# MHS

## Applied Math Exam to go from grade 11 to grade 12

# Sample Questions

- 1.  $\overrightarrow{OP} + \overrightarrow{PA} + \overrightarrow{AR} =$ 
  - 1.  $\overrightarrow{OPAR}$
  - 2.  $\overrightarrow{AR}$
  - 3.  $\overrightarrow{OR}$
- 2. Given two vectors **u** and **v** in the box below, how can we correctly find their sum, **u** + **v**, using the triangle law?



- 3. Given two vectors  $\mathbf{d}$  and  $\mathbf{e}$ ,  $\mathbf{d} \mathbf{e}$  is equal to:
  - 1. **e d**
  - 2. **d** + (–**e**)
  - 3. –**d** + (–**e**)
- 4. Given the vectors  $\mathbf{q} = 3\mathbf{i} + 4\mathbf{j}$  and  $\mathbf{t} = 15\mathbf{i} + 2\mathbf{j}$ , calculate  $5\mathbf{q}-2\mathbf{t}$ .
  - 1. 2**i** + 6**j**
  - 2. -15**i** + 16**j**
  - 3. 11**i** + 15**j**

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5. Consider a vector  $\mathbf{v} = x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j}$  with magnitude  $|\mathbf{v}| = r$  and making an angle  $\theta$  measured anticlockwise from the positive x-axis.



The **i** component of **v** can be calculated using:

- 1.  $\mathbf{x} = r \cos \theta$
- 2.  $\mathbf{x} = r \sin \theta$
- 3.  $\mathbf{x} = r \tan \theta$
- 6. Find the magnitude and direction of the vector  $\mathbf{q} = (-15\mathbf{i} 2\mathbf{j})$  m in polar coordinates.

- 7. A vector **d** has magnitude  $|\mathbf{d}| = r = 78$  m and  $\theta = 155^{\circ}$ . What is **d** in the form  $x\mathbf{i} + y\mathbf{j}$ ?
- 8. A vector with  $\theta = 125^{\circ}$ , where  $\theta$  is the angle measured anticlockwise from the positive sense of the x-axis, has a bearing of:
- 9. Calculate the distance between points **A** and **B** given A(3, 18) m and B(21, -5) m.
- 10. Given two vectors  $\mathbf{a} = \mathbf{O}\mathbf{A} = (7\mathbf{i} 9\mathbf{j}) \text{ ms}^{-1}$  and  $\mathbf{b} = \mathbf{O}\mathbf{B} = (14\mathbf{i} + 20\mathbf{j}) \text{ ms}^{-1}$ , calculate  $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{B}$ .
  - 1.  $AB = (17i + 59j) \text{ ms}^{-1}$
  - 2. **AB** = (7i + 29j) ms<sup>-1</sup>
  - 3. **AB** = (-i + 9j) ms<sup>-1</sup>

- 11. How can the dot product of two vectors **u** and **v** be expressed in terms of their magnitudes and the angle  $\theta$  between them.
  - 1.  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = |\mathbf{u}| |\mathbf{v}| \sin \theta$
  - 2.  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = |\mathbf{u}| |\mathbf{v}| \cos \theta$
  - 3.  $\mathbf{u} \cdot \mathbf{v} = |\mathbf{u}|^2 |\mathbf{v}|^2 \sin\theta$
- 12. Calculate the new position, **x**, for a body that started from a position, **x**<sub>0</sub>, of 6.9 m up and moved with a velocity, **v**, of 0.5 ms<sup>-1</sup> down for a time, t, of 20 s. [Don't forget the direction in your position vector!]
- 13. A car accelerates from rest at 1.2 ms<sup>-2</sup> to reach a top speed of 48 ms<sup>-1</sup>. What time did the acceleration take?
- 14. A ball is rolled across the floor and comes to a stop in a time of 10 s covering a distance of 20 m. What was the initial velocity of the ball?
- 15. A train initially travelling at 5 ms<sup>-1</sup> accelerated for 5 s covering a distance of 100 m. Calculate the acceleration of the train.
- 16. A car accelerates from rest at 3.5 ms<sup>-2</sup> to reach a top speed of 49 ms<sup>-1</sup>. What was the distance traveled during the acceleration?
- 17. A car accelerated from rest at 8 ms<sup>-2</sup> for 5 s and then immediately began to decelerate for a distance of 240 m and came to rest. Calculate the total time that the car was in motion.

