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## TERM-1 EXAMINATION (2025-26)

### PHYSICS (042) (SET-II)

### MARKING SCHEME

Class: XI

Time: 3hr

Date: 12.02.26

Max Marks: 70

#### Section A (16 X 1M)

1. (a) Length and Mass
2. (b) Zero
3. (c) Horizontal velocity
4. (a)  $60^\circ$
5. (c) 1 : 2
6. (c) Moment of inertia
7. (a) 1 m/s
8. (a)  $\frac{x^2}{2L^2}$
9. (b) Zero
10. (a)  $\text{J kg}^{-1} \text{K}^{-1}$
11. (a) Conservation of energy
12. (a) 50 J
13. (c) A is True, R is False
14. (c) A is True, R is False
15. (b) A is True, R is True but R is not correct explanation
16. (a) A is True, R is True and R is correct explanation

#### Section-B (5 X 2M)

#### 17. Derive second equation of motion graphically (2 marks)

From the **velocity–time graph**, displacement is equal to **area under the graph**.

Area = rectangle + triangle

$$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}(v - u)t$$

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Using  $v - u = at$ ,

$$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

Hence, the **second equation of motion** is:

$$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

**OR (Ball in hall question)**

Given:  $u = 40 \text{ m/s}$ , ceiling height  $H = 25 \text{ m}$

Maximum height:

$$H = \frac{u^2 \sin^2 \theta}{2g}$$
$$25 = \frac{1600 \sin^2 \theta}{2 \times 9.8} \Rightarrow \sin^2 \theta = \frac{25 \times 19.6}{1600} = 0.30625$$
$$\sin \theta \approx 0.553$$

Range:

$$R = \frac{u^2 \sin 2\theta}{g}$$
$$\sin 2\theta = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta$$
$$\cos \theta = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta} = \sqrt{1 - 0.30625} = 0.833$$
$$\sin 2\theta = 2(0.553)(0.833) = 0.922$$
$$R = \frac{1600 \times 0.922}{9.8} \approx 150.5 \text{ m}$$

Maximum horizontal distance:

$$R \approx 150 \text{ m}$$

**18. State and explain law of momentum (2 marks)**

**Law of conservation of momentum:**

In an isolated system (no external force), the **total momentum remains constant**.

Mathematically:

$$m_1 u_1 + m_2 u_2 = m_1 v_1 + m_2 v_2$$

i.e. **Total momentum before collision = Total momentum after collision.**

**19. State and prove Work-Energy Theorem (constant force) (2 marks)**

**Statement:** Work done by a constant force on a body equals the **change in kinetic energy**.

$$W = Fs$$

Using  $F = ma$ ,

$$W = mas$$

From equation  $v^2 - u^2 = 2as$ ,

$$as = \frac{v^2 - u^2}{2}$$

So,

$$W = m \cdot \frac{v^2 - u^2}{2}$$
$$W = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 - \frac{1}{2}mu^2$$

Therefore:

$$W = \Delta K$$

## 20. Work done in an isothermal process (2 marks)

In an **isothermal process**, temperature remains constant, so for an ideal gas:

$$PV = \text{constant}$$

Work done:

$$W = \int_{V_1}^{V_2} P dV$$

Using  $P = \frac{nRT}{V}$ ,

$$W = \int_{V_1}^{V_2} \frac{nRT}{V} dV = nRT \ln \left( \frac{V_2}{V_1} \right)$$

Hence,

$$\boxed{W = nRT \ln \left( \frac{V_2}{V_1} \right)}$$

## 21. Define SHM and write mathematical expression (2 marks)

**Simple Harmonic Motion (SHM):** Motion in which the **restoring force** (or acceleration) is **directly proportional to displacement** and always directed towards mean position.

Mathematically:

$$a \propto -x \Rightarrow a = -\omega^2 x$$

SHM displacement equation:

$$\boxed{x = A \sin (\omega t + \phi)}$$

**SECTION-C (7 X 3M)**

## 22. Limitations of dimensional analysis + 2 failures (3 marks)

### Limitations

1. It cannot give numerical constants like  $\frac{1}{2}$ , 2,  $\pi$  etc.
2. It cannot tell whether terms are added/subtracted (cannot derive full equation form).
3. It fails for relations involving trig/exponential/log functions like  $\sin$ ,  $\cos$ ,  $e^x$ ,  $\ln x$ .
4. It cannot distinguish between different physical quantities with same dimensions (like work and torque).

