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Grades	Q1	Q2	Q3	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	Total
Points	e	c	d	b	d	e	a	a	e	15
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Important Notes:

1. Answer all questions and problems.
2. Each question will be assigned 1 points.
3. Each problem will be assigned 2 points.
4. No solution for problems = no points.
5. Check the correct answer for each question and problem.
6. Take $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$
7. Mobiles and Pagers are not allowed during the exam.
8. Programmable calculators which can store equations are not allowed.

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Part I Choose the Correct Answer:

1. Four particles move along the x-axis are presented in the following equations. Which of these particles is/are decelerating (i.e. speed is decreasing) between $t_1 = 0$ to $t_2 = 1$ (s):

- a) A b) B c) C d) A and B **e) A and D** f) B and C

Particle A : $x(t) = 27t - 4t^3$

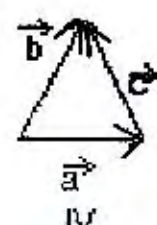
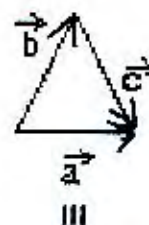
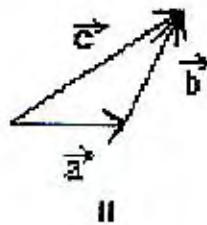
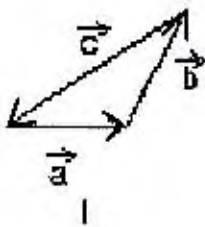
Particle B : $x(t) = 27t - 4t^3$

Particle C : $x(t) = 27t + 4t^3$

Particle D : $x(t) = 50t - 5t^3$

2. If $c = a - b$, which of the following vector diagram illustrates this relationship:

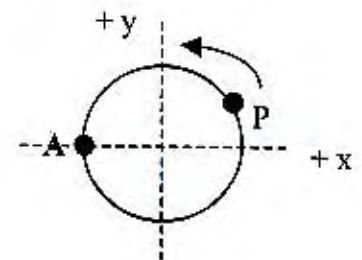
- a) I b) II **c) III** d) IV e) I and II f) I and III



3. A particle P is moving in a circle of radius r , with constant speed v . The velocity v (in m/s) and the radial acceleration a (in m/s^2) of the particle at point A are:

- a) $v = v\mathbf{i}$ and $a = (v^2/r)\mathbf{i}$
 c) $v = -v\mathbf{j}$ and $a = (v^2/r)\mathbf{j}$
 e) $v = v\mathbf{j}$ and $a = (v^2/r)\mathbf{j}$

- b) $v = -v\mathbf{i}$ and $a = -(v^2/r)\mathbf{j}$
d) $v = -v\mathbf{j}$ and $a = (v^2/r)\mathbf{i}$
 f) $v = v\mathbf{j}$ and $a = 0$



Part II Solve the Following Problems:

(Solution should be given explicitly for each problem)

1. The position of a particle moving along the x-axis is given in meter by $x(t) = 6t^2 - t^3$, where t is in seconds. The position (in m) of the particle when it achieves its maximum speed in the positive x direction is:

- a) 2 **b) 16** c) 24 d) 12 e) 32 f) Other

$$x = 6t^2 - t^3$$

$$v = 12t - 3t^2 \quad \text{when } v \rightarrow \text{max.}$$

$$a = 12 - 6t = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t = 2 \text{ (s)}$$

$$\therefore x(t=2) = 6(2)^2 - (2)^3 = 24 - 8 = \boxed{16} \text{ m}$$

2. A balloon is moving downward with a constant velocity 8 m/s. A man drops a stone from the balloon at a height of 1000m from ground level. After 10 seconds, the (a) stone's height and (b) balloon's height, from ground are (in m):

