

Solution

General Physics 1
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Question 1

The position of a particle is given as a function of time as $\vec{r} = (2t^2 \hat{i} - 6t \hat{j})$ meters.

- 5 a) Find the displacement vector $\Delta \vec{r}$ of the particle between $t=1$ and $t=3$ seconds.
- 5 b) Find the average velocity vector \vec{v}_{avg} of the particle between $t=1$ and $t=3$ seconds.
- 5 c) Find the angle between the average velocity vector \vec{v}_{avg} of the particle and the x-axis between $t=1$ and $t=3$ seconds.
- 5 d) Find the instantaneous velocity \vec{v} of the particle at $t=2$ seconds.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \vec{r}(t=3) &= (2(3^2) \hat{i} - 6(3) \hat{j}) \text{ m} = (18 \hat{i} - 18 \hat{j}) \text{ m} \\ \vec{r}(t=1) &= (2(1) \hat{i} - 6(1) \hat{j}) \text{ m} = (2 \hat{i} - 6 \hat{j}) \text{ m} \\ \Delta \vec{r}_{3-1} &= \vec{r}(t=3) - \vec{r}(t=1) = (16 \hat{i} - 12 \hat{j}) \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{b) } \vec{v}_{avg} = \frac{\Delta \vec{r}_{3-1}}{\Delta t} = \frac{(16 \hat{i} - 12 \hat{j}) \text{ m}}{(3-1) \text{ s}} = (8 \hat{i} - 6 \hat{j}) \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$\text{c) } \arctan\left(\frac{v_{avg,y}}{v_{avg,x}}\right) = \theta = \arctan\left(\frac{-6}{8}\right) = \arctan\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right) = -36.9^\circ$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{d) } \vec{v} &= \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt} = (4t \hat{i} - 6 \hat{j}) \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \\ \vec{v}(t=2) &= (8 \hat{i} - 6 \hat{j}) \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Alternative: c) } \vec{v}_{avg} \cdot \hat{i} = |v_{avg}| \cos \theta$$

$$|v_{avg}| = \sqrt{8^2 + 6^2} = 10 \text{ m/s}$$

$$8 \hat{i} \cdot \hat{i} - 6 \hat{j} \cdot \hat{i} = (10 \text{ m/s}) \cos \theta$$

$$8 = 10 \cos \theta$$

$$\theta = \arccos\left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = \pm 36.9^\circ$$

Because \vec{v} is in 4th quadrant, $\theta = -37^\circ$ (region)

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Question 2

A runner starts from rest and finishes a 75 meter race in 9 seconds. For the first 15 meters, she runs with constant acceleration and then with constant velocity.

- How long does it take for her to run the first 15 meters?
- How long does it take for her to run the last 30 meters?
- What is her final velocity?
- What is her acceleration in the first 15 meters?

Another runner is in the race. She starts from rest at the same time and runs with constant acceleration of 1.5 m/s^2 .

- Who wins the race?
- At time $t = 2$ seconds, what is her velocity relative to the first runner?

a) 15 m, const a , $v_1 = at$ at end of 15 m, $t = t_1$
 60 m, const v , $v_2 = at_2$ at end of race $t = 9 \text{ s}$
 if they use it w/o writing it's OK $1 \quad 75 \text{ m} = \Delta x_1 + \Delta x_2$
 $1 \quad \Delta x_1: 15 \text{ m} = \frac{1}{2} at_1^2$
 $1 \quad \Delta x_2: 60 \text{ m} = v_1 (9 - t_1) = (at_1)(9 - t_1) = \frac{1}{2} at_1^2 - at_1^2 =$
 $60 \text{ m} = \frac{1}{2} at_1^2 - at_1^2$
 $(2x) \quad 15 \text{ m} = \frac{1}{2} at_1^2$
 $(+)$
 $90 \text{ m} = \frac{1}{2} at_1^2$
 $2 \quad \frac{10 \text{ m}}{5} = at_1 = v_1 \text{ @ end of 15 m} \quad v_2 = 10 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$
 $15 \text{ m} = \frac{1}{2} (at_1) t_1$
 $15 \text{ m} = \frac{1}{2} (10 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}) t_1$
 $1 \quad t_1 = 3 \text{ s}$
 $t_2 = 9 \text{ s} - 3 \text{ s} = 6 \text{ s}$
 $v_2 = at_1$
 $2 \quad 10 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} = a (3 \text{ s}) \rightarrow a = \frac{10 \text{ m}}{3 \text{ s}^2}$
 $\Delta t = \Delta t_1 + \Delta t_2 = 9$
 $9 = t_1 + t_2$
 $t_2 = 9 - t_1$
 $\frac{60}{30} = \frac{\sqrt{t_2}}{\sqrt{t_1}}$
 4
 $-3-$

