

Chapter 8&9: Energy, Work and Power

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- 2 A car of mass 1800 kg is towing a trailer of mass 400 kg along a straight horizontal road. The car and trailer are connected by a light rigid tow-bar. The car is accelerating at 1.5 m s^{-2} . There are constant resistance forces of 250 N on the car and 100 N on the trailer.

(a) Find the tension in the tow-bar. [2]

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(b) Find the power of the engine of the car at the instant when the speed is 20 m s^{-1} . [3]

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4 Small smooth spheres A and B , of equal radii and of masses 4 kg and 2 kg respectively, lie on a smooth horizontal plane. Initially B is at rest and A is moving towards B with speed 10 m s^{-1} . After the spheres collide A continues to move in the same direction but with half the speed of B .

(a) Find the speed of B after the collision. [2]

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A third small smooth sphere C , of mass 1 kg and with the same radius as A and B , is at rest on the plane. B now collides directly with C . After this collision B continues to move in the same direction but with one third the speed of C .

(b) Show that there is another collision between A and B . [3]

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5 A car of mass 1250 kg is moving on a straight road.

(a) On a horizontal section of the road, the car has a constant speed of 32 m s^{-1} and there is a constant force of 750 N resisting the motion.

(i) Calculate, in kW, the power developed by the engine of the car. [2]

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(ii) Given that this power is suddenly decreased by 8 kW, find the instantaneous deceleration of the car. [3]

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2 A minibus of mass 4000 kg is travelling along a straight horizontal road. The resistance to motion is 900 N.

(a) Find the driving force when the acceleration of the minibus is 0.5 m s^{-2} . [2]

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(b) Find the power required for the minibus to maintain a constant speed of 25 m s^{-1} . [2]

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1 A particle B of mass 5 kg is at rest on a smooth horizontal table. A particle A of mass 2.5 kg moves on the table with a speed of 6 m s^{-1} and collides directly with B . In the collision the two particles coalesce.

(a) Find the speed of the combined particle after the collision. [2]

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(b) Find the loss of kinetic energy of the system due to the collision. [3]

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2 A car of mass 1400 kg is moving along a straight horizontal road against a resistance of magnitude 350 N.

(a) Find, in kW, the rate at which the engine of the car is working when it is travelling at a constant speed of 20 m s^{-1} . [2]

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(b) Find the acceleration of the car when its speed is 20 m s^{-1} and the engine is working at 15 kW. [3]

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2 A car of mass 1800 kg is travelling along a straight horizontal road. The power of the car's engine is constant. There is a constant resistance to motion of 650 N.

(a) Find the power of the car's engine, given that the car's acceleration is 0.5 m s^{-2} when its speed is 20 m s^{-1} . [3]

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(b) Find the steady speed which the car can maintain with the engine working at this power. [2]

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2 A box of mass 5 kg is pulled at a constant speed a distance of 15 m up a rough plane inclined at an angle of 20° to the horizontal. The box moves along a line of greatest slope against a frictional force of 40 N. The force pulling the box is parallel to the line of greatest slope.

(a) Find the work done against friction. [1]

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(b) Find the change in gravitational potential energy of the box. [2]

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(c) Find the work done by the pulling force. [1]

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6 A car of mass 1600 kg is pulling a caravan of mass 800 kg. The car and the caravan are connected by a light rigid tow-bar. The resistances to the motion of the car and caravan are 400 N and 250 N respectively.

(a) The car and caravan are travelling along a straight horizontal road.

(i) Given that the car and caravan have a constant speed of 25 m s^{-1} , find the power of the car's engine. [2]

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(ii) The engine's power is now suddenly increased to 39 kW. Find the instantaneous acceleration of the car and caravan and find the tension in the tow-bar. [5]

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(b) The car and caravan now travel up a straight hill, inclined at an angle of $\sin^{-1} 0.05$ to the horizontal, at a constant speed of $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$. The car's engine is working at 32.5 kW.

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- 2** A car of mass 1400 kg is travelling at constant speed up a straight hill inclined at α to the horizontal, where $\sin \alpha = 0.1$. There is a constant resistance force of magnitude 600 N. The power of the car's engine is 22 500 W.

