



Physics 121

Final Exam Fall Semester (2022-2023)

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Time: 08:00 – 10:00

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Important Instructions to the Students:

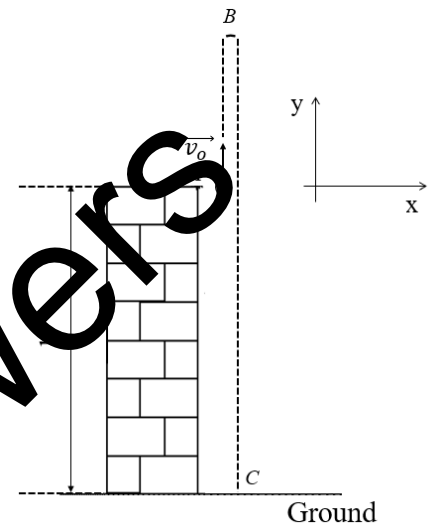
1. Answer all questions and problems.
2. Full mark = 40 points as arranged in the table below.
3. No solution = no points.
4. Use SI units.
5. Take $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$.
6. Mobiles and electronic devices are **strictly prohibited** during the exam.
7. Programmable calculators, which can store equations, are not allowed.
8. Cheating incidents will be processed according to the university rules.

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#	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5	P6	P7	P8	P9	P10	Total
Pts	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	4	5	40

GOOD LUCK

- P1.** A ball is thrown vertically upwards from the top of a building (point A), with initial speed v_0 . The ball reaches its maximum height (point B) in 0.5 s, and then comes to ground (point C), as shown. The average velocity for the entire motion is -5.0 m/s. Ignore air resistance.
- With what initial velocity the ball was thrown? **(1 point)**
 - Find the height (h) of the building. **(2 points)**
 - How much time did it take to reach point C ? **(1 point)**



$$(a) \quad (A) \rightarrow (B): v = v_0 + at \rightarrow v_0 = v - at = 0 - (-9.8)0.5 \rightarrow v_0 = 4.9 \text{ m/s}$$

$$(b) \quad \bar{v} = \frac{v_0 + v_C}{2} \rightarrow v_C = 2\bar{v} - v_0 = 2(-5) - 4.9 \rightarrow v_C = -14.9 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$(A) \rightarrow (C): v_C^2 = v_0^2 + 2a(y - y_0) \rightarrow y = \frac{v_C^2 - v_0^2}{2a} + y_0 = \frac{(-14.9)^2 - 4.9^2}{2(-9.8)} + 0$$

$$\rightarrow y = -10.1 \text{ m} \rightarrow h = 10.1 \text{ m}$$

$$(c) \quad \bar{v} = \frac{\text{Displacement}}{\text{Time}} = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t} \rightarrow \Delta t = \frac{y - y_0}{\bar{v}} = \frac{-10.1 - 0}{-5} = 2.0 \text{ s}$$

P2. Two vectors with magnitudes $B = 20.0 \text{ m}$, and $C = 20.0 \text{ m}$ are shown. Vector \vec{D} is given

by the equation $\vec{D} = \vec{B} + \vec{C}$.

a. Find the magnitude of vector \vec{D} . **(3 points)**

b. Find the direction of \vec{D} , with respect to the positive x -axis. **(1 point)**

$$B_x = -B \cos 30^\circ = -20 \cos 30^\circ = -17.3 \text{ m}$$

$$B_y = -B \sin 30^\circ = -20 \sin 30^\circ = -10.0 \text{ m}$$

$$C_x = -C \sin 30^\circ = -20 \sin 30^\circ = -10.0 \text{ m}$$

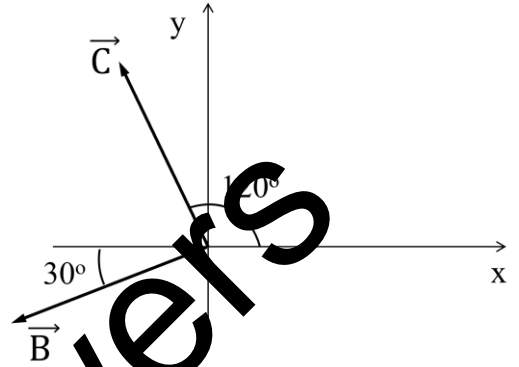
$$C_y = C \cos 30^\circ = 20 \cos 30^\circ = 17.3 \text{ m}$$

