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Physics I Mechanics
Physics II Electricity \& Magnetism

## Foundational Mathematics' Skills of Physics

Do not use this packet as scratch paper. Once you have worked out the problems, show your work and final answers in a concise, clear manner in this packet. All concepts from this assessment are algebra, geometry, and pre-calculus concepts that you must know.
$\dagger$ Denotes additional assessments or information for the Physics II E\&M class only.
$\dagger$ Graphing Calculator Recommendation: TI-89

## Symbolic Manipulations

I. Equation Derivations

Directions: Using the following 3 equations (1-1, 2-1, \& 3-1), solve for a the specified variable and substitute it into another equation to derive a new equation.

$$
\begin{align*}
& \bar{v}=\frac{x-x_{0}}{t}  \tag{1-1}\\
& a=\frac{v-v_{0}}{t}  \tag{2-1}\\
& \bar{v}=\frac{v_{0}+v}{2} \tag{3-1}
\end{align*}
$$

1. Solve equation 1-1 for $x$. This will now be denoted as equation 1-2.
2. Solve equation 2-1 for $v$. This is equation 2-2.
3. Solve equation 2-1 for $v_{0}$. This is equation 2-3.
4. Solve equation 2-1 for $t$. This is equation 2-4.
5. Substitute equation 3-1 directly in for $\bar{v}$ into equation 1-2. This is equation 4-1.
6. Substitute equation 2-2 directly in for $v$ into equation 4-1. This is equation 5-1.
7. Substitute equation 2-3 directly in for $v_{0}$ into equation 4-1. This is equation 6-1.
8. Substitute equation 2-4 directly in for $t$ into equation 4-1. This is equation 7-1.
9. Solve equation 7-1 for $v^{2}$. This is equation 7-2.
II. Symbolic Manipulation
10. Using the following equations, solve for $a$ in terms of $g, m_{1}, m_{2}, \mu$, and $\theta$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
m_{1} g-T=m_{1} a \\
T-\mu N-m_{2} g \sin \theta=m_{2} a \\
N-m_{2} g \cos \theta=0
\end{gathered}
$$

2. Using the following equations, solve for $a$ in terms of $g, m_{1}, m_{2}, \mu_{1}, \mu_{2}, \theta_{1}$, and $\theta_{2}$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
m_{1} g \sin \theta_{1}-T-\mu_{1} n=m_{1} a \\
n-m_{1} g \cos \theta_{1}=0 \\
T-\mu_{2} N-m_{2} g \sin \theta_{2}=m_{2} a \\
N-m_{2} g \cos \theta_{2}=0
\end{gathered}
$$

3. Using the following equations, solve for $\mu$ in terms of $\theta$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
N-m g \cos \theta=0 \\
m g \sin \theta-\mu N=0
\end{gathered}
$$

4. Using the following equations, solve for $v$ in terms of $g, r$, and $\theta$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& N \cos \theta-m g=0 \\
& N \sin \theta=m \frac{v^{2}}{r}
\end{aligned}
$$

5. Using the following equations, solve for $f$ in terms of $g, m, r, v$, and $\theta$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
N \cos \theta-f \sin \theta=m g \\
N \sin \theta+f \cos \theta=m \frac{v^{2}}{r}
\end{gathered}
$$

6. Using the following equations, solve for $\mu$ in terms of $g, r, v$, and $\theta$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
N \cos \theta-\mu N \sin \theta=m g \\
N \sin \theta+\mu N \cos \theta=m \frac{v^{2}}{r}
\end{gathered}
$$

III. Symbolic Reduction

1. For the following equation, set $v=0$ and solve for $t$.

$$
v=v_{0}+a t
$$

2. For the following equation, set $v_{0}=0$ and solve for $a$.

$$
v_{0}=v-a t
$$

3. For the following equation, set $v_{0}=0$ and solve for $t$.

$$
x=x_{0}+v_{0} t+\frac{1}{2} a t^{2}
$$

4. For the following equation, set $x_{0}=0$ and solve for $t$.

$$
x=x_{0}+v t-\frac{1}{2} a t^{2}
$$

5. For the following equation, set $x_{0}=0$ and solve for $v_{0}$.

$$
v^{2}=v_{0}^{2}+2 a\left(x-x_{0}\right)
$$

6. For the following equations, set $x_{0}=0, a=0, y_{0}=0$, and solve for $\theta$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
x= & x_{0}+v_{0 x} t+\frac{1}{2} a t^{2} \\
y= & y_{0}+v_{0 y} t-\frac{1}{2} g t^{2} \\
& \tan \theta=\frac{v_{0 y}}{v_{0 x}}
\end{aligned}
$$