- (a) Show that the speed of the car is 11.25 m s^{-1} . [3]

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The car, moving with speed 11.25 m s^{-1} , comes to a section of the hill which is inclined at 2° to the horizontal.

- (b) Given that the power and resistance force do not change, find the initial acceleration of the car up this section of the hill. [3]

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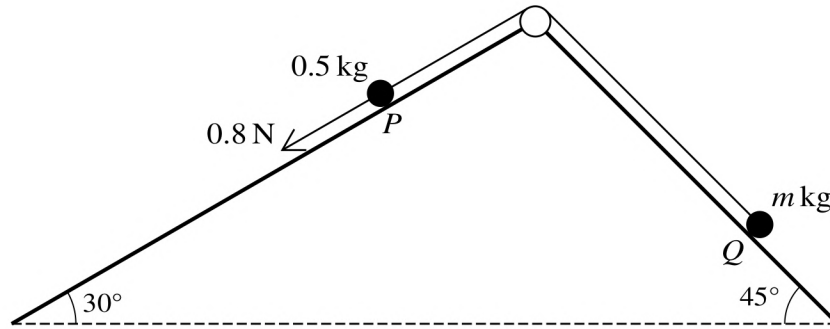
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Two particles P and Q of masses 0.5 kg and $m\text{ kg}$ respectively are attached to the ends of a light inextensible string. The string passes over a fixed smooth pulley which is attached to the top of two inclined planes. The particles are initially at rest with P on a smooth plane inclined at 30° to the horizontal and Q on a plane inclined at 45° to the horizontal. The string is taut and the particles can move on lines of greatest slope of the two planes. A force of magnitude 0.8 N is applied to P acting down the plane, causing P to move down the plane (see diagram).

- (b) It is given instead that the plane on which Q rests is rough, and that after each particle has moved a distance of 1 m , their speed is 0.6 m s^{-1} . The work done against friction in this part of the motion is 0.5 J .

Use an energy method to find the value of m . [5]

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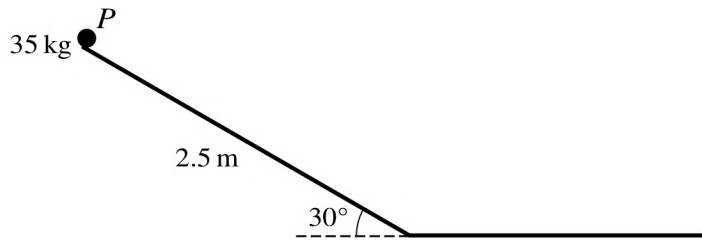
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A slide in a playground descends at a constant angle of 30° for 2.5 m. It then has a horizontal section in the same vertical plane as the sloping section. A child of mass 35 kg, modelled as a particle P , starts from rest at the top of the slide and slides straight down the sloping section. She then continues along the horizontal section until she comes to rest (see diagram). There is no instantaneous change in speed when the child goes from the sloping section to the horizontal section.

The child experiences a resistance force on the horizontal section of the slide, and the work done against the resistance force on the horizontal section of the slide is 250 J per metre.

(a) It is given that the sloping section of the slide is smooth.

(i) Find the speed of the child when she reaches the bottom of the sloping section. [3]

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(ii) Find the distance that the child travels along the horizontal section of the slide before she comes to rest. [2]

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5 A car of mass 1250 kg is pulling a caravan of mass 800 kg along a straight road. The resistances to the motion of the car and caravan are 440 N and 280 N respectively. The car and caravan are connected by a light rigid tow-bar.

(a) The car and caravan move along a horizontal part of the road at a constant speed of 30 m s^{-1} .

(i) Calculate, in kW, the power developed by the engine of the car. [2]

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(ii) Given that this power is suddenly decreased by 8 kW, find the instantaneous deceleration of the car and caravan and the tension in the tow-bar. [4]

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(b) The car and caravan now travel along a part of the road inclined at $\sin^{-1} 0.06$ to the horizontal. The car and caravan travel up the incline at constant speed with the engine of the car working at 28 kW.

(i) Find this constant speed. [3]

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(ii) Find the increase in the potential energy of the caravan in one minute. [2]

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2 A cyclist is travelling along a straight horizontal road. She is working at a constant rate of 150 W. At an instant when her speed is 4 m s^{-1} , her acceleration is 0.25 m s^{-2} . The resistance to motion is 20 N.

