



**MASINDE MULIRO UNIVERSITY OF
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY
(MMUST)**

MAIN CAMPUS

**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS
2021/2022 ACADEMIC YEAR**

**FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS
SUPPLEMENTARY/SPECIAL EXAMINATION**

**FOR THE DIPLOMA IN:
GENERAL AGRICULTURE**

COURSE CODE: DAG 052

COURSE TITLE: GENERAL PHYSICS

DATE: 29.7.22

TIME: 11-1PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer ALL questions in section A and any TWO in section B

SECTION A: Answer all questions (30 Marks)

- a) State the three basic unit of measurement, S. I. units and symbols. (6 marks)
- b) Define the following terms
- i. density. (1 mark)
 - ii. matter (1 mark)
 - iii. Pressure (1 mark)
 - iv. Elasticity . (1 mark)
- c) A force of 525N produces a moment of force of 420Nm, calculate the shortest distance between the point of application of force and the turning point. (2 marks)
- d) Name any three properties of materials to be considered when classifying them under various types of stress. (3 marks)
- e) A block of glass of mass 187.5g is 5.0cm long, 2.0cm thick and 7.5cm high. Calculate the density of the glass in kgm^{-3} . (3 marks)
- f) A wheel of radius 50 cm is rolled through a quarter turn. Calculate
- (i) The angle rotated in radians. (2 marks)
 - (ii) The distance moved by a point on the circumference. (2 marks)
- (g) State any four effects of a force. (4 marks)
- (h) State any two types of collision. (2 marks)
- (i) A body is brought to rest from 150km/h in 30 seconds. What is its retardation? (2 marks)

SECTION B: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS (40 MARKS)

QUESTION TWO (20MKS)

- a) State Newton's law of motion (3 marks)
- b) (i) define the term momentum. (1 mark)
- (ii) A body of mass 1500kg moves with a velocity of 50km/h. calculate its momentum. (3 marks)
- c) State the three factors that affect pressure in liquids. (3 marks)
- d) The density of mercury is 23600kgm^{-3} . Determine the liquid pressure at a point 100cm below the surface of mercury. (Take $g=9.81\text{N/kg}$) (3 marks)
- e) Name any three factors affecting centripetal force. (3 marks)
- f) A 0.5 kg mass is tied to a string 1.0m and whirled in space in a horizontal circular path at a rate of 10.0ms^{-1} . what centripetal force does the string exert on the mass? (3 marks)
- g) Explain why the cutting edge of a knife is made sharper. (1 mark)

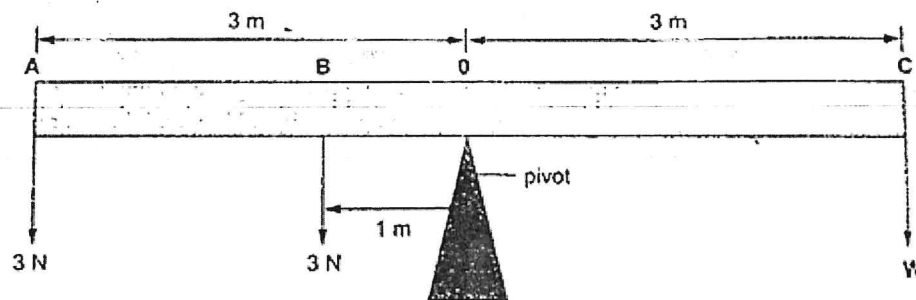
QUESTION THREE (20MKS)

- a) Differentiate between a scalar and a vector quantity. (1 mark)
- b) Sketch distance time graphs of the following bodies
- (1) Stationary body (2 marks)
 - (2) a body moving with uniform speed (2 marks)
 - (3) a body moving with variable speed (2 marks)

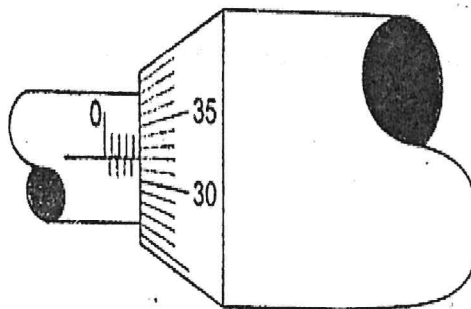
- (c) A 900kg race car makes one lap around a track of radius 50.0m in 11.0s.
- (1) what is the car's average speed? (2 marks)
 - (2) what is the car's angular velocity? (2 marks)
 - (3) what is the centripetal force acting on the car? (2 marks)
- (d) (i) Name two conditions of equilibrium of a body. (1 mark)
- (ii) explain the three states of stability. (6 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20MKS)

- a) Define force. (1 mark)
- b) State the laws of moments. (1 mark)
- c) A uniform rod of negligible mass balances when a weight of 3 N is at A, weight of 3 N is at B and a weight of W is at C. What is the value of weight W? (3 marks)



- d) Give the reading in the following diagram. (3 marks)



- e) State Hooke's law. (1 mark)
- f) A load of 6 N causes a certain copper wire to extend by 2.0 mm. Find the load that will cause a 4.0 mm extension on the same wire. (4 marks)
- g) A diver is 20 m below the surface of water in a dam. If the density of water is $1,000 \text{ kgm}^{-3}$ determine the pressure due to the water on the diver. (Take $g = 9.81 \text{ Nkg}^{-1}$) (4 marks)
- (g) a body moving with uniform acceleration of 10 ms^{-2} covers a distance of 320m. if its initial velocity was 60m/s, calculate its final velocity. (3 marks)

