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A-level PHYSICS

Paper 3
Section B Engineering physics

Thursday 15 June 2023

Morning

Time allowed: The total time for both sections of this paper is 2 hours. You are advised to spend approximately 50 minutes on this section.

- Materials**
For this paper you must have:
- a pencil and a ruler
 - a scientific calculator
 - a Data and Formulae Booklet
 - a protractor.

- Instructions**
- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
 - Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
 - Answer **all** questions.
 - You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
 - If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).
 - Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
 - Show all your working.

- Information**
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
 - The maximum mark for this paper is 35.
 - You are expected to use a scientific calculator where appropriate.
 - A Data and Formulae Booklet is provided as a loose insert.

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Section B

Answer **all** questions in this section.

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One equation used in translational dynamics is:

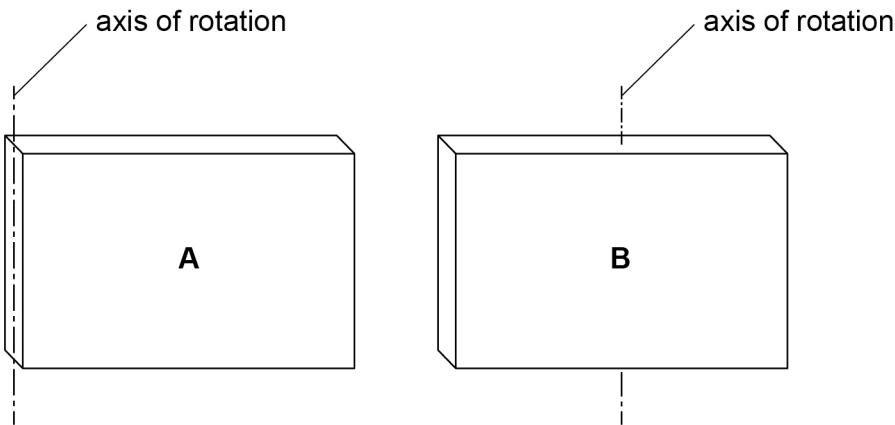
$$\text{force} = \text{mass} \times \text{acceleration}$$

State **in words** the equivalent equation used in rotational dynamics.

[2 marks]

Figure 1 shows two identical uniform plates **A** and **B**. The axis of rotation of each plate is shown.

Figure 1



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State and explain which plate has the greater moment of inertia about its axis of rotation.

[2 marks]



An electric motor drives a machine that punches out plates from a long strip of sheet metal. The motor runs continuously and is fitted with a flywheel. **Figure 2** shows how the angular velocity ω of the flywheel varies with time t .

Figure 2

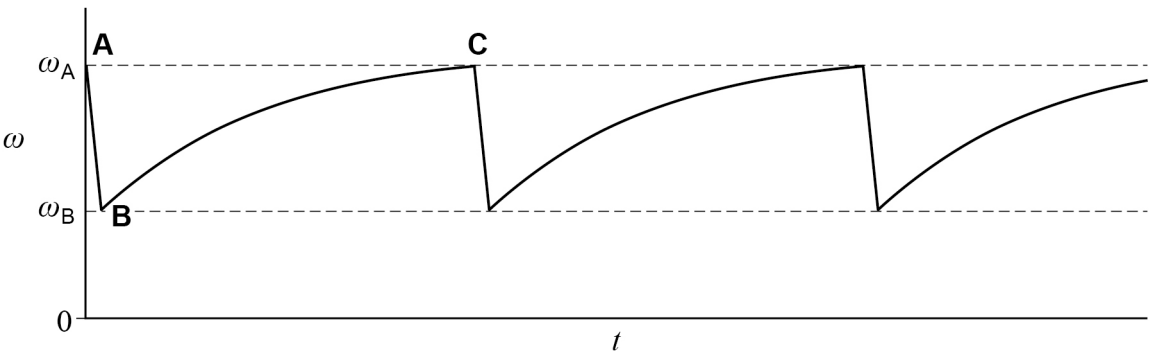


Table 1 describes the sequence for the machine after it has been brought up to speed ω_A .

