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Mid-Semester test

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Date	•	Time allowed : 1 hour

Instructions

Answer all 4 questions. Take $g = 9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$

This question paper consists of 3 printed pages including 1 page of formulas.

You are reminded that cheating during test is a serious offence.

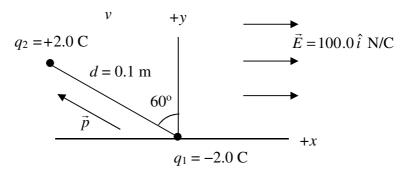
All working in support of your answer must be shown. Answers must be to appropriate significant figures.

1. An electric dipole is made up of two charges q_1 and q_2 of equal magnitude q (measured in coulombs) but with opposite signs and separated by distance d.

When placed in an electric field \vec{E} , an electric dipole experiences a torque given by $\vec{\tau} = \vec{p} \times \vec{E}$.

 \vec{p} is the electric dipole moment vector with magnitude $|\vec{p}| = |qd|$ and its direction is from the negative charge to the positive charge.

The diagram shows an electric dipole with $q_1 = -2.0$ C, $q_2 = +2.0$ C and d = 0.1 m in an electric field $\vec{E} = 100.0\,\hat{i}$ N/C.



- a) Write the vectors \vec{p} and \vec{E} in their component forms.
- b) Calculate the torque $\vec{\tau} = \vec{p} \times \vec{E}$ acting on the dipole in this position.
- c) Show that the torque has a unit m N.
- d) Show that $\vec{p} \times \vec{E}$ has the dimension of [M][L]²[T]⁻².

(25 marks)

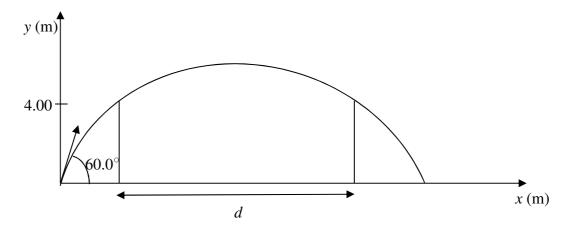
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2. The position of a particle of mass 0.5 kg moving along the x-axis is given by $x = \alpha t^4 - \beta t^2 - k$, where α , β and k are constants, t is measured in seconds while x is measured in metres.

- a) Find the SI units of α , β and k.
- b) Find the average velocity of the particle between t = 0 and t = 3 s.
- c) Find the instantaneous acceleration of the particle at t = 3 s.
- d) Find the net force acting on the particle at t = 3 s.

(25 marks)

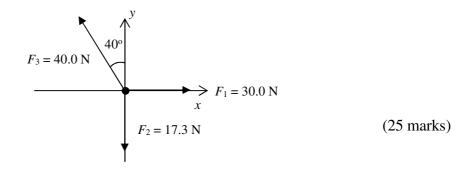
3. A boy threw a stone with an initial speed of 15.0 m/s at 60.0° with respect to the ground. The stone just missed the tops of two 4.00 m tall wall that are separated by distance d. The below figure (not drawn to scale) depicts the scenario.



- a) What is the maximum height reached by the stone?
- b) How long did the stone take to reach the maximum height?
- c) Determine the separation d of the two walls?

(25 marks)

- 4. a) An elevator and its load have a combined mass of 1000 kg. The elevator initially moving downward at 8.0 m/s decelerates constantly to a stop after traveling a distance of 20.0 m. What is the tension *T* in the supporting cable while the elevator is being brought to rest?
 - b) A point is subjected to three forces as shown. Find the force (magnitude, direction as well as its components) needed to keep the point in equilibrium.



