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Solutions

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1. Two blocks are sliding on a frictionless floor (in the x-y plane). Block 1 has a mass of 2.50 kg and is traveling in the +x-direction with a speed of 7.50 m/s. Block 1 hits and sticks to block 2 which has a mass of 3.25 kg and is traveling in the -x direction with a speed of 3.00 m/s before the collision.

a. Find the momenta of blocks 1 and 2 before the collision in vector notation.

$$\begin{aligned}\vec{p}_1 &= (2.50)(7.50)\vec{i} \\ &= 18.75\vec{i} \text{ kg m/s}\end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned}\vec{p}_2 &= -(3.25)(3)\vec{i} \\ &= -9.75\vec{i} \text{ kg m/s}\end{aligned}$$

b. Find the velocity of the block 1-2 combination in vector notation after the collision.

$$\begin{aligned}p_{\text{tot}} &= 9.05 = (2.50 + 3.25)V \\ \vec{V} &= 1.57\vec{i} \text{ m/s}\end{aligned}$$

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Soon after the collision the 2-block combination breaks apart into 3 blocks which fly off in different directions. Block A has a mass of 0.750 kg and flies off with a velocity vector of $(1.50\vec{i} - 2.50\vec{j})\text{m/s}$. Block B has a mass of 3.50 kg and flies off with a velocity vector of $(-1.00\vec{i} + 2.00\vec{j})\text{m/s}$.

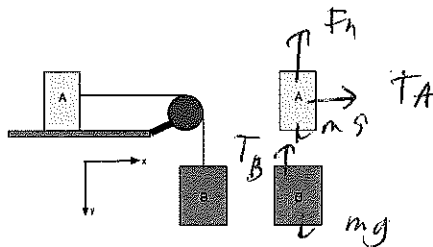
c. Find the velocity in vector notation of the third block, C, after the breakup.

$$\begin{aligned}x: \quad 9.05 &= (0.750)(1.50) + (3.50)(-1.00) + 1.50 v_{Cx} \\ v_{Cx} &= 7.62 \text{ m/s}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}y: \quad 0 &= (0.750)(-2.50) + (3.50)(2.00) + 1.50 v_{Cy} \\ v_{Cy} &= -3.42 \text{ m/s} \\ \vec{v}_C &= (7.62\vec{i} - 3.42\vec{j}) \text{ m/s}\end{aligned}$$

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$$m_C = 5.75 - 1.750 - 3.50 = 1.50 \text{ kg}$$



2. Blocks A and B are connected by a light string and attached over a pulley and are initially at rest. Assume a frictionless surface under block A; the blocks have masses m_A and m_B . The pulley is a solid disk with radius R and mass M . The blocks are released.

a. Draw free body diagrams on the blocks shown above and on the right. 6

b. Write out Newton's 2nd Law for both blocks in the x- and y-directions.

$$A: x: T_A = m_A a$$

$$y: m_A g - F_{NA} = 0$$

$$B: y: m_B g - T_B = m_B a$$

c. Write out the torque equation for the pulley.

$$T_B R - T_A R = I \alpha = I \frac{a}{R}$$

Take $m_A = 5.50$ kg, $m_B = 7.50$ kg, $M = 4.00$ kg, and $R = 0.750$ m.

d. Find the moment of inertia of the pulley about its axis.

$$I = \frac{1}{2} (4.00) (0.750)^2 = 1.12 \text{ kg m}^2$$

e. Find the magnitude of the acceleration of the blocks.

$$T_B - T_A = I \frac{a}{R^2} = \frac{1}{2} M R^2 \frac{a}{R^2}$$

Combine!

$$m_B g = \left(m_A + m_B + \frac{M}{2} \right) a$$

$$a = \frac{7.50 g}{\left(5.50 + 7.50 + \frac{4.00}{2} \right)} = 4.90 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$



3. A hollow sphere is held at rest on a rough ramp. The sphere has a mass of 3.50 kg and a radius of 1.25 m. The center of the sphere is at a height of 5.50 m + the radius = 6.75 m above the ground.

a. Find the moment of inertia of the sphere about its center of mass.

$$I = \frac{2}{3} MR^2 = \frac{2}{3} (3.50)(1.25)^2 = 3.65 \text{ kg m}^2 \quad 5$$

The sphere is released and rolls without slipping down the ramp.

b. Draw a free body diagram of the sphere rolling on the ramp.