- a) (1200, 600) b) (1420, 1080) c) (420, 80)
 d) (420, 920) e) (-580, -80) f) Other

$$\Delta y = v_0 t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2 = -8(10) - \frac{1}{2} (10)(10)^2 = -580$$

$$\therefore \text{stone's height} = 1000 - 580 = \boxed{420 \text{ m}}$$

Balloon's speed is constant

$$\rightarrow \Delta y = v t = -8(10) = -80 \text{ m}$$

$$\therefore \text{Balloon's height} = 1000 - 80 = \boxed{920 \text{ m}}$$

3. In the diagram, vector A has magnitude 8 and vector B has magnitude 6. The y component of the vector (A - 2B) is:

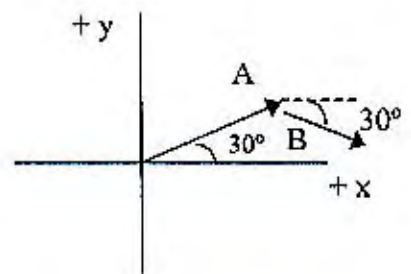
- a) 4 b) 7 c) 1 d) -2 e) 10 f) Other

$$A_y = 8 \sin 30^\circ = 4$$

$$B_y = 6 \sin (-30^\circ) = -3$$

$$A_y - 2B_y = 4 - 2(-3)$$

$$= 4 + 6 = \boxed{10}$$



4. A particle starts from the origin (0,0) with a velocity $v_0 = 2\hat{i}$ m/s and moves with acceleration $a = 3\hat{j}$ m/s². After 4 s, the position of the particle (x, y) (in m) will be at point:

- a) (8, 24) b) (8, 6) c) (2, 6) d) (2, 12) e) (2, 3) f) Other

$$\Delta \vec{r} = \vec{v}_0 t + \frac{1}{2} \vec{a} t^2$$

$$\Delta \vec{r} = (2\hat{i})(4) + \frac{1}{2} (3\hat{j})(4)^2$$

$$\text{as } \vec{r}_0 \Rightarrow (0, 0)$$

$$\vec{r} = 8\hat{i} + 24\hat{j}$$

$$\therefore x = \boxed{8} \quad y = \boxed{24}$$

5. A and B are two cars. Car A travels due east at 50 km/h relative to the ground. Car B travels 30° east of north at 100 km/h relative to the ground. The velocity (in km/h) of car A relative to car B is about:

a) $-87\hat{j}$ b) $50\hat{i}$ c) $50\hat{i} + 87\hat{j}$ d) $50\hat{i} - 87\hat{j}$ e) Zero f) Other

$$\vec{v}_{AG} = 50\hat{i}$$

$$\vec{v}_{BG} = 100 \cos 60^\circ \hat{i} + 100 \sin 60^\circ \hat{j}$$

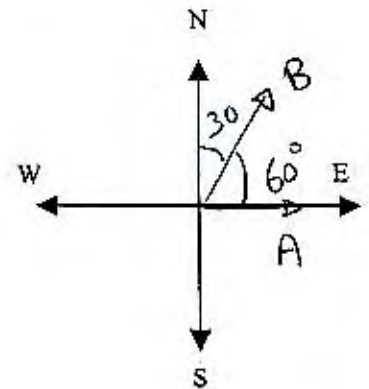
$$\vec{v}_{BG} = 50\hat{i} + 86.6\hat{j}$$

$$\vec{v}_{AB} = \vec{v}_{AG} + \vec{v}_{GB}$$

$$\text{as } \vec{v}_{GB} = -\vec{v}_{BG}$$

$$\vec{v}_{AB} = \vec{v}_{AG} - \vec{v}_{BG}$$

$$\approx \boxed{-87\hat{j}} \text{ km/h}$$



6. A ball is thrown horizontally from the edge of a table with speed 8 m/s to fall 4 meters from the table. The speed (in m/s) of the ball just before it hits the ground is:

a) Zero b) 3.4 c) 5 d) 8 e) 9.4 f) Other

$$v_0 \rightarrow \text{constant in } x\text{-axis}$$

$$\therefore t = \frac{x}{v} = 0.5 \text{ (s)}$$

$$v_y = v_{0y} - gt$$

$$= 0 - (10)(0.5) = -5 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_y = \sqrt{8^2 + (-5)^2} = \sqrt{89} = \boxed{9.4 \text{ m/s}}$$

