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Physics 101  
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Prob.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Total
Marks											

1. Answer all the questions.
2. The solution should be given explicitly for each problem.
3. No solution = no points.
4. Check the correct answer for each question.
5. Take  $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$ ,  $\cos 37 = 0.8$   $\sin 37 = 0.6$
6. Mobile phone and pagers are not allowed.

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1. The position of a particle varies with time according to the equation  $x = 4 - 4t + 2t^2$  m where  $t$  is in seconds. Find the average velocity of the particle between  $t = 0$  and  $t = 2$  s.

- a) 4 m/s      b) 2 m/s      **c) 0**      d) -2 m/s      e) -4 m/s

$$x(0) = 4 \text{ m} \quad + \quad x(2) = 4 - 4(2) + 2(2)^2 = 4 \text{ m}$$

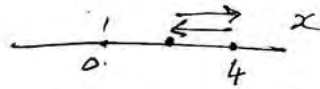
$$\bar{v} = \frac{4 - 4}{2 - 0} = 0$$

2. For the same particle of example (1) where  $x = 4 - 4t + 2t^2$  m, find the average speed from  $t = 0$  and  $t = 2$  s.

- a) 4 m/s      **b) 2 m/s**      c) 0      d) -2 m/s      e) -4 m/s

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = -4 + 4t = 0 \Rightarrow t = 1 \text{ s}$$

$$x(0) = 4 \text{ m} \quad x(1) = 4 - 4 + 2 = 2 \text{ m}$$



$$x(2) = 4 - 8 + 8 = 4 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{average speed} = \frac{\text{Total distance}}{\text{time}} = \frac{2 + 2}{2} = 2 \text{ m/s}$$

3. The angle between the two vectors  $\vec{A} = 3\vec{i} + 4\vec{j}$  and  $\vec{B} = 4\vec{i} + 3\vec{j}$  is:

- a) 0°      **b) 16°**      c) 37°      d) 53°      e) 90°

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}}{|\vec{A}| |\vec{B}|} = \frac{12 + 12}{(5)(5)} = \frac{24}{25} \Rightarrow \theta = 16^\circ$$

$$\theta_A = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) = 53^\circ \quad \theta_B = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) = 37^\circ \Rightarrow \Delta \theta = 16^\circ$$

4. A particle started from origin with velocity  $6\vec{i}$  m/s and moves with acceleration  $-3\vec{i} - 2\vec{j}$  m/s<sup>2</sup>. When the particle reaches its maximum positive  $x$  coordinate what is the speed of the particle?

- a) 0      b) -2 m/s      **c) 4 m/s**      d) 2 m/s      e) -4 m/s

$$V_x = V_{x0} + a_x t \Rightarrow 0 = 6 + (-3)t \Rightarrow t = 2 \text{ s}$$

$$V_y = V_{y0} + a_y t \Rightarrow V_y = 0 - 2(2) = -4 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\text{speed} = 4 \text{ m/s}$$

5. Particle A is projected from the ground level with speed of 50 m/s at a certain angle  $\theta_1$ . Six seconds later another particle B is projected from the same point with the same speed but at angle  $\theta_2$ . The two particles meet when they hit the ground at a horizontal distance of 160 m from the projection point and at the same ground level. What is  $\theta_2$ ?

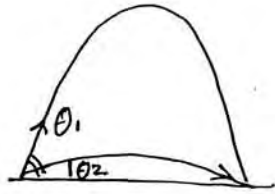
- a)  $20^\circ$    b)  $30^\circ$    c)  $40^\circ$    d)  $50^\circ$    e)  $60^\circ$    f)  $70^\circ$

$$R = \frac{V_0^2 \sin 2\theta}{g}$$

$$160 = \frac{(50)^2 \sin 2\theta}{10} \Rightarrow \sin 2\theta = \frac{(160)(10)}{(50)^2}$$

$$2\theta = 40^\circ \quad \theta = \frac{40}{2} = 20^\circ$$

This is  $(\theta_2)$  because it takes the least time.



6. What would the period of rotation of Earth (number of hours per day) have to be for an object on the equator to have a centripetal acceleration of a magnitude of  $9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$  ( $R_e = 6.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$ )?

