

# Midterm 1

Physics 1A (Lec 3)

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**Time to complete the exam: 90 min**

Each problem is worth 20 points. If a problem has parts (a) and (b), they are 10 points each. It is not sufficient to present the final answer. You need to show the solution and justify your steps at the level of detail that would be sufficient for your fellow classmate (or grader) to understand how you arrived at the final answer. Please write your solutions in the spaces below each question. You can use the back sides of the pages as scrap paper. Numerical answers need not have more significant figures than the numbers provided in the problem.

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integrate?

1 sig fig

? **Problem 1**

A car with mass 1000 kg is driven at a speed of 40 km/hour on a level road. What constant force must be applied to stop it in a distance of 30 m?

$$m = 1000 \text{ kg}$$

$$v = 40 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{hr}}$$

$$v_f = 0$$

$$\Delta X = 30 \text{ m}$$

$$F = ?$$

$F = ma$   
constant → must be constant  
↑ need a first

$$X = X_0 + v_{0x}t + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

$$v_f = v_i + at$$

$$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2ax$$

$$40 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{hr}} \times \frac{1000 \text{ m}}{1 \text{ km}} \times \frac{1 \text{ hr}}{3600 \text{ sec}} = 11.11 \text{ m/s}$$

$$0 = (11.11 \text{ m/s})^2 + 2a(30 \text{ m})$$

$$\frac{-123.46}{60} = \frac{60a}{60}$$

✓ dimensions

$$a = -2.06 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$F = ma$$

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$$F = (1000 \text{ kg})(-2.06 \text{ m/s}^2)$$

$$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2ax$$

$$F = 2057.61 \text{ N} \approx 2000 \text{ N}$$

$$\frac{v_f^2 - v_i^2}{2x} = \frac{2ax}{2x}$$

$$a = \frac{v_f^2 - v_i^2}{2x} \rightarrow \frac{\text{m}^2/\text{s}^2}{\text{m}} = \text{m/s}^2 \checkmark$$



$$\sum F_x = F_{\text{stopping}} = ma_x$$

$$v = \frac{dx}{dt}$$

$$x = 30$$

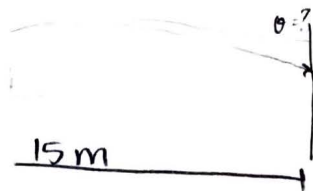
$$\int v dt = \int dx$$

$$vt = dx$$

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**Problem**

An archer shoots an arrow with an initial speed of 30 m/s from the bow.



\*t in x & y directions is SAME

\*x direction velocity is not changing → constant  $v_x$

(a) How long does the arrow spend in air?

t in air?

$$\Delta x = v_{ox}t + \frac{1}{2}a_x t^2$$

$$\Delta y = v_{oy}t + \frac{1}{2}a_y t^2$$

$$v_f = v_i + at \quad v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2ax$$

$$t = \frac{v_f - v_i}{a} \rightarrow t = \frac{v_f - v_i}{a}$$

$$v_{ox} = v_0 \cos 60^\circ = 30 \cos 60^\circ = 15 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_{oy} = v_0 \sin 60^\circ = 30 \sin 60^\circ = 25.981 \text{ m/s}$$

$$15 = 15t + 0t^2$$

$$t = 1s$$

$$\Delta x = v_{ox}t + 0$$

$$15 = 15t$$

$$0 - 25.981 \text{ m/s}$$

$$-9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$d = vt$$

$$15 = 15t$$

$$t = 1s$$

$$\frac{v}{d} = t$$

do not know  $v_f$ , so cannot use

(b) What was the speed of the arrow when it hit the wall?

$|v|$

$$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2ax$$

$$v_f = v_i + at$$

\*need  $v_{fy}$

$$v_f^2 = v_{ox}^2 + v_{oy}^2 + 2a_y y$$

$$v_f^2 = v_{ox}^2 + v_{oy}^2 + 2a_y y$$

$$v_{fy} = v_{oy} + a_y t$$

$$v_{fy} = v_0 \sin 60^\circ + (-9.8)(1s) \quad \text{units = m/s}$$

$$v_{fy} = 25.981 \text{ m/s} - 9.8 = 16.181 \text{ m/s}$$

$$|v| = \sqrt{15^2 + 16.181^2}$$

$$|v| = 22.06 \text{ m/s} = \text{speed} \rightarrow 22 \text{ m/s}$$

(c) What was the angle between the arrow's velocity and the horizontal when it hit the wall?