### Examples where it fails

- **Example 1:**

Formula of kinetic energy is

$$K = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$

Dimensional analysis gives only  $K \propto m v^2$ , cannot give  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

- **Example 2:**

For simple pendulum, time period is

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{l}{g}}$$

Dimensional analysis gives only  $T \propto \sqrt{\frac{l}{g}}$ , cannot give  $2\pi$ .

## 23. Distance covered by car (3 marks)

Given:

$$a = 2 \text{ m/s}^2, u = 5 \text{ m/s}, t = 10 \text{ s}$$

Use equation:

$$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

$$s = 5(10) + \frac{1}{2}(2)(10^2)$$

$$s = 50 + 100 = 150 \text{ m}$$

**Distance covered** =  $\boxed{150 \text{ m}}$

**24. Train on unbanked circular track + banking angle (3 marks)**

Given:

Radius  $r = 30\text{m}$

Speed  $v = 54 \text{ km/hr} = 15 \text{ m/s}$

**(i) What provides centripetal force?**

On an **unbanked** track, the **centripetal force is provided by lateral friction due to rails** (not engine).

Answer: **Rails provide the centripetal force (through friction).**

**(ii) Angle of banking required**

For no wear (no friction required):

$$\tan \theta = \frac{v^2}{rg}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{15^2}{30 \times 9.8} = \frac{225}{294} = 0.765$$

$$\theta \approx 37^\circ$$

Required banking angle:

$$\boxed{\theta \approx 37^\circ}$$

**25. Electric power consumed by pump (3 marks)**

Let tank volume be  $V$ .

Mass of water:

$$m = \rho V$$

Work done to lift water to height  $h = 40\text{m}$ :

$$W = mgh = \rho Vgh$$

Time  $t = 15 \text{ min} = 900\text{s}$

Output power:

$$P_{out} = \frac{W}{t} = \frac{\rho Vgh}{t}$$

Efficiency:

$$\eta = \frac{P_{out}}{P_{in}} \Rightarrow P_{in} = \frac{P_{out}}{\eta}$$

Given  $\eta = 30\% = 0.3$ :

$$P_{in} = \frac{\rho Vgh}{0.3t}$$

Put values ( $\rho = 1000, g = 9.8, h = 40, t = 900$ ):

$$P_{in} = \frac{1000 \times V \times 9.8 \times 40}{0.3 \times 900}$$

$$P_{in} \approx 1451V \text{ W}$$

Electric power consumed:

$$\boxed{P \approx 1.45 \times 10^3 V \text{ W}}$$

(where  $V$  is in  $\text{m}^3$ )

**26. Moment of inertia definition + unit + dimensions + factors (3 marks)**

**Definition:**

Moment of inertia of a body about an axis is:

$$I = \sum mr^2$$

It is the **rotational analogue of mass** and measures resistance to rotation.

**Unit:**

$$\boxed{kg\ m^2}$$

**Dimensions:**

$$\boxed{[M^1L^2T^0]}$$

**Depends on:**

1. **Mass** of body
2. **Distribution of mass** about axis
3. **Position of axis of rotation**
4. Shape and size of body

**27. Compressional strain in each column (3 marks)**

Given: total mass  $M = 50000\ kg$ , 4 columns

Load on each column:

$$F = \frac{Mg}{4}$$

Inner radius  $r_i = 0.30m$ , outer radius  $r_o = 0.60m$

Area of hollow column:

$$A = \pi(r_o^2 - r_i^2)$$

$$A = \pi(0.36 - 0.09) = 0.27\pi\ m^2$$

Stress:

$$\sigma = \frac{F}{A} = \frac{Mg}{4A}$$

Strain:

$$\text{strain} = \frac{\sigma}{Y}$$

For mild steel  $Y \approx 2 \times 10^{11} N/m^2$

Now:

$$F = \frac{50000 \times 9.8}{4} = 122500N$$

$$\sigma = \frac{122500}{0.27\pi} \approx 1.44 \times 10^5 N/m^2$$

$$\text{strain} = \frac{1.44 \times 10^5}{2 \times 10^{11}} = 7.2 \times 10^{-7}$$

Compressional strain of each column:

$$\boxed{7.2 \times 10^{-7}}$$

**OR (Hydrostatic reasons)**

**(a) BP at feet > brain:**

Pressure increases with depth:

$$P = \rho gh$$

Feet are at greater depth than brain so **pressure is higher** at feet.

