

Time allowed: 90 minutes, closed book

Please print your name and NetID in **two** places: on the top of this cover sheet, and on the multiple-choice answer sheet. If you use any additional paper for your work, please make sure to print your name on the top of each sheet and staple the extra sheets to this exam packet when you hand in your work at the end of the session. **(No name, No credit!)**

- On your multiple-choice answer sheet, you will need to fill in your Rice ID. Beginning with the number "01", enter your Rice ID by bubbling in one number per row. In the example below, the Rice ID entered is "S01314159".

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Potentially Useful Constants, Integrals and Derivatives:

$$g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$\int x^n dx = \frac{x^{n+1}}{n+1} \quad (\text{provided } n \neq -1)$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{x} = \ln x$$

$$\int \sin ax dx = -\frac{1}{a} \cos ax$$

$$\int \cos ax dx = \frac{1}{a} \sin ax$$

$$\int e^{ax} dx = \frac{1}{a} e^{ax}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(ax^n) = nax^{n-1}$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\sin ax) = a \cos ax$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(\cos ax) = -a \sin ax$$

$$\frac{d}{dx}(e^{ax}) = ae^{ax}$$

Rice Honor Code:

On my honor, I have neither given nor received any unauthorized aid on this exam.

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Multiple-Choice Questions: (4 points each)

1) Two cars, car 1 of mass m and car 2 of mass $2m$, are initially at rest and are then subject to identical constant forces. If in some time interval car 1 has traveled a distance d , the distance traveled in the same time interval by car 2 is ____.

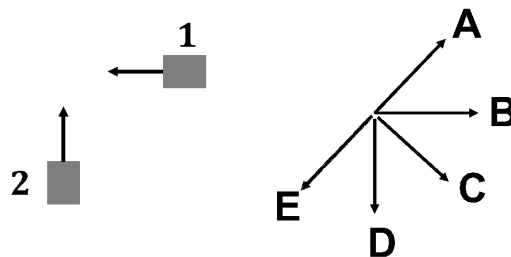
- (a) $0.25d$
- (b) $0.50d$
- (c) $0.61d$
- (d) $0.71d$
- (e) d

2) Two objects are dropped from a bridge, an interval of 1.0 second apart. Air resistance is negligible. During the time that both objects continue to fall, their separation ____.

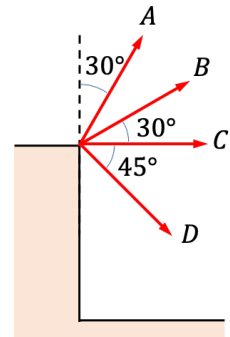
- (a) increases.
- (b) decreases.
- (c) stay constant.
- (d) increases at first, but then stays constant.
- (e) decreases at first, but then stays constant.

3) At $t = 0$, two cars 1 and 2 are approaching an intersection with the same initial speed, and they are equal distances from the intersection as shown in the figure below. Sensing a possible collision, the timid driver of car 1 begins to slow down with an acceleration of magnitude a , whereas the aggressive driver in car 2 begins to speed up with an acceleration of magnitude a in order to pass in front of car 1. Which of the vectors shown best represents the acceleration of car 1 relative to car 2?

- (a) Vector A
- (b) Vector B
- (c) Vector C
- (d) Vector D
- (e) Vector E

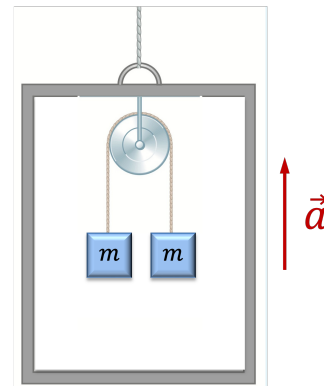


4) Projectiles are launched with equal speeds from the edge of a cliff at the angles indicated in the figure. For which case will the absolute value of the vertical component of the projectile's velocity upon hitting the ground be greatest?



- (a) Case A
- (b) Case B
- (c) Case C
- (d) Case D
- (e) None of these – it will be the same for all launch angles

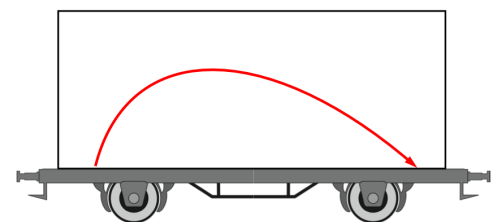
5) Consider two identical 5-kg masses that are initially at rest suspended by a light string from a pulley anchored to the roof of an elevator that is also initially at rest. If the elevator is now given an upward acceleration of 2 m/s^2 , the tension in the string will be _____. (For simplicity, assume that $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$.)



