

MIDTERM EXAM-3 – v1

PHYS 201 (Spring 2018), 04/03/18

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*Duration: 90 minutes*

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

1.) *Multiple Choice*

(21 pts.)

For each statement below, circle the correct answer (A, B or C, no reasoning required).

- (a) A car tire rotating at an angular speed of  $37.7 \text{ rad/s}$  completes  
(A) 6 (B) 8 (C) 12  
revolutions per second.
- (b) When a solid cylinder ( $I = \frac{1}{2}MR^2$ ) and a solid sphere ( $I = \frac{2}{5}MR^2$ ), both starting from rest, roll down an inclined plane (without slipping) in a race,  
(A) the cylinder wins (B) the sphere wins (C) it's a tie.
- (c) If the net force on an extended rigid object is zero, the net torque  
(A) must also be zero (B) could be non-zero (C) must be non-zero.
- (d) When you drive a bike along a straight-line horizontal road, the angular momentum of the wheels points  
(A) straight ahead (B) straight up (C) sideways.
- (e) The center-of-mass and the center-of-gravity of an object  
(A) are at the same point (B) are at different points (C) can be either way.
- (f) When you increase the amplitude of a simple harmonic motion, the frequency of the motion  
(A) increases (B) stays the same (C) decreases.
- (g) When you double the maximal speed in a simple harmonic motion, its amplitude  
(A) doubles (B) triples (C) quadruples.

No.	Points
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2.) *Rolling Motion and Kinetic Energies*

(20 pts.)

A car tire (approximated as a solid cylinder of radius  $35\text{ cm}$  and mass  $5\text{ kg}$ ) is rolling downhill without slipping. At a height of  $11\text{ m}$  above the bottom of the hill, it has a translational speed of  $8\text{ m/s}$ . Neglect friction.

- (a) Calculate the total kinetic energy of the tire at the bottom of the hill.
- (b) Calculate the angular and translational speed of the tire at the bottom of the hill.

3.) *Rotational Dynamics and Kinematics*

(24 pts.)

A box of mass  $3\text{ kg}$  is tied to a massless rope which is wrapped around the outer rim of a solid cylindrical pulley (radius  $30\text{ cm}$ , mass  $14\text{ kg}$ ). The pulley is free to rotate about the axis through its center. The system is released from rest; neglect friction.

- (a) Draw a free-body diagram and write down Newton's 2. law of motion for the pulley and for the box.
- (b) Find the angular acceleration of the pulley.
- (c) After how many seconds has the pulley reached an angular speed of  $10\text{ rad/s}$ ?



4.) *Angular Momentum Conservation*

(18 pts.)

A bullet (mass  $60\text{ g}$ , initial speed  $200\text{ m/s}$ ) is shot horizontally at a uniform wooden cylinder (mass  $12\text{ kg}$ , radius  $0.5\text{ m}$ ) which is free to rotate about a fixed axis through its center. The path of the bullet has a distance of closest approach to the cylinder axis of  $0.3\text{ m}$ , see the sketch below. Neglect gravity.

- (a) What is the magnitude of the angular momentum of the bullet before hitting the cylinder, relative to the axis of rotation of the cylinder?
- (b) Once the bullet gets stuck in the cylinder at a distance of  $0.3\text{ m}$  from the axis, what is the angular speed of the cylinder+bullet?



5.) *Simple Harmonic Motion*

(18 pts.)

A harmonic oscillator consists of a block (mass  $2\text{ kg}$ ) attached to a horizontal spring on a frictionless horizontal surface. The period of the motion is  $1.3\text{ s}$ , with a maximal speed of  $0.45\text{ m/s}$  of the block.

- (a) Calculate the spring constant.
- (b) Calculate the amplitude of the motion.

## PHYS 201 Formula Sheet

### Chapters 1—5 (Exam 1)

Constant acceleration equations:

$$v_x = v_{0x} + a_x t \quad x = x_0 + v_{0x} t + \frac{1}{2} a_x t^2$$

$$v_x^2 = v_{0x}^2 + 2a_x(x - x_0) \quad x - x_0 = \left( \frac{v_{0x} + v_x}{2} \right) t$$

$$g = 9.80 \text{ m/s}^2 \quad w = mg$$

$$\sum F_x = ma_x \quad \sum F_y = ma_y$$

$$f_k = \mu_k n \quad f_s \leq \mu_s n$$

$$F_{\text{spr}} = -kx$$

quadratic formula: The equation  $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$  has solutions  $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$ .

