

PHYSICS I Problem Set 6

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Problem 1 Solution

(a) Assume $m = \lambda l$, therefore, for any tiny enough piece of rope, we have

$$W = \int (dm)gl = \int \lambda gl d = \frac{1}{2}\lambda gl^2 \quad (1)$$

where $m = \lambda l$. Then we know

$$W = \frac{1}{2}mgl \quad (2)$$

(b) We first calculate the value of λ_0

$$m = \int \lambda(x)dx = \lambda_0 \int_0^l (-x^2 + lx)dx = \frac{1}{6}\lambda_0 l^3 \quad (3)$$

Therefore

$$\lambda_0 = \frac{6m}{l^3} \quad (4)$$

We then try to find the minimum work

$$W = \int (dm)gl = \int \lambda_0 x(l-x)dx = \frac{1}{12}\lambda_0 gl^4 \quad (5)$$

where equation(4) survives. Then we know

$$W = \frac{1}{2}mgl \quad (6)$$

Problem 2 Solution

We will apply energy conservation law.

$$W = W_{\text{mg}} - W_{\text{float}} \quad (7)$$

We first try to determine the how deep the cone submerged into the liquid. Suppose the depth is αH . Then

$$\frac{1}{3}\pi(\alpha R)^2\alpha H = \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{1}{3}\pi R^2 H \quad (8)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \sqrt[3]{\frac{2}{3}} \quad (9)$$

We then calculate the work done by buoyant force.

$$W_{\text{float}} = \int_0^{\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{3}}H} \rho V_{\text{sub}} g dx \quad (10)$$

$$= \int_0^{\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{3}}H} \rho g \left(\frac{1}{3} \pi \left(\frac{x}{H} R \right)^2 x \right) dx \quad (11)$$

$$= \frac{\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{3}}}{36} \rho g \pi R^2 H^2 \quad (12)$$

We now can calculate the work we needed

$$W = mg \sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{3}} H - W_{\text{float}} \quad (13)$$

where

$$mg = \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{1}{3} \rho \pi R^2 H g \quad (14)$$

Therefore

$$W = \frac{\sqrt[3]{\frac{1}{3}}}{12} \rho g \pi R^2 H^2 \quad (15)$$

Problem 3 Solution

(a) We will apply conservation of energy law.

$$mgx_m = \int_0^{x_m} F dx = \frac{1}{2} k x_m^2 \quad (16)$$

$$\Rightarrow x_m = 0.0327 \text{ (m)} \quad (17)$$

Then we can easily calculate the maximum force F_m

$$F_m = kx_m = 98 \text{ (N)} \quad (18)$$

(b) Analogously, we apply conservation of energy law.

$$mgx_m = \int_0^{x_m} F dx = 120000x_m^4 + 1500x_m^2 \quad (19)$$

$$\Rightarrow x_m = 0.0304 \text{ (m)} \quad (20)$$

Then we get

$$F_m = 3 \times 10^3 \times (x_m + 160x_m^3) = 105 \text{ (N)} \quad (21)$$

Problem 4 Solution

According to conservation of energy law

$$\frac{1}{2} m v_0^2 = mgx \sin \alpha + \int_0^x \mu mg \cos \alpha dx \quad (22)$$

where

$$\mu = Ax \quad (23)$$

In addition, we need to ensure that

$$\mu mg \cos \alpha \geq m h \sin \alpha \quad (24)$$

Namely

$$x \geq \frac{\sin \alpha}{A \cos \alpha} \quad (25)$$

In order to show we are proving the statement on the track, the process of calculation is followed.

$$\begin{aligned} v_0^2 &= 2gx \sin \alpha + 2 \int_0^x A x m g \cos \alpha dx \\ &= 2gx \sin \alpha + A g x^2 \cos \alpha \\ &\geq \frac{2g(\sin \alpha)^2}{A \cos \alpha} + \frac{g(\sin \alpha)^2}{A \cos \alpha} = \frac{3g(\sin \alpha)^2}{A \cos \alpha} \end{aligned}$$

Problem 5 Solution

We first calculate work done by friction

$$W_f = \int_0^{\frac{L_0}{2}} \frac{x}{L_0} \mu m g dx = \frac{1}{8} \mu m g L_0 \quad (26)$$

Then we calculate the velocity

$$\frac{1}{2} m v_0^2 + W = 0 \quad (27)$$

$$\Rightarrow v_0 = \frac{\sqrt{\mu g L_0}}{2} \quad (28)$$

Problem 6 Solution

(a) For (A),

$$\mathbf{F}_1(\mathbf{r}) = (0, 0, 5)$$

Since $\mathbf{F}_1(\mathbf{r})$ is vertical to the x-axis

$$\mathbf{F}_1(\mathbf{r}) \cdot \mathbf{x} = 0$$

Therefore,

$$W_{aA} = 0 \text{ J} \quad (29)$$

For (B),

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{F}_2(\mathbf{r}) &= (-2x, 0, 0) \\ \mathbf{F}_2(\mathbf{r})_x &= (-2x, 0, 0) \\ \mathbf{F}_2(\mathbf{r})_y &= (0, 0, 0)\end{aligned}$$