1 Last 30 m, v const = v_2
 $30 \text{ m} = v_2 t$

$$30 \text{ m} = 10 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} t$$

$t = 3 \text{ s}$ for the last 30 m

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Second runner, const $a = 1.5 \text{ m/s}^2$

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

$$75 \text{ m} = \frac{1}{2} (1.5 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}) t^2$$

no partial credit here

2 $\frac{150}{1.5} \text{ s}^2 = t^2$

$$t = 10 \text{ s}$$

First runner finished in 9 seconds. First runner wins.

$$v_{\text{Second Runner}}(t=2) = a_2(2 \text{ sec}) = (1.5 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2})(2 \text{ s}) = 3 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_{\text{First Runner}}(t=2) = a_1(2 \text{ sec}) = (\frac{10}{3} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2})(2 \text{ s}) = \frac{20}{3} \text{ m/s}$$

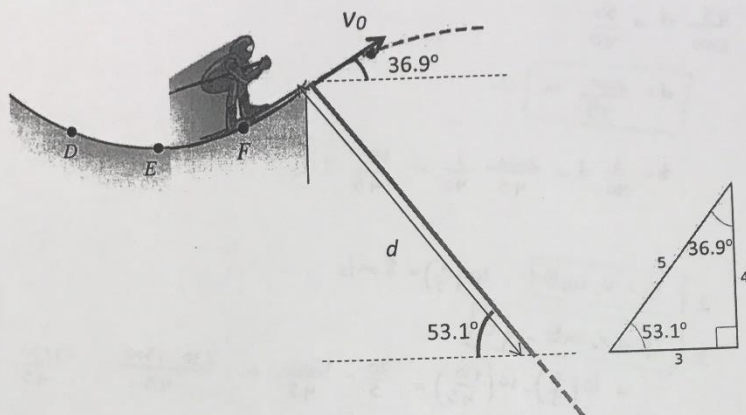
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$$v_{\text{Second/First}} = v_{\text{Second/earth}} + v_{\text{earth/First}} = v_{s/E} + v_{F/E} = 3 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} - \frac{20 \text{ m}}{3 \text{ s}} = -\frac{11}{3} \text{ m/s}$$

Solution

Question 3



A skier leaves the ramp with initial velocity 10 m/s and 36.9° above the horizontal as seen in the picture. The slope below is inclined at 53.1° . Assume $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$.

- What is the maximum height that the skier reaches? (define your coordinate system first)
- What is the distance d from the ramp to where the skier lands? (plug in numbers early on)
- What are the velocity components just before the landing?

$$v_0 = 10 \text{ m/s} \quad v_x = v_0 \cos \theta$$

$$y = y_0 + v_0 \sin \theta t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2 \quad v_y = v_0 \sin \theta - g t$$

$$@ h_{\max}: v_y = 0 \therefore t = \frac{v_0 \sin \theta}{g}$$

$$y_{\max} = \frac{v_0^2 \sin^2 \theta}{2g} - \frac{1}{2} g \left(\frac{v_0^2 \sin^2 \theta}{g^2} \right)$$

$$h_{\max} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{v_0^2 \sin^2 \theta}{g} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{(100) \left(\frac{3}{5} \right)^2}{10} = \frac{9}{5} \text{ m}$$

some add Δh of slope,
ignore, accept
if correct coord. sys.



or using
tan alpha

$$x = (v_0 \cos \theta) t = d \cos \alpha$$

$$y = (v_0 \sin \theta) t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2 = -d \sin \alpha$$

$$t = \frac{d \cos \alpha}{v_0 \cos \theta}$$

$$x: 10 \left(\frac{4}{5} \right) t = d \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) \rightarrow t = \frac{3}{40} d$$

$$y: 10 \left(\frac{3}{5} \right) t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2 = -d \left(\frac{4}{5} \right)$$

$$6t - 5t^2 = -\frac{4}{5}d \quad t = \frac{3}{40}d$$

Solution

$$6\left(\frac{3}{40}d\right) - 5\left(\frac{9}{1600}\right)d^2 = -\frac{4}{5}d$$

$$\frac{18}{40}d - \frac{45}{1600}d^2 = -\frac{4}{5}d$$

$$\frac{45}{1600}d = \frac{50}{40}$$

$$d = \frac{2000}{45} \text{ m} \quad 2$$

$$t = \frac{3}{40}d = \frac{2000}{45} \cdot \frac{3}{40} = \frac{150}{45} = \frac{10}{3}$$