- a) 5.1 h   b) 24 h   c) 2.2 h   d) 8 h   e)  $1.4 \text{ h}$

$$a_r = \frac{V^2}{R} \Rightarrow 9.8 = \frac{V^2}{6.4 \times 10^6} \Rightarrow V = 7.9 \times 10^3 \text{ m/s}$$

$$T = \frac{2\pi R}{V} = \frac{2\pi (6.4 \times 10^6)}{7.9 \times 10^3} = 5.07 \times 10^3 \text{ s}$$

$$T = \frac{5.07 \times 10^3}{3600} = 1.4 \text{ h}$$

Three masses in contact as shown in figure  $m_1 = 8 \text{ kg}$ ,  $m_2 = 12 \text{ kg}$ ,  $m_3 = 20 \text{ kg}$ . A force of 160 N acts on  $m_3$  horizontally. What is the net force on  $m_2$ ?

- a) 12 N   b) 16 N   c) 24 N   d) 32 N   e)  $48 \text{ N}$

$$F - P_1 = m_3 a$$

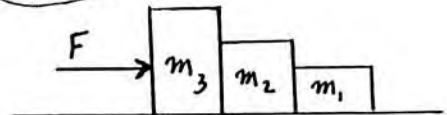
$$P_1 - P_2 = m_2 a$$

$$P_2 = m_1 a$$

$$\hline F = Ma$$

$$a = \frac{160}{40} = 4 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$\sum F_2 = 12(4) = 48 \text{ N}$$



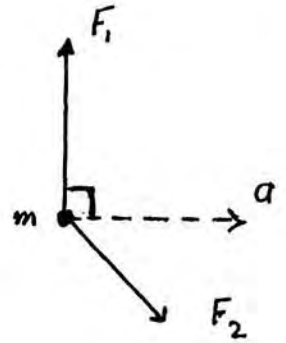
8. A particle of mass 1 kg is acted upon by two forces  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  as shown in figure. As a result the particle moves with acceleration of  $3 \text{ m/s}^2$  in the direction shown in figure. If  $F_1 = 4 \text{ N}$ , the magnitude of the force  $F_2$  is :

- a) 3 N      b) 4 N      **c) 5 N**      d) 6 N      e) 7 N

$$F_{2x} = m a = (1)(3) = 3 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{2y} = F_1 = 4 \text{ N}$$

$$F_2 = \sqrt{F_{2x}^2 + F_{2y}^2} = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = \mathbf{5 \text{ N}}$$



9. A plane (P) flies horizontally with speed of  $100 \text{ m/s}$ . A package (c) is released from the plane. Find the velocity (in  $\text{m/s}$ ) of the package relative to the plane after 2 s.

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- a)  $100\vec{i}$       b)  $20\vec{j}$       **c)  $-20\vec{j}$**       d)  $100\vec{i} + 20\vec{j}$       e)  $100\vec{i} - 20\vec{j}$

$$V_{Pg} = 100\vec{i}$$

$$V_{cg} = 100\vec{i} - 20\vec{j}$$

$$V_y = V_{y0} - gt$$

$$= 0 - 10(2)$$

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

$$V_{CP} = V_{cg} + V_{gP} = (100\vec{i} - 20\vec{j}) - (100\vec{i})$$

$$= \mathbf{-20\vec{j}}$$

10. In Atwood machine the particles  $m_1 = 12 \text{ kg}$  and  $m_2 = 8 \text{ kg}$  are arranged (as shown in figure) with distance  $8 \text{ m}$  apart from each other. How long does  $m_1$  take to meet particle  $m_2$  when the system is released from rest?

- a) 4 s      **b) 2 s**      c) 1.4 s      d) 2.8 s      e) 3.6 s

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} m_1 g - T = m_1 a \\ T - m_2 g = m_2 a \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow m_1 g - m_2 g = (m_1 + m_2) a$$

$$a = \frac{m_1 - m_2}{m_1 + m_2} g = \frac{12 - 8}{12 + 8} (10) = 2 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$y = V_{y0} t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2$$

$$4 = 0 + \frac{1}{2} (2) t^2$$

$$\mathbf{t = 2 \text{ s}}$$

