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PHYSICS

Paper 1

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S.6 PHYSICS

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2 hours: 30 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer five questions

Assume where necessary:

Acceleration due to gravity	g	$=$	9.81ms^{-2}
Electronic charge	e	$=$	$1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
Electron mass		$=$	$9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$
Radius of earth		$=$	$6.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$
Planck's constant	h	$=$	$6.6 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}$
Speed of light in vacuum	c	$=$	$3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
Stefan's – Boltzmann's constant	σ	$=$	$5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ Wm}^{-2} \text{ K}^{-4}$
Wien's displacement constant		$=$	$2.90 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m K}$
Specific heat capacity of water		$=$	$4.2 \times 10^3 \text{ J kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$
Gas constant	R	$=$	$8.31 \text{ J Mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$
Universal gravitational constant	G	$=$	$6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N m}^2 \text{ kg}^{-2}$
Charge to mass ratio	e/m	$=$	$1.8 \times 10^{11} \text{ C kg}^{-1}$
Avogadro's number	N_A	$=$	$6.02 \times 10^{23} \text{ mol}^{-1}$
One electron volt	(eV)	$=$	$1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$

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1.

a. Define the term dimension of physical quantities (01mark)

b.

i. Assume that the period (T) depends on the following

Mass (m) of the bob

Length (l) of the pendulum

Acceleration due to gravity (g)

Use dimension analysis to show that $T = K\sqrt{\frac{l}{g}}$, where K is a constant (03marks)

ii. Distinguish between fundamental and derived quantities

(02marks)

iii. Show that $V = u + at$ is dimensionally consistent (02marks)

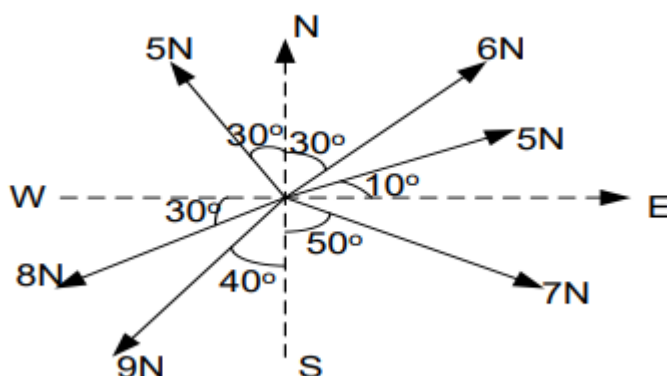
c. Define the following terms

i. Vector quantities (01mark)

ii. scalar quantities (01mark)

iii. give one example of each of the above quantities. (02marks)

d. Forces of 6N, 5N, 7N, 8N, 5N, and 9N act on a particle of mass 0.5kg as shown in the figure below



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Calculate

- i. the resultant force on the body (03marks)
- ii. Acceleration of the body (02marks)
- e. A boat crosses a river 3km wide flowing at 4m/s to reach a point on the opposite bank 5km upstream. The boat's speed in still water is 12m/s. Find the direction in which the boat must be headed

2.

- a. Define the elastic and inelastic collisions. (02marks)
- b. In an experiment to measure its velocity, a bullet of mass 10g is fired at short range from a gun of mass 0.8kg into a block of wood of mass 390g suspended from a vertical string. On striking the block, the bullet is embedded and the block rises to a vertical height of 6.0cm above its rest position. Calculate the;
 - i. speed of the bullet (03marks)
 - ii. the recoil velocity of the gun (02marks)
- c.
 - i. Distinguish between conservative and non-conservative forces and state an example of each (03marks)
 - ii. Show that in a system where the only forces acting are conservative forces, mechanical energy is conserved. (03marks)
 - iii. A car of mass 1.0×10^3 moves with uniform velocity of 36kmh^{-1} up a straight track inclined at an angle of 20° to the horizontal. The total frictional resistance to the motion of the car is 248N. Calculate the power developed in the engine. (03marks)

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d.

