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Annotations and abbreviations

| Annotation in RM assessor | Meaning |
|---|---|
| ✓ and ✕ | |
| BOD | Benefit of doubt |
| FT | Follow through |
| ISW | Ignore subsequent working |
| M0, M1 | Method mark awarded 0, 1 |
| A0, A1 | Accuracy mark awarded 0, 1 |
| B0, B1 | Independent mark awarded 0, 1 |
| SC | Special case |
| ^ | Omission sign |
| MR | Misread |
| BP | Blank Page |
| Seen | |
| Highlighting | |
| | |
| Other abbreviations in mark scheme | Meaning |
| dep* | Mark dependent on a previous mark, indicated by *. The * may be omitted if only one previous M mark |
| cao | Correct answer only |
| oe | Or equivalent |
| rot | Rounded or truncated |
| soi | Seen or implied |
| www | Without wrong working |
| AG | Answer given |
| awrt | Anything which rounds to |
| BC | By Calculator |
| DR | This question included the instruction: In this question you must show detailed reasoning. |

| Question | | Answer | Marks | AO | Guidance | |
|----------|--|---|-------------------------|------------|---|---------|
| 1 | | Initial Elastic PE = $= \frac{24 \times 0.9^2}{2 \times 0.6}$ | B1 | 1.1 | Use of $\frac{\lambda x^2}{2l}$ with attempt at finding extension (ie not just $x = 1.5$) | 16.2 J |
| | | Final Elastic PE = $= \frac{24 \times 0.4^2}{2 \times 0.6}$ | B1 | 1.1 | Use of $\frac{\lambda x^2}{2l}$ with attempt at finding extension (ie not just $x = 1$) | 3.2 J |
| | | Increase in PE = $0.4g \times 2.5$ | M1 | 1.1 | Attempt at use of “ mgh ” to find the increase of gravitational PE from initial position to ceiling | 9.8 J |
| | | “16.2” = “3.2” + $\frac{1}{2} \times 0.4v^2$ + “9.8” | M1 | 1.1 | Attempt at conservation of energy with consideration of KE and their PE | 8.624 J |
| | | $v^2 = 16 \Rightarrow$ speed is 4 m s^{-1} | A1 [5] | 1.1 | Not \pm . Units required. | |

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| 2 | (a) | $\mathbf{I} = m\mathbf{v} - m\mathbf{u} = 2(-3\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - (5\mathbf{i} + 16\mathbf{j}))$ $= 2(-8\mathbf{i} - 15\mathbf{j})$ $I = 2\sqrt{(-8)^2 + (-15)^2}$ $= 2\sqrt{289} = 34$ $\cos\theta = \frac{\mathbf{I} \cdot \mathbf{i}}{ \mathbf{I} \mathbf{i} } = \frac{-16 \times 1}{34 \times 1}$ $\theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{-8}{17} = 118.1^\circ \text{ or } 2.06 \text{ rad}$ | M1 A1 M1 A1 M1 A1 [6] | 1.1 1.1 1.1 1.1 1.1 | Correct use of formula (award if $m\mathbf{u} - m\mathbf{v}$) Allow $16\mathbf{i} + 30\mathbf{j}$ or $\sqrt{(-16)^2 + (-30)^2}$ oe Attempting to use the dot product of \mathbf{I} and \mathbf{i} to find the required angle | or using the cosine rule on vectors $\mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v}, \mathbf{I}$ to reach $ \mathbf{I} = 34$ or use of ordinary trigonometry eg $\tan\theta = \frac{-30}{-16}$ |
| 2 | (b) | Init KE = $\frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times (5^2 + 16^2)$ Final KE = $\frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times ((-3)^2 + 1^2)$ Loss = $281 - 10 = 271 \text{ J}$ | M1 M1 A1 [3] | 1.1 1.1 1.1 | 281 J 10 J | |