(a) Find the total mass of the cyclist and her bicycle. [3]

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The cyclist comes to a straight hill inclined at an angle θ above the horizontal. She ascends the hill at constant speed 3 m s^{-1} . She continues to work at the same rate as before and the resistance force is unchanged.

(b) Find the value of θ . [2]

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- 2 Two small smooth spheres A and B , of equal radii and of masses km kg and m kg respectively, where $k > 1$, are free to move on a smooth horizontal plane. A is moving towards B with speed 6 m s^{-1} and B is moving towards A with speed 2 m s^{-1} . After the collision A and B coalesce and move with speed 4 m s^{-1} .

(b) Find, in terms of m , the loss of kinetic energy due to the collision.

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5 A car of mass 1600 kg travels at constant speed 20 m s^{-1} up a straight road inclined at an angle of $\sin^{-1} 0.12$ to the horizontal.

(a) Find the change in potential energy of the car in 30 s. [3]

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(b) Given that the total work done by the engine of the car in this time is 1960 kJ, find the constant force resisting the motion. [3]

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(c) Calculate, in kW, the power developed by the engine of the car. [2]

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(d) Given that this power is suddenly decreased by 15%, find the instantaneous deceleration of the car. [3]

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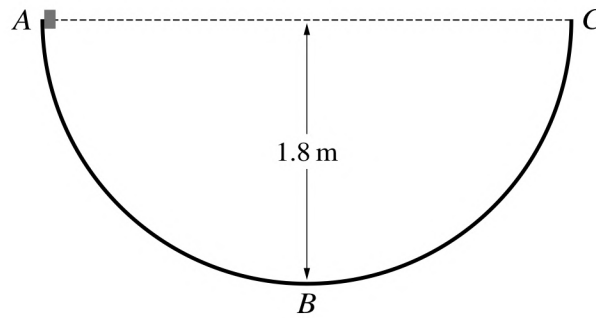
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The diagram shows a semi-circular track ABC of radius 1.8 m which is fixed in a vertical plane. The points A and C are at the same horizontal level and the point B is at the bottom of the track. The section AB is smooth and the section BC is rough. A small block is released from rest at A .

(a) Show that the speed of the block at B is 6 m s^{-1} . [2]

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The block comes to instantaneous rest for the first time at a height of 1.2 m above the level of B . The work done against the resistance force during the motion of the block from B to this point is 4.5 J.

(b) Find the mass of the block. [3]

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3 A ball of mass 1.6 kg is released from rest at a point 5 m above horizontal ground. When the ball hits the ground it instantaneously loses 8 J of kinetic energy and starts to move upwards.

(a) Use an energy method to find the greatest height that the ball reaches after hitting the ground. [3]

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(b) Find the total time taken, from the initial release of the ball until it reaches this greatest height. [3]

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4 A car of mass 1400 kg is moving on a straight road against a constant force of 1250 N resisting the motion.

(a) The car moves along a horizontal section of the road at a constant speed of 36 m s^{-1} .

(i) Calculate the work done against the resisting force during the first 8 seconds. [2]

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(ii) Calculate, in kW, the power developed by the engine of the car. [2]

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- (iii) Given that this power is suddenly increased by 12 kW, find the instantaneous acceleration of the car. [3]

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- (b) The car now travels at a constant speed of 32 m s^{-1} up a section of the road inclined at θ° to the horizontal, with the engine working at 64 kW.

Find the value of θ . [2]

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1 A crane is used to raise a block of mass 600 kg vertically upwards at a constant speed through a height of 15 m. There is a resistance to the motion of the block, which the crane does 10 000 J of work to overcome.

(a) Find the total work done by the crane. [2]

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(b) Given that the average power exerted by the crane is 12.5 kW, find the total time for which the block is in motion. [2]

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- 3** A car of mass m kg is towing a trailer of mass 300 kg down a straight hill inclined at 3° to the horizontal at a constant speed. There are resistance forces on the car and on the trailer, and the total work done against the resistance forces in a distance of 50 m is 40 000 J. The engine of the car is doing no work and the tow-bar is light and rigid.

