

Department of Mathematics and General Sciences

General Science (SCI101) First Major Exam

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## **Important instructions:**

- 1. Examination time: 60 minutes.
- 2. Write your name now before starting with the questions.
- 3. Switch off your mobile phone and put any books and notes away.
- 4. You should have 6 pages in total, including this page and a scratch paper.
- 5. You may use a calculator but you may *not* borrow one.

## Good Luck!

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Part 1: 10 multiple choice questions, 1 point each. Circle the letter of the correct answer using a pen. Use  $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$ .

Q1.	Which of the following is a unit of acceleration?				
	a) m/s	b) kg.m/s <sup>2</sup>	c) m/s <sup>2</sup>	d) kg/s <sup>2</sup>	

- Q2. For an object moving with a constant acceleration (a > 0):
  - a) Its velocity is also constant.
  - b) The net force acting on it is zero.
  - c) It covers equal distances in equal time intervals.
  - d) Its velocity is changing by a constant amount each second.
- Q3. The lion has an average speed of 80 km/h. What is the distance it covers in 15 minutes? a) 20 km b) 1200 km c) 5.3 km d) 320 km
- Q4. According to Newton's first law:
  - a) Objects at rest tend to remain at rest
  - b) For every action there is an equal opposing reaction
  - c) Objects in motion tend to remain in motion
  - d) Both (a) and (c)
- Q5. Which of the following is a vector quantity?
  - a) Distance
  - b) Acceleration
  - c) Time
  - d) None of the above
- Q6. Consider a car moving at 120 km/h north and a van moving at 80 km/h south. What is the velocity of the car relative to the van?
  - a) 200 km/h north b) 200 km/h south c) 40 km/h north

d) 40 km/h south

Q7. Four forces affect an object of mass *m* in the directions shown. If  $F_1 = 10$  N,  $F_2 = 12$  N,  $F_3 = 7$  N, and the object is in mechanical equilibrium, what value of the force  $F_4$ ? a) 22 N b) 15 N c) 29 N



- Q8. When an apple falls from a tree and hits the ground. The force acting on the ground from the apple is:
  - a) more than the force acting on the apple
  - b) less than the force acting on the apple
  - c) equal to the force acting on the apple
  - d) zero

- Q9. As a parachutist reaches the terminal velocity:
  - a) Air resistance force is zero
  - b) His acceleration is equal to g
  - c) The force of gravity acting on him is zero
  - d) Air resistance force is equal to his weight

Q10. When a cannonball is fired from a cannon, the acceleration of the cannonball is greater than the acceleration of the recoiling cannon because:

- a) The mass of the cannonball is less than the mass of cannon
- b) The force acting on the cannonball is more than the force acting on the cannon
- c) The force acting on the cannon is more than the force acting on the cannonball
- d) Both (a) and (b)

End of part 1

**Part 2:** Solve each of the following three problems. *Show your work* in the provided space and include the appropriate units with your answer. Use  $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$ .

- Q1. (3 points) During takeoff, a 20000 kg airplane starts from rest using its two engines. Each of its engines provides a force of 50000 N. If the average friction force acting on the airplane on the runway is 20000 N. Calculate:
  - a) The net force acting on the airplane

b) The acceleration of the airplane

c) Its speed after travelling 200 m on the runway

Q2. (3 points) A catcher stops a 0.1 kg ball traveling at 40 m/s in 0.2 seconds. Calculate: a) The acceleration of the ball.

b) The force that affects his glove.

Q3. (4 points) To find the maximum speed at which you can throw objects, you throw a small stone vertically upward and measure its total time of flight (until it comes back to your hand). If your measured time is 4 seconds, ignoring air resistance, calculate:(a) The speed at which the stone was thrown

(b) The maximum height reached by the stone

(c) The velocity of the stone 2 seconds after it was thrown

## Scratch paper

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