

EXAM-3

PHYS 201 (Fall 2011), 11/04/11

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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*

(18 pts.)

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

- (a) In non-uniform circular motion, centripetal and tangential acceleration are at 90° relative to each other.
TRUE FALSE
- (b) The moment of inertia of the same object depends on the axis about which that object rotates.
TRUE FALSE
- (c) If the external forces on a rigid body balance each other, the external torques on that body also add up to zero.
TRUE FALSE
- (d) If a solid cylinder and a hollow sphere roll down the same slope without slipping, both starting from rest, the hollow sphere arrives at the bottom first.
TRUE FALSE
- (e) Angular momentum is a vector quantity.
TRUE FALSE
- (f) In simple harmonic motion, the maximal acceleration acts when the speed of the object is zero.
TRUE FALSE

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2.) *Torque and Angular Kinematics*

(21 pts.)

A grindstone in the form of a solid disk with radius 0.7 m and mass 160 kg is rotating about the symmetry axis through its center of mass at 1300 rev/min . You apply a tangential force of 40 N to the outer rim of the stone until it comes to a stop.

- (a) Calculate the angular acceleration of the grindstone during the slow-down.
- (b) Calculate how many seconds it takes the grindstone to come to a stop.
- (c) How many revolutions did the grindstone go through during the stopping process?

3.) *Rotational Kinetic Energy*

(20 pts.)

A solid sphere rolls down a hill on a rough surface (no slipping), starting from rest at a height of 1.3 m above ground. It reaches the valley (ground) and then rolls up a frictionless incline (complete slipping).

- (a) Calculate the linear speed of the sphere in the valley.
- (b) Calculate the maximal height the sphere reaches when climbing the smooth incline.

4.) *Angular Momentum Conservation*

(20 pts.)

A uniform spherical star of radius $5.5 \times 10^5 \text{ km}$ and mass $2.8 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$ rotates at a rate of one revolution in 25 days. Suddenly, the internal gravitational forces make all of its matter collapse into a uniform “neutron star” of radius 15 km .

- (a) At how many revolutions per second does the neutron star rotate?
- (b) Calculate how much work the gravitational collapse did on the star.

5.) *Simple Harmonic Motion*

(21 pts.)

A 1.6 kg block is attached to an ideal spring, performing simple harmonic motion on a frictionless horizontal surface. The force constant of the spring is 260 N/m . Initially, the spring is in its relaxed position, but the block is moving at a speed of 13 m/s . Calculate

- (a) the amplitude of the motion;
- (b) the maximal acceleration of the block;
- (c) the period of the motion.