

# PHYSICS 215

Test #2

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A. Multiple choice; choose the best of the list of answers given. (20 points total)

1. A car, with mass  $1000\text{ kg}$  moving originally with a speed of  $20\text{ m/s}$  collides with a tree and stops in  $1\text{ ms}$ . What average force is exerted by the tree on the car?
  - a)   $.50\text{ N}$ .
  - b)   $20\text{ N}$ .
  - c)   $500,000\text{ N}$ .
  - d)   $20,000,000\text{ N}$ .
  - e)  none of these.
2. A ball explodes at rest into two equal mass pieces. If one piece lands  $2.0\text{ m}$  due east of the original spot, where will the second piece land?
  - a)   $2.0\text{ m}$  due east.
  - b)   $2.0\text{ m}$  due west.
  - c)   $1.4\text{ m}$ ,  $45^\circ$  south of east.
  - d)  straight up, then straight back down.
  - e)  it won't move at all.
3. A car, driving in a circle at constant speed has
  - a)  both centripetal and tangential acceleration.
  - b)  only centripetal acceleration.
  - c)  only tangential acceleration.
  - d)  neither centripetal nor tangential acceleration.
  - e)  not enough information is given.
4. A ball is swung on a string  $1\text{ meter}$  long, at  $\omega = 1.0\text{ rev/s}$ . While the ball is still rotating, the string is drawn in until it is only  $0.50\text{ meter}$  long. What is the new angular velocity?
  - a)   $2.0\text{ rev/s}$
  - b)   $0.50\text{ rev/s}$
  - c)   $4.0\text{ rev/s}$
  - d)   $0.25\text{ rev/s}$
  - e)  unchanged,  $1.0\text{ rev/s}$

B. Solve 4 of the 6 problems given below. (20 points each)

1. Two identical cars, with a mass of  $1000 \text{ kg}$  each, collide at an intersection. The collision is perfectly inelastic. One car was moving  $20 \text{ m/s}$  before the collision.
  - a) Find the final **velocity** of the two cars, if the second car was initially stationary.
  - a) If the final velocity of the two cars is  $20 \text{ m/s}$  at  $30^\circ$  North of East, find the initial **velocity** of the second car.

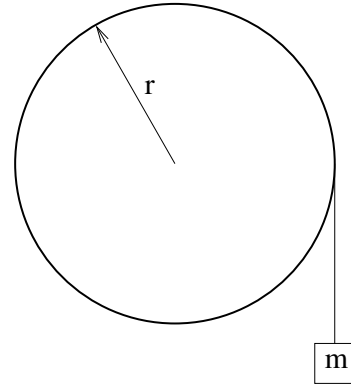
2. In a ballistic pendulum experiment, a  $57\text{ g}$  ball is shot into a  $208\text{ g}$  pendulum. If the average increase in height of the (pendulum + ball) is  $11.0\text{ cm}$ , find:
- a) the initial speed of the (pendulum + ball),  $V$ .
  - b) the initial speed of the ball before collision,  $v$ .

3. A merry-go-round starts from rest, and accelerates with a uniform angular acceleration,  $\alpha$ . After  $60\text{ s}$ , a horse  $6\text{ m}$  from the center is moving  $3\text{ m/s}$ . At this point in time, what is
- the angular speed of the merry-go-round,  $\omega$ , in  $\text{rad/s}$ ?
  - the angular acceleration,  $\alpha$ , in  $\text{rad/s}^2$ ?
  - the centripetal acceleration of the horse,  $a_c$ , in  $\text{m/s}^2$ .

4. Given the radius of the moon's orbit =  $3.840 \times 10^8 m$ , the mass of the earth =  $5.975 \times 10^{24} kg$  and  $G = 6.672 \times 10^{-11} Nm^2/kg^2$ .
- What is the acceleration of gravity, due to the earth, at the moon's orbit?
  - Given that the moon revolves around the earth is 27.4 days, what is the centripetal acceleration of the moon in orbit about the earth?

5. A cylinder of radius  $24\text{ cm}$  is mounted on a horizontal axis coincident with its own axis. A cord is wound onto the cylinder's rim, and a  $100\text{ g}$  mass is hung from it. After being released from rest, the mass drops  $180\text{ cm}$  in  $1.5\text{ s}$ . Find:

- a) the moment of inertia  $I$ .
- b) the tension in the cord  $T$ .



6. A sphere has a moment of inertia about its center of mass given by  $I_s = \frac{2}{5}MR^2$ . The sphere has a radius of 6.0 cm and a mass of 1.0 kg.
- a) The sphere starts from rest, and rolls without slipping down an inclined plane. What is its linear speed when it reaches a point 50 cm vertically lower than its starting point?
  - b) What is the moment of inertia about an axis tangent to the sphere?