- (a) 10 N
- (b) 50 N
- (c) 60 N
- (d) 100 N
- (e) 120 N

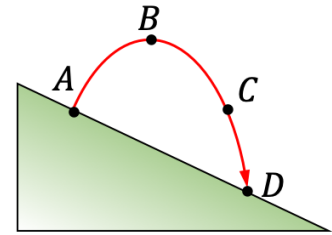
6) A passenger in a railroad car traveling on a level track tosses a stone from the back to the front of the car. If the trajectory of the stone relative to the car is as shown, we can conclude:

- (a) The car is not moving.
- (b) The car is moving to the right with constant speed.
- (c) The car is moving to the left with constant speed.
- (d) The car is accelerating to the right.
- (e) The car is accelerating to the left.



7) An object is launched down an inclined plane. Which of the following statements is/are correct? Points A and C are at the same vertical position.

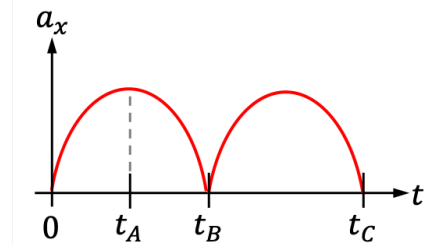
- I. The magnitude of its acceleration at point B is zero.
- II. It moves with equal speeds at points A and C.
- III. Its horizontal velocity component is greatest at point D.



- (a) Statement I only
- (b) Statement II only
- (c) Statement III only
- (d) Statements I and II only
- (e) Statements II and III only

8) Consider the acceleration-time graph for an object that starts from rest at $t = 0$. Which of the following statements is/are true?

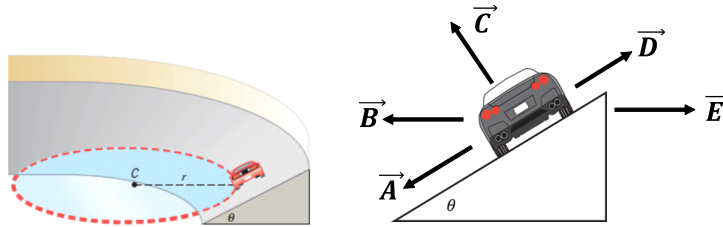
- I. At time t_A the velocity is zero.
- II. At point t_B the velocity is negative.
- III. The net displacement of the object between $t = 0$ and t_C is zero.



- (a) Statement I only
- (b) Statement II only
- (c) Statement III only
- (d) Statements I and II only
- (e) None of the statements are true.

9) A car is moving around a banked curve of radius r at constant speed without sliding. The car is moving directly into the page. Which of the vectors shown corresponds most nearly to the car's acceleration?

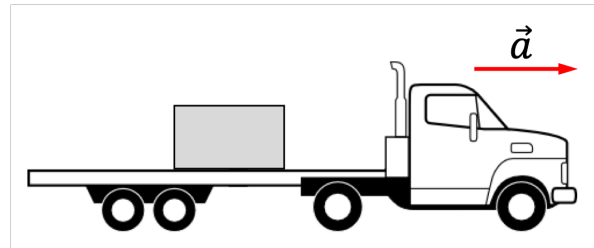
- (a) Vector A
- (b) Vector B
- (c) Vector C
- (d) Vector D
- (e) Vector E



10) A crate is secured to the bed of a truck. If the truck is accelerating to the right (i.e., in the $+x$ direction), which of the following statements is/are true?

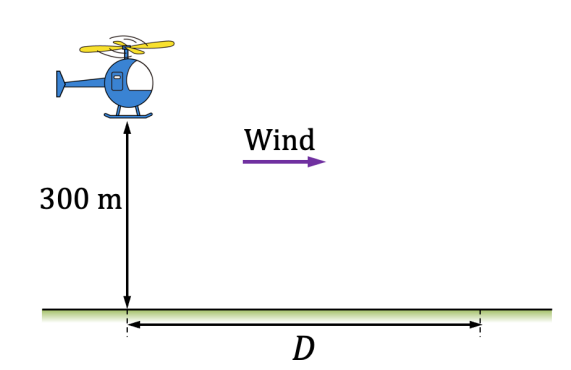
- I. The crate exerts a force on the truck in the $+x$ direction.
- II. The road experiences a force from the truck in the $+x$ direction.
- III. The net force on the truck is zero.

- (a) Statement I only
- (b) Statement II only
- (c) Statement III only
- (d) Statements I and II only
- (e) None of the statements are true



Free-Response Questions: (20 points each)

1) As part of an overly dramatic kinematics demonstration, your PHYS 101 instructor decides to drop a soccer ball from rest at $t = 0$ from a helicopter that hovers stationary at an altitude of $y = 300$ meters above the horizontal ground. When the soccer ball is released from rest, a strong steady crosswind gives the soccer ball a constant 2.0 m/s^2 horizontal component of acceleration but does not affect its vertical motion. The crosswind continues to be in effect until the ball hits the ground. You can consider the horizontal position of the ball at $t = 0$ to be at $x = 0 \text{ m}$. For this problem, the magnitude of the acceleration due to gravity is $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$.



