

PRACTICE EXAM 1 – SOLUTIONS TO WORD PROBLEMS

Problem 1

$$R_x = 4.00\cos 135^\circ + 5.00\cos 245^\circ + 7.00\cos(-35^\circ) = 0.792 \text{ km}$$

$$R_y = 4.00\sin 135^\circ + 5.00\sin 245^\circ + 7.00\sin(-35^\circ) = -5.718 \text{ km}$$

$$(A) R = \sqrt{R_x^2 + R_y^2} = \underline{\underline{5.77 \text{ km}}} \quad (B) \theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{R_y}{R_x}\right) = \underline{\underline{82.1^\circ \text{ south of east}}}$$

Problem 2

$$(A) \Delta x = v_i t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2$$

$$200 = 0 + 0.5(3.00)t^2 \rightarrow t = \underline{\underline{11.5 \text{ sec}}}$$

$$(B) v_f = v_i + at$$

$$v_f = 0 + (3.00)(11.6) = \underline{\underline{34.6 \text{ m/s}}}$$

$$(C) \Delta x = vt$$

$$300 = (34.6)t \rightarrow t = \underline{\underline{8.66 \text{ sec}}}$$

Problem 3

$$(A) f = \mu n = 0.64(2.00)(9.8) = \underline{\underline{12.5 \text{ N}}}$$

$$(B) F_{net} = ma \text{ (“super-block”)}$$

$$28.0\cos 37^\circ - 12.5 \text{ N} = (6.00)a \rightarrow a = \underline{\underline{1.64 \text{ m/s}^2}}$$

$$(C) F_{net} = ma \text{ (2.00-kg block only)}$$

$$T - 12.5 \text{ N} = (2.00)(1.64) \rightarrow T = \underline{\underline{15.8 \text{ N}}}$$

Problem 4

$$v_{ix} = 1.20\cos(-30^\circ) = 1.04 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_{iy} = 1.20\sin(-30^\circ) = -0.60 \text{ m/s}$$

$$(A) \Delta y = v_{iy}t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

$$-9.00 = -0.600t - 4.9t^2 \rightarrow 4.9t^2 + 0.600t - 9.00 = 0 \text{ use quadratic formula to solve}$$
$$t = \underline{\underline{1.30 \text{ sec}}}$$

$$(B) d = \Delta x = v_{ix}t = (1.04)(1.30) = \underline{\underline{1.35 \text{ m}}}$$

$$(C) v_{fx} = v_{ix} = 1.04 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_{fy} = v_{iy} - gt = -0.600 - 9.8(1.30) = -13.3 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v_f = \sqrt{v_{fx}^2 + v_{fy}^2} = \underline{\underline{13.3 \text{ m/s}}}$$