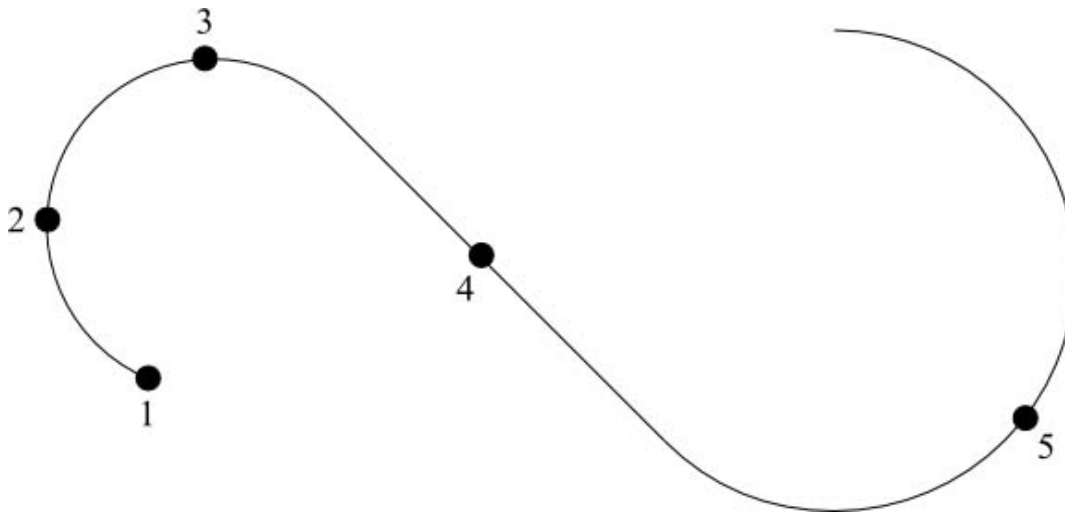


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**CH05-HW03-SP12 (Homework)**

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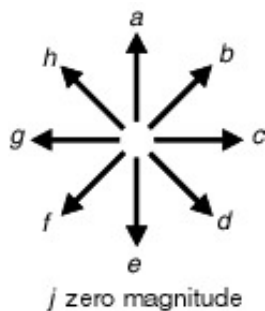
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1. 6/6 points | [Previous Answers](#)



A car moves along the path shown in the diagram. The position of the car at different instants in time is represented by the dots on the diagram; the car starts at point 1 and moves to point 5.

In the questions below,  $\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}$  is rate of change of the car's momentum,  $\left(\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}\right)_{\parallel}$  is the component of  $\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}$  that is parallel to the car's momentum, and  $\left(\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}\right)_{\perp}$  is the component perpendicular to the car's momentum.



Select the letter corresponding to the arrow (a-j) that best indicates the direction of the following vector quantities at each point.

**At point 2, the car's speed is increasing.**

What is the direction of the car's momentum at point 2?

What is the direction of the  $\left(\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}\right)_{\parallel}$  at point 2?  ✓

What is the direction of the  $\left(\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}\right)_{\perp}$  at point 2?  ✓

**At point 3, the car's speed is not changing.**

What is the direction of the car's momentum at point 3?  ✓

What is the direction of the  $\left(\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}\right)_{\parallel}$  at point 3?  ✓

What is the direction of the  $\left(\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}\right)_{\perp}$  at point 3?  ✓

**At point 4, the car's speed is increasing.**

What is the direction of the car's momentum at point 4?  ✓

What is the direction of the  $\left(\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}\right)_{\parallel}$  at point 4?  ✓

What is the direction of the  $\left(\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}\right)_{\perp}$  at point 4?  ✓

**At point 5, the car's speed is decreasing.**

What is the direction of the car's momentum at point 5?  ✓

What is the direction of the  $\left(\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}\right)_{\parallel}$  at point 5?  ✓

What is the direction of the  $\left(\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}\right)_{\perp}$  at point 5?  ✓

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MI3 5.6.P.048

A child of mass 29 kg swings at the end of an elastic cord. At the bottom of the swing, the child's velocity is horizontal, and the speed is 9 m/s. At this instant the cord is 3.00 m long. (Take the +x direction to be horizontal and to the right, the +y direction to be upward, and the +z direction to be out of the page.)

(a) At this instant, what is the parallel component of the rate of change of the child's momentum?

$$\frac{d|\vec{p}|}{dt} = \checkmark \quad (\text{kg} \cdot \text{m/s})/\text{s}$$

(b) At this instant, what is the perpendicular component of the rate of change of the child's momentum?

$$|\vec{p}| \frac{d\hat{p}}{dt} = \checkmark \quad (\text{kg} \cdot \text{m/s})/\text{s}$$

(c) At this instant, what is the **net** force acting on the child?

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = \checkmark \quad \text{N}$$

(d) What is the magnitude of the force that the elastic cord exerts on the child? (It helps to draw a diagram of the forces.)

$$|\vec{F}_{\text{due to cord}}| = \boxed{1067.2} \checkmark \quad \text{N}$$

(e) The relaxed length of the elastic cord is 2.91 m. What is the stiffness of the cord? (Use the exact value you entered in part (d) to make this calculation.)

