# SL Paper 3

A wheel of mass 0.25 kg consists of a cylinder mounted on a central shaft. The shaft has a radius of 1.2 cm and the cylinder has a radius of 4.0 cm.

The shaft rests on two rails with the cylinder able to spin freely between the rails.



The stationary wheel is released from rest and rolls down a slope with the shaft rolling on the rails without slipping from point A to point B.



The wheel leaves the rails at point B and travels along the flat track to point C. For a short time the wheel slips and a frictional force *F* exists on the edge of the wheel as shown.



a.i. The moment of inertia of the wheel is  $1.3 \times 10^{-4}$  kg m<sup>2</sup>. Outline what is meant by the moment of inertia.

a.ii.In moving from point A to point B, the centre of mass of the wheel falls through a vertical distance of 0.36 m. Show that the translational speed [3]

[1]

of the wheel is about  $1 \text{ m s}^{-1}$  after its displacement.

a.iiiDetermine the angular velocity of the wheel at B.	[1]
b.i. Describe the effect of $F$ on the linear speed of the wheel.	[2]
b.iiDescribe the effect of <i>F</i> on the angular speed of the wheel.	[2]

## Markscheme

a.i. an object's resistance to change in rotational motion

### OR

equivalent of mass in rotational equations

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#### [1 mark]

a.ii $\Delta$ KE +  $\Delta$ rotational KE =  $\Delta$ GPE

#### OR

 $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 + \frac{1}{2}I\frac{v^2}{r^2} = mgh$ 

$$\frac{1}{2} \times 0.250 \times v^2 + \frac{1}{2} \times 1.3 \times 10^{-4} \times \frac{v^2}{1.44 \times 10^{-4}} = 0.250 \times 9.81 \times 0.36$$
  
v = 1.2 «m s<sup>-1</sup>»

### [3 marks]

a.iii $\omega \ll \frac{1.2}{0.012}$ » = 100 «rad s<sup>-1</sup>»

#### [1 mark]

b.i.force in direction of motion

so linear speed increases

[2 marks]

b.iiforce gives rise to anticlockwise/opposing torque on

wheel  $\checkmark$  so angular speed decreases  $\checkmark$ 

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[2 marks]

# **Examiners report**

a.i. [N/A] a.ii.[N/A] a.iii! b.i.[N/A] b.ii.[N/A] b.ii.