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### 90940 Demonstrate understanding of aspects of mechanics

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Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
Demonstrate understanding of aspects of mechanics.	Demonstrate in-depth understanding of aspects of mechanics.	Demonstrate comprehensive understanding of aspects of mechanics.

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**You should attempt ALL the questions in this booklet.**

Show ALL working.

If you need more room for any answer, use the extra space provided at the back of this booklet.

Check that this booklet has pages 2–13 in the correct order and that none of these pages is blank.

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You may find the following formulae useful.

$$v = \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t} \quad a = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} \quad F_{\text{net}} = ma \quad P = \frac{F}{A}$$

$$\Delta E_p = mg\Delta h \quad E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \quad W = Fd \quad P = \frac{W}{t}$$

The value of  $g$  is given as  $10 \text{ m s}^{-2}$

You are advised to spend 60 minutes answering the questions in this booklet.

### QUESTION ONE: PARACHUTING

A parachutist of mass 75 kg jumps from a plane at a height of 4000 m above sea level.

- (a) The parachutist falls through a distance of 2400 m during the first 60 seconds. Calculate the average speed of the parachutist during this time.

$$V = \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t}$$

$$V = \frac{2400}{60}$$

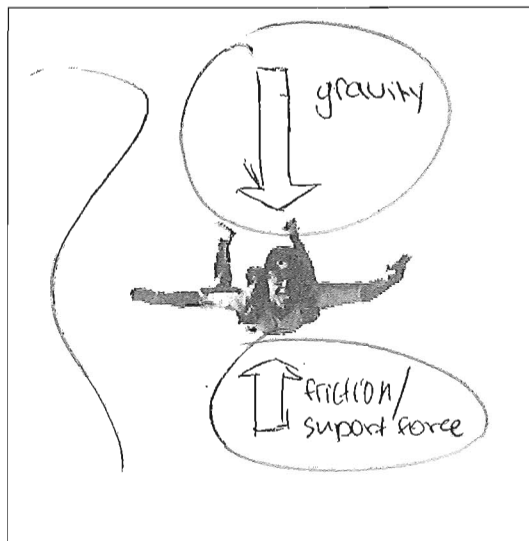
$$V = 40$$

Average speed = ~~40~~ m s<sup>-1</sup>

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- (b) Candidate shows forces being unbalanced & states it has. No mention of acceleration or mass so 1 M point here for part (b)



~~The forces are balanced as parachutist will be falling at a constant speed~~  
 The forces on the parachutist just after she jumps will be unbalanced as there is more gravitational pull than support force.

- (c) After the 60 seconds, the parachutist pulls the cord and opens her parachute.

Explain how the parachute **reduces** the speed of the parachutist when it is just opened.

In your answer you should consider:

- how the motion of the parachutist changes when the parachute is opened
- the effect of the size of the parachute on the motion
- the effect of the parachute on the net vertical force.

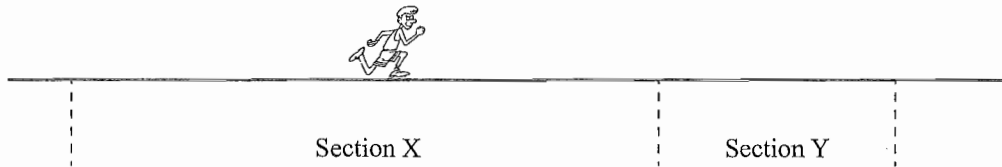
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The parachute reduces the speed of the parachutist when it is just opened because as the parachute has a large surface area, it creates an area for the air to resist against meaning that the parachutist will fall slower. It will change the ~~net~~ net vertical force.

No mention here of net upward force & no mention of effect of parachute on the air resistance and gravity  
 So no 2nd m point  
 So no 2nd m point  
 So now we go back at final 3 A points  
 (i) 40 m/s  
 (ii) force diagram  
 (iii) large surface area = A<sub>4</sub>

## QUESTION TWO: RUNNING

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A boy runs along a track, as shown above.

During section X, he runs with a **constant speed** of  $2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  for 15 seconds.

During section Y, he runs with a **constant acceleration** of  $0.2 \text{ m s}^{-2}$ .

- (a) Calculate the net force acting on the boy (mass 60 kg) during **section Y**.

Give an appropriate unit with your answer.

$$F_{\text{net}} = m \times a$$

$$F_{\text{net}} = 60 \times 0.2$$

$$F_{\text{net}} = 12$$

Net force acting on the boy during section Y = 12 (~~20 N~~)  
unit

- (b) The boy runs 12.5 m during section Y in 5 seconds.

Calculate the power required by the boy to produce the constant acceleration of  $0.2 \text{ m s}^{-2}$  in 5 seconds during section Y.