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c. Use Conservation of Energy to find the kinetic energy of the sphere at the bottom of the ramp.

$$KE = mgh = (3.50)g(5.50) = 189 \text{ J} \quad 5$$

d. Find the linear speed of the sphere at the bottom of the ramp.

$$\begin{aligned} 189 &= \frac{1}{2} mv^2 + \frac{1}{2} I \omega^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} mv^2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{3} m r^2 \frac{v^2}{r^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} mv^2 \left(1 + \frac{2}{3} \right) = \frac{1}{2} (3.50) (1.67) v^2 \\ v &= 8.04 \text{ m/s} \end{aligned} \quad 10$$

e. The object runs into a spring with a spring constant of 500 N/m. Find the maximum compression of the spring.

$$\begin{aligned} 189 &= \frac{1}{2} kx^2 = \frac{1}{2} (500)x^2 \\ x &= 0.869 \text{ m} \end{aligned} \quad 5$$

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a. Find the momenta of blocks 1 and 2 before the collision in vector notation.

$$\vec{p}_1 = (3.50)(6.50)\hat{i} = 22.8\hat{i} \text{ kg m/s}$$

$$\vec{p}_2 = -(4.25)(3.00) = -12.8\hat{i} \text{ kg m/s}$$

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b. Find the velocity of the block 1-2 combination in vector notation after the collision.

$$p_{tot} = 10.0 = (3.50 + 4.25)V$$

$$\vec{V} = 1.29\hat{i} \text{ m/s}$$

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c. Find the velocity in vector notation of the third block, C, after the breakup.

$$m_C = 3.50 + 4.25 - 3.00 - 2.50 = 2.25 \text{ kg}$$

$$x: 10.0 = (3.00)(1.50) + 2.50(-1.00) + 2.25V_{Cx}$$

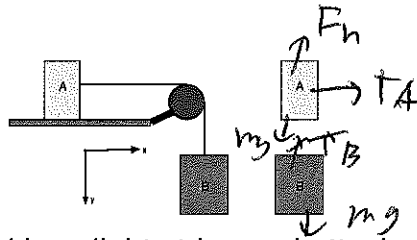
$$V_{Cx} = 3.56\hat{i} \text{ m/s}$$

$$y: 0 = (3.00)(-2.50) + (2.50)(2.00) + 2.25V_{Cy}$$

$$V_{Cy} = 1.11\hat{j} \text{ m/s}$$

$$\vec{V}_C = (3.56\hat{i} + 1.11\hat{j}) \text{ m/s}$$

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d. Find the moment of inertia of the pulley about its axis. 3

$$I = \frac{1}{2} (5.00) (0.750)^2 = 1.41 \text{ kg m}^2$$

e. Find the magnitude of the acceleration of the blocks. 5

$$T_B - T_A = \frac{1}{2} M R \frac{a}{R}$$

combine!

$$m_B g = (m_A + m_B + \frac{M}{2}) a$$

$$a = \frac{8.50g}{(6.50 + 8.50 + \frac{5.00}{2})} = 4.76 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$



3. A hollow sphere is held at rest on a rough ramp. The sphere has a mass of 3.25 kg and a radius of 1.25 m. The center of the sphere is at a height of 4.50 m + the radius = 5.75 m above the ground.

a. Find the moment of inertia of the sphere about its center of mass.

$$I = \frac{2}{3} M R^2 = \frac{2}{3} (3.25) (1.25)^2 = 3.39 \text{ kg m}^2 \quad 5$$

The sphere is released and rolls without slipping down the ramp.

b. Draw a free body diagram of the sphere rolling on the ramp.



c. Use Conservation of Energy to find the kinetic energy of the sphere at the bottom of the ramp.

$$KE = mgh = (3.25)g(4.50) = 143 \text{ J} \quad 5$$

d. Find the linear speed of the sphere at the bottom of the ramp.

$$\begin{aligned} 143 &= \frac{1}{2} m v^2 + \frac{1}{2} I \omega^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} m v^2 + \frac{1}{2} \frac{2}{3} m R^2 \frac{v^2}{R^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} m v^2 \left(1 + \frac{2}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2} (3.25) v^2 (1.67) \\ v &= 7.26 \text{ m/s} \quad 10 \end{aligned}$$

e. The object runs into a spring with a spring constant of 600 N/m. Find the maximum compression of the spring.

$$\begin{aligned} 143 &= \frac{1}{2} k x^2 = \frac{1}{2} (600) x^2 \\ x &= 0.690 \text{ m} \quad 5 \end{aligned}$$