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| 3 | (a) | $[F] = \text{MLT}^{-2}$ $\left[m v \frac{dv}{dx} \right] = \frac{[m][v][v]}{[x]} = \frac{\text{ML}^2\text{T}^{-2}}{\text{L}} = \text{MLT}^{-2}$ | B1 B1 [2] | 1.1 2.1 | Correctly finding the dimensions of both sides is sufficient for B1B1; an explicit conclusion is not necessary. |
| 3 | (b) | Only quantities with the same dimensions can be added (or subtracted) [so $[a^2] = [x^2]$ which means that $[a] = [x]$] | B1 [1] | 2.4 | |
| 3 | (c) | $[k] \text{M}^{-\frac{1}{2}} (\text{L}^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} = \text{LT}^{-1}$ $[k] = \text{M}^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{T}^{-1}$ | M1 A1 | 2.2a 1.1 | Use of formula for v to derive dimensional equation for $[k]$ |
| | | Alternative solution $v = km^{-\frac{1}{2}} \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} \Rightarrow k = \frac{vm^{\frac{1}{2}}}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}$ so the units of k are $\text{kg}^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{s}^{-1}$ $[k] = \text{M}^{\frac{1}{2}} \text{T}^{-1}$ | M1 A1 | | Use of formula for v to derive units of k . |
| | | | [2] | | |
| 3 | (d) | $\frac{dv}{dx} = km^{-\frac{1}{2}} (-2x) \frac{1}{2} (a^2 - x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ $\therefore F = mv \frac{dv}{dx}$ $= m km^{-\frac{1}{2}} (a^2 - x^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} km^{-\frac{1}{2}} (-2x) \frac{1}{2} (a^2 - x^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ $\therefore F = -k^2 x$ | M1 M1 A1 [3] | 1.1 1.1 1.1 | Use of chain rule to differentiate v wrt x Use of formula for F with m, v and their $\frac{dv}{dx}$ substituted in. |

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| 4 | (a) | $\text{KE of } P = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$ $\uparrow C \sin \theta = mg$ $\leftrightarrow C \cos \theta = ma$ $\frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{a}{g} = \frac{v^2}{rg}$ PE of P (exceeds that of Q by) $mgh = mg \frac{r}{\tan \theta} = mg \frac{r \cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = mg \frac{v^2}{g} = mv^2$ so So total ME of P exceeds that of Q by $= mv^2 + \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{3}{2}mv^2 \text{ J}$ | B1 M1 M1 M1 M1 A1 | 1.2 3.3 3.3 3.4 3.4 2.2a | Balancing forces in the vertical. C must be resolved NII in the horizontal using a resolved component of C Eliminating C (and m) between the two equations and using a correct form for a Using the relationship to find the (excess) PE of P in terms of m and v (and possibly g) only AG. Or total ME of $Q = 0$ but some justification of excess for PE at least must be seen in the solution | SSU – change C to R if a better reflection of candidate solutions In this solution, C is the normal contact force between P and the cone and θ is the semi-vertical angle of the cone May see $v^2 = gh$ here and used later h is the vertical height of P above Q Use R instead of C? |
| 4 | (b) | One of: - We have assumed that the radius of the circle which P moves in is the same as the radius of the cone at that level - Q is at V [neither of which is quite true if P and Q do not have a negligible radius] | B1 [1] | 3.5b | Also accept e.g. - CofM of P lies on the edge of the cone - CofM of Q lies at V | V is the vertex of the cone |
| 4 | (c) | Resistance to the motion of P should be included in the model. | B1 [1] | 3.5c | eg air resistance. Allow friction. | |

