

**Q1.**

A car accelerates at  $2.0 \text{ m/s}^2$  along a straight road. It passes two marks that are 30 m apart at times  $t = 4.0 \text{ s}$  and  $t = 5.0 \text{ s}$ . Find the car's velocity at  $t = 0$ .

- A) 21 m/s
- B) 34 m/s
- C) 16 m/s
- D) 11 m/s
- E) 48 m/s

**Ans:**

$$x_5 - x_4 = v_4 t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2$$

$$30 = v_4(1) + \frac{1}{2} (2)(1)^2$$

$$v_4 = 29 \text{ m/s} \Rightarrow 29 = v_0 + a(4) \Rightarrow v_0 = 21 \text{ m/s}$$

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**Q2.**

Two vectors are given by  $\vec{A} = 1.00\hat{i} + 2.00\hat{j}$  and  $\vec{B} = 1.00\hat{i} + 3.00\hat{j}$ . Find the angle that the vector  $\vec{A} - 2\vec{B}$  makes with the positive y-axis.

- A)  $166^\circ$
- B)  $100^\circ$
- C)  $133^\circ$
- D)  $111^\circ$
- E)  $173^\circ$

**Ans:**

$$\vec{C} = \vec{A} - 2\vec{B} = -\hat{i} - 4\hat{j}$$

$$\Rightarrow \tan^{-1}\theta = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \theta = 14^\circ$$

$$\text{Angle from y-axis} = 180^\circ - 14^\circ = 166^\circ$$

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**Q3.**

A projectile's launch speed is 4 times its speed at maximum height. Find the launch angle from the horizontal.

- A)  $75.5^\circ$
- B)  $70.6^\circ$
- C)  $45.3^\circ$
- D)  $32.0^\circ$
- E)  $49.2^\circ$

**Ans:**

$$\text{At maximum height } v_y = 0 \Rightarrow v = v_x = v_{0x}$$

$$v_0 = 4 v_{0x} \Rightarrow v_0 = 4v_0 \cos\theta_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = 75.5^\circ$$

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**Q4.**

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

- A) Perpendicular to each other
- B) Perpendicular to the circular path
- C) tangent to the circular path
- D) Opposite to each other
- E) Parallel to each other

**Ans:**

In uniform circular motion, the acceleration is perpendicular to velocity at each instant.

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**Q5.**

An elevator initially moving upward is slowing down at a rate of  $1.50 \text{ m/s}^2$ . If the tension in the cable is  $3.20 \times 10^3 \text{ N}$  then find the weight of the elevator.

- A)  $3.78 \times 10^3 \text{ N}$
- B)  $1.53 \times 10^4 \text{ N}$
- C)  $5.20 \times 10^5 \text{ N}$
- D)  $1.72 \times 10^3 \text{ N}$
- E)  $5.92 \times 10^3 \text{ N}$

**Ans:**

$$T - W = -ma$$

$$\Rightarrow W = T + \left( mg \cdot \frac{a}{g} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow W = \frac{T}{1 - a/g} = \frac{3.2 \times 10^3}{1 - \frac{1.5}{9.8}} = 3.78 \times 10^3 \text{ N}$$

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**Q6.**

A 12 N horizontal force is applied to a 4.1 kg block initially at rest on a rough horizontal surface. If the coefficients of friction are  $\mu_s = 0.5$  and  $\mu_k = 0.4$ . Find the magnitude of the frictional force on the block.

- A) 12 N
- B) 16 N
- C) 10 N
- D) 20 N
- E) 8.0 N

**Ans:**

$$f_{s\max} = \mu_s F_n = \mu_s mg$$

$$= (0.5)(4.1)(9.8) = 20.1 \text{ N}$$

$$F < f_{s\max} \rightarrow \text{No motion}$$

$$f_s \equiv F = 12 \text{ N}$$

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**Q7.**

A single force  $F$  acts on a block of mass  $m = 3.0$  kg from  $t = 0$  s to  $t = 4.0$  s. If the position of the block is given by  $x = t^3 - 5.2t$  then find the work done on the block by  $F$ .

