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# AP Physics 1: Algebra-Based Practice Exam

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## **Exam Instructions**

The following contains instructions taken from the **2017–18 AP Exam Instructions** book.

# AP Physics 1: Algebra-Based Exam

**Regularly Scheduled Exam Date:** Tuesday afternoon, May 8, 2018

**Late-Testing Exam Date:** Thursday morning, May 24, 2018

# AP Physics 2: Algebra-Based Exam

**Regularly Scheduled Exam Date:** Wednesday afternoon, May 9, 2018

**Late-Testing Exam Date:** Thursday afternoon, May 24, 2018

<b>Section I</b>	<b>Total Time:</b> 1 hour and 30 minutes Calculator allowed <b>Number of Questions:</b> 50 <i>(The number of questions may vary slightly depending on the form of the exam.)</i> <b>Percent of Total Score:</b> 50% <b>Writing Instrument:</b> Pencil required
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<b>Section II</b>	<b>Total Time:</b> 1 hour and 30 minutes Calculator allowed <b>Number of Questions Physics 1:</b> 5 <b>Number of Questions Physics 2:</b> 4 <b>Percent of Total Score:</b> 50% <b>Writing Instrument:</b> Pen with black or dark blue ink, or pencil
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## What Proctors Need to Bring to This Exam

- Exam packets
- Answer sheets
- AP Student Packs
- 2017-18 AP Coordinator's Manual*
- This book—*2017-18 AP Exam Instructions*
- AP Exam Seating Chart template
- School Code and Homeschool/Self-Study Codes
- Extra calculators
- Extra rulers or straightedges
- Pencil sharpener
- Container for students' electronic devices (if needed)
- Extra No. 2 pencils with erasers
- Extra pens with black or dark blue ink
- Extra paper
- Stapler
- Watch
- Signs for the door to the testing room
  - “Exam in Progress”
  - “Cell phones are prohibited during the test administration, including breaks”

**Before Distributing Exams:** Check that the title on all exam covers is *Physics 1: Algebra-Based* or *Physics 2: Algebra-Based*. If there are any exam booklets with a different title, contact the AP coordinator immediately.

Students are permitted to use rulers, straightedges, and four-function, scientific, or graphing calculators for these entire exams (Sections I and II). Before starting the exam administration, make sure each student has an appropriate calculator, and any student with a graphing calculator has a model from the approved list on page 52 of the *2017-18 AP Coordinator's Manual*. See pages 49–52 of the *AP Coordinator's Manual* for more information. If a student does not have an appropriate calculator or has a graphing calculator not on the approved list, you may provide one from your supply. If the student does not want to use the calculator you provide or does not want to use a calculator at all, they must hand copy, date, and sign the release statement on page 51 of the *AP Coordinator's Manual*.

Students may have no more than two calculators on their desks. Calculators may not be shared. Calculator memories do not need to be cleared before or after the exam. Students with Hewlett-Packard 48–50 Series and Casio FX-9860 graphing calculators may use cards designed for use with these calculators. Proctors should make sure infrared ports (Hewlett-Packard) are not facing each other. **Since graphing calculators can be used to store data, including text, proctors should monitor that students are using their calculators appropriately. Attempts by students to use the calculator to remove exam questions and/or answers from the room may result in the cancellation of AP Exam scores.**

Tables containing equations commonly used in physics are included in each AP Exam booklet, for use during the entire exam. Students are NOT allowed to bring their own copies of the equation tables to the exam room.

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## SECTION I: Multiple Choice

› **Do not begin the exam instructions below until you have completed the appropriate General Instructions for your group.**

Make sure you begin the exam at the designated time. Remember, you must complete a seating chart for this exam. See pages 303–304 for a seating chart template and instructions. See the *2017-18 AP Coordinator's Manual* for exam seating requirements (pages 55–58).

### **Physics 1: Algebra-Based**

**If you are giving the regularly scheduled exam, say:**

**It is Tuesday afternoon, May 8, and you will be taking the AP Physics 1: Algebra-Based Exam.**

**If you are giving the alternate exam for late testing, say:**

**It is Thursday morning, May 24, and you will be taking the AP Physics 1: Algebra-Based Exam.**

### **Physics 2: Algebra-Based**

**If you are giving the regularly scheduled exam, say:**

**It is Wednesday afternoon, May 9, and you will be taking the AP Physics 2: Algebra-Based Exam.**

**If you are giving the alternate exam for late testing, say:**

**It is Thursday afternoon, May 24, and you will be taking the AP Physics 2: Algebra-Based Exam.**

**If you are giving the *Physics 1: Algebra-Based Exam*, say:**

Look at your exam packet and confirm that the exam title is “AP Physics 1: Algebra-Based.” Raise your hand if your exam packet contains any title other than “AP Physics 1: Algebra-Based,” and I will help you.

**If you are giving the *Physics 2: Algebra-Based Exam*, say:**

Look at your exam packet and confirm that the exam title is “AP Physics 2: Algebra-Based.” Raise your hand if your exam packet contains any title other than “AP Physics 2: Algebra-Based,” and I will help you.

**Once you confirm that all students have the correct exam, say:**

In a moment, you will open the exam packet. By opening this packet, you agree to all of the AP Program’s policies and procedures outlined in the *2017-18 Bulletin for AP Students and Parents*.

You may now remove the shrinkwrap from your exam packet and take out the Section I booklet, but do not open the booklet or the shrinkwrapped Section II materials. Put the white seals aside. . . .

Carefully remove the AP Exam label found near the top left of your exam booklet cover. Place it on page 1 of your answer sheet on the light blue box near the top right corner that reads “AP Exam Label.”

If students accidentally place the exam label in the space for the number label or vice versa, advise them to leave the labels in place. They should not try to remove the label; their exam can still be processed correctly.

**Listen carefully to all my instructions. I will give you time to complete each step. Please look up after completing each step. Raise your hand if you have any questions.**

Give students enough time to complete each step. Don’t move on until all students are ready.

**Read the statements on the front cover of the Section I booklet. . . .**

**Sign your name and write today’s date. . . .**

**Now print your full legal name where indicated. . . .**

**Turn to the back cover of your exam booklet and read it completely. . . .**

**Are there any questions? . . .**

You will now take the multiple-choice portion of the exam. You should have in front of you the multiple-choice booklet and your answer sheet. You may never discuss the multiple-choice exam content at any time in any form with anyone, including your teacher and other students. If you disclose the multiple-choice exam content through any means, your AP Exam score will be canceled.

Open your answer sheet to page 2. You must complete the answer sheet using a No. 2 pencil only. Mark all of your responses on pages 2 and 3 of your answer sheet. Remember, for numbers 1 through 45 on answer sheet page 2, mark only the single best answer to each question. The answer sheet has circles marked A–E for each of these questions. For this exam, you will use only the circles marked A–D. For numbers 131 through 135 at the bottom of answer sheet page 3, mark the two best answer choices for each question. Completely fill in the circles. If you need to erase, do so carefully and completely. No credit will be given for anything written in the exam booklet. Scratch paper is not allowed, but you may use the margins or any blank space in the exam booklet for scratch work. Rulers, straightedges, and

calculators may be used for the entire exam. You may place these items on your desk. Are there any questions? . . .

You have 1 hour and 30 minutes for this section. Open your Section I booklet and begin.



**Note Start Time** \_\_\_\_\_ . **Note Stop Time** \_\_\_\_\_ .

Check that students are marking their answers in pencil on their answer sheets and that they are not looking at their shrinkwrapped Section II booklets. You should also make sure that Hewlett-Packard calculators' infrared ports are not facing each other and that students are not sharing calculators.

**After 1 hour and 20 minutes, say:**

**There are 10 minutes remaining.**

**After 10 minutes, say:**

**Stop working. Close your booklet and put your answer sheet on your desk, faceup. Make sure you have your AP number label and an AP Exam label on page 1 of your answer sheet. Sit quietly while I collect your answer sheets.**

Collect an answer sheet from each student. Check that each answer sheet has an AP number label and an AP Exam label.

**After all answer sheets have been collected, say:**

**Now you must seal your exam booklet using the white seals you set aside earlier. Remove the white seals from the backing and press one on each area of your exam booklet cover marked "PLACE SEAL HERE." Fold each seal over the back cover. When you have finished, place the booklet on your desk, faceup. I will now collect your Section I booklet. . . .**

Collect a Section I booklet from each student. Check that each student has signed the front cover of the sealed Section I booklet.

There is a 10-minute break between Sections I and II. When all Section I materials have been collected and accounted for and you are ready for the break, say:

**Please listen carefully to these instructions before we take a 10-minute break. Please put all of your calculators under your chair. Your calculators and all items you placed under your chair at the beginning of this exam must stay there, and you are not permitted to open or access them in any way. Leave your shrinkwrapped Section II packet on your desk during the break. You are not allowed to consult teachers, other students, notes, or textbooks during the break. You may not make phone calls, send text messages, check email, use a social networking site, or access any electronic or communication device. Remember, you may never discuss the multiple-choice exam content with anyone, and if you disclose the content through any means, your AP Exam score will be canceled. Are there any questions? . . .**



You may begin your break. Testing will resume at \_\_\_\_\_ .

## SECTION II: Free Response

### After the break, say:

May I have everyone’s attention? Place your Student Pack on your desk. . . .

You may now remove the shrinkwrap from the Section II packet, but do not open the exam booklet until you are told to do so. . . .

Read the bulleted statements on the front cover of the exam booklet. Look up when you have finished. . . .

Now take an AP number label from your Student Pack and place it on the shaded box. If you don’t have any AP number labels, write your AP number in the box. Look up when you have finished. . . .

Read the last statement. . . .

Using your pen, print the first, middle, and last initials of your legal name in the boxes and print today’s date where indicated. This constitutes your signature and your agreement to the statements on the front cover. . . .

Turn to the back cover and, using your pen, complete Item 1 under “Important Identification Information.” Print the first two letters of your last name and the first letter of your first name in the boxes. Look up when you have finished. . . .

In Item 2, print your date of birth in the boxes. . . .

In Item 3, write the school code you printed on the front of your Student Pack in the boxes. . . .

Read Item 4. . . .

Are there any questions? . . .

If this is your last AP Exam, you may keep your Student Pack. Place it under your chair for now. Otherwise I will collect all Student Packs. . . .

Read the information on the back cover of the exam booklet. Do not open the booklet until you are told to do so. Look up when you have finished. . . .

Collect the Student Packs.

### Then say:

Are there any questions? . . .

Rulers, straightedges, and calculators may be used for Section II. Be sure these items are on your desk. . . .

You have 1 hour and 30 minutes to complete Section II. You are responsible for pacing yourself, and you may proceed freely from one question to the next.

**If you are giving the *AP Physics 1: Algebra-Based Exam*, say:**

Section II has 5 questions. It is suggested that you spend approximately 25 minutes each for questions 2 and 3, and 13 minutes each for questions 1, 4, and 5.

**If you are giving the *AP Physics 2: Algebra-Based Exam*, say:**

Section II has 4 questions. It is suggested that you spend approximately 25 minutes each for questions 2 and 3, and 20 minutes each for questions 1 and 4.



You must write your answers in the exam booklet using a pen with black or dark blue ink or a No. 2 pencil. If you use a pencil, be sure that your writing is dark enough to be easily read. If you need more paper during the exam, raise your hand. At the top of each extra sheet of paper you use, write only your AP number and the question number you are working on. Do not write your name. Are there any questions? . . .

You may begin.



**Note Start Time** \_\_\_\_\_ . **Note Stop Time** \_\_\_\_\_ .

You should also make sure that Hewlett-Packard calculators' infrared ports are not facing each other and that students are not sharing calculators.

**After 1 hour and 20 minutes, say:**

**There are 10 minutes remaining.**

**After 10 minutes, say:**

**Stop working and close your exam booklet. Place it on your desk, faceup. . . .**

If any students used extra paper for a question in the free-response section, have those students staple the extra sheet(s) to the first page corresponding to that question in their exam booklets. Complete an Incident Report after the exam (see page 67 of the *2017-18 AP Coordinator's Manual* for complete details).

**Then say:**

**Remain in your seat, without talking, while the exam materials are collected. . . .**

Collect a Section II booklet from each student. Check for the following:

- Exam booklet front cover: The student placed an AP number label on the shaded box and printed their initials and today's date.
- Exam booklet back cover: The student completed the "Important Identification Information" area.

When all exam materials have been collected and accounted for, return to students any electronic devices you may have collected before the start of the exam.

**If you are giving the regularly scheduled exam, say:**

**You may not discuss or share the free-response exam content with anyone unless it is released on the College Board website in about two days. Your AP Exam score results will be available online in July.**

**If you are giving the alternate exam for late testing, say:**

**None of the content in this exam may ever be discussed or shared in any way at any time. Your AP Exam score results will be available online in July.**

**If any students completed the AP number card at the beginning of this exam, say:**

**Please remember to take your AP number card with you. You will need the information on this card to view your scores and order AP score reporting services online.**

**Then say:**

**You are now dismissed.**

## After-Exam Tasks

Be sure to give the completed seating chart to the AP coordinator. Schools must retain seating charts for at least six months (unless the state or district requires that they be retained for a longer period of time). Schools should not return any seating charts in their exam shipments unless they are required as part of an Incident Report.

**NOTE:** If you administered exams to students with accommodations, review the *2017-18 AP Coordinator's Manual* and the *2017-18 AP SSD Guidelines* for information about completing the NAR form, and returning these exams.

The exam proctor should complete the following tasks if asked to do so by the AP coordinator. Otherwise, the AP coordinator must complete these tasks:

- Complete an Incident Report for any students who used extra paper for the free-response section. (Incident Report forms are provided in the coordinator packets sent with the exam shipments.) **These forms must be completed with a No. 2 pencil.** It is best to complete a single Incident Report for multiple students per exam subject, per administration (regular or late testing), as long as all required information is provided. Include all exam booklets with extra sheets of paper in an Incident Report return envelope (see page 67 of the *2017-18 AP Coordinator's Manual* for complete details).
- Return all exam materials to secure storage until they are shipped back to the AP Program. (See page 26 of the *2017-18 AP Coordinator's Manual* for more information about secure storage.) Before storing materials, check the “School Use Only” section on page 1 of the answer sheet and:
  - ◆ Fill in the appropriate section number circle in order to access a separate AP Instructional Planning Report (for regularly scheduled exams only) or subject score roster at the class section or teacher level. See “Post-Exam Activities” in the *2017-18 AP Coordinator's Manual*.
  - ◆ Check your list of students who are eligible for fee reductions and fill in the appropriate circle on their registration answer sheets.

