

PH 110 GROUP: C ASSIGNMENT: ONE DUE DATE: 16th February 2024

QUESTION ONE

- (i) The radius of a solid sphere is measured to be (6.50 ± 0.20) cm, and its mass is measured to be (3.85 ± 0.02) kg. Determine the density of the sphere in kg/m^3 and the uncertainty in the density.
- (ii) How many significant figures are in the following numbers? (a) 78.9 ± 0.2 (b) 3.788×10^9 (c) 2.26×10^{-6} (d) 0.0053 (e) 9 500
- (iii) Determine the following
(a) 3.41×2.2 (b) 0.03×0.134 (c) $3.41 + 2.2$ (d) $0.03 + 0.123$

QUESTION TWO

- (i) The speed of sound v might plausibly depend on the pressure P , the density ρ , and the volume V of the gas. Use dimensional analysis to determine the exponents x , y and z in the formula:

$$v = Cp^x \rho^y V^z$$

where C is a dimensionless constant. Hence write down the relationship between the said quantities based on the derived exponents.

- (ii) A Copperbelt University railways engineering student, uses dimensional analysis to find the distance over which a signal can be seen clearly in foggy conditions. The student assumes that the distance d depends on the frequency f of the signal, the density ρ of the fog, and intensity of light I (power/area) from the signal with k as a constant. Show that

$$d = k \left(\frac{1}{f} \right) \left(\sqrt[3]{\frac{I}{\rho}} \right)$$

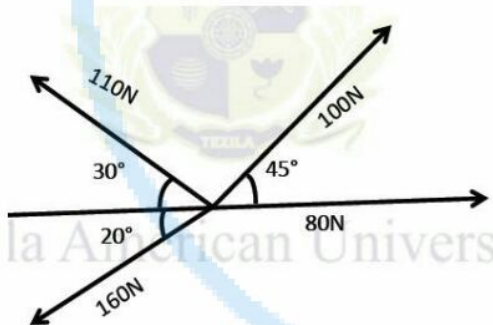
QUESTION THREE

- (i) A furlong is 220 yards, a mile is 1760 yards or 1609 meters, and a fortnight is 14 days. In 1991, the Zambian athlete, Samuel Matete won an Olympic gold

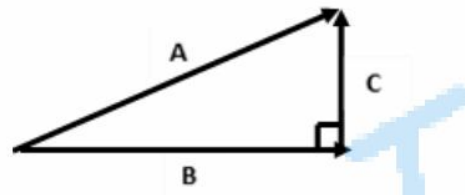
- medal, in Zurich, Switzerland, when he represented Zambia in the 400 m hurdles. His average speed was 8.5 meters per second. Express his speed in
- kilometer per minute
 - mile per hour
 - furlong per fortnight
- (ii) You find yourself pacing, in a deep thought about a physics problem. First you walk 12 meters due east. Then, you walk 6 meters due north. Then you doze off and find yourself 50 meters from your starting point and 30° north of east. How far did you walk while you dozed?
- (iii) Find the magnitude and angle of the resultant of the following displacement vectors:
- A** = 5.0 m at E 37° N
B = 6.0 m at W 45° N
C = 4.0 m at W 30° S
D = 3.0 m at E 60° S

QUESTION FOUR

- (i) Find the magnitude and direction of the resultant of the three vectors below



- (ii) In the diagram below are three vectors **A**, **B** and **C**. If $\mathbf{A} = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$ and $\mathbf{B} = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$.



Determine

- (i) angle between **A** and **B**
- (ii) magnitude of **C**
- (iii) vector **C**
- (iv) **A.C**
- (v) **A X B**

Assignment

Question One

$$\text{Density} = \frac{m}{V}, \text{ where } V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$$

$$= \frac{m}{\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3}$$

$$6.5 \text{ cm} \times \frac{1 \text{ m}}{100 \text{ cm}} = 0.065 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Density} = 0.00$$

$$\text{Density} = \frac{3.85}{\frac{4}{3}\pi (0.065)^3}$$

$$= \frac{3.85}{0.001150}$$

$$\text{Density} = 3346.8 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

Now to find the uncertainty

$$\frac{\Delta D}{D} = \frac{\Delta m}{m} + \frac{\Delta r}{r}$$

$$\frac{\Delta D}{3346.8} = \frac{0.08}{3.85} + \frac{0.2}{6.5}$$

$$\frac{\Delta D}{3346.8} = 0.035964$$

$$\Delta D = 120.36 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

∴ Density with its uncertainty

$$\underline{D = (3546.8 \pm 120.86) \text{ kg/m}^3}$$

(ii) (a) $78.9 \pm 0.2 \rightarrow 3 \text{ s.f.}$

(b) $3.788 \times 10^9 \rightarrow 4 \text{ s.f.}$

(c) $2.26 \times 10^{-6} \rightarrow 3 \text{ s.f.}$

(d) $0.0053 \rightarrow 2 \text{ s.f.}$

(e) $9500 \rightarrow 2 \text{ s.f.}$

(iii)

(1) ~~But~~ # With multiplication & Division round off your answer to the same number of significant figures as the number with the least significant figures used (least precise).

