



Physics 101

Spring Semester
Second Midterm Exam
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Important:

1. Answer all questions and problems (No solution = no points).
2. Full mark = 20 points as arranged in the above table.
3. **Give your final answer in the correct units.**
4. Assume $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$.
5. Mobiles are **strictly prohibited** during the exam.
6. Programmable calculators, which can store equations, are not allowed.
7. **Cheating incidents will be processed according to the university rules.**

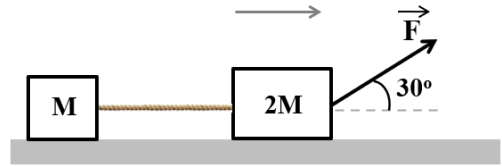
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Part I: Short Problems (2 points each)

SP1. In the shown figure, the force $|\vec{F}| = 35\text{ N}$ acts to move the two blocks on a horizontal **frictionless** surface. The blocks are connected by a massless string. **Find the magnitude of the tension (T) in the string.**

Block 2M: $F \cos 30^\circ - T = 2Ma$

Block M: $T = Ma$



$$F \cos 30^\circ - T = 2T$$

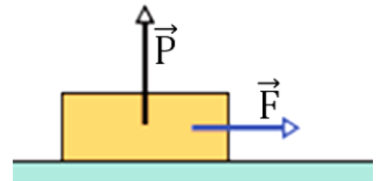
$$T = \frac{F \cos 30^\circ}{3} = 10.1\text{ N}$$

SP2. A block of mass ($m = 3\text{ Kg}$) is initially **at rest** on **a rough** horizontal surface. A horizontal force $|\vec{F}| = 8\text{ N}$ and a vertical force $|\vec{P}| = 6\text{ N}$ are then applied to the block, as shown. The coefficients of friction between the block and surface are ($\mu_s = 0.4$ and $\mu_k = 0.3$). **Find the magnitude of the frictional force acting on the block. Is it static or kinetic?**

$$(f_s)_{\max} = \mu_s(mg - P) = 0.4(30 - 6) = 9.6\text{ N}$$

$$F = 8\text{ N} < (f_s)_{\max}, \text{ so the block will stay at rest.}$$

$$f_s = F = 8\text{ N}, \text{ it is static friction.}$$



SP3. A 90 kg block is connected to a light rope that passes over a massless pulley, as shown. A man pulls the rope, and the block moves vertically upward at **constant speed**. **Find the average power output of the man if the block moves 6 m in 12 s .**

$$w_{\text{man}} = mgh = 90(10)(6) = 5400\text{ J}$$

$$P_{\text{av}} = \frac{w_{\text{man}}}{t} = \frac{5400}{12} = 450\text{ W}$$



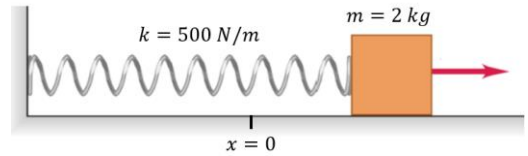
SP4. A block ($m = 2 \text{ kg}$) is attached to a spring ($k = 500 \text{ N/m}$). The block is pulled 5 cm to the right of equilibrium and **released from rest**. The coefficient of kinetic friction between the block and the surface is $\mu_k = 0.35$. **Find the speed of the block as it passes through equilibrium position ($x = 0$).**

$$E_f - E_i = W_{\text{other}}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}mv_f^2 - \frac{1}{2}kx_i^2 = -f_k d$$

$$\frac{1}{2}(2)v_f^2 - \frac{1}{2}(500)(0.05)^2 = -\mu_k mgd$$

$$v_f = \sqrt{0.625 - 0.35(2)(10)(0.05)} = 0.52 \text{ m/s}$$

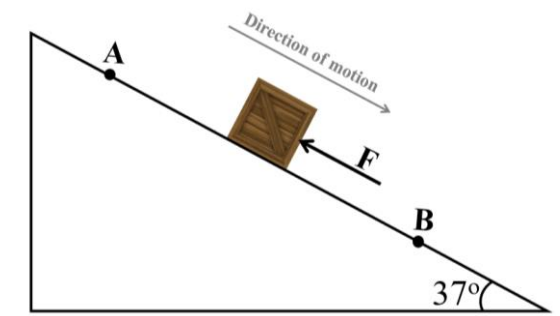


SP5. A 4 kg block is **lowered down** a 37° **rough** incline a distance of 5 m **from point A to point B**. A constant force $|\vec{F}| = 12 \text{ N}$ is applied to the block between A and B, as shown. The kinetic energy of the block at A is 15 J and at B is 30 J . **Use work energy theorem to find the work done on the block by the force of friction between A and B?**

$$W_F + W_g + W_n + W_{f_k} = K_f - K_i$$

$$-5F + mg(5 \sin 37^\circ) + W_{f_k} = 30 - 15$$

$$W_{f_k} = -45.4 \text{ J}$$



Part II: Long Problems (3 points each)

LP1. Only two forces \vec{F}_1 , and \vec{F}_2 act on a particle with mass $m = 3 \text{ kg}$. The forces are:

$$\vec{F}_1 = 2\hat{i} - 5\hat{j} + 2\hat{k}$$

$$\vec{F}_2 = -5\hat{i} + 8\hat{j} + \hat{k}$$

F_1 and F_2 are measured in N.

