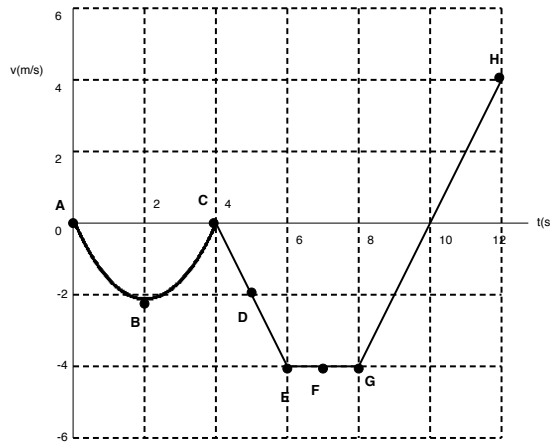


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**PHY203  
Exam #1  
Chapters 1-5  
Fri., 2/27/15**

# **Solutions**



1. The plot above depicts the velocity vs. time for the one dimensional motion of a toy car.

a. Consider all the time intervals A-B, B-C, C-D, D-E, E-F, F-G, and G-H. For which time intervals is the acceleration non-constant?

A-B and B-C only

**5**

b. Find the instantaneous acceleration (magnitude and sign) at point D.

$$a_{\text{int}} = \text{slope} = (-4.00\text{m/s}) / (2.00\text{s}) = -2.00 \text{ m/s}^2$$

**5**

c. Find the instantaneous acceleration (magnitude and sign) at point F.

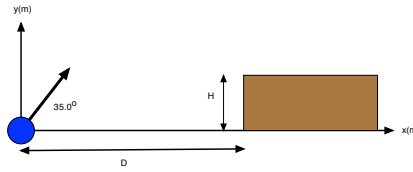
$$a_{\text{int}} = \text{slope} = 0$$

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d. Find the average acceleration (magnitude and sign) from point B to point G.

$$a_{\text{avg}} = \Delta v / \Delta t = (-4.00\text{m/s} - (-2.00\text{m/s})) / (6.00\text{s}) = -0.333\text{m/s}^2$$

**10**



2. A cannonball is launched from ground level with an initial speed of 155 m/s at an angle of 35.0° with respect to the horizontal.
- a. Write the initial velocity in vector notation using the coordinate system in the figure.

$$v_{x0} = (155 \text{ m/s})(\cos 35.0^\circ) = 127 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_{y0} = (155 \text{ m/s})(\sin 35.0^\circ) = 88.9 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\mathbf{v} = (127 \mathbf{i} + 88.9 \mathbf{j}) \text{ m/s} \quad \mathbf{10}$$

- b. Find the highest point the cannonball reaches.

$$0 = (88.9)^2 - 2(-9.81)(\Delta y) \quad \mathbf{5}$$

$$\Delta y = 403 \text{ m}$$

- c. Find the time it takes the cannonball to reach its highest point.

$$0 = (88.9) - (-9.81)(t) \quad \mathbf{5}$$

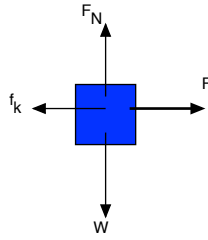
$$t = 9.06 \text{ s}$$

- d. Find the time it takes to hit the top of a cliff of height  $H = 250 \text{ m}$  (with the cannonball on the way down).

$$250 = 0 + (88.9)t + \frac{1}{2}(-9.81)t^2$$

Solve quadratic equation

$$t = 14.6 \text{ s (not 3.49 s)} \quad \mathbf{15}$$



3. Block A (mass of 4.50 kg) is being pushed with a force of magnitude  $F$  and is sliding on the top of block B (mass of 7.50 kg) with an acceleration in magnitude of  $3.50 \text{ m/s}^2$ . Block B is sliding on a frictionless surface. The coefficient of kinetic friction between the blocks is 0.400.

a. Draw a free body diagram of block A on the figure above and to the right.

