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1 A particle of mass 8 kg is pulled at a constant speed a distance of 20 m up a rough plane inclined at an angle of 30° to the horizontal by a force acting along a line of greatest slope.

(i) Find the change in gravitational potential energy of the particle. [2]

(ii) The total work done against gravity and friction is 1146 J. Find the frictional force acting on the particle. [2]

2 A box of mass 25 kg is pulled, at a constant speed, a distance of 36 m up a rough plane inclined at an angle of 20° to the horizontal. The box moves up a line of greatest slope against a constant frictional force of 40 N. The force pulling the box is parallel to the line of greatest slope. Find

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(i) the work done against friction, [1]

(ii) the change in gravitational potential energy of the box, [2]

(iii) the work done by the pulling force. [2]

3 A particle of mass 8 kg is projected with a speed of 5 m s^{-1} up a line of greatest slope of a rough plane inclined at an angle α to the horizontal, where $\sin\alpha = \frac{5}{13}$. The motion of the particle is resisted by a constant frictional force of magnitude 15 N. The particle comes to instantaneous rest after travelling a distance x m up the plane.

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(i) Express the change in gravitational potential energy of the particle in terms of x. [2]

(ii) Use an energy method to find x. [4]

04 A lorry of mass 15 000 kg moves with constant speed 14 m s^{-1} from the top to the bottom of a straight hill of length 900 m. The top of the hill is 18 m above the level of the bottom of the hill. The total work done by the resistive forces acting on the lorry, including the braking force, is 4.8×10^6 J. Find

(i) the loss in gravitational potential energy of the lorry, [1]

(ii) the work done by the driving force. [1]

On reaching the bottom of the hill the lorry continues along a straight horizontal road against a constant resistance of 1600 N. There is no braking force acting. The speed of the lorry increases from 14 m s^{-1} at the bottom of the hill to 16 m s^{-1} at the point X, where X is 2500 m from the bottom of the hill.

(iii) By considering energy, find the work done by the driving force of the lorry while it travels from the bottom of the hill to X. [3]

5 P and Q are fixed points on a line of greatest slope of an inclined plane. The point Q is at a height of 0.45 m above the level of P. A particle of mass 0.3 kg moves upwards along the line PQ.

(i) Given that the plane is smooth and that the particle just reaches Q, find the speed with which it passes through P. [3]

(ii) It is given instead that the plane is rough. The particle passes through P with the same speed as that found in part **(i)**, and just reaches a point R which is between P and Q. The work done against the frictional force in moving from P to R is 0.39 J. Find the potential energy gained by the particle in moving from P to R and hence find the height of R above the level of P. [4]

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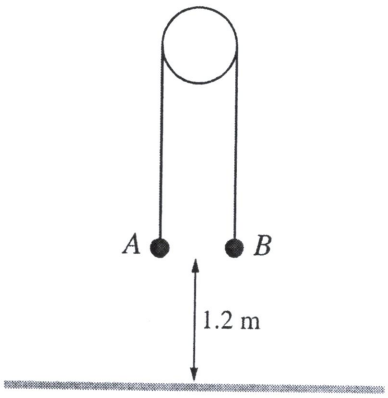

Particles A of mass 0.4 kg and B of mass 1.6 kg are attached to the ends of a light inextensible string which passes over a fixed smooth pulley. A is held at rest and B hangs freely, with both straight parts of the string vertical and both particles at a height of 1.2 m above the floor (see diagram). A is released and both particles start to move.

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(i) Find the work done on B by the tension in the string, as B moves to the floor. [5]

When particle B reaches the floor it remains at rest. Particle A continues to move upwards.

(ii) Find the greatest height above the floor reached by particle A. [4]

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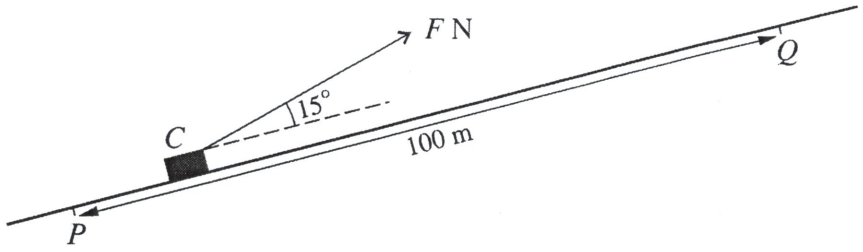

A crate C is pulled at constant speed up a straight inclined path by a constant force of magnitude F N, acting upwards at an angle of 15° to the path. C passes through points P and Q which are 100 m apart (see diagram). As C travels from P to Q the work done against the resistance to C's motion is 900 J, and the gain in C's potential energy is 2100 J. Write down the work done by the pulling force as C travels from P to Q, and hence find the value of F. [3]