

EXAM-1

PHYS 201 (Spring 2008), 02/15/08

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Solution Key

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*Duration: 50 minutes*

*Show all your work for full/partial credit!*

*Include the correct units in your final answers for full credit!*

*Unless otherwise stated, quote your results in SI units!*

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1.) Multiple Choice

(25 pts.)

For each statement below, circle the correct answer (TRUE or FALSE, no reasoning required).

- (a) Adding physical quantities is only meaningful if those quantities carry the same units.  
☒ TRUE ☐ FALSE
- (b) In a 2-dimensional, multi-step trip, the magnitude of the net displacement can be larger than the total distance traveled.  
☐ TRUE ☒ FALSE
- (c) In projectile motion, the vertical component of the velocity is zero at the highest point of the trajectory.  
☒ TRUE ☐ FALSE
- (d) Inertia and Gravity are the same concept because both are quantified in terms of mass.  
☐ TRUE ☒ FALSE
- (e) If an object slides down an inclined plane at constant velocity, the net force on that object is zero.  
☒ TRUE ☐ FALSE

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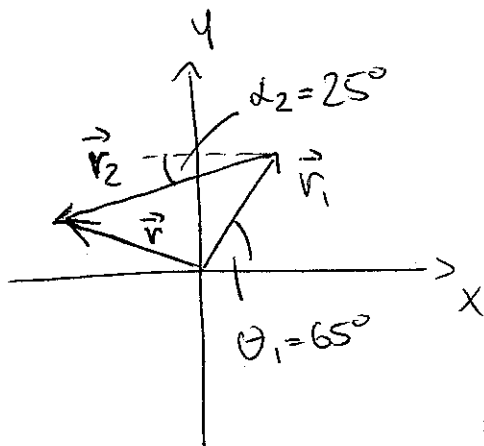
2.) Vector Addition and Kinematics

(20 pts.)

On a hiking trip, a person first walks for 2.3mi in a direction of 65° North of East, and then for 4.0mi in a direction of 25° South of West.

- (a) Calculate the magnitude (in mi) and direction (relative to due West) of the net displacement for the entire trip. Start by drawing a vector diagram.
- (b) If the hike took 2 hours and thirty minutes, calculate the average speed and the average velocity for the entire trip (both in mi/h).

(a)



$$\vec{r}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} r_1 \cos \theta_1 \\ r_1 \sin \theta_1 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.972 \text{ mi} \\ 2.085 \text{ mi} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\vec{r}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -r_2 \cos \alpha_2 \\ -r_2 \sin \alpha_2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} -3.625 \text{ mi} \\ -1.690 \text{ mi} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{r} = \vec{r}_1 + \vec{r}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -2.653 \text{ mi} \\ 0.395 \text{ mi} \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\Rightarrow r = \sqrt{r_x^2 + r_y^2} = 2.68 \text{ mi}$$

$$\tan \beta = \frac{|r_y|}{|r_x|}$$

$$\Rightarrow \beta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{0.395}{2.653} \right) = 8.5^\circ \text{ North of West}$$

(b) average speed:  $\bar{v} = \frac{d}{\Delta t}$ ,  $d = d_1 + d_2 = |\vec{r}_1| + |\vec{r}_2| = 6.3 \text{ mi}$

$$\Rightarrow \bar{v} = \frac{6.3}{2.5} = 2.52 \text{ mi/h}$$

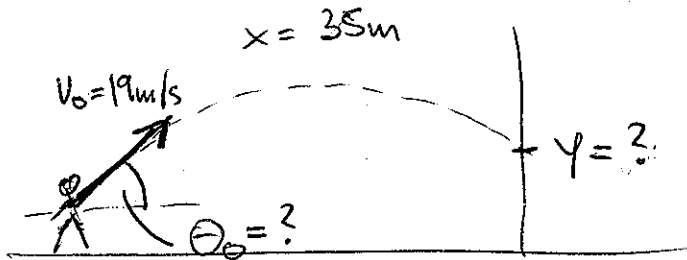
average velocity:  $\vec{\bar{v}} = \frac{\Delta \vec{x}}{\Delta t} = \frac{\vec{r}}{\Delta t} = \begin{pmatrix} -1.06 \text{ mi/h} \\ +0.16 \text{ mi/h} \end{pmatrix}$

### 3.) Projectile Motion

(20 pts.)

A child is throwing a tennis ball with initial speed of  $19\text{m/s}$  toward a tall building which is a horizontal distance of  $35\text{m}$  away. The ball hits the vertical building wall after  $2.8\text{s}$ .

- Find the launch angle of the ball (relative to the horizontal).
- How high above the launch point does the ball hit the building?



$$(a) \quad x = v_{0x} t = v_0 \cos \theta_0 t$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\theta_0 = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{x}{v_0 t} \right) = 48.9^\circ}$$

$$(b) \quad \boxed{y = y_0 + v_{0y} t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2 = v_0 \sin \theta_0 t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2 = 1.65\text{m}}$$

4.) 1-D Kinematics with Friction

(20 pts.)

A block of wood is sliding on a horizontal ice surface with an initial speed of  $6.9\text{ m/s}$ . The block is slowed down by a kinetic friction force and comes to rest after a displacement of  $12\text{ m}$ .

(a) What is the acceleration of the block?

(b) Calculate the kinetic friction coefficient between the block and the ice.

$$(a) \quad v^2 = v_0^2 - 2a\Delta x$$

$$a = + \frac{v^2 - v_0^2}{2\Delta x} = - \frac{v_0^2}{2\Delta x} = -1.98 \text{ m/s}^2$$

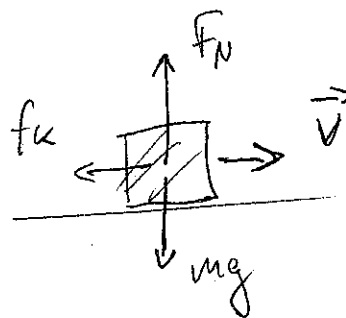
$$(b) \quad \sum F = ma$$

$$-f_k = ma$$

$$-\mu_k F_N = ma$$

$$-\mu_k mg = ma$$

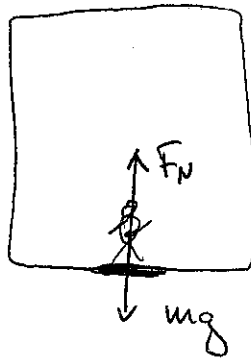
$$\mu_k = \frac{-a}{g} = 0.202$$



5.) *Newton's 2. Law in an Elevator*

(15 pts.)

An elevator cabin has a scales implemented into its floor. A person of mass  $84\text{kg}$  steps onto the scales. The elevator door closes, and the elevator starts to move vertically. If the reading on the scales is showing  $710\text{N}$ , what is the magnitude and direction of the elevator's acceleration?



$$\sum F = ma$$

$$F_N - mg = ma$$

$$a = \frac{F_N - mg}{m} = \frac{F_N}{m} - g = -1.34 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$