

EXAM-2

PHYS 201 (Spring 2008), 03/24/08

Name:

Lab-Sect. no.:

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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!

1.) *Multiple Choice*

(25 pts.)

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

- (a) If a car takes a turn on a road without sliding, the static friction force between tires and road acts as a centripetal force.

TRUE

FALSE

- (b) Since work depends on force and displacement, it is a vector quantity.

TRUE

FALSE

- (c) The normal force is a nonconservative force.

TRUE

FALSE

- (d) The acceleration of an object in simple harmonic motion is largest when the object's speed is zero.

TRUE

FALSE

- (e) When a tennis ball is thrown at a wall and bounces back with the same speed, the impulse on that ball by the wall is zero.

TRUE

FALSE

No.	Points
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2.) *Circular Motion*

(15 pts.)

Assume the Moon (mass $M_M=7.35\cdot 10^{22}kg$) to be in a circular orbit around Earth (mass $M_E=6\cdot 10^{24}kg$) at a distance of $384000km$. Calculate the period of the Moon's revolution around Earth (in days).

3.) *Mechanical Energy and Nonconservative Work*

(20 pts.)

A skier starts from the top of a 8 m high hill. With an initial speed of 1.5 m/s he glides down the frictionless slope to the bottom.

- (a) What is the skier's speed at the bottom?
- (b) At the bottom, he encounters a rough horizontal ice patch of length 12 m . The kinetic friction coefficient between the rough ice and the skier is 0.25 . What is the speed of the skier after passing the ice patch?

4.) *Gravitation and Simple Harmonic Motion*

(20 pts.)

Consider a simple pendulum on the Moon's surface. The Moon's radius and mass are $R_M=1740km$
 $M_M=7.35\cdot 10^{22}kg$.

- (a) Using Newton's Law of gravitation, calculate the acceleration due to gravity, g_M , on the Moon's surface.
- (b) What should be the length of a simple pendulum which has a period of $1s$ on the Moon's surface?

5.) *2-D Inelastic Collision*

(20 pts.)

An incoming bowling ball ($m_1=5kg$, $v_{i1}=4m/s$ due East) collides with a billiard ball ($m_2=0.8kg$) initially at rest. After the collision, the bowling ball is deflected by 6 *degrees* North of East, with a final speed of $3.7m/s$. Calculate the speed and direction of motion (the angle South of East) of the billiard ball after the collision.