

Answer **eight** questions in all; **five** questions from Part I and **three** questions from Part II.

PART I  
[15 marks]

Answer any **five** questions from this part.

All questions carry **equal** marks.

1. (a) State the unit of :  
(i) inductance;  
(ii) universal gravitational constant,  $G$ .
- (b) A student expressed momentum  $P$  of a body as  $P = \frac{mv^2t}{d}$ , where  $m =$  mass;  
 $v =$  velocity;  $t =$  time;  $d =$  distance  
Use dimensional analysis to show that the equation is correct. [3 marks]
2. State **three** evidences that support the particle nature of matter. [3 marks]
3. A geostationary satellite is moving in a circular orbit at a height of 3000 km from the earth's surface. Calculate its speed. [Radius of the earth,  $R = 6400\text{km}$ ] [3 marks]
4. (a) What does the area under a stress-strain curve represent?  
(b) State **two** examples of projectile in sports. [3 marks]
5. Explain why the Young's modulus of aluminium is greater than that of rubber. [3 marks]
6. (a) State the mathematical relationship between the maximum height  $H$  reached by an oblique projectile and its time of flight  $T$ .  
(b) A body is projected with a speed of  $8\text{ m s}^{-1}$  to attain a maximum range. Calculate its velocity at the highest point. [ $g = 10\text{ m s}^{-2}$ ] [3 marks]
7. (a) State the principle on which fibre optics is based.  
(b) State the **two** main parts of an optical fibre. [3 marks]

Answer **three** questions from this part.  
All questions carry **equal** marks.

8. (a) (i) What is *natural frequency* of an oscillating system?  
(ii) Two identical springs each of force constant  $20 \text{ N m}^{-1}$  are attached to the opposite side of a block of mass  $400 \text{ g}$  resting on a smooth surface. The free ends of the springs are fixed to a rigid support. If the mass is displaced from rest to execute simple harmonic motion, calculate the period of oscillation of the block.  
[5 marks]
- (b) (i) Draw a block and tackle system of a pulley with a velocity ratio of 6. In the diagram indicate clearly the direction of the load and effort.  
(ii) A  $75 \text{ kg}$  box is steadily raised through a vertical distance of  $450 \text{ mm}$  using a block-and-tackle pulley system with a velocity ratio of 8. If the effort is  $80 \text{ N}$ , calculate the:  
( $\alpha$ ) distance moved by the effort.  
( $\beta$ ) work done by the effort in lifting the load.  
[6 marks]
- (c) A uniform metre rule is pivoted at its center. Three loads,  $5.0 \text{ N}$ ,  $P \text{ N}$ , and  $7.0 \text{ N}$  are positioned on the rule at the  $30.0 \text{ cm}$ ,  $40.0 \text{ cm}$  and  $80.0 \text{ cm}$  marks respectively.  
(i) Draw a force-diagram illustrating the arrangement.  
(ii) Calculate  $P$  if the metre rule is in equilibrium.  
[4 marks]
9. (a) (i) Define *relative density*.  
(ii) A bowl of cross-sectional area  $0.38 \text{ m}^2$  is filled with ice to a depth of  $14 \text{ mm}$  in a refrigerator. Calculate the mass of ice in the bowl.  
[density of ice =  $917 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ]  
[4 marks]
- (b) (i) Define *specific latent heat of fusion of ice*.  
(ii) State **two** factors that affect the specific latent heat of fusion of a liquid  
[4 marks]
- (c) (i) State **three** advantages of a thermocouple over liquid-in-glass thermometer  
(ii) In an experiment to determine the upper fixed point of a thermometer using the hypsometer, state **one** function **each** of a  
( $\alpha$ ) hypsometer jacket;  
( $\beta$ ) manometer.  
in the experiment.  
(iii) The electrical resistances of the elements in a platinum resistance thermometer at  $0^\circ \text{C}$ , room temperature and  $100^\circ \text{C}$  are  $53.000 \Omega$ ,  $60.310 \Omega$  and  $82.412 \Omega$  respectively. Determine the room temperature.  
[7 marks]

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10. (a) State **three** differences between *umbra* and *penumbra* regions of a shadow. [3 marks]
- (b) Use a ray diagram to show how parallel rays of light close to the principal axis are reflected by  
 (i) concave mirror;  
 (ii) convex mirror. [4 marks]
- (c) Explain why a hypermetropic person would not require the use of a corrective lens when viewing distant objects. [2 marks]
- (d) A luminous object and a screen are kept at a distance 100 cm apart. A convex mirror between the object and screen forms real images at two different positions separated by 20 cm. Calculate the power of the lens. [6 marks]
11. (a) (i) Define *capacitance* of a capacitor.  
 (ii) State **three** factors on which the magnitude of charges deposited on a parallel plate capacitor depends. [5 marks]
- (b) Draw the electrical circuit symbol for **each** of the circuit elements below:  
 (i) transformer;  
 (ii) diode;  
 (iii) galvanometer;  
 (iv) fuse. [2 marks]
- (c) (i) List **four** uses of X-rays.  
 (ii) In an X-ray tube, an electron is accelerated from rest towards a tungsten target biased at a potential of 42 kV. Calculate the kinetic energy of the electron.  
 (iii) Define the *binding energy* of a nucleus. [8 marks]
12. (a) (i) Define *isotopes* of an element.  
 (ii) Hydrogen has **three** isotopes. Write the specific name and symbol of the nuclei of **each** of the isotope of hydrogen. [5 marks]
- (b) State specifically what determines the:  
 (i) nuclear properties of an atom;  
 (ii) chemical properties of an atom. [2 marks]