With (+) and (-) your answer should have the same decimal places as the number with the least decimal places used.

$$(a) \quad 3.41 \times 2.2 = 7.502 = \underline{7.5}$$

$$(b) \quad 0.03 \times 0.134 = 0.00402 = \underline{0.004}$$

$$(c) \quad 3.41 + 2.2 = 5.61 = \underline{5.6}$$

$$d \quad 0.03 + 0.123 = 0.153 = \underline{0.15}$$

Question 2

$$v = C_p^x \rho^y V^z$$

$$L T^{-1} = (M L^{-1} T^{-2})^x (M L^{-3})^y (L^3)^z$$

$$L T^{-1} = M^x L^{-x} T^{-2x} M^y L^{-3y} L^{3z}$$

$$L T^{-1} = M^{x+y} L^{-x-3y+3z} T^{-2x}$$

$$M^0 L^1 T^{-1} = M^{x+y} L^{-x-3y+3z} T^{-2x}$$

$$T^{-1} = T^{-2x}$$

$$-1 = -2x$$

$$x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x = \underline{\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$M^0 = M^{x+y}$$

$$0 = x + y$$

$$x = -y$$

$$y = -x$$

$$y = \underline{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$d = d^{-x} - 3y + 3z$$

$$1 = -x - 3y + 3z$$

$$1 = -\frac{1}{2} - 3\left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) + 3z$$

$$1 = -\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{2} + 3z$$

$$1 = 1 + 3z$$

$$3z = 0$$

$$z = 0$$

$$v = C \rho^x \rho^y v^z$$

$$v = C \rho^{\frac{1}{2}} \rho^{-\frac{1}{2}} v^0$$

$$v = C \sqrt{\frac{\rho}{\rho}}$$

The equation implies that the velocity does not depend on the volume

$$d \propto f \rho l$$

$$d = k f^x \rho^y l^z$$

$$d = (T^{-1})^x (M L^{-3})^y (M T^{-3})^z$$

$$L = T^{-x} M^y L^{-3y} M^z T^{-3z}$$

$$L = T^{-x-3z} M^{y+z} L^{-3y}$$

$$M^0 T^0 \lambda = T^{-x-3z} M^{y+z} \lambda^{-3y}$$

$$\lambda = \lambda^{-3y}$$

$$1 = -3y$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{3}$$

$$M^0 = M^{y+z}$$

$$0 = y + z$$

$$-y = z$$

$$z = -\left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)$$

$$z = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$T^0 = T^{-x-3z}$$

$$0 = -x - 3z$$

or

$$x = -3\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$$

$$x = -1$$

$$\therefore d = k f^x \rho^y I^z$$

$$d = k f^{-1} \rho^{-\frac{1}{3}} I^{\frac{1}{3}}$$

$$d = k \frac{1}{f} \frac{I^{\frac{1}{3}}}{\rho^{\frac{1}{3}}}$$

$$d = k \frac{1}{f} \left(\frac{3 \sqrt{I}}{\sqrt{\rho}} \right)$$

Question 3

8.5 metres per second

8.5 m/s

$$(a) \quad \frac{8.5 \cancel{\text{m}}}{\cancel{\text{s}}} \times \frac{1 \text{ km}}{1000 \cancel{\text{m}}} \times \frac{60 \cancel{\text{s}}}{1 \text{ min}} = \underline{0.51 \text{ km/min}}$$

$$(b) \quad \frac{8.5 \cancel{\text{m}}}{\cancel{\text{s}}} \times \frac{1 \text{ mile}}{1609 \cancel{\text{m}}} \times \frac{3600 \cancel{\text{s}}}{1 \text{ hour}} = 19.018 \text{ mile/hour}$$
$$= \underline{19 \text{ mile/hour}}$$

$$(c) \quad \frac{8.5 \cancel{\text{m}}}{\cancel{\text{s}}} \times \frac{1 \text{ mile}}{1609 \cancel{\text{m}}} \times \frac{1760 \text{ yards}}{1 \cancel{\text{mile}}} \times \frac{1 \text{ furlong}}{220 \text{ yards}} \times \frac{1 \cancel{\text{hour}}}{3600 \cancel{\text{s}}} = \underline{0.042262}$$

