



TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF MOMBASA

Faculty of Applied & Health Sciences

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS & PHYSICS

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR THE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN
ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

SMA 2273: APPLIED MATHEMATICS

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

SERIES: MARCH 2014

TIME: 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- Answer Booklet

This paper consist of **FIVE** questions in **TWO** sections **A & B**

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

Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown

This paper consists of **THREE** printed pages

SECTION A (COMPULSORY)

Question One

a) Distinguish between the following terms:

- (i) Force and power (2 marks)
- (ii) Coplanar and concurrent forces (marks)

b) (i) Express force as a function of velocity and as a function of displacement (6 marks)

- (ii) A particle of unit mass moving on a straight line is acted upon by a force given by $-4xN$, where x is the displacement of a 1kg particle. The particle is at rest when $x = 3m$. Find the velocity when $x = 1m$. (7 marks)

- c) A Golf ball of mass 0.06kg resting on a toe is given a horizontal impulse of 18NS. Calculate velocity with the ball takes off. **(3 marks)**
- d) A force of magnitude 4N and 3N acts along sides AB and AD of a square ABCD respectively with sides 2m. Find the perpendicular distance of the line of action of their resultant R from O which is the midpoint of DC. **(4 marks)**
- e) A particle is projected vertically upwards with a velocity of 14ms^{-1} calculate:
- (i) The time it takes to return to its point of projection **(2 marks)**
 - (ii) The height to which it rises **(2 marks)**
 - (iii) The time after its projection when its speed is 7ms^{-1} **(2 marks)**

SECTION B (Answer any TWO questions from this section)

Question Two

- a) A particle of 1 unit mass moves along a curve in a force field, F given by $\vec{F} = (6t - 8)\mathbf{i} - 60t^3\mathbf{j} + (20t^3 + 36t^2)\mathbf{k}$ where t is the time. If the initial position and velocity are:
- $$\vec{V} = 2\mathbf{i} - 3\mathbf{k}$$
- $$\vec{V}_i = 5\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j}$$
- Find:
- (i) Acceleration and magnitude of its acceleration at $t = 2$ **(4 marks)**
 - (ii) Velocity and magnitude of velocity at $t = 2$ **(5 marks)**
 - (iii) Momentum at $t = 2$ seconds **(2 marks)**
- b) A crate is to be moved up an inclined plane 10m long and 6m high. If the crate weigh 100N and it is to be pulled up at a uniform speed. Compute:
- (i) The work done (assumed plane is frictionless) **(4 marks)**
 - (ii) How much work would be done by lifting the crate through a height of 6m **(2 marks)**

Question Three

- a) Stat the Newton's second law of motion **(2 marks)**
- b) Two particles have position vectors given by:
- $$\vec{V} = 4t\mathbf{i} - 2t^2\mathbf{j} - 5t\mathbf{k} \quad \vec{V}_i = (2t^2 - t)\mathbf{i} + t^3\mathbf{j} - 4t\mathbf{k}$$
- and
- (i) The relative velocity of the 2nd particle with respect to 1st particle when $t = 3$ secs. **(5 marks)**
 - (ii) The relative acceleration of the 2nd particle with respect to 1st particle at the same time. **(5 marks)**

- c) A bullet of mass 30g is fired horizontally into a small block of 8kg which is suspended by string 2m long. The bullet remains embedded in the wood and the block resists until the string makes an angle of 30° on the vertical. Find the velocity of the bullet. **(8 marks)**

Question Four

- a) Two forces p and q which are inclined at 120° have a resultant of magnitude of $P\sqrt{7}$. Calculate the magnitude of q in terms of p . **(8 marks)**
- b) A particle of mass 2kg rests on the surface of a rough plane which is inclined at 30° to the horizontal. It is connected by a light inelastic string passing over a light smooth pulley at the top of the plane, to a particle of mass 3kg which is hanging freely. If the coefficient of friction between the 2kg mass and the plane is $1/3$
- (i) Show all the forces acting on the particle **(2 marks)**
 - (ii) Find the acceleration of the system when it is released from rest **(4 marks)**
 - (iii) Find the tension in the string **(2 marks)**
 - (iv) Find the force exerted by the string on the pulley **(2 marks)**
- c) Define the term equilibrium as relating to forces **(2 marks)**

Question Five

- a) A particle moves in a circle of radius 20m of its tangential speed is 40m/s. Determine:
- (i) The angular speed
 - (ii) Angular acceleration and normal acceleration
 - (iii) The arc length covered in time $t = 5$ secs
 - (iv) The angle subtended in time $t = 5$ secs **(10 marks)**
- b) Determine the work done in moving a particle once around a circle C in (x, y) plane; if the particle has the centre at the origin and radius 3 units, and if the force is given by
- $$F = (2x - y + z)i + (x + y - z^2)j + (3x - 2y + 4z)k$$
- (10 marks)**