(a) What is the net force in unit vector notation?

$$\vec{F}_{net} = \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 = (-3\hat{i} + 3\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}) \text{ N}$$

(b) What is the magnitude of the acceleration?

$$\vec{a} = \frac{\vec{F}_{net}}{m} = (-1\hat{i} + 1\hat{j} + 1\hat{k}) \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$|\vec{a}| = \sqrt{1 + 1 + 1} = 1.73 \text{ m/s}^2$$

(c) If the particle starts from rest at the origin, what is its speed at the position $\vec{r} = (-2\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 2\hat{k})\text{m}$

$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \Delta\vec{r} = \Delta K$$

$$6 + 6 + 6 = \frac{1}{2}mv_f^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv_i^2$$

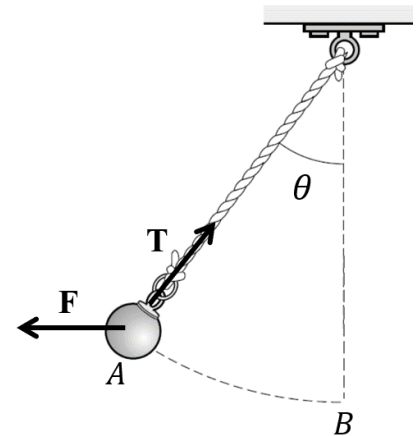
$$18 = \frac{1}{2}(3)v_f^2$$

$$v_f = 3.46 \text{ m/s}$$

LP2. In the figure below, a ball ($m = 0.5 \text{ kg}$) hangs from the ceiling. The length of the string is $l = 1.2 \text{ m}$. A horizontal force, \vec{F} , holds the ball steady. Given $\theta = 30^\circ$.

a) Find the magnitude of the tension (T) in the string at point A.

$$mg = T \cos \theta \Rightarrow T = \frac{mg}{\cos \theta} = 5.77 \text{ N}$$



b) If the ball is released ($F = 0$), what will be the speed of the ball at point B?

$$E_i = E_f$$

$$mgh_i = \frac{1}{2}mv_B^2$$

$$10(1.2 - 1.2 \cos (30)) = \frac{1}{2}v_B^2$$

$$v_B = 1.8 \text{ m/s}$$

c) What is the magnitude of the net force on the ball at point B?

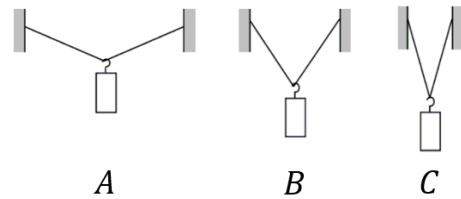
$$F_{tan} = \text{zero at the bottom point}$$

$$F_{net} = F_r = \frac{mv^2}{R} = \frac{0.5(1.8)^2}{1.2} = 1.35 \text{ N}$$

Part III: Questions (Choose the correct answer, one point each)

Q1. A block of mass m is suspended by a **string of fixed length**. The ends of the string are held at various positions, as shown. **In which case, if any, is the magnitude of the tension (T) in the string the largest?**

- ☒ case A
- * case B
- * case C
- * same in all three cases.



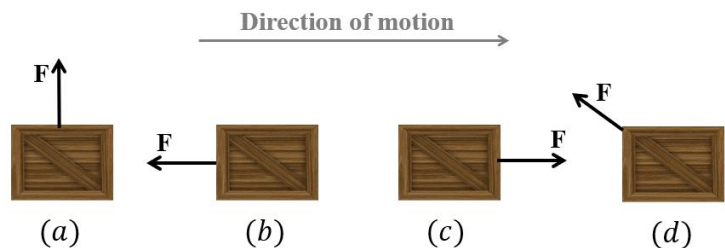
Q2. A 20 kg boy stands on a scale while riding in the elevator. If the scale reads 180 N , then the elevator is moving

- * upward with increasing speed
- ☒ upward with decreasing speed
- * downward with decreasing speed
- * upward with constant speed



Q3. The figure shows four situations in which a force is applied to an object. In all cases, **the force (F) has the same magnitude, and the object moves 4 m to the right**. Rank the situations according to the work done by the force F , from most positive to most negative.

- * a b c d
- * c d a b
- * b d c a
- ☒ c a d b



Q4. If only **conservative forces** are acting on a body, then **the work done by these forces**

- * does not change the potential energy
- * does not change the kinetic energy
- ☒ does not change the total mechanical energy
- * is always negative