- A)  $2.7 \times 10^3$  J
- B)  $5.4 \times 10^3$  J
- C)  $4.2 \times 10^3$  J
- D)  $6.7 \times 10^3$  J
- E)  $1.2 \times 10^3$  J

**Ans:**

$$v = \frac{dx}{dt} = 3t^2 - 5.2 \Rightarrow v(4) = 42.8 \text{ m/s}; v(0) = -5.2 \text{ m/s}$$

$$W = \Delta K = \frac{1}{2} m(v_4^2 - v_0^2) = 2707.2 \text{ J} = 2.7 \times 10^3 \text{ J}$$

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**Q8.**

The Rotational inertia of an object does not depend upon:

- A) Its angular velocity.
- B) Its mass.
- C) Its size and shape.
- D) The location of the axis of rotation.
- E) The distribution of its mass.

**Ans:**

I is independent of  $\vec{L}$

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**Q9.**

A uniform meter stick pivoted at 10.0 cm mark is oscillating. Find the period of oscillation.

- A) 1.57 s
- B) 2.32 s
- C) 3.60 s
- D) 4.15 s
- E) 3.43 s

**Ans:**

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{I}{mgh}} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{\frac{1}{12} mL^2 + mh^2}{m(9.8)(0.4)}}$$

$$= 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m\left(\frac{1}{12} + (0.4)^2\right)}{m(9.8)(0.4)}} = 1.57 \text{ s}$$

**Q10.**

A thin uniform rod of length 1.5 m and mass 0.50 kg is suspended freely from one end. It is pulled to one side and then allowed to swing like a pendulum, passing through its lowest position with angular speed 5.0 rad/s. Neglecting friction and air resistance, find the rod's kinetic energy at its lowest position.

- A) 4.7 J
- B) 1.2 J
- C) 9.4 J
- D) 0.90 J
- E) 7.8 J

**Ans:**

$$K = \frac{1}{2} I\omega^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{1}{3} mL^2 \right) \omega^2$$

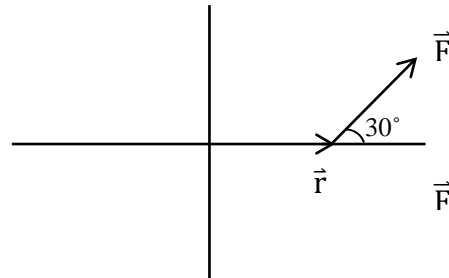
$$= \frac{1}{6} mL^2 \omega^2 = \frac{1}{6} (0.5)(1.5)^2 (5)^2$$

$K = 4.7 \text{ J}$

**Q11.**

A force of magnitude 10.0 N acts on a rigid body. The force lies in the  $xy$  plane. Its line of action passes through the point (0.500, 0.00) and makes an angle of  $30.0^\circ$  with the positive  $x$ -axis. Find the torque of the force about the point (-0.300, 0.00).

- A)  $+4.00 \hat{k}$  (N.m)
- B)  $-4.00 \hat{k}$  (N.m)
- C)  $+1.00 \hat{k}$  (N.m)
- D)  $-1.00 \hat{k}$  (N.m)
- E)  $+6.93 \hat{i}$  (N.m)



**Ans:**

$$\tau = |r||F|\sin 30^\circ$$

$$= (0.8)(10) \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) = 4.00 \hat{k} \text{ (N.m)}$$

**Q12.**

A horizontal uniform beam of weight 1000 N is supported by a hinge at one end and by a cable at the other end, as shown in **Figure 1**. Find the magnitude of the force exerted on the beam by the hinge.

- A) 1000 N
- B) 1200 N
- C) 780.0 N
- D) 1500 N
- E) 892.0 N

**Ans:**

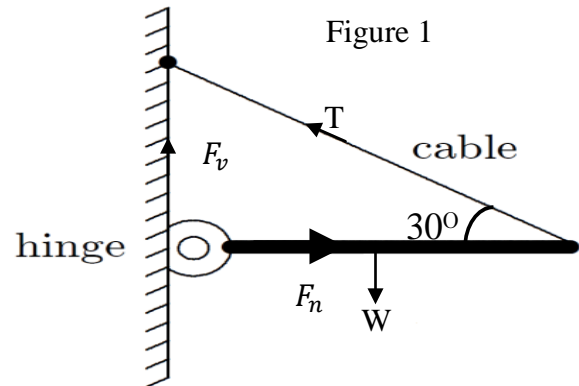
$$\Sigma\tau = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow W\left(\frac{L}{2}\right) = TL\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \Rightarrow T = W = 1000 \text{ N}$$

