

THE COPPERBELT UNIVERSITY
PHYSICS DEPARTMENT

TEST 1 – AUGUST 2020

PH 110 – *INTRODUCTORY PHYSICS*

TIME: 2 HOURS

MAX MARKS: 100

ATTEMPT **ALL** QUESTIONS. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS.

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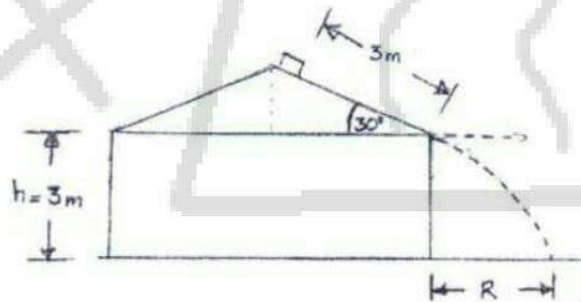
Acceleration due to gravity, $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$

Q1. (a) A car travels 1 km between two stops. It starts from rest and accelerates at 2.5 m/s^2 until it attains a velocity of 12.5 m/s . The car continues at this velocity for some time and decelerates at 3 m/s^2 until it stops. Calculate the total time for the journey. [10 marks]

(b) A crate slides from rest and accelerates uniformly at 4.9 m/s^2 along a frictionless roof 3 m long which is inclined at an angle of 30° to the horizontal as indicated in the Figure below. Determine:

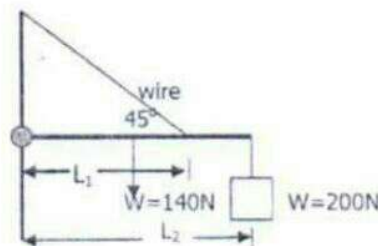
- the velocity of the crate just after losing contact with the roof,
- the velocity (magnitude and direction) of the crate just before it hits the ground,
- the time the crate takes to hit the ground after losing contact with the roof, and
- the horizontal distance between the point directly below the roof and the landing Point (i.e. the range).

[15 marks]



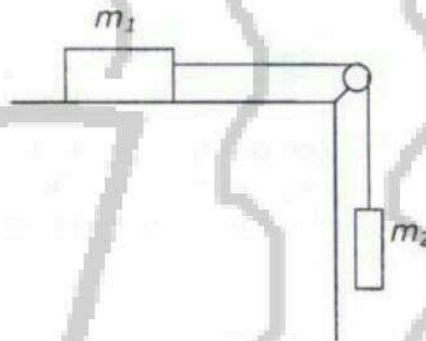
Q2. (a) A block of weight $W = 200 \text{ N}$ is supported by a uniform beam of weight 140 N as shown in the Figure below. If $L_1 = 1.1 \text{ m}$ and $L_2 = 1.4 \text{ m}$, find the tension in the wire and the vertical and horizontal components of the force exerted by the hinge on the beam.

[10 marks]

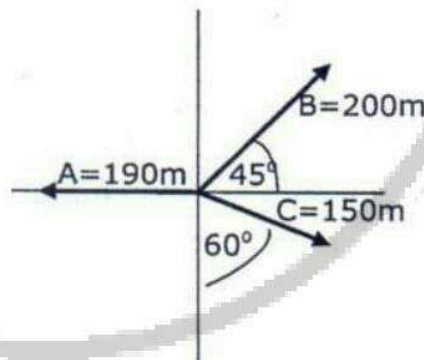


- (b) (i) Give two conditions required for an object to be static equilibrium. [4 marks]

- (ii) Two objects with masses $m_1 = 10 \text{ kg}$ and $m_2 = 5 \text{ kg}$ are connected by a light string that passes over a frictionless pulley as shown in the Figure below. If, when the system starts from rest, m_2 falls 1 m in 1.2 seconds, determine the coefficient of kinetic friction between m_1 and the table. [11 marks]



- Q3. (a) The magnitude and directions of three vectors \vec{A} , \vec{B} and \vec{C} are as shown in the Figure below. Find the magnitude and direction of a fourth vector \vec{D} which when added to these three vectors will give a resultant of zero. [12 marks]



- (b) Two people pull as hard as they can on ropes attached to a 200 kg object. If they pull in the same direction the object accelerates at 1.52 m/s^2 to the right. If they pull in opposite directions the object accelerates at 0.518 m/s^2 to the left. Ignoring any other forces, what is the force exerted by each person on the object? [9 marks]

- (c) If \vec{A} and \vec{B} are nonzero vectors, is it possible for $\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B}$ and $\vec{A} \times \vec{B}$ both to be zero? Explain.

