

## ORBITAL AND ESCAPE VELOCITIES

1. **A space-ship entering the earth's atmosphere is likely to catch fire, this is due to**
  - 1) surface tension of air
  - 2) viscosity of air
  - 3) greater proportional of  $O_2$  in the atmosphere at higher height
  - 4) high temperature of upper atmosphere
2. **If an astronaut comes out of the artificial satellite, then**
  - 1) He flies off tangentially
  - 2) He falls to the earth
  - 3) He performs SHM
  - 4) He continues to move along the satellite in the same orbit.
3. **There is no atmosphere on moon because**
  - 1) it is closer to earth
  - 2) it revolves round the earth
  - 3) it gets light from the earth
  - 4) RMS speed of any gas molecular is greater than the escape velocity on the surface of the moon.
4. **A satellite is revolving around the earth in a circular orbit with a uniform speed. If the gravitational force suddenly disappears, then the satellite will**
  - 1) continue to move in the same orbit with that speed
  - 2) move tangentially to the orbit with that speed
  - 3) move away from the earth normally to the orbit
  - 4) fall down on the earth
5. **To have an earth satellite synchronous with the rotation of the earth, it must be launched at a proper height**
  - 1) from west to east in equatorial plane
  - 2) from south to north in equatorial plane
  - 3) from east to west in equatorial plane
  - 4) from north to south in equatorial plane
6. **The period of geostationary artificial satellite of the earth is**
  - 1) 24hr
  - 2) 48hr
  - 3) 12hr
  - 4) zero

7. When a satellite is going round the earth in a circular orbit of radius 'r' and with a velocity V. If it loses some of the energy, then
- 1) r and v both will increase
  - 2) r and v both will decrease
  - 3) r will decrease and v will increase
  - 4) r will increase and v will decrease
8. The time period of an earth satellite in circular orbit is independent of
- 1) The mass of the satellite
  - 2) Neither the mass of the satellite nor the radius of its orbit
  - 3) both the mass of the satellite and radius of the orbit
  - 4) radius of the orbit
9. The weight of a body (W) is measured using a spring balance, and then the ratio  $\frac{W}{g}$  gives
- 1) Inertial mass
  - 2) gravitational mass
  - 3) non-inertial mass
  - 4) relativistic mass
10. When a satellite is lifted from a lower orbit to a higher orbit
- a) Gravitational potential energy increases
  - b) KE increases
  - c) Gravitational PE decreases
  - d) KE increases
- 1) a is only correct      2) a & d are correct    3) a and c are correct    4) a & b are correct
11. A: The gravitational mass and inertial mass are equal
- R: Physical laws are equivalent in an appropriately accelerated frame of reference and in an inertial frame
- 1) Both (A) and (R) are true and (R) is the correct explanation of (A)
  - 2) Both (A) and (R) are true and (R) is not the correct explanation of (A)
  - 3) (A) is true but (R) is false
  - 4) (A) is false but (R) is true
12. A: For a satellite to escape from its orbit, its velocity should be increased by 41.4%
- R: Orbital velocity and escape velocity are related as  $V_e = \sqrt{2} v_0$ .
- 1) Both (A) and (R) are true and (R) is the correct explanation of (A)
  - 2) Both (A) and (R) are true and (R) is not the correct explanation of (A)
  - 3) (A) is true but (R) is false
  - 4) (A) is false but (R) is true

13. **A: There is no atmosphere on the moon surface**

**R: RMS speed of the gas molecules is greater than the escape velocity on moon**

- 1) Both (A) and (R) are true and (R) is the correct explanation of (A)
- 2) Both (A) and (R) are true and (R) is not the correct explanation of (A)
- 3) (A) is true but (R) is false
- 4) (A) is false but (R) is true

14. **A: A particle of mass 'm' dropped into a hole made along the diameter of the earth from one end to the other and possesses simple harmonic motion.**

**R: Gravitational force between any two particles is inversely proportional to the square of the distance between them**

- 1) Both (A) and (R) are true and (R) is the correct explanation of (A)
- 2) Both (A) and (R) are true and (R) is not the correct explanation of (A)
- 3) (A) is true but (R) is false
- 4) (A) is false but (R) is true

15. **(A): If the earth starts rotating with a time period of 84 minutes then objects on the equator would become weightless.**

**(R): This time period is identical with that of a surface satellite.**

- (1) Both A and R are true and R is the correct explanation of A.
- (2) Both A and R are true but R is not the correct explanation of A
- (3) A is true but R is false
- (4) A is false but R is true

16. **Match the following items (R = radius of earth)**

**List - I**

- (a) Ratio of g at depth R/2 and a height R/2
- (b) Ratio of earth's potential at the earth's surface and at the centre.
- (c) Ratio of time period of geocentric satellite and the surface satellite
- (d) Ratio of escape velocity from earth's surface and sun's surface.

