

ARANMORE CATHOLIC COLLEGE

PHYSICS 3A3B - 2010

ASSIGNMENT #2

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1. Taylah visits a space station which is in a circular orbit at a distance of one earth radius above the earth's surface.

- a) What will be the acceleration due to gravity on Taylah in the station?

[4 marks]

$$\begin{aligned}
 G &= 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N m}^2 \text{ kg}^{-2} & g &= \frac{G M}{r^2} & (1) \\
 M_E &= 5.98 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg} & g &= \frac{6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 5.98 \times 10^{24}}{(1.274 \times 10^7)^2} & (1) \\
 (1) \quad r &= 2 r_E & & & \\
 &= 1.274 \times 10^7 \text{ m} & g &= 2.46 \text{ N kg}^{-1} & (1)
 \end{aligned}$$

- b) Find the speed of the station and Taylah in their circular orbit.

[3 marks]

$$\begin{aligned}
 a_c &= g = \frac{V^2}{r} & (1) \\
 V &= \sqrt{g r} & (1) \\
 &= \sqrt{2.46 \times 1.27 \times 10^7} \\
 &= 5595 \text{ m s}^{-1} & (1) \\
 &= 5.60 \text{ km s}^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

- c) How long will it take Taylah to make one complete revolution?

[2 marks]

$$\begin{aligned}
 T &= \frac{2 \pi r}{V} & (1) \\
 &= \frac{2 \cdot \pi \times 1.27 \times 10^7}{5595} \\
 &= 142615 & (238 \text{ min}) & (1) \\
 &= 3.96 \text{ h.}
 \end{aligned}$$

2. Modern values for the mass of the Earth and other planets have been determined by observing the motion of artificial satellites that have been launched in recent years.

- a) Derive an expression for the mass of a central body, for example the Earth, in terms of the orbital radius (R) and orbital period (T) of an artificial satellite.

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad F_g &= F_c & V &= \frac{2\pi r}{T} & [3 \text{ marks}] \\ (1) \quad \frac{GMm}{r^2} &= \frac{mv^2}{r} & \text{so } M &= \frac{4\pi^2 r^3}{GT^2} & (1) \\ M &= \frac{v^2 r}{G} \end{aligned}$$

- b) One of Mars' moons, Phobos, revolves around Mars with an orbital radius of 9.35×10^3 km and with a period of 7 hours and 35 minutes. Use your expression from part (a) above to determine the mass of Mars.

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad r &= 9350 \text{ km} \\ &= 9.35 \times 10^6 \text{ m} \\ (1) \quad T &= 7 \text{ h } 35 \text{ min} \\ &= 27300 \text{ s} \end{aligned} \quad \left\{ \begin{aligned} M_{\text{Mars}} &= \frac{4\pi^2 (9.35 \times 10^6)^3}{6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times (27300)^2} & (1) \\ &= 6.49 \times 10^{23} \text{ kg} & (1) \end{aligned} \right. \quad [4 \text{ marks}]$$

- c) What is the value for the acceleration due to gravity, 'g', on the surface of Mars, given that Mars has a radius of 3430 km?

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad r &= 3.43 \times 10^6 \text{ m} \\ (1) \quad g &= \frac{GM_M}{r^2} & (1) \\ &= \frac{6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 6.49 \times 10^{23}}{(3.43 \times 10^6)^2} & (1) \\ &= 3.68 \text{ N kg}^{-1} & (1) \end{aligned} \quad [4 \text{ marks}]$$

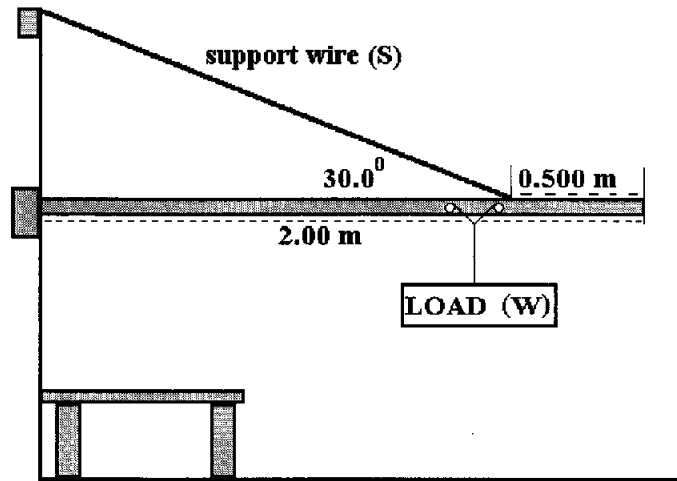
- d) What is the orbital speed of Phobos (in ms^{-1})?