7. For the following equations, set $x_{0}=0, a=0, y_{0}=0$, and solve for $y$ in terms of $g, \mathrm{v}_{0}, x$, and $\theta$.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& x=x_{0}+\left(v_{0} \cos \theta\right) t+\frac{1}{2} a t^{2} \\
& y=y_{0}+\left(v_{0} \sin \theta\right) t-\frac{1}{2} g t^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

8. For the following equations, set $a=0$ and solve for $m_{1}$ in terms of $m_{2}, \mu$, and $\theta$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
T-m_{1} g=m_{1} a \\
m_{2} g \sin \theta-\mu N-T=m_{2} a \\
N-m_{2} g \cos \theta=0
\end{gathered}
$$

9. For the following equations, set $\theta=0^{\circ}$, and solve for $a$ in terms of $g, m_{1}, \mathrm{~m}_{2}, \mu$, and $\theta$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
T-m_{1} g=m_{1} a \\
m_{2} g \sin \theta-\mu N-T=m_{2} a \\
N-m_{2} g \cos \theta=0
\end{gathered}
$$

10. For the following equations, set $\theta=90^{\circ}$, and solve for $a$ in terms of $g, \mathrm{~m}_{1}$, and $\mathrm{m}_{2}$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
T-m_{1} g=m_{1} a \\
m_{2} g \sin \theta-\mu N-T=m_{2} a \\
N-m_{2} g \cos \theta=0
\end{gathered}
$$

11. For the following equations, set $a=0, \theta=0^{\circ}$, and solve for $m_{1}$ in terms of $\mathrm{m}_{2}$ and $\mu$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
T-m_{1} g=m_{1} a \\
m_{2} g \sin \theta-\mu N-T=m_{2} a \\
N-m_{2} g \cos \theta=0
\end{gathered}
$$

12. For the following equations, set $a=0, \theta=90^{\circ}$, and solve for $m_{1}$ in terms of $m_{2}$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
T-m_{1} g=m_{1} a \\
m_{2} g \sin \theta-\mu N-T=m_{2} a \\
N-m_{2} g \cos \theta=0
\end{gathered}
$$

13. For the following equations, set $\theta=0^{\circ}$, and solve for $f$ in terms of $m, r$, and $v$.

$$
f=m\left(\frac{v^{2}}{r} \cos \theta-g \sin \theta\right)
$$

14. For the following equations, set $\theta=0^{\circ}$, and solve for $\mu$ in terms of $g, r$, and $v$.

$$
\mu=\frac{v^{2} \cos \theta-r g \sin \theta}{v^{2} \sin \theta+r g \cos \theta}
$$

## Algebra Review

IV. Algebraically solving for multiple unknowns.

1. Given the following equations, solve for a numeric value for $\theta$.
$x=y$

$$
\begin{gathered}
x=\frac{v_{0}^{2}}{g} \sin (2 \theta) \\
v_{0}^{2} \sin ^{2} \theta-2 g y=0 \\
\sin (2 \theta)=2 \sin \theta \cos \theta
\end{gathered}
$$

2. Given the following equations, solve for a numeric value for $x$ and $y$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
x+2 y=32 \\
11 x+19 y=121
\end{gathered}
$$

3. Given the following equations, solve for a numeric value for $x, y$, and $z$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
x+2 y=3 z \\
3 x+2 y+z=14 \\
4 x+5 y+6 z=42
\end{gathered}
$$

## V. †Matrices

Directions: Set up a matrix for the following and use the row reduced echelon form, rref(), function on your calculator to calculate the unknown values.