Give an appropriate unit with your answer.

$$\text{power} = \text{force} \times \text{acceleration} \quad \text{power} = \text{work} \div \text{time}$$

$$\text{power} = 12 \times 0.2 \quad \text{power} = \text{force} \times \text{distance}$$

$$\text{power} = 60 \quad \text{work} = 12 \times 12.5 \quad \text{work} = 150$$

$$\text{power} = 150 \div 5$$

$$\text{power} = 30$$

Power required by the boy during section Y = 30 (~~60 W~~)  
unit

- (c) (i) Calculate the speed of the boy as he reaches the end of section Y.

$$v = \Delta d / \Delta t$$

$$v = 12.5 / 5$$

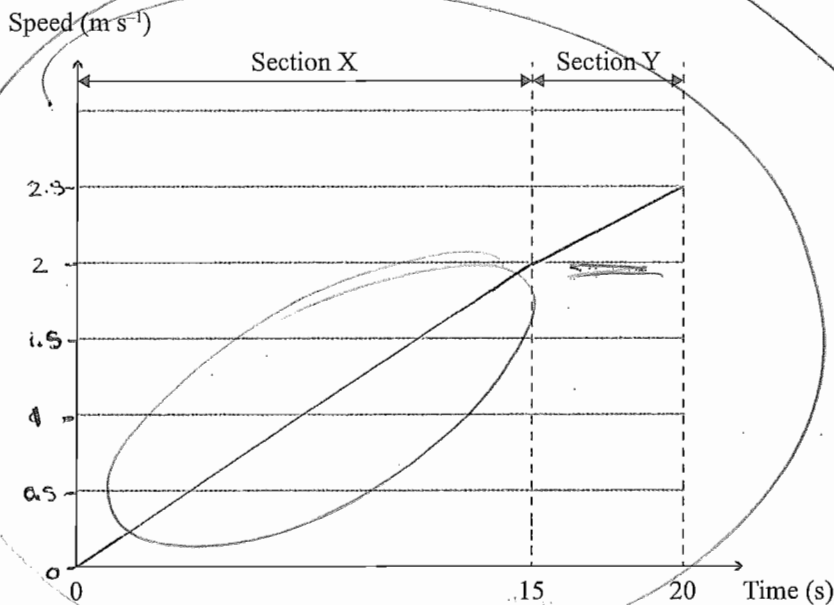
$$v = 2.5$$

Speed at the end of section Y = 2.5 m s<sup>-1</sup>

- (ii) Use this and the other information provided in the question to complete the speed/time graph below.

On your graph, you should:

- label the speed values on the vertical axis
- draw a line on the graph to show the speeds for section X **and** section Y.



If you need to redraw this graph, use the grid on page 12.

Lack of knowledge of speed-time graph and units lowered grade.

## QUESTION THREE: ROPE CLIMBING

A girl of mass 60 kg uses 5 100 J of energy when she climbs a vertical rope.

- (a) Calculate the maximum height it would be possible for the girl to reach.

$$\Delta E_p = mgh \quad h = \Delta E_p \div mg$$

$$\Delta E_p = 5100 \quad h = 5100 \div (60 \times 10)$$

$$h = 8.5 \quad \underline{\underline{8.5 \text{ m}}}$$

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- (b) In reality, the girl reaches a height of only 8 m.

Explain why the **energy** used by the girl during the climb does **not** equal the work she does to reach the vertical height of 8 m.

In your answer you should:

- name the type of energy the girl has when she is 8 m above the ground
- calculate the work done to reach a height of 8 m above the ground
- calculate the difference between the work done and the energy used by the girl
- explain where the "missing" energy has gone, and why this occurs.

when the girl is 8m above the ground she has gravitational <sup>Potential</sup> energy.

work = force ~~times~~ distance

$$\text{work} = (60 \times 10) \times 8$$

$$\text{work} = 4800 \text{ J}$$

the difference between the work done and the energy used by the girl is:

$$5100 - 4800 = 300$$

$$\underline{\underline{300 \text{ J}}}$$

The 'missing' 300 J of energy has been transferred into heat and sound ~~energy~~ energy. This is because when the

girl was climbing the rope she ~~lost~~ some energy in the heat and sound she created (300 J).