$$\frac{0.042262 \text{ furlong}}{\cancel{\text{s}}} \times \frac{3600 \cancel{\text{s}}}{1 \text{ hour}} \times \frac{24 \text{ hour}}{1 \text{ day}} \times \frac{14 \text{ days}}{1 \text{ fortnight}}$$

$$= \underline{51180.45 \text{ furlong/fortnight}}$$

Ⓕ data given

$$\vec{A} = 50 \text{ m}, 30^\circ \text{NE}$$

$$\vec{A} = 12 \text{ m East } (0^\circ)$$

$$\vec{B} = 6 \text{ m North } (90^\circ)$$

Solution

Here vector \vec{D} is the resultant vector showing the total movement. And the summation of x and y components make a vector that describes the full movement. So the vector required is \vec{C} which we don't know i.e. $\vec{D} = \vec{A} + \vec{B} + \vec{C}$

A

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{D} &= \vec{A}_x + \vec{A}_y + \vec{B}_x + \vec{B}_y + \vec{C}_x + \vec{C}_y \\ &= 12 \cos 0^\circ \hat{i} + 12 \sin 0^\circ \hat{j} + 6 \cos 90^\circ \hat{i} + 6 \sin 90^\circ \hat{j} \\ &\quad + \vec{C}_x + \vec{C}_y \end{aligned}$$

So since $C = C_x + C_y$ we now write

$$C = \vec{D} - (\vec{A} + \vec{B}), \quad \vec{D} = D_x + D_y$$

$$C = (50 \cos 30^\circ \hat{i} + 50 \sin 30^\circ \hat{j}) - (\vec{A} + \vec{B})$$

$$\begin{aligned} C &= [50 \cos 30^\circ - (12 \cos 0^\circ + 6 \cos 90^\circ)] \hat{i} + [50 \sin 30^\circ - \\ &\quad 12 - (6 \sin 90^\circ)] \hat{j} \\ &= 50 \end{aligned}$$

$$= 43.30127019 \hat{i} - 12 \hat{j}$$

$$(43.30127019 - 12) \hat{i} + (25 - 6) \hat{j}$$

$$= 31.30127019 \hat{i} + 19 \hat{j}$$

$$= 31.3 \hat{i} + 19 \hat{j}$$

the the magnitude of C will be

$$\begin{aligned} C &= \sqrt{31.30127019^2 + 19^2} \\ &= 36.61651971 \text{ m} \\ &= 36.62 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

And the direction is

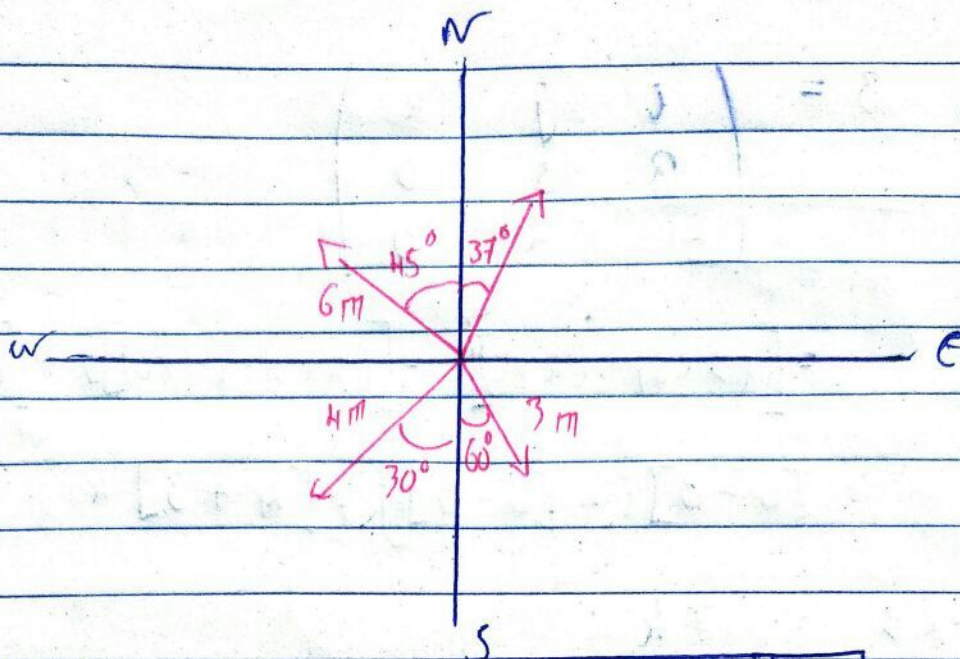
$$\tan \theta = \frac{c_y}{c_x}$$

$$= \frac{19\text{m}}{31.30127019\text{m}}$$

$$\theta = 31.25792331^\circ$$
$$= \underline{\underline{31.3^\circ}}$$

\therefore The distance moved while not paying attention was 36.62m at an angle of 31.3° in the first quadrant.

