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Resource Set 1: Topic 8

Forces and Newton's Laws

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### **Context**

- Additional Assessment Materials are being produced for GCSE, AS and A levels (with the exception of Art and Design).
- The Additional Assessment Materials presented in this booklet are an optional part of the range of evidence teachers may use when deciding on a candidate's grade.
- 2021 Additional Assessment Materials have been drawn from previous examination materials, namely past papers.
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### **Purpose**

- The purpose of this resource to provide qualification-specific sets/groups of questions covering the knowledge, skills and understanding relevant to this Pearson qualification.
- This document should be used in conjunction with the mapping guidance which will map content and/or skills covered within each set of questions.
- These materials are only intended to support the summer 2021 series.

- 1** A rough plane is inclined to the horizontal at an angle  $\alpha$ , where  $\tan \alpha = \frac{3}{4}$   
A brick  $P$  of mass  $m$  is placed on the plane.

The coefficient of friction between  $P$  and the plane is  $\mu$

Brick  $P$  is in equilibrium and on the point of sliding down the plane.

Brick  $P$  is modelled as a particle.

Using the model,

- (a) find, in terms of  $m$  and  $g$ , the magnitude of the normal reaction of the plane on brick  $P$  (2)

- (b) show that  $\mu = \frac{3}{4}$  (4)

**For parts (c) and (d), you are not required to do any further calculations.**

Brick  $P$  is now removed from the plane and a much heavier brick  $Q$  is placed on the plane.

The coefficient of friction between  $Q$  and the plane is also  $\frac{3}{4}$

- (c) Explain briefly why brick  $Q$  will remain at rest on the plane. (1)

Brick  $Q$  is now projected with speed  $0.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  down a line of greatest slope of the plane.

Brick  $Q$  is modelled as a particle.

Using the model,

- (d) describe the motion of brick  $Q$ , giving a reason for your answer. (2)

**(Total for Question 1 is 9 marks)**

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2. A rough plane is inclined to the horizontal at an angle  $\alpha$ , where  $\tan \alpha = \frac{3}{4}$

A particle of mass  $m$  is placed on the plane and then projected up a line of greatest slope of the plane.

The coefficient of friction between the particle and the plane is  $\mu$ .

The particle moves up the plane with a constant deceleration of  $\frac{4}{5}g$

(a) Find the value of  $\mu$ .

(6)

The particle comes to rest at the point  $A$  on the plane.

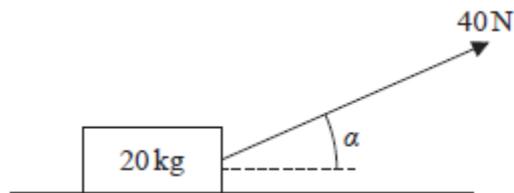
(b) Determine whether the particle will remain at  $A$ , carefully justifying your answer.

(2)

(Total for Question 2 is 8 marks)

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3.



**Figure 1**

A wooden crate of mass 20 kg is pulled in a straight line along a rough horizontal floor using a handle attached to the crate.

The handle is inclined at an angle  $\alpha$  to the floor, as shown in Figure 1, where  $\tan \alpha = \frac{3}{4}$ .

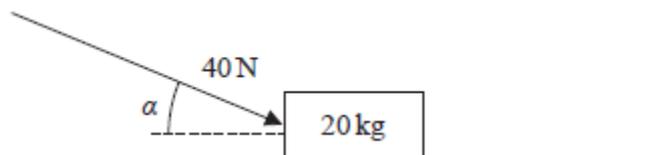
The tension in the handle is 40 N. The coefficient of friction between the crate and the floor is 0.14. The crate is modelled as a particle and the handle is modelled as a light rod.

Using the model,

(a) find the acceleration of the crate.

**(6)**

The crate is now pushed along the same floor using the handle. The handle is again inclined at the same angle  $\alpha$  to the floor, and the thrust in the handle is 40 N as shown in Figure 2 below.



**Figure 2**

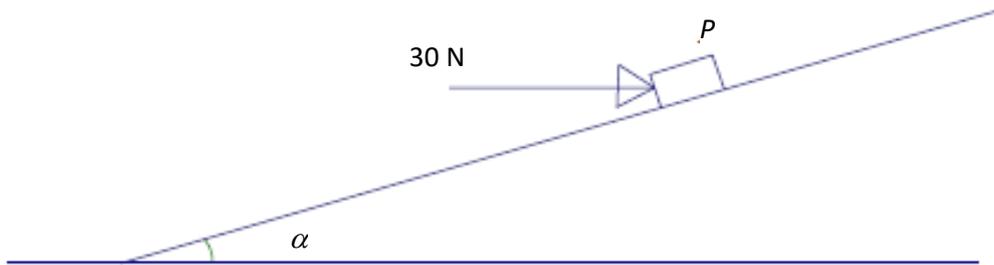
(b) Explain briefly why the acceleration of the crate would now be less than the acceleration of the crate found in part (a).

