

**FINAL**  
Examination Paper

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Course : PHY1121 : Physics

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Time : 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm Reading Time: Nil

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Special Instructions :

This paper consists of **FIVE (5)** questions. Answer any **FOUR (4)** out of **FIVE (5)** questions in the answer booklet provided. All questions carry equal marks.

Materials permitted : Non-Programmable Scientific Calculator

Materials provided : Physics Booklet

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**Question 1**

- (a) State the number of significant digits in the following measurements.
- (i)  $3.40 \times 10^3$  s (1 mark)
  - (ii) 4.280 s (1 mark)
  - (iii) 0.0060 s (1 mark)
- (b) A rectangular building lot has a width of 75.0 ft and a length of 125 ft. Determine the area of this lot in square meters. Given that  $1 \text{ m} = 3.281 \text{ ft}$ . (4 marks)
- (c) A person walks  $53.1^\circ$  north of east for 2.50 km, then due east for 2.00 km and finally 5.20 km at  $30.0^\circ$  south of west.
- (i) Show these displacements and the resultant by graphical method. (3 marks)
  - (ii) Find the resultant displacement of the person by component method. (6 marks)
- (d) A baseball is hit so that it travels straight upward after being struck by the bat. A fan observes that it takes 3.00 s for the ball to reach its maximum height. Calculate:
- (i) the ball's initial velocity, and (4 marks)
  - (ii) the height it reaches. (3 marks)
- (e) Define the term "Instantaneous velocity". (2 marks)

## Question 2

- (a) A 100-g cube of ice at  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$  is dropped into 1.0 kg of water that was originally at  $80^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Determine the final temperature of the water after the ice has melted. Assume there is no heat exchange with the surroundings. For water, the specific heat is  $4186 \text{ J/kg} \cdot \text{C}^{\circ}$  and the heat of fusion is  $3.33 \times 10^5 \text{ J/kg}$ . (5 marks)
- (b) A stone is thrown horizontally outward with an initial velocity,  $v_0 = 4.96 \text{ m/s}$  from the top of a bridge. If the bridge is 19.6 m above the ground, determine the magnitude and direction of the velocity of a stone just before it strikes the ground. (7 marks)

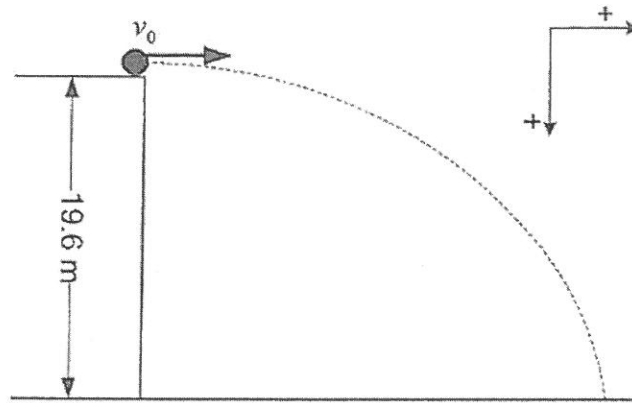


Figure Q2 (b)

- (c) A block of mass,  $m$  remains at rest on a frictionless surface after being acted by forces,  $F_1 = 10 \text{ N}$  and  $F_2$  of unknown magnitude, as illustrated in the **Figure Q2(c)**.

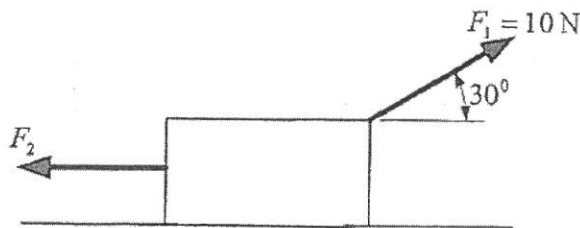


Figure Q2 (c)

- (i) Determine the magnitude of force  $F_2$ . (3 marks)
- (ii) If the normal force acting on the block is 4.8 N, calculate the mass,  $m$  of the block. (5 marks)
- (d) The acceleration due to gravity at the surface of a planet of mass,  $M$  and radius,  $R$  is given by the expression:  $g = \frac{GM}{R^2}$ . On Earth, this value of  $g$  is  $9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ . Suppose that a planet is discovered that has a mass 12 times that of Earth, and a radius 2.0 times that of Earth, determine the value of  $g$  on this planet. (5 marks)