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## **Student Answer Sheet for the Multiple-Choice Section**

Use this section to capture student responses. (Note that the following answer sheet is a sample, and may differ from one used in an actual exam.)





Be sure each mark is dark and completely fills the circle. If a question has only four answer options, do not mark option E.

- 76 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 77 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 78 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 79 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 80 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 81 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 82 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 83 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 84 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 85 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 86 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 87 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 88 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 89 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 90 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)

- 91 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 92 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 93 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 94 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 95 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 96 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 97 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 98 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 99 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 100 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 101 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 102 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 103 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 104 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 105 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)

- 106 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 107 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 108 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 109 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 110 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 111 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 112 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 113 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 114 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 115 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 116 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 117 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 118 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 119 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)
- 120 (A) (B) (C) (D) (E)

QUESTIONS 121–126

For Students Taking AP Biology

Write your answer in the boxes at the top of the griddable area and fill in the corresponding circles. Mark only one circle in any column. You will receive credit only if the circles are filled in correctly.

121

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1	1	1	1	1	1
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3	3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5	5
6	6	6	6	6	6
7	7	7	7	7	7
8	8	8	8	8	8
9	9	9	9	9	9

122

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1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5	5
6	6	6	6	6	6
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9	9	9	9	9	9

123

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1	1	1	1	1	1
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4	4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5	5
6	6	6	6	6	6
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8	8	8	8	8	8
9	9	9	9	9	9

124

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1	1	1	1	1	1
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3	3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5	5
6	6	6	6	6	6
7	7	7	7	7	7
8	8	8	8	8	8
9	9	9	9	9	9

125

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1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5	5
6	6	6	6	6	6
7	7	7	7	7	7
8	8	8	8	8	8
9	9	9	9	9	9

126

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	0	0	0	0	0
1	1	1	1	1	1
2	2	2	2	2	2
3	3	3	3	3	3
4	4	4	4	4	4
5	5	5	5	5	5
6	6	6	6	6	6
7	7	7	7	7	7
8	8	8	8	8	8
9	9	9	9	9	9

QUESTIONS 131–142

For Students Taking AP Computer Science Principles, AP Physics 1, or AP Physics 2

Mark two responses per question. You will receive credit only if both correct responses are selected.

- 131 (A) (B) (C) (D)
- 132 (A) (B) (C) (D)
- 133 (A) (B) (C) (D)
- 134 (A) (B) (C) (D)

- 135 (A) (B) (C) (D)
- 136 (A) (B) (C) (D)
- 137 (A) (B) (C) (D)
- 138 (A) (B) (C) (D)

- 139 (A) (B) (C) (D)
- 140 (A) (B) (C) (D)
- 141 (A) (B) (C) (D)
- 142 (A) (B) (C) (D)



DO NOT WRITE IN THIS AREA



R. YOUR MAILING ADDRESS

Use the address abbreviations from your AP Student Pack. Fill in only one circle per column. Indicate a space in your address by leaving a blank box; do not grid that column.

Grid for mailing address with columns for STREET ADDRESS, CITY, ZIP OR POSTAL CODE, COUNTRY CODE, STATE, and MI, NY, VT, WA, WI, WV, WY, Puerto Rico, AA, AE, AP, UT, Other, GA, ME, NV, VA.

S. FOR STUDENTS OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES ONLY

If your address does not fit in the spaces provided in Item R, fill in as many circles as you can, then fill in the circle in Item S and print the remainder of your address in the spaces provided.

Form for students outside the US with fields for Address, City, State or Province, Country, and ZIP or Postal Code.

U. EMAIL ADDRESS

By providing your email address, you are granting the College Board permission to use your email address in accordance with the policies in the 2017-18 Bulletin for AP Students and Parents.

V. SEX

Female Male

W. WHICH LANGUAGE DO YOU KNOW BEST?

English, English and another language about the same, Another language

X. RACIAL/ETHNIC GROUP

Please answer both questions about Hispanic origin and about race. For the following questions about your identity, Hispanic origins are not races.

(You may mark all that apply.)

Questions a. Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin? and b. What is your race? with various options like American Indian, Asian, Black or African American, etc.

Y. PARENTAL EDUCATION LEVEL

In the first column, indicate the highest level of education of one parent/guardian, and indicate whether this is your mother/female guardian or father/male guardian. Then, if applicable, indicate the highest level of education of your other parent/guardian in the second column, and indicate whether this is your mother/female guardian or father/male guardian.

Grid for parental education level with columns for Mother or female guardian and Father or male guardian, and options like Grade school, Some high school, High school diploma, etc.

T. STUDENT IDENTIFIER (Student ID Number)

Grid for student identifier (Student ID Number)

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## **Section I: Multiple-Choice Questions**

This is the multiple-choice section of the 2018 AP Exam. It includes cover material and other administrative instructions to help familiarize students with the mechanics of the exam. (Note that future exams may differ in look from the following content.)

For purposes of test security and/or statistical analysis, some questions have been removed from the version of the exam that was administered in 2018. Therefore, the timing indicated here may not be appropriate for a practice exam.



# AP<sup>®</sup> Physics 1: Algebra-Based Exam

## SECTION I: Multiple Choice

2018

**DO NOT OPEN THIS BOOKLET UNTIL YOU ARE TOLD TO DO SO.**

### At a Glance

**Total Time**

1 hour and 30 minutes

**Number of Questions**

40

**Percent of Total Score**

50%

**Writing Instrument**

Pencil required

**Electronic Device**

Calculator allowed

### Instructions

Section I of this exam contains 40 multiple-choice questions. Pages containing equations and other information are also printed in this booklet. Calculators, rulers, and straightedges may be used in this section.

Indicate all of your answers to the multiple-choice questions on the answer sheet. No credit will be given for anything written in this exam booklet, but you may use the booklet for notes or scratch work.

Because this section offers only four answer options for each question, do not mark the (E) answer circle for any question. If you change an answer, be sure that the previous mark is erased completely.

**For questions 1 through 36**, select the single best answer choice for each question. After you have decided which of the choices is best, completely fill in the corresponding circle on the answer sheet. Here is a sample question and answer.

Sample Question      Sample Answer

Chicago is a      (A) ● (C) (D) (E)  
(A) state  
(B) city  
(C) country  
(D) continent

**For questions 131 through 134**, select the two best answer choices for each question. After you have decided which two choices are best, completely fill in the two corresponding circles on the answer sheet. Here is a sample question and answer.

Sample Question      Sample Answer

New York is a      ● ● (C) (D)  
(A) state  
(B) city  
(C) country  
(D) continent

Use your time effectively, working as quickly as you can without losing accuracy. Do not spend too much time on any one question. Go on to other questions and come back to the ones you have not answered if you have time. It is not expected that everyone will know the answers to all of the multiple-choice questions.

Your total score on Section I is based only on the number of questions answered correctly. Points are not deducted for incorrect answers or unanswered questions.

**Form I**  
**Form Code 4OBP4-S**

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# AP<sup>®</sup> PHYSICS 1 TABLE OF INFORMATION

## CONSTANTS AND CONVERSION FACTORS

Proton mass, $m_p = 1.67 \times 10^{-27}$ kg Neutron mass, $m_n = 1.67 \times 10^{-27}$ kg Electron mass, $m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31}$ kg Speed of light, $c = 3.00 \times 10^8$ m/s	Electron charge magnitude, $e = 1.60 \times 10^{-19}$ C Coulomb's law constant, $k = 1/4\pi\epsilon_0 = 9.0 \times 10^9$ N·m <sup>2</sup> /C <sup>2</sup> Universal gravitational constant, $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11}$ m <sup>3</sup> /kg·s <sup>2</sup> Acceleration due to gravity at Earth's surface, $g = 9.8$ m/s <sup>2</sup>
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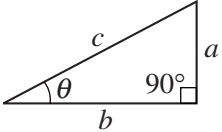
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	ampere, A	joule, J	ohm, Ω	

PREFIXES		
Factor	Prefix	Symbol
$10^{12}$	tera	T
$10^9$	giga	G
$10^6$	mega	M
$10^3$	kilo	k
$10^{-2}$	centi	c
$10^{-3}$	milli	m
$10^{-6}$	micro	μ
$10^{-9}$	nano	n
$10^{-12}$	pico	p

VALUES OF TRIGONOMETRIC FUNCTIONS FOR COMMON ANGLES							
$\theta$	0°	30°	37°	45°	53°	60°	90°
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$\tan \theta$	0	$\sqrt{3}/3$	3/4	1	4/3	$\sqrt{3}$	∞

- The following conventions are used in this exam.
- I. The frame of reference of any problem is assumed to be inertial unless otherwise stated.
  - II. Assume air resistance is negligible unless otherwise stated.
  - III. In all situations, positive work is defined as work done on a system.
  - IV. The direction of current is conventional current: the direction in which positive charge would drift.
  - V. Assume all batteries and meters are ideal unless otherwise stated.

# AP<sup>®</sup> PHYSICS 1 EQUATIONS

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$v_x = v_{x0} + a_x t$ $x = x_0 + v_{x0} t + \frac{1}{2} a_x t^2$ $v_x^2 = v_{x0}^2 + 2a_x(x - x_0)$ $\vec{a} = \frac{\sum \vec{F}}{m} = \frac{\vec{F}_{net}}{m}$ $ \vec{F}_f  \leq \mu  \vec{F}_n $ $a_c = \frac{v^2}{r}$ $\vec{p} = m\vec{v}$ $\Delta\vec{p} = \vec{F} \Delta t$ $K = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$ $\Delta E = W = F_{\parallel} d = F d \cos \theta$ $P = \frac{\Delta E}{\Delta t}$ $\theta = \theta_0 + \omega_0 t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha t^2$ $\omega = \omega_0 + \alpha t$ $x = A \cos(2\pi f t)$ $\vec{\alpha} = \frac{\sum \vec{\tau}}{I} = \frac{\vec{\tau}_{net}}{I}$ $\tau = r_{\perp} F = r F \sin \theta$ $L = I \omega$ $\Delta L = \tau \Delta t$ $K = \frac{1}{2} I \omega^2$ $ \vec{F}_s  = k  \vec{x} $ $U_s = \frac{1}{2} k x^2$ $\rho = \frac{m}{V}$	$a = \text{acceleration}$ $A = \text{amplitude}$ $d = \text{distance}$ $E = \text{energy}$ $f = \text{frequency}$ $F = \text{force}$ $I = \text{rotational inertia}$ $K = \text{kinetic energy}$ $k = \text{spring constant}$ $L = \text{angular momentum}$ $\ell = \text{length}$ $m = \text{mass}$ $P = \text{power}$ $p = \text{momentum}$ $r = \text{radius or separation}$ $T = \text{period}$ $t = \text{time}$ $U = \text{potential energy}$ $V = \text{volume}$ $v = \text{speed}$ $W = \text{work done on a system}$ $x = \text{position}$ $y = \text{height}$ $\alpha = \text{angular acceleration}$ $\mu = \text{coefficient of friction}$ $\theta = \text{angle}$ $\rho = \text{density}$ $\tau = \text{torque}$ $\omega = \text{angular speed}$  $\Delta U_g = m g \Delta y$ $T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = \frac{1}{f}$ $T_s = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$ $T_p = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{\ell}{g}}$ $ \vec{F}_g  = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2}$ $\vec{g} = \frac{\vec{F}_g}{m}$ $U_G = -\frac{G m_1 m_2}{r}$
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# PHYSICS 1

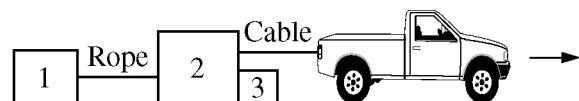
## Section I

Time—1 hour and 30 minutes

40 Questions

**Note:** To simplify calculations, you may use  $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$  in all problems.

**Directions:** Each of the questions or incomplete statements below is followed by four suggested answers or completions. Select the one that is best in each case and then fill in the corresponding circle on the answer sheet.



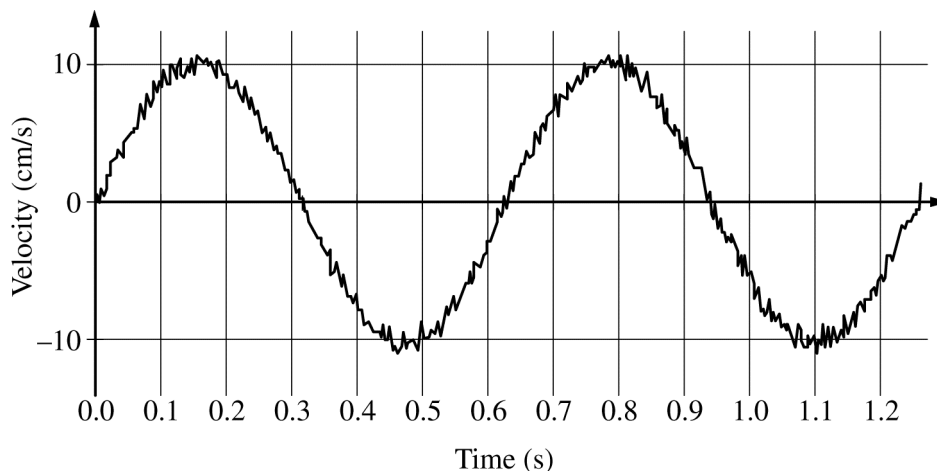
1. The figure above shows a truck pulling three crates across a rough road. Which of the following shows the directions of all the horizontal forces acting on crate 2?

- (A)
- (B)
- (C)
- (D)

2. Two blocks are on a horizontal, frictionless surface. Block *A* is moving with an initial velocity of  $v_0$  toward block *B*, which is stationary, as shown above. The two blocks collide, stick together, and move off with a velocity of  $v_0/3$ . Which block, if either, has the greater mass?

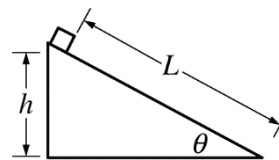
- (A) Block *A*  
 (B) Block *B*  
 (C) Neither; their masses are the same.  
 (D) The answer cannot be determined without knowing the mass of one of the blocks.