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Formula sheet

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Kinematics

$$v_{x} = v_{0x} + a_{x}t$$

$$v_{x}^{2} = v_{0x}^{2} + 2a_{x}(x - x_{0})$$

$$x = x_{0} + v_{0x}t + \frac{1}{2}a_{x}t^{2}$$

$$\vec{v} = \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}, \quad \vec{a} = \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt}$$

$$y = (tan\theta)x - (\frac{g}{2v^{2}\cos^{2}\theta})x^{2}$$

$$R = \frac{v^{2}\sin 2\theta}{g}$$

Dynamics

$$\vec{F} = m\frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = m\vec{a}, F = \mu N$$

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt}, a = \frac{v^2}{r}, F = m\frac{v^2}{r}$$

$$\vec{J} = \int \vec{F}dt = \Delta \vec{p}$$

$$W = \int \vec{F} \cdot \vec{dr}, W_{net} = K_f - K_i$$

$$KE = \frac{1}{2}mv^2, PE = mgh$$

$$P = VI = I^2R = \frac{V^2}{R}$$

$$\vec{F} = q\vec{v} \times \vec{B} \quad \vec{F} = i\vec{L} \times \vec{B}$$

$$e.m.f. = -N\frac{d\Phi_B}{dt} = (\vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \cdot \vec{l}$$

$$\Phi_B = BA$$

$$Thermodynamics$$

$$\Delta U = Q - W$$

$$W = \int pdV$$

$$m_1 \vec{u}_1 + m_2 \vec{u}_2 = m_1 \vec{v}_1 + m_2 \vec{v}_2$$

 $\vec{p} = m\vec{v}$

Rotational Motion

$$\omega = \frac{d\theta}{dt}, \quad \alpha = \frac{d\omega}{dt}$$

$$\omega = \omega_0 + \alpha t, \quad v = \omega r$$

$$\omega^2 = \omega_0^2 + 2\alpha \left(\theta - \theta_0\right)$$

$$\theta = \theta_0 + \omega_0 t + \frac{1}{2}\alpha t^2$$

Static electricity

$$F = k \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2}, k = \frac{1}{4\pi \varepsilon_o}$$

$$F = qE$$

$$V = k \frac{q}{r}, U = qV$$

$$\Phi_E = \oint \vec{E}.d\vec{A} = \frac{q}{\varepsilon_o}$$

$$V = Ed, W = qV, E = \frac{kq}{r^2}$$

Current electricity

$$Q = It V = IR$$

$$P = VI = I^2R = \frac{V^2}{R}$$

Magnetism & electromagnetism

$$\vec{F} = q\vec{v} \times \vec{B} \qquad \vec{F} = i\vec{L} \times \vec{B}$$

$$e.m.f. = -N \frac{d\Phi_B}{dt} = (\vec{v} \times \vec{B}) \cdot \vec{l}$$

$$\Phi = BA$$

Thermodynamics

$$\Delta U = Q - W$$

$$W = \int p dV$$

$$Q_V = nC_V \Delta T \quad \text{const vol}$$

$$Q_p = nC_p \Delta T \quad \text{const pressure}$$

$$Q = mC\Delta T$$

$$Q = mL$$

SHM & waves

$$T = \frac{1}{f} \quad v = f\lambda \quad \omega = 2\pi f$$

$$\omega = \frac{2\pi}{T} \quad k = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda}$$

$$\omega = \sqrt{k/m} \quad \omega = \sqrt{g/L}$$

$$x = A\cos(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$x = A\sin(\omega t + \phi)$$

$$y(x,t) = A\cos(\omega t \pm kx)$$

$$y(x,t) = A\sin(\omega t \pm kx)$$

$$\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2} = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial t^2}$$

Constants

Charge on electron/proton $e = -1.60 \times 10^{-19} / 1.60 \times 10^{-19}$ C Coulomb's constant $k = 8.988 \times 10^9 \text{ N m}^2 \text{ C}^{-2}$ Ideal gas constant $R = 8.314 \text{ J mol}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$ Mass of proton $m_p = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ Mass of electron $m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$ Permeability of free space $\mu_o = 4\pi \times 10^{-7} \,\mathrm{N} \,\mathrm{A}^{-2}$ Permittivity of free space

 $\varepsilon_{o} = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^{2} \text{ N}^{-1} \text{ m}^{-2}$

Speed of light in vacuum $c = 3.00 \times 10^8 \,\mathrm{m\ s^{-1}}$