

Exam 1 – Kinematics and Force

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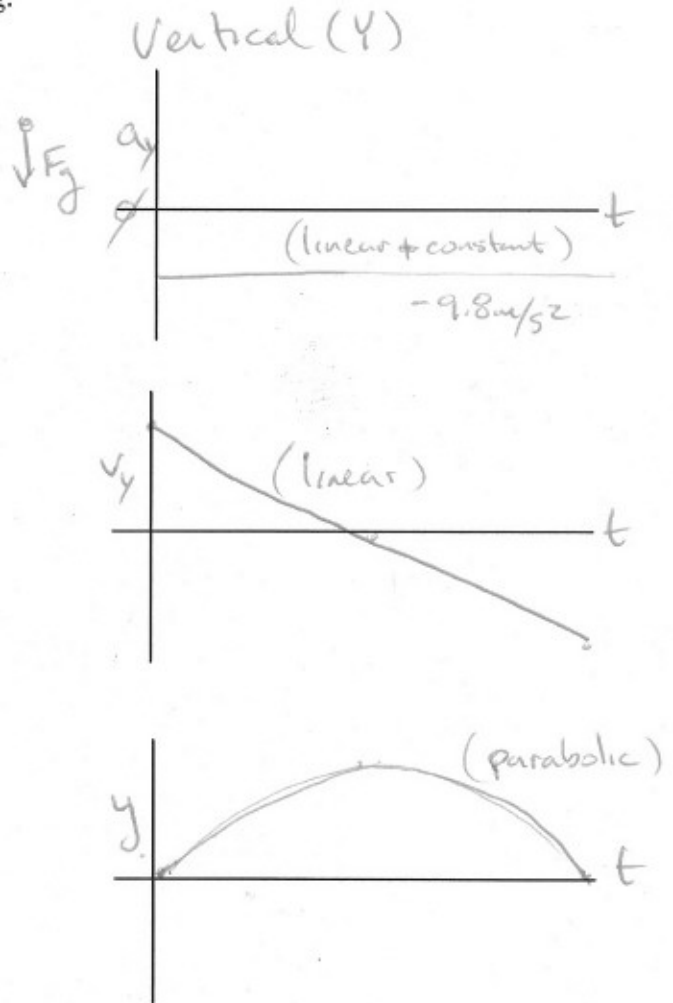
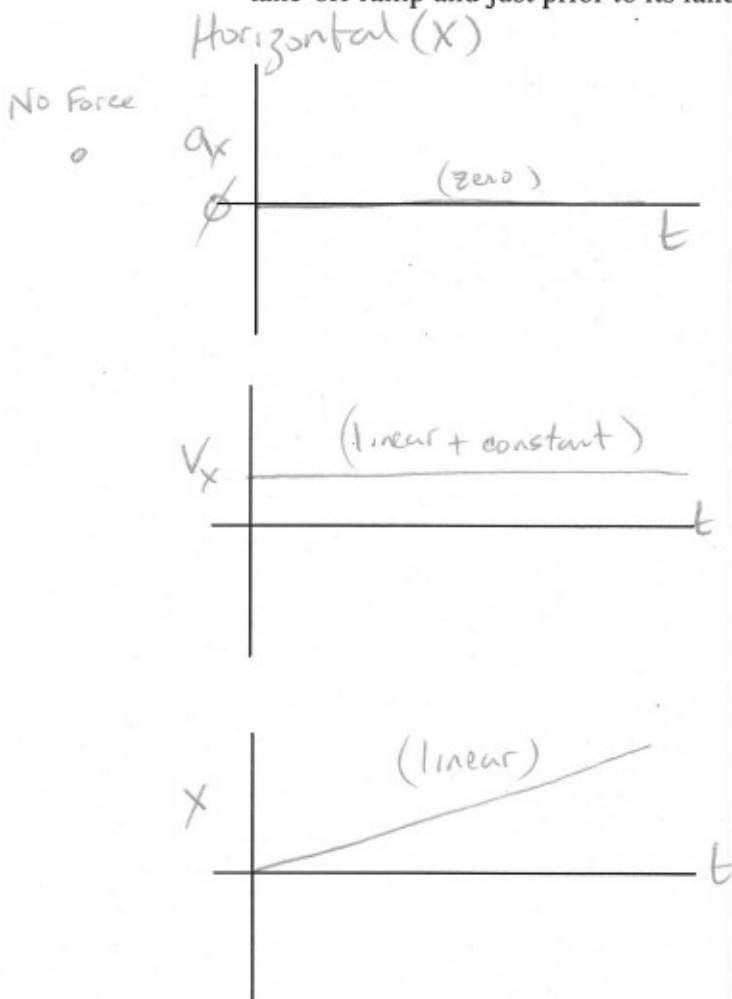
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This is a closed book examination. There is extra scratch paper available.