Questions 3-5 refer to the following material.



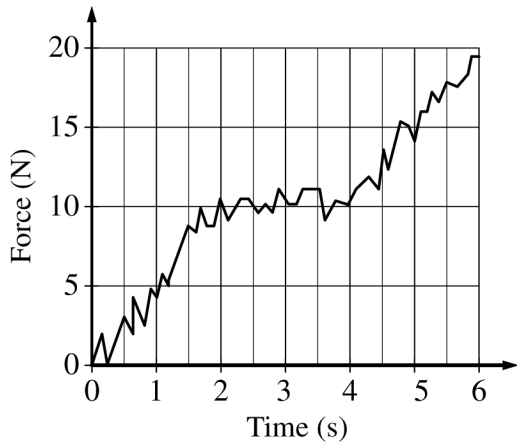
A student sets an object attached to a spring into oscillatory motion and uses a motion detector to record the velocity of the object as a function of time. A portion of the recorded data is shown in the figure above.

3. The total change in the object's speed between 1.0 s and 1.1 s is most nearly
  - (A) zero
  - (B) 5 cm/s
  - (C) 10 cm/s
  - (D) 15 cm/s
  
4. The acceleration of the object at time  $t = 0.7$  s is most nearly equal to which of the following?
  - (A) The value of the graph where it crosses the 0.7 s grid line
  - (B) The slope of the line connecting the origin and the point where the graph crosses the 0.7 s grid line
  - (C) The area under the curve between where the graph crosses the time axis near 0.63 s and time 0.7 s
  - (D) The slope of the tangent to a best-fit sinusoidal curve at 0.7 s
  
5. The frequency of oscillation is most nearly
  - (A) 0.63 Hz
  - (B) 0.80 Hz
  - (C) 1.25 Hz
  - (D) 1.60 Hz

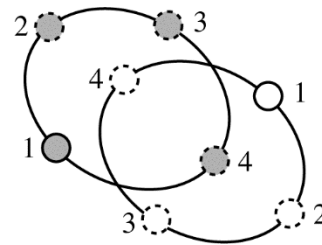


6. A box of mass  $m$  is initially at rest at the top of a ramp that is at an angle  $\theta$  with the horizontal. The block is at a height  $h$  and length  $L$  from the bottom of the ramp. The block is released and slides down the ramp. The coefficient of kinetic friction between the block and the ramp is  $\mu$ . What is the kinetic energy of the box at the bottom of the ramp?

- (A)  $mgh$
- (B)  $\mu mgL \cos \theta$
- (C)  $mgh - \mu mgL \cos \theta$
- (D)  $mgL - \mu mgh \cos \theta$

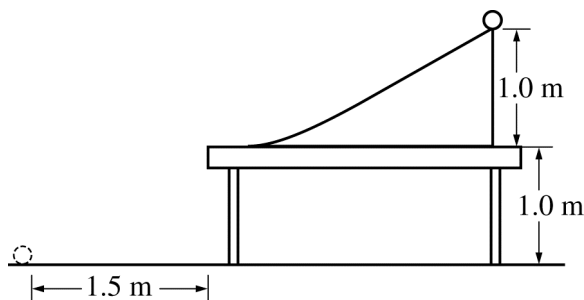


7. During an experiment a student records the net horizontal force exerted on an object moving in a straight line along a horizontal frictionless track. The graph above shows the force as a function of time. Of the following, which is the best approximation of the magnitude of the change in momentum of the object between 0 s and 4 s?
- (A) 20 kg•m/s  
 (B) 30 kg•m/s  
 (C) 40 kg•m/s  
 (D) The magnitude of the change in momentum cannot be determined without knowing the mass of the object.



8. The figure above shows the paths of two stars of equal mass as they orbit their common center of mass. The positions of the stars at four different times are labeled in the figure. At which of the positions do the stars have their greatest speed?
- (A) Position 2 only  
 (B) Position 4 only  
 (C) Positions 1 and 3 only  
 (D) All of the positions, since the stars move with constant speed

Questions 12-14 refer to the following material.



A cylinder at rest is released from the top of a ramp, as shown above. The ramp is 1.0 m high, and the cylinder rolls down the ramp without slipping. At the bottom of the ramp, the cylinder makes a smooth transition to a small section of a horizontal table and then travels over the edge at a height of 1.0 m above the floor, eventually landing on the floor at a horizontal distance of 1.5 m from the table.

9. As the cylinder rolls down the ramp, how do the potential energy of the cylinder-Earth system and the kinetic energy of the cylinder change, if at all?

<u>Potential Energy of Cylinder-Earth System</u>	<u>Kinetic Energy of Cylinder</u>
(A) Stays the same	Increases
(B) Stays the same	Decreases
(C) Decreases	Increases
(D) Decreases	Decreases

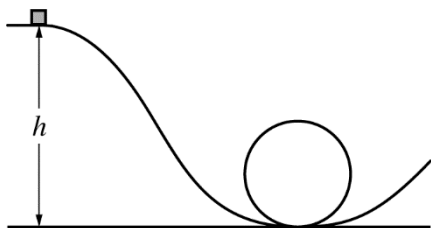
10. After the cylinder leaves the table, but before it lands, how do the rotational kinetic energy and translational kinetic energy of the cylinder change, if at all?

<u>Rotational Kinetic Energy</u>	<u>Translational Kinetic Energy</u>
(A) Increases	Increases
(B) Increases	Stays the same
(C) Stays the same	Increases
(D) Stays the same	Stays the same

11. A sphere with the same mass and radius as the original cylinder, but a smaller rotational inertia, is released from rest from the top of the ramp.  $K_s$  and  $K_c$  are the sphere's and the cylinder's total kinetic energy at the bottom of the ramp, respectively. How do  $K_s$  and  $K_c$  compare, and why?

- (A)  $K_s < K_c$ , because the sphere will gain less rotational kinetic energy.
- (B)  $K_s < K_c$ , because the sphere has a greater acceleration and therefore has less time to gain kinetic energy.
- (C)  $K_s = K_c$ , because both objects accelerate at the same rate.
- (D)  $K_s = K_c$ , because the gravitational force does equal work on each object as it rolls down the ramp.

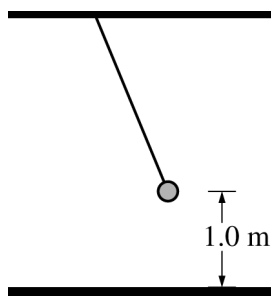




Note: Figure not drawn to scale.

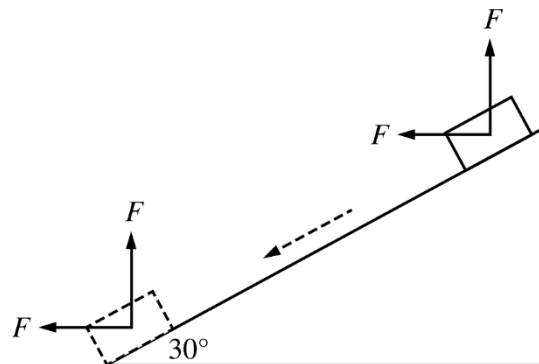
12. A small block slides without friction along a track toward a circular loop. The block has more than enough speed to remain firmly in contact with the track as it goes around the loop. The magnitude of the block's acceleration at the top of the loop is

- (A) zero
- (B) greater than zero but less than  $g$
- (C) equal to  $g$
- (D) greater than  $g$



13. A 0.5 kg pendulum bob is raised to 1.0 m above the floor, as shown in the figure above. The bob is then released from rest. When the bob is 0.8 m above the floor, its speed is most nearly

- (A) 5 m/s
- (B) 4 m/s
- (C) 2 m/s
- (D) 1 m/s



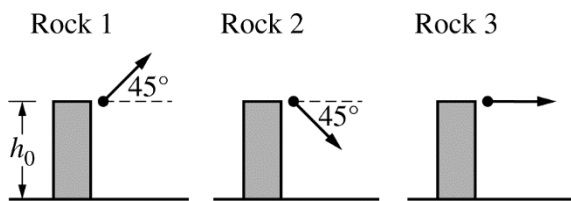
14. A block is released from rest and slides down a frictionless ramp inclined at  $30^\circ$  from the horizontal. When the block reaches the bottom, the block-Earth system has mechanical energy  $E_0$ . The experiment is repeated, but now horizontal and vertical forces of magnitude  $F$  are exerted on the block while it slides, as shown above. When the block reaches the bottom, the mechanical energy of the block-Earth system

- (A) is greater than  $E_0$
- (B) is equal to  $E_0$
- (C) is less than  $E_0$
- (D) cannot be determined without knowing  $F$

15. An apple is released from rest 500 m above the ground. Due to the combined forces of air resistance and gravity, it has a speed of 40 m/s when it reaches the ground. What percentage of the initial mechanical energy of the apple-Earth system was dissipated due to air resistance? Take the potential energy of the apple-Earth system to be zero when the apple reaches the ground.

- (A) 16%
- (B) 40%
- (C) 60%
- (D) 84%

Questions 16-17 refer to the following material.



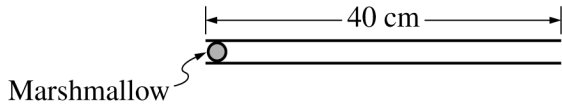
Three identical rocks are launched with identical speeds from the top of a platform of height  $h_0$ . The rocks are launched in the directions indicated above.

16. Which of the following correctly relates the magnitude  $v_y$  of the vertical component of the velocity of each rock immediately before it hits the ground?

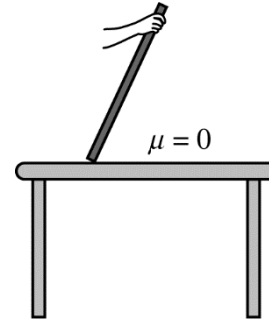
- (A)  $(v_{y1} = v_{y2}) > v_{y3}$
- (B)  $v_{y1} > v_{y3} > v_{y2}$
- (C)  $v_{y2} > v_{y3} > v_{y1}$
- (D)  $v_{y1} = v_{y2} = v_{y3}$

17. Rock 1, of mass  $m$ , reaches a maximum height  $h_{\max}$  after being launched. During the time between the instant rock 1 is launched from height  $h_0$  and the instant it returns to height  $h_0$ , the work done on the rock by the gravitational force is

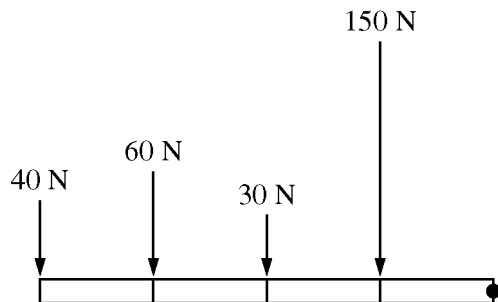
- (A) 0
- (B)  $-mgh_0$
- (C)  $-mg(h_{\max} - h_0)$
- (D)  $2mg(h_{\max} - h_0)$



18. A 2.5 g marshmallow is placed in one end of a 40 cm pipe, as shown in the figure above. A person blows into the left end of the pipe to eject the marshmallow from the right end. The average net force exerted on the marshmallow while it is in the pipe is 0.7 N. The speed of the marshmallow as it leaves the pipe is most nearly
- (A) 4.7 m/s
  - (B) 11 m/s
  - (C) 15 m/s
  - (D) 280 m/s

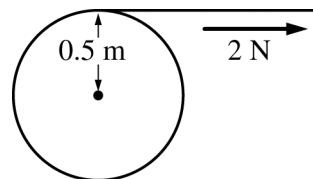


19. A meterstick is held as shown above and then released from rest. The tabletop has negligible friction. Which figure below best indicates the path of the center of mass of the meterstick as it falls?
- (A)
  - (B)
  - (C)
  - (D)



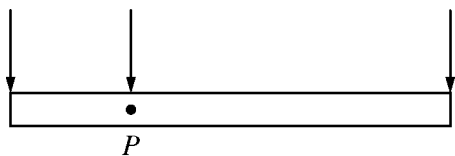
20. The figure above represents a stick of uniform density that is attached to a pivot at the right end and has equally spaced marks along its length. Any one of the four forces shown can be exerted on the stick as indicated. Which force will create the largest rate of change in the stick's angular momentum?

- (A) The 30 N force
- (B) The 40 N force
- (C) The 60 N force
- (D) The 150 N force



21. A disk with radius of 0.5 m is free to rotate around its center without friction. A string wrapped around the disk is pulled, as shown above, exerting a 2 N force tangent to the edge of the disk for 1 s. If the disk starts from rest, what is its angular speed after 1 s?

- (A) 0 rad/s
- (B) 1 rad/s
- (C) 4 rad/s
- (D) It cannot be determined without knowing the rotational inertia of the disk.



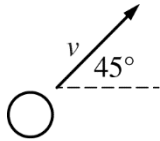
Top View

22. The figure above shows a rod that is fixed to a horizontal surface at pivot  $P$ . The rod is initially rotating without friction in the counterclockwise direction. At time  $t$ , three forces of equal magnitude are applied to the rod as shown. Which of the following is true about the angular speed and direction of rotation of the rod immediately after time  $t$ ?

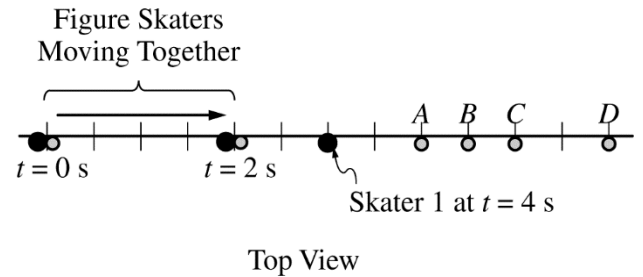
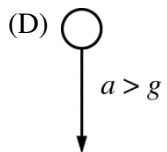
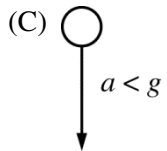
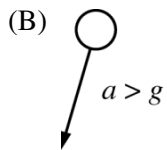
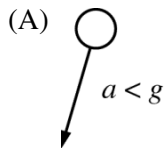
	<u>Angular Speed</u>	<u>Direction of Rotation</u>
(A)	Decreasing	Counterclockwise
(B)	Decreasing	Clockwise
(C)	Increasing	Counterclockwise
(D)	Increasing	Clockwise

23. Two systems are in oscillation: a simple pendulum swinging back and forth through a very small angle and a block oscillating on a spring. The block-spring system takes twice as much time as the pendulum to complete one oscillation. Which of the following changes could make the two systems oscillate with the same period?