**Question 3**

- (a) A 64.0 kg mass,  $M$  initially at rest breaks into pieces of  $m_1 = 16.0$  kg and  $m_2 = 48.0$  kg, due to an explosion that produces  $2.4 \times 10^3$  J of total kinetic energy in the pieces. Calculate the velocity of mass  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  right after the explosion. (10 marks)
- (b) A spring exerts a force of 88 N when it is compressed by 0.16 m.
- (i) Calculate the potential energy stored in the spring when it is compressed by 0.16 m. (4 marks)
- (ii) The spring with the compression of 0.16 m is now used to launch a 0.055 kg ball horizontally. Calculate the maximum speed with which the ball can be launched. (4 marks)
- (c) The coefficient of thermal expansion for aluminium is  $25 \times 10^{-6} / ^\circ\text{C}$ . What temperature change,  $\Delta T$  is required to cause a 4.00 m long aluminium rod to expand by 0.01 m? (2 marks)
- (d) A certain mass of hydrogen gas occupies 370 mL at  $16^\circ\text{C}$  and 150 kPa. Calculate its volume at  $-21^\circ\text{C}$  and 420 kPa. (5 marks)

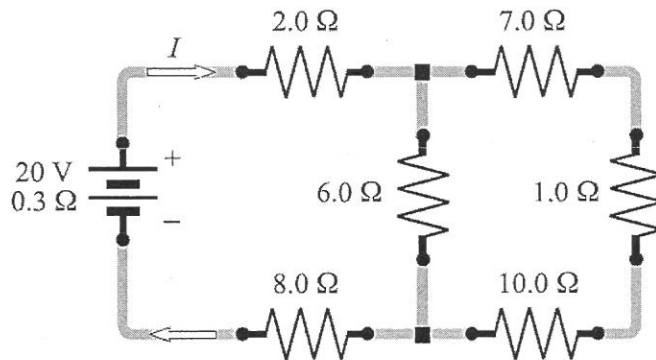
**Question 4**

- (a) Two charged objects have a repulsive force of 0.0980 N. If the distance between the two charges is doubled, calculate the new force acting on these objects. (3 marks)
- (b) A certain parallel-plate capacitor consists of two plates, each with area  $0.02 \text{ m}^2$ , separated 4.0 mm by air gap. Given that the permittivity of free space,  $\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ F/m}$  and dielectric constant of air is 1.0.
- (i) Compute its capacitance. (3 marks)
- (ii) If the capacitor is connected across a 500 V source, calculate the maximum charge and the maximum energy stored in the capacitor. (5 marks)
- (c) Mary has RM 1.05 credit on her pre-paid electricity meter. Electricity cost 50 sen per unit of kilowatt-hour. She gets home, cooks supper before dark using 2000 W stove for 50 minutes, then studies, using the 100 W bulb. How long will she be able to study with the supply of electricity? Show calculations to support your answer. (7 marks)

- (d) In the Bohr model of hydrogen atom, an electron ( $q = -e$ ) circles a proton ( $q = +e$ ) in an orbit with radius of  $5.3 \times 10^{-11}$  m. The attraction of the proton for the electron furnishes the centripetal force needed to hold the electron in orbit. It is given that the Coulomb constant,  $k = 9.0 \times 10^9 \text{ Nm}^2/\text{C}^2$  and the electron mass,  $m_e = 9.1 \times 10^{-31}$  kg. Calculate:
- (i) the force of electrical attraction between the particles, and (3 marks)
  - (ii) the electron's linear speed. (4 marks)

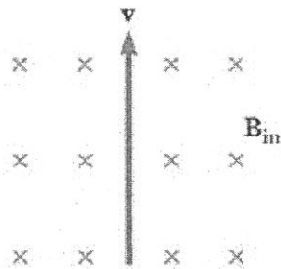
**Question 5**

- (a) Determine the current  $I$  through the battery for **Figure Q5 (a)**. (7 marks)

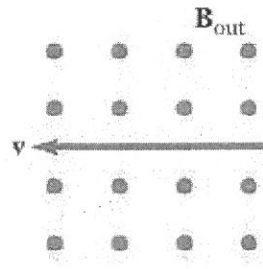


**Figure Q5 (a)**

- (b) A proton travels with a speed of  $3.0 \times 10^6$  m/s at an angle of  $37^\circ$  with the direction of a uniform magnetic field of 0.30 T in the  $+y$  direction. Calculate:
- (i) the magnitude of the magnetic force acts on the proton, and (3 marks)
  - (ii) the proton's acceleration. (3 marks)
- (c) Describe the direction of the force acts on a proton that is moving through the magnetic fields as shown in the **Figure Q5 (c)(i)** and **Figure Q5 (c)(ii)**. (4 marks)



**Figure Q5 (c)(i)**



**Figure Q5 (c)(ii)**

(d) Define the following terms:

- (i) Diode (2 marks)
- (ii) Intrinsic Semiconductor (2 marks)
- (iii) Depletion region (2 marks)
- (iv) Barrier voltage (2 marks)

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