

SECTION A: SHORT QUESTIONS: WEIGHTAGE 25%

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer **ALL FIVE (5)** Questions in Section A within the space provided below each question.

Where necessary, use the constants given on the front page

A1. Refractive index of an equiangular flint-glass prism is 1.66. Determine (i) the speed, and (ii) the angle of minimum deviation for a ray of light passing through the prism.

A2. Far point and the near point for a person with defective vision are 5 *m* and 1 *m* respectively whereas the corresponding distances for a healthy eye are ∞ and 25 *cm*. Determine the powers of lenses needed to restore the vision of the person to normal.

A3. The terminal velocity, V_t of a sphere, of density ρ and diameter d , falling freely in a fluid of coefficient of viscosity η is given by $V_t = f(\rho, d, g, \eta) = k\rho^a d^b \eta^c g$, where g is the acceleration due to gravity and k is a dimensionless quantity. Given that the dimensions of η are $ML^{-1}T^{-1}$, determine a , b and c and hence give the formula for V_t .

A4. A centrifuge rotating at 3000 rev/min takes 0.8 s to come to rest when switched off. Calculate (i) the angular acceleration and (ii) the number of times it rotates before it stops.

A5. The displacement for a light damped simple harmonic oscillator is given by

$$x = x_0 e^{-\frac{\Gamma}{2}t} \cos(\omega_1 t)$$

- (a) Derive an expression for total energy of the oscillator using k for the force constant.
- (b) Schematically plot energy as a function of time for the oscillator.

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SUBJECT: PHYSICS

INSTRUCTIONS:

SECTION - A: Answer ALL (FIVE) short questions of Section A within the space provided on the worksheets. At the end of the examination, hand in the worksheets (pages 5 to 8) along with your answer script. Each question carries 5 marks.

SECTION B: Answer any THREE (3) questions from Section B.
Each question carries 25 marks.

Wherever necessary use the following:

Speed of light in vacuum, $c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$

Magnitude of acceleration due to gravity, $g = 10 \text{ m s}^{-2}$

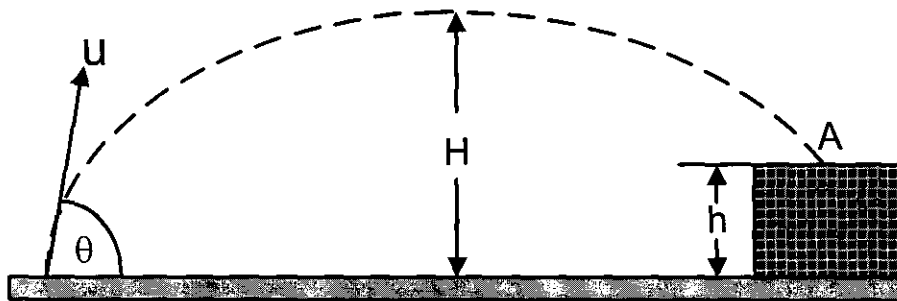
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SECTION B

Answer ANY THREE (3) out of FIVE (5) questions from Section B

- B1.** (a) Draw a labelled ray diagram to illustrate the formation of an image by a divergent (concave) lens. [5]
- (b) Use the ray diagram drawn in part (a) to derive the lens equation, and the expression for magnification in terms of the object and image distances. (Use symbols x_o and x_i for object and image distances from the lens respectively). [10]
- (c) A convergent (convex) lens of focal length 30 cm is used to produce the images of an object which have magnifications $+3$ and -3 respectively. Calculate the distance of the object from the lens for each case. [10]
- B2.** (a) In the figure, a stone is projected towards a building of height h with an initial speed of 42.0 m s^{-1} directed at an angle $\theta = 60^\circ$ above the horizontal. The stone strikes at A, 5.5 s after launching. Find the
- (i) the height h of the building, [4]
- (ii) the speed of the stone just before impact at A, and [4]
- (iii) the maximum height H reached above the ground. [4]



- (b) A certain sprinter has a top speed of 11.0 m s^{-1} . If the sprinter starts from rest and accelerates at a constant rate, he is able to reach his top speed in a distance of 12.0 m . He is then able to maintain this top speed for the remainder of a 100 m race.
- i) What is his time for the 100 m race? [7]
- ii) In order to improve his time, the sprinter tries to decrease the distance required for him to reach his top speed. What must this distance be if he is to achieve a time of 10.0 s for the race. [6]

- B3.** (a) A 5.0 kg body moving in the +x direction at 5.5 m s^{-1} collides head-on with a 3.0 kg body moving in the -x direction at 4.0 m s^{-1} . Find the final velocity of each mass if:
- (i) the bodies stick together [3]
 - (ii) the 5.0 kg body comes to rest after the collision [2]
 - (iii) the collision is perfectly elastic. [11]
- (b) Three vectors \vec{A} , \vec{B} and \vec{C} are such that $\vec{A} = 5\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} - 2\hat{k}$, $\vec{B} = a\hat{i} + b\hat{j} + c\hat{k}$ and $\vec{C} = 6\hat{i} - 5\hat{k}$. Given that $\vec{A} \times \vec{B} = \vec{C}$, find \vec{B} . [9]
- B4.** A 6.0 kg block is pushed 7.0 m up a rough 37.0° inclined plane by a horizontal force of 75 N. If the initial speed of the block is 2.2 m s^{-1} up the plane and the coefficient of kinetic friction between the block and the plane is 0.27, calculate:
- (a) the initial kinetic energy of the block [3]
 - (b) the work done by the 75-N force [3]
 - (c) the work done by gravity [3]
 - (d) the work done by the friction force [8]
 - (e) the final kinetic energy of the block. [8]
- B5.**(a) (i) Write down the expression for the displacement and velocity for a simple harmonic motion of amplitude y_0 and angular frequency ω . Show that velocity at displacement y is given by $V_y = \omega\sqrt{y_0^2 - y^2}$ [5]
- (ii) If the period of a simple harmonic motion is 8 s, and the particle oscillates through a distance of 1.2 m on each side of the central position, find the maximum speed, and also the speed when the particle is 0.6 m from the central position. [6]
- (b) (i) Draw the first three harmonics of a pipe of length L closed at one end and obtain the expression for the frequency, f , in terms of the velocity, V , and the length of the pipe. Use the expressions to deduce the frequency of the m^{th} harmonic, where m is odd. [8]
- (ii) In an experiment to determine the speed of sound, resonance of a pipe closed at one end occurs at a frequency of 566.7 Hz when the air column is 75 cm and the next resonance frequency is 595 Hz when the air column is 1 m. Calculate the speed of sound in air. [6]

END OF SECTION B QUESTIONS

MAKE SURE YOU:

- (i) Fill-in all your details on the answer script and on the Section-A cover sheet.**
- (ii) Submit Section-A work sheets along with your answer script.**

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