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SAMPLE EXAM 1

SOLUTIONS

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Problem 1

a)

$$x = \frac{1}{2}At^2 = \frac{1}{2}A(2)^2 = 2A$$

$$V_x = At = 2A$$

b)

8 seconds to run $100 - 2Am$ at speed $2A$.

$$8(2A) = 100 - 2A \quad 18A = 100 \quad A = \frac{100}{18}$$

$$x = 2A + 2At$$

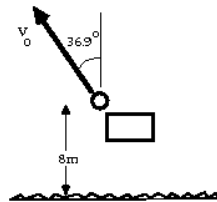
$$x = 100, \text{ at } t = 8$$

$$100 = 2A + 2A(8)$$

$$A = \frac{100}{18}$$

Problem 2

a)



$$x = v_0 \sin(36.9^\circ)t = 0.6v_0t$$

$$v_x = v_0 \sin(36.9^\circ) = 0.6v_0$$

$$y = 8 + v_0 \cos(36.9^\circ)t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2 = 8 + 0.8v_0t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

$$v_y = v_0 \cos(36.9^\circ) - gt = 0.8v_0 - gt$$

b)

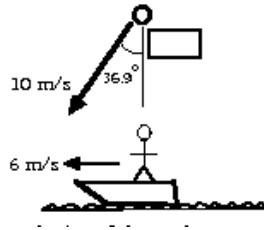
$$\text{At top, } v_y = 0 \quad 0 = 0.8v_0 - 10 * (2) \quad v_0 = \frac{20}{0.8}.$$

$$y = 8 + 0.8\left(\frac{20}{0.8}\right)(2) - \frac{1}{2}(10)(2)^2 = 8 + 40 - 20$$

$$y = 28m.$$

Problem 3

a)



$$v_x = 10 \sin(36.9^\circ) = 6 \text{ m/s}$$

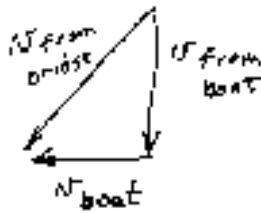
$$v_y = -10 \cos(36.9^\circ) = -8 \text{ m/s}$$

b)

$$v_x = 6 - 6 = 0 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_y = -8 - 0 = -8 \text{ m/s}$$

c)



Problem 4

a)

$$v_x = B - 2Ct \quad a_x = -2C$$

$$v_y = E + FG \sin(Gt) \quad a_y = FG^2 \cos(Gt)$$

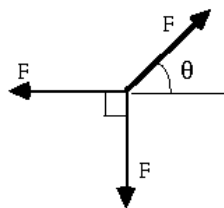
$$v_z = FG \cos(Gt) \quad a_z = -FG^2 \sin(Gt)$$

b)

$$|a| = \sqrt{4C^2 + F^2G^4}$$

Magnitude constant, direction changes.

Problem 5



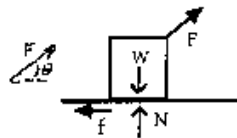
$$\sum F_x = F \cos(\theta) - f \quad \text{Can't be zero unless } \theta = 0.$$

$$\sum F_y = F \sin(\theta) - W + N \quad \text{Can't be zero unless } \theta = 90^\circ.$$

\Rightarrow Can't both be zero. Answer is (2).

Problem 6

a)



$F = f$ and $N = W$

$F = f$ and $N > W$

\Rightarrow $F > f$ and $N < W$

$F > f$ and $N = W$

None of the above choices is correct.

$$f = F \cos(\theta) < F$$

$$N + F \sin(\theta) = W \quad N < W$$

Problem 7

a)

$$v_x = a + 3bt^2 = 2 + \frac{3}{2}t^2$$

$$v_y = AB \cos(Bt) = \pi \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{2}t\right)$$

b)

$$a_x = 6bt = 3t$$

$$a_y = -AB^2 \sin(Bt) = -\frac{\pi^2}{2} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}t\right)$$

c)

	x	y	v_x	v_y	a_x	a_y
0	0	0	2	π	0	0
1	$2\frac{1}{2}$	2	$3\frac{1}{2}$	0	3	$-\frac{\pi^2}{2} \approx 5$

Problem 8

$$x_1 = 40t - \frac{1}{2}(1)t^2 \quad v_1 = 40 - t$$
$$x_2 = 50 + 30t \quad v_2 = 30$$

$$v_1 = v_2 \quad @ \quad t = 10$$

Method 1:

$$x_1 = 400 - 50 = 350$$

$$x_2 = 50 + 300 = 350$$

\Rightarrow Don't pass \Rightarrow No ticket!

$$x_1 = x_2 \Rightarrow 40t - \frac{1}{2}t^2 = 50 + 30t$$

Method 2:

$$\frac{1}{2}t^2 - 10t + 30 = 0$$

$$t = \frac{10 \pm \sqrt{100 - 4(\frac{1}{2})(50)}}{1} = 10$$

Only happens once \Rightarrow You don't pass.