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| 5 | (a) | $F \propto \frac{1}{(t+1)^2}$ $\therefore F = \frac{k}{(t+1)^2} = ma = 3 \frac{dv}{dt} \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{k}{3(t+1)^2}$ | B1 | 3.1b | AG |
| | | | [1] | | |
| 5 | (b) | $\therefore v = \frac{k}{3} \int \frac{1}{(1+t)^2} dx \quad \frac{-k}{3(1+t)} \quad u$ $t=0, v=0 \Rightarrow k=3u$ $t=1, v=2 \Rightarrow 2 = \frac{-k}{3(1+1)} + u$ $\Rightarrow u=4, k=12 \Rightarrow v = 4 - \frac{4}{1+t} \quad \text{oe}$ | M1 | 3.1b | Separating variables correctly and integrating to $\frac{C}{1+t}$; award if “+ u” missing |
| | | | M1 | 3.1b | Substituting initial values to determine a relationship between k and u . |
| | | | M1 | 3.1b | Substituting $t=1$ to determine a second relationship between k and u oe. |
| | | | A1 | 1.1 | eg $v = \frac{4t}{1+t}$ |
| | | | [4] | | |
| 5 | (c) | $\frac{dx}{dt} = 4 - \frac{4}{1+t} \Rightarrow x = 4t - 4\ln(1+t) + c$ $t=0, x=1 \Rightarrow c=1 \text{ so } x = 4t - 4\ln(1+t) + 1$ | M1 | 1.1 | For integrating their ‘v’ to reach an expression involving $k \ln(1+t)$ oe |
| | | | A1 | 1.1 | Can be awarded even if no “+ c” |
| | | | [2] | | |
| 5 | (d) | $95\% \text{ of } v_T = 0.95 \times 4 = 3.8$ $v = 3.8 \Rightarrow 3.8 = 4 - \frac{4}{1+t}$ $\Rightarrow 0.2 = \frac{4}{1+t} \Rightarrow 1+t = 20 \Rightarrow t = 19$ | B1 | 2.2a | |
| | | | M1 | 3.1b | Setting their v to their 3.8 in the appropriate equation |
| | | | A1 | 1.1 | |

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| | so $x = 4 \times 19 - 4 \ln(1+19) + 1$ $x = 77 - 4 \ln 20$ so distance moved is $76 - 4 \ln 20$ m or awrt 64 m | M1 A1 [5] | 1.1 1.1 | Substituting their t into the equation for x |

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| 6 | (a) | $20 = 4u \Rightarrow u = 5$ Initial energy = $\frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 5^2$ Energy at $\theta = \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times v^2 + 4g \times 0.8(1 - \cos \theta)$ $2v^2 + 15.68 = 50 \Rightarrow v^2 = 17.16$ Radial: $a_r = \frac{v^2}{0.8} = \frac{17.16}{0.8}$ Tangential: $ma_t = -mg \sin \frac{\pi}{3}$ $a = \sqrt{\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}g}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{429}{20}\right)^2}$ 23.067... so the magnitude of the acceleration is 23.1 m s^{-2} (3 sf) | B1 B1 M1 A1 M1 M1 A1 | 1.1 1.1 1.1 1.1 3.1b 3.1b 1.1 | = 50 Attempt to derive total ME at general or specific angle Equating energies to derive a value for v^2 Correct form for centripetal acceleration and use of v^2 NII for tangential direction with weight resolved (- not necessary) | Assuming zero PE level at initial level of P $v = 4.142\dots$ $a_r = 21.45$ $-a_t = \frac{\sqrt{3}g}{2} = 8.4870\dots$ |
| 6 | (b) | Radial: $T - 4g \cos \theta = \frac{4v^2}{0.8}$ $v^2 = 5^2 - 2g \times 0.8(1 - \cos \theta)$ $-7.84 \cos \theta = 9.32 - 15.68 \cos \theta$ $\therefore \cos \theta = \frac{9.32}{23.52}$ $\therefore \theta = 113.3^\circ$ or 1.98 rads | M1 M1 A1 | 2.1 2.1 3.2a | NII for radial direction. T could be set to 0. Correct form of a_r . v^2 in terms of $\cos \theta$ from conservation of energy $v^2 = 9.32 + 15.68 \cos \theta$ | |
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| 7 | (a) | $u_{Ax} = 3, u_{Bx} = -2$ $m_A \times 3 + m_B \times -2 = m_A v_{Ax} + m_B \times 0$ $v_{Ax} = 3 - \frac{2m_B}{m_A}$ $e = \frac{0 - v_{Ax}}{3 - -2}$ or $v_{Ax} = -5e$ $e \geq 0 \Rightarrow \frac{2m_B}{5m_A} - \frac{3}{5} \geq 0 \Rightarrow \frac{m_B}{m_A} \geq \frac{3}{2}$ $e \leq 1 \Rightarrow \frac{2m_B}{5m_A} - \frac{3}{5} \leq 1 \Rightarrow \frac{m_B}{m_A} \leq 4$ | B1 M1 A1 M1 A1 A1 | 3.3 3.4 1.1 3.4 2.1 2.1 | Resolving horizontal components of u_A and u_B . Accept $u_A = 5 \cos \alpha$ and $u_B = -4 \cos \frac{\pi}{3}$ but must have opposite signs or directions indicated on diagram. Conservation of momentum Restitution AG AG | Signs may be reversed throughout May be seen in (b) $e = \frac{0 - \left(3 - \frac{2m_B}{m_A}\right)}{3 - -2} = \frac{2m_B}{5m_A} - \frac{3}{5}$ |
| 7 | (b) | Total initial KE = $\frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times 5^2 + \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 4^2 = 73$ $v_{Ay} = u_{Ay}, v_{By} = u_{By} = 2\sqrt{3}$ $v_{Ax} = -3$ KE Loss = $73 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times (3^2 + 4^2) + \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times (2\sqrt{3})^2\right) = 12 \text{ J}$ | B1 M1 M1 A1 | 1.1 3.4 3.4 1.1 | Perpendicular components found and unchanged Using their formula for v_{Ax} from (a). | NB If method mark for conservation of momentum not seen in (a) then award M1 in (a) if either $m_A \times 3 + m_B \times -2 = m_A v_{Ax}$ or $2 \times 3 + 6 \times -2 = 2v_{Ax}$ seen here If method mark for restitution not seen in (a) then award M1 in (a) if seen here. |
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| | | | [4] | | | |