Table 1

A	The punching operation starts.
A to B	The flywheel transfers some of its energy during the punching operation.
B to C	The flywheel is again brought up to speed ω_A by the motor.
C	The next punching operation starts.

0 1 . 3 A new flywheel with a greater moment of inertia is fitted in place of the original flywheel. The motor torque is constant and the same as before.

Sketch on **Figure 2** a graph showing how the angular velocity varies with time for the machine fitted with the new flywheel.

Assume that:

- the punching operation starts at the same angular speed ω_A
- the same quantity of energy is transferred when punching the metal sheet.

[2 marks]

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Explain **one** difference between your graph and the original graph.

[1 mark]

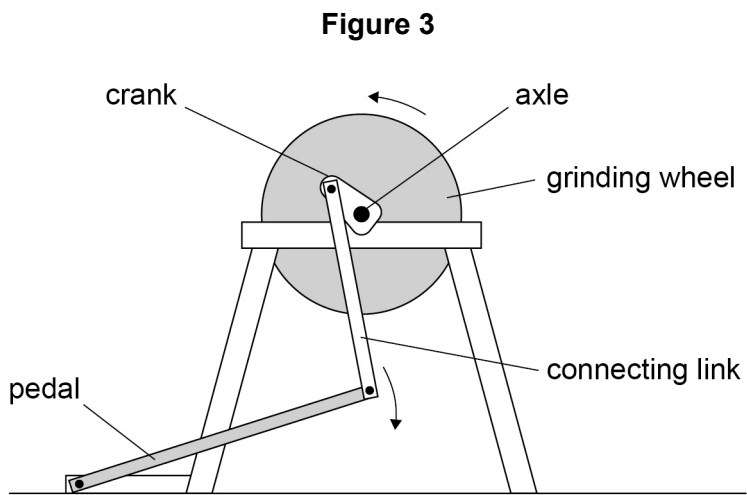
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Figure 3 shows a heavy stone grinding wheel used for sharpening tools.



The pedal is connected to the axle of the wheel by a connecting link and crank. The operator pushes the pedal downwards to accelerate the wheel from rest. The wheel begins to rotate in the direction shown.

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Explain why the torque applied to the axle varies as the operator pushes downwards on the pedal.

[2 marks]

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The wheel is rotating at a high angular speed. The operator is told not to use the pedal to stop the rotation of the wheel suddenly.

Explain, with reference to angular impulse, why a sudden stop is likely to damage the mechanism.

[2 marks]

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The connecting link breaks. At this instant the angular speed of the wheel is 13.8 rad s^{-1} .
It takes 15.0 s for the wheel to come to rest.
The frictional torque acting at the axle bearings is 0.77 N m and is constant for all speeds.

Calculate the moment of inertia of the wheel.

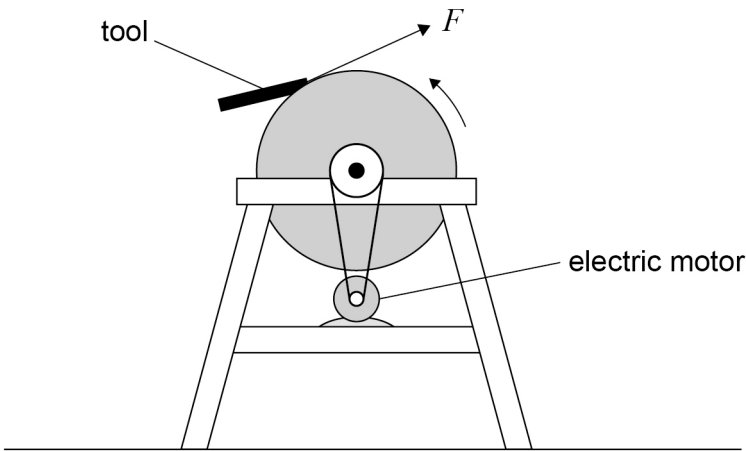
[2 marks]

moment of inertia = _____ kg m^2



The arrangement is modified as shown in **Figure 4**. The pedal, connecting link and crank are removed and the grinding wheel is driven by an electric motor.