[4 marks]

Q4. (a) An acre-foot is the volume of water that would cover 1 acre of flat land to a depth of 1 foot. How many gallons are in 1 acre-foot?

[5 marks]

(b) You are using water to dilute small amounts of chemicals in the laboratory, drop by drop. How many drops of water are in a 1.0-L bottle?

[9 marks]

(c) (i) State the principle of homogeneity.

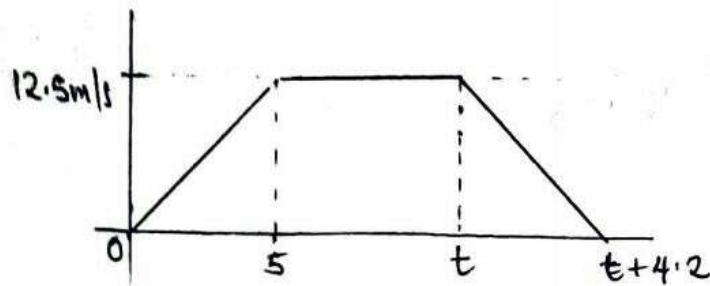
[2 marks]

(ii) The wavelength λ associated with a moving particle depends on its mass m , velocity v and Planck's constant h which is measured in $\text{kgm}^2\text{s}^{-1}$. Show dimensionally, that

$$\lambda \propto \frac{h}{mv}$$

[9 marks]

QUESTION 1 a.



$$D_t = 1 \text{ km}$$

$$v_0 = 0 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v = 12.5 \text{ m/s}$$

$$a_1 = 2.5 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$a_2 = 3 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$v = v_0 + at$$

$$12.5 = 0 + 2.5t$$

$$\frac{2.5t}{2.5} = \frac{12.5}{2.5}$$

$$t = 5 \text{ sec}$$

$$v = v_0 + at$$

$$0 = 12.5 + (-3t)$$

$$\frac{3t}{3} = \frac{12.5}{3}$$

$$t = 4.2 \text{ seconds}$$

to find the total distance we just find the area of the trapezium

$$A = \frac{1}{2}(a+b)h \quad \text{where } a = t - 5$$

$$b = t + 4.2$$

$$h = 12.5$$

$$D = 1 \text{ km or } 1000 \text{ m}$$

$$D = \frac{1}{2}(a+b)h$$

$$1000 = \frac{1}{2}[(t-5) + (t+4.2)]12.5$$

$$1000 = 0.5(2t - 0.8)12.5$$

$$1000 = (2t - 0.8)6.25$$

$$1000 = 12.5t - 5$$

$$\frac{1000 + 5}{12.5} = \frac{12.5t}{12.5}$$

$$t = 80.4 \text{ seconds}$$

$$\therefore \text{ total time taken is } t + 4.2 = 80.4 + 4.2$$

$$= \underline{\underline{84.6 \text{ seconds}}}$$

QUESTION 1 b

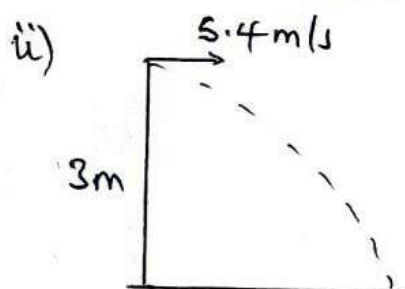
i) $a = 4.9 \text{ m/s}^2$
 $s = 3 \text{ m}$
 $v = ?$
 $v_0 = 0 \text{ m/s}$

$$v^2 = v_0^2 + 2as$$

$$v^2 = 0^2 + 2(4.9)(3)$$

$$\sqrt{v^2} = \sqrt{29.4}$$

$$v = \underline{\underline{5.4 \text{ m/s}}}$$



The velocity in the x is the same throughout the motion.

to find the ~~the~~ velocity in the y we use equation

$$v_y = 0$$

$$v^2 = v_0^2 + 2as$$

$$v^2 = v_0^2 + 2gH$$

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$$v^2 = (0)^2 + 2(9.8)(3)$$

$$\sqrt{v^2} = \sqrt{58.8}$$

$$v = 7.7 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{magnitude} &= \sqrt{(v_x)^2 + (v_y)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{5.4^2 + 7.7^2} \\ &= \underline{\underline{9.4 \text{ m/s}}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\tan^{-1}\left(\frac{v_y}{v_x}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{7.7}{5.4}\right) = 54.95^\circ = 55^\circ$$

\therefore the velocity is 9.4 m/s and an angle of 55° below the positive x -axis.