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| 8 | (a) | $\bar{x} = \frac{12a \times M + x \times m}{M + m} = \frac{12Ma + mx}{M + m}$ | B1 [1] | 1.1 | AG. www | |
| 8 | (b) | $\bar{y} = \frac{3a \times M + y \times m}{M + m} = \frac{3Ma + my}{M + m}$ | B1 [1] | 1.1 | | |
| 8 | (c) | <p>If P is at O, $\bar{x} = \frac{12Ma}{M + m}$ and $\bar{y} = \frac{3Ma}{M + m}$</p> <p>$\bar{y} < 2a \Rightarrow 3M < 2M + 2m \Rightarrow m > \frac{1}{2}M$</p> <p>$\bar{x} < 6a \Rightarrow 12M < 6M + 6m \Rightarrow m > M$</p> <p>Conclusion: $m > \frac{1}{2}M$</p> | B1ft M1 M1 A1 [4] | 3.3 3.4 3.4 2.4 | FT their expression for \bar{y} AG. | Alternative: B1 for correct expressions for \bar{x} , \bar{y} M1: forming 2 inequalities with $2a$ and $6a$ (must be right way around) M1: simplifying or manipulating both inequalities so that they can be combined or compared A1: fully correct and conclusion www |
| 8 | (d) | <p>$\bar{x} = \frac{12Ma + m \times 12ak}{M + m}$ used</p> <p>$\frac{12Ma + m \times 12ak}{M + m} = 6a$</p> <p>$k = \frac{m - M}{2m}$ oe</p> | B1 M1 A1 [3] | 3.3 3.4 1.1 | Their \bar{x} equated to $6a$ $k = \frac{1}{2} \left(1 - \frac{M}{m} \right)$ | Ignore working with \bar{y} Ignore working with \bar{y} unless this affects final answer |
| 8 | (e) | <p>$m = \frac{3}{2}M \Rightarrow k_{OC} = \frac{1}{6}$</p> <p>$\bar{y} = \frac{3Ma + \frac{3}{2}M \times 6ak}{M + \frac{3}{2}M}$</p> | B1 M1 | 3.3 3.4 | $k_{OC} = \frac{3}{18} = 0.1\dot{6}$ Substituting $y = 6ak$ and $m = \frac{3}{2}M$ into their \bar{y} | |

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| | $\bar{y} = 2a \Rightarrow \frac{6a + 18ak}{5} = 2a \Rightarrow k_{OA} = \frac{2}{9}$ <p>(k changes from 1 to 0 and $k_{OA} > k_{OC}$ so) lamina topples over edge OA.</p> | <p>A1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>[4]</p> | <p>3.4</p> <p>2.2a</p> | $k_{OA} = \frac{4}{18} = 0.\dot{2}$ www |

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