



Department of Mathematics and Natural Sciences

PHY111 - Principles of Physics-I

Midterm Assessment, Summer 2021

Time: 2 Hours (5:00 pm to 7:00 pm)

Total Marks: 30

Answer all questions.

1. The motion of a particle which moves along the straight line is defined by the relation  $x(t) = t^3 - 9t^2 + 24t - 8$  where  $x$  and  $t$  are expressed in meters and seconds respectively. Note that the coefficients of  $t$  have dimensions accordingly.

- (a) (4 marks) Determine when the velocity of the particle is zero.
- (b) (4 marks) Calculate the position vector and distance travelled by the particle when the acceleration is zero. Consider that at the starting point time  $t = 0$  sec.
- (c) (2 marks) Does the particle move at constant velocity or constant acceleration? Justify your answer.

2. Fig. 1 shows a three-body system where  $m_1$  and  $m_2$  are connected by a string and both are sliding on the different surfaces of block  $M$ . A force  $\vec{F}$  is applied on block  $M$  and the whole system moves to the right. Magnitude of the force  $\vec{F}$  is  $250\text{ N}$  and the masses,  $M = 20\text{ kg}$ ,  $m_1 = 3\text{ kg}$  and  $m_2 = 4\text{ kg}$ . All surfaces are frictionless, the pulley is massless, and the string is massless and inextensible.

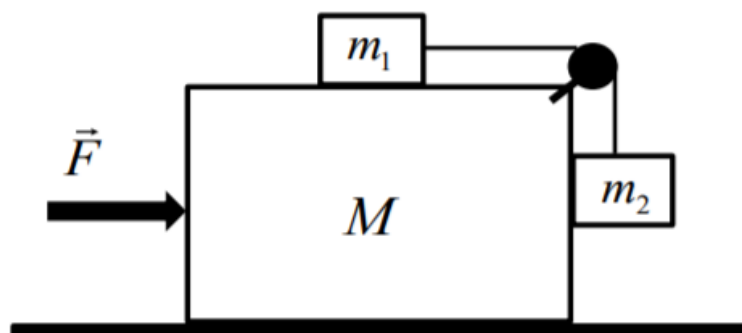


Fig. 1

- (a) (2 marks) Draw the free body diagrams of  $m_1$ ,  $m_2$  and block  $M$ .
- (b) (5 marks) Determine the acceleration vectors of all mobile bodies in the situation where they are always in contact as shown in Fig .1.
- (c) (3 marks) Calculate the normal reaction forces on block  $M$  and  $m_1$ ; tension in the string and contact force between block  $M$  and  $m_2$ .

3. In a Bangladesh-Australia cricket match, Sakib Al Hasan throws a ball towards the batsman. The ball starts to spin with  $18.0 \text{ rev/s}$ . The radius of the ball is  $7.1 \text{ cm}$ .

- (a) (2 marks) Find the tangential speed of the outer periphery of the ball as it spins.
- (b) (2 marks) What is the centripetal acceleration of the cricket ball?
- (c) (6 marks) Let's consider, due to air friction, the spin of the ball decays at the rate of  $0.6 \text{ rev/s}^2$ . Now find how long it will take for the ball to stop spinning and the total angle through which it will rotate during this time. (Consider the rate as constant).

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Ans to the or no 1(a)

Given,

$$u(t) = t^3 - 9t^2 + 24t - 8$$

velocity of the moving particle,  $V = \frac{du}{dt}$

$$\text{Now, } \frac{d(u(t))}{dt} = \frac{d(t^3 - 9t^2 + 24t - 8)}{dt}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d(u(t))}{dt} = 3t^2 - 2 \times 9t + 24 - 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d(u(t))}{dt} = 3t^2 - 18t + 24$$

$$\therefore V = \frac{d(u(t))}{dt} = 3t^2 - 18t + 24$$

We have to determine the time ( $t$ ) when velocity is zero. It is when,

$$V = 3t^2 - 18t + 24 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 3(t^2 - 6t + 8) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t^2 - 4t - 2t + 8 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow t(t-4) - 2(t-4) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow (t-2)(t-4) = 0$$

$$t = 2 \quad \text{or} \quad t = 4$$

$\therefore$  velocity is zero at,  $t = 2\text{ s}, 4\text{ s}$ .

Ans to the QNO 1 (b)

Acceleration of the particle,  $a = \frac{dv}{dt}$

Now,  $a = \frac{d}{dt} (3t^2 - 18t + 24)$

$$a = 2 \cdot 3t - 18$$

$$a = 6t - 18$$

When, Acceleration is zero,

$$6t - 18 = 0$$

$$t = 18/6 = 3 \text{ s}$$

We know,  $x(t) = t^3 - 9t^2 + 24t - 8$

for the value,  $t = 3$ ,

$$x(3) = (3)^3 - 9(3)^2 + 24 \times 3 - 8$$

$$\Rightarrow x(3) = 27 - 81 + 72 - 8$$

$$\Rightarrow x(3) = 10 \hat{i}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x(0) &= (0)^3 - 9(0)^2 - 24(0) - 8 \\&= -8\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}x(3) - x(0) &= 10 - (-8) \\&= 18 \text{ m}\end{aligned}$$