(a) Find the value of m . [3]

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The resistance force on the trailer is 200 N.

(b) Find the tension in the tow-bar between the car and the trailer. [2]

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- 1** Small smooth spheres A and B , of equal radii and of masses 5 kg and 3 kg respectively, lie on a smooth horizontal plane. Initially B is at rest and A is moving towards B with speed 8.5 m s^{-1} . The spheres collide and after the collision A continues to move in the same direction but with a quarter of the speed of B .

- (a) Find the speed of B after the collision. [3]

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

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The cyclist comes to the top of a hill inclined at 5° to the horizontal. The cyclist stops pedalling and freewheels down the hill (so that the cyclist is no longer supplying any power). The magnitude of the resistance force remains at 30 N. Over a distance of d m, the speed of the cyclist increases from 6 m s^{-1} to 12 m s^{-1} .

- (b) Find the change in kinetic energy. [2]

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- (c) Use an energy method to find d . [3]

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3 A constant resistance of magnitude 1400 N acts on a car of mass 1250 kg.

(a) The car is moving along a straight level road at a constant speed of 28 m s^{-1} .

Find, in kW, the rate at which the engine of the car is working. [2]

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(b) The car now travels at a constant speed up a hill inclined at an angle of θ to the horizontal, where $\sin \theta = 0.12$, with the engine working at 43.5 kW.

Find this speed. [3]

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- 4 A car of mass 1200 kg is travelling along a straight horizontal road AB . There is a constant resistance force of magnitude 500 N. When the car passes point A , it has a speed of 15 m s^{-1} and an acceleration of 0.8 m s^{-2} .

- (a) Find the power of the car's engine at the point A . [3]

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The car continues to work with this power as it travels from A to B . The car takes 53 seconds to travel from A to B and the speed of the car at B is 32 m s^{-1} .

- (b) Show that the distance AB is 1362.6 m. [3]

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- 2 A box of mass 5 kg is pulled at a constant speed of 1.8 m s^{-1} for 15 s up a rough plane inclined at an angle of 20° to the horizontal. The box moves along a line of greatest slope against a frictional force of 40 N. The force pulling the box is parallel to the line of greatest slope.

(a) Find the change in gravitational potential energy of the box. [2]

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6 A car of mass 1750 kg is pulling a caravan of mass 500 kg. The car and the caravan are connected by a light rigid tow-bar. The resistances to the motion of the car and caravan are 650 N and 150 N respectively.

(a) The car and caravan are moving along a straight horizontal road at a constant speed of 24 m s^{-1} .

(i) Find the power of the car's engine. [2]

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(ii) The engine's power is now suddenly increased to 40 kW.

Find the instantaneous acceleration of the car and caravan and find the tension in the tow-bar. [5]

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- (b) The car and caravan now travel up a straight hill, inclined at an angle $\sin^{-1} 0.14$ to the horizontal, at a constant speed of $v \text{ m s}^{-1}$. The car's engine is working at 31 kW. The resistances to the motion of the car and caravan are unchanged.

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The 1.5 kg particle is released from rest. In the subsequent motion the two particles collide and coalesce. The time taken for the combined particle to travel from B to C is 2 s. The coefficient of friction between the combined particle and the plane is still 0.75.

(b) Find x .

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(c) Find the total loss of energy of the particles from the time the 1.5 kg particle is released until the combined particle reaches C .

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1 A crate of mass 200 kg is being pulled at constant speed along horizontal ground by a horizontal rope attached to a winch. The winch is working at a constant rate of 4.5 kW and there is a constant resistance to the motion of the crate of magnitude 600 N.

(a) Find the time that it takes for the crate to move a distance of 15 m. [2]

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The rope breaks after the crate has moved 15 m.

(b) Find the time taken, after the rope breaks, for the crate to come to rest. [3]

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4 A toy railway locomotive of mass 0.8 kg is towing a truck of mass 0.4 kg on a straight horizontal track at a constant speed of 2 m s^{-1} . There is a constant resistance force of magnitude 0.2 N on the locomotive, but no resistance force on the truck. There is a light rigid horizontal coupling connecting the locomotive and the truck.

(a) State the tension in the coupling. [1]

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(b) Find the power produced by the locomotive's engine. [1]

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The power produced by the locomotive's engine is now changed to 1.2 W .