(a) What is the magnitude of the acceleration of the soccer ball as it moves through the air?

(b) How long is the soccer ball in the air before it first hits the ground?

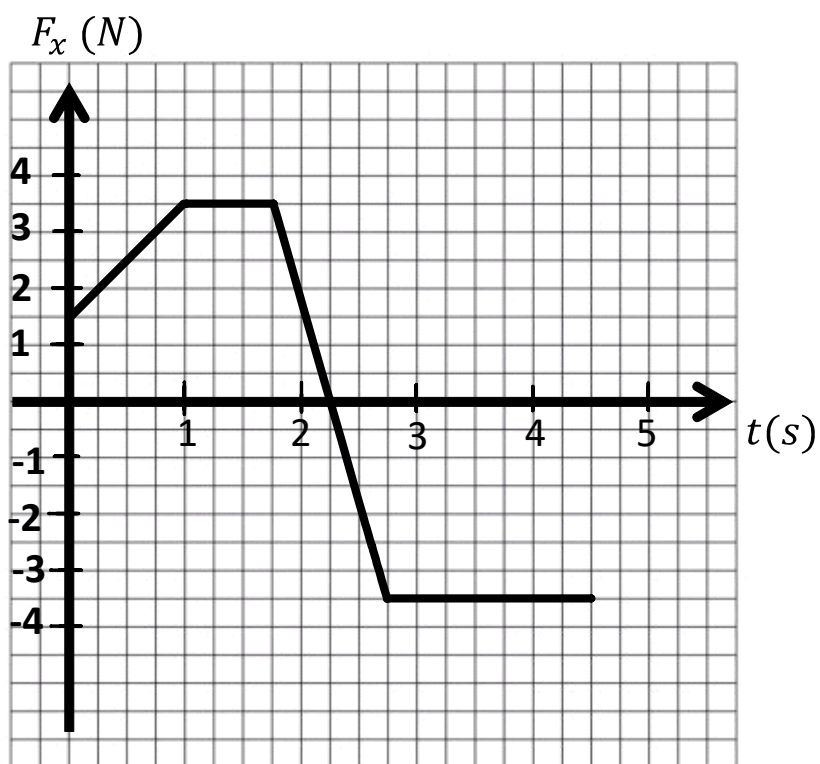
1) (continued):

(c) What horizontal distance D does the soccer ball travel before it first hits the ground?

(d) What is the velocity of the soccer ball when it first hits the ground? *Report your answer using the Cartesian unit vectors $\hat{i}$ and $\hat{j}$.*

(e) Plot the horizontal component of the soccer ball's velocity vector from $t = 0$ to when it hits the ground.

2) The graph below shows the x -component of the net force on a 5-kg object as a function of time. At $t = 0$, the object's speed is zero and the object is at $x = 0$.



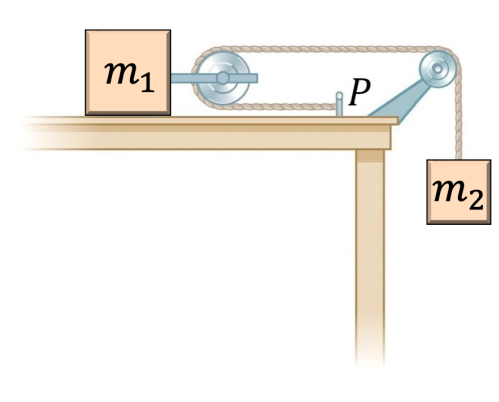
(a) What is the x -component of the object's acceleration at $t = 1$ s?

2) (continued):

(b) What is the x -component of the object's velocity at $t = 1.75 \text{ s}$?

(c) At what time does the object reach its maximum displacement along the x -axis from $x = 0$?

3) A block of mass m_2 hangs on the end of a light cord and is connected to a second block of mass m_1 by the pulley arrangement shown in the figure below. The pulleys have negligible mass and no friction, and the light cord does not stretch. When released from rest, mass m_2 begins to accelerate downwards and mass m_1 moves without friction.



(a) Find a numerical expression for the ratio a_1/a_2 where a_1 is the magnitude of the acceleration of mass m_1 and a_2 is the magnitude of the acceleration of mass m_2 .

(b) Draw free body diagrams for mass m_1 and mass m_2 , with all forces clearly labeled.

3) (continued):

(c) Find a symbolic expression for a_2 , the magnitude of the acceleration of mass m_2 , when block m_2 is moving downward. *Express your answer in terms of the symbols m_1 , m_2 , g , as needed.*

(d) Find a symbolic expression for the magnitude of the tension force T in the light cord while block m_2 is accelerating downwards. *Express your answer in terms of the symbols m_1 , m_2 , g , as needed.*

Extra Work Space (Clearly indicate which problem your work corresponds to):