**List - II**

- (e) 17:1
- (f) 1:55
- (g) 9:8
- (h) 2:3

- (1) a-h, b-g, c-e, d-f (2) a-h, b-g, c-f, d-e (3) a-g, b-h, c-e, d-f (4) a-g, b-h, c-f, d-e

17. **Two satellites A and B go round the earth in circular orbits at a height of  $R_A$  and  $R_B$  respectively from the surface of the earth. Assume the earth to be a uniform sphere of radius  $R_E$ . The ratio of the magnitudes of the velocities of the satellites  $V_A / V_B$  is**

1)  $\sqrt{\frac{R_B}{R_A}}$

2)  $\frac{R_B + R_E}{(R_A + R_E)}$

3)  $\sqrt{\frac{(R_B + R_E)}{(R_A + R_E)}}$

4)  $\left(\frac{R_A}{R_B}\right)^2$

18. The amount of work done in lifting a body of mass 'm' from the surface of the earth to a height equal to twice the radius of the earth is
- 1)  $\frac{2GMm}{3R}$       2)  $\frac{3GMm}{2R}$       3)  $\frac{5GMm}{3R}$       4)  $\frac{3GMm}{5R}$
19. A particle of mass 10g is kept on the surface of a uniform sphere of mass 100kg and radius 10cm. Find the work to be done against the gravitational force between them to take the particle far away from the sphere is ( $G=6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ Nm}^2\text{kg}^{-2}$ )
- 1)  $6.67 \times 10^{-10}\text{J}$       2)  $6.67 \times 10^{-9}\text{J}$       3)  $3.33 \times 10^{-10}\text{J}$       4)  $13.34 \times 10^{-10}\text{J}$
20. A body of mass 'm' is raised from the surface of earth to a point which is at a height nR from the surface of the earth. The change in PE is
- 1) nmgR      2)  $\frac{2mgR}{n}$       3)  $\frac{n}{n+1}mgR$       4)  $\frac{mgR}{n}$
21. The escape velocity of a body on the earth's surface is  $V_e$ . A body is thrown vertically up with a speed of ( $kV_e$ ) ( $k < 1$ ). The maximum height reached by the body above the earth is
- 1)  $R \left( \frac{k^2}{1-k^2} \right)$       2)  $R^2 \frac{k^2}{(1-k^2)}$       3)  $R \left( \frac{1-k^2}{k} \right)$       4)  $\frac{R}{k^2}$
22. The velocity with which a body should be projected from the surface of the earth such that it reaches a maximum height equal to n times the radius R of the earth is
- 1)  $\sqrt{\frac{n}{n+1} \frac{GM}{R}}$       2)  $\sqrt{\frac{nGM}{R}}$       3)  $\sqrt{\frac{2n}{n+1} \frac{GM}{R}}$       4)  $\sqrt{\frac{GM}{nR}}$
23. The KE required to project a body of mass 'm' from the earth's surface to infinity is
- 1) mgR/4      2)  $\frac{mgR}{2}$       3) mgR      4) 2mgR
24. The escape velocity for a body projected vertically upwards from the surface of earth is  $11\text{kms}^{-1}$ . If the same body is projected at an angle of  $45^\circ$  with the vertical, the escape velocity will be
- 1)  $11\sqrt{2} \text{ kms}^{-1}$       2)  $22\text{kms}^{-1}$       3)  $11\text{kms}^{-1}$       4)  $\frac{11}{\sqrt{2}} \text{ kms}^{-1}$
25. The radius in kilometers to which the present radius of the earth ( $R=6400 \text{ km}$ ) is to be compressed so that the escape velocity is increases to ten times is
- 1) 6.4      2) 64      3) 640      4) 4800

26. A small particle of mass  $m$  lies on the axis of a ring of mass  $M$  and radius  $a$ , at a distance  $a$  from the centre. The particle reaches the centre under gravitational attraction only. Its speed at the centre will be - - -

(1)  $\sqrt{\frac{2GM}{a}}$  (2)  $\sqrt{\frac{2GM}{a}(\sqrt{2}-1)}$  (3)  $\sqrt{\frac{2GM}{a}\left(1-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right)}$  (4) 0

27. A planet of mass ' $m$ ' revolves elliptical orbit around the sun so that its maximum and minimum distance from the sun are  $a$ ,  $b$  respectively. The angular momentum of the planet relative to the sun is

1)  $m\sqrt{\frac{2GM}{ab(a+b)}}$  2)  $m\sqrt{\frac{2GMab}{(a+b)}}$  3)  $\sqrt{\frac{2GMab}{(a+b)}}$  4)  $\sqrt{\frac{2GMmab}{(a+b)}}$

28. The gravitational potential energy of a body of mass ' $m$ ' at the earth's surface  $-mgR_e$ . Its gravitational potential energy at a height  $R_e$  from the earth's surface will be (Here  $R_e$  is the radius of the earth)

