

Homework 3

1 Problem 1:

$$W(OAC) = \int_{OA} \vec{F}_i dx + \int_{AC} \vec{F}_j dy = \int_0^5 25 dy = 125J \quad (1)$$

$$W(OBC) = \int_{OB} \vec{F}_j dy + \int_{BC} \vec{F}_i dx = \int_0^5 10 dy = 50J \quad (2)$$

$$W(OC) = \int_{OC} (x^2 + 2x) dx = \frac{200}{3}J \quad (3)$$

note that $x = y$ along OC.

\mathbf{F} is nonconservative, because work done by \mathbf{F} between two points depends on the path.

2 Problem 2:

Choose the potential energy at point C to be zero, the total energy at the top is

$$E = mgR + \frac{1}{2}mv_i^2 = \frac{3}{2}mgR \quad (4)$$

Therefore, the kinetic energy at θ is

$$E_{k\theta} = \frac{3}{2}mgR + mgR\cos\theta = \frac{1}{2}mv_\theta^2 \quad (5)$$

the time the ball need to reach C is:

$$t = -\frac{R\sin\theta}{v_\theta\cos\theta} \quad (6)$$

and the direction in the horizon:

$$R\cos\theta = v_\theta\sin\theta \cdot t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2 \quad (7)$$

thus

$$\cos\theta = \frac{\sqrt{6}-3}{3} \quad (8)$$

3 Problem 3:

The momentum is conserved when the bullet passes through bob.

$$mv = Mv_M + \frac{1}{2}mv \quad (9)$$

$$v_M = \frac{mv}{2M} \quad (10)$$

when the bob get to the top, v could be zero and the energy conservation gives:

$$\frac{1}{2}Mv_M^2 = 2Mgl \quad (11)$$

thus:

$$v_M = \sqrt{4gl} \quad (12)$$

$$v_{min} = \frac{2v_MM}{m} = \frac{4M}{m}\sqrt{gl} \quad (13)$$

4 Problem 4:

(a)According to the momentum conservation:

$$3Mv_1 + Mv_2 = 0 \quad (14)$$

therefore:

$$v_2 = -3v_1 \quad (15)$$

We know $v_1 = 2m/s$, to the right.

Therefore $v_2 = 6m/s$, to the left.

(b)since the energy is conserved in such a system:

$$E = \frac{1}{2}Mv_2^2 + \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3Mv_1^2 = 8.4J \quad (16)$$

5 Problem 5:

Assume the struck ball's velocity is \vec{v}_1 , the other ball's velocity is \vec{v}_2 .

Therefore:

$$m\vec{v}_0 = m\vec{v}_1 + m\vec{v}_2 \quad (17)$$

so:

$$\vec{v}_1 = \vec{v}_0 - \vec{v}_2 \quad (18)$$

we know

$$\vec{v}_0 = 5\vec{i} \text{ m/s}, \quad (19)$$

$$\vec{v}_1 = 4.33 \times \left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}\vec{i} + \frac{1}{2}\vec{j} \right) \quad (20)$$

So,

$$\vec{v}_2 = \left(5 - 4.33 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} \right) \vec{i} - 4.33 \times \frac{1}{2} \vec{j} \quad (21)$$

thus:

$$|v_2| \approx 2.5 \text{ m/s} \quad (22)$$

$$\cos\theta = \frac{5 - 4.33 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}}{2.5} \approx \frac{1}{2}, \theta \approx \frac{\pi}{3} \quad (23)$$

Therefore, $v_2 = 2.5 \text{ m/s}$ at an angle of 60.0° with the respect to the original line of motion.

6 Problem 6:

The velocity of the center of mass is defined as

$$\vec{v}_c = \frac{m_1\vec{v}_1 + m_2\vec{v}_2}{m_1 + m_2} = -\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{15}\vec{i} + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{5}\vec{j} = -0.189\vec{i} + 0.566\vec{j}. \quad (24)$$

The magnitutde:

$$v = \frac{4}{3\sqrt{5}} \text{ m/s} = 0.596 \text{ m/s}$$

The direction:

$$\frac{\vec{v}}{v} = -\frac{\sqrt{10}}{10}\vec{i} + \frac{3\sqrt{10}}{10}\vec{j}$$

The position vector is:

$$\vec{s} = \vec{v}_c t = -\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{15}t\vec{i} + \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{5}t\vec{j}. \quad (25)$$