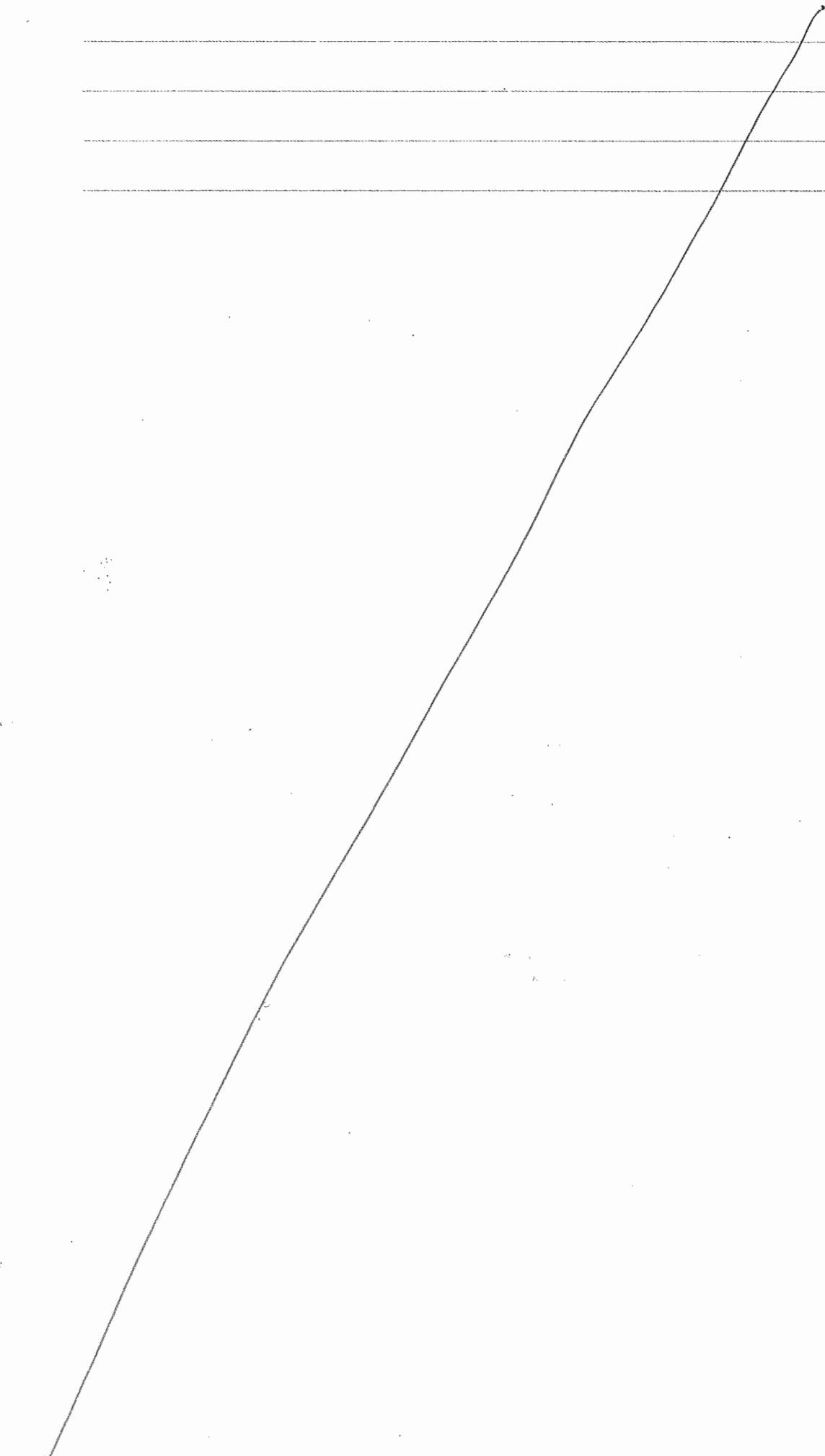


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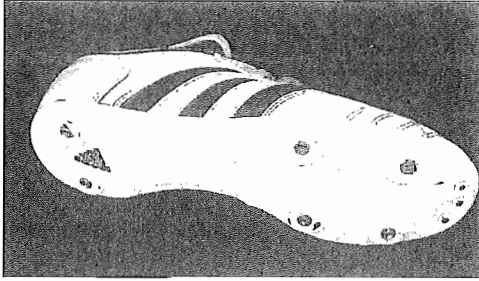
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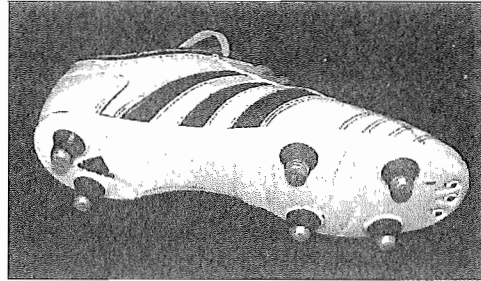


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## QUESTION FOUR: FOOTBALL BOOTS



Boot without studs.



