Exam 1 (Brotherton) The Superhero Edition

Phys 1210

your name

The exam consists of 6 problems. Each problem is of equal value.

You can skip one of problems. Calculators are allowed.

Tips for better exam grades:

Read all problems right away and ask questions as early as possible.

Make sure that you give at least a basic relevant equation or figure for each subproblem.

Make use of the entire exam time. When you are done with solving the problems and there is some time left, read your answers over again and search for incomplete or wrong parts.

Show your work for full credit. The answer '42' only earns you any credit IF '42' is the right answer. We reserve points for 'steps in between', figures, units, etc.

No credit given for illegible handwriting or flawed logic in an argument.

Remember to give units on final answers.

Please box final answers so we don't miss them during grading.

Please use blank paper to write answers, starting each problem on a new page.

Please use 10 m/s² as the acceleration due to gravity on Earth.

'Nuff said.

1. Spider-man's web.

Spider-man and his Amazing Friend Iceman are trying to stop the Rhino's rampage. The Rhino gets stuck on a frictionless patch of ice. Spider-man secures him in place with three web lines. The first webline has a tension of 400N due North. The second is due Southwest with a tension of 300N. What must be the direction and tension of the third webline to keep the Rhino in the same location?

2. Hulk Throws a Tantrum (and a Tank)

The incredible Hulk is mad. Very mad. The army is chasing him around New Mexico again. Jade Jaws picks up a tank (50,000 kg!) and throws it at an angle of 45 degrees and a speed of 40 m/s onto a flat mesa 25 meters higher than his position. A) What is the time in seconds when it lands? B) How far away does it land? That is, what is the x-displacement in meters?

3. Hawkeye and Loki

Hawkeye is standing on top of a building and shoots an arrow at Loki due North at a velocity of 100 m/s. Loki is flying in an alien craft at the same height Northwest at a velocity of 40 m/s. What is the relative velocity (e.g., speed and direction) of the arrow as seen by Loki?

4. Batman saves Batgirl and Robin

Batman is standing stationary on a rooftop holding a bat cable that is slung over a gargoyle (treat as a frictionless pulley). On the other end of the cable hangs Batgirl. She in turn is holding a second bat cable from which Robin dangles beneath her. Assume Batman has a mass of 150 kg (it's a big utility belt!), and that Batgirl and Robin have masses of 50 kg each. Furthermore, Batman's boots have a coefficient of static friction of 0.8. A) What is the tension in the bat cable Batman holds? B) What is the tension in the cable Robin holds?

5. The Black Widow slides down a Hill

The Black Widow is attacking a terrorist camp. She slides 100m down a very steep hill (60 degrees incline). Her mass is 50 kg. The coefficient of kinetic friction between her and the hillside is 0.3. Ignore air resistance. A) What is her acceleration? B) How fast is she moving at the bottom of the hill assuming her initial velocity was zero at the top?

6. Superman races the Flash.

Superman and the Flash run the first ten seconds of their race at a constant velocity of 400 m/s (which is about 900 mph). Then the Flash decides to leave Superman in the dust and increasingly accelerates for the next 10 seconds according to the formula a=10t² m/s⁴. Ignore the wind resistance and any potential relativistic effects. A) At the end of the second ten seconds, how fast is the Flash traveling? B) How many meters has he traveled over the course of the entire 20 seconds?

Master Equations – Physics 1210

One-dimensional motion with constant acceleration:

①
$$x = x_0 + v_{0x}t + \frac{1}{2}a_xt^2$$
 find the other forms of master equation 1 by

- (a) building the derivative of the equation
- (b) solving the new equation for t and substituting it back into the master equation, and
- (c) using the equation for average velocity times time

Two-dimensional motion for an object with initial velocity v_0 at an angle α relative to the horizontal, with constant acceleration in the y direction:

②
$$x = x_0 + v_0 \cos \alpha t$$

③ $y = y_0 + v_0 \sin \alpha t + \frac{1}{2} a_y t^2$ find the related velocities by building the derivatives of the equations

Newton's Laws

4 $\Sigma \vec{F} = 0$, $\Sigma \vec{F} = m \ \vec{a}$, $\vec{F}_{A \to B} = -\vec{F}_{B \to A}$ find the related component equations by replacing all relevant properties by their component values

The quadratic equation and its solution:

$$a \cdot x^2 + b \cdot x + c = 0$$
, then $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

Table with some values for trig functions:

Degrees:	30	45	60	330	
sin	0.5	0.707	0.866	-0.5	
cos	0.866	0.707	0.5	0.866	
tan	0.577	1	1.732	-0.577	