1)  $-2mgR_e$  2)  $2mgR_e$  3)  $\frac{1}{2}mgR_e$  4)  $-\frac{1}{2}mgR_e$

29. Escape velocity of a body of 1 kg mass on a planet is 100 m/sec. Gravitational Potential energy of the body at the Planet is

1)  $-5000$  J 2)  $-1000$  J 3)  $-2400$  J 4)  $5000$  J

30. The ratio of the K.E. required to be given to the satellite to escape earth's gravitational field to the K.E. required to be given so that the satellite moves in a circular orbit just above earth atmosphere is

1) One 2) Two 3) Half 4) Infinity

## KEY

1) 2 2) 4 3) 4 4) 2 5) 1 6) 1 7) 3 8) 1 9) 2 10) 4

11) 1 12) 2 13) 1 14) 2 15) 1 16) 3 17) 3 18) 1 19) 1 20) 3

21) 1 22) 3 23) 3 24) 3 25) 2 26) 3 27) 2 28) 4 29) 1 30) 2

## HINTS

$$17. V_0 \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{r}} \quad r_a = R_A + R_E, \quad r_b = R_B + R_E$$

$$18. U_1 = \frac{-GMm}{R}, U_2 = \frac{-GMm}{R+2R} = -\frac{GMm}{3R}$$

$$W = U_2 - U_1 = \frac{2GMm}{3R}$$

$$19. W = U = \frac{GMm}{R}$$

$$= \frac{6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 100 \times 10 \times 10^{-3}}{10 \times 10^{-2}} = 6.67 \times 10^{-10} \text{ J}$$

$$20. U_1 = \frac{-GMm}{R}, U_2 = \frac{-GMm}{nR}$$

$$\Delta PE = U_1 - U_2 = \frac{-GMm}{R} - \frac{GMm}{(nR+R)}$$

$$= \frac{-GMm}{R} - \left(1 - \frac{1}{(n+1)}\right) = \frac{n}{n+1} \frac{GMm}{R}$$

$$= \left(\frac{n}{n+1}\right) mgR$$

$$21. h = \frac{v^2 R}{2gR - v^2}$$

22. TE must be conserved

$$\frac{-GMm}{R} + \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{-GMm}{R+hR}$$

$$\frac{v^2}{2} = \frac{GM}{R} \left( \frac{-1}{n+1} + 1 \right)$$

$$\therefore V = \sqrt{\frac{2n}{n+1} \frac{GM}{R}}$$

$$23. KE = \frac{1}{2}m (V_e)^2 = \frac{1}{2}m (\sqrt{2gR})^2 = mgR$$

$$24. V_e^1 = 11 \text{ kms}^{-1} \text{ only}$$

Because  $V_e$  is independent of the direction of projection

$$25. V \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{R}} \left( \frac{V_2}{V_1} \right)^2 = \frac{R_1}{R_2}$$

$$R_2 = R_1 \left( \frac{V_1}{V_2} \right)^2 = 6400 \times \frac{1}{100}$$

26. According to law of conservation of energy

$$W = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{+GMm}{\sqrt{2}a} - \frac{GMm}{a}$$

$$W = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = (-V_0 - V_p)m$$

$$= \left[ \frac{-GMm}{a} + \frac{GMm}{\sqrt{2}a} \right]$$

$$\text{Or } v = \sqrt{\frac{2GM}{a} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)}$$

$$27. \quad \frac{2}{r} = \frac{1}{r_1} + \frac{1}{r_2}$$

$$L = mvr = m \sqrt{\frac{GM}{r}} r = m \sqrt{\frac{2GMab}{(a+b)}}$$

$$28. \quad \Delta U = U_2 - U_1 = \frac{mgh}{1 + \frac{h}{R_e}} = \frac{mgR_e}{1 + \frac{R_e}{R_e}} = \frac{mgR_e}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow U_2 - (-mgR_e) = \frac{mgR_e}{2} \Rightarrow U_2 = -\frac{1}{2}mgR_e$$

$$29. \quad v_e = \sqrt{\frac{2GM}{R}} = 100 \Rightarrow \frac{GM}{R} = 5000$$

$$\text{Potential energy } U = -\frac{GMm}{R} = -5000 J$$

$$30. \quad \text{K.E. required for satellite to escape from earth's gravitational field} \quad \frac{1}{2}mv_e^2 = \frac{1}{2}m \left( \sqrt{\frac{2GM}{R}} \right)^2 = \frac{GMm}{R}$$

K.E. required for satellite to move in circular orbit

$$\frac{1}{2}mv_0^2 = \frac{1}{2}m \left( \sqrt{\frac{GM}{R}} \right)^2 = \frac{GMm}{2R}$$

The ratio between these two energies = 2