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Quiz #2 — Fall 2010

Phys 2110 – Sec 3

1. A projectile is fired from ground level at a speed of  $40.0\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$  and an angle of 55.0° above the horizontal toward a high wall which is at a horizontal distance of 120.0 m from the firing point.

**a)** At what time after firing did the projectile strike the wall?



The projectile strikes the wall when x = 120.0 m. The components of the initial velocity are

$$v_{0x} = (40.0\frac{\mathrm{m}}{\mathrm{s}})\cos 55^{\circ} = 22.94\frac{\mathrm{m}}{\mathrm{s}}$$
  $v_{0y} = (40.0\frac{\mathrm{m}}{\mathrm{s}})\sin 55^{\circ} = 32.77\frac{\mathrm{m}}{\mathrm{s}}$ 

Solve for the time when x = 120.0 m:

120.0 m = 
$$x_0 + (22.94\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})t + 0 \implies t = \frac{(120.0 \text{ m}}{(22.92\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})} = 5.23 \text{ s}$$

The projectile hits the wall at 5.23 s.

**b**) What was the speed of the projectile when it struck the wall?

The x component of the velocity is constant at  $22.9\,\frac{\rm m}{\rm s}.$  The y velocity at this time is

$$v_y = v_{0y} - gt = (32.77\frac{\mathrm{m}}{\mathrm{s}}) - (9.80\frac{\mathrm{m}}{\mathrm{s}^2})(5.23 \mathrm{s}) = -18.5\frac{\mathrm{m}}{\mathrm{s}}$$

so then the speed of the projectile at the time of impact (t = 5.23 s) is

$$v = \sqrt{v_x^2 + v_y^2} = \sqrt{(22.9\frac{\mathrm{m}}{\mathrm{s}})^2 + (-18.5\frac{\mathrm{m}}{\mathrm{s}})^2} = 29.4\frac{\mathrm{m}}{\mathrm{s}}$$

**2.** A particle moves in a circle or radius 0.600 m at constant speed, making one revolution every 0.200 s. Find the magnitude of the acceleration of the particle.

The speed of the particle is

$$v = \frac{2\pi R}{T} = \frac{2\pi (0.600 \text{ m})}{(0.200 \text{ s})} = 18.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

so then the acceleration of the particle points inward and has magnitude

$$a = \frac{v^2}{r} = \frac{(18.8\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})^2}{(0.600 \text{ m})} = 592\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

**3.** A mass *m* is pulled upward by a string, giving it an acceleration of  $2.50 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$  (upward). The tension in the string is 5.00 N; what is the value of the mass?

We draw the picture of the forces and see that there is a force T upward on the mass and a force mg downward. The total is  $ma_y$ . Like Newton says. So we write:

$$T - mg = ma_y \implies T = mg + ma = m(g + a) \implies$$

Plug in the numbers:

$$m = \frac{(5.00 \text{ N})}{(9.80 + 2.50)\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}} = 0.407 \text{ kg}$$





$$n = \frac{1}{(g+a)}$$



You must show all your work and include the right units with your answers!

 $v_x = v_{0x} + a_x t \qquad x = x_0 + v_{0x}t + \frac{1}{2}a_x t^2 \qquad v_x^2 = v_{0x}^2 + 2a_x(x - x_0) \qquad x - x_0 = \frac{1}{2}(v_{0x} + v_x)t$  $g = 9.80\frac{m}{s^2} \qquad 1 \text{ kg} = 10^3 \text{ g} \qquad \mathbf{F} = m\mathbf{a} \qquad v = \frac{2\pi R}{T} \qquad a_c = \frac{v^2}{r}$