- (A) Increasing the mass of the pendulum bob
- (B) Increasing the angle through which the pendulum swings by a small amount
- (C) Decreasing the mass of both the block and the pendulum bob
- (D) Shortening the pendulum

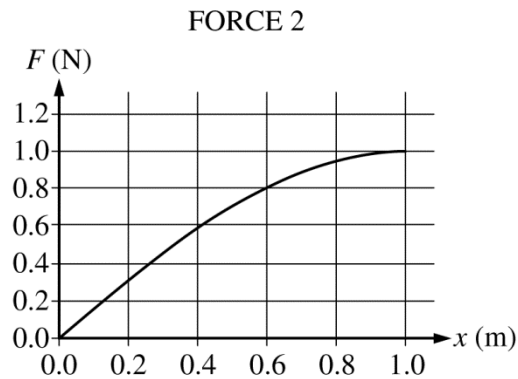
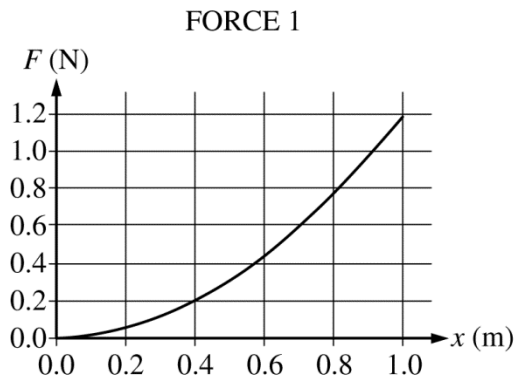


24. A hollow plastic ball is projected into the air. There is significant air resistance opposing the ball's motion, so the magnitude of the ball's acceleration is not equal to  $g$ . At time  $t$ , the ball is moving up and to the right at an angle of  $45^\circ$  to the horizontal, as shown above. Which of the following best shows the magnitude  $a$  and the direction of the ball's acceleration at time  $t$ ?



25. At time  $t = 0$  two figure skaters are moving together over ice with negligible friction, as shown above. Skater 1, represented by the large black dot, is twice as massive as skater 2, represented by the gray dot. At  $t = 2$  s the skaters push off of one another. The location of skater 1 is shown at  $t = 4$  s. At  $t = 4$  s, skater 2 is located at which of the labeled points?

- (A) Point A  
 (B) Point B  
 (C) Point C  
 (D) Point D



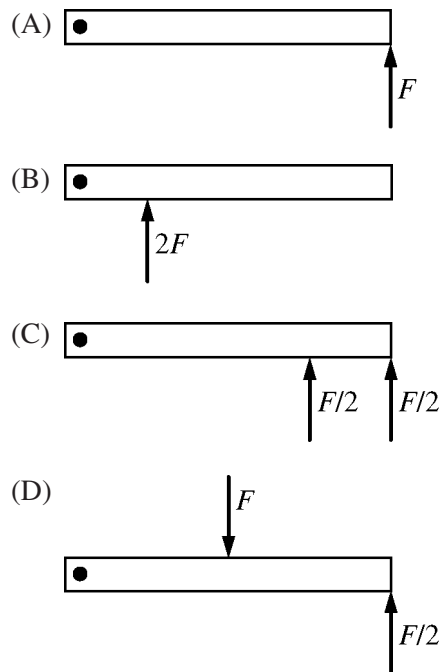
26. The graphs above show the magnitude  $F$  of a force exerted on an object as a function of the object's position  $x$  for two trials in an experiment.  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  are the work done on the object by force 1 and force 2, respectively. How do  $W_1$  and  $W_2$  compare, and why?

- (A)  $W_1 > W_2$ , because the maximum value of force 1 is greater than the maximum value of force 2.
- (B)  $W_1 > W_2$ , because the slope of force 1's graph increases, while the slope of force 2's graph decreases.
- (C)  $W_1 < W_2$ , because the average value of force 1 is smaller than the average value of force 2.
- (D)  $W_1 < W_2$ , because at the midpoint,  $x = 0.5$  m, the value of force 1 is less than the value of force 2.

27. A kitten sits in a lightweight basket near the edge of a table. A person accidentally knocks the basket off the table. As the kitten and basket fall, the kitten rolls, turns, kicks, and catches the basket in its claws. The basket lands on the floor with the kitten safely inside. If air resistance is negligible, what is the acceleration of the kitten-basket system while the kitten and basket are in midair?

- (A) The acceleration is directed downward with magnitude less than  $g$  because the basket is light.
- (B) The acceleration is directed downward with magnitude equal to  $g$  because the system is a projectile.
- (C) The acceleration fluctuates because of the rolling, turning, and kicking motion of the kitten.
- (D) The acceleration cannot be determined without knowing how hard the basket is pushed.

28. A solid metal bar is at rest on a horizontal frictionless surface. It is free to rotate about a vertical axis at the left end. The figures below show forces of different magnitudes that are exerted on the bar at different locations. In which case does the bar's angular speed about the axis increase at the fastest rate?

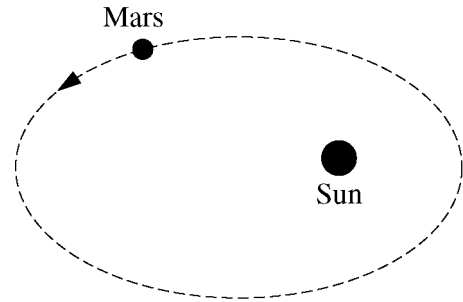




Speed	10 m/s	20 m/s	30 m/s
Braking Distance	6.1 m	23.9 m	53.5 m

29. To analyze the characteristics and performance of the brakes on a 1500 kg car, researchers collected the data shown in the table above. It shows the car's speed when the brakes are first applied and the corresponding braking distance required to stop the car. The magnitude of the average braking force on the car is most nearly

- (A) 75,000 N
- (B) 30,000 N
- (C) 12,000 N
- (D) 1600 N



Note: Figure not drawn to scale.

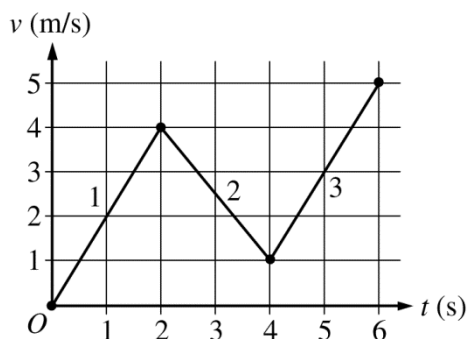
30. Mars moves in an elliptical orbit around the Sun, and the mass of Mars is much less than the mass of the Sun. At the instant shown above, Mars is getting farther away from the Sun. How does this affect the potential energy of the Mars-Sun system and the magnitude of Mars's angular momentum with respect to the Sun?

- | System<br>Potential<br><u>Energy</u> | Mars's<br>Angular<br><u>Momentum</u> |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| (A) Increases                        | Increases                            |
| (B) Increases                        | Remains the same                     |
| (C) Decreases                        | Decreases                            |
| (D) Decreases                        | Remains the same                     |

31. An ice-skater is moving at a constant velocity across an icy pond. The skater throws a snowball directly ahead. Which of the following correctly describes the velocity of the center of mass of the skater-snowball system immediately after the snowball is thrown? Assume friction and air resistance are negligible.

- (A) It is equal to the velocity of the snowball.
- (B) It is equal to the new velocity of the skater.
- (C) It is equal to half the original velocity of the skater.
- (D) It is equal to the original velocity of the skater.

Questions 6-8 refer to the following material.



The graph above shows velocity  $v$  as a function of time  $t$  for a 0.50 kg object traveling along a straight line. The graph has three segments labeled 1, 2, and 3. A rope exerts a constant force of magnitude  $F_T$  on the object along its direction of motion the whole time. During segment 2 only, a frictional force of magnitude  $F_f$  is also exerted on the object.

32. Which of the following correctly ranks the displacement  $\Delta x$  for the three segments of the object's motion?

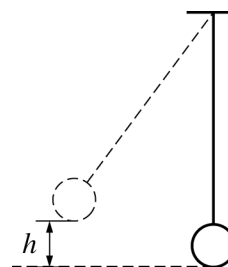
- (A)  $\Delta x_3 > \Delta x_2 > \Delta x_1 > 0$
- (B)  $\Delta x_1 = \Delta x_2 = \Delta x_3 > 0$
- (C)  $(\Delta x_1 = \Delta x_3) > \Delta x_2 > 0$
- (D)  $(\Delta x_1 = \Delta x_3) > 0 > \Delta x_2$

33. Which of the following expressions correctly relates the magnitudes  $F_f$  and  $F_T$ ?

- (A)  $F_f < F_T$
- (B)  $F_f = F_T$
- (C)  $F_T < F_f < 2F_T$
- (D)  $F_f = 2F_T$

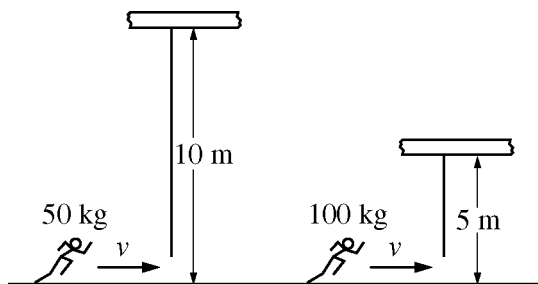
34. For another identical object initially at rest, no frictional force is exerted during segment 2 (between  $t = 2$  s and  $t = 4$  s). A rope exerts the same constant force of magnitude  $F_T$  as in the previous scenario. What is the change in the object's kinetic energy during segment 2?

- (A) 3.75 J
- (B) 4.00 J
- (C) 12.0 J
- (D) 16.0 J



35. The pendulum shown in the figure above reaches a maximum height  $h$  above the equilibrium position as it oscillates. Assuming friction and air resistance are negligible, which of the following is true about the total energy of the Earth-pendulum system as the pendulum oscillates?

- (A) It is at a maximum when the pendulum is at its lowest position.
- (B) It is at a maximum when the pendulum is at its maximum height  $h$ .
- (C) It is constant throughout the pendulum's motion.
- (D) It is at a minimum when the pendulum is somewhere between its lowest and highest positions.



36. A 50 kg athlete running at speed  $v$  grabs a light rope that hangs from a 10-meter-high platform and swings to a maximum of 1.8 m above the ground. Later, a 100 kg athlete, running at the same speed, grabs a similar rope hanging from a 5-meter-high platform. What is the maximum height to which the 100 kg athlete swings?

- (A) 0.9 m
- (B) 1.8 m
- (C) 2.5 m
- (D) 3.6 m

37. A student is asked to determine the work done on a block of wood when the block is pulled horizontally using an attached string. The student is supplied with a spring scale, a stopwatch, and a meterstick. Which of the following graphical analysis techniques will allow the student to determine the work done on the block by the string?

- (A) Graphing the force as a function of time and calculating the slope
- (B) Graphing the force as a function of time and calculating the area under the curve
- (C) Graphing the force as a function of distance and calculating the slope
- (D) Graphing the force as a function of distance and calculating the area under the curve

38. Block  $A$  and block  $B$  move toward each other on a level frictionless track. Block  $A$  has mass  $m$  and velocity  $+v$ . Block  $B$  has mass  $2m$  and velocity  $-v$ . The blocks collide, and during the collision the magnitude of the net force exerted on block  $A$  is  $F$ . What is the magnitude of the net force exerted on block  $B$ , and why does it have that value?

- (A)  $2F$ , because the mass of block  $B$  is twice that of block  $A$  and the blocks have the same acceleration during the collision.
- (B)  $F/2$ , because the mass of block  $B$  is twice that of block  $A$  and the blocks have the same acceleration during the collision.
- (C)  $F$ , because the blocks have the same speed immediately before the collision.
- (D)  $F$ , because the net force is equal to the mutual contact force between the blocks.

39. The data in the table below were recorded during an experiment in which two carts on a frictionless one-dimensional track collide head-on. What are the values of the magnitude of the change in momentum  $\Delta p_2$  of cart 2 and the magnitude of its average acceleration  $a_2$  during the collision?

	Cart 1	Cart 2
Mass	5 kg	1 kg
Average Force	15 N	15 N
Change in Momentum	0.3 kg•m/s	$\Delta p_2$
Average Acceleration	3 m/s <sup>2</sup>	$a_2$

- $\Delta p_2$                        $a_2$   
 (A) 0.3 kg•m/s          3 m/s<sup>2</sup>  
 (B) 0.3 kg•m/s          15 m/s<sup>2</sup>  
 (C) 1.5 kg•m/s          3 m/s<sup>2</sup>  
 (D) 1.5 kg•m/s          15 m/s<sup>2</sup>

40. A 1.0 kg lump of clay is sliding to the right on a frictionless surface with speed 2 m/s. It collides head-on and sticks to a 0.5 kg metal sphere that is sliding to the left with speed 4 m/s. What is the kinetic energy of the combined objects after the collision?

- (A) 6 J  
 (B) 4 J  
 (C) 2 J  
 (D) 0 J

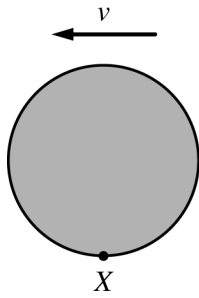
41. The magnitude of the gravitational field on the surface of a particular planet is  $2g$ . The planet's mass is half the mass of Earth. What is the planet's radius in terms of the radius  $R_E$  of Earth?

(A)  $R_E/4$

(B)  $R_E/2$


(C)  $R_E/\sqrt{2}$


(D)  $2R_E$

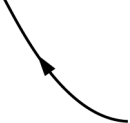


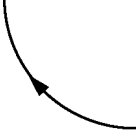
Top View

42. A stone disk is sliding on frictionless ice to the west with speed  $v$ , as shown in the figure above. As the disk slides by, a child uses a rubber mallet to hit the disk at point  $X$ , exerting a force directly toward the center of the disk. The child hits point  $X$  every half second for about 10 s, changing the trajectory of the disk but not causing it to rotate. Which of the following most closely approximates the path of the disk while the child is hitting it?

