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FURTHER MATHEMATICS

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Paper 3 Further Mechanics

October/November 2024

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.
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- 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 ms^{-2} .

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

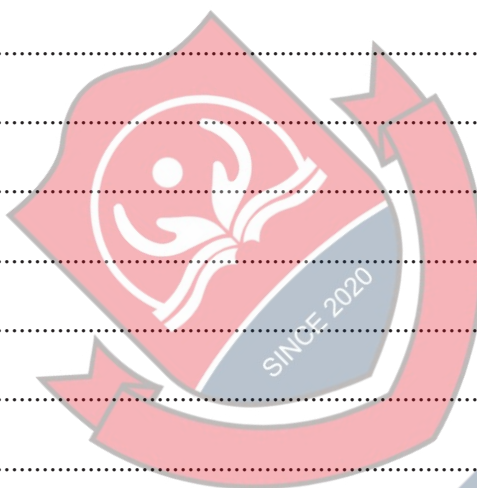
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- 1 A particle P is projected with speed $u \text{ m s}^{-1}$ at an angle $\tan^{-1} 2$ above the horizontal from a point O on a horizontal plane and moves freely under gravity. When P has travelled a distance 56 m horizontally from O , it is at a vertical height $H \text{ m}$ above the plane. When P has travelled a distance 84 m horizontally from O , it is at a vertical height $\frac{1}{2}H \text{ m}$ above the plane.

Find, in either order, the value of u and the value of H .

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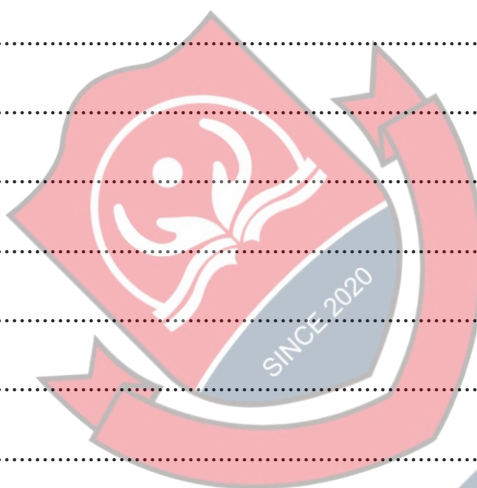
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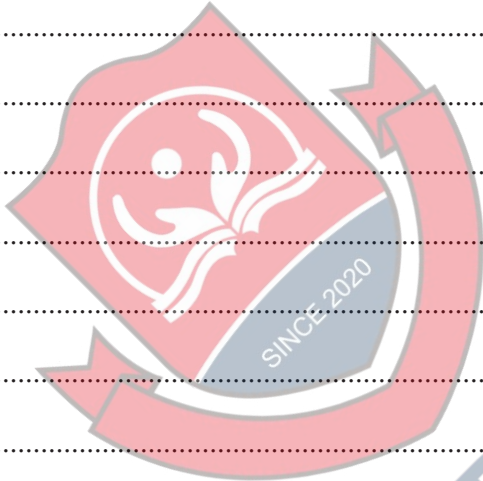
- 2 A particle P of mass m is attached to one end of a light inextensible string of length a . The other end of the string is attached to a fixed point O . The particle P is held at the point A with the string taut. It is given that OA makes an angle θ with the downward vertical through O , where $\tan \theta = \frac{3}{4}$. The particle P is projected perpendicular to OA in an upwards direction with speed $\sqrt{5ag}$, and it starts to move along a circular path in a vertical plane. When P is at the point B , where angle AOB is a right angle, the tension in the string is T .

Find T in terms of m and g .

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- (a)** Given that the particle just reaches O in the subsequent motion, find the value of d . [6]

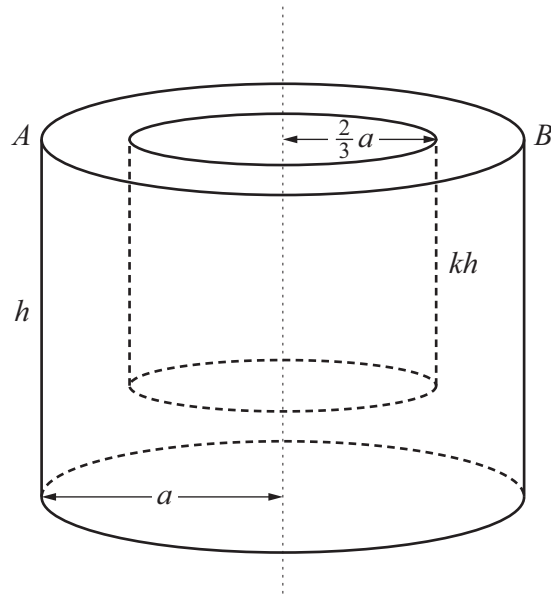




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An object is formed by removing a cylinder of radius $\frac{2}{3}a$ and height kh ($k < 1$) from a uniform solid cylinder of radius a and height h . The vertical axes of symmetry of the two cylinders coincide. The upper faces of the two cylinders are in the same plane as each other. The points A and B are the opposite ends of a diameter of the upper face of the object (see diagram).