QUESTION 1 b

iii)

$$y = v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2$$

$$y = v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} g t^2, \text{ we consider the vertical motion}$$

$$3 = 0(t) + \frac{1}{2} g t^2$$

$$3 = \frac{1}{2} \times 9.8 t^2$$

$$\frac{3}{4.9} = \frac{4.9 t^2}{4.9}$$

$$\sqrt{t^2} = \sqrt{0.6122}$$

$$t = \underline{0.78 \text{ seconds}}$$

iv) we consider the motion in the horizontal

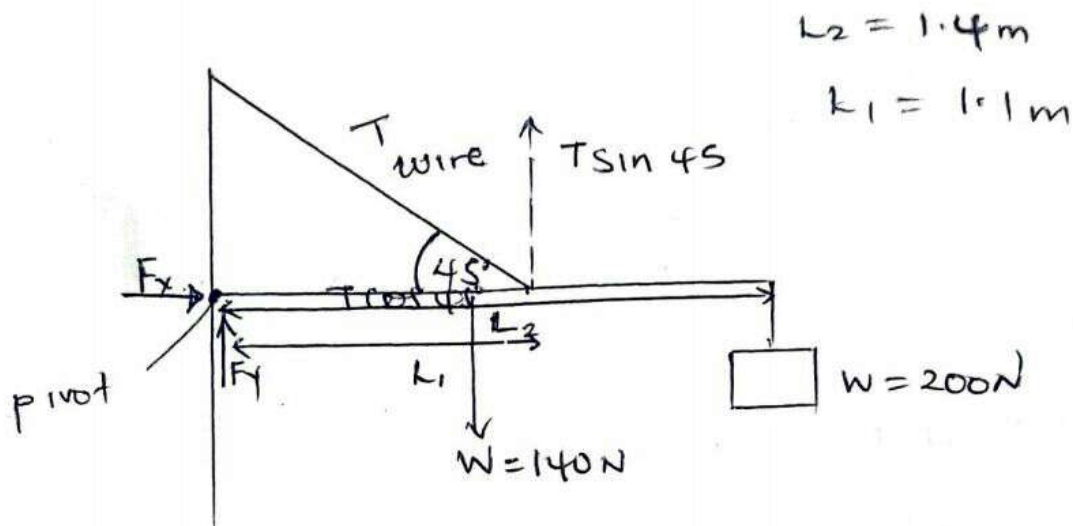
$$x = v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2 \quad a = 0 \text{ m/s}$$

$$x = v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} (0) t^2$$

$$x = 5.4 \times 0.78$$

$$x = \underline{4.212 \text{ m}}$$

QUESTION 2 a.



We resolve the T into its components

$$\sum F_y = 0$$

$$T \sin 45^\circ + F_y - W_{\text{beam}} - W_{\text{block}} = 0$$

$$T \sin 45^\circ + F_y - 140 - 200 = 0$$

$$T \sin 45^\circ + F_y - 340 = 0$$

$$T \sin 45^\circ + F_y = 340 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\sum F_x = 0$$

$$F_x - T \cos 45^\circ = 0$$

$$F_x = T \cos 45^\circ \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

We find the torque $\sum \tau = 0$

$$-(200 \times 1.4) - (140 \times 0.7) + (1.1 \times T \sin 45^\circ) = 0$$

$$-280 - 98 + 1.1 T \sin 45^\circ = 0$$

$$\frac{1.1 T \sin 45^\circ}{1.1 \sin 45^\circ} = \frac{378}{1.1 \sin 45^\circ}$$

$$T = 485.98$$

$$\underline{\underline{T = 486\text{N}}}$$

$$\text{Tension} = 486\text{N}$$

QUESTION 2a.

