

Your solutions should be neat, correct and complete. Correct units must be given on answers and if you are omitting units in calculations then there should be a sentence explaining your custom. Finally, the answer must be boxed where appropriate. For full credit the solution must be written on a print-out of this pdf by hand.

Suggested Reading You may find the following helpful resources beyond lecture,

- (a.) Chapters 1, 2 of my lecture notes (pdf posted in Canvas)
- (b.) Lectures 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 29 as posted on the course website
(see <http://www.supermath.info/PhysicsI.html>)

Problem 1: (4pts) For each $\vec{A} = \langle A_x, A_y \rangle$ given below find $\hat{A}$ and the standard angle for $\vec{A}$.

(a.) $A_x = 3$ and $A_y = 4$,

(b.) $A_x = -8$ and $A_y = 6$

(c.) $A_x = 0$ and $A_y = -11$

(d.) $A_x = -2$ and $A_y = -\sqrt{21}$

Problem 2: (2pts) Suppose $\vec{\mathbf{A}}$ has $A = 10$ directed at standard angle $\theta_A = 30^\circ$ and $\vec{\mathbf{B}}$ has $B = 20$ directed at standard angle $\theta_B = 225^\circ$. If $\vec{\mathbf{C}} = \vec{\mathbf{A}} - \vec{\mathbf{B}}$ then find the magnitude and standard angle of $\vec{\mathbf{C}}$ and illustrate this vector addition with a tip-to-tail diagram.

Problem 3: (10pts) Let $\vec{\mathbf{A}} = 2\hat{\mathbf{x}} - 3\hat{\mathbf{z}}$ and $\vec{\mathbf{B}} = 4\hat{\mathbf{x}} + 5\hat{\mathbf{y}}$.

(a.) calculate $\vec{\mathbf{A}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{B}}$,

(b.) calculate $\vec{\mathbf{A}} \times \vec{\mathbf{B}}$,

(c.) find $\angle(\vec{\mathbf{A}}, \vec{\mathbf{B}})$,

(d.) find a vector length 7 which is perpendicular to both $\vec{\mathbf{A}}$ and $\vec{\mathbf{B}}$.

(e.) If $\vec{\mathbf{C}} = \langle \alpha, 1, 2 \rangle$ then find value for α for which the right-handed triple $\vec{\mathbf{A}}, \vec{\mathbf{B}}, \vec{\mathbf{C}}$ give the edges of a parallel-piped with a volume of 1.

Problem 4: (2pts) Suppose we have three vectors $\vec{A}, \vec{B}, \vec{C}$ all of which are perpendicular to one another; $\angle(\vec{A}, \vec{B}) = 90^\circ$, $\angle(\vec{A}, \vec{C}) = 90^\circ$, $\angle(\vec{B}, \vec{C}) = 90^\circ$. Let $\vec{D} = \vec{A} + \vec{B} + \vec{C}$. Prove that:

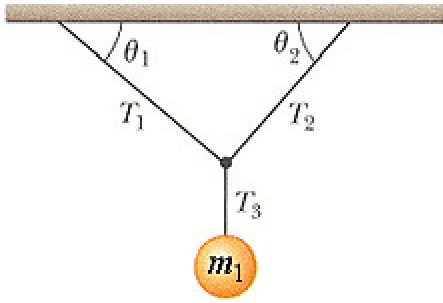
$$D^2 = A^2 + B^2 + C^2$$

where A, B, C denote the magnitudes of $\vec{A}, \vec{B}, \vec{C}$ respectively. Hint: do **not** attempt a picture. Instead, use $D^2 = \vec{D} \cdot \vec{D}$ and the properties of the dot-product to formulate your solution.

Problem 5: (2pts) Suppose $\vec{A} = \langle 1, 2, 2 \rangle$ and $\vec{B} = \langle -2, 0, 7 \rangle$. Find $\vec{C}, \vec{D}$ such that $\vec{B} = \vec{C} + \vec{D}$ where $\vec{C} \cdot \vec{D} = 0$ and $\vec{C}$ is parallel to $\vec{A}$.

Problem 6: (2pts) A ninja wanders through a dense cloud of hidden mist. He takes 40 steps northeast, then 80 steps 60° north of west, then 50 steps due south. The ninja then walks 20 steps up the northern face of a vertical tree and steps onto a platform. If the ninja wishes to ambush enemies who wander into his initial position then at what direction (in terms of degrees counter-clockwise from the east-direction) and at what angle below the horizontal should the ninja aim his attacks ? Assume his attacks have laser-like precision and follow a straight line back from his final to his initial position.

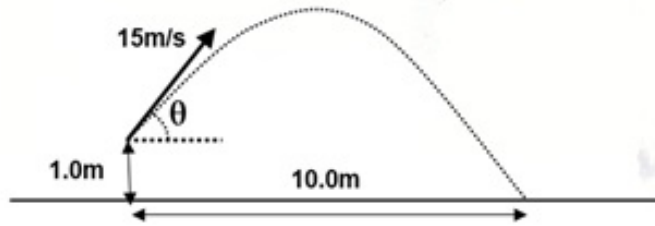
Problem 7: (2pts) Suppose m_1 is suspended by ropes as pictured this makes the tension $T_3 = m_1g$. Given $\theta_1 = 39^\circ$ and $\theta_2 = 51^\circ$, find the values of T_1, T_2 in terms of m_1g . Hint: the sum of the tension forces at the point of attachment must be zero.



