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UNIT CODE: AMA 4102 UNIT TITLE: APPLIED MATHEMATICS 1

**EXAMINATION FOR BACHELOR OF TECHNOLOGY IN
ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONICS ENGINEERING**

MAIN EXAMINATION

TIME ALLOWED: 2HOURS

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES:

You should have the following for this examination

- Mathematical tables
- Scientific Calculator

This paper consists of **FIVE** questions

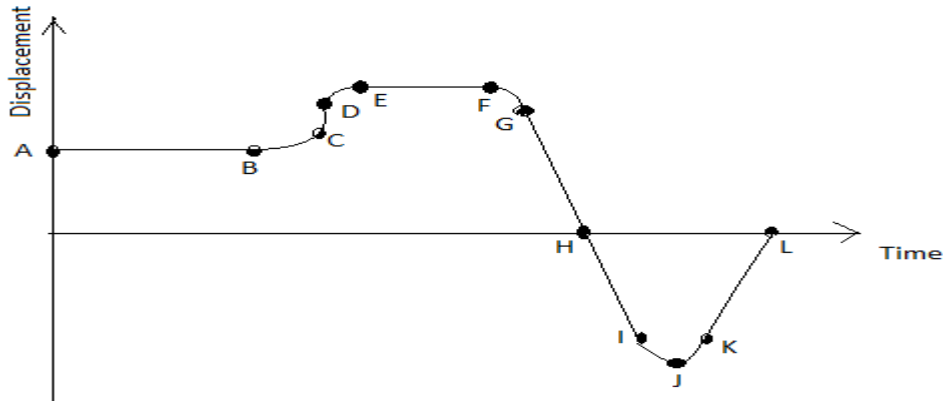
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Answer question **ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS) COMPULSORY

- a. Describe the motion represented by the figure of Displacement against time below



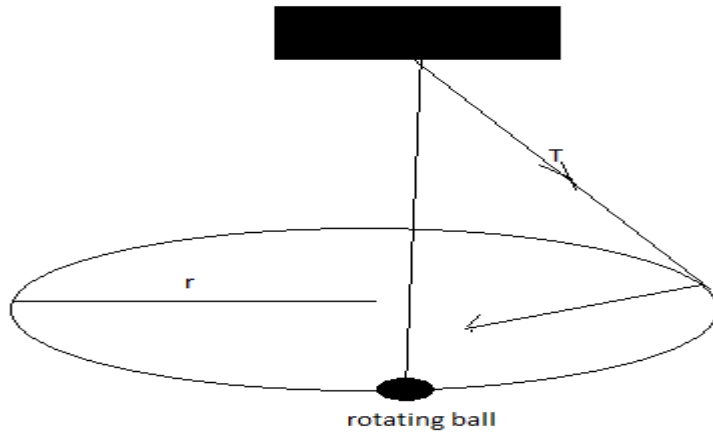
[4 marks]

- b. Given that $\vec{F} = (2xy + z^3)\mathbf{i} + x^2\mathbf{j} + 3xz^2\mathbf{k}$
- Show that F is a **conservative** force field [2 marks]
 - Find the scalar potential [2 marks]
 - Find the **work done** in moving an object in this field from (1,-2,1) to (3,1,4) [2 marks]
- c. If. $A = x^2z\mathbf{i} - 2y^2z^2\mathbf{j} + xy^2z\mathbf{k}$
Find $\nabla \cdot A$ at the point (1, -1, 1) [4 marks]
- d. A nozzle is situated at a distance of 1.2 m above the ground level and is inclined at 60° to the horizontal. The diameter of the nozzle is 40 mm and the jet of water from the nozzle strikes the horizontal distance of 5m. Find the initial velocity u. [6 marks]
- e. Find the power exerted by a force $F = 5t^2\mathbf{i} + 2t\mathbf{j}$ on a particle with velocity $v = t\mathbf{i} - 2t^2\mathbf{j}$ when t=16 seconds. [3 marks]
- f. A slender metal arch, thicker at the bottom than at the top, lies along the semi circle $y^2 + z^2 = 1, z \geq 0$, in the y-z plane. Find the centre of the arch's mass if the density at the point (x, y, z) on the arch is $\delta(x, y, z) = 2 - z$ [7 marks]

