

## MAKUENI COUNTY CLUSTER PREPARATORY EXAMINATION 2016

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## PHYSICS

Paper 1

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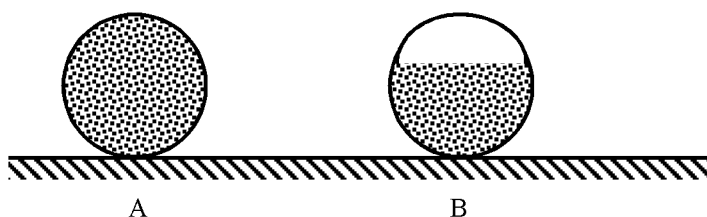
(THEORY)

Time: 2 Hours

## SECTION (25 MARKS)

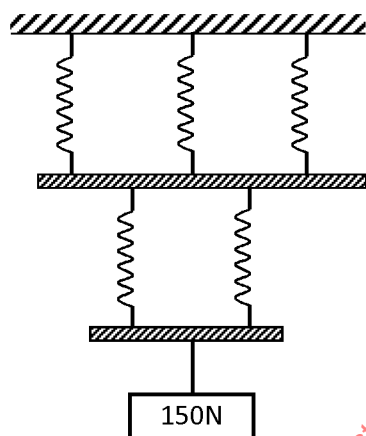
**Answer ALL questions in this section**

1. A micrometer screw gauge has a zero error of  $-0.02\text{mm}$ . It is used to measure the diameter of a wire. If the actual diameter of the wire is  $0.28\text{mm}$ . Draw the micrometer screw gauge showing the diameter of the wire. (2 marks)
2. Figure 1 shows two identical hollow spheres. Sphere A is completely filled with the liquid while B is partially filled with an identical liquid.

**Figure 1**

When the two spheres are rolled on a horizontal surface, it is observed that the sphere B stops earlier than sphere A. Explain this observation. (2 marks)

3. The spiral springs shown in the figure 2 below are identical. Each spring has a constant  $K = 300\text{N/m}$ .

**Figure 2**

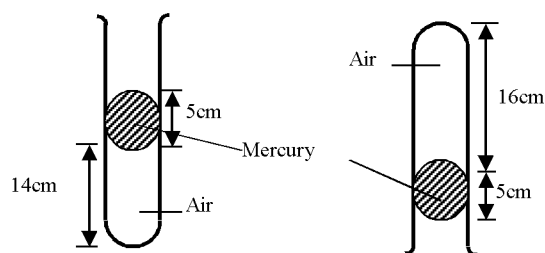
Determine the extension caused by the 150N weight (Ignore weight of springs and connecting rods) (3 marks)

4. A uniform 120m metal rod is pivoted near one of its ends and kept in equilibrium by a spring balance as shown in figure 3.

**Figure 3**

The reading indicated by the spring balance is  $2.0\text{N}$ . Work out the mass of the metal rod. ( $g = 10\text{N/kg}$ ) (3 marks)

5. A mass of  $8\text{kg}$  is whirled round in a vertical circle using a rope of length  $80\text{cm}$  if it makes 2.5 cycles in 1 second, calculate the maximum tension the rope experiences. (3 marks)
6. Air is trapped in a thin capillary tube by a thread of mercury  $5\text{cm}$  long as shown in figure 4.

**Figure 4**

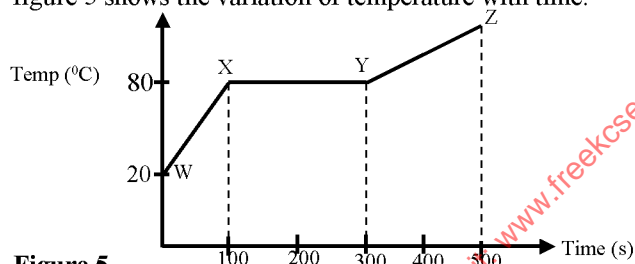
Use the information in figure 6 to calculate the value of the value of the atmospheric pressure in mmHg (3 marks)

7. A trolley is moving at uniform speed along a track. A piece of plasticine is dropped on the trolley and sticks on it. Explain why the trolley slows down. (1 mark)
8. State a reason why more energy is required to change ice from  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$  to water at  $1^{\circ}\text{C}$ , than to change equal mass of water from  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $1^{\circ}\text{C}$ . (1 mark)
9. State a reason why an air bubble increases in volume as it rises up the surface in a boiler. (1 mark)
10. A car of mass 800kg is initially moving at 25m/s, calculate the force needed to bring the car to rest over a distance of 20m. (2 marks)
11. An electric kettle with shiny outer surface is more efficient than one with a dull outer surface, give a reason for this. (1 mark)
12. A pipe of radius 3mm is connected to another pipe of radius 9mm. If water flows in the water pipe at a speed of  $2\text{ms}^{-1}$ , what is the speed in the narrower pipe (2 marks)
13. A force of 20N is used to stretch a spring through 5cm. Calculate the elastic potential energy stored in the spring. (2 marks)