1. Given the following equations, solve for a numeric value for $x, y$, and $z$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
4 x+3 y=3 z \\
3 x+5 y+7 z=241 \\
4 x+5 y+6 z=223
\end{gathered}
$$

2. Given the following equations, solve for a numeric value for $x, y$, and $z$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
x+y=z \\
2 x+3 y=16 \\
2 y+3 z=10
\end{gathered}
$$

3. Given the following equations, solve for a numeric value for $a, b, c$, and $d$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
a+2 b+3 c=14 \\
4 a+3 b+2 c-d=24 \\
15 a+13 b=114 \\
23 d-19 c=142
\end{gathered}
$$

4. Given the following equations, solve for a numeric value for $I_{1}, I_{2}, I_{3}, I_{4}$, and $I_{5}$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
I_{2}+I_{3}=I_{1} \\
I_{4}+I_{5}=I_{2} \\
2 I_{1}+2 I_{2}+3 I_{4}=123 \\
2 I_{1}+2 I_{2}+I_{5}=123 \\
2 I_{1}+I_{3}=123
\end{gathered}
$$

5. Given the following equations, solve for a numeric value for $I_{1}, I_{2}, I_{3}, I_{4}, I_{5}, I_{6}, I_{7}, I_{8}, I_{9}, I_{10}, I_{11}, I_{12}$, and $I_{13}$.

$$
\begin{gathered}
I_{2}+I_{5}+I_{9}=I_{1} \\
I_{3}+I_{6}=I_{2} \\
I_{4}+I_{8}=I_{5} \\
I_{5}+I_{13}=I_{9} \\
I_{6}+I_{10}=I_{11} \\
I_{3}+I_{4}=I_{7} \\
I_{8}+I_{13}=I_{12} \\
2 I_{2}+2 I_{3}+2 I_{7}=156 \\
2 I_{2}+2 I_{6}+2 I_{11}=156 \\
2 I_{4}+2 I_{5}+2 I_{7}=156 \\
2 I_{5}+2 I_{8}+2 I_{12}=156 \\
2 I_{9}+2 I_{12}+2 I_{13}=156 \\
2 I_{9}+2 I_{10}+2 I_{11}=156
\end{gathered}
$$

## Geometry/Trigonometry Review

VI. Geometry/Trigonometry Review

1. Fill in the missing components of the Unit Circle

2. Determination of trigonometric functions (in degrees): Place answers in fraction form

| Function | $0^{\circ}$ | $45^{\circ}$ | $60^{\circ}$ | $120^{\circ}$ | $135^{\circ}$ | $210^{\circ}$ | $225^{\circ}$ | $315^{\circ}$ | $330^{\circ}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\sin \theta$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\cos \theta$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\tan \theta$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

3. Determination of trigonometric functions (in radians): Place answers in fraction form

| Function | $\frac{\pi}{6}$ | $\frac{\pi}{2}$ | $\frac{5 \pi}{6}$ | $\frac{5 \pi}{4}$ | $\pi$ | $\frac{4 \pi}{3}$ | $\frac{3 \pi}{2}$ | $\frac{5 \pi}{3}$ | $2 \pi$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\sin \theta$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\cos \theta$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\tan \theta$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

## VII. Congruent Angles

Directions: For the following diagram, check off all of the angles $(a-m)$ below that have the same value as $\theta$.

VIII. Determination of lengths along the $x$ - and $y$-axes.

1. Given that $a=5, b=3.5, c=4, d=4.5, \theta_{1}=55^{\circ}, \theta_{2}=20^{\circ}, \theta_{3}=75^{\circ}$, and $\theta_{4}=50^{\circ}$, Calculate the distance of the lengths along the $x$ - and $y$-axes for each arrow.


| Arrow | $x$-axis length | $y$-axis length |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $a$ |  |  |
| $b$ |  |  |
| $c$ |  |  |
| $d$ |  |  |

IX. Using the right triangle below (of lengths, $a, b$, and $c$, and angles, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ ) and the Pythagorean Theorem, write an appropriate formula to solve for each of the following:

1. $a$ :
2. $b$ :
3. $c$ :

X. Using the right triangle below (of lengths, $a, b$, and $c$, and angles, $\alpha$ and $\beta$ ) and trigonometry, write an appropriate formula to solve for each of the following:
4. $\sin (\alpha)$ :
5. $\sin (\beta)$ :
6. $\cos (\alpha)$ :
7. $\cos (\beta)$ :
8. $\tan (\alpha)$ :
9. $\tan (\beta)$ :

XI. Using the triangle below (of lengths, $a, b, c$, and angles, $\alpha, \beta, \gamma$ ) and using the Law of Cosines, write an appropriate formula to solve for each of the following:
10. $a$ :
11. $b$ :
12. $c$ :


## Graphing Review

XII. Graphing (Note: Computer generated graphs are also acceptable)

1. Group 1:
a. $y=\frac{1}{x}$
b. $y=-\frac{1}{x}$

2. Group 2:
a. $\quad y=\frac{1}{x^{2}}$
b. $y=-\frac{1}{x^{2}}$

3. Group 3:
a. $\quad y=\ln (x)$
b. $y=\ln \left(\frac{1}{2} x\right)$
c. $y=\ln (2 x)$

4. Group 4:
a. $y=e^{-x}$
b. $y=e^{-\frac{1}{2} x}$
c. $y=e^{-2 x}$

5. Group 5:
a. $y=1-e^{-x}$
b. $y=1-e^{-\frac{1}{2} x}$
c. $y=1-e^{-2 x}$

6. Group 6: ( In radians from $x=0 \rightarrow x=2 \pi$ )
a. $\quad y=\sin (x)$
b. $y=\sin \left(\frac{1}{2} x\right)$
c. $y=\sin (2 x)$

7. Group 7: ( In radians from $x=0 \rightarrow x=2 \pi$ )
a. $\quad y=\cos (x)$
b. $y=\cos \left(\frac{1}{2} x\right)$
c. $y=\cos (2 x)$

8. Group 8: ( In radians from $x=0 \rightarrow x=2 \pi$ )
a. $y=\tan (x)$
b. $y=\tan \left(\frac{1}{2} x\right)$
c. $y=\tan (2 x)$

9. Group 9: ( In radians from $x=0 \rightarrow x=2 \pi$ )
a. $y=\sqrt{\tan (x)}$
b. $y=\sqrt{\frac{1}{2} \tan (x)}$
c. $y=\sqrt{2 \tan (x)}$

10. Group 10: ( In radians from $x=0 \rightarrow x=2 \pi$ )
a. $y=e^{-\frac{1}{2} x} \cos (2 x)$
b. $y=e^{-x} \cos (2 x)$
c. $y=e^{-2 x} \cos (2 x)$

11. Group 11: ( In radians from $x=0 \rightarrow x=2 \pi$ )
a. $y=e^{-\frac{1}{2} x} \cos (4 x)$
b. $y=e^{-x} \cos (4 x)$
c. $y=e^{-2 x} \cos (4 x)$

12. Group 12: ( In radians from $x=0 \rightarrow x=2 \pi$ )
a. $y=e^{-\frac{1}{2} x} \cos (8 x)$
b. $y=e^{-x} \cos (8 x)$
c. $y=e^{-2 x} \cos (8 x)$

13. Miscellaneous Graph(s): (In radians from $x=0 \rightarrow x=2 \pi)$
a. $y=2 \sin x \cos x$


## Geometry/Trigonometry in 2-Dimensional and 3-Dimenstional Space

XIII. 2D and 3D space

1. Calculate the exact distance for all of the black dots in terms of the side lengths, $l$ or $r$, and angle for all of the black dots in degrees, from the origin $(0,0)$ for 2 D and $(0,0,0)$ for $\dagger$ 3D. [example: $\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2} l @ 45^{\circ}$ ]
a. 2 particles [Please note: Some angles are not shown.]

b. 3 particles [Please note: Some angles are not shown.]

c. 4 particles (2D) [Please note: Some angles are not shown.]

d. $\dagger 8$ particles (3D) [Please note: Some angles are not shown.]