Q.10



	x-comp	y-comp
A	$5 \cos 53^\circ$	$5 \sin 53^\circ$
B	$6 \cos 135^\circ$	$6 \sin 135^\circ$
C	$4 \cos 240^\circ$	$4 \sin 240^\circ$
D	$3 \cos 330^\circ$	$3 \sin 330^\circ$
R	-0.642	3.27

$$|R| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(-0.642)^2 + (3.27)^2}$$

$$|R| = 3.33 \text{ m}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{y}{x} \right)$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3.27}{-0.642} \right)$$

$$\theta = 78.9^\circ$$

$$\theta = 180 - 78.9^\circ$$

$$\theta = 101.1^\circ$$

Question 4

Component Method

	x-comp	y-comp
A	$80 \cos 0^\circ$	$80 \sin 0^\circ$
B	$100 \cos 45^\circ$	$100 \sin 45^\circ$
C	$110 \cos 150^\circ$	$110 \sin 150^\circ$
D	$160 \cos 200^\circ$	$160 \sin 200^\circ$
R	-94.9029	70.987

$$|R| = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(-94.9029)^2 + (70.987)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{14045.714}$$

$$|R| = 118.5 \text{ N}$$

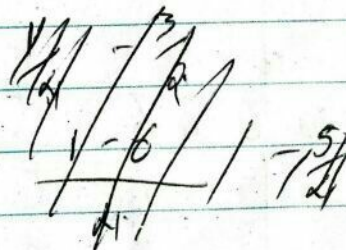
$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{y}{x}\right)$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{70.987}{-94.9029}\right)$$

$$\theta = 36^\circ$$

$$\theta = 180^\circ - 36^\circ$$

$$\theta = 144^\circ$$



∴ The resultant vector of magnitude 118.5 N lies in the direction 144° from the (+) x-axis.

Ques from Four

$$(ii) \quad A = 2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k} \quad B = \hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{A \cdot B}{|A| |B|} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} A \cdot B &= (2\hat{i} + \hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \cdot (\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 5\hat{k}) \\ &= 2 + 2 + 15 \\ A \cdot B &= 19 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |A| &= \sqrt{(2)^2 + (1)^2 + (3)^2} \\ |A| &= \sqrt{14} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} |B| &= \sqrt{(1)^2 + (2)^2 + (5)^2} \\ |B| &= \sqrt{30} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{A \cdot B}{|A| |B|} \right)$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left(\frac{19}{\sqrt{14} \cdot \sqrt{30}} \right)$$

$$\theta = 22^\circ$$

(ii) # To find magnitude of C just use br pythagoras

$$C^2 = B^2 - A^2$$

where $A = |A| = \sqrt{14}$

$$B = |B| = \sqrt{30}$$

$$C^2 = (\sqrt{30})^2 - (\sqrt{14})^2$$

$$C^2 = 30 - 14$$

$$C = \sqrt{16}$$

$$C = 4 \text{ units}$$

(iii) Since vector C is going perpendicularly upwards the it makes 90° with both the x and y axis and 0° with the z -axis

$$\cos \alpha = \frac{i}{|C|}$$

$$\cos \beta = \frac{j}{|C|}$$

$$\cos \gamma = \frac{k}{|C|}$$

$$\cos 90^\circ = \frac{i}{4}$$

$$\cos 90^\circ = \frac{j}{4}$$

$$\cos 0^\circ = \frac{z}{4}$$

$$i = 0$$

$$j = 0$$

$$z = 4$$

$$\therefore 0i + 0j + 4k$$

$$C = 4k$$

$$(iv) \quad A \cdot C = (2i + j + 3k) \cdot (4k)$$

$$= \underline{12}$$

$$(v) \quad A \times B = \begin{vmatrix} i & j & k \\ 2 & 1 & 3 \\ 1 & 2 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$$

$$= [(1 \times 5) - (2 \times 3)]i - [(2 \times 5) - (1 \times 3)]j + [(2 \times 2) - (1 \times 1)]k$$

$$= [5 - 6]i - [10 - 3]j + [4 - 1]k$$

$$A \times B = -i - 7j + 3k$$