Tutorial #1: (Motion along one and two dimensions)

Please try and complete the first 4 problems before attending the online lecture.

Problem #1 (Displacement, time and average velocity)

Starting from a pillar, a boy runs 200m east at an average speed of 5.0m/s and then runs 280m west at an average speed of 4m/s to a post. Calculate the following.

- a. the boy's average speed from pillar to post and (Ans: 4.4 m/s)
- b. his average velocity from pillar to post (Ans: -0.73m/s)

Problem #2 (Instantaneous velocity)

A car is stopped at a traffic signal. It then travels along a straight road such that the distance from the light is given by $x(t) = bt^2 - ct^3$, where $b = 3.00m/s^2$ and $c = 0.110m/s^3$. Calculate the following.

- a. the average velocity of the car for the time interval t = 0s to = 10.0 (Ans: 19.0m/s)
- b. the instantaneous velocity of the car at t = 0s, t = 5.0s and at t = 10.0 (Ans: 0, 22.0 m/s, 27.0 m/s)
- c. how long after starting from the rest is the car again at rest? (Ans: 18.2s)

Problem #3 (Motion with constant acceleration)

A deer is moving with a constant acceleration and covers a distance 66.0 m between 2 points in 6.70s. Its speed as it passes the second point is 14.4 m/s.

- a. What is the speed of the deer at the first point? (Ans: 5.3m/s)
- b. What is its acceleration? (Ans: 1.3m/s²)

Problem #4 (Motion with constant acceleration)

In the fastest measured tennis serve, the ball left the racquet at 73.14m/s. A served tennis ball is typically in contact with the racquet for 29.0ms and starts from rest. Assume constant acceleration.

- a. What was the ball's acceleration during the serve? (Ans: 2,522m/s²)
- b. How far did the ball travel during the serve? (Ans: 1.06m)

Problem #5 (Free falling bodies)

A small rock is thrown vertically upward with a speed of 18.00m/s from the edge of a roof of 37.0m tall building. The rock does not hit the building on its way back down and lands on the street below. Ignore air resistance.

- a. What is the speed of the rock just before it hits the street? (Ans: -32.4m/s)
- b. How much time elapses from when the rock is thrown until it hits the ground? (Ans: 5.14s)

Problem #6 (Free falling bodies)

A tennis ball on Mars where the acceleration due to gravity is 0.379g and air resistance is negligible is hit directly upward and returns to the same level 7.5s later.

- a. How high above the original point did the ball go? (Ans: 26.1m)
- b. How fast was it moving past just after it was hit? (Ans: 13.9m/s)

Problem #7 (Projectiles)

A ball is thrown horizontally from the roof of a building 9.0 m tall and lands 9.5 m from the base. What was the ball's initial speed? (Ans: 7m/s)

Problem #8 (Projectiles)

A projectile is fired with an initial speed of 46.6 m/s at an angle of 42.2⁰ above the horizontal on a long flat firing range. Determine the following.

- a. Maximum height reached by the projectile. (Ans: 50m)
- b. The total time in the air. (Ans: 6.39s)
- c. The horizontal distance covered (that is the range). (Ans: 221m)
- d. The velocity of the projectile 1.5 s after firing. (Ans: 38.3 m/s; angle is 25.7 deg above horizontal)

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