

Phys 2107 Physics for Engineering I

Test I

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Please check that you have 4 pages. Take $g = 10\text{m/s}^2$.

1A. Starting at time $t = 0$, an object moves along a straight line with velocity in m/s given by $v(t) = 98 - 2t^2$, where t is in seconds. When it momentarily stops its acceleration (in m/s^2) is:

- A) 0 B) -4.0 C) -28 D) 98 E) 49

1B. A car, initially at rest, travels 20 m in 4 s along a straight line with constant acceleration. The acceleration of the car (in m/s^2) is:

- A) 0.4 B) 1.3 C) 2.5 D) 4.9 E) 9.8

1C. A projectile is fired over level ground with an initial velocity that has a vertical component of 20 m/s and a horizontal component of 30 m/s. The distance from launching to landing points is:

- A) 40 m B) 60 m C) 80 m D) 120 m E) 180 m

1D. A particle moves at constant speed in a circular path. The instantaneous velocity and instantaneous acceleration vectors are:

- A) both tangent to the circular path B) both perpendicular to the circular path
C) perpendicular to each other D) opposite to each other E) none of the above

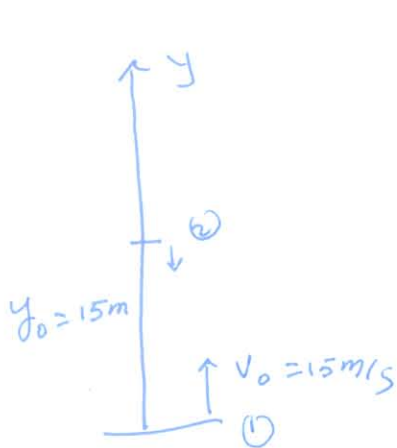
1E. Let $\vec{a} = 2\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 4\hat{k}$ and $\vec{b} = \hat{i} - 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}$. Then the scalar product $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b}$ equals:

- A) -8 B) $\hat{i} - \hat{j} + \hat{k}$ C) 8 D) 11 E) 14

Total multiple choice questions worth (15 points)

Classical Problems

2. From the bottom of a 15m high cliff a stone is thrown upward with an initial speed $v_0 = 15\text{ m/s}$. One second later another stone is dropped from the top of the cliff.
- a) At what height from the bottom of the cliff the stones will meet?
b) What are their velocities then? (7 points)



$$y_1 = 15t - 5t^2$$

$$y_2 = 15 - 5(t-1)^2$$

$$y_1 = y_2 \Rightarrow t = 2.5$$

a) $y_1 = 30 - 20 = 10\text{ m} = y_2$

b) $v_1 = 15 - 10t = 15 - 20 = -5\text{ m/s}$
 $v_2 = -10(t-1) = -10\text{ m/s}$

3. Let $\vec{r} = x(t)\hat{i} + y(t)\hat{j}$ represents the position vector of a particle where $x(t) = 12t - 3t^2$ and $y(t) = -4t + t^3$ are measured in meters and t in second.

- (a) Calculate the average velocity between the times $t = 1$ s and $t = 2$ s.
 (b) Find the velocity \vec{v} when the particle reaches its maximum x coordinate.
 (c) Find the acceleration in unit vector notation at $t = 1$ s. **(12 points)**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{a) } \vec{v}_{\text{avg}} &= \frac{\Delta \vec{r}}{\Delta t} = \frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t} \hat{i} + \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta t} \hat{j} = \frac{(x_2 - x_1)}{\Delta t} \hat{i} + \frac{(y_2 - y_1)}{\Delta t} \hat{j}, \quad \Delta t = t_2 - t_1 = 1 \text{ s} \\ &= \frac{(24 - 12) - (12 - 3)}{1} \hat{i} + \frac{(-8 + 8) - (-4 + 1)}{1} \hat{j} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(4)} \quad \boxed{\vec{v}_{\text{avg}} = 3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j}}$$

$$\text{b) } x_{\text{max}} \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = 12 - 6t = 0 \Rightarrow t = 2 \text{ s}$$

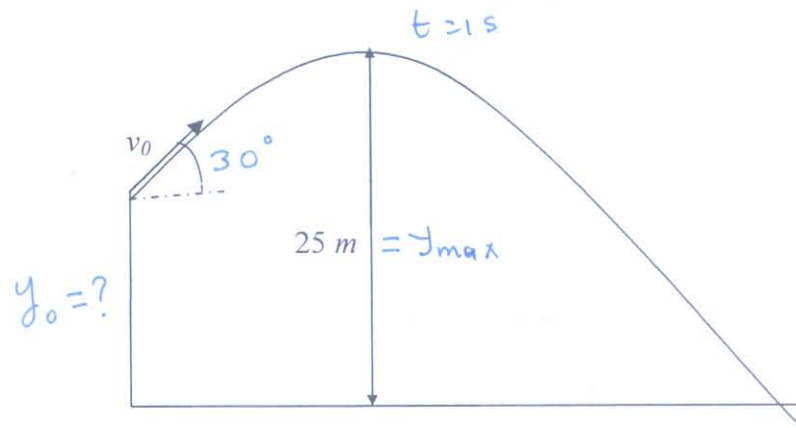
$$\begin{aligned} \vec{v} &= (12 - 6t)\hat{i} + (-4 + 3t^2)\hat{j} \\ &= 0\hat{i} + (-4 + 12)\hat{j} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(4)} \quad \boxed{\vec{v} = 8\hat{j}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c) } \vec{a} &= -6\hat{i} + 6t\hat{j} \\ \text{at } t &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(4)} \quad \boxed{\vec{a} = -6\hat{i} + 6\hat{j}}$$

4. A ball is thrown upward from the roof of a building at an angle $\theta_0 = 30^\circ$ with the horizontal. One second later the ball reaches its maximum height $y_{\max} = 25\text{m}$ from the ground.
- Find the initial speed of the ball.
 - Find the height of the building.
 - Find the time of flight.
 - Find the distance from the base of the building to the point where the ball hits the ground
- (16 points)



$$v_x = v_{0x} = v_0 \cos \theta_0 \quad x = v_{0x} t$$

$$v_y = v_{0y} - gt = v_0 \sin \theta_0 - gt \quad y = y_0 + v_{0y} t - \frac{1}{2} g t^2$$

$$v_y = 0 \Rightarrow v_{0y} = gt = 10 = v_0 \sin 30^\circ \Rightarrow \boxed{v_0 = 20 \text{ m/s}}$$

$$y_{\max} = y_0 + \frac{v_{0y}^2}{2g} \Rightarrow 25 = y_0 + \frac{100}{20} \Rightarrow \boxed{y_0 = 20 \text{ m}}$$

$$y = 20 + 10t - 5t^2 = 0 \Rightarrow$$

$$t^2 - 2t - 4 = 0 \quad t_{1,2} = 1 \pm \sqrt{1+4} \Rightarrow t = 1 + \sqrt{5} \approx \underline{\underline{3.25}}$$

$$x = v_{0x} t = 20 \cos 30^\circ (1 + \sqrt{5})$$

$$\boxed{x = 56 \text{ m}}$$