A general reminder about problem solving:

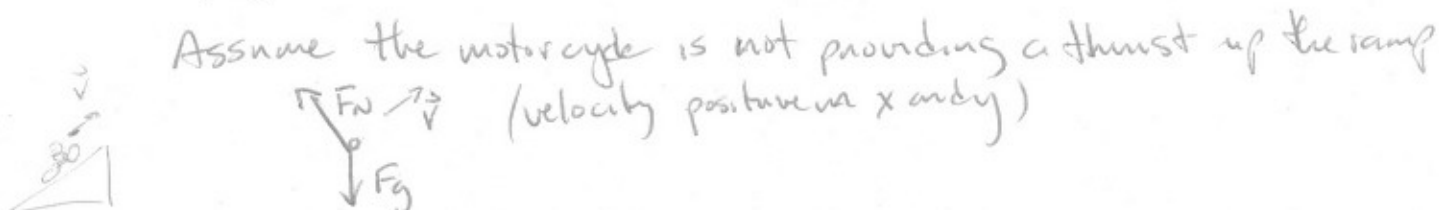
1. Draw a picture then create a simplified free body diagram with all forces
2. Write down what you know including coordinate frame
3. Write down what you don't know and/or want to know
4. List mathematical relationships
5. Simplify and solve
6. Check your answer – Is it reasonable? Are units correct?
 - Show all work!

1. [18 PTS] You are watching stunt-junkies on the Discover© channel. The stunt driver is demonstrating how to jump over barrels on a motorcycle. You note that there is ramp for both the take-off and landing. Neglecting friction, draw graphs of position, velocity and acceleration as a function of time for the motorcycle in both the horizontal (x) and vertical (y) directions. Draw these graphs for the motorcycle right after it has left the take-off ramp and just prior to its landing.

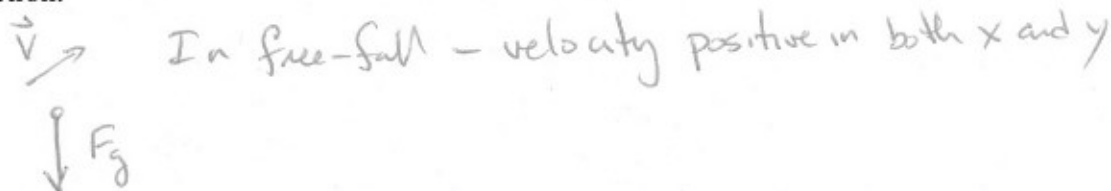


Draw free body diagrams (i.e. label all forces) for the following situations.

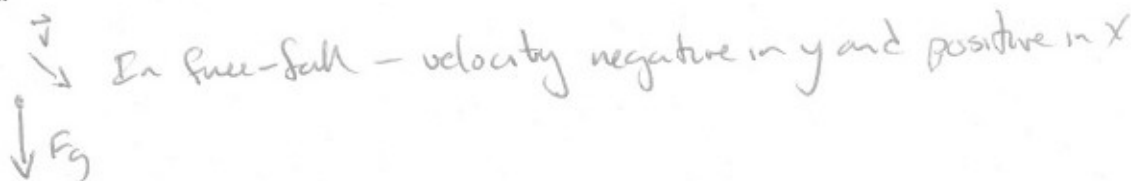
2. [3 PTS] The above stunt driver and motorcycle system while moving up the take-off ramp. Ignore friction.



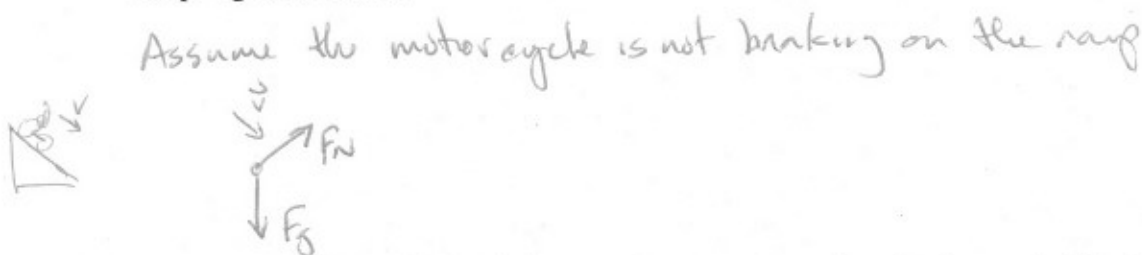
3. [3 PTS] The above stunt driver and motorcycle system just after leaving the take-off ramp. Ignore friction.