$$1 \quad v_x = v_0 \cos \theta = 10 \left(\frac{4}{5}\right) = 8 \text{ m/s}$$

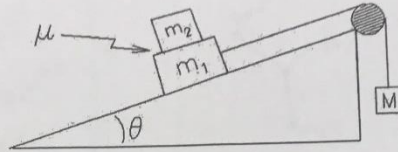
$$2 \quad v_y = v_0 \sin \theta - gt$$

$$= 10 \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) - 10 \left(\frac{150}{45}\right) = \frac{30}{5} - \frac{1500}{45} = \frac{270 - 1500}{45} = -\frac{1230}{45} \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

$$6 - \frac{100}{3} = -\frac{82}{3}$$

Solution

Question 4



A mass M is suspended by a rope, which goes around a pulley and is connected to mass m_1 which sits on an inclined plane. A mass m_2 kg sits on top of m_1 , as shown. The incline angle is θ . The pulley is frictionless, the rope is massless, and there is no friction between m_1 and the incline. However, there is friction between m_1 and m_2 , with coefficients μ_s and μ_k .

Case 1: System is in equilibrium.

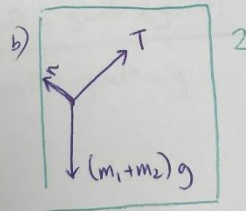
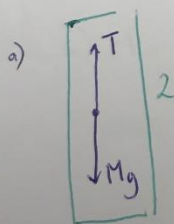
- Draw a free body diagram for M .
- Draw a free body diagram for m_1 and m_2 as a composite body (together as one).
- What is M ?

Case 2: M is now heavier and moves down with acceleration a .

- What is the tension in the rope?
- What is the new M ?

Case 3: M is at its maximum value such that m_2 rides on top of m_1 without slipping.

- Draw separate free body diagrams for m_1 and m_2 .
- What is the acceleration?
- What is the maximum value of M ?



c)

$$T = Mg$$

$$T = (m_1 + m_2)g \sin \theta, M = (m_1 + m_2) \sin \theta$$

d) M :

$$\sum F_y = T - Mg = Ma$$

$$T = M(a + g) \quad \text{or} \quad T = (m_1 + m_2)(a + g \sin \theta)$$

e)

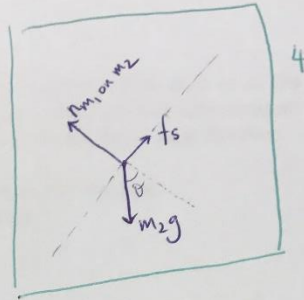
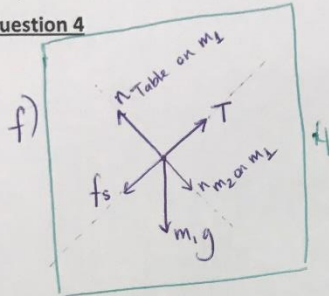
$$\sum F_x: -(m_1 + m_2)g \sin \theta + T = (m_1 + m_2)a$$

$$-(m_1 + m_2)g \sin \theta + M(a + g) = (m_1 + m_2)a$$

$$M = \frac{(m_1 + m_2)(a + g \sin \theta)}{a + g}$$

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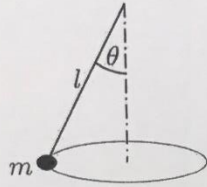
g) $m_1: \Sigma F_x: -m_2 g \sin \theta + f_s = m_2 a$ 1
 $\Sigma F_y: n - m_2 g \cos \theta = 0$ 1
 $n = m_2 g \cos \theta$ 1 $f_s = \mu_s n$ 1

$-m_2 g \sin \theta + \mu_s m_2 g \cos \theta = m_2 a$
 $a = \mu_s g \cos \theta - g \sin \theta$ 1

h) $M = \frac{(m_1 + m_2)(\mu_s g \cos \theta - g \sin \theta + g \sin \theta)}{\mu_s g \cos \theta - g \sin \theta + g} = \frac{(m_1 + m_2)(\mu_s g \cos \theta)}{g(\mu_s \cos \theta - \sin \theta + 1)}$ 2

Solution

Question 5



A conical pendulum. A bob with mass m at the end of a wire of length l moves in a horizontal circle with constant speed v . The wire makes a fixed angle θ with the vertical direction.

- Find the tension F in the wire.
- Find the period T .

FBD:



$$\Sigma F_y = F \cos \theta - mg = 0$$

$$F = \frac{mg}{\cos \theta}$$

$$\Sigma F_x: F \sin \theta = ma$$

$$\frac{mg}{\cos \theta} \sin \theta = ma$$

$$a = g \tan \theta$$

$$2\pi R = vT$$

$$T = \frac{2\pi R}{v}$$

$$a = \frac{v^2}{R}$$

$$T = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi^2 R^2}{aR}}$$

$$= 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{R}{g \tan \theta}}$$

$$R = l \sin \theta$$

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{l \cos \theta}{g}}$$

→ if correct
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even w/o previous