$$D_x = B_x + C_x = -17.3 - 10 = -27.3 \text{ m}$$

$$D_y = B_y + C_y = -10 + 17.3 = 7.30 \text{ m}$$

$$D = \sqrt{D_x^2 + D_y^2} = 28.3 \text{ m}$$

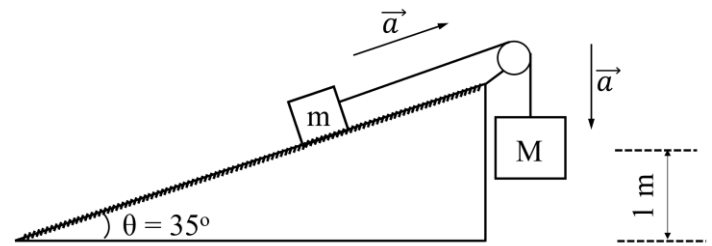
$$\theta' = \tan^{-1} \left| \frac{D_y}{D_x} \right| = 15^\circ \rightarrow \theta = 180^\circ - 15^\circ = 165^\circ \text{ with the positive } x\text{-axis.}$$



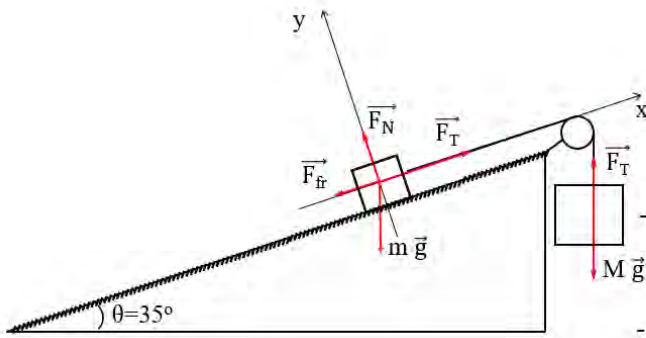
Model Answers

P3. Two blocks $m = 25 \text{ kg}$ and $M = 35 \text{ kg}$, are connected by a massless cord over a frictionless and massless pulley, as shown below. The coefficient of kinetic friction between the inclined surface and block m is $\mu_k = 0.20$.

- Find the acceleration of block m as it slides up the inclined plane. **(3 points)**
- Block M starts from rest from 1 m above ground, as shown. Find the time taken by block M to hit the floor. **(1 point)**



Taking the xy -coordinate system shown below:



a.

Block m :

$$y\text{-axis: } F_N - mg \cos \theta = 0 \rightarrow F_N = mg \cos \theta$$

$$x\text{-axis: } -mg \sin \theta - F_{fr} + F_T = -mg \sin \theta - \mu_k F_N + F_T = m a \text{ Eq. (1)}$$

Block M :

$$y\text{-axis: } F_T - Mg = M(-a) \text{ Eq. (2)}$$

$$\text{From Eqs. (1) and (2): } -mg \sin \theta - \mu_k F_N - Ma + Mg = m a$$

$$a = \frac{-mg \sin \theta - \mu_k mg \cos \theta + Mg}{M + m} \rightarrow a = 2.7 \frac{m}{s^2}$$

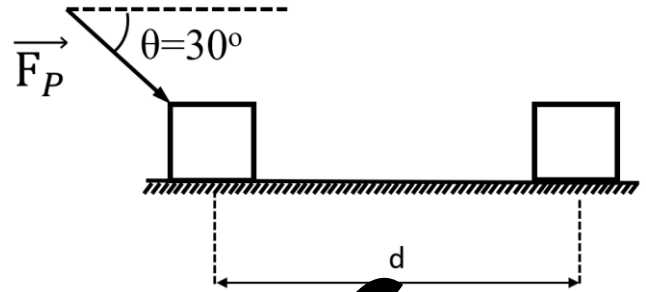
$$b. y = y_o + v_o t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2 \rightarrow -1 = 0 + 0 + \frac{1}{2} (-2.7) t^2 \rightarrow t = 0.7 \text{ s}$$

