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**MATHEMATICS**

**9709/42**

Paper 4 Mechanics

**May/June 2023**

**1 hour 15 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.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
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- If additional space is needed, you should use the lined page at the end of this booklet; the question number or numbers must be clearly shown.
- 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  $10 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ .

## 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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2 Two particles *A* and *B*, of masses 3.2 kg and 2.4 kg respectively, lie on a smooth horizontal table. *A* moves towards *B* with a speed of  $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$  and collides with *B*, which is moving towards *A* with a speed of  $6 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ . In the collision the two particles come to rest.

(a) Find the value of  $v$ . [2]

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(b) Find the loss of kinetic energy of the system due to the collision. [2]

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6 A particle  $P$  starts at rest and moves in a straight line from a point  $O$ . At time  $t$  s after leaving  $O$ , the velocity of  $P$ ,  $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$ , is given by  $v = bt + ct^{\frac{3}{2}}$ , where  $b$  and  $c$  are constants.  $P$  has velocity  $8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  when  $t = 4$  and has velocity  $13.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  when  $t = 9$ .

(a) Show that  $b = 3$  and  $c = -0.5$ . [1]

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(b) Find the acceleration of  $P$  when  $t = 1$ . [2]

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(c) Find the positive value of  $t$  when  $P$  is at instantaneous rest and find the distance of  $P$  from  $O$  at this instant. [5]

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(ii) Hence, find the speed of  $P$  at  $C$ .

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(b) Find the time taken for  $P$  to travel from  $A$  to  $C$ .

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