction at C.
- (ii) Most candidates established the given answer but quite a few failed to show sufficient working to be awarded all of the marks.

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- (iii) (A) Many excellent responses were seen to this part of the question with errors being arithmetic rather than of concept. However, some candidates tried to take moments about the centre of the beam or about C and then failed to include the reaction at D. Others calculated the moment of the tension about D in the mistaken belief that this was the tension.
- (B) Candidates, on the whole, did well on this part with the majority choosing to take moments again rather than selecting an approach that used the result from (A).