P4. A block of mass $M = 6.0 \text{ kg}$ is being pushed by a force F_P on a rough horizontal surface (see figure). The box starts from rest and achieves a speed of 3.0 m/s after moving a distance of $d = 5.0 \text{ m}$ to the east. If the average force of friction is 8.0 N , find the work done by the force F_P . **(3 points)**

$$W_{net} = \Delta KE \rightarrow W_{F_P} + W_{F_{fr}} = \frac{1}{2} Mv^2 - 0$$

$$\rightarrow W_{F_P} = \frac{1}{2} Mv^2 - W_{F_{fr}} = \frac{1}{2} Mv^2 + F_{fr}d$$

$$\rightarrow W_{F_P} = 67 \text{ J}$$



P5. A 0.15 kg ball at the end of a 0.75 m long cord is revolving in a vertical circle 2.0 m above ground, as shown. The tension in the cord can withstand up to four times the weight of the ball.

- Find the *maximum* speed of the ball at the bottom of the loop such that the rope does not break. **(2 points)**
- The cord finally brakes when the ball is at the bottom. Find the work done by the force of gravity on the ball when it reaches the ground. **(2 points)**

Bottom:

$$F_T - mg = m \frac{v^2}{R} \text{ Eq. (1)}$$

For $F_T = 4mg$

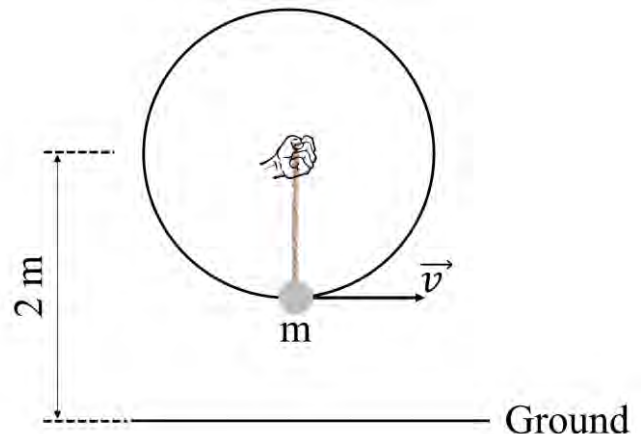
$v = v_{max}$ and Eq. (1)