- i. State the principle of conservation of linear momentum

(01mark)

- ii. Using newton's law of motion, prove the principle of conservation of linear momentum

(03marks)

3.

a.

- i. Define the term thermometric property giving two examples

(03mark)

- ii. Describe how a Celsius scale can be establish

(02marks)

b.

- i. Using a well labeled diagram, describe an experiment to determine the specific latent heat of vapourisation of water electrical method

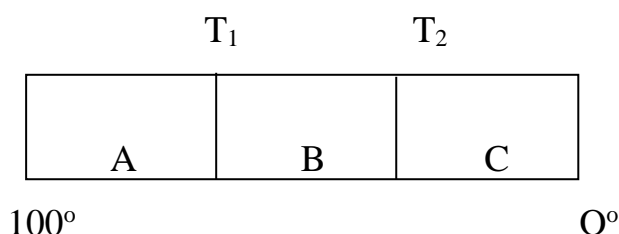
(03marks)

- ii. Describe with the aid of a diagram how a thermocouple thermometer works

(03marks)

c.

- i. Three metallic conductors A, B and C of equal lengths and cross section area are joined to form an insulated composite rod as shown in the figure below.



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The exposed end of A and C are maintained at 100°C and $^{\circ}\text{C}$ respectively. If the ratio of the thermal conductivities A, B and C is 1.5: 2: 2.5 respectively, find the steady temperature of the interfaces T_1 and T_2 . **(04marks)**

ii. Draw a sketch graph of temperature against length of the composite rod. **(02marks)**

d. Explain why;

i. one feels cool after sweating. **(02marks)**

ii. green house effect causes global warming **(02marks)**

4.

a. Define binding energy of a nuclide. **(01mark)**

b.

i. Sketch a graph showing how binding energy per nucleon varies with mass number. **(01mark)**

ii. describe the main features of the graph in b(i) above. **(03marks)**

c.

i. Distinguish between nuclear fission and nuclear fusion and account for energy released in each case. **(03marks)**

ii. With the aid of a labeled diagram, describe the working of an ionization chamber. **(02marks)**

iii. With aid of a diagram describe the structure and mode of operation of an x ray tube **(02marks)**

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d.

- i. What is meant by half-life and decay constant as applied to radioactivity. (02marks)
- ii. Show that the number of atoms N at any time t is given by the expression $N = N_0 e^{-\lambda t}$ where N_0 is the initial number of atoms and λ is the decay constant (02marks)
- iii. Using the expression above, show that the half life $t_{\frac{1}{2}}$ is given by the expression $t_{\frac{1}{2}} = \frac{\ln 2}{\lambda}$ (01marks)
- iv. A Gerger Muller (GM) tube placed 20cm from a 2.0g of Randon $^{222}_{86}\text{Rn}$ gives a count rate of 85 counts per second. If the entrance window of the GM tube has an area of 10cm^2 , calculate the half-life of radon. (03marks)

5.

a.

- i. Describe an experiment which justifies the existence of a small nucleus at the centre of an atom. (03marks)
- ii. What are failures of Rutherford model of an atom (02marks)

b.

- i. State Bohr's postulates of a hydrogen atom. (02marks)
- ii. State the limitations of Bohr's model of the atom. (02marks)

c.

- i. Use Bohr's model to show that the total, E , of an electron in an atom is given by $E = -\frac{me^4}{8\epsilon_0^2 n^2 h^2}$ where m is the mass of the electron, ϵ_0 is permittivity of free space, n is principal quantum number and h is Planck's constant. (05marks)

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ii. Explain why the energy is negative *(01mark)*

d. The ionization energy of helium is 24.6eV. An electron from an excitation level of helium of energy -21.4eV falls to the ground state.

i. Define ionization energy. *(01mark)*

ii. Calculate the wave length of the radiation emitted in the above transition to the ground state. *(03marks)*

iii. In what region of the spectrum does the radiation emitted lie? *(01mark)*

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