- 18. What is the acceleration experienced by a body undergoing free fall? (select one correct answer)
  - 1. g upwards
  - 2.  $8.9 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  downwards
  - 3. g downwards
- 19. A tennis ball is hit vertically upwards with an initial velocity of 85 ms<sup>-1</sup>. Neglecting air resistance, calculate the maximum height that will be achieved by the ball. [Use  $g = 9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ ]
- 20. A bullet was shot vertically upwards with an initial velocity of 600 ms<sup>-1</sup>. Neglecting air resistance, calculate the height of the of the bullet after 8 s. [Use  $g = 9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ ]

- 21. For two bodies *R* and *T* moving past each other what can we say about the velocity of *R* with respect to *T* and the velocity of *T* with respect to *R*? (select one correct answer)
  - 1.  $\mathbf{v}_{\mathrm{TR}} = -\mathbf{v}_{\mathrm{TR}}$
  - 2.  $\mathbf{v}_{\mathrm{RT}} = -\mathbf{v}_{\mathrm{RT}}$
  - 3.  $\mathbf{v}_{\mathrm{RT}} = -\mathbf{v}_{\mathrm{TR}}$
- 22. A train, *t*, is moving at a velocity of 10 ms<sup>-1</sup> East. A man, *m*, on the train is running at 2 ms<sup>-1</sup> West with respect to the train. [**Take East as the positive sense**; ground = g] What is the velocity of the man with respect to the ground?
- 23. In the study of kinematics, what is a "Frame of Reference"? (select one correct answer)
  - 1. The frame containing the *references* for studying time
  - 2. The *timepieces*, *measurement rods* and a *material body* relative to which the characteristics of motion are measured
  - 3. The frame that is always totally independent to the *material body* and the *timepiece* attached to it
- 24. A body moves from coordinates (13 km, 22 km) to (16 km, 44 km). Calculate the displacement vector for the body?

25. A body moves from position  $\binom{-8}{19}$  m to position  $\binom{-8}{-29}$  m in 8 s. Calculate the average velocity vector?

26. A body moves in the coordinate plane with an instantaneous velocity of  $\binom{-8}{6}$  m/s. Calculate the instantaneous speed of the body.

- 27. A body moves in the coordinate plane with an instantaneous velocity of (-12, 19) ms<sup>-1</sup>. What is the direction of motion of the body given in the Mariner's compass?
- 28. The velocity of a body moving in the coordinate plane changes from  $\begin{pmatrix} 14 \text{ ms}^{-1} \\ 22 \text{ ms}^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$  to  $\begin{pmatrix} -21 \text{ ms}^{-1} \\ 1 \text{ ms}^{-1} \end{pmatrix}$  in 7 s. What is the average acceleration?

29. Which formula can we use to find the magnitude of the instantaneous acceleration,  $|\mathbf{a}|$ , from the instantaneous acceleration vector  $\begin{pmatrix} a_x \\ a_y \end{pmatrix}$ ? (select one correct answer) 1.  $|\mathbf{a}|^2 = \sqrt{a_x^2 + a_y^2}$ 2.  $|\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{a_x^2 + a_y^2}$ 3.  $\sqrt{|\mathbf{a}|} = a_x^3 + a_y^3$ 

- 30. A body moves in the coordinate plane with an instantaneous acceleration of (-34i 28j) ms<sup>-2</sup>. What is the direction of the instantaneous acceleration of the body given as a bearing?
- 31. An object moving in one sense along the circumference of a circle in such a way that its instantaneous speed is constant is said to be executing what? (select one correct answer)
  - 1. Non-Uniform Circular Motion
  - 2. Uniform Rectilinear Motion
  - 3. Uniform Circular Motion
- 32. The position vector of a particle is  $\mathbf{r} = (3\mathbf{i} 6\mathbf{j})$  m and its velocity vector is  $\mathbf{v} = (2\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j})$  ms<sup>-1</sup>. By calculating **r.v**, say whether it is possible that the particle is executing Uniform Circular Motion or not. (select one correct answer)
  - 1. Since  $\mathbf{r.v} < 0$ , it is **not** possible that the particle is executing UCM
  - 2. Since  $\mathbf{r} \cdot \mathbf{v} = 0$ , it is possible that the particle is executing UCM
  - 3. Since  $\mathbf{r.v} > 0$ , it is possible that the particle is executing UCM
  - 4. Since  $\mathbf{r.v} < 0$ , it is possible that the particle is executing UCM
  - 5. Since  $\mathbf{r.v} = 0$ , it is **not** possible that the particle is executing UCM
- 33. What formula gives the instantaneous speed, v, for a particle moving with UCM around a circle of radius r with period T? (select one correct answer)

1. 
$$v = \frac{2\pi r}{T}$$
  
2.  $v = \frac{\pi r^2}{T}$   
3.  $v = \frac{\pi^2 r}{T^2}$ 

- 34. What is the angular velocity of a body moving in UCM? (select one correct answer)
  - 1. The rate of change of circumference, with respect to time
  - 2. The rate of change of angle, in degrees, with respect to time
  - 3. The rate of change of angle, in radians, with respect to time
- 35. In Uniform Circular Motion, what is the Frequency, f, of the motion defined as? (select one correct answer)
  - 1. Frequency, f, is defined as the angular displacement in one complete rotation
  - 2. Frequency, f, is defined as the number of complete rotations performed per second
  - 3. Frequency, f, is defined as the time taken to complete one rotation

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36. Which formula below can we use to calculate the magnitude of acceleration of a body executing UCM? (for each one say ves or no)

1. 
$$|\mathbf{a}| = \sqrt{a_x^2 + a_y^2}$$
  
2.  $|\mathbf{a}| = \frac{v^2}{r}$   
3.  $|\mathbf{a}| = \frac{4\pi^2 r^5}{T^2}$   
4.  $|\mathbf{a}| = r\omega^2$   
5.  $|\mathbf{a}| = \frac{4\pi^2 r}{T^2}$ 

37. A body of mass 29 kg executes UCM around a circle of radius 3 m and period 0.1 s. Assume that at t = 0 s the body is at position A and that the rotation is in the anti-clockwise sense.



