

Exam 1 Solutions

Multiple Choice Key

1. c
2. b
3. b (There was an error on the initial key. Exam scores have been corrected to reflect the correct answer.)
4. e
5. d
6. b
7. e
8. d
9. c
10. d

Worked Problems

1. To find the total force:

- Find the x and y components of both vectors.

$$\mathbf{F}_1 = (55 \text{ N}) \cos 335^\circ \hat{x} + (55 \text{ N}) \sin 335^\circ = (49.8 \text{ N})\hat{x} + (-23.2 \text{ N})\hat{y}$$

$$\mathbf{F}_2 = (71 \text{ N}) \cos 75^\circ \hat{x} + (71 \text{ N}) \sin 75^\circ = (18.4 \text{ N})\hat{x} + (68.6 \text{ N})\hat{y}$$

- Add the two forces together by component to find the total force.

$$\mathbf{F}_{tot} = \mathbf{F}_1 + \mathbf{F}_2 = (49.8 + 18.4 \text{ N})\hat{x} + (-23.2 + 68.6 \text{ N})\hat{y} = (68.2 \text{ N})\hat{x} + (45.4 \text{ N})\hat{y}$$

- Use the Pythagorean Theorem to determine the magnitude of the force.

$$F_{tot} = \sqrt{(68.2 \text{ N})^2 + (45.4 \text{ N})^2} = 82 \text{ N}$$

2. For this problem:

- To find the time to strike the ground, solve $y = y_0 + v_{y0}t + \frac{1}{2}a_y t^2$ for t with $y = 0$ m, $y_0 = 25$ m, $v_{y0} = 12$ m/s, and $a_y = -9.81$ m/s². This gives $t = 3.79$ s.
- To find the speed when the rock strikes the ground, substitute t from part (a) in $v = v_{y0} - gt$, and solve for the velocity. Since it is a 1-D problem, find the speed by taking the absolute value of the velocity, $v = 25.2$ m/s.