$$\Sigma F_x = 0 \Rightarrow F_n = T\cos\theta \Rightarrow (1000) \cos(30) = 0.75 \times 10^3 \text{ N}$$

$$\Sigma F_y = 0 \Rightarrow F_v = W - T\sin\theta = 0.5 \times 10^3 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{\text{hinge}} = \sqrt{F_n^2 + F_v^2} = 1000 \text{ N}$$

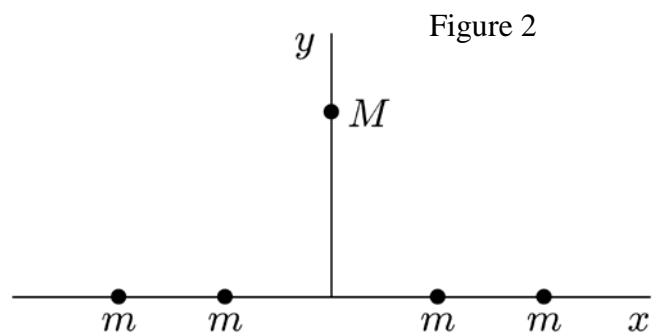


**Q13.**

Four particles, each with mass  $m$ , are arranged symmetrically about the origin on the  $x$  axis, as shown in **Figure 2**. A fifth particle, with mass  $M$ , is on the  $y$  axis. The direction of the gravitational force on  $M$  is:

- A) Along the negative  $y$  axis
- B) Along the positive  $y$  axis
- C) Along the negative  $x$  axis
- D) Along the positive  $x$  axis
- E) Along the negative  $z$  axis

**Ans:**



Horizontal forces on  $M$  cancel out due to symmetry while vertical components are added in the  $y$  axis direction.

**Q14.**

A uniform solid sphere has a mass of  $1.5 \times 10^4$  kg and a radius of 1.0 m. Find the magnitude of the gravitational force due to the sphere on a particle of mass  $m = 1.0$  kg located at a distance of 0.75 m from the center of the sphere.

- A)  $7.5 \times 10^{-7}$  N
- B)  $1.9 \times 10^{-7}$  N
- C)  $3.6 \times 10^{-7}$  N
- D)  $9.9 \times 10^{-7}$  N
- E) 0

**Ans:**

$$F = \frac{GMm'}{r^2} = \frac{GM}{r^2} \cdot \frac{r^3}{R^3} M = 7.5 \times 10^{-7} \text{ N}$$

$$m' = \rho V = \frac{M}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} \cdot \frac{4\pi}{3} r^3 = \left(\frac{r}{R}\right)^3 M$$

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**Q15.**

A planet has a mass of about 0.0558 times the mass of Earth and a diameter of about 0.381 times the diameter of Earth. The acceleration of a body falling near the surface of this planet is: (take acceleration due to gravity on earth to be  $9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ )

- A)  $3.77 \text{ m/s}^2$
- B)  $1.50 \text{ m/s}^2$
- C)  $5.95 \text{ m/s}^2$
- D)  $9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$
- E)  $2.42 \text{ m/s}^2$

**Ans:**

$$g_E = \frac{GM}{R^2} \Rightarrow \frac{g_p}{g_E} = \frac{\frac{GM_p}{R_p^2}}{\frac{GM_E}{R_E^2}} = \frac{M_p}{M_E} \left(\frac{R_E}{R_p}\right)^2$$
$$\Rightarrow g_p = \frac{0.0558}{(0.381)^2} \times 9.8 = 3.77 \text{ m/s}^2$$

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**Q16.**

Neglecting air resistance, a 1.0 kg projectile has an escape speed of about 11 km/s at the surface of Earth. Find the corresponding escape speed for a 2.0 kg projectile.