**(2)**

**(Total for Question 3 is 8 marks)**

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4.



**Figure 3**

A package  $P$  of weight  $20\text{ N}$  is moving up an inclined plane under the action of a horizontal force of magnitude  $30\text{ N}$ , as shown in Figure 3. The force is acting in a vertical plane through a line of greatest slope of the plane. The coefficient of friction between  $P$  and the plane is  $\mu$ .

The plane is inclined at angle  $\alpha$  to the horizontal, where  $\tan \alpha = \frac{5}{12}$ .

Package  $P$  is modelled as a particle.

(a) Find the magnitude of the normal reaction of the plane on  $P$ . (2)

(b) Find the range of possible values of  $\mu$ . (4)

The horizontal force is now removed and  $P$  continues to slide up the plane until  $P$  comes to instantaneous rest. Package  $P$  then slides back down the plane.

Given that  $\mu = \frac{1}{3}$ ,

(c) find the acceleration of  $P$  as it slides down the plane. (5)

**(Total for Question 4 is 11 marks)**

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5.

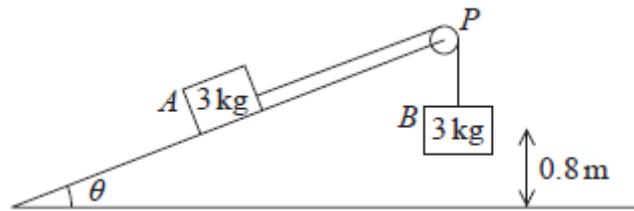


Figure 3

Two packages  $A$  and  $B$ , each of mass  $3\text{ kg}$ , are attached to the ends of a rope. Initially  $A$  is held at rest on a smooth fixed plane that is inclined at angle  $\theta$  to the horizontal ground, where  $\sin \theta = \frac{2}{7}$ .

The rope passes over a pulley,  $P$ , fixed at the top of the plane. The pulley is modelled as small and smooth. The part of the string from  $A$  to  $P$  is parallel to a line of greatest slope of the plane. Package  $B$  hangs freely below  $P$ , as shown in Figure 3.

The packages are released from rest with the string taut and  $A$  moves up the plane. In this model, the packages are modelled as particles and the rope as a light inextensible string. The magnitude of the tension in the string immediately after the packages are released is  $T$  newtons.

- (a) Find the value of  $T$ . (6)

At the instant when the packages are released from rest,  $B$  is  $0.8\text{ m}$  above the ground and  $A$  is at the point  $C$  on the plane. When  $B$  reaches the ground,  $B$  is immediately brought to rest by the impact with the ground. In the subsequent motion,  $A$  does not reach  $P$  and comes to instantaneous rest at the point  $D$  on the plane.

- (b) Find the distance  $CD$ . (5)

- (c) State two limitations of the model that could affect the reliability of your answers. (2)

**(Total for Question 5 is 13 marks)**

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6.

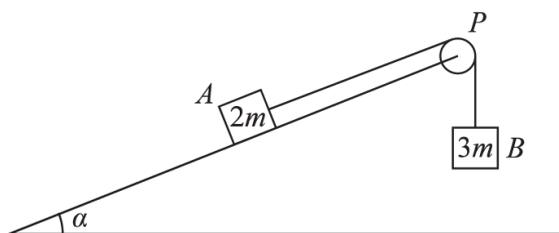


Figure 1

Two blocks,  $A$  and  $B$ , of masses  $2m$  and  $3m$  respectively, are attached to the ends of a light string.

Initially  $A$  is held at rest on a fixed rough plane.

The plane is inclined at angle  $\alpha$  to the horizontal ground, where  $\tan \alpha = \frac{5}{12}$

The string passes over a small smooth pulley,  $P$ , fixed at the top of the plane.

The part of the string from  $A$  to  $P$  is parallel to a line of greatest slope of the plane. Block  $B$  hangs freely below  $P$ , as shown in Figure 1.

The coefficient of friction between  $A$  and the plane is  $\frac{2}{3}$

The blocks are released from rest with the string taut and  $A$  moves up the plane.

The tension in the string immediately after the blocks are released is  $T$ .

The blocks are modelled as particles and the string is modelled as being inextensible.

(a) Show that  $T = \frac{12mg}{5}$  (8)

After  $B$  reaches the ground,  $A$  continues to move up the plane until it comes to rest before reaching  $P$ .

(b) Determine whether  $A$  will remain at rest, carefully justifying your answer. (2)

(c) Suggest two refinements to the model that would make it more realistic. (2)

(Total for Question 6 is 12 marks)

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