

Motion in a Circle

Mark Scheme 2

Level	International A Level
Subject	Physics
Exam Board	CIE
Topic	Motion in a circle
Sub Topic	
Paper Type	Theory
Booklet	Mark Scheme 2

Time Allowed: 47 minutes

Score: /39

Percentage: /100

A*	A	B	C	D	E	U
>85%	'77.5%	70%	62.5%	57.5%	45%	<45%

- 1 (a) (i) angle (subtended) at centre of circle
by an arc equal in length to the radius (of the circle) B1
B1 [2]
- (ii) angle swept out per unit time / rate of change of angle
by the string M1
A1 [2]
- (b) friction provides / equals the centripetal force B1
 $0.72 W = md\omega^2$ C1
 $0.72 mg = m \times 0.35\omega^2$
 $\omega = 4.49 (\text{rad s}^{-1})$ C
 $n = (\omega / 2\pi) \times 60$ B1
= 43 min⁻¹ (allow 42) A1 [5]
- (c) either centripetal force increases as r increases
or centripetal force larger at edge
so flies off at edge first M1
($F = mr\omega^2$ so edge first – treat as special case and allow one mark) A1 [2]

2	(a) (i)	angle subtended at centre of circle arc equal in length to the radius	B1 B1	[2]
	(ii)	arc = $r\theta$ and for one revolution, arc = $2\pi r$ so, $\theta = 2\pi r/r = 2\pi$	M1 A0	[1]
	(b) (i)	either weight provides>equals the centripetal force or acceleration of free fall is centripetal acceleration $9.8 = 0.13 \times \omega^2$ $\omega = 8.7 \text{ rad s}^{-1}$	B1 M1 A0	[2]
	(ii)	force in cord = weight + centripetal force (can be an equation) force in cord = $(L - 13) \times 5/1.8$ or force constant = $5.0/1.8$ $(L - 13) \times 5/1.8 = 5.0 + 5/9.8 \times L \times 10^{-2} \times 8.7^2$ $L = 17.2 \text{ cm}$ (constant centripetal force of 5.0 N gives $L = 16.6 \text{ cm}$ allow 2/4)	C1 C1 C1 A1	[4]
3	(a) (i)	angular speed = $2\pi/T$ = $2\pi/(3.2 \times 10^7)$ = $1.96 \times 10^{-7} \text{ rad s}^{-1}$	C1 A1 [2]	
	(ii)	force = $mr\omega^2$ or force = mv^2/r and $v = r\omega$ = $6.0 \times 10^{24} \times 1.5 \times 10^{11} \times (1.96 \times 10^{-7})^2$ = $3.46 \times 10^{22} \text{ N}$	C1 A1 [2]	
	(b) (i)	gravitation/gravity/gravitational field (strength)	B1 [1]	
	(ii)	$F = GMm/x^2$ or $GM = r^3\omega^2$ $3.46 \times 10^{22} = (6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times M \times 6.0 \times 10^{24})/(1.5 \times 10^{11})^2$ $M = 1.95 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$	C1 C1 A1 [3]	
4	(a)	$\theta (\text{rad}) = 2\pi \times (10.3/360)$ = 0.180 rad (n.b. 3 sig. fig.)	1 1 [2]	
	(b) (i)	$\tan \theta = 0.182$ (n.b. 3 sig. fig.)	1	
	(ii)	percentage error = $(0.002/0.180) \times 100$ = 1.1 (%)	1 1 [3]	
		(allow 0.002/0.182 and allow 1 → 4 sig. fig.)		

- 5 (a) force on proton is normal to velocity and field provides centripetal force (for circular motion) M1
A1 [2]
- (b) magnetic force = Bqv B1
centripetal force = $mr\omega^2$ or mv^2/r B1
 $v = r\omega$ B1
 $Bqv = Bqr\omega = mr\omega^2$
 $\omega = Bq/m$ A1 [4]