- A) 11 km/s
- B) 7.2 km/s
- C) 15 km/s
- D) 5.5 km/s
- E) 22 km/s

**Ans:**

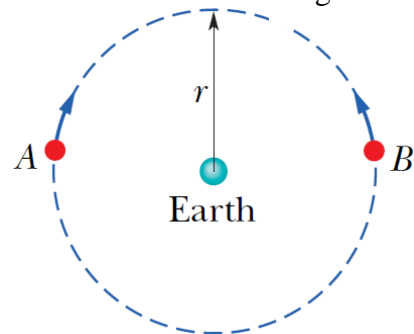
Escape speed is mass independent.

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**Q17.**

Two satellites *A* and *B* of same mass of 130 kg are shown in **Figure 3**, and move in the same circular orbit of radius  $r = 7.77 \times 10^6$  m around earth but of opposite senses of rotation and therefore they are expected to collide. If the collision is completely inelastic, find the total mechanical energy immediately after collision.

Figure 3



- A)  $-1.33 \times 10^{10}$  J
- B)  $-3.39 \times 10^{10}$  J
- C)  $-1.98 \times 10^8$  J
- D)  $-2.93 \times 10^{10}$  J
- E) 0

**Ans:**

$$m_1 = m_2$$

$$\vec{v} = -\vec{v}_2 = \vec{v}_{\text{com}} = 0$$

So after collision,  $\text{KE} = 0$

$$\Rightarrow E = N = \frac{-2GmM}{r}$$

$$= \frac{-2 \times 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \times 130}{7.77 \times 10^6} = -1.33 \times 10^{10} \text{ J}$$

**Q18.**

At a fixed depth within a fluid at rest, the pressure pushing upward is:

- A) Equal to pressure pushing downward.
- B) Zero, because pressure only pushes equal in all horizontal direction.
- C) Zero, because the fluid above does not support the weight of the fluid below.
- D) Greater than the pressure pushing downward.
- E) Less than the pressure pushing downward.

**Ans:**

Condition for fluid at rest.

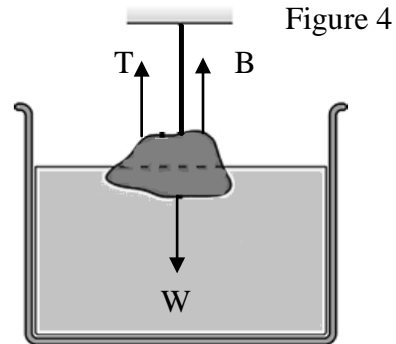
**Q19.**

A 5.0 kg rock whose density is  $4800 \text{ kg/m}^3$  is suspended by a string such that half of the rock's volume is under water (see **Figure 4**). Find the tension in the string.

- A) 44 N
- B) 73 N
- C) 32 N
- D) 68 N
- E) 21 N

**Ans:**

$$\begin{aligned}
 T &= W - B \\
 &= \rho_0 V g - \rho_w \frac{V}{2} g \\
 &= \left(1 - \frac{\rho_w}{2\rho_0}\right) mg \\
 &= \left(1 - \frac{1000}{9600}\right) (5)(9.8) = 44 \text{ N}
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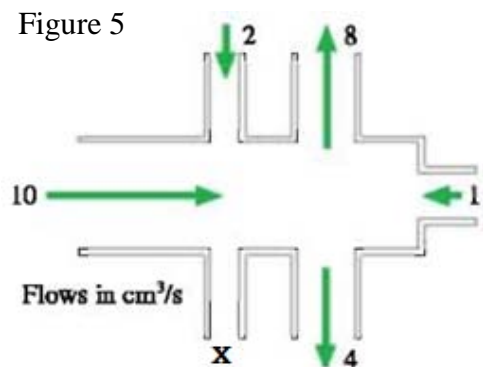
**Q20.**

**Figure 5** shows volume flow rates (in  $\text{cm}^3/\text{s}$ ) of a fluid from all but one tube. Assuming steady flow of the fluid, find the volume flow rate through the **X** tube and its direction.