**(b) Pressure becomes half at 6 km:**

Atmospheric pressure decreases exponentially with height due to decrease in air density; hence pressure falls rapidly and becomes nearly half at about 6 km.

**28. Newton's formula for speed of sound + error + Laplace correction (3 marks)**

**Newton's formula:**

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{P}{\rho}}$$

**What was wrong?**

Newton assumed changes in pressure and volume are **isothermal**, but sound propagation happens **very quickly** so there is no time for heat exchange.

**Laplace correction:**

Laplace assumed process is **adiabatic**, so

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{\gamma P}{\rho}}$$

where  $\gamma$  is ratio of specific heats.

### SECTION-D (Case Study Based Questions)

#### 29. Average Speed & Average Velocity (MCQ Answers)

(i) A 250 m long train crosses a 750 m bridge

Total distance = 250 + 750 = 1000 m

Speed = 45 km/h = 12.5 m/s

$$t = \frac{1000}{12.5} = 80 \text{ s}$$

Answer: (c) 80 s

(ii) Average speed of truck

$$v = \frac{150}{3} = 50 \text{ km/h}$$

Answer: (a) 50 km/h

(iii) Average speed between A and D

Given speeds & time:

- AB:  $v_1 = 20 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $t_1 = 20 \text{ s} \Rightarrow s_1 = 400 \text{ m}$
- BC:  $v_2 = 15 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $t_2 = 10 \text{ s} \Rightarrow s_2 = 150 \text{ m}$
- CD:  $v_3 = 10 \text{ m/s}$ ,  $t_3 = 5 \text{ s} \Rightarrow s_3 = 50 \text{ m}$

Total distance:

$$s = 400 + 150 + 50 = 600 \text{ m}$$

Total time:

$$t = 20 + 10 + 5 = 35 \text{ s}$$

$$v_{avg} = \frac{600}{35} = 17.14 \text{ m/s}$$

Answer: (a) 17.14 m/s

OR (iii) Speed varies 0 to 30 m/s in 5 s

For uniform acceleration:

$$v_{avg} = \frac{u + v}{2} = \frac{0 + 30}{2} = 15 \text{ m/s}$$

Answer: (d) 15 m/s

(iv) Cyclist half revolution in 40 s, radius 40 m

Average velocity = displacement/time

Half revolution displacement = diameter =  $2r = 80 \text{ m}$

$$v_{avg} = \frac{80}{40} = 2 \text{ m/s}$$

Answer: (b) 2

#### 30. Case Study (RMS speed, Average speed, Most probable speed)

(i) Moon has no atmosphere because

Correct reason: molecules escape since rms speed is greater than escape velocity.

Answer: (c)

(ii) For an ideal gas,  $\frac{C_P}{C_V}$  is

$$\gamma = \frac{C_P}{C_V} > 1$$

Answer: (a)  $> 1$

(iii)  $u_{rms}(H_2) = 5 \times u_{rms}(N_2)$ . Temperature relation?

$$u_{rms} = \sqrt{\frac{3RT}{M}}$$

At same  $T$ , lighter gas has higher rms speed. So this statement matches the fact that at equal temperature, hydrogen has higher rms speed.

Answer: (a)  $T(H_2) = T(N_2)$

(iv) Temperature tripled and  $N_2$  dissociates to atom

Original rms speed:

$$v_0 = \sqrt{\frac{3RT}{M}}$$

New:  $T' = 3T$  and gas becomes N atom:  $M' = \frac{M}{2}$

$$v' = \sqrt{\frac{3R(3T)}{M/2}} = \sqrt{\frac{9RT \cdot 2}{M}} = \sqrt{6} \sqrt{\frac{3RT}{M}} = \sqrt{6} v_0$$

Answer: (a)  $\sqrt{6} v_0$

OR (iv) Velocities =  $v, 2v, 3v, 4v, 5v$

$$\begin{aligned} v_{rms} &= \sqrt{\frac{v^2 + (2v)^2 + (3v)^2 + (4v)^2 + (5v)^2}{5}} \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{(1 + 4 + 9 + 16 + 25)v^2}{5}} = \sqrt{\frac{55v^2}{5}} = \sqrt{11} v \end{aligned}$$

Answer: (b)  $v\sqrt{11}$

## SECTION-E

**31. Derive expression for escape velocity from Earth's surface. Also calculate its value.**

**(5 marks)**

**(A) Derivation of Escape Velocity**

**Escape velocity** is the minimum velocity with which a body should be projected from Earth so that it can go to infinity **without returning**, ignoring air resistance.

