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Exam #2

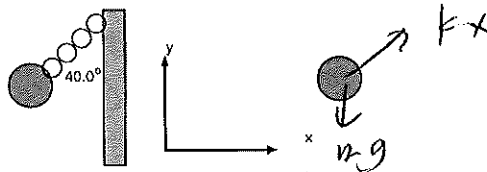
Chapters 5-8

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Solutions

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1. A ball of mass, m , is attached to a spring and is spun around a vertical pole as shown above.
 - a. Above and to the right draw a free body diagram of the ball. 5
 - b. Write out Newton's 2nd Law for the ball in both directions. 15

$$x: \quad kx \sin 40^\circ = ma = \frac{mV^2}{r}$$

$$y: \quad kx \cos 40^\circ - mg = 0$$

Assume $m=4.00$ kg, $k = 500$ N/m, and the unstretched length of the spring is 0.85 m

- c. Find the magnitude of the force exerted by the spring and the (total) length of the spring when stretched. 10

$$y: \quad kx = \frac{mg}{\cos 40^\circ} = \frac{4g}{\cos 40^\circ} = 51.2 \text{ N}$$

$$x = \frac{51.2}{500} = 0.102 \text{ m}$$

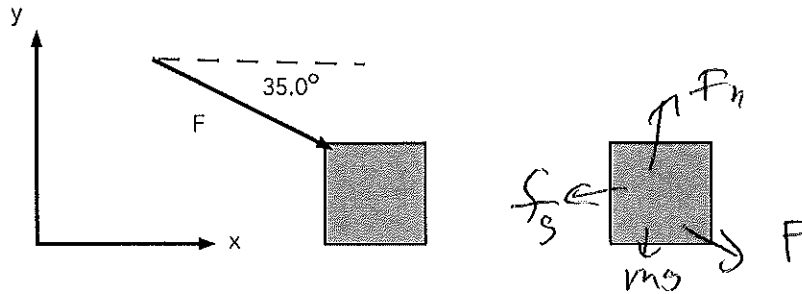
$$L = 0.102 + 0.85 = 0.952 \text{ m}$$

- d. Find the speed of the ball. 10

$$x: \quad 51.2 \sin 40^\circ = \frac{mV^2}{r} \quad r = L \sin 40^\circ$$

$$V^2 = \frac{(51.2) (\sin 40^\circ) (0.952)}{4.00} = 5.07$$

$$V = 2.24 \text{ m/s}$$



2. A block of mass m is at rest on a rough surface with a pushing force applied, as shown. Force, F , is applied at a downward angle of 35.0° .

- Above and to the right draw a free body diagram of the block. **5**
- Write out Newton's 2nd Law for the block in both directions. **20**

$$x: F \cos 35^\circ - f_s = m a = 0$$

$$y: F_n - mg - F \sin 35^\circ = 0$$

Assume $m=6.50$ kg and the coefficients of kinetic and static friction are $\mu_k=0.300$ and $\mu_s=0.550$.

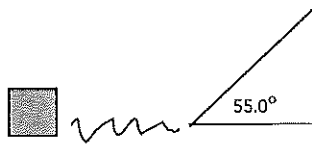
- Find the minimum force, F , that will get the block to start sliding. **10**

$$y: F_n = 6.5g + F \sin 35^\circ$$

$$x: F \cos 35^\circ - \mu_s (6.5g + F \sin 35^\circ) = 0$$

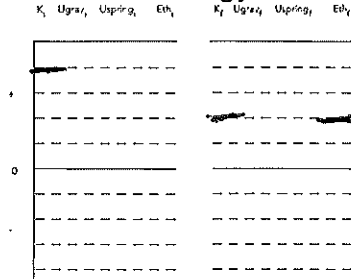
$$F (\cos 35^\circ - \mu_s \sin 35^\circ) = \mu_s 6.5g$$

$$F = \frac{(0.550)(6.5g)}{\cos 35^\circ - 0.550 \sin 35^\circ} = 69.6 \text{ N}$$



3. A block of mass 6.50 kg is sliding on a horizontal surface and has an initial speed of 17.5 m/s. It encounters a rough patch of length, L , which has a coefficient of kinetic friction of 0.250. At the end of that rough patch the speed of the block is 9.50 m/s.

a. Create energy bar charts: 5



b. Use Conservation of Energy to find the length of the rough patch. 10

$$K_i = K_f + E_{th}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} m v_i^2 = \frac{1}{2} m v_f^2 + \mu_k m g \Delta s$$

$$\Delta s = \frac{17.5^2 - 9.5^2}{2 \cdot (250) g}$$

$$= 44.0 \text{ m}$$

The block then slides up a smooth ramp that makes an angle of 55.0° with respect to the horizontal.

c. Use Conservation of Energy to find the speed of the block when it is at a height of 3.00 m. 10

