**Term 1 – 2023 MID TERM 1**

**PHYSICS PAPER 1 (232/1)**

**QUESTION PAPER**

**FORM FOUR**

**2 HOURS**

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**Instructions to candidates**

* This paper consists of two sections ***A*** and ***B***.
* Answer **all** the questions in the two sections in the spaces provided after each question
* All working **must** be clearly shown.
* Electronic calculators, mathematical tables may be used.
* All numerical answers **should be expressed** in the **decimal** notations.
* You may use ‘g’ as 10m/s2

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| **SECTION** | **QUESTION** | **MAX MARKS** | **CANDIDATE’S SCORE** |
| **A** |  **1 – 14** | **25** |  |
| **B** | **15** | **13** |  |
| **16** | **13** |  |
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| **19** | **07** |  |
|  | **TOTAL** | **80** |  |

***This paper consists of 10 printed pages. Candidates should check to ascertain that all pages are printed as indicated and that no questions are missing.***

**SECTION A (25 Marks)**

1. The figure 1, below shows a section of a tape measure used for measuring the circumference of a cylindrical water tank.



Figure 1

1. State the accuracy of the tape (1 mark)
2. Determine the diameter of the tank (2 marks)
3. Figure 2, shows a metal bolt which is threaded. Explain how a metre-rule may be used to measure the pitch (distance between adjacent peaks) of the threading (2 marks)



Figure 2

1. State the advantage of fitting wide tyres on a vehicle that move on earth roads (1 mark)
2. It may not be possible to suck liquid into your mouth using drinking straw on the surface of the moon. Explain (2 marks)
3. A drop of blue ink is introduced at the bottom of a beaker containing water. It is observed that after sometime, all the water in the beaker turns blue. Name the process that takes place. (1 mark)
4. In the set-up shown below, water near the top of the boiling tube boils while at the bottom it remains cold. Give a reason for this. (2 marks)



Figure 3

1. The diagram below shows two glass-tubes of different diameters dipped in water. Explain why h2 is greater than h1 (3 marks)

Figure

1. A solid copper sphere will sink in water while a hollow copper sphere of the same mass may float. Explain (2 marks)
2. Name the instrument that would be most suitable for measuring the thickness of one sheet of this question paper (1 mark)
3. State how pressure of a moving fluid varies with the speed of the fluid (1 mark)
4. State Bernoulli’s principle (1 mark)
5. The solid marble shown below is in a stable equilibrium. On the space provided, sketch the same marble in a neutral state of equilibrium (1 mark)



**Figure 5**

1. The figure below shows how pressure and volume of a fixed mass of a gas vary at constant temperature. Sketch on the same axes, a graph for the same mass of gas at temperature,T2 such that $T\_{2}<T\_{1}$ (1 mark)



Figure 6

1. The figure below shows a ball being whirled in a vertical plane. Sketch on the same figure the path followed by the ball if the string cuts when the ball is in the same position shown. (1 mark)

ball

String $ω$

Figure 7

1. A spring extends by 6cm when supporting a mass of 0.06kg on earth. When the spring is used to support the same mass on moon, it extends by 1 cm. determine the moon’s gravitational strength (3 marks)

**SECTION B (55 MARKS)**

1. Define the following terms:
2. Angular velocity (1 mark)
3. Centripetal acceleration (1 mark)
4. State**two** ways in which the centripetal force on a body of mass m can be increased (2 marks)
5. **Figure 8** shows an object at the end of a light spring balance connected to a peg using a string.  The object is moving in a circular path on a smooth horizontal table with a

constant speed.



Figure 8

1. State what provides the centripetal force (1 mark)
2. On the same diagram Indicate with an arrow the direction of the centripetal force

(1 mark)

1. State a reason why the object is accelerating while its speed remains constant

(1 mark)

1. The mass of the object is 0.5kg and it is moving at a speed of 8m/s at a radius of 2m. determine the reading on the spring balance (3 marks)
2. A body moving with uniform angular velocity found to have covered an angular distance 170 radians in t seconds. Thirteen seconds later it is found to have covered a total angular distance of 300 radians. Determine t (3 marks)
3. State the pressure law for an ideal gas (1mark)
4. The set up shows an arrangement to determine the relationship between temperature and pressure of a gas constant volume.



 **Figure 9**

1. Describe how measurements are obtained in the experiment. (3marks)
2. Explain how the result form the experiment can be used to determine the relationship between temperature and pressure. (2marks)
3. A bicycle tire is pumped to a pressure of 2.2 × 105pa at230C. After a race the pressure is found to be 2.6 × 105 pa. Assuming the volume of the tyre did not change, what is the temperature of the air in the tyre. (3marks)
4. Air is trapped inside a glass tube by a thread of mercury 240 mm long. When the tube is held horizontally the length of the air column is 240mm.

750 mmHg

240mm

L1 = 240 mm

Figure

Assuming that the atmospheric pressure is 750mm Hg and the temperature is constant; calculate the length of the air column when the tube is vertical with open end down. (3marks)

1. What is an ‘ideal gas?’ (1 mark)

1. Define the following terms:
2. Mechanical advantage (1 mark)
3. Velocity ratio (1 mark)
4. Sketch a labeled diagram to show how an arrangement of a single pulley may be used to provide a mechanical advantage of 2. (3 marks)
5. The figure 11, below shows a loaded wheelbarrow.
6. Indicate and label on the diagram three forces acting on the wheelbarrow when a worker is just about to lift the handle. (3 marks)



**Figure 11**

1. Suppose the handle-bars of the wheelbarrow were extended, which force(s) would change? Explain (2 marks)
2. A ball rolls on a table in a straight line. A part from the transitional kinetic energy, state the other form of kinetic energy possessed by the ball. (1 mark)
3. The figure 12, below shows how the potential Energy (P.E) of a ball thrown vertically upwards.

 2 4 6 8 height, m

 2 4 6 8 (J)

 P.E

Figure 12

On the same axes, plot a graph of kinetic energy of the ball. (2 marks)

1. State the law of floatation (1 mark)
2. When a piece of metal is placed on water, it sinks. But when the same piece of metal is placed on a block of wood, both are found to float. Explain this observation. (2 marks)
3. Figure 13 shows a cork floating on water and held to the bottom of the beaker by a thin thread



 Figure 13

1. Name the force acting on the cork. (3marks)
2. Describe how each of the forces mentioned in (i) above changes when water is added into the beaker until it fills up. (3marks)
3. Water flows in a horizontal smooth pipe. State the changes that would be observed in the nature of flow if the speed of water is steadily increased from low to high value (2 marks)
4. A pipe of radius 6mm is connected to another pipe of radius 9mm. if water flows in the wider pipe at a speed of 2m/s, what is the speed in the narrower pipe? (3 marks)
5. State the reason why it may not be possible to suck liquid into your mouth using drinking straw on the surface of the moon (1 mark)
6. A can with a hole on the side is filled with water to a certain height. Water jets out as shown below (figure 14, a). A second identical can is filled with water to the same height and a block of wood floated on the water as shown (figure 14, b). give a reason why the water jet in (b) is longer than that in (a). (1 mark)



Figure 14