Exam #1 Physics 160-01





2) Find the angle in degrees between the two vectors: $\vec{A} = 2\hat{i} - 4\hat{j} + 6\hat{k}$ and $\vec{B} = 3\hat{i} + 6\hat{j} + 1\hat{k}$.

A) 66.2° B) 108° C) 123.° D) 1.98° E) 114° F) 46.4° G) 73.2° H) 83.0° I) 10.9° J) 76.3° K) 103.7

$\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = \left \vec{A} \right \left \vec{B} \right \cos \theta = A_x B_x + A_y B_y + A_z B_z \Longrightarrow$
$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left[\frac{A_x B_x + A_y B_y + A_z B_z}{\left \vec{A} \right \left \vec{B} \right } \right]$
$=\cos^{-1}\left[\frac{(2)\cdot(3)+(-4)\cdot(6)+(6)\cdot(1)}{\sqrt{(2)^{2}+(-4)^{2}+(6)^{2}}\sqrt{(3)^{2}+(6)^{2}+(1)^{2}}}\right]$
$=\cos^{-1}\left[\frac{-12}{50.75}\right]$
$=103.7^{\circ}$

3) The position of a car, in meters, is given by the equation:

 $x = (4.0 m/s) \cdot t + (2.3 m/s^3) t^3 - 8.0 m$. What is the instantaneous velocity at time t = 2s?

A) 4.0m/s B) 28m/s C) 8.8m/s D) 11m/s E) 6.9m/s F) 32m/s G) 18m/s H) 4.6m/s I) 8.6m/s J) 6.1m/s

To get the instantaneous velocity, you first have to take the first derivative of the position function: $x = (4.0 m/s) \cdot t + (2.3 m/s^{3})t^{3} - 8.0m \Longrightarrow$ $\frac{dx}{dt} = (4.0 m/s) + 3(2.3 m/s^{3})t^{2}$ and then put in t=2s: $\frac{dx}{dt}\Big|_{t=2} = (4.0 m/s) + 3(2.3 m/s^{3})(2s)^{2} = 31.6 m/s$ **4)** A test rocket is fired straight up from rest with a net acceleration of 30 m/s^2 . After 2 seconds, the engine turns off, but the rocket continues to coast upward. What maximum elevation does the rocket reach?

A) 327. m	
B) 408. m	r
C) 160. m	
D) 487. m	
E) 320. m	
F) 244. m	
G) 184. m	
H) 90.8 m	
I) 1230. m	
J) 54.5 m	
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This is a 1-D problem but with two time periods: $y_0=0m$, $y_f=?m$, $v_{ov}=0m/s$,			
$v_{fy}=?m/s,$			
$a_y = 30 m/s^2$,			
t=2s			
First solve for the height and velocity after the acceleration: $v_f=v_0+v_{0y}t+1/2a_yt^2 => v_f=60m$, $v_{fy}=v_{0y}+a_yt=>v_{fy}=60m/s$.			
then look at next phase:			
y _o =60m,			
y _f =?m,			
v _{oy} =60m/s,			
v _{fy} =0m/s,			
$a_y = -9.8 \text{m/s}^2$,			
t=?.			
$v_{fy} = v_{oy} + a_y t => t = 6.12s$ $y_f = y_o + v_{oy} t + 1/2a_y t^2 => y_f = 244m.$			

) An arrow is shot horizontally (in the positive x-direction) from the top of a building at a speed of 25.0 m/s. The arrow strikes the ground at a point 100m horizontally from the base of the building. What is the height of the building?

A) 87.8 m	
A) 87.8 m B) 78.4 m C) 98.0 m D) 100. m E) 60.0 m F) 122. m G) 137. m H) 108. m I) 44.4 m J) 67.1 m	This is a 2-D problem and must be analyzed in each dimension. In the x- direction, $x_0=0m$, $x_f=100m$, $v_{0x}=20.0m/s$, $v_{fx}=v_{0x}$, $a_x=0m/s^2$, t=?. In the y- direction, $y_0=?$, $y_f=0m$, $v_{0y}=0m/s$, $v_{fy}=?$, $a_y=-9.8m/s^2$, t=?. To get the initial height we need to know the time (since the velocity in the x-direction is constant, and we know the distance), so look in the x-direction, we use $x_f=x_0+v_{0x}t+1/2a_xt^2$, with $a_x=0 => t=4s$. Then in the y-direction and use $y_f=y_0+v_{0y}t+1/2a_yt^2 =>$ $y_0=78.4m$.

6) A person is swimming across a river that is 300 m wide. They swim at a constant speed relative to the water of 0.6 m/s and in a direction straight across the river (perpendicular to the flow of water). When they reach the opposite shore, they notice that they have drifted 500 m downstream. What was the speed and direction of the swimmer relative to the earth?

A) 0.98 m/s @ 48° downstream of across B) 1.17 m/s @ 59° downstream of across C) 1.36 m/s @ 67° downstream of across D) 1.28 m/s @ 48° downstream of across E) 0.86 m/s @ 38° downstream of across F) 1.22 m/s @ 53° downstream of across G) 1.17 m/s @ 31° downstream of across H) 1.36 m/s @ 23° downstream of across J) 0.86 m/s @ 52° downstream of across

The perpendicular (to the water) speed of the swimmer is 0.6m/s and they travel the 300 m (in that direction), so it takes them 500s. In that same time, the river brings them downstream 500 m, so the river is flowing at 1 m/s. So, their velocity relative to earth is

$$\vec{v}_{S/E} = \vec{v}_{S/W} + \vec{v}_{W/E} = 0.6 \, m/s \, \hat{i} + 1.0 \, m/s \, \hat{j}$$

where the x direction is across the river and the y direction is downstream.

The speed is then the magnitude of the velocity: 1.17m/s and the direction is 59° downstream of straight across.

An object moves along the track shown in the top-view diagram below. The object moves from point A to point E with constant speed.



7) Which choice best represents the acceleration vector of the object at point B?



A person riding on a Ferris Wheel of radius 14.0 m. It takes 40s for the rider to all the way around the wheel at a constant speed.



9) At the middle point on the right, indicated by the circle, which choice best represents his acceleration?



10) What is the magnitude of his acceleration?

A) 4.40 m/s^2 B) 0.44 m/s^2 C) 11.2 m/s^2 D) 9.80 m/s^2 E) 0.34 m/s^2 F) 1.40 m/s^2 G) 1.18 m/s^2 H) 0.20 m/s^2 I) 2.43 m/s^2 J) 8.51 m/s^2

Since it is constant speed, the acceleration of the rider is given by a radial component, $a_R = v^2/r$. The velocity is given by the distance over the time, in this case the circumference of his path over the period: $v = 2\pi r/T = 2.20$ m/s. Then $a_R = 0.34$ m/s². **11**) A child wants to kick a ball a horizontal distance of 15.0 m over a fence 2.0 m high. They kick the ball at an angle of 60° above the horizontal. At what speed should they kick the ball so that it *just* passes over the fence?

