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Mathematics

Advanced Subsidiary

Paper 2: Statistics and Mechanics

Wednesday 23 May 2018 – Morning

Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

Paper Reference

8MA0/02

You must have:

Mathematical Formulae and Statistical Tables, calculator

Total Marks

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Candidates may use any calculator allowed by the regulations of the Joint Council for Qualifications. Calculators must not have the facility for symbolic algebra manipulation, differentiation and integration, or have retrievable mathematical formulae stored in them.

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- If pencil is used for diagrams/sketches/graphs it must be dark (HB or B).
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- There are **two** sections in this question paper. Answer **all** the questions in Section A and **all** the questions in Section B.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided
– *there may be more space than you need.*
- You should show sufficient working to make your methods clear. Answers without working may not gain full credit.
- Answers should be given to three significant figures unless otherwise stated.

Information

- A booklet 'Mathematical Formulae and Statistical Tables' is provided.
- There are 9 questions in this question paper. The total mark for this paper is 60.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets
– *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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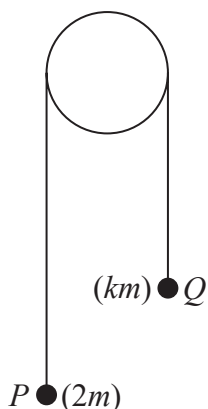


Figure 1

Two small balls, P and Q , have masses $2m$ and km respectively, where $k < 2$. The balls are attached to the ends of a string that passes over a fixed pulley. The system is held at rest with the string taut and the hanging parts of the string vertical, as shown in Figure 1.

The system is released from rest and, in the subsequent motion, P moves downwards with an acceleration of magnitude $\frac{5g}{7}$

The balls are modelled as particles moving freely.
The string is modelled as being light and inextensible.
The pulley is modelled as being small and smooth.

Using the model,

- (a) find, in terms of m and g , the tension in the string, (3)
- (b) explain why the acceleration of Q also has magnitude $\frac{5g}{7}$ (1)
- (c) find the value of k . (4)
- (d) Identify one limitation of the model that will affect the accuracy of your answer to part (c). (1)

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