- (a) Find, in terms of h and k , the distance of the centre of mass of the object from AB . [4]

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- 5** A particle P of mass 2 kg moving on a horizontal straight line has displacement $x\text{ m}$ from a fixed point O on the line and velocity $v\text{ m s}^{-1}$ at time $t\text{ s}$. The only horizontal force acting on P is a variable force $F\text{ N}$ which can be expressed as a function of t . It is given that

$$\frac{v}{x} = \frac{3-t}{1+t}$$

and when $t = 0, x = 5$.

- (a) Find an expression for x in terms of t .

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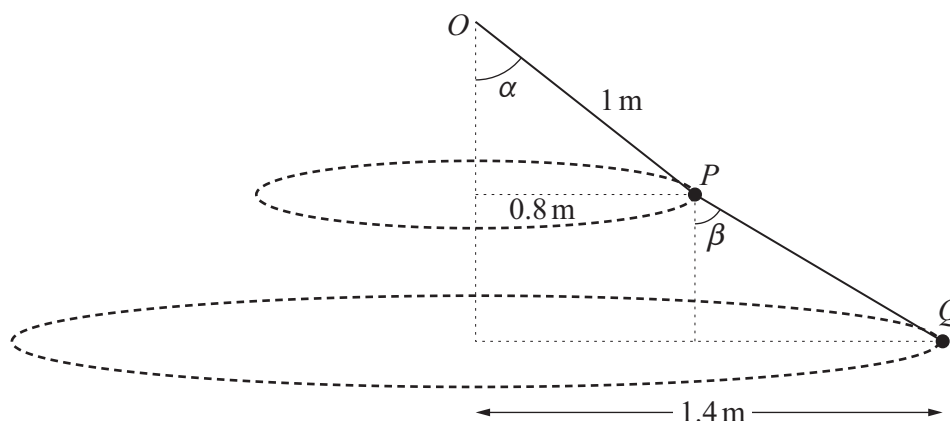
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A particle P of mass 0.05 kg is attached to one end of a light inextensible string of length 1 m . The other end of the string is attached to a fixed point O . A particle Q of mass 0.04 kg is attached to one end of a second light inextensible string. The other end of this string is attached to P .

The particle P moves in a horizontal circle of radius 0.8 m with angular speed $\omega\text{ rad s}^{-1}$. The particle Q moves in a horizontal circle of radius 1.4 m also with angular speed $\omega\text{ rad s}^{-1}$. The centres of the circles are vertically below O , and O , P and Q are always in the same vertical plane. The strings OP and PQ remain at constant angles α and β respectively to the vertical (see diagram).

- (a) Find the tension in the string OP . [3]

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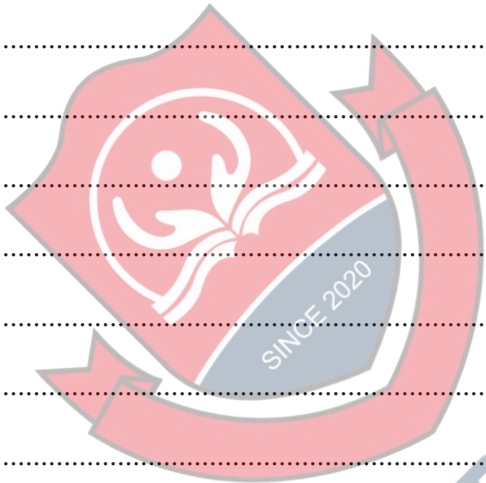
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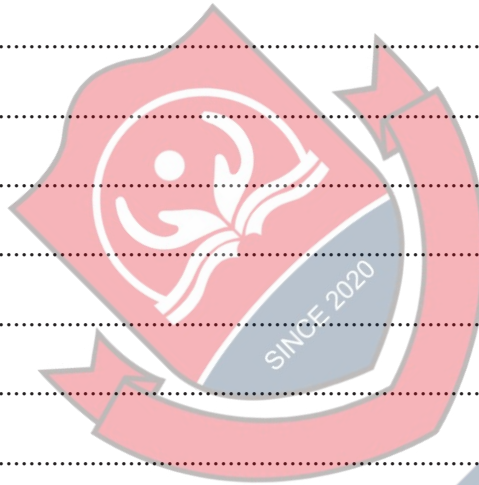


(b) Find the value of e . [6]



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