Figure 4



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Figure 4 also shows a tool being sharpened by pressing it on the edge of the rotating wheel.
The tool applies a tangential force F on the wheel.
A torque of 3.10 N m is needed at the axle to drive the wheel at constant angular speed while the tool is being sharpened.

frictional torque at the axle bearings = 0.77 N m
radius of wheel = 0.24 m

Calculate F .

[2 marks]

$F =$ _____ N

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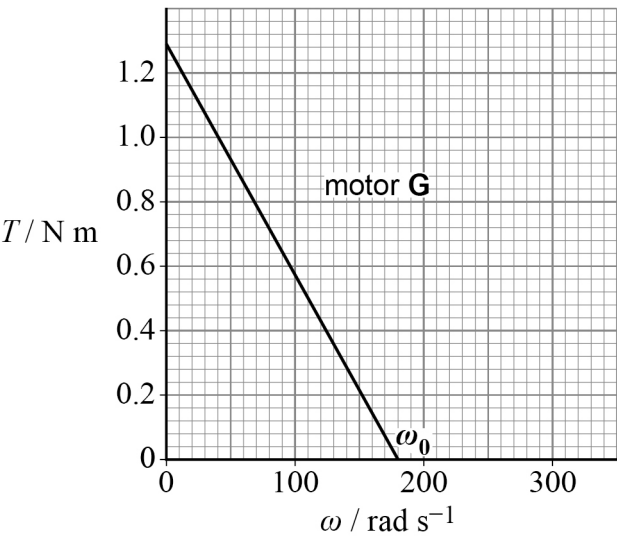
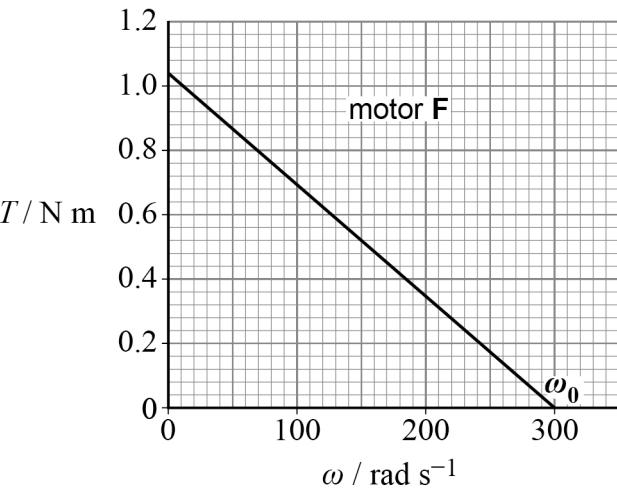
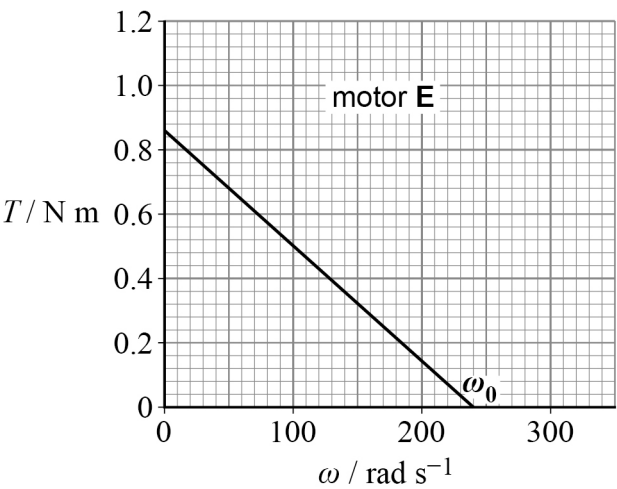
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Three motors **E**, **F** and **G** were available to drive the wheel in **Figure 4**. **Figure 5** shows how the torque T varies with angular speed ω for each motor.

Figure 5



The no-load speed ω_0 is the angular speed of a motor when the torque applied is zero.

The maximum power of each motor is developed at about $0.5\omega_0$.

The required output power of the motor when a tool is being sharpened is 52 W.

The required output power of the chosen motor should be about $\frac{2}{3}$ of its maximum power.