4. [3 PTS] The above stunt driver and motorcycle system just before landing on the ramp. Ignore friction.



5. [3 PTS] The above stunt driver and motorcycle system while moving down the landing ramp. Ignore friction.



Please explain your answers for multiple-choice questions - your explanation is worth 3/4 of the points.

6. [4 PTS] You kick a rather old yellow and black soccer ball as hard as you can at approximately 30° to the horizon. Assume up is the positive direction. When the ball is at the highest point of its trajectory
- its acceleration is zero.
 - its velocity is zero but its acceleration is non-zero.
 - its acceleration is zero but its velocity is non-zero.
 - its acceleration and velocity are both non-zero.
 - not enough information is given.

Acceleration is always $-g$ in the vertical direction. Velocity in the horizontal direction is constant. Only the vertical velocity changes and is briefly $\neq 0$ at top of trajectory.

7. [4 PTS] A mom and her young son are ice-skating. While standing in the middle of the (frictionless) ice they push off each other. The mom has a weight 4 times that of her son's weight and does not travel as fast as her son after the push. It follows that
- the mom pushed on the son with a greater magnitude force.
 - the mom and son pushed on each other with equal magnitude forces.
 - the mom pushed on the son with a smaller magnitude force.
 - there is insufficient data given to determine the relative magnitudes of the two forces.

For every force there is an equal opposite force

~~8.~~ The next three questions involve two carts that are identical except they have different masses. The mass of cart 1 is twice the mass of cart 2 ($m_1 = 2m_2$).

8. [8 PTS] The two carts are pushed with the same force for the same amount of time. Which cart has a greater velocity?
- Cart 1 is traveling faster: $v_1 = 2v_2$
 - Cart 1 is traveling faster: $v_1 = \sqrt{2}v_2$
 - Both carts have the same velocity. $v_1 = v_2$
 - Cart 2 is traveling faster: $v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}v_2$
 - Cart 2 is traveling faster: $v_1 = \frac{1}{2}v_2$

$$a = \frac{F}{m}$$

$$a_1 = \frac{F}{2m}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{F}{m}$$

$$v_1 = a_1 t$$

$$v_2 = a_2 t$$

$$\frac{1}{2} v_2 = v_1 = \frac{F}{2m} t$$

$$v_2 = \frac{F}{m} t = \cancel{2v_1}$$

9. [8 PTS] The two carts are pushed with the same force for the same distance. Which cart has a greater velocity?
- Cart 1 is traveling faster: $v_1 = 2v_2$
 - Cart 1 is traveling faster: $v_1 = \sqrt{2}v_2$
 - Both carts have the same velocity. $v_1 = v_2$
 - Cart 2 is traveling faster: $v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}v_2$
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$$x = x_0 + v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2 \quad v = v_0 + a t$$

$$x - x_0 = d = \frac{1}{2} a t^2 \quad t = \frac{v}{a} \quad v_0 = 0$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} a \left(\frac{v^2}{a^2} \right)$$

$$d = \frac{v^2}{2a} \quad \text{so} \quad v = \sqrt{2da}$$

$$v_1 = \sqrt{2d \frac{F}{2m}} \quad v_2 = \sqrt{2d \frac{F}{m}}$$

$$v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} v_2$$

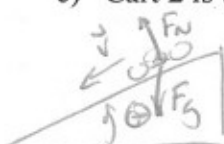
10. [8 PTS] The two carts roll down the same incline. Which cart has a greater velocity?
- Cart 1 is traveling faster: $v_1 = 2v_2$
 - Cart 1 is traveling faster: $v_1 = \sqrt{2}v_2$
 - Both carts have the same velocity. $v_1 = v_2$
 - Cart 2 is traveling faster: $v_1 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}v_2$
 - Cart 2 is traveling faster: $v_1 = \frac{1}{2}v_2$

$$a = \frac{F_g}{m}$$

$$F_g = m g \sin \theta$$

$$a = g \sin \theta$$

both carts have same acceleration!



11. [4 PTS] A car is traveling in a circle with a constant speed.
- The car has a net force normal to the surface of the circle (pointing radially out).
 - The car has zero net force.
 - The car has a net force towards the center of the circle (pointing radially inwards).
 - The car has a net force pointing tangential to the circle (pointing in the direction of travel).