$$F_x = T \cos 45$$

$$F_x = 486 \cos 45$$

$$F_x = \underline{\underline{343.64}}$$

$$T \sin 45 + F_y = 340$$

$$F_y = 340 - T \sin 45$$

$$F_y = 340 - 486 \sin 45$$

$$F_y = 340 - 343.65$$

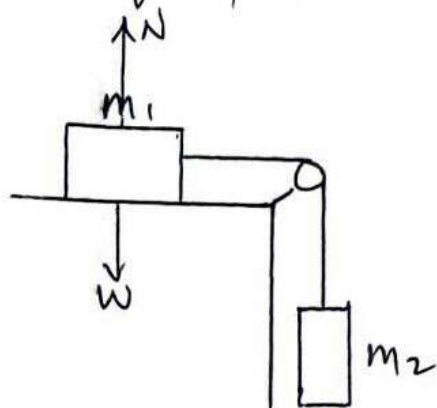
$$F_y = -3.65$$

$\therefore F_y = \underline{\underline{3.65}}$ and it should point downwards

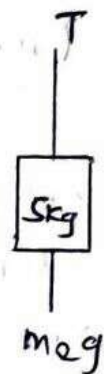
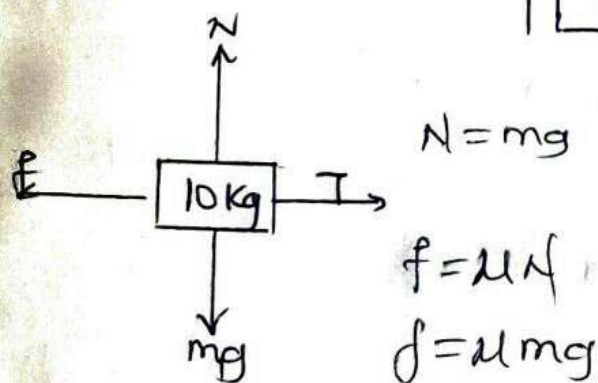
QUESTION 2b

- i) - The sum of clockwise and anticlockwise torque must be equal to zero
- The sum of the forces ΣF in the x-component and in the y-component must be equal to zero.

(ii)



we draw the free body diagrams for each mass



$$\Sigma F_x = m_1 a$$

$$T - f = m_1 a$$

$$T - \mu mg = m_1 a$$

$$T - 10\mu g = 10a \quad \dots (i)$$

Solving the two equations simultaneously

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} T - 10\mu g = 10a \\ -T + 5g = 5a \end{array} \right\} +$$

$$5g - 10\mu g = 15a$$

$$\frac{15a - 5g}{-10g} = \frac{-10\mu g}{-10g}$$

$$\mu = \frac{-15g + 5g}{+10g}, \text{ or } \mu = \frac{-15a + 5g}{10g}$$

QUESTION 26

$$\begin{aligned} \text{ii) } s &= 1 \text{ m} \\ t &= 1.2 \text{ seconds} \\ v_0 &= 0 \text{ m/s} \end{aligned}$$

$$x = v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2$$

$$1 = 0(t) + \frac{1}{2} (a) (1.2)^2$$

$$\frac{1}{0.72} = \frac{0.72 a}{0.72}$$

$$a = 1.4 \text{ m/s}^2$$

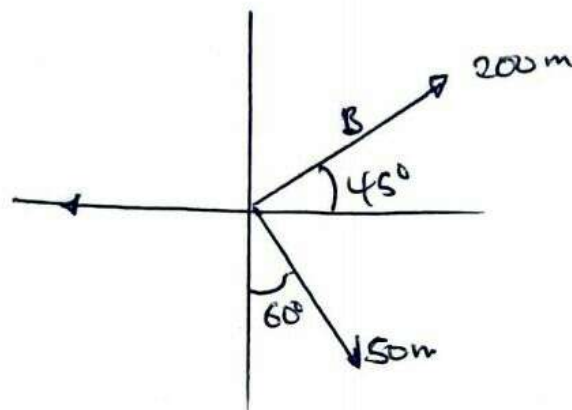
$$\mu_k = \frac{-15a + 5g}{10g}$$

$$\mu_k = \frac{-15(1.4) + 5(9.8)}{10(9.8)}$$

$$\mu_k = \frac{-21 + 49}{98} = 0.286$$

$$\mu_k = \underline{\underline{0.3}}$$

Q) QUESTION 3a



Resolving the vectors and angles measured from the positive x-axis.