Problem 9

a) Boost phase: $y = \frac{1}{2}BT_1^2 \quad v_y = BT_1$.

Gravity phase: $y = \frac{1}{2}BT_1^2 + BT_1t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$
 $v_y = 0 \quad @ \quad 0 = (BT_1)^2 - 2g(y - \frac{1}{2}BT_1^2) \quad \text{or } t = \frac{BT_1}{g}$.

$$H = \frac{B^2T_1^2}{2g} + \frac{1}{2}BT_1^2$$

b) $T_{max} = T_1 + t$

$$\text{where } 0 = \frac{1}{2}BT_1^2 + BT_1t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

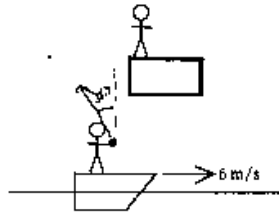
$$\text{If } B = g \Rightarrow t^2 - 2T_1t - T_1^2 = 0$$

$$t = \frac{2T_1 + \sqrt{4T_1^2 + 4T_1^2}}{2}$$

$$t = T_1 + \sqrt{2}T_1$$

$$T_{max} = 2T_1 + \sqrt{2}T_1 = T_1(2 + \sqrt{2}).$$

Problem 10



Want: $v_{boat,x} + v_{ball,x} = 0$

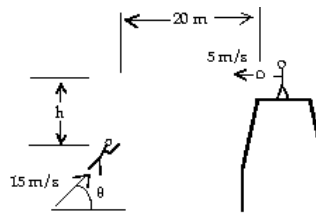
$\Rightarrow v_{ball,x}$ must be < 0

$$6 - v_0 \sin(36.9^\circ) = 0$$

$$6 - v_0(0.6) = 0$$

$$v_0 = 10 \text{ m/s.}$$

Problem 11



a)

Acrobat
 $x = 0 + 15\cos(\theta)t + 0$

$$x = 11.5t$$

$$y = 0 + 15\sin(\theta)t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

$$y = 9.6t - 4.9t^2$$

Basketball

$$x = 20 - 5t$$

$$y = h - \frac{1}{2}gt^2 = h - 4.9t^2$$

b) $x_1 = x_2$ at $11.5t = 20 - 5t \Rightarrow t = 1.21 \text{ s.}$

c) Acrobat: $y = 4.44 \text{ m.}$

Basketball: $y = h - 4.9t^2 = h - 7.20 = 4.44 \text{ m.}$

$$h = 11.6 \text{ m.}$$

d)

Acrobat

$$v_x = 11.5 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_y = -2.26 \text{ m/s}$$

Basketball

$$v_x = -5 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_y = -11.9 \text{ m/s}$$

Relative

$$v_x = -5(-11.5) = -16.5 \text{ m/s}$$

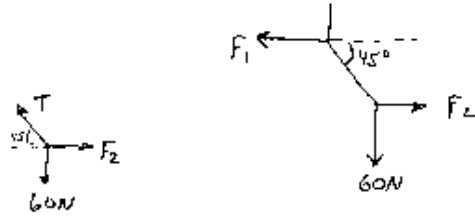
$$v_y = -11.9 - (-2.26) = -9.6 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\text{Mag} = 19.1 \text{ m/s}$$

Problem 12

Young & Freedman 5.11 on page 194.

a)

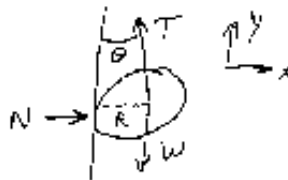


$$T \sin(45^\circ) = 60N \quad T = 85N$$

b) $T \cos(45^\circ) = F_2 \Rightarrow F_2 = 60N$

c) Looking at the diagonal string $F_1 = F_2$, so $F_1 = 60N$.

Young & Freedman 5.12 on page 194.



$$\sum F_y = T \cos(\theta) - w = 0$$

$$T = w / \cos(\theta)$$

$$\sum F_x = N - T \sin(\theta) = 0$$

$$N = T \sin(\theta) = w \tan(\theta)$$

You can find θ from $\sin(\theta) = \frac{R}{l+R}$, where l is the length of the string:

$$\theta = 4.2^\circ \quad T = 2.7N \quad N = 0.2N$$