direction of velocity ( $v_f$ )

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\text{y component}}{\text{x component}}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{v_{fy}}{v_{fx}}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{16.181}{15}$$

$$\theta = 47.2^\circ$$

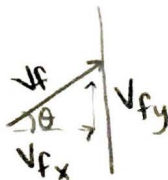
47°

→ since ⊕, still trajectory

$$v_{y \text{ final}} = 16.181 \text{ m/s}$$

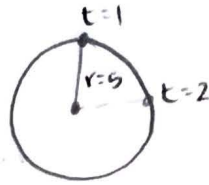
$$v_{x \text{ final}} = 15 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_f = 22.06 \text{ m/s}$$



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1 sig. fig



$$2t^2$$

$$4t^2 - 2t^2$$

**Problem 3**

A particle moves in a circle of radius  $r = 5$  m. During some time interval, its speed varies with time according to  $v(t) = a + bt^4$ , where  $a = 4$  m/s,  $b = 16$  m/s<sup>3</sup>.

(a) Find the average speed between  $t=1$  s and  $t=2$  s.

$$r = 5 \text{ m}$$

$$v(t) = 4 + \frac{16}{t^4}$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = 4 + 16t^{-4}$$

$$\int_0^x dx = \int_0^t (4 + 16t^{-4}) dt$$

$$x = 4t - \frac{16}{3}t^{-3} \Big|_0^t \rightarrow x = 4t - \frac{16}{3}t^{-3} - 0$$

(b) Find the total acceleration at time  $t=2$  s.

$$\vec{a}_{\text{total}} = \vec{a}_{\text{tangential}} + \vec{a}_{\text{centripetal}}$$

$$\frac{d}{dt} \left( v(t) = 4 + \frac{16}{t^4} \right)$$

$$a(t) = \frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$a(t) = 0 - 64t^{-5}$$

$$a(2) = -64(2)^{-5} = -2 \text{ m/s}^2 \checkmark$$

$a_{\text{tangential}}$

$$a_{\text{centripetal}} = \frac{v^2}{R}$$

$$a_{\text{total}} = -2 \text{ m/s}^2 + 5 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$v(2) = 4 + \frac{16}{2^4} = 5 \text{ m/s} \checkmark$$

$$a_{\text{total}} = 3 \text{ m/s}^2$$

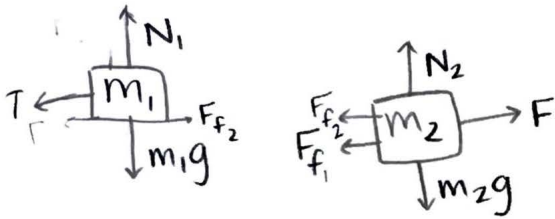
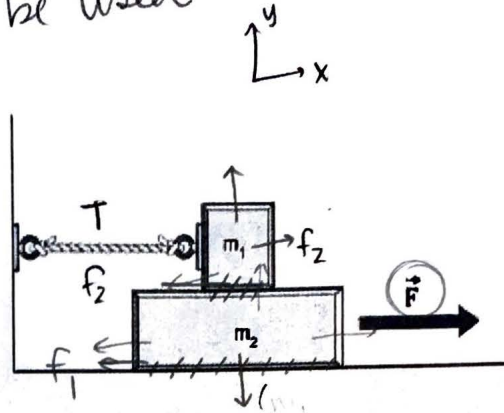
$$a_c = \frac{5^2}{5} = 5 \text{ m/s}^2 = a_c$$

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*a can also be used*

? **Problem 4**

(a) What force  $F$  is needed to pull mass  $m_2$  with acceleration  $a$  if the coefficient of friction between the two blocks and between the block and the floor is  $\mu$ ? Express the answer in terms of the two masses and  $\mu$  &  $a$



$$F_f = \mu N$$

$$F_{f1} = \mu(m_1 + m_2)g$$

$$F_{f2} = \mu m_1 g$$

\* b/c both masses are acting ↓

$m_1$ :

$$\sum F_x = -T + F_{f2} = 0 \text{ since at rest}$$

$$\sum F_y = N_1 - m_1 g = 0 \rightarrow N_1 = m_1 g$$

$m_2$ :

$$\sum F_x = F - F_{f2} - F_{f1} = m_2 a \rightarrow F - \mu m_1 g - \mu(m_1 + m_2)g = m_2 a$$

$$\sum F_y = N_2 - (m_1 + m_2)g = 0 \text{ since no motion in y direction}$$

$$\underline{\underline{F = m_2 a + \mu m_1 g + \mu(m_1 + m_2)g}}$$

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(b) What is the force of tension  $T$  in the string?

