

Phys 111.01 - Fall 2009 - Midterm 1 Solutions

A. MULTIPLE-CHOICE QUESTIONS. **CIRCLE THE BEST ANSWER** (7 Pts. each): (White Version)

1. An airplane is flying at 40 m/s due East relative to the air. The air is moving at 30 m/s due North and carries the plane with it. How fast is the plane moving relative to the ground?

- a) 70 m/s
- b) 50 m/s**
- c) 40 m/s
- d) 30 m/s
- e) 10 m/s

$$\vec{V}_{pg} = (40 \frac{m}{s}) \hat{x} + (30 \frac{m}{s}) \hat{y}$$

$$V_{pg} = \sqrt{(40 \frac{m}{s})^2 + (30 \frac{m}{s})^2} = 50 \frac{m}{s}$$

2. In the above problem 1, what is the direction angle of the airplane's velocity?

- a) 90° North of East
- b) 53° North of East
- c) 37° North of East**
- d) 30° North of East
- e) 0° North of East

$$\theta = \arctan\left(\frac{V_y}{V_x}\right) = \arctan\left(\frac{30}{40}\right) = 37^\circ$$

(N of E)

3. A car of mass 1000 kg is traveling at constant speed around a circular track of radius $R=200$ m. If the friction between the tires and the road is exerting a force of 2000 N toward the center of the circle, what is the speed of the car?

- a) 500 m/s
- b) 200 m/s
- c) 100 m/s
- d) 20 m/s**
- e) 10 m/s

$$F_{cp} = 2000 \text{ N} = \frac{mv^2}{r}$$

$$v^2 = \frac{(200 \text{ m})(2000 \text{ N})}{1000 \text{ kg}} = 400 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2$$

$$v = 20 \text{ m/s}$$

4. You place a mass of 10 kg on one end of a spring of original length 1.0 m whose other end is hanging from the ceiling. The spring constant is 300 N/m. What will be the length of the spring after you hang the mass?

- a) 1.43 m
- b) 1.33 m**
- c) 1.23 m
- d) 1.13 m
- e) 1.03 m
- f) 0.33 m

$$F_{sp} = mg = kx_{str.}$$

$$x_{str.} = \frac{(10 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ N/kg})}{300 \text{ N/m}} = 0.33 \text{ m}$$

$$l = 1.0 \text{ m} + 0.33 \text{ m} = 1.33 \text{ m}$$

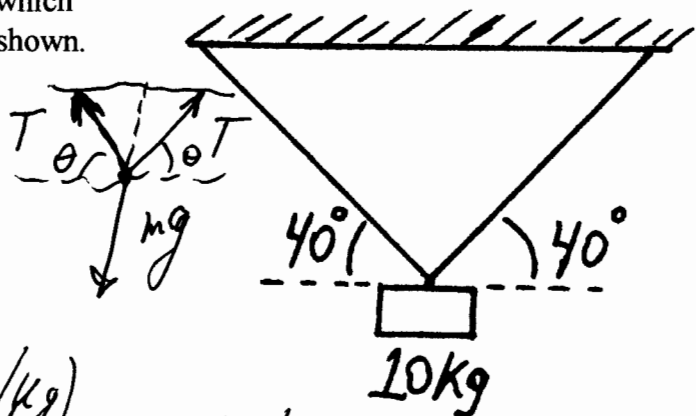
5. A box of mass 10 kg is supported by two ropes which each make an angle of 40° with the horizontal, as shown. What is the tension in each of the ropes?

- a) 152 N
- b) 128 N
- c) 76 N**
- d) 64 N
- e) 49 N
- f) 38 N

$$2T \sin \theta = mg$$

$$T = \frac{mg}{2 \sin \theta}$$

$$= \frac{(10 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ N/kg})}{2 \sin(40^\circ)} = \underline{\underline{76 \text{ N}}}$$

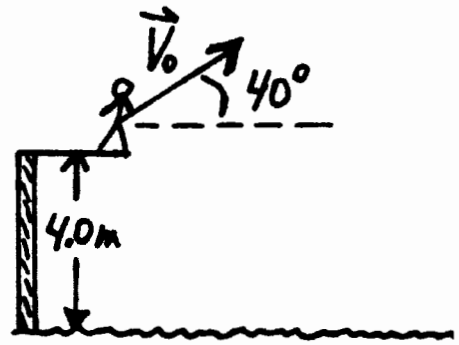


PROBLEMS. BE SURE TO SHOW YOUR METHOD CLEARLY. (6 points for each problem part.)

