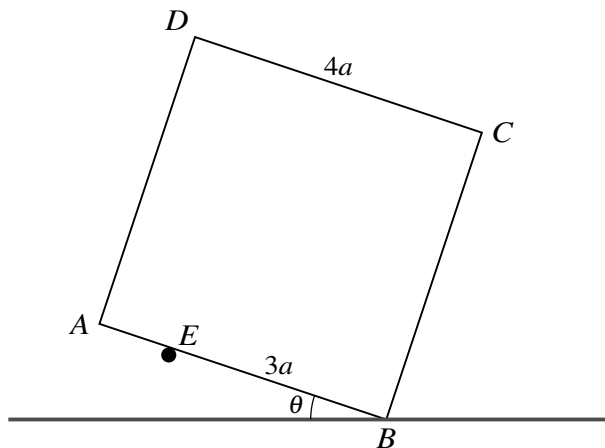


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A uniform square lamina $ABCD$ of side $4a$ and weight W rests in a vertical plane with the edge AB inclined at an angle θ to the horizontal, where $\tan \theta = \frac{1}{3}$. The vertex B is in contact with a rough horizontal surface for which the coefficient of friction is μ . The lamina is supported by a smooth peg at the point E on AB , where $BE = 3a$ (see diagram).

- (i) Find expressions in terms of W for the normal reaction forces at E and B . [5]

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(ii) Given that the lamina is about to slip, find the value of μ . [3]

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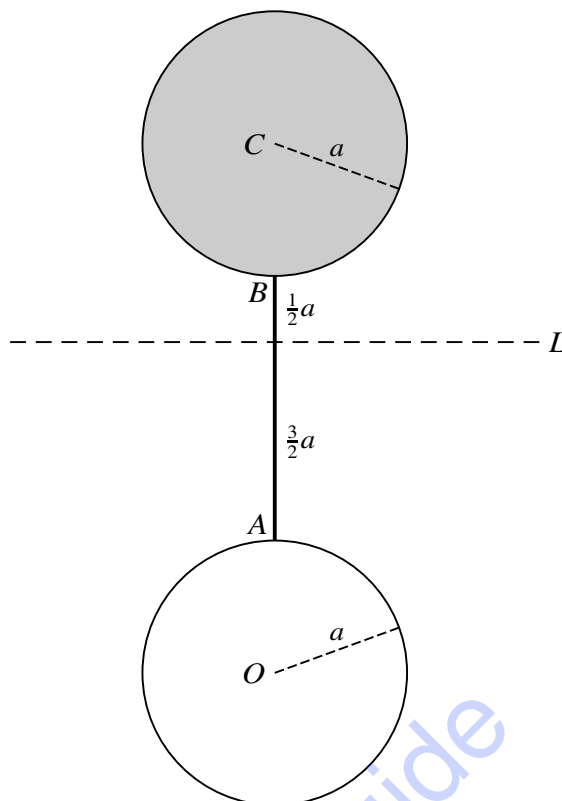
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A thin uniform rod AB has mass λM and length $2a$. The end A of the rod is rigidly attached to the surface of a uniform hollow sphere (spherical shell) with centre O , mass $3M$ and radius a . The end B of the rod is rigidly attached to the surface of a uniform solid sphere with centre C , mass $5M$ and radius a . The rod lies along the line joining the centres of the spheres, so that $CBAO$ is a straight line. The horizontal axis L is perpendicular to the rod and passes through the point of the rod that is a distance $\frac{1}{2}a$ from B (see diagram). The object consisting of the rod and the two spheres can rotate freely about L .

(i) Show that the moment of inertia of the object about L is $\left(\frac{408 + 7\lambda}{12}\right)Ma^2$. [6]

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6 A random sample of 9 members is taken from the large number of members of a sports club, and their heights are measured. The heights of all the members of the club are assumed to be normally distributed. A 95% confidence interval for the population mean height, μ metres, is calculated from the data as $1.65 \leq \mu \leq 1.85$.

(i) Find an unbiased estimate for the population variance. [3]

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(ii) Denoting the height of a member of the club by x metres, find Σx^2 for this sample of 9 members. [4]

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7 The time, T days, before an electrical component develops a fault has distribution function F given by

$$F(t) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-at} & t \geq 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where a is a positive constant. The mean value of T is 200.

(i) Write down the value of a . [1]

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(ii) Find the probability that an electrical component of this type develops a fault in less than 150 days. [2]

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A piece of equipment contains n of these components, which develop faults independently of each other. The probability that, after 150 days, at least one of the n components has not developed a fault is greater than 0.99.

(iii) Find the smallest possible value of n . [4]

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10 The random variable X has probability density function f given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{30} \left(\frac{8}{x^2} + 3x^2 - 14 \right) & 2 \leq x \leq 4, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

(i) Find the distribution function of X . [3]

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The random variable Y is defined by $Y = X^2$.

(ii) Find the probability density function of Y . [4]

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11 Answer only **one** of the following two alternatives.

EITHER

The points A and B are a distance 1.2 m apart on a smooth horizontal surface. A particle P of mass $\frac{2}{3}$ kg is attached to one end of a light spring of natural length 0.6 m and modulus of elasticity 10 N. The other end of the spring is attached to the point A . A second light spring, of natural length 0.4 m and modulus of elasticity 20 N, has one end attached to P and the other end attached to B .

(i) Show that when P is in equilibrium $AP = 0.75$ m. [3]

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The particle P is displaced by 0.05 m from the equilibrium position towards A and then released from rest.

(ii) Show that P performs simple harmonic motion and state the period of the motion. [6]

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OR

The number of puncture repairs carried out each week by a small repair shop is recorded over a period of 40 weeks. The results are shown in the following table.

Number of repairs in a week	0	1	2	3	4	5	≥ 6
Number of weeks	6	15	9	6	3	1	0

- (i) Calculate the mean and variance for the number of repairs in a week and comment on the possible suitability of a Poisson distribution to model the data. [3]

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Records over a longer period of time indicate that the mean number of repairs in a week is 1.6. The following table shows some of the expected frequencies, correct to 3 decimal places, for a period of 40 weeks using a Poisson distribution with mean 1.6.

Number of repairs in a week	0	1	2	3	4	5	≥ 6
Expected frequency	8.076	12.921	10.337	5.513	2.205	<i>a</i>	<i>b</i>

- (ii) Show that $a = 0.706$ and find the value of the constant b . [3]

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