Let:

- Mass of Earth =  $M$
- Mass of body =  $m$
- Radius of Earth =  $R$
- Escape velocity =  $v_e$

At Earth's surface, the body has kinetic energy:

$$K = \frac{1}{2}mv_e^2$$

Gravitational potential energy at distance  $r$ :

$$U = -\frac{GMm}{r}$$

For escape, the body reaches infinity with **zero speed**:

- Final K.E. at infinity = 0
- Potential energy at infinity  $U_\infty = 0$

So total energy at launch must equal total energy at infinity:

$$\frac{1}{2}mv_e^2 - \frac{GMm}{R} = 0$$

$$\frac{1}{2}mv_e^2 = \frac{GMm}{R}$$

$$v_e^2 = \frac{2GM}{R}$$

$$v_e = \sqrt{\frac{2GM}{R}}$$

Now since:

$$g = \frac{GM}{R^2} \Rightarrow GM = gR^2$$

Substitute:

$$v_e = \sqrt{\frac{2gR^2}{R}} = \sqrt{2gR}$$

**Final formula:**

$$v_e = \sqrt{2gR}$$

### (B) Numerical Value for Earth

Given:

$$R = 6.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m}, g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$v_e = \sqrt{2gR} = \sqrt{2(9.8)(6.4 \times 10^6)}$$

$$v_e = \sqrt{125.44 \times 10^6} = \sqrt{1.2544 \times 10^8}$$

$$v_e \approx 1.12 \times 10^4 \text{ m/s}$$

Escape velocity on Earth:

$$v_e \approx 11.2 \times 10^3 \text{ m/s} = 11.2 \text{ km/s}$$

**OR: Expression for  $g$  at surface, above and below Earth's surface (5 marks)**

**(1)  $g$  at Earth's surface**

$$F = \frac{GMm}{R^2} = mg \Rightarrow g = \frac{GM}{R^2}$$

$$g = \frac{GM}{R^2}$$

**(i)  $g$  at height  $h$  above surface**

At height  $h$ , distance from centre:

$$r = R + h$$

$$g_h = \frac{GM}{(R+h)^2}$$

$$\boxed{g_h = g \left( \frac{R}{R+h} \right)^2}$$

For small  $h \ll R$ :

$$g_h \approx g \left( 1 - \frac{2h}{R} \right)$$

**(ii) g at depth d below surface**

At depth  $d$ :

$$r = R - d$$

Assuming Earth of uniform density:

$$M_r = M \left( \frac{r^3}{R^3} \right)$$

$$g_d = \frac{GM_r}{r^2} = \frac{GM \left( \frac{r^3}{R^3} \right)}{r^2} = \frac{GM}{R^3} r$$

$$g_d = g \frac{r}{R} = g \frac{R-d}{R}$$

Final:

$$\boxed{g_d = g \left( 1 - \frac{d}{R} \right)}$$

**32. Wave equation  $y(x, t) = 0.005 \sin(80x - 3t)$  (5 marks)**

Given wave:

$$y(x, t) = A \sin(kx - \omega t)$$

Compare:

- $A = 0.005 \text{ m}$
- $k = 80 \text{ rad/m}$
- $\omega = 3 \text{ rad/s}$

**(a) Amplitude**

$$\boxed{A = 0.005 \text{ m} = 5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}}$$

**(b) Wavelength**

$$k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} \Rightarrow \lambda = \frac{2\pi}{k}$$

$$\lambda = \frac{2\pi}{80} = 0.0785 \text{ m}$$

$$\boxed{\lambda \approx 7.85 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}}$$