What is the frequency of the motion?

38. A body of mass 22 kg moves in a uniform circular motion of radius 5 m and period 4 s. Assume that at t = 0 s the body is at position A and that the rotation is in the anti-clockwise sense.



Find the angular velocity of the motion. (select one correct answer)

1. 
$$\pi \text{ rad s}^{-1}$$
  
2.  $\frac{\pi}{2} \text{ rad s}^{-1}$   
3.  $\frac{\pi}{4} \text{ rad s}^{-1}$   
4.  $\frac{1}{5}\pi \text{ rad s}^{-1}$ 

39. A particle of mass 29 kg moves with a constant speed of  $4\pi$  ms<sup>-1</sup> in UCM of radius 8 m. Assume that at t = 0 s the body is at position **A** and that the rotation is in the anti-clockwise sense.



Calculate the period of the motion.

- 40. A man is running West at 14 ms<sup>-1</sup> relative to a fixed point Q. At the same time a boy is running South from Q at 12 ms<sup>-1</sup>. Taking **i** as east and **j** as north, calculate the velocity of the man relative to the boy?
  - 1. (-14i) ms<sup>-1</sup>
  - 2.  $(0i 12j) \text{ ms}^{-1}$
  - 3. (-14i + 12j) ms<sup>-1</sup>
- 41. A boat is sailing across a river at a velocity of 1.8 ms<sup>-1</sup> North relative to the water. The river is flowing from West to East at a velocity of 1 ms<sup>-1</sup> relative to the ground. Taking **i** as east and **j** as north, calculate the velocity of the boat relative to the ground?
  - 1.  $(1.8j) \text{ ms}^{-1}$
  - 2.  $(1i + 1.8j) \text{ ms}^{-1}$
  - 3. (-1i 1.8j) ms<sup>-1</sup>
- 42. What does  $\sum \mathbf{F} = 0$  for a body mean?
  - 1. The sum of all forces in the universe is zero
  - 2. The sum of all forces acting on the body is zero
  - 3. Some of the forces acting on the body are zero

43. A brick of mass m = 7.5 kg is placed on a *frictionless* surface inclined at 37° with respect to the horizontal.

A force *F*, parallel to the plane of the inclined surface, is exerted on the brick, preventing it from sliding along the plane, as shown in the diagram below.



Which of the following *free-body diagrams* best illustrates the body in question.



44. A box of mass 1.5 kg is sitting, in equilibrium, on a rough plane inclined at 13° to the horizontal.



Calculate the value of the friction force acting on the box. [Use  $g = 9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ ]

45. A body of mass 55 kg is being pushed at a constant velocity **down** a rough plane inclined at 20° to the horizontal. The push has a value of 20 N parallel to the plane.



Calculate the value of the friction force acting on the body. [Use  $g = 9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ ]

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### 46. A massless rope (for each one say **true** or **false**)

- 1. Is a real rope that has zero mass
- 2. Is an ideal rope that has zero mass
- 3. Is an ideal rope with tension the same throughout its length
- 47. A steel sphere of mass 9 kg hangs by a string  $S_1$  from an aluminium cube of mass 4 kg which hangs from the ceiling by a string  $S_2$ .



Calculate the force exerted on the ceiling by the string S<sub>2</sub>. [Use  $g = 9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ ]

48. A table with a horizontal surface can carry a load of 50 kg without breaking. Calculate the normal push on a book of mass 25 kg that is resting on the table. [Use  $g = 9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ ]

### 49. Static friction plays a role: (select one correct answer)

- 1. prevent the body from the sliding
- 2. To help the body slide and move faster
- 3. To increase the value of the magnitude of pushing force
- 50. A brick of mass m = 10.0 kg is placed on a horizontal surface S. Given that the coefficient of static friction is  $\mu_s = 0.200$  and taking g = 9.8 m s<sup>-2</sup>, find  $f_{\text{max}}$  between the brick and S.

51. Which of the following is/are <u>correct</u>?

*Kinetic friction*,  $f_k$ , is the force of friction that exists when two surfaces in contact:

- 1. move with respect to each other
- 2. do not move with respect to ground
- 3. do not move with respect to each other
- 52. A box of mass 8 kg is pushed across a floor with a force of 49 N right. The box is moving with a constant velocity. Calculate the coefficient of kinetic friction,  $\mu_k$ , between the box and the floor. [Use g = 9.8 N/Kg]