(A)  A northward linear path

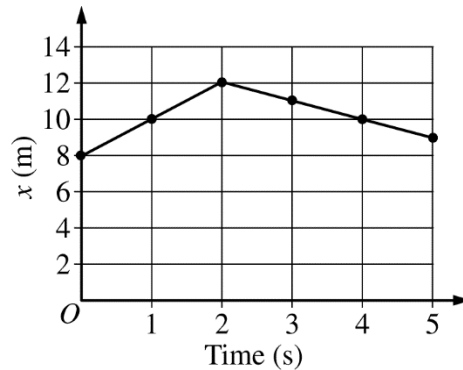
(B)  A northwestward linear path

(C)  A parabolic path

(D)  A circular path

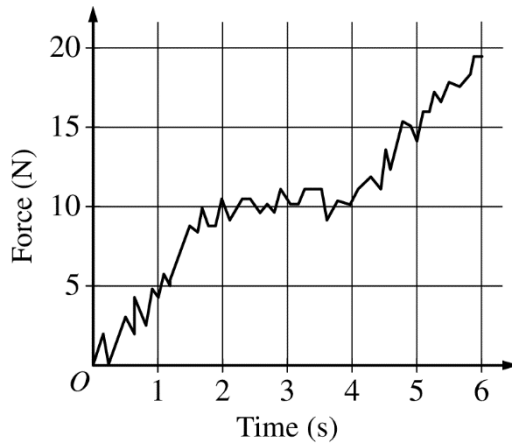
43. Two identical blocks with mass 5.0 kg each are connected to the opposite ends of a compressed spring. The blocks initially slide together on a frictionless surface with velocity 2 m/s to the right. The spring is then released by remote control. At some later instant, the left block is moving at 1 m/s to the left, and the other block is moving to the right. What is the speed of the center of mass of the system at that instant?

- (A) 4 m/s
- (B) 3 m/s
- (C) 2 m/s
- (D) 0 m/s

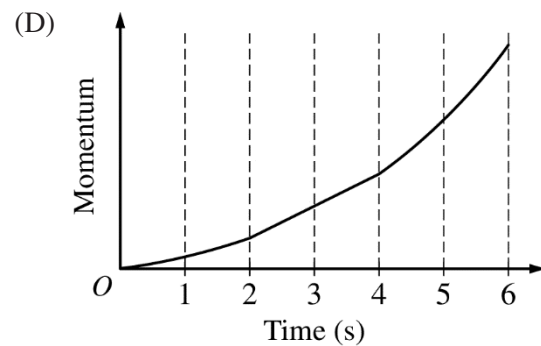
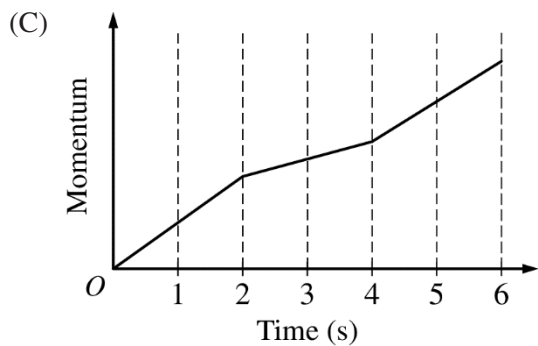
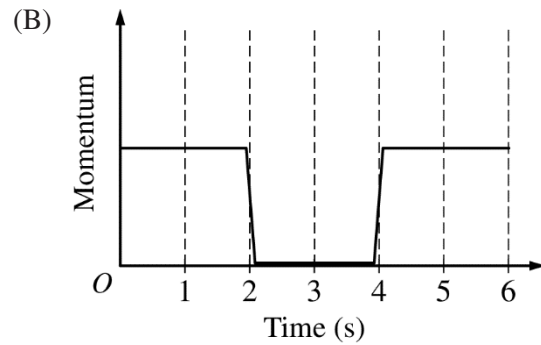
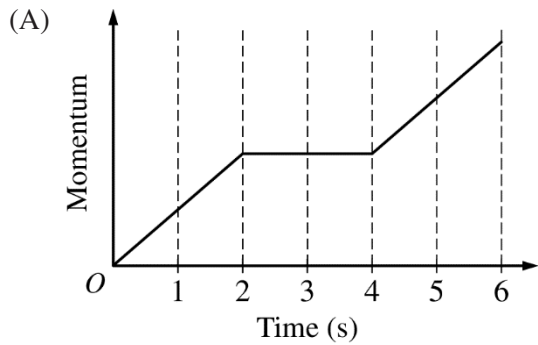


44. The graph above shows the position  $x$  as a function of time for the center of mass of a system of particles of total mass 6.0 kg. For a very short time interval around 2.0 s, an external force is exerted on an object in the system. What is the resulting change in momentum of the system?

- (A) 52 kg•m/s
- (B) 6 kg•m/s
- (C) -6 kg•m/s
- (D) -18 kg•m/s

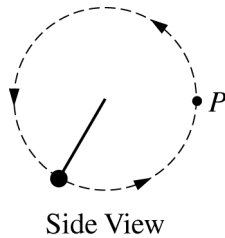


45. Using a force probe, a student generates the graph above of the force exerted on a small wagon as a function of time. The wagon starts from rest and rolls with negligible friction in the axles. Which of the following graphs best represents the wagon's momentum as a function of time?





**Directions:** For each of the questions or incomplete statements below, two of the suggested answers will be correct. For each of these questions, you must select both correct choices to earn credit. No partial credit will be earned if only one correct choice is selected. Select the two that are best in each case and then fill in the corresponding circles that begin with number 131 on page 3 of the answer sheet.

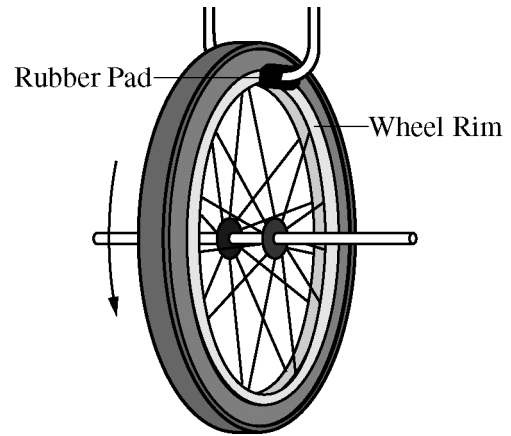


131. A ball attached to a light string swings in a counterclockwise vertical circle, as shown above. Which of the following arrows represent one of the forces exerted on the ball at the moment it passes through point *P*? Select two answers.

- (A)
- (B)
- (C)
- (D)

132. Object *A* has mass 2 kg and is traveling to the right at speed 3 m/s. Object *B* is traveling to the left at 3 m/s. The objects collide head-on, and afterward each has a speed of 3 m/s. Which of the following could be the mass of object *B*? Select two answers.

- (A) 3 kg
- (B) 2 kg
- (C) 1 kg
- (D) Negligible compared to 2 kg



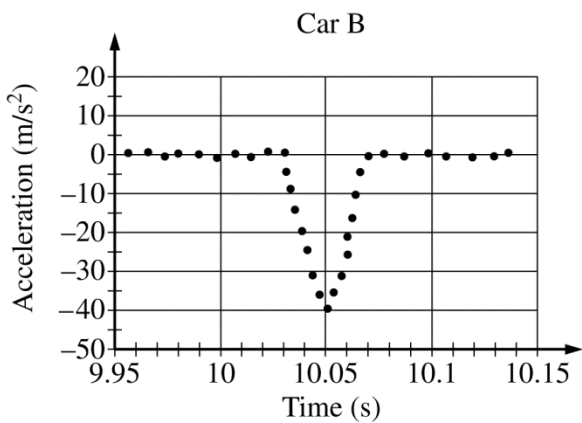
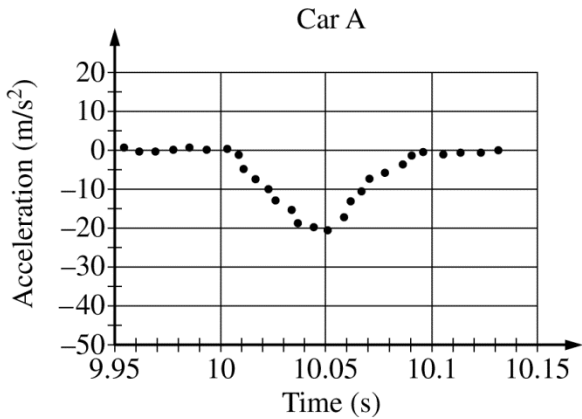
133. Some bicycle brakes work by pressing rubber pads against the rim of the wheel. To test newly designed brakes, bicycle engineers mount a wheel of known rotational inertia on a low-friction axle, as shown above. The engineers spin the wheel with known initial angular speed and then apply the brakes with a constant force. Which of the following procedures would enable the engineers to find the torque exerted by the brakes on the wheel? Select two answers.

- (A) Measuring how much time the wheel takes to come to rest
- (B) Measuring how many rotations the wheel completes while coming to rest
- (C) Measuring the distance from axle to brakes and the normal force between the rubber pads and the rim
- (D) Measuring the mechanical energy dissipated as the rim rubs against the rubber pads



134. A water-skier with weight  $F_g = mg$  moves to the right with acceleration  $a$ . A horizontal tension force  $T$  is exerted on the skier by the rope, and a horizontal drag force  $F_d$  is exerted by the water on the ski. The water also exerts a vertical lift force  $L$  on the skier. Which of the following are correct relationships between the forces exerted on the skier-ski system? Select two answers.

- (A)  $T - F_d = ma$
- (B)  $L - F_g = ma$
- (C)  $L - F_g = 0$
- (D)  $T - F_d = 0$



135. Two model cars, A and B, have the same mass but different bumpers. The acceleration of each car during its collision with a wall is measured, and the data are shown in the graphs above. Which of the following statements about the collisions are correct? Select two answers.

- (A) Both cars reach their maximum speed at 10.05 s.
- (B) The cars experience approximately the same impulse.
- (C) Car B experiences a nonzero force for a longer time than car A.
- (D) The change in momentum for car B occurs over a shorter period of time than for car A.

**END OF SECTION I**

**IF YOU FINISH BEFORE TIME IS CALLED,  
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**MAKE SURE YOU HAVE DONE THE FOLLOWING.**

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- **WRITTEN AND GRIDDED YOUR AP NUMBER CORRECTLY ON YOUR ANSWER SHEET**
- **TAKEN THE AP EXAM LABEL FROM THE FRONT OF THIS BOOKLET AND PLACED IT ON YOUR ANSWER SHEET.**

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## **Section II: Free-Response Questions**

This is the free-response section of the 2018 AP Exam.  
It includes cover material and other administrative instructions  
to help familiarize students with the mechanics of the exam.  
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# AP<sup>®</sup> Physics 1: Algebra-Based Exam

## SECTION II: Free Response

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### At a Glance

**Total Time**

1 hour and 30 minutes

**Number of Questions**

5

**Percent of Total Score**

50%

**Writing Instrument**

Either pencil or pen with black or dark blue ink

**Electronic Device**

Calculator allowed

**Suggested Time**

Approximately  
25 minutes each for  
questions 2 and 3 and  
13 minutes each for  
questions 1, 4, and 5

**Weight**

Approximate weights:  
Questions 2 and 3:  
26% each  
Questions 1, 4, and 5:  
16% each

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### Instructions

The questions for Section II are printed in this booklet. You may use any blank space in the booklet for scratch work, but you must write your answers in the spaces provided for each answer. A table of information and lists of equations that may be helpful are in the booklet. Calculators, rulers, and straightedges may be used in this section.

All final numerical answers should include appropriate units. Credit for your work depends on demonstrating that you know which physical principles would be appropriate to apply in a particular situation. Therefore, you should show your work for each part in the space provided after that part. If you need more space, be sure to clearly indicate where you continue your work. Credit will be awarded only for work that is clearly designated as the solution to a specific part of a question. Credit also depends on the quality of your solutions and explanations, so you should show your work.

Write clearly and legibly. Cross out any errors you make; erased or crossed-out work will not be scored. You may lose credit for incorrect work that is not crossed out.

Manage your time carefully. You may proceed freely from one question to the next. You may review your responses if you finish before the end of the exam is announced.

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# AP<sup>®</sup> PHYSICS 1 TABLE OF INFORMATION

## CONSTANTS AND CONVERSION FACTORS

Proton mass, $m_p = 1.67 \times 10^{-27}$ kg Neutron mass, $m_n = 1.67 \times 10^{-27}$ kg Electron mass, $m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31}$ kg Speed of light, $c = 3.00 \times 10^8$ m/s	Electron charge magnitude, $e = 1.60 \times 10^{-19}$ C Coulomb's law constant, $k = 1/4\pi\epsilon_0 = 9.0 \times 10^9$ N·m <sup>2</sup> /C <sup>2</sup> Universal gravitational constant, $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11}$ m <sup>3</sup> /kg·s <sup>2</sup> Acceleration due to gravity at Earth's surface, $g = 9.8$ m/s <sup>2</sup>
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UNIT SYMBOLS	meter, m	kelvin, K	watt, W	degree Celsius, °C
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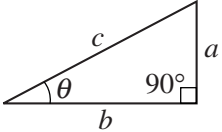
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$10^{-3}$	milli	m
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$10^{-9}$	nano	n
$10^{-12}$	pico	p

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$\tan \theta$	0	$\sqrt{3}/3$	3/4	1	4/3	$\sqrt{3}$	∞

The following conventions are used in this exam.

- I. The frame of reference of any problem is assumed to be inertial unless otherwise stated.
- II. Assume air resistance is negligible unless otherwise stated.
- III. In all situations, positive work is defined as work done on a system.
- IV. The direction of current is conventional current: the direction in which positive charge would drift.
- V. Assume all batteries and meters are ideal unless otherwise stated.