Deduce which motor **E**, **F** or **G** was chosen for this application.

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03.1

The first law of thermodynamics can be written as:

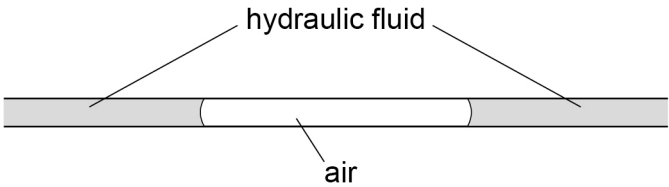
$$Q = \Delta U + W$$

State what Q represents in this equation.

[1 mark]

Air in the brake pipe of a bicycle hydraulic brake system can be dangerous.
Figure 6 shows a bubble of air in a brake pipe.

Figure 6



Assume that the hydraulic fluid is incompressible.
During a sudden application of the brake, the air is compressed adiabatically to a high pressure.

03.2

The work done on the air when it is compressed is 10.8 mJ.

Which row is correct for this adiabatic compression?

Tick (✓) **one** box.

[1 mark]

W / mJ	Q / mJ	$\Delta U / \text{mJ}$	
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-10.8	-10.8	0	☐
10.8	0	-10.8	☐



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The initial conditions for the air are:

volume of air = $2.91 \times 10^{-8} \text{ m}^3$

pressure of air = $1.05 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$

temperature of air = 293 K.

During sudden braking, the air in the bubble is compressed adiabatically to a volume of $3.19 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}^3$.

Calculate the pressure and the temperature of the air immediately after the compression.

γ for air = 1.4

[3 marks]

pressure = _____ Pa

temperature = _____ K

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To produce the adiabatic change, the brake lever is pulled very quickly.
The cyclist thinks that by applying the brake slowly, the work done to compress the bubble to a volume of $3.19 \times 10^{-9} \text{ m}^3$ will be greater than 10.8 mJ.

Deduce without calculation whether the cyclist is correct.

[2 marks]

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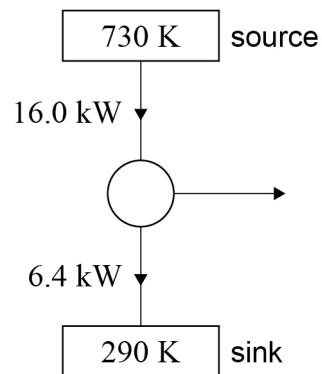
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Figure 9 shows an ideal heat engine.

Figure 9



The engine operates between a source at a temperature of 730 K and a sink at a temperature of 290 K.

The input power is 16.0 kW and the power rejected to the sink is 6.4 kW.

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Calculate the efficiency of this engine.

[1 mark]

efficiency = _____

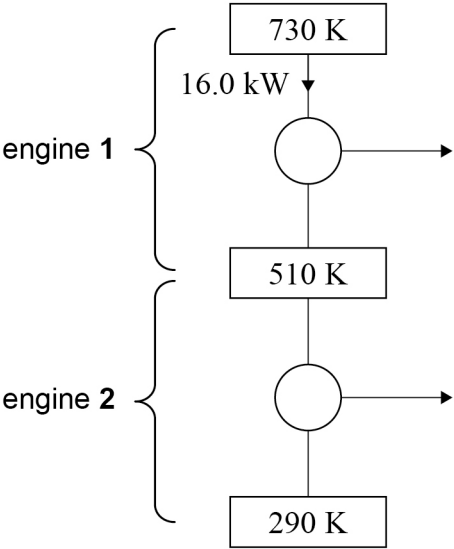


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Figure 10 shows another system operating between the same overall temperatures and with the same input power as the engine in **Figure 9**. This system consists of two ideal engines.

Figure 10



The sink for engine 1 forms the source for engine 2. The temperature of the intermediate reservoir is 510 K.

All the energy rejected by heat transfer in engine 1 provides the input energy to engine 2.

A student suggests that the system in **Figure 10** can provide more output power and be more efficient than the engine in **Figure 9**.

Deduce whether the student's suggestions are correct.
You may annotate **Figures 9** and **10**.

[3 marks]

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