Boot with studs.

A student of mass 40 kg uses the football boots shown above.

ONE boot **without** studs has a surface area of  $165 \text{ cm}^2$  ( $0.0165 \text{ m}^2$ ) in **contact** with the ground.

ONE boot **with** six studs has a surface area of only  $6 \text{ cm}^2$  ( $0.0006 \text{ m}^2$ ) in **contact** with the ground.

- (a) Calculate the pressure exerted if the student stands on ONE foot on a **hard surface**, for the boot **without** studs AND for the boot **with** studs.

Give an appropriate unit with your answers.

- (i) Without studs:

$$\text{pressure} = \frac{\text{force}}{\text{area}}$$

$$\text{pressure} = \frac{40}{0.0165}$$

$$\text{Pressure exerted by ONE foot for the boot without studs} = \frac{2424.2}{\text{unit}} \text{ (pa)}$$

- (ii) With studs:

$$\text{pressure} = \frac{\text{force}}{\text{area}}$$

$$\text{pressure} = \frac{40}{0.0006}$$

$$\text{Pressure exerted by ONE foot for the boot with studs} = \frac{66666.7}{\text{unit}} \text{ (pa)}$$

Units wrong here &  
using  $F = 40$   
So would only be  
a A point.

- (b) Discuss the **advantage** gained by the student when running on a **soft grass** football field while wearing the boots with studs **compared** to wearing boots of the same size without studs.

In your answer you should:

- compare the pressure exerted on the ground by the boot with the studs AND the boot without studs
- explain the relationship between surface area and pressure exerted
- explain how the difference in pressures would help the student run on a softer surface like grass.

The advantage gained by the student when running on a soft grass football field while wearing the studded boots compared to the boots without studs is ~~as~~ they are exerting more pressure they will have a better grip on the grass. The studs are gaining all the pressure and so as it's a smaller area the studs will stick into the grass giving the student better footing. The boots without studs pressure is less as it is spread on a bigger area so it will not take up grip.

stud = 66666.7, without = 2424.2

$66666.7 - 2424.2 = 64242.5 \text{ Pa}$  the difference in pressure is  $64242.5 \text{ Pa}$ . The relationship between surface area and pressure is that the larger the surface area the less the ~~the~~ pressure.

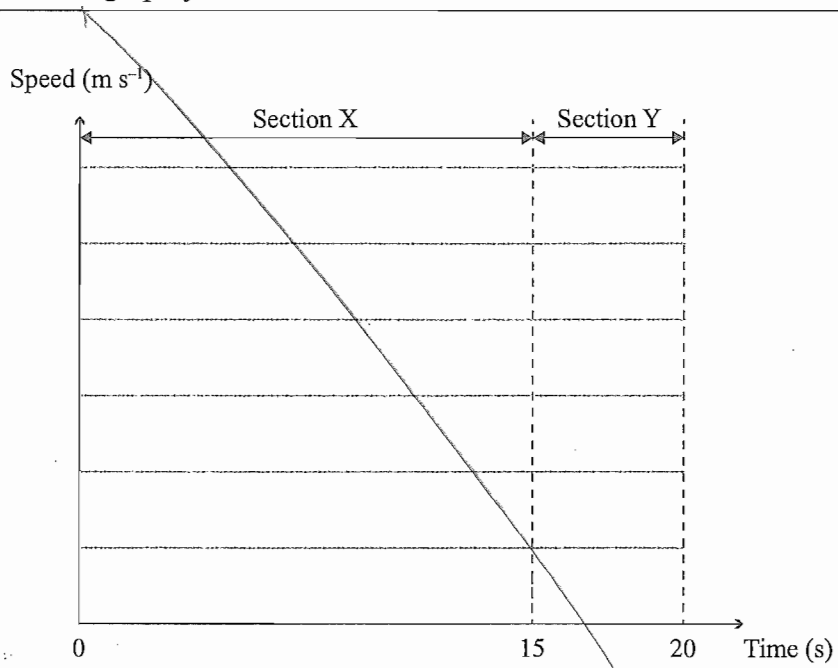
Excellent comparative answer here  
worthy of 2 LE points  
Calculating Pressure created by small area to grip  
& comparing with other boot clearly.

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See also extra discussion on page 13.



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Extra space if required.

Write the question number(s) if applicable.

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4) The pressure will be, and the smaller the surface area  $S$ , the larger the pressure will be. The difference in pressure will help the student wearing boots with studs to run better on grass since the pressure has a smaller surface area that will sink into the soft grass and give him grip. whereas the boots without studs, since the pressure is less and it's on a bigger surface area, the boot will not give the student grip. instead it may slide on the grass.

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