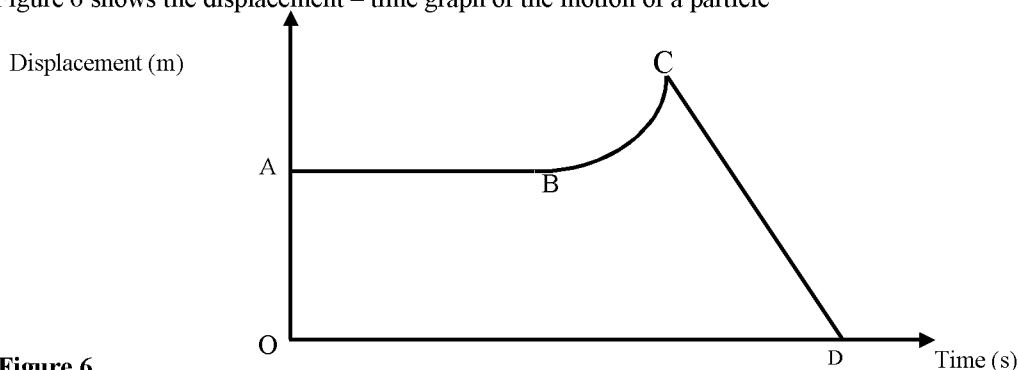
### SECTION B. (55 MARKS)

**Answer ALL questions in this section**

14. (a) Distinguish between boiling and evaporation. (2 marks)
- (b) A solid of mass 1kg was heated uniformly by a 100W heating element until it melts. The graph in figure 5 shows the variation of temperature with time.

**Figure 5**

- (i) Explain what is happening in the regions  
WX:  
XY: (3 marks)
- (ii) Calculate the specific heat capacity of the solid. (2 marks)
- (iii) Calculate the specific latent heat of fusion of the solid (3 marks)
- (c) A substance of mass 2kg and specific heat capacity  $400\text{Jkg}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$  initially at  $80^{\circ}\text{C}$  is immersed in water at  $19^{\circ}\text{C}$ . If the final temperature of the mixture is  $20^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Calculate the mass of water. (Specific heat capacity of water =  $4200\text{Jkg}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$ ) (1 mark)
15. (a) State the physical quantity represented by the gradient of a displacement – time graph (3 marks)
- (b) Figure 6 shows the displacement – time graph of the motion of a particle

**Figure 6**

State the nature of the motion of the particle between?

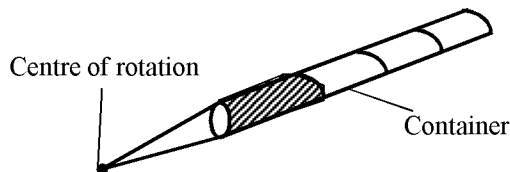
(3 marks)

- (i) AB
- (ii) BC
- (iii) CD

(c) A car decelerates uniformly from a velocity of 20m/s to rest in 4 seconds. It takes 4 seconds to reverse with uniform

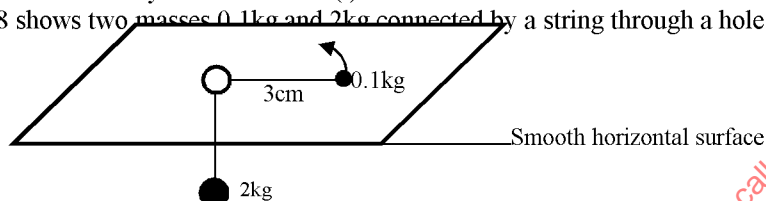
acceleration to its original starting point.

