Physics 131

Final Exam

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INSTRUCTIONS: Write your NAME and your LECTURE (01: 8:30/Eskildsen, 02: 10:40/Goussiou, 03: 3:00/Bunker) on the front of the blue exam booklet. The exam is closed book, and you may have only pens/pencils and a calculator (no stored equations or programs and no graphing). Show all of your work in the blue book. For problems II-VI, an answer alone is worth very little credit, even if it is correct – so show how you get it. Please enter the multiple-choice answers in the stamped form on the first inside page of the exam.

Suggestions: Draw a diagram when possible, circle or box your final answers, and cross out parts which you do not want us to consider.

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I. Multiple Choice Questions

- 1. A wave is traveling with a speed *v* along the *x* axis in the positive direction. The upper graph shows the displacement *y* versus the distance *x* for a given instant of time. The lower graph shows the displacement *y* versus the time *t* for any given point *x*. From the information in the graphs, what is the wave speed *v*?
 - A) 8.0 m/s
 - B) 4.0 m/s
 - C) 6.0 m/s
 - D) none of the above
 - E) not enough information
- 2. Of the five masses in orbit around the central mass, the one with the longest period of revolution is

A) 1 B) 2 C) 3 D) 4 E) 5



3. Two carts with masses $m_1 < m_2$ are placed on an airtrack and can move horizontally without friction. Initially cart 2 is at rest and cart 1 approaches with velocity v_0 as shown in the figure.



After undergoing an elastic collision:

- A) The two carts move to the right with a common velocity $v = v_0$.
- B) The two carts move to the right with a common velocity $v < v_0$.
- C) Both move to the right but with different velocities
- D) Cart 1 stops and cart 2 moves to the right with velocity v_0 .
- E) Cart 1 moves to the left and cart 2 moves to the right.
- 4. A particle is launched from the surface of the earth with a speed three times the escape speed $(v_{esc} = 11.2 \text{ km/s})$. When it is very far from the earth, what is its speed?
 - A) 0 km/s
 - B) 11.2 km/s
 - C) 22.4 km/s
 - D) 31.7 km/s
 - E) 33.6 km/s
- 5. A block of wood with a mass M = 4.65 kg is resting on a horizontal surface when a bullet with a mass m = 18 g and moving with a speed v = 725 m/s strikes it and gets embedded in the block. The coefficient of kinetic friction between the block and the surface is $\mu_k = 0.35$. The distance the block moves across the surface is
 - A) 1.1 m
 - B) 3.3 m
 - C) 0.41 m
 - D) 11 m
 - E) None of these is correct.
- 6. A wheel is rotating clockwise on a fixed axis perpendicular to the page (*x*). A torque that causes the wheel to slow down is best represented by the vector
 - A) $\vec{1}$ B) $\vec{2}$ C) $\vec{3}$ D) $\vec{4}$ E) $\vec{5}$



7. A turntable has an angular velocity of 1.4 rad/s. The coefficient of static friction between the turntable and a block placed on it is $\mu_s = 0.20$.

The maximum distance from the center of the turntable that the block can be placed without sliding is approximately

- A) 0.5 m
- B) 1.0 m
- C) 1.4 m
- D) 2.0 m
- E) 4.4 m

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The kinetic energy of a body executing simple harmonic motion is plotted against time expressed in terms of the period *T*. At t = 0, the displacement is zero. Which of the graphs most closely represents these conditions?

A) 1 B) 2 C) 3 D) 4 E) 5

Problems

II. A block of mass $m_1 = 60$ kg slides along the top of a block of mass $m_2 = 100$ kg. There is no friction between the 100-kg block and a frictionless horizontal surface, but there *is* friction between the two blocks.

When a horizontal force \vec{F} of 320 N is applied to the 60-kg block, the block has an acceleration of 3 m/s².

- (a) Draw free body diagrams for the two blocks.
- (b) Write Newton's 2^{nd} law in the horizontal and vertical direction for the block of mass m_1 .
- (c) Write Newton's 2nd law in the horizontal and vertical direction for the block of mass m_2 .
- (d) Find the coefficient of kinetic friction between the blocks.
- (e) Find the acceleration of the 100-kg block during the time that the 60-kg block remains in contact.
- III. Ganymede, one of Jupiter's moons, has a radius of 2631 km and has a mean density $\rho = 1.9 \text{ g/cm}^3$. Assume that Ganymede is spherical, the density is uniform, and ignore rotation of the moon.
 - a) What is the gravitational field at the surface of Ganymede?

If a shaft were drilled all the way through the moon, passing through the center of the moon,

- b) what would be gravitational field as a function of distance from the center of the moon, for distances less than the moon's radius?
- c) what would be the oscillation frequency (in Hz) of an object dropped from the surface through the shaft and passing through the moon's center?





IV. A 0.6 kg basketball rolls without slipping down an incline of angle $\theta = 15^{\circ}$. The radius of a standard basketball is 11.4 cm, and it can be treated as if all of its mass is in a thin shell at the surface.



- a) Draw free-body diagram, showing all forces acting on the basketball.
- b) Write down Newton's 2nd Law for translation of the cylinder.
- c) Write down Newton's 2nd Law for rotation of the cylinder, and relate the angular acceleration to the linear acceleration.
- d) Determine the acceleration of the center of mass of the basketball.
- e) Find the frictional force acting on the ball.
- V. A damped oscillator loses 5% of its energy during each cycle.
 - a) How many cycles elapse before half of the initial energy is dissipated?
 - b) What is the quality factor (Q factor) of the oscillator?
 - c) If the natural frequency is 120 Hz, what is the width of the resonance curve when the oscillator is driven?
- VI. A 2-kg block is released 4 m from a massless spring with force constant k = 100 N/m that is along a plane inclined at 30°.
 - (a) If the plane is frictionless, find the maximum compression of the spring.
 - (b) If the coefficient of kinetic friction between the plane and the block is $\mu_k = 0.2$, find the maximum compression of the spring.



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- VII. A loudspeaker at a rock concert generates an intensity of 10^{-3} W/m² at 100 m. Assume that the speaker spreads its energy uniformly in all directions.
 - a) What is the acoustic power emitted by the loudspeaker?
 - b) What is the intensity level at 30 m?

