## FORM 3 TERM 2 NOVEMBER 2021 PHYSICS PAPER 1

## SECTION A (25 MARKS) (Answer ALL the questions in the spaces provided)

1. What is the reading on the micrometer screw gauge shown below with an error of +0.5 mm ?
(1mk)

2. In a ball and ring experiment, the ball goes through the rings at room temperature. When it is heated it does not go through the ring, but when left on the ring for some time, it goes through. Explain this observation
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3. In the study of free fall, it is assumed that the force F acting on a given body of mass, $m$, is gravitational, given by $F=$ ma. State two other forces that act on the same body
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4. In the set up shown below, it is observed that the level of the water initially drops before starting to rise. Explain this observation

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5. Distinguish between speed and velocity.
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6. State how the pressure in a moving fluid varies with speed of the fluid. (1mk)
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7. A piece of metal weighs 3 N in air and 2 N when totally immersed in water. Calculate the volume of the metal
8. Explain how a person is able to drink a soda using a drinking straw.
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9. Give a reason why air is not commonly used as the fluid in a hydraulic lift. (1mk)
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10. State one assumption made when estimating the size of an oil molecule in the oil drop experiment.
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11. The figure below shows a swinging pendulum.


State the energy conservation taking place as the pendulum moves from A to B and B to C (2mks)
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12. The identical springs of spring constant $3 \mathrm{~N} / \mathrm{cm}$ are used to support a load of 30 N as shown.


Determine the extension on each spring
13. In a vacuum flask, the walls enclosing the vacuum are silvered on the inside.

State the reason for this.
14. State the features that govern the strength of a spiral spring of a given material.
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15. Sketch velocity-time graph of a body moving down a viscous fluid.

## SECTION B (55 MARKS)

## (Answer ALL the questions in the spaces provided)

16. (a) State the principle of conservation of linear momentum.
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(b) Calculate the recoil velocity of a gun of mass 0.4 kg which fires a bullet of mass 0.0045 kg at a velocity of $400 \mathrm{~ms}^{-1}$
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(ii) Suggest three ways in which friction can be minimized
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(iii) State three advantages of friction
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17. 

a) Fig. 8 shows a cylindrical can filled with a liquid of density $0.8 \mathrm{gcm}^{-3}$. A hole of diameter 2.0 cm is drilled at a depth of 2.8 m from the top of the can.


Determine:
i. The cross-sectional area of the hole.
(2mks)
ii. The maximum pressure exerted by the liquid at the hole. ( 2 mks )
iii. The maximum force exerted on a jet of liquid through the hole. (2mks)
b) State the principle of moments
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c) A metre rule whose centre of gravity is at the 50 cm mark balances at the 35 cm mark when a mass of 500 g is placed at the 25 cm mark as shown in the figure 8 below

i. Determine the mass of the meter rule (3 mks)
ii. With the metre rule remaining on the knife-edge at the 30 cm mark, a mass of 125 g is suspended from the 70 cm mark. The mass of 500 g is moved until the rule is balanced. Determine the new position of the 500 g mass ( 3 mks )
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a) For a body moving with a constant acceleration, a, show that:
i. $\quad V=u+a t$ where $v$ and $u$ are the final and initial velocities respectively while t is the time taken
ii. $\quad S=u t+1 / 2 a t^{2}$ where $S$ is the distance covered
(2mks)
iii. A car of mass 1200 kg moving at $90 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ is brought to rest over a distance of 20 m . Calculate the breaking force
(3mks)
b) An object is projected vertically upwards with a velocity of $200 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$. Calculate:
i. Its velocity after 5 seconds
(2mks)
ii. The distance covered in the first 8 seconds
c) The figure below shows a uniform cardboard in the shape of a parallelogram.


Locate the centre of gravity of the cardboard.
d) Two samples of bromine vapour are allowed to diffuse separately under different conditions, one in a vacuum and the other in air. State with reasons the conditions in which bromine diffuse slower.
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a) State two factors affecting stability of body
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b) The figure below shows a metal plate 2 m long, 1 M wide and negligible thickness. A horizontal force of 50 N applied at point 'A' Just makes the plate tilt.


Calculate the weight of the plate.
c) Fig 4 shows an image I formed by an object placed in front of a convex mirror. C is the centre of curvature of the mirror. Using ray diagram, locate the object position.

d) Fig 6 (i) and (ii) show refraction of light at air-water interface. Determine angle $\varnothing$ in figure 6(ii)

e) A ray of light now travels through a transparent medium into the Perspex as shown in the figure below:


Calculate the critical angle (3mks)