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b. Find the magnitude of the normal force on block A.

$$F_n = mg = (4.50)(9.81) = 44.1 \text{ N}$$

**5**

c. Find the magnitude of the normal force on block B (from the floor).

$$F_n = (m_A + m_B)g = (12.0)(9.81) = 118 \text{ N}$$

**5**

d. Find the magnitude of the frictional force on block A.

$$f_k = \mu_k F_n = (0.400)(44.1) = 17.6 \text{ N}$$

**5**

e. Find the magnitude of the pushing force  $F$ .

$$F - f_k = ma$$

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$$F = 17.6 + (4.50)(3.50) = 33.4 \text{ N}$$

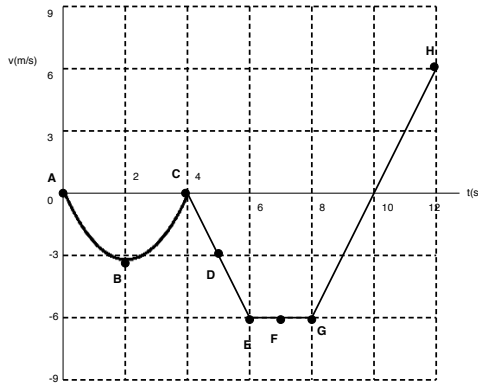
f. Find the magnitude of the acceleration of block B.

$$f_k = ma$$

$$a = (17.6)/7.50$$

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$$a = 2.35 \text{ m/s}^2$$



Alt Version

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b. Find the instantaneous acceleration (magnitude and sign) at point D.

$$a_{\text{int}} = \text{slope} = (-6.00\text{m/s}) / (2.00\text{s}) = -3.00 \text{ m/s}^2$$

**5**

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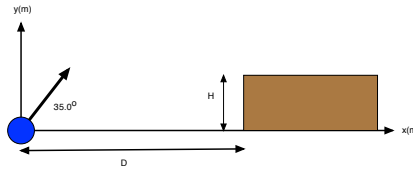
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$$a_{\text{avg}} = \Delta v / \Delta t = (-6.00\text{m/s} - (-3.00\text{m/s})) / (6.00\text{s}) = -0.500\text{m/s}^2$$

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2. A cannonball is launched from ground level with an initial speed of 125 m/s at an angle of  $35.0^\circ$  with respect to the horizontal.
- a. Write the initial velocity in vector notation using the coordinate system in the figure.

$$v_{x0} = (125 \text{ m/s})(\cos 35.0^\circ) = 102 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_{y0} = (125 \text{ m/s})(\sin 35.0^\circ) = 71.7 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\mathbf{v} = (102 \mathbf{i} + 71.7 \mathbf{j}) \text{ m/s} \quad \mathbf{10}$$

- b. Find the highest point the cannonball reaches.

$$0 = (71.7)^2 - 2(-9.81)(\Delta y) \quad \mathbf{5}$$

$$\Delta y = 262 \text{ m}$$

- c. Find the time it takes the cannonball to reach its highest point.

$$0 = (71.7) - (-9.81)(t) \quad \mathbf{5}$$

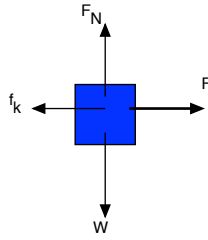
$$t = 7.31 \text{ s}$$

- d. Find the time it takes to hit the top of a cliff of height  $H = 200 \text{ m}$  (with the cannonball on the way down).

$$200 = 0 + (71.7)t + \frac{1}{2}(-9.81)t^2$$

Solve quadratic equation

$$t = 10.9 \text{ s (not 3.75 s)} \quad \mathbf{15}$$



3. Block A (mass of 5.50 kg) is being pushed with a force of magnitude  $F$  and is sliding with an acceleration in magnitude of  $4.50 \text{ m/s}^2$  on the top of block B (mass of 8.50 kg). Block B is sliding on a frictionless surface. The coefficient of kinetic friction between the blocks is 0.400.

a. Draw a free body diagram of block A on the figure above and to the right.

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b. Find the magnitude of the normal force on block A.

$$F_n = mg = (5.50)(9.81) = 54.0 \text{ N}$$

**5**

c. Find the magnitude of the normal force on block B (from the floor).

$$F_n = (m_A + m_B)g = (14.0)(9.81) = 137 \text{ N}$$

**5**

d. Find the magnitude of the frictional force on block A.

$$f_k = \mu_k F_n = (0.400)(54.0) = 21.6 \text{ N}$$

**5**

e. Find the magnitude of the pushing force  $F$ .

$$F - f_k = ma$$

**10**

$$F = 21.6 + (5.50)(4.50) = 46.4 \text{ N}$$

f. Find the magnitude of the acceleration of block B.

$$f_k = ma$$

$$a = (21.6)/8.50$$

**10**

$$a = 2.54 \text{ m/s}^2$$