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a. For a conical pendulum as shown below. Prove that for unit radius r of the circular path $\tan \theta = \frac{v^2}{g}$
where is θ the angle of inclination

[4 marks]



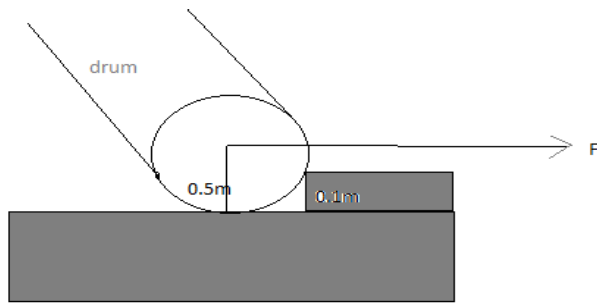
- b. Differentiate coplanar forces from concurrent forces. [2 marks]
- c. Given the space curve $x = t, y = t^2, z = \frac{2}{3}t^3$ find
- The curvature k and radius of curvature ρ [5 marks]
 - The torsion τ [4 marks]
- d. A particle is moving along a straight line according to the law $s = 4t^3 + 3t + 2$. if the distance is $x=4$ cm when $t=2$ seconds ; find the distance when $t=5$ seconds and the acceleration of the particle at the same time. [5 marks]

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a. State **THREE** uses of dimensional analysis [3 marks]
- b. A particle moves in a circle of radius 20 m. if its tangential speed is 40m/s. find
- The angular speed [2 marks]
 - The angular and normal accelerations [4 marks]
- c. Given $\phi = 2x^3y^2z^4$
- Find $\nabla \cdot \nabla \phi$ [3 marks]
 - Show that $\nabla \cdot \nabla \phi = \nabla^2 \phi$ where $\nabla^2 = \frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2}{\partial z^2}$ is called the Laplacian Operator [3 marks]
- d. Two particles have position vectors given by $r_1 = 4ti - 2t^2j - 5tk$ and $r_2 = (2t^2 - t)i + t^3j - 4tk$. Find the relative velocity and acceleration of the second particle with to the first when $t=3$ seconds [5 marks]

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a. Figure below shows a drum of mass 150kg and radius 0.5m being pulled by a horizontal force F against a step 0.1m high. What initial force is just sufficient to turn the drum so that it raises over the step [4 marks]



- b. Find the work done in moving a particle once around a circle c in the x - y plane with center origin and radius three units by a force given by
- $$F = (2x - y + z)i + (x + y - z^2)j + (3x - 2y + 4z)k$$
- for $x = 3 \cos \theta$ and $y = 3 \sin \theta$. With θ changing from zero to $360^\circ (2\pi)$ [6 marks]
- c. A particle P projected from a point O on a horizontal plane with a speed of 72km/h at an angle θ to the horizontal, where $\tan \theta = \frac{4}{3}$. find
- Time taken for P to return to the plane [3 marks]
 - Maximum time reached [2 marks]
 - The range [2 marks]
 - Speed after 2 seconds [3 marks]

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- Derive the dimensional expression for the second equation of motion [3 marks]
- A coil spring lies along the helix $r = (\cos 4t)i + (\sin 4t)j + tk$, $0 \leq t \leq 2\pi$. The spring's density is a constant, $\delta=1$. find the springs mass, the coordinates of the spring's centre of mass and the spring's moment of inertial and radius of gyration about Z axis. [7 marks]
- If $\phi(x, y, z) = 3x^2y - y^3z^2$ find $\nabla\phi$ at $(1, -2, -1)$ [4 marks]
- A lorry of mass 200kg moving at 10m/s on a horizontal surface is brought to rest in a distance of 12.5m by the brakes being applied.
 - Calculate the average retarding force F [3 marks]
 - What power must the engine produce if the lorry is to travel up a hill of 1 in 10 minutes at a constant speed 10m/s ; if friction resistance is 200N . [3 marks]

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