The velocity is changing - (direction!) so $\Delta \vec{v} \neq 0$
and you have a net acceleration and hence net force
is needed. Force must point in

12. [4 PTS] You drop a golf ball from a roof and immediately throw a baseball straight up into the air. Assume the mass of the baseball is 3 times the mass of the golf ball and ignore air drag. When the baseball is at the top of its trajectory,
- the acceleration of the golf ball is greater than the acceleration of the baseball.
 - the acceleration of the golf ball is equal to the acceleration of the baseball.
 - the acceleration of the golf ball is less than the acceleration of the baseball.

$\Sigma F = ma$ so $m(-g) = ma$ $a = -g$
Mass does not matter - all objects experience
the same acceleration.

The next problems may be done on the back of your exam or on additional paper.

13. [12 PTS] What force is needed to throw a baseball at 90 mph? Assume the baseball has a mass, $m = 0.15\text{kg}$, the pitcher maintains contact with the ball for 0.5 meters and that the pitcher throws the ball horizontally.
14. [12 PTS] A 90 mph baseball is thrown horizontally towards a catcher standing behind home plate 20 meters away. How long does it take the ball to reach the catcher? How far does the ball drop vertically? Assume the baseball has a mass, $m = 0.15\text{kg}$.

Possibly useful mathematical relationships:

$$\sin^2(\theta) + \cos^2(\theta) = 1 \quad \sin(2\theta) = 2 \sin(\theta) \cos(\theta)$$

$$\cos(2\theta) = \cos^2(\theta) - \sin^2(\theta) = 2 \cos^2(\theta) - 1 = 1 - 2 \sin^2(\theta)$$

Derivative of a polynomial $\frac{d}{du} Cu^n = nCu^{n-1}$

Anti-derivative (integral) of a polynomial $\int Cu^n du = \frac{1}{n+1} Cu^{n+1} + \text{const.}$

The Chain Rule $\frac{d}{dz} f(u) = \frac{d}{dz} u \frac{d}{du} f(u)$

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$v_0 = 0 \text{ m/s}$ $v_f = 90 \text{ mph}$
 $\leftarrow d = 0.5 \text{ m} \rightarrow$

$\frac{90 \text{ miles}}{\text{hour}} \cdot \frac{1600 \text{ m}}{\text{mile}} \cdot \frac{\text{hour}}{3600 \text{ sec}} = 40 \text{ m/s}$

$F = ma$ $v = v_0 + at$ $x = x_0 + v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} at^2$
 $\frac{v - v_0}{a} = t$ $d = x - x_0 = v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} at^2$
 $= \frac{v_0(v - v_0)}{a} + \frac{1}{2} a \left(\frac{v^2 - v_0^2}{a^2} \right)^2$
 $= \frac{v_0 v - v_0^2}{a} + \frac{1}{2a} (v^2 - 2v_0 v + v_0^2)$

$F = m \frac{v^2 - v_0^2}{2d}$ but $v_0 = 0 \text{ m/s}$

$F = m \frac{v^2}{2d}$ units check

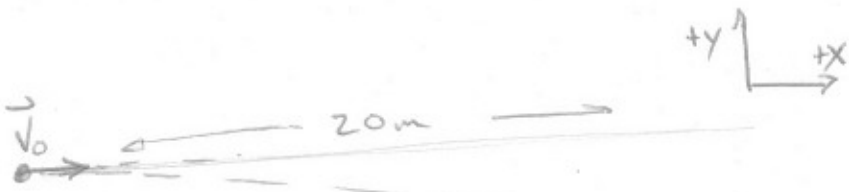
$= (0.15 \text{ kg}) \left(\frac{(40 \text{ m/s})^2}{(2 \cdot 0.5 \text{ m})} \right)$

$F = 240 \text{ N}$

Note: $a = 1600 \text{ m/s}^2$
 is large but that is because you have such a light object

$d = \frac{v^2 - v_0^2}{2a}$ or $a = \frac{v^2 - v_0^2}{2d}$
 useful result ---

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$\downarrow g = a_y$ (ball is thrown horizontally)

$x = x_0 + v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} a_x t^2$ $a_x = 0$

$x - x_0 = v_0 t$ $t = \frac{20 \text{ m}}{40 \text{ m/s}} = 0.5 \text{ s}$

$v_0 = 40 \text{ m/s}$ thrown horizontally (horizontal)

$y = y_0 + v_y t + \frac{1}{2} a_y t^2$ (vertical)

$y - y_0 = -\frac{1}{2} g t^2$ $d = -\frac{1}{2} (10 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}) (0.5 \text{ s})^2 = -1.25 \text{ m}$

ball drops 1.25 meters (gravity pulls it down)