(c) Find the magnitude of the tension in the coupling at the instant that the locomotive begins to accelerate. [5]

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2 A particle P of mass 0.4 kg is projected vertically upwards from horizontal ground with speed 10 m s^{-1} .

(a) Find the greatest height above the ground reached by P . [2]

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When P reaches the ground again, it bounces vertically upwards. At the first instant that it hits the ground, P loses 7.2 J of energy.

(b) Find the time between the first and second instants at which P hits the ground. [4]

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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 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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4 A lorry of mass 15 000 kg moves on a straight horizontal road in the direction from *A* to *B*. It passes *A* and *B* with speeds 20 m s^{-1} and 25 m s^{-1} respectively. The power of the lorry's engine is constant and there is a constant resistance to motion of magnitude 6000 N. The acceleration of the lorry at *B* is 0.5 times the acceleration of the lorry at *A*.

(a) Show that the power of the lorry's engine is 200 kW, and hence find the acceleration of the lorry when it is travelling at 20 m s^{-1} . [5]

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The lorry begins to ascend a straight hill inclined at 1° to the horizontal. It is given that the power of the lorry's engine and the resistance force do not change.

(b) Find the steady speed up the hill that the lorry could maintain. [2]

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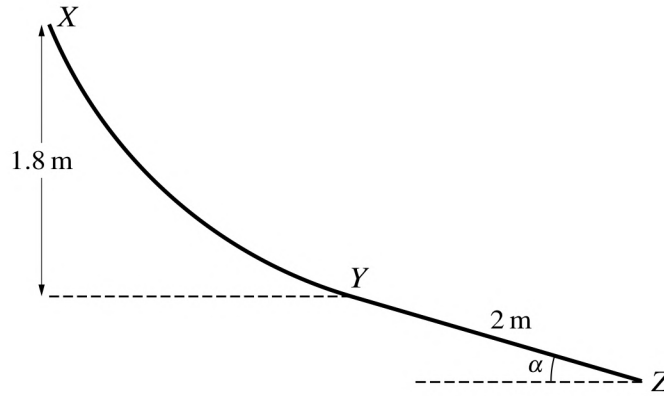
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The diagram shows the vertical cross-section XYZ of a rough slide. The section YZ is a straight line of length 2 m inclined at an angle of α to the horizontal, where $\sin \alpha = 0.28$. The section YZ is tangential to the curved section XY at Y , and X is 1.8 m above the level of Y . A child of mass 25 kg slides down the slide, starting from rest at X . The work done by the child against the resistance force in moving from X to Y is 50 J.

- (a) Find the speed of the child at Y . [4]

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- 4 Two particles P and Q , of masses 6 kg and 2 kg respectively, lie at rest 12.5 m apart on a rough horizontal plane. The coefficient of friction between each particle and the plane is 0.4. Particle P is projected towards Q with speed 20 m s^{-1} .

(a) Show that the speed of P immediately before the collision with Q is $10\sqrt{3} \text{ m s}^{-1}$. [3]

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In the collision P and Q coalesce to form particle R .

(b) Find the loss of kinetic energy due to the collision. [4]

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6 A car of mass 1300 kg is moving on a straight road.

(a) On a horizontal section of the road, the car has a constant speed of 30 m s^{-1} and there is a constant force of 650 N resisting the motion.

(i) Calculate, in kW, the power developed by the engine of the car. [2]

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(ii) Given that this power is suddenly increased by 9 kW, find the instantaneous acceleration of the car. [3]

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4 A car has mass 1600 kg.

- (a) The car is moving along a straight horizontal road at a constant speed of 24 m s^{-1} and is subject to a constant resistance of magnitude 480 N.

Find, in kW, the rate at which the engine of the car is working. [2]

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The car now moves down a hill inclined at an angle of θ to the horizontal, where $\sin \theta = 0.09$. The engine of the car is working at a constant rate of 12 kW. The speed of the car is 24 m s^{-1} at the top of the hill. Ten seconds later the car has travelled 280 m down the hill and has speed 32 m s^{-1} .

- (b) Given that the resistance is not constant, use an energy method to find the total work done against the resistance during the ten seconds. [5]

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