

Practice Exam 1

1. The number of significant figures in 0.00150 is:

- A) 2
- B) 3
- C) 4
- D) 5
- E) 6

1 pt.

2. 1 mile is equivalent to 1609 m so 55 mph (miles per hour) is:

- A) 15 m/s
- B) 25 m/s
- C) 66 m/s
- D) 88 m/s
- E) 1500 m/s

1 pt.

3. A sphere with a radius of 1.7 cm has a surface area of:

- A)  $2.1 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2$
- B)  $9.1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$
- C)  $3.6 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2$
- D)  $0.11 \text{ m}^2$
- E)  $36 \text{ m}^2$

1 pt.

4. During a short interval of time the speed  $v$  in m/s of an automobile is given by  $v = at^2 + bt^3$ , where the time  $t$  is in seconds. The units of  $a$  and  $b$  are respectively:

- A)  $\text{m}\cdot\text{s}^2$ ;  $\text{m}\cdot\text{s}^4$
- B)  $\text{s}^3/\text{m}$ ;  $\text{s}^4/\text{m}$
- C)  $\text{m}/\text{s}^2$ ;  $\text{m}/\text{s}^3$
- D)  $\text{m}/\text{s}^3$ ;  $\text{m}/\text{s}^4$
- E)  $\text{m}/\text{s}^4$ ;  $\text{m}/\text{s}^5$

1 pt.

5. A car moving with an initial velocity of 25 m/s north has a constant acceleration of  $3 \text{ m/s}^2$  south. After 6 seconds its velocity will be:

- A) 7 m/s north
- B) 7 m/s south
- C) 43 m/s north
- D) 20 m/s north
- E) 20 m/s south

1 pt.

6. A ball is in free fall. Its acceleration is:
- A) downward during both ascent and descent
  - B) downward during ascent and upward during descent
  - C) upward during ascent and downward during descent
  - D) upward during both ascent and descent
  - E) downward at all times except at the very top, when it is zero

1 pt.

7. At a location where  $g = 9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$ , an object is thrown vertically down with an initial speed of  $1.00 \text{ m/s}$ . After  $5.00 \text{ s}$  the object will have traveled:
- A)  $125 \text{ m}$
  - B)  $127.5 \text{ m}$
  - C)  $245 \text{ m}$
  - D)  $250 \text{ m}$
  - E)  $255 \text{ m}$

1 pt.

8. A boy on the edge of a vertical cliff  $20 \text{ m}$  high throws a stone horizontally outwards with a speed of  $20 \text{ m/s}$ . It strikes the ground at what horizontal distance from the foot of the cliff? Use  $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$
- A)  $10 \text{ m}$
  - B)  $40 \text{ m}$
  - C)  $50 \text{ m}$
  - D)  $50\sqrt{5} \text{ m}$
  - E) none of these

1 pt.

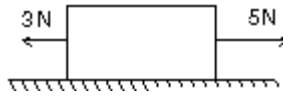
9. Acceleration is always in the direction:
- A) of the displacement
  - B) of the initial velocity
  - C) of the final velocity
  - D) of the net force
  - E) opposite to the frictional force

1 pt.

10. The term "mass" refers to the same physical concept as:
- A) weight
  - B) inertia
  - C) force
  - D) acceleration
  - E) volume

1 pt.

11. The block shown moves with constant velocity on a horizontal surface. Two of the forces on it are shown. A frictional force exerted by the surface is the only other horizontal force on the block. The frictional force is:



- A) 0
- B) 2 N, leftward
- C) 2 N, rightward
- D) slightly more than 2 N, leftward
- E) slightly less than 2 N, leftward

1 pt.

12. The "reaction" force does not cancel the "action" force because:
- A) the action force is greater than the reaction force
  - B) they are on different bodies
  - C) they are in the same direction
  - D) the reaction force exists only after the action force is removed
  - E) the reaction force is greater than the action force

1 pt.

13. A stone is tied to a 0.50-m string and whirled at a constant speed of 4.0 m/s in a vertical circle. Its acceleration at the top of the circle is:
- A)  $9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ , up
  - B)  $9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ , down
  - C)  $8.0 \text{ m/s}^2$ , down
  - D)  $32 \text{ m/s}^2$ , up
  - E)  $32 \text{ m/s}^2$ , down

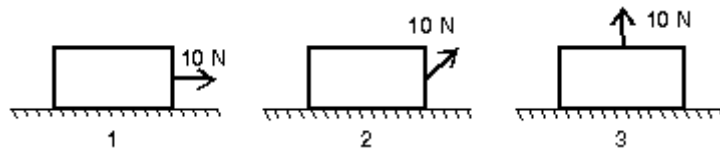
1 pt.

14. An object at the surface of Earth (at a distance  $R$  from the center of Earth) weighs 90 N. Its weight at a distance  $3R$  from the center of Earth is:
- A) 10 N
  - B) 30 N
  - C) 90 N
  - D) 270 N
  - E) 810 N

Bonus Question

1 pt.

15. A crate moves 10 m to the right on a horizontal surface as a woman pulls on it with a 10-N force. Rank the situations shown below according to the work done by her force, least to greatest.



- A) 1,2,3  
B) 2,1,3  
C) 2,3,1  
D) 1,3,2  
E) 3,2,1,

1 pt.