### Chapters 6—8 (Exam 2)

$$a_{\text{rad}} = \frac{v^2}{R} \quad v = \frac{2\pi R}{T}$$

$$F_g = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2} \quad G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}^2/\text{kg}^2 \quad T = \frac{2\pi r^{3/2}}{\sqrt{Gm_E}}$$

$$W = F_{\parallel} s = (F \cos \phi) s \quad W_{\text{total}} = K_f - K_i = \Delta K$$

$$U_{\text{grav}} = mgy \quad K = \frac{1}{2} mv^2 \quad U_{\text{el}} = \frac{1}{2} kx^2$$

$$K_f + U_f = K_i + U_i + W_{\text{other}}$$

$$P_{\text{av}} = \frac{W}{t} \quad P = F_{\parallel} v$$

$$\vec{p} = m\vec{v} \quad \Delta \vec{p} = \vec{F}_{\text{av}}(t_f - t_i) = \vec{J}$$

$$x_{\text{cm}} = \frac{m_A x_A + m_B x_B + m_C x_C + \dots}{m_A + m_B + m_C + \dots}$$

$$v_{\text{cm},x} = \frac{m_A v_{A,x} + m_B v_{B,x} + m_C v_{C,x} + \dots}{m_A + m_B + m_C + \dots}$$

$$M\vec{v}_{\text{cm}} = \vec{P} \quad \sum \vec{F}_{\text{ext}} = m\vec{a}_{\text{cm}}$$

$$y_{\text{cm}} = \frac{m_A y_A + m_B y_B + m_C y_C + \dots}{m_A + m_B + m_C + \dots}$$

$$v_{\text{cm},y} = \frac{m_A v_{A,y} + m_B v_{B,y} + m_C v_{C,y} + \dots}{m_A + m_B + m_C + \dots}$$

PHYS 201 Formula Sheet

Chapters 9—11 (Exam 3)

For constant  $\alpha$  :

$$\omega = \omega_0 + \alpha t$$

$$\omega^2 = \omega_0^2 + 2\alpha(\theta - \theta_0)$$

$$\theta - \theta_0 = \omega_0 t + \frac{1}{2}\alpha t^2$$

$$\theta - \theta_0 = \left( \frac{\omega + \omega_0}{2} \right) t$$

$$s = r\theta \quad v = r\omega \quad a_{\text{tan}} = r\alpha \quad a_{\text{rad}} = v^2 / r = r\omega^2$$

$$K = \frac{1}{2}I\omega^2 \quad I = m_A r_A^2 + m_B r_B^2 + \dots \quad U = Mgy_{\text{cm}}$$

$$K_{\text{total}} = \frac{1}{2}Mv_{\text{cm}}^2 + \frac{1}{2}I_{\text{cm}}\omega^2$$

$$\tau = Fl \quad \sum \tau = I\alpha \quad \Delta W = \tau \Delta \theta \quad P = \tau \omega \quad L = I\omega$$

$$\sum \tau = \frac{\Delta L}{\Delta t} \quad L = mvl$$

first and second conditions for equilibrium:

$$\sum F_x = 0, \sum F_y = 0 \text{ and } \sum \tau = 0 (\text{any axis})$$

$$Y = \frac{F_{\perp} / A}{\Delta l / l_0} \quad B = -\frac{\Delta p}{\Delta V / V_0} \quad S = \frac{F_{\parallel} / A}{x / h} = \frac{F_{\parallel} / A}{\phi}$$

$$F_x = -kx \quad a_x = -\frac{k}{m}x \quad \omega = 2\pi f \quad f = \frac{1}{T}$$

$$U_{\text{el}} = \frac{1}{2}kx^2 \quad K = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

$$x = A \cos \omega t \quad v_x = -\omega A \sin \omega t \quad \omega = \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{k}{m}} \quad T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$$

$$f = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{g}{L}} \quad T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{L}{g}}$$

Moments of inertia:

rotating point mass  $I = MR^2$ , solid cylinder  $I = \frac{1}{2}MR^2$ , solid sphere  $I = \frac{2}{5}MR^2$