

Physics 131 Midterm Number 2 Answers to Version 2 (4/13/01)

1. (20 points) An arrow (mass $m=0.29$ kg) travelling north at 150 m/s kills a duck (mass $M=2.0$ kg) flying east at 29 m/s.

- a. (8 points) At what angle (north of east) does the dead duck (plus arrow) travel immediately after the hit?
- b. (7 points) What is the speed of the duck and arrow just after the hit?
- c. (5 points) How much mechanical energy change occurs during the hit?

a. The arrow has momentum $mv=(0.29 \text{ kg})(150 \text{ m/s})=43.5 \text{ kgm/s}$ to the East. The duck has momentum $MV=(2.0 \text{ kg})(29 \text{ m/s})=58 \text{ kgm/s}$ to the North. After the hit, the total vector momentum stays the same, and has components (43.5,58) kgm/s (East, North).

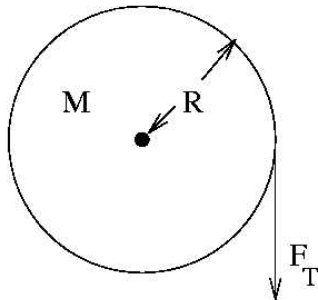
The angle is $\tan^{-1}(58/43.5)=53.^\circ \text{ N of E.}$

b. The speed is the magnitude of the momentum divided by the total mass, or

$$\sqrt{(43.5)^2 + (58)^2} / (.29+2.0)=32. \text{ m/s}$$

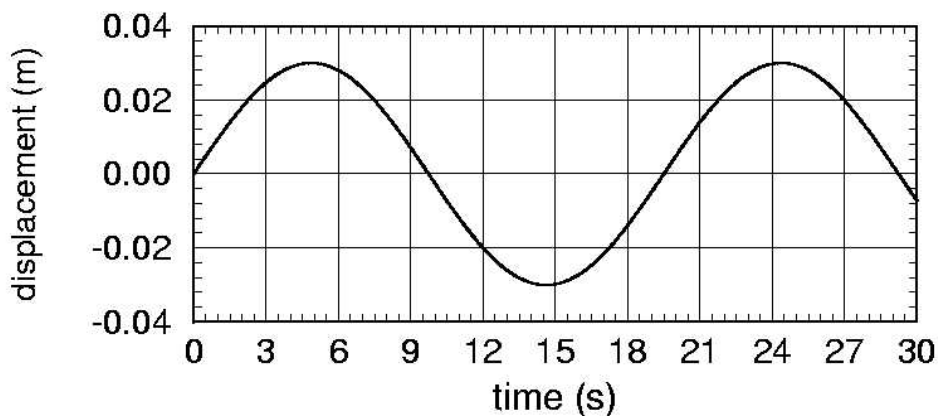
c. Before the hit, the arrow has kinetic energy $mv^2/2=3260 \text{ J}$, and the duck has kinetic energy $MV^2/2= 841\text{J}$. The total energy was 4100J. After the hit, the kinetic energy was $(m+M)v'^2/2= 1170 \text{ J}$. The energy lost is 2900 J.

2. (20 points – show your work.) The cylinder shown below, pivoted on an axis through the center, has mass $M=30.0$ kg and radius $R=0.11$ m. The formula for the moment of inertia of a cylinder is $I=MR^2/2$.



- a. (5 points) A force F_T is applied as shown, using a massless rope wrapped around the cylinder. How big should F_T be to get an angular acceleration $\alpha= 5.5 \text{ rad/s}^2$?
- b. (5 points) The cylinder is initially at rest. For how long should the force F_T act in order to obtain a final frequency of rotation $f=0.80 \text{ revolutions/s}$?
- c. (5 points) After achieving $f=0.80 \text{ revolutions/s}$, the force F_T is removed and frictional forces cause the cylinder to come to rest in 25 s. How much work did friction do?
- d. (5 points) During the time when the force F_T was accelerating the cylinder from $f=0$ to $f=0.80 \text{ revolutions/s}$, how far was the rope pulled?

- a. The torque is $F_T R = I\alpha$. Using $I = 0.181 \text{ kgm}^2$, we get $F_T = I\alpha/R = 9.08 \text{ N}$.
 - b. The final angular velocity is $\omega = \alpha t$ and $\omega = 2\pi f$. Therefore $t = 2\pi f/\alpha = 0.91 \text{ s}$.
 - c. The work done by friction is the change in kinetic energy. The final kinetic energy is 0 and the initial kinetic energy is $I\omega^2/2 = 2.29 \text{ J}$. Therefore the work done by friction is -2.29 J .
 - d. The total work done by the rope is $F_T y$ where y is the distance the rope was pulled. The total work done by the rope is also 2.29 J since this is the kinetic energy that the cylinder gained. Therefore $y = W/F_T = 0.25 \text{ m}$.
3. (20 points – show your work unless the answer requires only simple inspection.) A mass $M = 0.25 \text{ kg}$ oscillates without friction as shown in the graph below.
- a. (3 points) What is the amplitude of oscillation?
 - b. (4 points) What is the angular frequency ω of oscillation?
 - c. (3 points) What is the phase ϕ of this oscillator using the convention $x = A\cos(\omega t + \phi)$, where x is the displacement?
 - d. (4 points) What is the maximum velocity of the mass?
 - e. (4 points) What is the velocity at time $t = 11 \text{ s}$?
 - f. (4 points) How much energy does the oscillator have?



- a. By inspection the amplitude $A = 0.030 \text{ m}$.
- b. ω is $2\pi/T$ and the period T is 19.5 s . Therefore $\omega = 0.32 \text{ rad/s}$.
- c. The phase is $3\pi/2$ or $-\pi/2$ (they are equivalent and both correct.)
- d. The maximum velocity is $\omega A = 0.0097 \text{ m/s}$.
- e. At $t = 11 \text{ s}$ we have $x = A\cos(\omega t + \phi)$ so $v = -\omega A\sin(\omega t + \phi)$ with $t = 11 \text{ s}$, or $(-0.0097 \text{ m/s})\sin(3.52 - 1.57) = -0.0090 \text{ m/s}$. This can be checked by looking at the graph and estimating the slope.
- f. The most convenient formula is $mv_{\max}^2/2 = 1.18 \times 10^{-5} \text{ J}$.