# AP<sup>®</sup> PHYSICS 1 EQUATIONS

MECHANICS	ELECTRICITY
$v_x = v_{x0} + a_x t$ $x = x_0 + v_{x0} t + \frac{1}{2} a_x t^2$ $v_x^2 = v_{x0}^2 + 2a_x(x - x_0)$ $\vec{a} = \frac{\sum \vec{F}}{m} = \frac{\vec{F}_{net}}{m}$ $ \vec{F}_f  \leq \mu  \vec{F}_n $ $a_c = \frac{v^2}{r}$ $\vec{p} = m\vec{v}$ $\Delta\vec{p} = \vec{F} \Delta t$ $K = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$ $\Delta E = W = F_{\parallel} d = F d \cos \theta$ $P = \frac{\Delta E}{\Delta t}$ $\theta = \theta_0 + \omega_0 t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha t^2$ $\omega = \omega_0 + \alpha t$ $x = A \cos(2\pi f t)$ $\vec{\alpha} = \frac{\sum \vec{\tau}}{I} = \frac{\vec{\tau}_{net}}{I}$ $\tau = r_{\perp} F = r F \sin \theta$ $L = I \omega$ $\Delta L = \tau \Delta t$ $K = \frac{1}{2} I \omega^2$ $ \vec{F}_s  = k  \vec{x} $ $U_s = \frac{1}{2} k x^2$ $\rho = \frac{m}{V}$	$a = \text{acceleration}$ $A = \text{amplitude}$ $d = \text{distance}$ $E = \text{energy}$ $f = \text{frequency}$ $F = \text{force}$ $I = \text{rotational inertia}$ $K = \text{kinetic energy}$ $k = \text{spring constant}$ $L = \text{angular momentum}$ $\ell = \text{length}$ $m = \text{mass}$ $P = \text{power}$ $p = \text{momentum}$ $r = \text{radius or separation}$ $T = \text{period}$ $t = \text{time}$ $U = \text{potential energy}$ $V = \text{volume}$ $v = \text{speed}$ $W = \text{work done on a system}$ $x = \text{position}$ $y = \text{height}$ $\alpha = \text{angular acceleration}$ $\mu = \text{coefficient of friction}$ $\theta = \text{angle}$ $\rho = \text{density}$ $\tau = \text{torque}$ $\omega = \text{angular speed}$  $\Delta U_g = m g \Delta y$ $T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = \frac{1}{f}$ $T_s = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$ $T_p = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{\ell}{g}}$ $ \vec{F}_g  = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2}$ $\vec{g} = \frac{\vec{F}_g}{m}$ $U_G = -\frac{G m_1 m_2}{r}$
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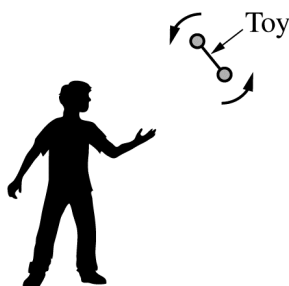
# PHYSICS 1

## Section II

Time—1 hour and 30 minutes

5 Questions

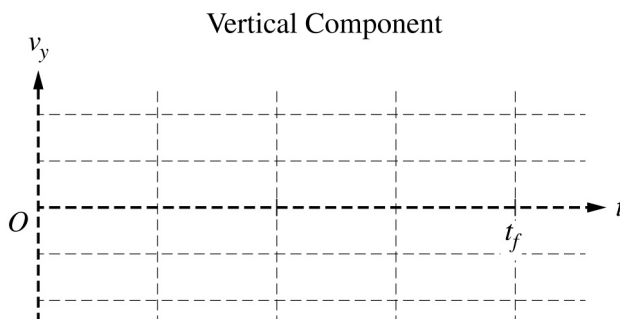
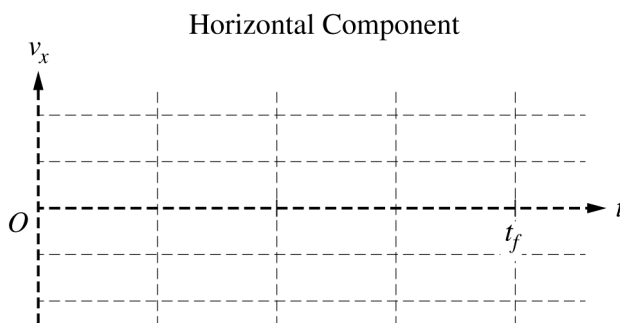
**Directions:** Questions 1, 4, and 5 are short free-response questions that require about 13 minutes each to answer and are worth 7 points each. Questions 2 and 3 are long free-response questions that require about 25 minutes each to answer and are worth 12 points each. Show your work for each part in the space provided after that part.

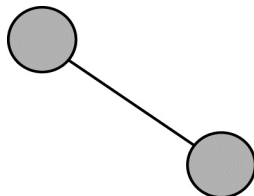


1. (7 points, suggested time 13 minutes)

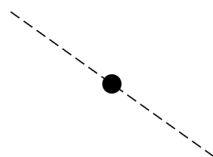
A toy consists of two identical solid spheres connected by a string with negligible mass. The toy is thrown at an angle above the horizontal (not straight up) such that the string remains taut and both spheres are revolving counterclockwise in a vertical plane around the center of the string, as shown above.

- (a) Sketch graphs of the horizontal and vertical components of the velocity of the center of the string as a function of time, from the instant the spheres are released at time  $t = 0$  until the instant the system returns to its initial height at time  $t_f$ . Take the positive direction to be toward the right for the horizontal component and the positive direction to be upward for the vertical component.



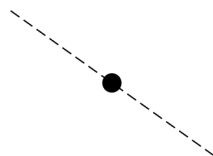


- (b) The figure above shows the toy at the instant the center of the string reaches the top of its trajectory. This is a side view: the sphere on the left is higher than the sphere on the right.
- i. On the dot below, which represents the left sphere only, draw and label the forces (not components) exerted on the left sphere at this instant. Represent each force by a distinct arrow starting on, and pointing away from, the dot. The dashed line is drawn at the same angle as the string.



Left Sphere

- ii. On the dot below, which represents the whole toy (the spheres-string system), draw and label the forces (not components) that act on the system at this instant. Represent each force by a distinct arrow starting on, and pointing away from, the dot. The dashed line is drawn at the same angle as the string.



Whole Toy

- iii. When the toy was released, the center of the string was moving with an initial speed of 15 m/s at a  $60^\circ$  angle above the horizontal. Calculate the speed of the center of the string at the instant shown above, when the center of the string reaches the top of its trajectory.

2. (12 points, suggested time 25 minutes)

A heavy lab cart moves with kinetic energy  $K_{\text{init}}$  on a track and collides with a lighter lab cart that is initially at rest. The carts bounce off each other but the collision is not perfectly elastic, causing the two-cart system to lose kinetic energy  $K_{\text{lost}}$ . A student wonders if the fraction of kinetic energy lost from the two-cart system during the collision  $\left(\frac{K_{\text{lost}}}{K_{\text{init}}}\right)$  depends on the speed of the first cart before the collision and plans to perform an experiment.

- (a) The student hypothesizes that a greater fraction of kinetic energy is lost from the system during the collision when the speed of the first cart is greater.

Briefly state one reason the hypothesis might be correct.

- (b) Design an experimental procedure that could be used to test the student's hypothesis. Assume equipment usually found in a school physics laboratory is available.

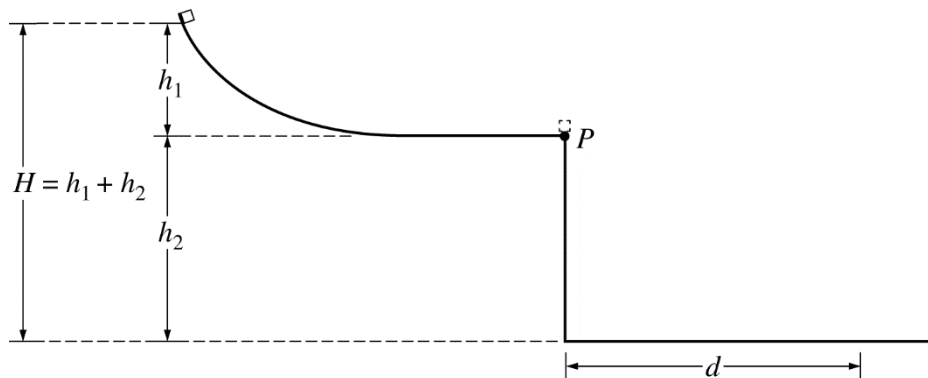
In the table below, list the quantities that would be measured and the equipment that would be used to measure each quantity. Also, define a symbol to represent each quantity. You do not need to use every row and may add additional rows as needed.

Quantity to be Measured	Symbol	Equipment for Measurement

Describe the overall procedure to be used, referring to the table above. Provide enough detail so that another student could replicate the experiment. As needed, use the symbols defined in the table and/or include a simple diagram of the setup. Be sure to address how experimental uncertainty could be reduced.

(c) Describe how the experimental data could be analyzed to confirm or disconfirm the hypothesis that a greater fraction of kinetic energy is lost from the system during the collision when the speed of the first cart is greater. Include a description or example of any equations, data tables, graphs, or other representations that could be used.

(d) Consider a different scenario in which the carts stick together after the collision. The masses of the heavier and lighter cart are  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ , respectively. Derive an expression for the fraction of kinetic energy lost  $\left(\frac{K_{\text{lost}}}{K_{\text{init}}}\right)$  during the collision. Express your answer in terms of  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ .



3. (12 points, suggested time 25 minutes)

A student releases a block of mass  $m$  from rest at the top of a slide of height  $h_1$ . The block moves down the slide and off the end of a table of height  $h_2$ , landing on the floor a horizontal distance  $d$  from the edge of the table.

Friction and air resistance are negligible. The overall height  $H$  of the setup is determined by the height of the room.

Therefore, if  $h_1$  is increased,  $h_2$  must decrease by the same amount so that the sum  $h_1 + h_2$  remains equal to  $H$ . The student wants to adjust  $h_1$  and  $h_2$  to make  $d$  as large as possible.

(a)

i. Without using equations, explain why making  $h_1$  very small would cause  $d$  to be small, even though  $h_2$  would be large.

ii. Without using equations, explain why making  $h_2$  very small would cause  $d$  to be small, even though  $h_1$  would be large.

(b) Derive an equation for  $d$  in terms of  $h_1$ ,  $h_2$ ,  $m$ , and physical constants, as appropriate.

(c)

- i. Write the equation or step in your derivation in part (b) (not your final answer) that supports your reasoning in part (a)i.

Briefly explain your choice.

- ii. Write the equation or step in your derivation in part (b) (not your final answer) that supports your reasoning in part (a)ii.

Briefly explain your choice.

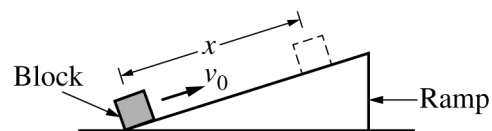
- (d) If the experiment is repeated on the Moon without changing  $h_1$  or  $h_2$ , will the new landing distance  $d$  be greater than, less than, or the same as the landing distance when the experiment is performed on Earth?

\_\_\_\_ Greater than      \_\_\_\_ Less than      \_\_\_\_ The same as

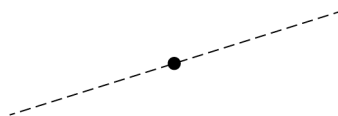
Briefly explain how you arrived at your answer.

4. (7 points, suggested time 13 minutes)

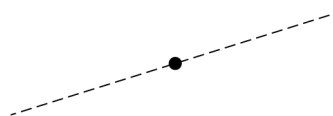
A student strikes a block at the bottom of a ramp, giving it an initial speed  $v_0$  up the ramp, as shown at right. There is friction between the ramp and the block as it slides a distance  $x$  up the ramp and then slides back down.



(a) On the dots below, which represent the block as it is sliding up the ramp and down the ramp, draw and label the forces (not components) exerted on the block. Represent each force by a distinct arrow starting on, and pointing away from, the dot. The dashed lines are drawn at the same angle as the surface of the ramp.



Up the Ramp

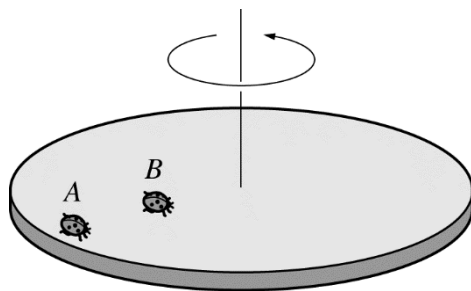


Down the Ramp

(b) The block takes time  $t_{\text{up}}$  to slide up the ramp a distance  $x$ . The block then takes time  $t_{\text{down}}$  to slide back down to the bottom of the ramp, where it has speed  $v_f$ . Is  $t_{\text{down}}$  greater than, equal to, or less than  $t_{\text{up}}$ ?

\_\_\_\_\_  $t_{\text{down}} > t_{\text{up}}$       \_\_\_\_\_  $t_{\text{down}} = t_{\text{up}}$       \_\_\_\_\_  $t_{\text{down}} < t_{\text{up}}$

In a clear, coherent paragraph-length response that may also contain figures and/or equations, explain your reasoning. If you need to draw anything other than what you have shown in part (a) to assist in your response, use the space below. Do NOT add anything to the figures in part (a).



5. (7 points, suggested time 13 minutes)

Two ladybugs are standing on a rotating disk that is spinning counterclockwise, as shown in the figure above. Assume that friction in the bearings of the axle is negligible.

(a)

i. Is the angular speed of ladybug A greater than, less than, or the same as the angular speed of ladybug B ?

Greater     Less     The same

Briefly justify your answer.

ii. Is the linear speed of ladybug A greater than, less than, or the same as the linear speed of ladybug B ?

Greater     Less     The same

Briefly justify your answer.



- (b) Ladybug *A* begins walking in a circular path in the direction of the disk's rotation. Does the magnitude of the angular momentum of the disk alone (not the ladybugs-disk system) increase, decrease, or stay the same?  
 Increase     Decrease     Stay the same  
 Briefly explain your reasoning.

- (c) In a different scenario, a single ladybug is standing near the edge of the disk at a distance of  $0.9R$  from the center, where  $R$  is the radius of the disk, as shown in Figure 1 below. The rotational inertia of the ladybug-disk system is  $I_1$ , and the disk completes one rotation in 2.5 s. The ladybug then walks toward the center of the disk to a distance of  $0.1R$  from the center and comes to a stop relative to the disk, as shown in Figure 2. Now the rotational inertia of the system is  $I_2$ , and the disk completes one rotation every 2.0 s.

