

EXAM-2 – v1

PHYS 201 (Fall 2007), 10/09/07

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Duration: 75 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!

1.) *Multiple Choice*

(18 pts.)

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

- (a) In circular motion, a centripetal force does nonzero work.
 TRUE FALSE
- (b) In satellite motion, for a fixed radius of a stable orbit, the speed of the satellite can only assume one value.
 TRUE FALSE
- (c) If a nonzero net work is done on an object, the speed of that object must change.
 TRUE FALSE
- (d) For a nonconservative force, it is possible to define a corresponding potential energy.
 TRUE FALSE
- (e) If a tennis ball hits a wall head on and bounces back elastically, the magnitude of the momentum transfer on the ball is larger than the magnitude of its momentum before the collision.
 TRUE FALSE
- (f) In 3 spatial dimensions, the conservation of linear momentum in a collision provides 3 equations for the velocity components of the in- and outgoing particles.
 TRUE FALSE

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2.) *Circular Motion*

(14 pts.)

A train drives through a flat curve at constant speed. A bag of weight $16N$, suspended from the luggage compartment by a cord, is found to hang at rest relative to the train, but with the cord making an angle of 35° relative to the vertical. In this position, the bag is $105m$ from the center of the circle which it describes.

- (a) What is the tension in the cord?
- (b) What is the speed of the train?

3.) *Nonconservative Work*

(21 pts.)

A factory worker is standing on a loading deck, which is connected to the ground by a $2.5m$ long ramp running down at an inclination angle of 32° relative to the horizontal. The worker puts a box of weight $370N$ at the top of the ramp. The box starts from rest and slides down to the bottom of the ramp. The kinetic friction coefficient between box and ramp is $\mu_k=0.28$.

- (a) What is the work done on the box by the friction force?
- (b) What is the work done on the box by the gravitational force?
- (c) What is the speed of the box at the bottom?

4.) *Collision and Energy Loss*

(16 pts.)

A bullet of mass $6.7g$ and horizontal velocity $530m/s$ is fired into a block of wood (mass $1.8kg$) which is initially at rest on a horizontal frictionless surface. The bullet penetrates the block and emerges with a horizontal velocity of $85m/s$.

- (a) What is the velocity of the block after the collision?
- (b) How much energy has been dissipated due to the deformation in the block?

5.) *Inelastic Collision*

(16+1 pts.)

A car (mass 1200kg) and a truck (mass 2900kg) collide at an intersection. Initially, the car has been going due north at unknown speed, while the truck has been going due west at a speed of 42mph . After the collision, the vehicles are stuck together, sliding off from the collision point at an angle of 38° north of west. (1m/s=2.25mph)

- (a) What is speed of the stuck-together vehicles right after they collide?
- (b) What was the initial speed of the car? Did it violate the speed limit of 45mph ?

6.) *Energy and Momentum Conservation*

(14 pts.)

Two masses (1kg and 2kg) are pressed against opposite ends of a massless spring of force constant 3N/cm , compressing the spring by 15cm relative to its uncompressed state. The system is then released from rest. Neglect friction.

- (a) How much potential energy is initially stored in the spring?
- (b) What are the speeds of mass 1 and mass 2 after moving free of the spring?