- (i) Sketch a velocity time graph for the motion of the car. (3 marks)
- (ii) Use your sketch in c (i) to determine the total displacement of the car. (3 marks)
- (d) A ball slides off a horizontal table 4m high with a velocity of 12m/s, find;
- (i) the time it takes to hit the floor. ( $g = 10\text{ms}^{-2}$ ) (2 marks)
- (ii) the range (2 marks)
16. (a) State two factors that reduce the stability of a vehicle while going round a banked bend. (2 marks)
- (b) Three insoluble powders A, B and C of densities  $d_A$ ,  $d_B$  and  $d_C$ , such that  $d_A > d_B > d_C$ , are mixed and put into a container. The container is then whirled in a horizontal circle as shown in figure 7. (2 marks)



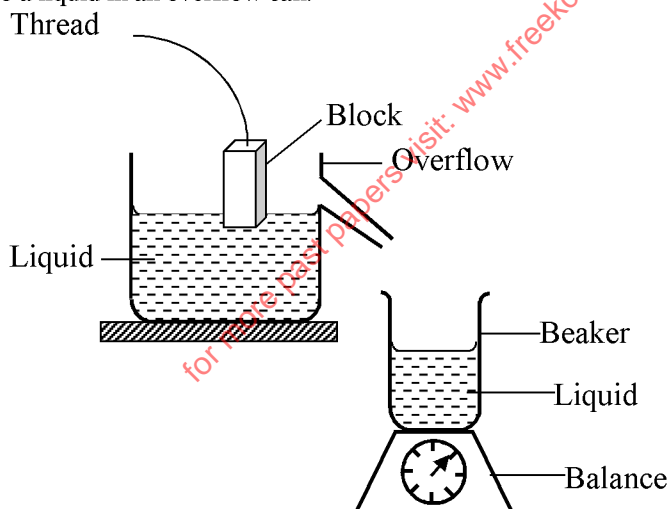
**Figure 7**

- (i) Label on figure 7, the positions of the powders after some time. (1 mark)
- (ii) Give a reason for your answer in b (i) (2 marks)
- (c) Figure 8 shows two masses 0.1kg and 2kg connected by a string through a hole on a smooth horizontal surface.



**Figure 8**

- The 0.1kg rotates in a horizontal circle of radius 3cm. Calculate the angular velocity of the 0.1kg mass, when the system is in equilibrium. (3 marks)
- (d) A bicycle wheel makes 300 revolutions per minute. Calculate the angular velocity of the wheel. (3 marks)
17. (a) State two conditions for a body to float on a fluid. (2 marks)
- (b) Figure 9 shows a block with a graduated side and dimensions 4cm by 16cm, just about to be lowered into a liquid in an overflow can.



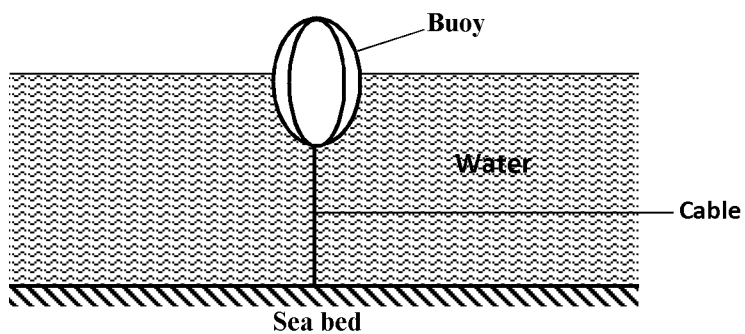
**Figure 9**

During an experiment with this set-up, the following was recorded:

- The block floated with  $\frac{3}{4}$  of it submerged.
- Initial reading of balance = 0g
- Final reading of balance = 154g

Use the information to determine the density of

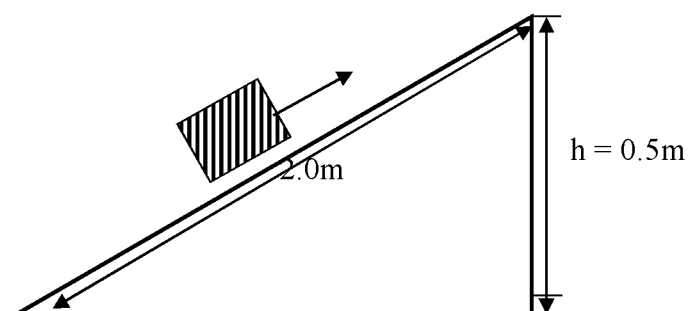
- (i) the block (3 marks)
- (ii) the liquid (3 marks)
- (c) Figure 10 shows a buoy of capacity 40 litres and mass 10kg. It is held in position in sea water of density  $1.04\text{g/cm}^3$  by a light cable fixed to the bottom so that  $\frac{3}{4}$  of its volume is below the water surface.

**Figure.10**

Determine the tension in the cable.

(3 marks)

18. Figure 11 shows a load of 50N being raised by pulling it along an inclined plane of length 2.0m.

**Figure 11**

Determine

- The work done by the 22N force
- The work done against the load
- The efficiency of the system

(2 marks)

(2 marks)

(3 marks)

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