1. A diver of mass 70 kg jumps off a diving board at a speed of 12 m/s at an angle of 40° above the horizontal. The diving board is 4.0 m above the water. Neglect air resistance.

a) What is the acceleration of the diver at the highest point in her motion?

$$-g \\ -9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$$



$$a = -9.8 \text{ m/s}^2; 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 \text{ down}$$

b) What is the vertical component of the diver's initial velocity?

$$V_{0y} = V_0 \sin(40^\circ) = (12 \text{ m/s}) \sin(40^\circ) = 7.71 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_y = 7.71 \text{ m/s}$$

c) How long does it take for the diver to reach the highest point of the motion?

$$\text{At high pt, } v_y = 0 = v_{y0} - gt \\ t = \frac{v_{y0}}{g} = \frac{7.71 \text{ m/s}}{9.8 \text{ m/s}^2} = 0.795$$

$$t = 0.795$$

d) What will be the diver's horizontal component of velocity at the highest point of the motion, assuming it takes 5.0 s to reach the highest point?

$$V_x = V_{x0} = V_0 \cos(40^\circ) = (12 \text{ m/s}) \cos(40^\circ) = 9.19 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_x = 9.19 \text{ m/s}$$

e) What is the speed of the diver as she hits the water, assuming it takes 2.0 seconds to reach the water after reaching the high point?

0 at high pt.

$$V_y = V_{y0} - gt = (-9.8 \frac{m}{s^2})(2.0s) = -19.6 \frac{m}{s}$$

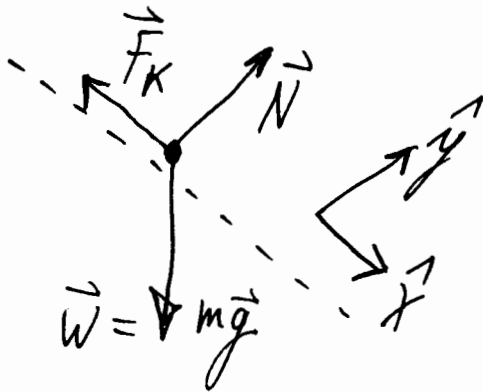
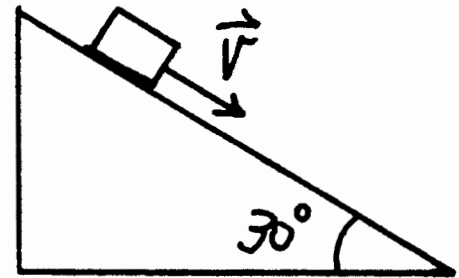
$$V_x = V_{x0} = 9.19 \frac{m}{s}$$

$$v = \sqrt{V_x^2 + V_y^2} = 21.6 \frac{m}{s}$$

$v_f = 21.6 \frac{m}{s}$

2. A box of mass 3.0 kg is sliding down an inclined plane of angle 30°, as shown. The friction coefficients between the box and the plane are $\mu_s = 0.35$ and $\mu_k = 0.25$.

a) Draw a free body diagram for the box, showing all forces that act on it.



b) What is the magnitude of the normal force exerted by the plane on the box?

$$N = mg \cos 30^\circ = (3.0 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ N/kg}) \cos 30^\circ$$

$F_{\text{normal}} = 25.5 \text{ N}$

c) What is the size of the friction force acting on the box during the motion, assuming the normal force is 20N?

$$F_k = \mu_k N = (0,25)(20N) = 5,0N$$

$$F_{\text{friction}} = 5,0N$$

d) What is the size of the component of gravitational force that acts parallel to the inclined plane?

$$W_x = mg \sin 30^\circ = (3,0 \text{ kg})(9,8 \text{ N/kg}) \sin(30^\circ)$$

$$F_{\text{parallel}} = 14,7N$$

e) What is the size of the net force on the box (based on your answers to parts c and d)?

$$\Sigma \vec{F} = (\Sigma F_x) \hat{x}$$

$$\Sigma F_x = 14,7N - 5,0N = 9,7N$$

$$F_{\text{net}} = 9,7N$$

f) What is the magnitude of the acceleration of the box, assuming the size of the net force on the box is 15.0 N?

$$F_{\text{net}} = ma$$

$$a = \frac{15N}{3,0 \text{ kg}} = 5,0 \text{ m/s}^2$$

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