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**PHYSICS Final Exam**

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Show all details, neatly, to selection of each correct answer.

- How many square kilometers are there in 10 acres? (1 acre = 43,560 ft<sup>2</sup> or  $\frac{1}{640}$  mi<sup>2</sup>)
  - 4.0469 km<sup>2</sup>
  - $4.0469 \times 10^{-2}$  km<sup>2</sup>
  - $4.0469 \times 10^4$  km<sup>2</sup>
  - $4.3560 \times 10^5$  km<sup>2</sup>
- In some countries the gasoline consumption of an automobile is expressed in liters consumed per 100 km of travel. If an automobile gets 27 miles/gallon, what is its fuel consumption in liters per 100 km? (1 gal = 3.7853 liters)
  - 0.8711 L/ 100 km
  - 871.1394 L/km
  - 0.0871 L / 100 km
  - 8.7114 L / 100 km
- A ball bearing is dropped from rest at a point A. At the instant it passes a mark 10 m below A, another ball bearing is released from rest from a position 11 m below A. (i) At what time after its release will the second ball bearing be overtaken by the first? (ii) How far does the second bearing fall in that time?
  - (i) 0.0049 s, (ii) 14.0071 m
  - (i) 0.0697 s, (ii) 0.0476 m
  - (i) 0.6969 s, (ii) 0.2380 m
  - (i) 0.0697 s, (ii) 0.0238 m
- A stone is dropped from rest into a well 50 m deep. If the speed of sound is 330 m/s, determine the time that has elapsed when the splash is heard after the stone is dropped.
  - 16,500 s
  - 3.3459 s
  - 6.60 s
  - 0.1515 s
- The position of a particle that moves along the  $x$  axis is given by  $x = 2 + 3t - 4t^2$  in SI units. What units are associated with the constant in each term?
  - 2 m, 3 m and 4 m
  - 2 m/s, 3 m/s<sup>2</sup> and 4 m/s<sup>3</sup>
  - 2 m, 3 m/s and 4 m/s<sup>2</sup>
  - 2, 3 m/s and 4 m/s<sup>2</sup>
- For the particle in Question (5) above, derive the expression for the velocity  $v$  as a function of time  $t$ 
  - $v = \frac{2}{t} + 3 - 4t$  m/s
  - $v = 3 - 8t$  m/s
  - $v = 3 - 4t$  m/s
  - $v = 2t + \frac{3}{2}t - t^3$  m/s
- For the particle in Question (5) above, derive the expression for the acceleration  $a$  as a function of time  $t$ 
  - $a = 3 - 8t$  m/s<sup>2</sup>
  - $a = -8t$  m/s<sup>2</sup>
  - $a = 3t - 4t^2$  m/s<sup>2</sup>
  - $a = -8$  m/s<sup>2</sup>
- Find the time  $t$  and the position  $x$  when the particle of Question (5) above is at its maximum (positive) position
  - $t = 1.1754$  s and  $x = 39.9999$  m
  - $t = 0.3750$  s and  $x = 2.5625$  m
  - $t = 0.4254$  s and  $x = 2.5523$  m
  - $t = 0.1250$  s and  $x = 2.3125$  m

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9. A mass  $m$ , moving with initial speed  $v_o$ , undergoes a head-on elastic collision with a mass  $M$  initially at rest ( $M > m$ ). The collision is one-dimensional, so that after the interaction both masses are moving along the original line of motion. Find the ratio of final kinetic energy to initial kinetic energy,  $K_f/K_i$ , for  $m$ .

- (a)  $\frac{(M - m)}{(M + m)}v_o$  (c)  $\frac{Mm}{(M + m)}v_o$   
 (b)  $\frac{(M - m)}{(M + m)}$  (d)  $\frac{Mm}{(M + m)}$

10. (i) Find the momentum of a 1000-kg car traveling 12 m/s. (ii) If the car collides with a brick wall and comes to rest in 0.5 s, what average force did the wall exert on the car?

- (a) (i) 1,200 kg · m/s, (ii) 2,400 N (c) (i)  $12 \times 10^4$  kg · m/s, (ii)  $24 \times 10^4$  N  
 (b) (i) 12,000 kg · m/s, (ii) 6,000 N (d) (i)  $1.2 \times 10^4$  kg · m/s, (ii)  $2.4 \times 10^4$  N

11. A 3-kg mass moving at 7.5 m/s has its direction reversed without any change in speed by a constant force acting for 0.05 s. Find the direction and magnitude of the force.

- (a) 22.5 N, same direction (c) 900 N, opposite original direction  
 (b) 900 N, same direction (d) 22.5 N, opposite original direction

12. A varying force acting on a 4-kg object causes it to have a displacement given by  $x = 2t - 3t^2 + t^3$  (where  $x$  is in meters and  $t$  is in seconds). The object starts from rest. Find the work that this force does on the object in the first 3 s of motion.

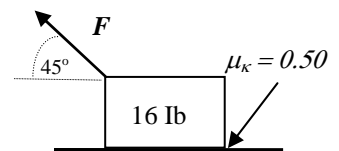
- (a) 242 J (c) 72 J  
 (b) 22 J (d) 4 J

13. Given the vectors  $\bar{\mathbf{A}} = 3\bar{\mathbf{x}} + 4\bar{\mathbf{y}}$  and  $\bar{\mathbf{B}} = 2\bar{\mathbf{x}} - 2\bar{\mathbf{y}}$ . solve analytically to obtain the magnitude and direction of  $\bar{\mathbf{C}} = \bar{\mathbf{B}} - 2\bar{\mathbf{A}}$

- (a)  $|\bar{\mathbf{C}}| = 14.0$  units at  $98.13^\circ$  (c)  $|\bar{\mathbf{C}}| = 10.7703$  units at  $201.8^\circ$   
 (b)  $|\bar{\mathbf{C}}| = 10.7703$  units at  $68.2^\circ$  (d)  $|\bar{\mathbf{C}}| = 10.7703$  units at  $248.2^\circ$

14. Find the force  $\bar{\mathbf{F}}$  that will pull the box at constant speed along the floor. The coefficient of kinetic friction between the box and the floor is 0.50 as indicated.

- (a) 7.5425 lb (c) 8.0000 lb  
 (b) 11.3137 lb (d) 32.1740 lb



15. Two unequal masses,  $M > m$ , are suspended vertically over a light pulley that has negligible friction. Find the tension  $T$  in the connecting cord.

- (a)  $\frac{2mMg}{M + m}$  (c)  $\frac{2(m - M)g}{M + m}$   
 (b)  $\frac{(M - m)g}{M + m}$  (d)  $\frac{mMg}{M + m}$