$$\rightarrow 4mg - mg = m \frac{v_{max}^2}{R}$$

$$\rightarrow v_{max} = \sqrt{3gR} = 4.7 \text{ m/s}$$

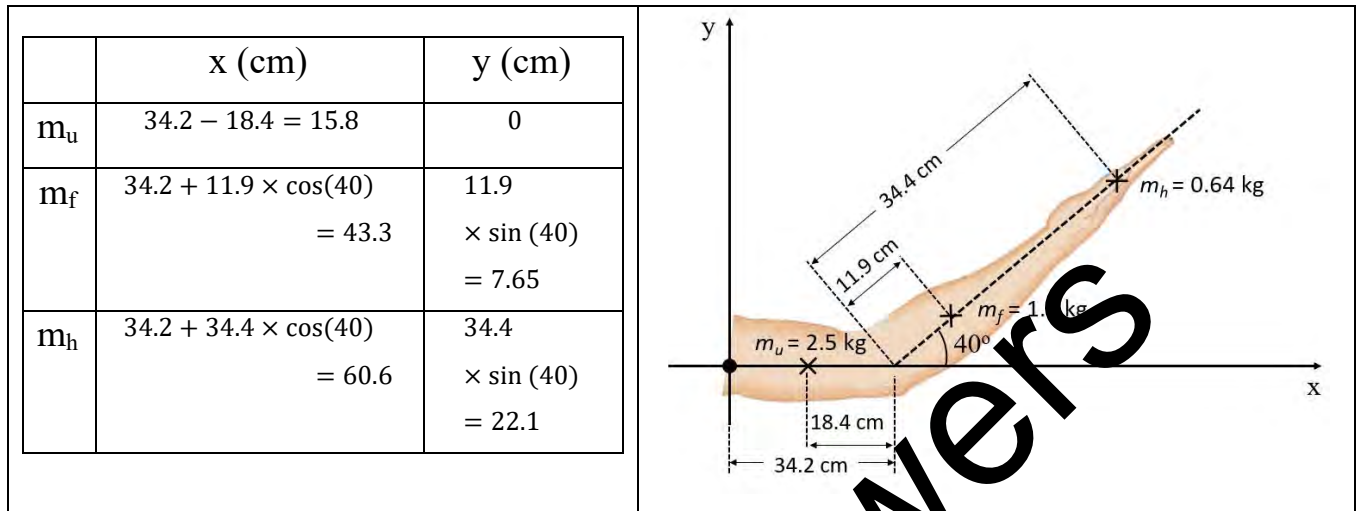
$$W_{F_G} = -\Delta PE = PE_i - PE_f$$

$$\rightarrow W_{F_G} = mg(2 - 0.75) - 0 = 1.8 \text{ J}$$



P6. The figure shows the arm of an athlete bent at 40° . Each part of the arm has mass m_u , m_f , m_h . The corresponding centers-of-mass are indicated by “x”. Find the x -coordinate and y -coordinate of the center-of-mass of the entire arm, measured from the shoulder joint.

(4 points)



$$X_{CM} = \frac{x_u m_u + x_f m_f + x_h m_h}{m_u + m_f + m_h} = \frac{15.8 \times 2.5 + 43.3 \times 1.6 + 60.6 \times 0.64}{2.5 + 1.6 + 0.64} \rightarrow X_{CM} = 31.1 \text{ cm}$$

$$Y_{CM} = \frac{y_u m_u + y_f m_f + y_h m_h}{m_u + m_f + m_h} = \frac{0 \times 2.5 + 7.65 \times 1.6 + 22.1 \times 0.64}{2.5 + 1.6 + 0.64} \rightarrow Y_{CM} = 5.57 \text{ cm}$$

P7. A wheel starts from rest and rotates with constant angular acceleration about a fixed axis, passing through its center. It completes the first revolution in 0.20 s.

a. Find the angular acceleration of the wheel. (2 points)

b. Find the number of revolutions the wheel makes within the first 15 s. (2 points)

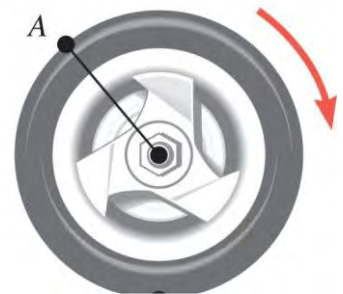
$$\theta = \theta_0 + \omega_0 t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha t^2 \rightarrow 2\pi = 0 + \frac{1}{2} \alpha (0.2)^2$$

$$\rightarrow \alpha = 314.2 \text{ rad/s}^2$$

$$\theta = \theta_0 + \omega_0 t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha t^2 \rightarrow \Delta\theta = 0 + \frac{1}{2} (314.2) (15)^2$$

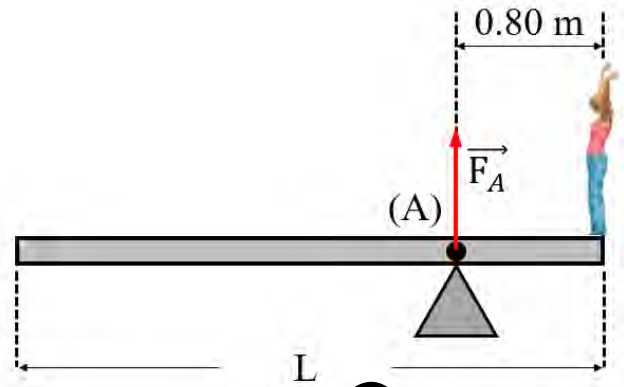
$$\rightarrow \Delta\theta = 35347.5 \text{ rad}$$

$$N = \frac{\Delta\theta}{2\pi} = 5626 \text{ revolutions}$$



P8. A girl weighting 441 N stands on the very end of a uniform board of length $L = 4.0$ m and mass M . The board is supported at point A, as shown. The entire system is in static equilibrium.