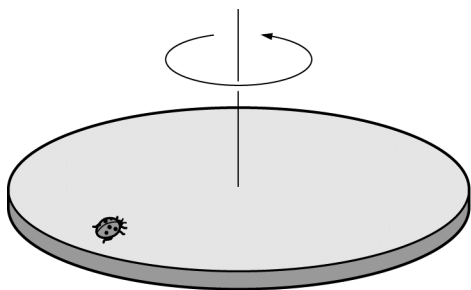


Figure 1

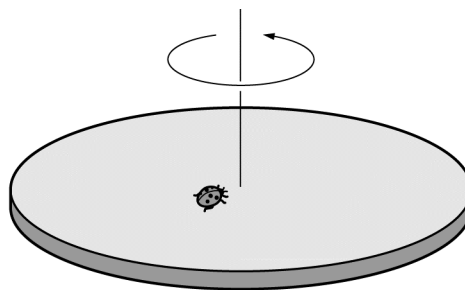


Figure 2

- i. Derive an equation for  $I_2$  in terms of  $I_1$ .

- ii. While the ladybug is walking toward the center of the disk, does it exert a torque on the disk?

Yes     No

Briefly explain your reasoning.

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**END OF EXAM**

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## **Multiple-Choice Answer Key**

The following contains the answers to the multiple-choice questions in this exam.

## **Answer Key for AP Physics 1 Practice Exam, Section I**

Question 1: C	Question 21: D
Question 2: B	Question 22: A
Question 3: B	Question 23: C
Question 4: D	Question 24: B
Question 5: D	Question 25: D
Question 6: C	Question 26: C
Question 7: B	Question 27: B
Question 8: B	Question 28: A
Question 9: C	Question 29: C
Question 10: C	Question 30: B
Question 11: D	Question 31: D
Question 12: D	Question 32: A
Question 13: C	Question 33: C
Question 14: A	Question 34: C
Question 15: D	Question 35: C
Question 16: A	Question 36: B
Question 17: A	Question 37: D
Question 18: C	Question 38: D
Question 19: C	Question 39: B
Question 20: C	Question 40: D
	Question 41: B
	Question 42: C
	Question 43: C
	Question 44: D
	Question 45: D
	Question 131: C,D
	Question 132: B,D
	Question 133: A,B
	Question 134: A,C
	Question 135: B,D

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## **Free-Response Scoring Guidelines**

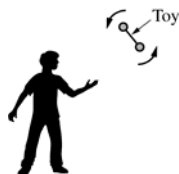
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**Question 1**

**7 points total**

**Distribution  
of points**



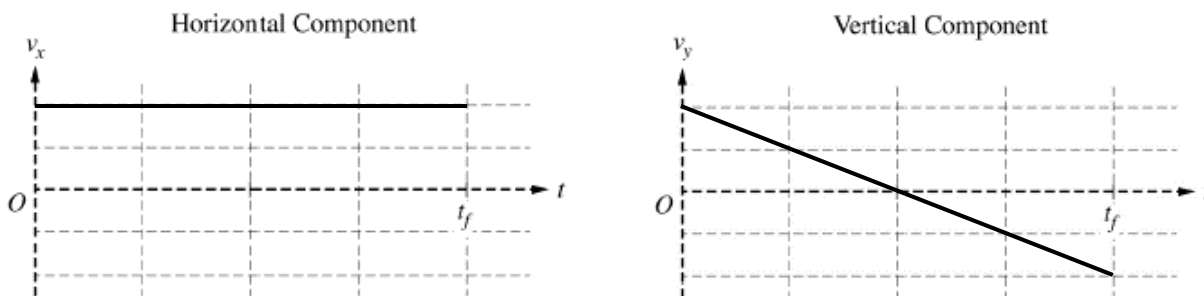
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(a) LO / SP: 4.A.2.1 / 6.4; 4.A.2.3 / 1.4, 2.2

2 points

Sketch graphs of the horizontal and vertical components of the velocity of the center of the string as a function of time, from the instant the spheres are released at time  $t = 0$  until the instant the system returns to its initial height at time  $t_f$ . Take the positive direction to be toward the right for the horizontal component and the positive direction to be upward for the vertical component.

Example graphs:



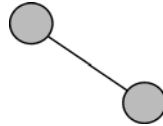
Horizontal component: For a non-zero horizontal line		1 point
Vertical component: For a non-vertical line with a negative slope that crosses the horizontal axis near $t_f/2$ and reaches $t_f$		1 point
<u>Note:</u> Any part of the sketched graph beyond $t_f$ is ignored.		

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**Question 1 (continued)**

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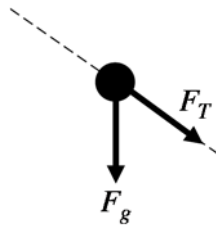
(b) LO / SP: 3.A.4.3 / 1.4; 3.B.2.1 / 1.1; 4.A.2.1 / 6.4; 4.A.2.3 / 1.4, 2.2; 4.A.3.2 / 1.4  
 5 points



The figure above shows the toy at the instant the center of the string reaches the top of its trajectory. This is a side view: the sphere on the left is higher than the sphere on the right.

i 2 points

On the dot below, which represents the left sphere only, draw and label the forces (not components) exerted on the left sphere at this instant. Represent each force by a distinct arrow starting on, and pointing away from, the dot. The dashed line is drawn at the same angle as the string.

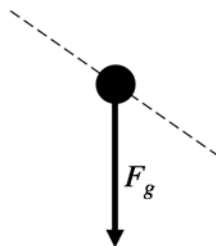


Left Sphere

For a gravitational force with correct direction and label		1 point
For a tension force with correct direction and label		1 point
<u>Note:</u> A maximum of one point may be earned if there are any extraneous forces.		

ii 1 point

On the dot below, which represents the whole toy (the spheres-string system), draw and label the forces (not components) that act on the system at this instant. Represent each force by a distinct arrow starting on, and pointing away from, the dot. The dashed line is drawn at the same angle as the string.



Whole Toy

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**Question 1 (continued)**

**Distribution  
of points**

(b)(ii) continued

For a vector pointing downward representing the gravitational force with no extraneous forces		1 point
<u>Note:</u> A label is not required, since the use of labels is assessed in part (b)(i).		

iii 2 points

When the toy was released, the center of the string was moving with an initial speed of 15 m/s at a 60° angle above the horizontal. Calculate the speed of the center of the string at the instant shown above, when the center of the string reaches the top of its trajectory.

For attempting to find the horizontal component of velocity <u>Note:</u> See examples below. This point is earned for the wrong use of trig functions if it is clear it is being used to find the horizontal component, but not awarded if it's not clear which component the trig function is referring to, or for stating that the vertical component is zero.		1 point
For a correct numerical answer for horizontal velocity with correct units		1 point
Examples: 0 points: $v \sin \theta = 13 \text{ m/s}$ (No clear indication of an attempt to find the horizontal component) 1 point: $v_x = v \sin \theta = 13 \text{ m/s}$ (An attempt to find the horizontal component is implied by the $v_x$ term) 1 point: $v \cos \theta$ (An attempt to find the horizontal component is implied by the $\cos \theta$ term) 1 point: $v \cos \theta = 7.5$ (Correct numerical answer with no units) 1 point: $7.5 \text{ m/s}$ (Correct answer with units, but no work shown) 2 points: $15 \cos 60 = 7.5 \text{ m/s}$ (Correct answer with units) 2 points: $15 \cos 60 \text{ m/s}$ (Correct answer with units)		



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**Question 1 (continued)**

Learning Objectives (LO)

**LO 3.A.4.3:** The student is able to analyze situations involving interactions among several objects by using free-body diagrams that include the application of Newton’s third law to identify forces. [See Science Practice 1.4]

**LO 3.B.2.1:** The student is able to create and use free-body diagrams to analyze physical situations to solve problems with motion qualitatively and quantitatively. [See Science Practices 1.1, 1.4, 2.2]

**LO 4.A.2.1:** The student is able to make predictions about the motion of a system based on the fact that acceleration is equal to the change in velocity per unit time, and velocity is equal to the change in position per unit time. [See Science Practice 6.4]

**LO 4.A.2.3:** The student is able to create mathematical models and analyze graphical relationships for acceleration, velocity, and position of the center of mass of a system and use them to calculate properties of the motion of the center of mass of a system. [See Science Practices 1.4, 2.2]

**LO 4.A.3.2:** The student is able to use visual or mathematical representations of the forces between objects in a system to predict whether or not there will be a change in the center-of-mass velocity of that system. [See Science Practice 1.4]

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**Question 2**

**12 points total**

**Distribution  
of points**

A heavy lab cart moves with kinetic energy  $K_{\text{init}}$  on a track and collides with a lighter lab cart that is initially at rest. The carts bounce off each other but the collision is not perfectly elastic, causing the two-cart system to lose kinetic energy  $K_{\text{lost}}$ . A student wonders if the fraction of kinetic energy lost from the two-cart system during the collision  $\left(\frac{K_{\text{lost}}}{K_{\text{init}}}\right)$  depends on the speed of the first cart before the collision and plans to perform an experiment.

(a) LO / SP: 5.D.1.4 / 4.2, 6.4  
1 point

The student hypothesizes that a greater fraction of kinetic energy is lost from the system during the collision when the speed of the first cart is greater.

Briefly state one reason the hypothesis might be correct.

For a valid statement relating the speed of cart and dissipation of mechanical energy <u>Note for pre-reading:</u> Response does not have to address the fractional loss of kinetic energy (points are earned for this distinction in later parts).	1 point
Examples of valid statements: More damage when going faster Slower collision means compression and decompression during collision happen without permanent deformation Examples of invalid statements: Higher fraction of $K$ is lost at higher speeds Because more kinetic energy is lost	

(b) LO / SP: 3.A.1.2 / 4.2; 5.D.1.4 / 4.2  
5 points

Design an experimental procedure that could be used to test the student's hypothesis. Assume equipment usually found in a school physics laboratory is available.

In the table below, list the quantities that would be measured and the equipment that would be used to measure each quantity. Also, define a symbol to represent each quantity. You do not need to use every row and may add additional rows as needed.

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**Question 2 (continued)**

**Distribution  
of points**

Quantity to be Measured	Symbol	Equipment for Measurement

Describe the overall procedure to be used, referring to the table above. Provide enough detail so that another student could replicate the experiment. As needed, use the symbols defined in the table and/or include a simple diagram of the setup. Be sure to address how experimental uncertainty could be reduced.

For measuring the speed of both carts before and after collision <u>Note:</u> It is not necessary to measure the initial speed of the cart that is at rest.	1 point
For measuring the mass of the carts (or calculating mass ratio using conservation of momentum, which may be stated later)	1 point
For equipment and measurements consistent with procedure as described or drawn in diagram (e.g., motion detectors in the right places to measure speed of both carts)	1 point
For varying the speed (making speed the independent variable) of the first cart in a feasible experiment that could be done in a school lab. <u>Note:</u> “Varying the speed” means at least 2 trials (to test hypothesis), and “feasible” means that equipment is used appropriately for each measurement.	1 point
For attempting to reduce uncertainty, e.g., multiple trials for a given initial speed of cart 1, or trials involving at least three different initial speeds	1 point

Example:

Quantity to be Measured	Symbol	Equipment for Measurement
Initial speed of heavy cart (H)	$v_{iH}$	Motion sensor (MS1)
Final speed of heavy cart	$v_{fH}$	Motion sensor (MS1)
Mass of heavy cart	$m_H$	Triple beam balance
Final speed of light cart (L)	$v_{fL}$	Motion sensor (MS2)
Mass of light cart	$m_L$	Triple beam balance



Measure the mass of each cart with the triple beam balance. Set the carts and motion sensors on the track. With the motion sensors recording, push the heavy cart toward the light cart so that they collide. Record the motion sensors readings for the speeds of the heavy cart immediately before the collision, and the speeds of both carts immediately after the collision. Repeat 8 times, varying the force with which the heavy cart is pushed so that a wide range of initial velocities for the heavy cart are used.

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**Question 2 (continued)**

**Distribution  
of points**

(c) LO / SP: 4.C.1.1 / 1.4, 2.2; 5.B.4.2 / 1.4, 2.2; 5.D.1.4 / 5.1

3 points

Describe how the experimental data could be analyzed to confirm or disconfirm the hypothesis that a greater fraction of kinetic energy is lost from the system during the collision when the speed of the first cart is greater. Include a description or example of any equations, data tables, graphs, or other representations that could be used.

For a correct indication of how initial and final total kinetic energy would be calculated from the raw data	1 point
For using the difference between initial and final total kinetic energy to determine the kinetic energy lost	1 point
For a description of how the calculated <u>fractional</u> energy losses would be used to confirm or disconfirm the hypothesis	1 point
<p>Example:</p> <p>For each trial, calculate the initial kinetic energy of the heavy cart using <math>K_{\text{init}} = \frac{1}{2}m_{\text{H}}v_{\text{iH}}^2</math>.</p> <p>Also calculate the final kinetic energy <math>K_f = \frac{1}{2}m_{\text{H}}v_{\text{fH}}^2 + \frac{1}{2}m_{\text{L}}v_{\text{fL}}^2</math>.</p> <p>Make a graph of <math>K_{\text{lost}}/K_{\text{init}} = (K_{\text{init}} - K_f)/K_{\text{init}}</math> as a function of <math>v_{\text{iH}}</math>.</p> <p>If a positive trend is seen in the data, the hypothesis is confirmed.</p>	

(d) LO / SP: 4.C.1.1 / 1.4, 2.2; 5.B.4.2 / 1.4, 2.2; 5.D.2.5 / 2.2

3 points

Consider a different scenario in which the carts stick together after the collision. The masses of the heavier and lighter cart are  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ , respectively. Derive an expression for the fraction of kinetic energy lost  $\left(\frac{K_{\text{lost}}}{K_{\text{init}}}\right)$  during the collision. Express your answer in terms of  $m_1$  and  $m_2$ .