Problem 8: (2pts) A projectile is fired in such a way that its horizontal range is equal to four times its maximum height. At what angle of inclination was the projectile fired. Assume a level landscape and ignore air friction.

Problem 9: (3pts) Imagine you shoot an arrow at a speed of v_o at an angle of inclination of $\theta = 30^\circ$. If the arrow leaves the bow at a height of 2.0 m above the ground and you are trying to shoot a cat (it's evil, in case you're worried) in a tree 200 m away in a branch 22 m above the ground. Find the speed v_o needed in order to shoot the cat.

Problem 10: (3pts) Ron Swanson mistakenly orders a *sausage* sandwich at a vegan run donut shop. After taking a bite he recoils in horror and throws the faux-meat entree at 15 m/s as shown below. At what θ did Ron Swanson throw the pathetic veggy sandwich?



Problem 11: (3pts) You shoot a cannon on earth (ignore friction). The cannon ball lands $1000m$ away and you hear the explosion of the cannon ball hitting the level ground some $7.0s$ later than what speed and angle of inclination did you shoot the cannon? You are given that the speed of sound is $333.3m/s$ in the given atmospheric conditions.

Problem 12: (2pts) A ninja on horseback throws a shuriken at horizontally to hit a target $1.25m$ below the release point. If the horse is galloping at $15m/s$ then how far from the target must he throw the shuriken? Assume the ninja can throw a shuriken at $20m/s$ when seated.

Problem 13: (2pts) A rocket car accelerates with a net-force of four times its weight over a distance of L . Then the car applies brakes which give $a = -g$ until the car comes to rest. Find the total distance the car travels. Your answer should be in terms of the given distance L .

Problem 14: (2pts) The force exerted by the wind on the sails of a sailboat is 390 N north. The water exerts a force of 180 N east. If the boat (including its crew) has a mass of 270 kg , what are the magnitude and direction of its acceleration ?

Problem 15: (2pts) Let $\hat{u}$ be a unit-vector directed 30° north of west. Suppose forces

$$\vec{F}_1 = (3.0\text{ N})\hat{x} + (6.0\text{ N})\hat{y} \quad \& \quad \vec{F}_2 = (20\text{ N})\hat{u}$$

act on a body with mass $M = 10\text{ kg}$. Find the magnitude and direction of the resulting acceleration of the mass.

Problem 16: (3pts) Consider coordinate systems (x_1, x_2, x_3) and (y_1, y_2, y_3) and (z_1, z_2, z_3) . Suppose a given particle has the following trajectories as measured by the x , y and z observers respective:

$$\begin{aligned}(x_1, x_2, x_3) &= (1 - t, 2 + 2t, 3 - 7t + t^2) \\(y_1, y_2, y_3) &= (3t, 4, 8t + (t - 1)^2) \\(z_1, z_2, z_3) &= (4 - t, 4t, t^3)\end{aligned}$$

- (a.) Calculate velocities with respect to the given coordinate systems: $\vec{v}_X, \vec{v}_Y, \vec{v}_Z$.
- (b.) Calculate accelerations with respect to the given coordinate systems: $\vec{a}_X, \vec{a}_Y, \vec{a}_Z$.
- (c.) Suppose that (x_1, x_2, x_3) is an inertial coordinate system. Which of the other coordinate systems *could* be inertial as well ?

Remark: if $\vec{a}_Y = R\vec{a}_X$ where R is a rotation matrix then we can calculate, using linear algebra, $\vec{a}_Y \cdot \vec{a}_Y = (R\vec{a}_X) \cdot (R\vec{a}_X) = \vec{a}_X \cdot \vec{a}_X$. Thus, in the case $\vec{a}_Y \neq \vec{a}_X$ we can check if they accelerations are inertially related by checking if they have equal magnitudes.

Problem 17: (3pts) A 55 kg physics student stands on a bathroom scale in an elevator. As the elevator starts moving, the scale reads 45 kg . For the questions below take up to be the positive direction.

- (a.) Find the acceleration of the elevator.
- (b.) What is the acceleration if the scale reads 67 kg ?
- (c.) If the scale reads zero, what is the acceleration of the elevator ?
Should the student worry in this case ?

Problem 18: (2pts) Suppose the acceleration of Bob is given by $\vec{a} = \langle \cos(2t), t, 4e^{2t} \rangle$. If Bob is at $\langle 0, 0, 0 \rangle$ with velocity $\langle 1, 2, 2 \rangle$ at time $t = 0$ then find Bob's position and velocity and speed as functions of time t . (forgive me for omitting units to reduce clutter here)

Problem 19: (2pts) Suppose $\vec{c}$ is a constant vector. Further, suppose the initial position of a particle is $\vec{r}_o$ and the initial velocity is $\vec{v}_o$ at time $t = 0$. Given that the acceleration $\vec{a} = t\vec{c}$, find the velocity and position as a function of time t in terms of the given vectors.

Problem 20: (2pts) Suppose the net-force on a mass M is given by $F = -\beta v$ where v is velocity and $\beta > 0$ is a constant. Let v_o and x_o denote the velocity and position at $t = 0$.

(a.) Calculate the velocity as a function of position x .

(b.) Calculate the velocity as a function of time t .

Hint: for part (a.), assume the motion is one-dimensional, $a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{dx}{dt} \frac{dv}{dx} = v \frac{dv}{dx}$.