

PART II

This part carries 35 per cent of the total examination marks.

You should attempt ALL the questions 12–16 in this part. The marks allocated to each question are shown.

Write your answer in the thick answer book provided. Do NOT use the same answer book for this part as for either question in Part III.

Question 12

(6 marks)

(a) A particle is moving with constant angular speed ω in a circular path in the x - y plane (Figure 4). The particle crosses the x -axis moving in the positive y -direction at $t = 0$ and has a period of rotation of 2 s. Write down an expression for the y -component of the force on the object in terms of the magnitude F of the centripetal force and the angle θ . Hence sketch a graph showing how the y -component of force on the particle varies with time during one orbit, calibrating the time axis.

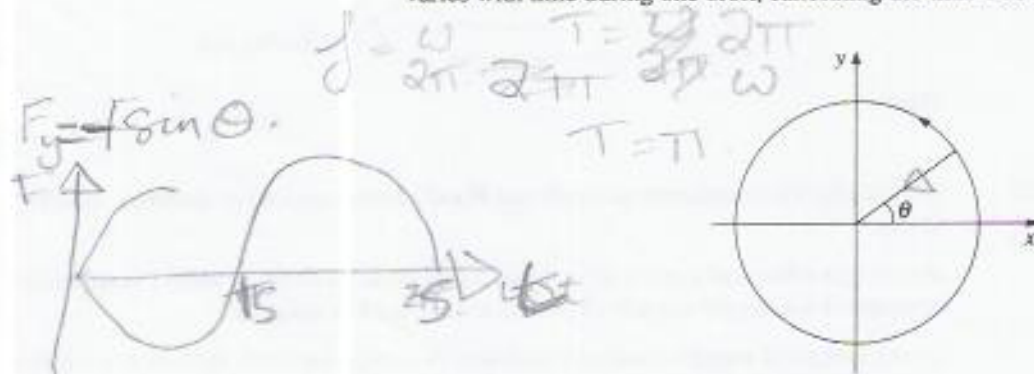


Figure 4

(b) What is the magnitude of the centripetal force if the particle has mass 3 kg and is moving in an orbit of radius 10 m?

$$F = m\omega^2 r = m \left(\frac{2\pi}{T} \right)^2 r = 3 \times \pi^2 \times 10 = 3\pi^2$$

(a) Draw a diagram showing the fundamental (lowest frequency) standing wave on a given string, and the next two harmonics (i.e. next highest frequency waves).

(b) A certain musical instrument has a string of length 0.4 m and is stretched between two fixed points. The wave speed for vibrations on this string is 200 m s^{-1} . Calculate the lowest possible frequency of a note played on this string (corresponding to a standing wave).

(c) What is the wavelength of the sound wave carrying this note through air to your ear?

[speed of sound in air = 330 m s^{-1}]

(a) Give a careful statement, including a vector equation, of Coulomb's law in free space.

(b) Two identical positive ions are separated by a distance of $4.0 \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}$ and the electrostatic force between them is of magnitude $5.8 \times 10^{-9} \text{ N}$. How many electrons have been removed from neutral atoms to form each of these ions?

$$5.8 = \frac{q_1 q_2}{4\pi\epsilon_0 r^2}$$

2 electrons removed from each

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