Vector	x-component	y-component
A = 190m	$190 \cos 180 = 190m$	$190 \sin 180 = 0m$
B = 200m	$200 \cos 45 = 141.4m$	$200 \sin 45 = 141.4m$
C = 150m	$150 \cos 330 = 129.9m$	$150 \sin 330 = -75m$
D	$\Sigma F_x = 81.3m$	$\Sigma F_y = 66.4$

Vector D = (x component) + (y component)

$$D = x_D + y_D$$

$$D = -(81.3i + 66.4j)$$

$$D = -81.3i - 66.4j$$

$$\text{magnitude of D} = \sqrt{(-81.3)^2 + (-66.4)^2}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{104.97m}}$$

$$\text{Direction } \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{66.4}{81.3} \right) = 39.24^\circ$$

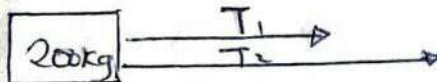
the angle is $180 + 39.24$

$$\theta = \underline{\underline{219.24^\circ}}$$

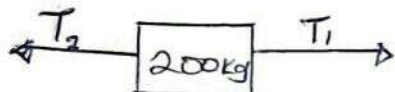
\therefore the magnitude is 104.97m at an angle of 219.24 from the positive x-axis

QUESTION 2b

$$a = 1.52 \text{ m/s}^2$$



$$a = 0.518 \text{ m/s}^2$$



$$\Sigma F_x = ma$$

$$T_1 + T_2 = 200 \times 1.52$$

$$T_1 + T_2 = 304 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$\Sigma F_x = ma$$

$$T_2 - T_1 = ma$$

$$T_2 - T_1 = 200 \times 0.518$$

$$T_2 - T_1 = 103.6 \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

Solving simultaneously

$$\begin{cases} T_1 + T_2 = 304 \\ -T_1 + T_2 = 103.6 \end{cases} +$$

$$\frac{2T_2}{2} = \frac{407.6}{2}$$

$$T_2 = \underline{\underline{203.8 \text{ N}}}$$

$$T_1 + T_2 = 304$$

$$T_1 + 203.8 = 304$$

$$T_1 = 304 - 203.8$$

$$T_1 = \underline{\underline{100.2 \text{ N}}}$$

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QUESTION 3c.

It is possible because, dot product of any two orthogonal vectors is zero and the cross product of any two linear product is zero.

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QUESTION 4 a.

$$1 \text{ acre} = 43560 \text{ ft}^2$$

$$1 \text{ ft}^3 = 7.48 \text{ gallons}$$

using dimensional analysis

$$\frac{7.48 \text{ gallon}}{1 \text{ ft}^3} \times \frac{43560 \text{ ft}^2}{1}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{325,828.8 \text{ gallons}}}$$

QUESTION 4 b.

$$1 \text{ L} \rightarrow 1000 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$1 \text{ drop} \rightarrow 50 \text{ mm}^3$$

converting 50 mm^3 to cm^3

$$(1 \text{ cm})^3 \rightarrow (10 \text{ mm})^3$$

$$1 \text{ cm}^3 \rightarrow 1000 \text{ mm}^3$$

$$x \rightarrow 50 \text{ mm}^3$$

$$\frac{1000x}{1000} = \frac{50 \text{ cm}^3}{1000}$$

$$x = 0.05 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$1 \text{ drop} \rightarrow 0.05 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$x \rightarrow 1000 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$\frac{0.05x}{0.05} = \frac{1000}{0.05}$$

$$x = \underline{\underline{20000 \text{ drops}}}$$

QUESTION 4c

i) The dimensions of all terms on the two sides of the equation are the same.

(ii) $\lambda \propto m^x v^y h^z$

$$\lambda = k m^x v^y h^z$$

$$L = M^x \cdot [LT^{-1}]^y [ML^2T^{-1}]^z$$

$$L = M^x \cdot L^y \cdot T^{-y} \cdot M^z L^{2z} T^{-z}$$

$$L = M^x \cdot M^z \cdot L^y \cdot L^{2z} \cdot T^{-y} \cdot T^{-z}$$

$$L = M^{x+z} \cdot L^{y+2z} \cdot T^{-y-z}$$

$$M^0 L^1 T^0 = M^{x+z} \cdot L^{y+2z} \cdot T^{-y-z}$$

$$x+z=0 \quad \text{--- (i)}$$

$$1 = y+2z \quad \text{--- (ii)} \quad 0 = -y-z \quad \text{--- (iii)}$$

Solving (ii) and (iii) simultaneously $y+z=0$

$$\begin{cases} y+2z=1 \\ y+z=0 \end{cases} \quad - \quad \begin{cases} y+z=0 \\ y+1=0 \end{cases}$$

$$z=1$$

$$y=-1$$

$$x+z=0$$

$$x+1=0$$

$$x=-1$$

$$\lambda = k m^{-1} v^{-1} h^1$$

$$\lambda = k m^{-1} v^{-1} h^1$$

$$\lambda = \frac{k h}{mv}$$

$$\lambda \propto \frac{h}{mv} \quad \text{hence Shown.}$$