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**FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR
OF EDUCATION (SCIENCE)
SCHOOL: EDUCATION AND
SOCIAL SCIENCES**

COURSE CODE: PHY 112

COURSE TITLE: MECHANICS

DATE: 21ST December, 2017 TIME: 2.00pm-5.00pm

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i) Answer **QUESTION 1 and 2** from section A and **ANY OTHER THREE** from section B. Each **QUESTION** carries **12 marks**.

ii) Take acceleration due to gravity to be 9.8 m/s^2

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SECTION A**QUESTION 1**

- (a) i) Define scalar and vector quantities (2 marks)
- ii) Find the angle between two vectors $A=2i+3j-k$ and $B=-i+j+2k$ (2 marks)
- (b) (i) What is the difference between velocity and speed (2marks)
- (ii) An object is dropped into a well and hits water 2 seconds after being released. How deep is the well? (2 marks)
- (c) (i) Define force (1 mark)
- (ii) State the law of conservation of linear momentum (1 mark)
- (iii) A constant force acts on a 5kg object and reduces its velocity from 7m/s to 3m/s in a time of 4s. Find the force. (2 marks)

QUESTION 2

- (a) i) What is centripetal force? (2marks)
- (ii) A stone of mass 0.4 kg is tied to a string of length 0.5 m and whirled in a circle. If the stone revolves uniformly and makes one complete revolution per second, calculate the acceleration and the force exerted on the stone by the string. (3 marks)
- b) i) State the Newton's law of gravitation (2 marks)
- ii) The weight of a person on the earth is 600 N. The gravitational field of the moon is $1/6^{\text{th}}$ of the gravitational field of the earth. What will be the weight of the person on the moon? (2 marks)
- ii) If the radius of the earth is $6.37 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$ and acceleration due to gravity is 9.81 m/s^2 , then calculate the mass and density of the earth. (3 marks)

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SECTION B**QUESTION 3**

- (a) Distinguish between distance and displacement (2 marks)
- (b) Derive the three equations of motion in a straight line for a body moving under constant acceleration (6 marks)
- c) A car starts from rest and travels the first 100m in 10s. Assuming it accelerates uniformly, find:
- i) the average acceleration (1 mark)
- ii) the velocity after 10s (1 mark)
- (d) On a dry road a car with good tires may be able to brake with a deceleration of 4.92m/s^2 . How long does such a car initially traveling at 24.6m/s take to come to rest? How far does it travel in this time? (2 marks)

QUESTION 4

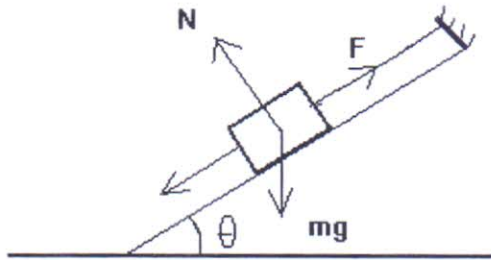
- (a) Define a Trajectory (1 mark)
- (b) Show that
- i) The range is $R = (u_o^2 \sin 2\theta)/g$. (3 marks)
- (ii) Time of flight is $T = (2u_o \sin \theta)/g$ (2 marks)
- (c) A pirate ship is 560 m from a military island base. A military cannon (large gun on wheels) located at sea level fires balls at initial speed of $u = 82 \text{ m/s}$.
- i) At what angle from the horizontal must a ball be fired to hit the ship? (3 marks)
- ii) How far should the pirate ship be from the cannon if it is to be beyond the maximum range of the cannonballs? (3 marks)

QUESTION 5

- 5) a) State the difference between kinetic and static friction. (2 marks)
- (b) i) State Newton's laws of motion (4 marks)

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(c) A cord holds stationary a block of mass 15 kg on a frictionless plane that is inclined at angle $\theta = 27^\circ$ as shown below.



i) What is the magnitude of the tension, T on the block from the cord and the normal force, N on the block from the plane? (4 marks)

ii) If the cord is cut, so that the body slides down the plane, calculate the acceleration of the body.

(2 marks)

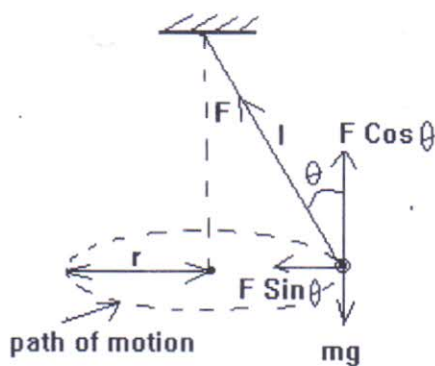
QUESTION 6

a) Define angular velocity and angular acceleration. (2 marks)

(2 marks)

b) i) A pendulum bob moves in such a way that it describes a horizontal circle as shown in the figure below. Show that the period of motion is $T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{L \cos \theta}{g}}$ (5 marks)

(5 marks)



ii) If a pendulum bob of mass 0.50 kg is attached to one end of a string of length 150 cm. The bob moves in a horizontal circle in such a way that the string is inclined at 10° to the vertical. Calculate the tension in the string. (2 marks)

(c) State Kepler's laws

(3 marks)

QUESTION 7

a) A particle of mass m moves in space under influence of a force field F . Assuming that at times t_1 and t_2 , the velocity is v_1 and v_2 respectively. Prove that work done is the change in kinetic energy. (6 marks)

b) i) Distinguish between streamline flow and turbulent flow.

(2 marks)

ii) State the principle of continuity of fluids

(1 mark)

iii) In a pipe of non-uniform cross-section the velocity of water is 0.4m/s at a place where the pressure is 0.02m (mercury). If at any other place the velocity of water is 0.8m/s, then what will be the pressure there? (Take density of mercury = 13600 kg/m^3 and density of water = 1000 kg/m^3).

(3marks)