- a. Find the mass of the board (M),
in kg. **(2 points)**
- b. Find the magnitude of the
supporting force F_A . **(2 points)**



Net torque around point (A): $\sum \vec{\tau} = -0.80 \times 441 + \left(\frac{L}{2} - 0.80\right) \times Mg = 0 \rightarrow M = 30 \text{ kg}$

$$\sum \vec{F} = F_A - 441 - Mg = 0 \rightarrow F_A = 735 \text{ N}$$

P9. Blood flows from the human heart into the aorta and then passes into the major artery, as shown. The cross-sectional area of the aorta is $A_1 = 1.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$ and the speed of the blood passing through it is $v_1 = 0.4 \text{ m/s}$. The cross-sectional area of the artery is $A_2 = 2.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$. The blood density is $\rho = 1.05 \times 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3$.

- a. Calculate the speed of the blood flow in the artery (v_2).
(2 points)
- b. Calculate the pressure difference between the aorta and artery measured at the same level.
(2 points)

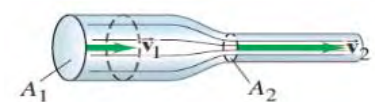
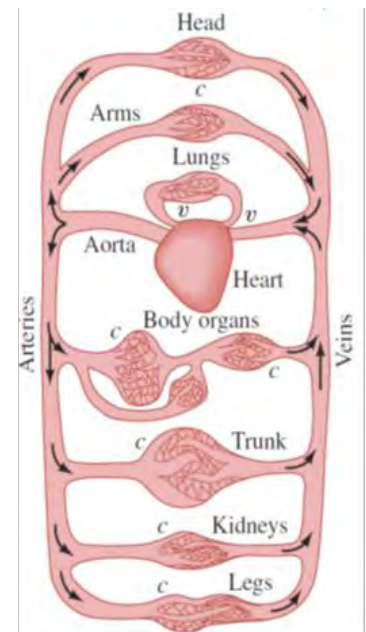
$$A_1 v_1 = A_2 v_2 \rightarrow 1.5 \times 10^{-4} \times 0.4 = 2.0 \times 10^{-4} \times v_2$$

$$\rightarrow v_2 = 0.9 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$P_1 + \frac{1}{2} \rho v_1^2 = P_2 + \frac{1}{2} \rho v_2^2 \rightarrow P_1 - P_2 = \frac{1}{2} \rho (v_2^2 - v_1^2)$$

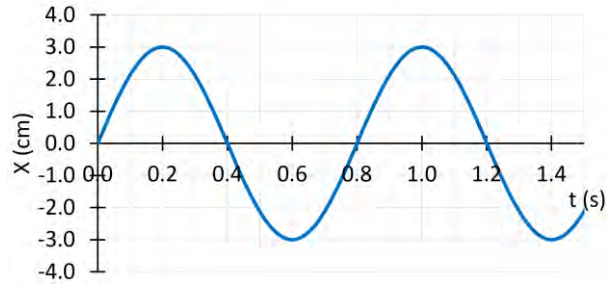
$$\rightarrow P_1 - P_2 = \frac{1}{2} (1.05 \times 10^3) (0.9^2 - 0.4^2)$$

$$\rightarrow P_1 - P_2 = 341.25 \text{ N/m}^2$$



P10. A 1.4 kg ball is attached to a spring and undergoes simple harmonic oscillation. The graph below shows the ball's position x (in cm) as a function of time t (in s). Find:

- the period of the oscillation. **(1 point)**
- the spring stiffness constant k . **(1 point)**
- the total energy of the oscillation. **(1 point)**
- the ball's speed at $t = 0.4$ s. **(2 points)**



$$T = 0.8 \text{ s}$$

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}} \rightarrow k = m \left(\frac{2\pi}{T} \right)^2 = 86.3 \text{ N/m}$$

$$E = \frac{1}{2} k A^2 = \frac{1}{2} \times 86.3 \times (0.03)^2 = 0.04 \text{ J}$$

At $t = 0.4$ s the mass is at the equilibrium point ($x = 0$ cm) (see the graph). At that position KE is max. and $PE = 0$ J. Applying conservation of mechanical energy between the two positions of the oscillation:

$$E = \frac{1}{2} k A^2 = 0.04 \text{ J} = \frac{1}{2} m v_0^2 \rightarrow v_0 = v_{max} = 0.24 \text{ m/s}$$

Model Answers