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \frac{2\pi r}{T} & (1) \\ &= \frac{2\pi \times 9.35 \times 10^6}{27300} = 2152 \text{ ms}^{-1} & (1) \\ &= 2.15 \text{ km s}^{-1} & (1) \end{aligned} \quad [3 \text{ marks}]$$

- e) Is Phobos accelerating? Explain.

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad \text{YES, - CIRCULAR MOTION} \\ (1) \quad \text{- CONSTANT SPEED, BUT DIRECTION CHANGES} \\ \text{- ACCELERATION TOWARDS CENTRE OF MARS.} \end{aligned} \quad [2 \text{ marks}]$$

3. Ceara has a wall crane illustrated below. It is designed to lift motors from cars and transfer them to a workbench using rollers. This allows Ceara to shift the load from one end of the beam to the other, as shown in the diagram.



- a) If the uniform beam has a mass of 40.0 kg and the load (W) is 2.00×10^2 kg, find the force in the support wire (S) when the load is at the outer end. [5 marks]

PIVOT POINT AT WALL: (1)

$$\sum \tau_{AC} = \sum \tau_C \quad (1)$$

$$(1) \quad 1.5 \times T \sin 30^\circ = 1 \times 40 \times 9.8 + 2 \times 200 \times 9.8 \quad (1)$$

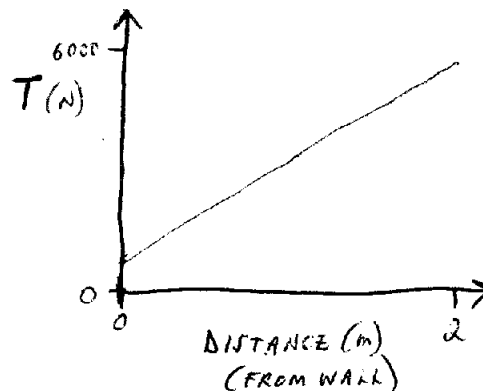
$$0.75 T = 392 + 3920$$

$$T = \frac{4312}{0.75}$$

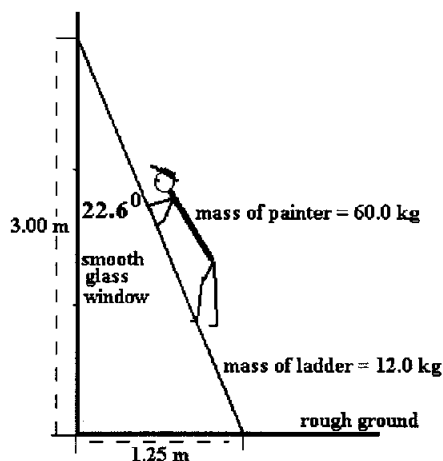
$$= 5750 \text{ N.} \quad (1)$$

- b) Sketch a graph to show how the force in the wire varies as Ceara moves the load in towards the wall. [3 marks]

1 - LABELLING
1 - LINE
1 - NOT INTERSECTING
AT ZERO TENSION.



4. Tito, a painter, rests a 12.0 kg wooden extension ladder of length 3.25 m against a smooth window surface at an angle of 22.6° to the glass.