For using momentum conservation to find $v_f$ in terms of $v_i$ , or the ratio of post-collision to pre-collision speed	1 point
For a correct expression for final kinetic energy (or consistent with $v_f$ found from conservation of momentum) OR a correct expression for the fractional energy loss in terms of $m_1$ , $m_2$ , the initial speed of the heavy cart, and the final speed of the two-cart system	1 point
A correct expression for fraction of kinetic energy lost: $\frac{m_2}{m_1 + m_2} \text{ or } 1 - \frac{m_1}{m_1 + m_2}$ <u>Note:</u> The above point is not earned if the answer includes any variables other than $m_1$ and $m_2$	1 point

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**Question 2 (continued)**

Learning Objectives (LO)

**LO 3.A.1.2:** The student is able to design an experimental investigation of the motion of an object. [See Science Practice 4.2]

**LO 4.C.1.1:** The student is able to calculate the total energy of a system and justify the mathematical routines used in the calculation of component types of energy within the system whose sum is the total energy. [See Science Practices 1.4, 2.1, and 2.2]

**LO 5.B.4.2:** The student is able to calculate changes in kinetic energy and potential energy of a system, using information from representations of that system. [See Science Practices 1.4, 2.1, and 2.2]

**LO 5.D.1.4:** The student is able to design an experimental test of an application of the principle of the conservation of linear momentum, predict an outcome of the experiment using the principle, analyze data generated by that experiment whose uncertainties are expressed numerically, and evaluate the match between the prediction and the outcome. [See Science Practices 4.2, 5.1, 5.3, and 6.4]

**LO 5.D.2.5:** The student is able to classify a given collision situation as elastic or inelastic, justify the selection of conservation of linear momentum as the appropriate solution method for an inelastic collision, recognize that there is a common final velocity for the colliding objects in the totally inelastic case, solve for missing variables, and calculate their values. [See Science Practices 2.1 and 2.2]

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**Question 3**

**12 points total**

**Distribution  
of points**

(a)

i. 2 points

For recognizing a small horizontal velocity for the block at point $P$	1 point
For stating or implying that the block doesn't go very far even though there is a longer fall time	1 point

Example: Even though the large  $h_2$  allows the block to stay in the air for a long time, the small  $h_1$  means the system loses little gravitational potential energy and hence gains little kinetic energy so that it leaves the table with too little speed to cover much distance while aloft.

ii. 2 points

For recognizing a large horizontal velocity for the block at point $P$	1 point
For mentioning a short time of flight for the falling block	1 point

Example: Now the block gains a lot of kinetic energy on the ramp so that it leaves the table with a large horizontal speed. But the small  $h_2$  means the block spends so little time in the air that it lands before covering much horizontal distance.

(b) 3 points

For using an energy conservation statement (corresponds to step 1 in example below)	1 point
For setting up a time of flight calculation using vertical acceleration (corresponds to step 2a in example below)	1 point

Note: derivation of  $t$  must be shown to earn credit.

For using $vt = d$ to determine distance traveled (corresponds to step 2b in example below)	1 point
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Example:

Step 1: Use energy conservation to find the block's speed at the bottom of ramp, which equals the launch speed  $v_1$  at point  $P$ .

$$mgh_1 = \frac{1}{2}mv_1^2 \Rightarrow v_1 = \sqrt{2gh_1}$$

Step 2a: Find the time of flight, using the independence of the horizontal and vertical motion. Since the block leaves the table with zero *vertical* speed, the vertical

kinematic equation  $y = y_0 + v_{y0}t + \frac{1}{2}a_yt^2$  reduces to  $h_2 = \frac{1}{2}gt^2$  (taking

downward as positive). Solve for time to get  $t = \sqrt{\frac{2h_2}{g}}$ .

Step 2b. Find the horizontal distance  $d$  covered while in the air after point  $P$ . Since there are no horizontal forces exerted on the block, its horizontal velocity stays constant at  $v_1$ . So, the block travels a horizontal distance

$$d = v_1t = \sqrt{2gh_1}\sqrt{\frac{2h_2}{g}} = 2\sqrt{h_1h_2}$$

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**Question 3 (continued)**

**Distribution  
of points**

(c)

i. 2 points

For mentioning a correct equation or step of reasoning (energy conservation on ramp) 1 point  
For correctly explaining why this equation or step mirrors the reasoning of (a)i 1 point  
Example: My energy conservation reasoning (part (b) step 1) mirrors my reasoning that a small ramp height corresponds to a low potential energy ( $mgh_1$ ), which is converted into low kinetic energy and hence a low speed.

ii. 2 points

For mentioning a correct equation or step of reasoning (time of flight) 1 point  
For correctly explaining why that equation or step mirrors the reasoning of (a)ii 1 point  
Example: My time-of-flight calculation (part (b) step 2a) shows that  $t$  is proportional to  $\sqrt{h_2}$ , so a smaller falling distance  $h_2$  corresponds to a smaller flight time.

(d) 1 point

Correct answer: “The same as”  
Note: explanation is scored regardless of checkbox.  
Point can be earned if response is consistent with answer in part (b)  
For reasoning that is consistent with the functional dependence of the part (b) answer 1 point

Example:

As found in part (b), the distance  $d$  does not depend on  $g$ . So, doing the experiment on the Moon instead of Earth makes no difference. The increased time of flight (since weaker gravity makes the block take longer to land) compensates for the small speed gained by the block on the ramp.

Checked “Greater than” then  $g$  must be in the denominator in the incorrect equation in part (b)

Checked “Less than” then  $g$  must be in the numerator in the incorrect equation in part (b)

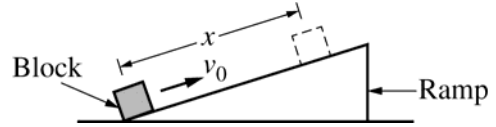
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**Question 4**

**7 points total**

**Distribution  
of points**

A student strikes a block at the bottom of a ramp, giving it an initial speed  $v_0$  up the ramp, as shown at right. There is friction between the ramp and the block as it slides a distance  $x$  up the ramp and then slides back down.

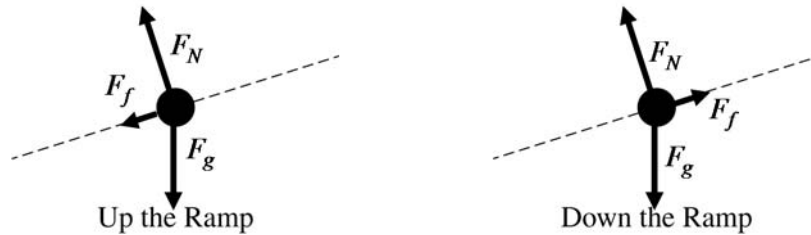


(a) LO / SP: 3.A.2.1 / 1.1; 3.B.2.1 / 1.1, 1.4

2 points

On the dots below, which represent the block as it is sliding up the ramp and down the ramp, draw and label the forces (not components) exerted on the block. Represent each force by a distinct arrow starting on, and pointing away from, the dot. The dashed lines are drawn at the same angle as the surface of the ramp.

Example:



For a labeled friction force vector in the correct direction in both diagrams	1 point
For labeled gravitational and normal forces in the correct directions in both diagrams, with no extraneous forces	1 point

(b) LO / SP: 2.B.1.1 / 2.2; 3.A.1.1 / 1.5, 2.2; 3.B.1.1 / 6.4, 7.2; 3.B.1.3 / 1.5, 2.2; 3.B.2.1 / 1.1, 1.4, 2.2

5 points

The block takes time  $t_{\text{up}}$  to slide up the ramp a distance  $x$ . The block then takes time  $t_{\text{down}}$  to slide back down to the bottom of the ramp, where it has speed  $v_f$ . Is  $t_{\text{down}}$  greater than, equal to, or less than  $t_{\text{up}}$ ?

\_\_\_\_\_  $t_{\text{down}} > t_{\text{up}}$       \_\_\_\_\_  $t_{\text{down}} = t_{\text{up}}$       \_\_\_\_\_  $t_{\text{down}} < t_{\text{up}}$

In a clear, coherent paragraph-length response that may also contain figures and/or equations, explain your reasoning. If you need to draw anything other than what you have shown in part (a) to assist in your response, use the space below. Do NOT add anything to the figures in part (a).



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**Question 4 (continued)**

**Distribution  
of points**

Correct Answer:  $t_{\text{down}} > t_{\text{up}}$

Note: The response is graded even if an incorrect selection is made.

For stating that the magnitude of the net force on the block is greater when it is sliding up the ramp than when it is sliding down the ramp because the direction of the frictional force changes while the direction of the component of the gravitational force along the ramp does not (this can be implied) OR a description of the net force consistent with the free-body diagrams (FBDs) in part (a)	1 point
For stating that the magnitude of acceleration of the block while sliding up the ramp is greater than that when sliding down, OR a description of acceleration consistent with the FBDs in part (a)	1 point
For a justification that $v_f$ is less than $v_0$ , OR average $v$ up is greater than average $v$ down (e.g., speed changes more on way up than on way down because acceleration is greater on the way up and the same distance covered and final/initial speed on way up/down is zero), OR a description of final and initial speeds consistent with the FBDs in part (a)	1 point
For a correct <i>argument</i> that, if $v_f$ is less than $v_0$ or the average speed up is greater than the average speed down, then $t_{\text{down}}$ is greater than $t_{\text{up}}$ . (This argument could include a kinematic equation.) <u>Note:</u> Student cannot earn this point even if justification is consistent with an incorrect FBD in part (a)	1 point
For a logical, relevant, and internally consistent argument that addresses the required argument or question asked, and follows the guidelines described in the published requirements for the paragraph-length response	1 point
<u>Note:</u> A maximum of 4 of 5 points (first 3 points plus 5th point) can be earned if the FBDs in part (a) are incorrect (e.g., friction force is in the same direction in both FBDs)	

<i>Alternate solution using work/energy reasoning for 1st two points of part (b)</i>	
For correctly applying work-energy to up/down ramp (or, indicating block-Earth system has the same potential energy at the beginning and end)	1 point
For correct treatment of energy loss to friction	1 point

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**Question 4 (continued)**

Learning Objectives (LO)

**LO 2.B.1.1:** The student is able to apply  $F = mg$  to calculate the gravitational force on an object with mass  $m$  in a gravitational field of strength  $g$  in the context of the effects of a net force on objects and systems. [See Science Practices 2.2 and 7.2]

**LO 3.A.1.1:** The student is able to express the motion of an object using narrative, mathematical, and graphical representations. [See Science Practices 1.5, 2.1, and 2.2]

**LO 3.A.2.1:** The student is able to represent forces in diagrams or mathematically using appropriately labeled vectors with magnitude, direction, and units during the analysis of a situation. [See Science Practice 1.1]

**LO 3.B.1.1:** The student is able to predict the motion of an object subject to forces exerted by several objects using an application of Newton's second law in a variety of physical situations with acceleration in one dimension. [See Science Practices 6.4 and 7.2]

**LO 3.B.1.3:** The student is able to reexpress a free-body diagram representation into a mathematical representation and solve the mathematical representation for the acceleration of the object. [See Science Practices 1.5 and 2.2]

**LO 3.B.2.1:** The student is able to create and use free-body diagrams to analyze physical situations to solve problems with motion qualitatively and quantitatively. [See Science Practices 1.1, 1.4, and 2.2]

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**Question 5**

**7 points total**

**Distribution  
of points**

(a)

i. 1 point

Correct answer: “The same”

For selecting “The same” and explaining that both ladybugs have the same angular displacement over the same interval of time, or that all points on the disk rotate at the same rate 1 point

Notes: No credit is earned if the wrong answer is selected.

No credit is earned for a correct selection with a wrong explanation or no explanation given.

ii. 1 point

Correct answer: “Greater”

For selecting “Greater” and explaining that linear speed is proportional to (or increases with) distance from the center ( $v = \omega R$ ) 1 point

Notes: No credit is earned if the wrong answer is selected.

No credit is earned for a correct selection with a wrong explanation or no explanation given.

(b) 2 points

Correct answer: “Decrease”

If the wrong answer is selected, at most one point can be earned for the explanation.

For stating or implying that the system angular momentum does not change 1 point

For stating that the ladybug gained angular momentum, the disk lost angular momentum 1 point

Note: Full credit can be earned for an alternate solution involving the force exerted by the ladybug (while accelerating) causing a torque on the disk.

(c)

i. 2 points

For using an equation expressing the conservation of angular momentum with  $I$  and  $\omega$  1 point

$$I_2\omega_2 = I_1\omega_1$$

For correctly substituting the angular speed values and obtaining a correct answer or an algebraic equivalent of the correct answer 1 point

$$I_2 = \frac{I_1\omega_1}{\omega_2} = \frac{I_1(1/2.5)}{(1/2)}$$

$$I_2 = \frac{4}{5}I_1$$

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**Question 5 (continued)**

**Distribution  
of points**

ii. 1 point

Correct answer: “Yes”

For selecting “Yes” and for providing evidence that a torque is exerted on the disk (e.g., the disk’s angular momentum/speed changes, or the ladybug exerts a non-radial force on the disk) 1 point

Notes: No credit is earned if the wrong answer is selected.

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## **Scoring Worksheet**

The following provides a scoring worksheet and conversion table used for calculating a composite score of the exam.

# 2018 AP Physics 1 Scoring Worksheet

## Section I: Multiple Choice

$$\frac{\text{Number Correct}}{\text{(out of 40)}} \times 1.0000 = \frac{\text{Weighted Section I Score}}{\text{(Do not round)}}$$

RANDOMLY choose 10 to not count (random number generator)

## Section II: Free Response

$$\text{Question 1 } \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(out of 7)}} \times 0.8888 = \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(Do not round)}}$$

$$\text{Question 2 } \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(out of 12)}} \times 0.8888 = \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(Do not round)}}$$

$$\text{Question 3 } \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(out of 12)}} \times 0.8888 = \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(Do not round)}}$$

$$\text{Question 4 } \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(out of 7)}} \times 0.8888 = \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(Do not round)}}$$

$$\text{Question 5 } \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(out of 7)}} \times 0.8888 = \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{(Do not round)}}$$

$$\text{Sum} = \frac{\text{_____}}{\text{Weighted Section II Score (Do not round)}}$$

## Composite Score

$$\frac{\text{Weighted Section I Score}}{\text{_____}} + \frac{\text{Weighted Section II Score}}{\text{_____}} = \frac{\text{Composite Score (Round to nearest whole number)}}{\text{_____}}$$

AP Score Conversion Chart  
Physics 1

Composite Score Range	AP Score
61-80	5
48-60	4
36-47	3
24-35	2
0-23	1