$\therefore$  distance 18 m

### Answer to the or no 1 (c)

The motion of the particle,

$$x(t) = t^3 - 9t^2 + 24t - 8$$

from (a) we get,

$$v = \frac{d(xt)}{dt} = 3t^2 - 18t + 24$$

from (b) we get,

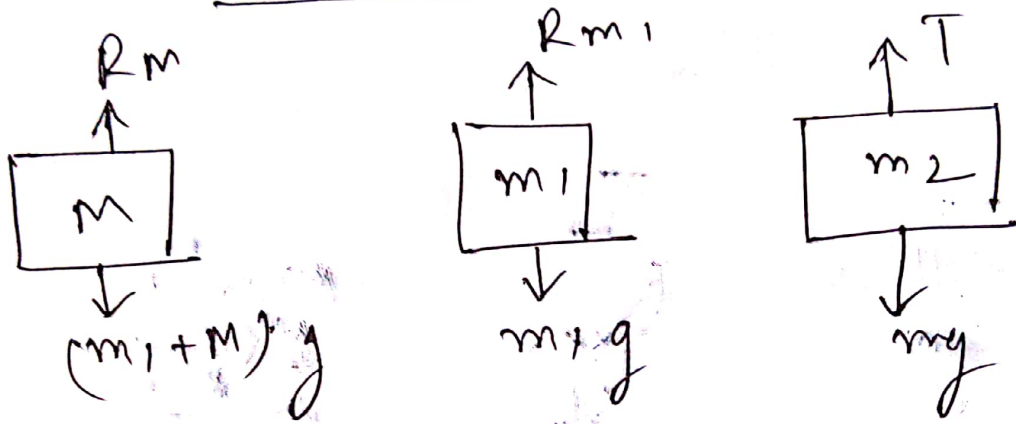
$$a = \frac{d(vt)}{dt} = 6t - 18$$

We can see from these equations that both ~~of~~ velocity and acceleration is depended on time (t).

$\therefore$  The particle does not move at constant velocity or acceleration.



Ans to the or no 2 (a)



Ans to the or no 2 (b)

Acceleration of pulley,

$$T - m_2 g = m_2 a \quad \dots \textcircled{1}$$

$$T = m_1 a \quad \dots \textcircled{11}$$

from  $\textcircled{1}$ ,  $\textcircled{11}$ ,

$$m_1 a - m_2 g = -m_2 a$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{m_2 g}{m_1 + m_2}$$

$$= \frac{4 \times 9.8}{4 + 3} = 5.6$$

$$a = 5.6 \text{ m/s}^2$$

since all the masses are connected  
the acceleration will be  
same for the whole system because  
it is a frictionless surface

$$\therefore a = 5.6 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Now, The total mass =  $(20+3+4) = 27 \text{ kg}$

Again, force magnitude  $F = 250 \text{ N}$

we know,  $F = ma$

$$a = \frac{F}{m} = \frac{250}{27} = 9.26 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$\text{on } M, a_M = 9.26 \hat{j} - 9.8 \hat{j} \text{ (Ans)}$$

$$\text{on } m_1, a_{m_1} = (9.26 + 5.6) \hat{j} \text{ (Ans)}$$

$$= 14.86 \hat{j}$$

$$m_2, a_{m_2} = (9.81 + 5.6) \hat{j} + 9.26 \hat{j} \text{ (Ans)}$$

Ans to the or no 2 (c)

we get from b,  $a = 5.6 \text{ m/s}^2$

$$T = m_1 a$$

$$= 3 \times 5.6 = 16.8$$

$$\therefore T = 16.8 \text{ N}$$

$$\text{For } M, \text{ reaction } F = -200 \hat{i}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For } m_1, \text{ reaction } F &= -(200 + 16.8) \hat{i} \\ &= -216.8 \hat{i} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For } m_2, \text{ reaction } F &= -200 \hat{i} + 4 \times 4.2 \hat{j} \\ &= -200 \hat{i} + 16.8 \hat{j} \end{aligned}$$

### Ans to the or no 3 (a)

Given,

The ball starts to spin with  $18 \text{ rev/s}$   
radius of the ball,  $r = 7.1 \text{ cm}$   
 $= 0.071 \text{ m}$

$$\text{Angular velocity, } \omega = (2\pi \times 18) \text{ rad/s} \\ = 113.097 \text{ rad/s}$$

$$\therefore \text{ Tangential speed, } v = \omega r \\ = 113.097 \times 0.071 \\ = 8.029 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\therefore \text{ Tangential speed, } v = 8.029 \text{ m/s}$$

Ans to the or no 3 (b)

we found,

tangential speed,  $v = 8.029 \text{ m/s}$

radius =  $0.071 \text{ cm}$

The centripetal acceleration of the ball

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

$$= \frac{(8.029)^2}{0.071}$$

$$= \cancel{907.96}$$

$$= 907.96 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$\therefore$  The centripetal acceleration  $907.96 \text{ m/s}^2$



Ans to the or no 3 (c)

From a ,

Angular velocity,  $\omega_0 = 113.097 \text{ rad/s}$

rate of decay,  $\alpha = -0.6 \text{ rev/s}^2$   
 $= -3.769 \text{ rad/s}^2$

When the ball stops spinning  $\omega$  would be equal to zero,

$$\text{Now, } \omega = \omega_0 + \alpha t$$

$$\Rightarrow 0 = 113.097 - (3.769) \times t$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \frac{113.097}{3.77}$$

$$\Rightarrow t = 29.9999$$

$$\therefore t = 29.99 \text{ s}$$

$$\therefore t = 30 \text{ s}$$

The total angle through which it will rotate is ,

$$\begin{aligned}\theta &= \left( \frac{\omega + \omega_0}{2} \right) t \\ &= \left( \frac{0 + 113.097}{2} \right) \times 30 \\ &= 56.5485 \times 30 \\ &= 1696.45 \text{ rad} \\ &= 269.9^\circ\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \begin{aligned}\theta &= 269.9^\circ \\ t &= 30 \text{ s}\end{aligned}$$