- a) What force is the ladder exerting on the glass? (Since the glass is smooth, the force will be perpendicular to the window.) [5 marks]

TAKE PIVOT POINT AT GROUND:

(1)

$$\sum \tau_c = \sum \tau_{ac}$$

$$(1) \quad 3 \times F_{\text{GLASS}} = \frac{1.25}{2} \times F_{\text{LADDER}} \quad (1)$$

$$F_{\text{GLASS}} = \frac{0.625 \times 12 \times 9.8}{3} \quad (1)$$

$$= 24.5 \text{ N.} \quad (1)$$

- b) The glass will break if subjected to a force greater than 150 N at the point where the ladder is resting on it. How far up the ladder can Tito climb before disaster strikes? [5 marks]

SAME AS (a) BUT WITH TITO: (1)

$$(1) \quad 3 \times 150 = 0.625 \times 117.6 + x \times 60 \times 9.8 \quad (1)$$

$$450 = 73.5 + 588x \quad (1)$$

$$x = \frac{376.5}{588} = 0.64 \text{ m}$$

THIS IS THE HORIZONTAL DISTANCE OF TITO:

$$\sin 22.6 = \frac{0.64}{L}$$

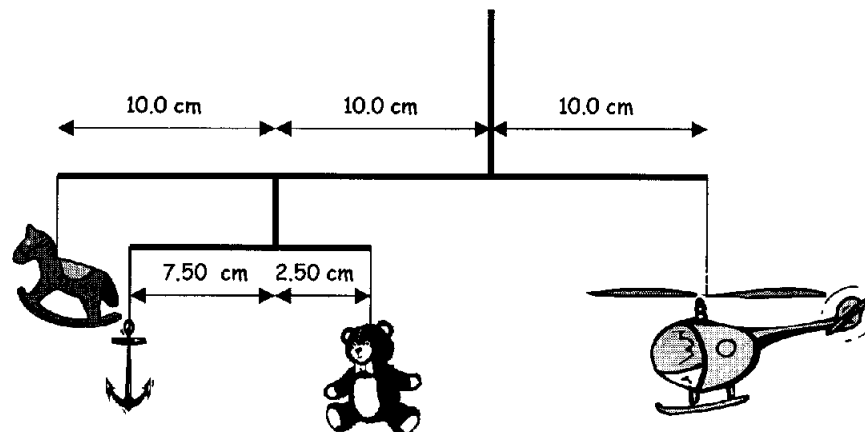
$$L = \frac{0.64}{\sin 22.6}$$

$$L = 1.67 \text{ m.} \quad (1)$$

TITO CAN ASCEND THE LADDER SO THAT HIS CENTRE OF MASS IS 1.67 m ALONG THE LADDER.

5. Tom's mobile hangs in static equilibrium above his bed, as shown in the diagram below. The mass of the horse is 160.0 g and the mass of the anchor is 60.0 g.

[7 marks]



- a) What is the mass of Tom's hanging teddy bear?

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_{\text{ANCHOR}} &= 60.0 \text{ g} & m_A g r_A &= m_T g r_T & (1) \\
 r_{\text{ANCHOR}} &= 7.50 \text{ cm} & m_T &= \frac{60.0 \times 7.50}{2.50} & (1) \\
 m_{\text{TEDDY}} &= ? & m_T &= 180.0 \text{ g} & (1) \\
 r_{\text{TEDDY}} &= 2.50 \text{ cm}
 \end{aligned}$$

N.B. CONVERSIONS TO kg , m , N NOT REQUIRED PROVIDED THEY ARE CONSISTENT.

- b) What is the mass of Tom's toy helicopter?

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_{\text{HORSE}} &= 160.0 \text{ g} & m_{\text{HELI}} g r_{\text{HELI}} &= m_{\text{HORSE}} g r_{\text{HORSE}} + m_{\text{T+A}} g r_{\text{T+A}} & (1) \\
 r_{\text{HORSE}} &= 20.0 \text{ cm} & m_{\text{HELI}} &= \frac{160 \times 20 + 240 \times 10}{10} & (1) \\
 m_{\text{T+A}} &= 240.0 \text{ g} & m_{\text{HELI}} &= 560.0 \text{ g} & (1) \\
 r_{\text{T+A}} &= 10.0 \text{ cm} \\
 m_{\text{HELICOPTER}} &= ? \\
 r_{\text{HELICOPTER}} &= 10.0 \text{ cm}
 \end{aligned}$$