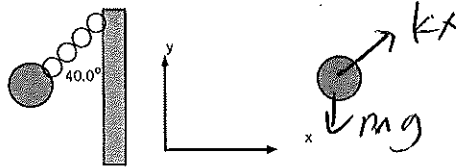
$$K_f = mgh + K_{f'}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} m (9.5)^2 = m g (3) + \frac{1}{2} m v_{f'}^2$$

$$v_{f'}^2 = 9.5^2 - 6g$$

$$v_{f'} = 5.60 \text{ m/s}$$

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$$y: kx \cos 40^\circ - mg = 0$$

Assume $m=6.50$ kg, $k = 600$ N/m, and the unstretched length of the spring is 0.75 m

c. Find the magnitude of the force exerted by the spring and the (total) length of the spring when stretched. 10

$$\rightarrow kx = \frac{mg}{\cos 40^\circ} = \frac{6.5g}{\cos 40^\circ} = 83.2 \text{ N} = F_{\text{spring}}$$

$$x = \frac{83.2}{600} = 0.139 \text{ m}$$

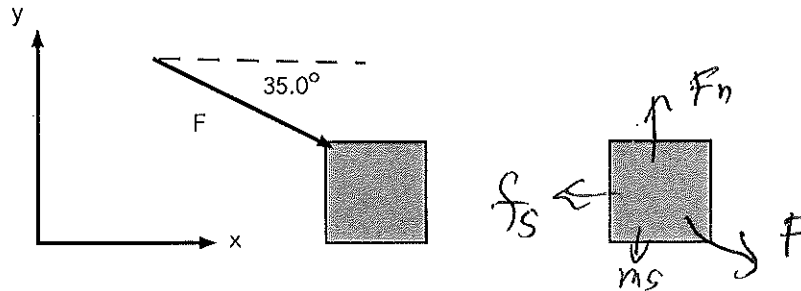
$$L = 0.75 + 0.139 = 0.889 \text{ m}$$

d. Find the speed of the ball. 10

$$x: v^2 = \frac{(kx \sin 40^\circ) r}{m} \quad r = 0.889 \text{ m}$$

$$= \frac{(83.2) \sin 40^\circ (0.889)}{6.50} = 7.70$$

$$v = 2.17 \text{ m/s}$$



2. A block of mass m is at rest on a rough surface with a pushing force applied, as shown. Force, F , is applied at a downward angle of 35.0° .

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b. Write out Newton's 2nd Law for the block in both directions. 20

$$x: F \cos 35^\circ - \underset{\text{or } f_s}{\mu_s F_n} = ma = 0$$

$$y: F_n - mg - F \sin 35^\circ = 0$$

Assume $m=7.50$ kg and the coefficients of kinetic and static friction are $\mu_k=0.350$ and $\mu_s=0.600$.

c. Find the minimum force, F , that will get the block to start sliding. 10

$$F_n = mg + F \sin 35^\circ$$

$$F \cos 35^\circ - \mu_s (mg + F \sin 35^\circ) = 0$$

$$F (\cos 35^\circ - \mu_s \sin 35^\circ) = \mu_s mg$$

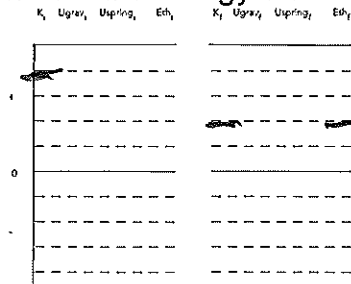
$$F = \frac{(0.6)(7.50)g}{\cos 35^\circ - 0.6 \sin 35^\circ} = \frac{44.1}{.475}$$

$$= 92.8 \text{ N}$$



3. A block of mass 5.50 kg is sliding on a horizontal surface and has an initial speed of 19.5 m/s. It encounters a rough patch of length, L , which has a coefficient of kinetic friction of 0.350. At the end of that rough patch the speed of the block is 12.0 m/s.

a. Create energy bar charts: 5



b. Use Conservation of Energy to find the length of the rough patch. 10

$$\frac{1}{2} m (19.5)^2 = \frac{1}{2} m (12.0)^2 + \mu_k m g \Delta s$$

$$19.5^2 - 12.0^2 = 2 \mu_k g \Delta s$$

$$\Delta s = \frac{19.5^2 - 12.0^2}{2(0.350)g}$$

$$= 3.707 \text{ m}$$

The block then slides up a smooth ramp that makes an angle of 55.0° with respect to the horizontal.

c. Use Conservation of Energy to find the speed of the block when it is at a height of 4.00 m. 10

$$\frac{1}{2} m (12.0)^2 = \frac{1}{2} m v^2 + m g h$$

$$v^2 = 12^2 - 2gh$$

$$= 12^2 - 2g(4)$$

$$v = 8.04 \text{ m/s}$$