We calculate the work separately corresponding to x -component and y -component.

$$W_x = \int_{-1}^1 \mathbf{F}_2(\mathbf{r})_x dx \quad (30)$$

$$W_y = \int_0^0 \mathbf{F}_2(\mathbf{r})_y dy \quad (31)$$

$$W_{\text{aB}} = W_x + W_y \quad (32)$$

Therefore,

$$W_{\text{aB}} = 0 \text{ J} \quad (33)$$

(b) For (A),

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{F}_1(\mathbf{r}) &= (0, -xy, 5) \\ \mathbf{F}_1(\mathbf{r})_x &= (0, 0, 0) \\ \mathbf{F}_1(\mathbf{r})_y &= (0, xy, 0)\end{aligned}$$

Notice that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 2x \quad (34)$$

$$\Rightarrow dy = 2x dx \quad (35)$$

We then calculate the work separately corresponding to x -component and y -component.

$$W_x = \int_{-1}^1 \mathbf{F}_1(\mathbf{r})_x dx \quad (36)$$

$$W_y = \int_{\Gamma_{AB}} \mathbf{F}_1(\mathbf{r})_y dy = \int_{-1}^1 -(x^3 - x) 2x \, dx \quad (37)$$

$$W_{\text{aB}} = W_x + W_y \quad (38)$$

Therefore,

$$W_{\text{bA}} = \frac{8}{15} \text{ J} \quad (39)$$

For (B)

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbf{F}_2(\mathbf{r}) &= (-2x, 0, y - xy) \\ \mathbf{F}_2(\mathbf{r})_x &= (-2x, 0, 0) \\ \mathbf{F}_2(\mathbf{r})_y &= (0, 0, 0)\end{aligned}$$

We calculate the work separately corresponding to x -component and y -component.

$$W_x = \int_{-1}^1 \mathbf{F}_2(\mathbf{r})_x dx \quad (40)$$

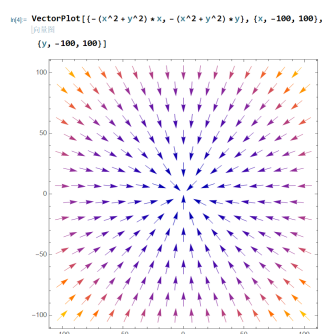
$$W_y = \int_0^0 \mathbf{F}_2(\mathbf{r})_y dy \quad (41)$$

$$W_{aB} = W_x + W_y \quad (42)$$

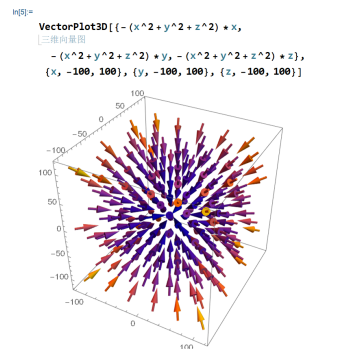
Therefore,

$$W_{aB} = 0 \text{ J} \quad (43)$$

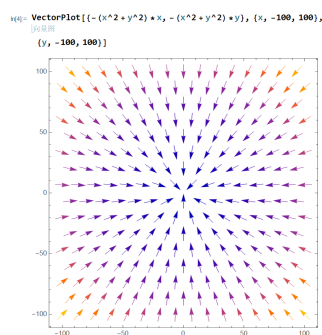
Problem 7 Solution



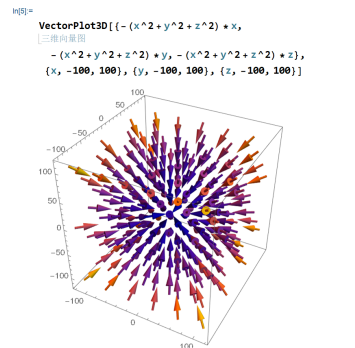
(a) Plot of (a)



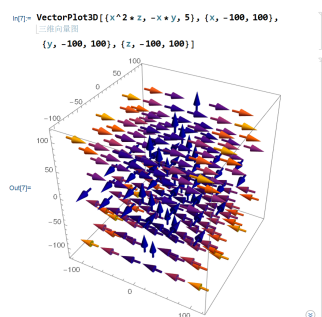
(b) Plot of (b)



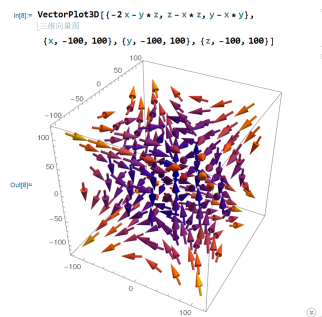
(c) Plot of (c) - 2D



(d) Plot of (c) - 3D



(e) Plot of Problem 6(A)



(f) Plot of Problem 6(B)

Figure 1: Plots in Problem 7