**(c) Period and frequency**

$$\omega = 2\pi f \Rightarrow f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi}$$

$$f = \frac{3}{2\pi} = 0.477 \text{ Hz}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{f} = \frac{2\pi}{3} = 2.09 \text{ s}$$

$$\boxed{f \approx 0.477 \text{ Hz}, T \approx 2.09 \text{ s}}$$

**Displacement at  $x=30$  cm and  $t=20$  s**

Given:

$$x = 30\text{cm} = 0.30\text{m}$$

$$t = 20\text{s}$$

$$y = 0.005\sin(80(0.30) - 3(20))$$

$$y = 0.005\sin(24 - 60)$$

$$y = 0.005\sin(-36)$$

Now  $\sin(-\theta) = -\sin \theta$ 

$$\sin(36\text{ rad}) \approx -0.992$$

$$y \approx 0.005(-0.992) = -0.00496\text{ m}$$

$$\boxed{y \approx -4.96 \times 10^{-3}\text{ m}}$$

**OR: Phase relation between  $x$ ,  $v$  and  $a$  in SHM (5 marks)**

In SHM:

$$x = A\sin(\omega t + \phi)$$

**Velocity**

$$v = \frac{dx}{dt} = A\omega\cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

So velocity leads displacement by  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ .**Acceleration**

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = -A\omega^2\sin(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$a = -\omega^2x$$

So acceleration is opposite in phase to displacement (phase difference  $\pi$ ).

Key phase results:

- $v$  leads  $x$  by  $\pi/2$
- $a$  is  $\pi$  out of phase with  $x$
- $a$  leads  $v$  by  $\pi/2$

(Graph:  $x$  sine curve,  $v$  cosine curve,  $a$  negative sine curve.)**33. (i) Surface tension definition, formula, unit + (ii) Capillary rise (5 marks)****(i) Surface tension****Definition**Surface tension is the **force per unit length** acting **tangentially** to the surface of a liquid, tending to **minimize surface area**.**Formula**

$$\boxed{T = \frac{F}{l}}$$

where

 $F$  = force acting along surface $l$  = length along which force acts**SI unit**

$$\boxed{N/m}$$

**(ii) Derivation of capillary rise**Consider a capillary tube of radius  $r$  dipped in a liquid of surface tension  $T$ .Angle of contact =  $\theta$ 

Upward force due to surface tension:

$$F_{up} = T \times \text{circumference} \times \cos \theta$$

$$F_{up} = T(2\pi r)\cos \theta$$

Weight of liquid column of height  $h$ :

Volume:

$$V = \pi r^2 h$$

Mass:

$$m = \rho V = \rho \pi r^2 h$$

Weight:

$$W = mg = \rho \pi r^2 hg$$

At equilibrium:

$$T(2\pi r)\cos \theta = \rho \pi r^2 hg$$

Cancel  $\pi r$ :

$$2T\cos \theta = \rho r hg$$

$$h = \frac{2T\cos \theta}{\rho r g}$$

Final expression for capillary rise:

$$h = \frac{2T\cos \theta}{\rho r g}$$

**OR (Alternative 33)**

**(i) Relation between  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ ,  $\gamma$**

Let:

- $\alpha$  = linear expansion
- $\beta$  = superficial (area)
- $\gamma$  = cubical (volume)

For small change in temperature  $\Delta T$ :

$$L = L_0(1 + \alpha\Delta T)$$

Area:

$$A = A_0(1 + \beta\Delta T) \Rightarrow \beta = 2\alpha$$

Volume:

$$V = V_0(1 + \gamma\Delta T) \Rightarrow \gamma = 3\alpha$$

Relations:

$$\beta = 2\alpha, \gamma = 3\alpha$$

**(ii) Prove  $C_P - C_V = R$**

For ideal gas:

$$PV = nRT$$

At constant pressure:

$$dQ_P = nC_P dT$$

At constant volume:

$$dQ_V = nC_V dT$$

From First law:

$$dQ = dU + dW$$

At constant volume:

$$dW = 0 \Rightarrow dQ_V = dU \Rightarrow dU = nC_V dT$$

At constant pressure:

$$dW = PdV \Rightarrow dQ_P = dU + PdV$$
$$nC_P dT = nC_V dT + PdV$$

For ideal gas:

$$PdV = nRdT$$

So:

$$nC_P dT = nC_V dT + nRdT$$

Divide by  $n dT$ :

$$C_P - C_V = R$$