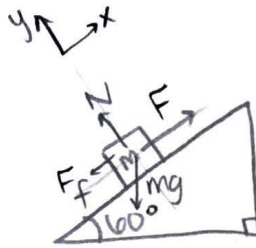
$$\sum F_x = -T + F_{f2} = 0$$

$$F_{f2} = T$$

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$$\boxed{T = \mu m_1 g}$$

**Problem 5**

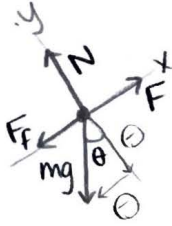


$m = 10 \text{ kg}$   
2 sig figs

A 10-kg block is pulled up an inclined plane by a force parallel to the inclined plane that makes angle 60 degrees with the horizontal. The force of ~~250~~  $150 \text{ N}$  is required to make it move with an acceleration of  ~~$30 \text{ m/s}^2$~~   $3 \text{ m/s}^2 = a$

$F = 150 \text{ N}$

(a) What is force of friction?



$F = 150 \text{ N} \Rightarrow a = 3 \text{ m/s}^2$

x component

$\Sigma F_x = -F_f + F - mg \sin \theta = ma_x$

$\Sigma F_y = N - mg \cos \theta = 0$  since no motion in y direction

$N = mg \cos \theta$

$F_f = \mu N$

$-F_f = ma_x + mg \sin \theta - F$

$-F_f = (10)(3) + (10)(9.8) \sin 60^\circ - 150$

$-F_f + F - mg \sin \theta = ma_x$

$-F_f = -35.13 \text{ N}$

$F_f = 35.13 \text{ N} \rightarrow 35 \text{ N}$  ✓

(b) What is the coefficient of friction?

$\mu = ?$

$F_f = \mu N$

$N = mg \cos \theta$

$\mu = \frac{F_f}{N}$

$\mu = \frac{35.13 \text{ N}}{(10)(9.8) \cos 60^\circ}$

$\mu = .717$

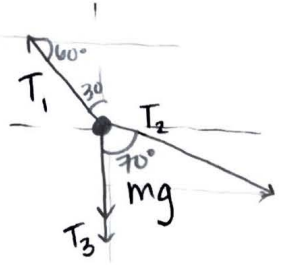
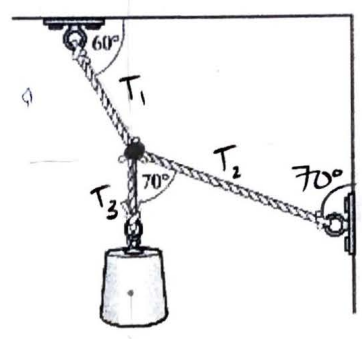
$\mu = .717$   $\rightarrow$   $.72 = \mu$  ✓

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1 sig fig

Problem 6

Each cord can support a maximum tension of 200 N. What is the greatest mass that can be supported as shown in the Figure?



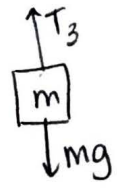
\*T3 = mg    M\_max = ?

$\Sigma F_x = -T_1 \sin 30^\circ + T_2 \sin 70^\circ = 0$   
 $\Sigma F_y = T_1 \cos 30^\circ - T_2 \cos 70^\circ - T_3 = 0$   
 $T_1 \cos 30^\circ - T_2 \cos 70^\circ - mg = 0$

~~T1 = T2 = T3 = 200 N~~

-5

Tmg  
-3



$\frac{T_1 \cos 30^\circ - T_2 \cos 70^\circ}{g} = \frac{mg}{g}$

$\frac{T_1 \cos 30^\circ - T_2 \cos 70^\circ}{g} = m$

$\frac{200 \cos 30 - 200 \cos 70}{9.8} = m$

$\frac{N}{m/s^2} \frac{kg \cdot m/s^2}{m/s^2} = kg = \checkmark$

m = 10.694 kg ~ 11 kg

T3 = mg

$\frac{200}{g} = m$

m = 20.41 kg if only vertical direction BUT must account for x direction for T1 + T2, as well