16. Which of the following bodies has the largest kinetic energy?

- A) Mass  $3M$  and speed  $V$   
B) Mass  $3M$  and speed  $2V$   
C) Mass  $2M$  and speed  $3V$   
D) Mass  $M$  and speed  $4V$   
E) All four of the above have the same kinetic energy

1 pt.

17. A 6.0-kg block is released from rest 80 m above the ground. When it has fallen 60 m its kinetic energy is approximately:

- A) 4800 J  
B) 3500 J  
C) 1200 J  
D) 120 J  
E) 60 J

Bonus Question

1 pt.

## SOLVING PROBLEMS

Show all the steps. Give right number of significant digits and write units.

1. Convert  $112 \text{ m}^2$  to  $\text{in}^2$ . Use  $1 \text{ in} = 2.54 \text{ cm}$ .

5 pts.

2. A car accelerates from rest to  $50 \text{ km/h}$  in  $22 \text{ s}$  on a straight road. Find how far the car traveled during this period.

5 pts.

3. A man walks 30 km east and then 40 km  $25^\circ$  east of south. Find where the man stands now (how far away he is from where he started and the angle).

10 pts.

4. A boy throws a piece of food at an angle of  $\theta$  ( $30^\circ$ ) with the horizontal. A bird catches the food at a height of 2.8 m after 2.2 s. Use  $g = 9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$ .

Draw clearly a picture showing how you understand this problem. Indicate in this drawing your initial and final states; and positive x and y directions.

3 pts.

Draw a table to list the five quantities in the x and y directions. Record the numerical values for the known quantities.

2.5 pts.

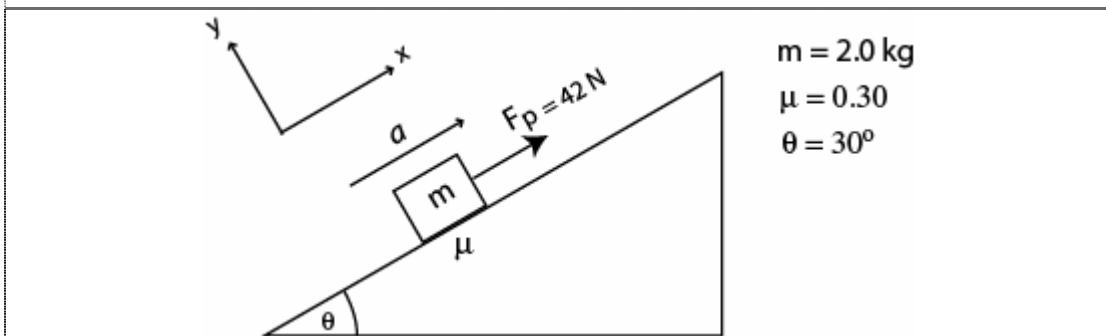
Find the x and y components of the initial velocity ( $v_{x0}$  and  $v_{y0}$ ). And then calculate the initial speed  $\left(\sqrt{v_{x0}^2 + v_{y0}^2}\right)$  and the angle  $\theta$ .

7.5 pts.

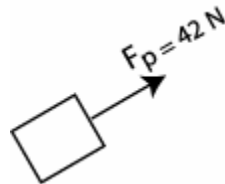
How far away horizontally is the piece of food, when it is caught by the bird?

2. pts.

5. A block is pulled up a rough incline by a force parallel to the incline as shown in the figure. The coefficient of kinetic friction between the block and the incline  $\mu_k = 0.30$ . The block moves up the incline with an acceleration  $a$ . (Use  $g = 9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$ .)



Complete the free body diagram (FBD) for the block (show all the forces acting on the body) in the figure shown below:



3 pts.

Apply Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> Law in the  $x$ -direction (parallel to the incline). In the resulting equation, substitute  $F_r = \mu F_N$  for the friction force  $F_r$ . Now you will have two unknowns in this equation:  $a$  and  $F_N$ .

3 pts.

Apply Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> Law in the  $y$ -direction and calculate the normal force  $F_N$ .

2 pts.

Find the acceleration of the block.





**Formula Sheet for major exam 1 – PHYS011**

	$v = v_o + a t$ $\Delta x = v_o t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2$ $\Delta x = \frac{1}{2} (v_o + v) t$ $v^2 = v_o^2 + 2 a \Delta x$
	<p>If <math>\vec{A} = \vec{A}_x + \vec{A}_y</math>, i.e. <math>\vec{A} = \langle A_x, A_y \rangle</math>, then</p> <p>the magnitude of <math>\vec{A}</math>, <math>A = \sqrt{A_x^2 + A_y^2}</math></p> <p>the angle <math>\theta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{A_y}{A_x} \right)</math></p>
	<p>Newton's 2nd Law : <math>\sum \vec{F} = m \vec{a}</math></p> <p><math>\sum F_x = m a_x</math> ; <math>\sum F_y = m a_y</math></p>
	$F_r = \mu_k F_N$
	$a_r = \frac{v^2}{r}$
	$F_{12} = \frac{G m_1 m_2}{r^2}$
	$W_F = F_{\parallel} d = F \cos \theta d$ $KE = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$ $PE_{gravity} = m g y$ $PE_{elastic} = \frac{1}{2} k x^2$
	$W_{NC} = \Delta(PE) + \Delta(KE)$ $\Delta(PE) + \Delta(KE) = 0$ if $W_{NC} = 0$ $\Rightarrow PE_1 + KE_1 = PE_2 + KE_2$ conservation of Mechanical Energy