- A)  $1 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$  flowing out
- B)  $7 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$  flowing in
- C)  $5 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$  flowing out
- D)  $3 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$  flowing in
- E)  $4 \text{ cm}^3/\text{s}$  flowing out

**Ans:**

in  $\rightarrow$  +ve  
 out  $\rightarrow$  -ve  
 $\rightarrow$  net flow rate = 0  
 $\Rightarrow +2 + 10 + 1 - 8 - 4 + X = 0$   
 $\Rightarrow X = -1$

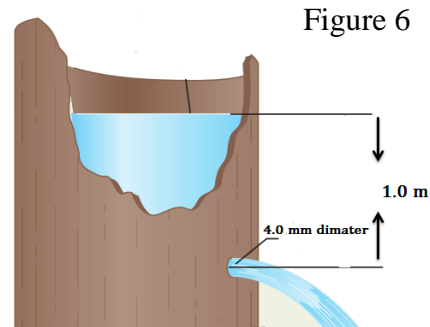




**Q21.**

A 4.0 mm diameter hole is 1.0 m below the surface of a large tank of water as shown in **Figure 6**. Find water volume flow rate through the hole.

- A)  $5.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$
- B)  $3.1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$
- C)  $7.8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$
- D)  $1.5 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$
- E)  $4.7 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$



**Ans:**

$$\frac{1}{2} \rho v_2^2 = \rho g (Y_1 - Y_2)$$

$$\Rightarrow v_2 = \sqrt{2g(Y_1 - Y_2)} = 4.43 \text{ m/s}$$

$$R_v = A \cdot v = \pi r^2 v = 5.6 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$$

**Q22.**

For an object undergoing a simple harmonic motion. Only one statement is correct

- A) The object has varying acceleration.
- B) The object has varying amplitude.
- C) The object has varying period.
- D) The object has varying frequency.
- E) The object has varying total mechanical energy.

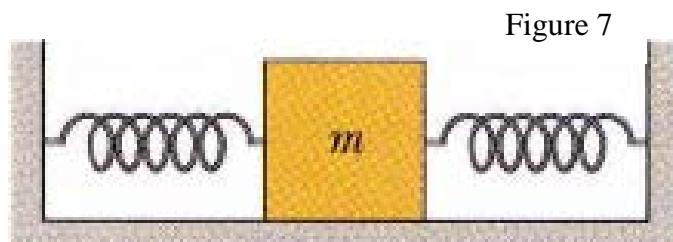
**Ans:**

In SHM acceleration it is time dependent

**Q23.**

As shown in **Figure 7**, two identical springs of spring constant  $7.00 \times 10^3 \text{ N/m}$  are attached to a block that is sitting on a frictionless floor. If the frequency of oscillation is 30.0 Hz, find the mass of the block.

- A) 0.394 kg
- B) 0.126 kg
- C) 0.328 kg
- D) 0.200 kg
- E) 0.175 kg



**Ans:**

$$f = \frac{\omega}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sqrt{\frac{2k}{m}}$$

$$m = \frac{2k}{f^2 4\pi^2} = 0.394 \text{ kg}$$

**Q24.**

A 3.000 kg block, attached to a spring, executes simple harmonic motion. The position of the block is given as:  $x = 2.000\cos(50.00t)$  where  $x$  is in meters and  $t$  is in seconds. Find the spring constant of the spring:

- A) 7500 N/m
- B) 6800 N/m
- C) 9000 N/m
- D) 2560 N/m
- E) 4700 N/m

**Ans:**

$$k = m\omega^2$$
$$= (3)(50)^2 = 7500 \text{ N/m}$$

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**Q25.**

A 50 kg boy stands on frictionless level ice floor. He kicks a 0.10 kg stone lying near his feet if the velocity of the stone is  $(1.1 \text{ m/s})\hat{i}$ , find the velocity of the boy just after kicking the stone.

- A)  $(-2.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m/s})\hat{i}$
- B)  $(2.0 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m/s})\hat{i}$
- C)  $(1.1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m/s})\hat{i}$
- D)  $(-1.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m/s})\hat{i}$
- E) 0

**Ans:**

$$\vec{P}_{\text{before}} = \vec{P}_{\text{after}}$$
$$0 = v_{fs}m_s + v_{fb}m_b$$
$$= (1.1 \hat{i})(0.1) + v_{fb}(50)$$
$$\Rightarrow \vec{v}_{\text{boy}} = (-2.2 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m/s})\hat{i}$$

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