

MIDTERM ONE 2019

PHYSICS SENIOR THREE

PAPER TWO

2HRS

INSTRUCTIONS

Attempt all questions

1. (a) state;
 - (i) Archimedes' principle
 - (ii) The law of floatation

(b) A block of wood of volume 300cm^3 floats with $\frac{3}{4}$ of its volume immersed.

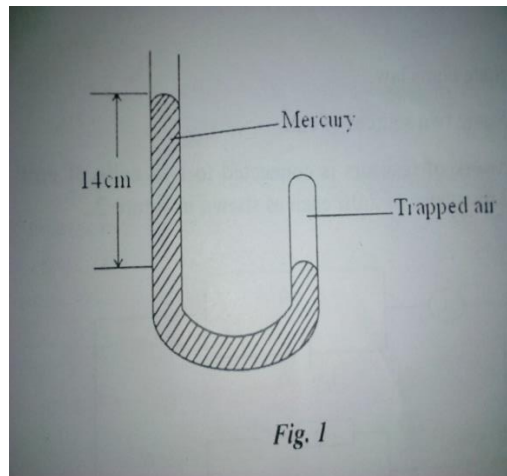
Find the; (i) mass of the wood

(ii) Fraction of the block that sinks when it is placed in oil of density 0.842gcm^{-3}

(c) Describe an experiment to demonstrate the existence of surface tension
2. (a) State the laws of reflection of light
- (b) Describe an experiment to demonstrate the principle of reversibility of light.
- (c) An object is released from a height of 20m above a plane mirror. What distance must it drop through in order to be 10m away from its image?
- (d) What is meant by focal length of a lens?
- (e) Calculate the power of a concave lens of focal length 20cm.
3. (a) (i) Define pressure and state its SI unit.

(ii) Explain why the balloon in a room bursts when the temperature of the room increases.

(b)



A gas is trapped by mercury in a J- tube at atmospheric pressure 760mmHg as shown in fig 1 above. Calculate the pressure exerted by the trapped gas in Nm^{-2} .

(c) Describe with aid of a labeled diagram, how a force pump works.

(d) (i) State the law of conversation of energy.

(ii) A stone of mass 0.2kg is thrown vertically upwards and attains a maximum potential energy of 16J. Calculate its initial velocity.

4. (a) (i) What is a machine

(iii) With aid of relevant examples, give the three classes of levers.

(b) A lifting tackle has 2 pulleys in each block. An effort of 40N lifts a load of 120N. Calculate the;

(i) Mechanical advantage

(ii) Efficiency of the machine

(c) (i) State Hooke's law

(ii) Describe an experiment to verify Hooke's law.

END

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