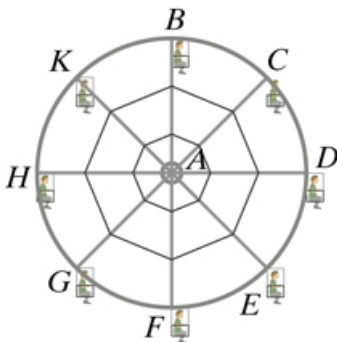
$$k_s = \boxed{11857.78} \checkmark \quad \text{N/m}$$

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MI3 5.6.P.055

A Ferris wheel is a vertical, circular amusement ride with radius 8 m. Riders sit on seats that swivel to remain horizontal. The Ferris wheel rotates at a constant rate, going around once in 10 s. Consider a rider whose mass is 58 kg.



At the bottom of the ride, what is the parallel component of the rate of change of the rider's momentum?

$$\boxed{\text{?}} = < \boxed{0} \checkmark, \boxed{0} \checkmark, 0 > \text{kg} \cdot \text{m/s/s}$$

At the bottom of the ride, what is the perpendicular component of the rate of change of the rider's momentum?

$$\boxed{?} = < \boxed{0} \checkmark, \boxed{183.43} \checkmark, 0 > \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m/s/s}$$

At the bottom of the ride, what is the vector gravitational force exerted by the Earth on the rider?

$$\vec{F}_{\text{grav}} = < \boxed{0} \checkmark, \boxed{-568.4} \checkmark, 0 > \text{ N}$$

At the bottom of the ride, what is the vector force exerted by the seat on the rider?

$$\vec{F}_{\text{by seat}} = < \boxed{0} \checkmark, \boxed{751.83} \checkmark, 0 > \text{ N}$$

Next consider the situation at the top of the ride. At the top of the ride, what is the parallel component of the rate of change of the rider's momentum?

$$\boxed{?} = < \boxed{0} \checkmark, \boxed{0} \checkmark, 0 > \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m/s/s}$$

At the top of the ride, what is the perpendicular component of the rate of change of the rider's momentum?

$$\boxed{?} = < \boxed{0} \checkmark, \boxed{-183.43} \checkmark, 0 > \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m/s/s}$$

At the top of the ride, what is the vector gravitational force exerted by the Earth on the rider?

$$\vec{F}_{\text{grav}} = < \boxed{0} \checkmark, \boxed{-568.4} \checkmark, 0 > \text{ N}$$

At the top of the ride, what is the vector force exerted by the seat on the rider?


$$\vec{F}_{\text{by seat}} = < \boxed{0} \checkmark, \boxed{384.97} \checkmark, 0 > \text{ N}$$

A rider *feels* heavier if the electric, interatomic contact force of the seat on the rider is larger than the rider's weight  $mg$  (and the rider sinks more deeply into the seat cushion). A rider *feels* lighter if the contact force of the seat is smaller than the rider's weight (and the rider does not sink as far into the seat cushion).

Does a rider *feel* heavier or lighter at the bottom of a Ferris wheel ride?

☒ heavier


☐ lighter



Does a rider *feel* heavier or lighter at the top of a Ferris wheel ride?

☒ lighter

☐ heavier



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MI3 5.5.P.045

In the dark in outer space, you observe a glowing ball of known mass **4.4** kg moving in the  $xy$  plane at constant speed in a circle of radius **8** m, with the center of the circle at the origin ( $< 0, 0, 0 >$  m). You can't see what's making it move in a circle. At time  $t = 0$  the ball is at location  $< \text{b}-8, 0, 0 >$  m and has velocity  $< 0, \text{b}70, 0 >$  m/s.

(a) On your own paper draw a diagram of the situation, showing the circle, and showing the position and velocity of the ball at time  $t = 0$ . The diagram will help you analyze the situation.

Use letters a-j to answer questions about directions (+x to the right, +y up):



(b) At time  $t = 0$ , what is the direction of the vector  $\vec{p}$ ?  ✓

(c) At time  $t = 0$ , what are the magnitude and direction of  $\frac{d|\vec{p}|}{dt}\vec{p}$ , the parallel component of  $\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}$ ?  
 magnitude =  ✓ kg · m/s/s  
 ✓

(d) At time  $t = 0$ , what are the magnitude and direction of  $|\vec{p}|\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}$ , the perpendicular component of  $\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}$ ?  
 magnitude =  ✓ kg · m/s/s  
 ✓

(e) At time  $t = 0$ , even though you can't see what's causing the motion, what can you conclude must be the direction of the vector  $\vec{F}_{\text{net}}$ ?  ✓

(f) At time  $t = 0$ , even though you can't see what's causing the motion, what can you conclude must be the vector  $\vec{F}_{\text{net}}$ ?

$\vec{F}_{\text{net}} =$   ✓ N

(g) You learn that at time  $t = 0$ , two forces act on the ball, and that at this instant one of these forces is  $\vec{F}_1 = < \text{b}-1078, \text{b}-3638, 0 >$  N. What is the other force?

$\vec{F}_2 =$   ✓ N

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MI3 5.6.P.047


In outer space a rock of mass 5 kg is attached to a long spring and swung at constant speed in a circle of radius 7.5 m. The spring exerts a force of constant magnitude 660 N. What is the speed of the rock?

$|\vec{v}| =$    m/s

The direction of the spring force is

- ☐ away from the center of the circle (radially outward).
  - ☐ in the direction of motion (tangential to the circle).
  - ☐ opposite the direction of motion (tangential to the circle).
  - ☒ toward the center of the circle (radially inward).
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The relaxed length of the spring is 6.8 m. What is the stiffness of this spring?

$k_s =$    N/m

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