

# Intermediate Mechanics PHYS-3202

## In-Class Test

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### Instructions:

- Do not turn over until instructed.
- You will have 50 minutes to complete this test.
- No electronic devices or hardcopy notes are allowed.
- INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING TEST LENGTH WILL GO HERE.
- **Answer all questions briefly and completely.**
- **Only the lined pages of your exam book will be graded. Use the blank pages for scratch work only.**

Useful Formulae:

- Friction:  $F_{static} \leq \mu_S N$ ,  $F_{kinetic} = \mu_K N$  directed against opposing force or relative velocity
- Air/fluid resistance:  $F = -\lambda v^{n-1} \vec{v}$ ,  $\lambda \equiv m\gamma$ 
  - Velocity is given with respect to air/fluid
  - Terminal velocity in uniform gravity  $v = (mg/\lambda)^{1/n}$
  - Solution in uniform gravity for linear air resistance

$$x = \frac{v_{x,0}}{\gamma} (1 - e^{-\gamma t}) \quad , \quad z = \left( \frac{v_{z,0}}{\gamma} + \frac{g}{\gamma^2} \right) (1 - e^{-\gamma t}) - \frac{gt}{\gamma}$$

- Solution for vertical motion in uniform gravity for quadratic air resistance

$$v = -\sqrt{\frac{g}{\gamma}} \tanh(\sqrt{\gamma g} t) \quad , \quad z = z_0 - \frac{1}{\gamma} \ln[\cosh(\sqrt{\gamma g} t)]$$

with  $z = z_0, v = 0$  at  $t = 0$ ,  $z$  increasing upward

- Thrust  $-\dot{m}u$  for  $u$  exhaust speed,  $v = v_0 + u \ln(m_0/m)$
- Harmonic Oscillators
  - Linear restoring force  $F = -kx \equiv -m\omega_0^2 x$ , linear damping force  $F = -\lambda\dot{x} = -2m\gamma\dot{x}$
  - Potential  $V = kx^2/2$
  - Independent solutions  $x = Ae^{pt}$  where  $p = -\gamma \pm \sqrt{\gamma^2 - \omega_0^2}$
  - For driving force  $F(t) = Fe^{i\omega t}$ , solution is transients plus

$$x(t) = Ae^{i\omega t - i\theta} \quad , \quad A = \frac{F/m}{\sqrt{(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + 4\gamma^2\omega^2}} \quad , \quad \tan\theta = \frac{2\gamma\omega}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}$$

- Isotropic oscillator in 3D has restoring force  $\vec{F} = -k\vec{r}$ , potential  $V = kr^2/2$
- Can be anisotropic in 3D

- General 3D concepts

- Centripetal acceleration  $a_r = -v^2/r$  for circular motion
- Angular momentum  $\vec{J} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p}$ , torque  $\vec{\tau} = \vec{r} \times \vec{F}$
- Effective potential for central force  $U = V + J^2/2mr^2$
- For a central force, motion is in a plane  $\perp \vec{J}$
- For a central force, Kepler's second law  $dA/dt = J/2m$  constant

- Inverse square force  $\vec{F} = k\hat{r}/r^2$ ,  $V = k/r$

- Coulomb  $k = q_1q_2/4\pi\epsilon_0$ , gravity  $k = -Gm_1m_2$
- Orbit  $\ell = r(e \cos \phi \pm 1)$ ,  $\ell = J^2/m|k|$ ,  $e = \sqrt{1 + 2J^2E/mk^2}$
- Elliptical orbit: semimajor axis  $a = \ell/(1 - e^2)$ , semiminor axis  $b = \ell/\sqrt{1 - e^2}$   
Kepler's 3rd law  $T^2 = 4\pi^2a^3/GM$  for gravity
- Hyperbolic orbit  $a = \ell/(e^2 - 1)$  with impact parameter  $b = \ell/\sqrt{e^2 - 1}$

- Scattering

- Mean free path  $\lambda = 1/n\sigma$ ,  $n$  = number density,  $\sigma$  = cross section
- Hard sphere scattering  $b = R \cos(\theta/2)$ ,  $d\sigma/d\Omega = R^2/4$
- Rutherford scattering  $b = (k/mv^2) \cot(\theta/2)$ ,  $d\sigma/d\Omega = (1/4)(k/mv^2)^2(1/\sin^4(\theta/2))$

- Vector Calculus

- Triple products  $(\vec{a} \times \vec{b}) \cdot \vec{c} = (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) \cdot \vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{a} \times (\vec{b} \times \vec{c}) = \vec{b}(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{c}) - \vec{c}(\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b})$
- Gradient operator

$$\vec{\nabla} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \hat{i} + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \hat{j} + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \hat{k}$$

Divergence  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{A}$ , Curl  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}$ ,  $\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{\nabla} f = 0$ ,  $\vec{\nabla} \cdot (\vec{\nabla} \times \vec{A}) = 0$

- Cylindrical coordinates  $x = \rho \cos \varphi$ ,  $y = \rho \sin \varphi$ ,  $z = z$

$$ds^2 = d\rho^2 + \rho^2 d\varphi^2 + dz^2, \quad d^3\vec{r} = \rho d\rho d\varphi dz, \quad \vec{v} = \dot{\rho}\hat{\rho} + \rho\dot{\varphi}\hat{\varphi} + \dot{z}\hat{z}, \quad \vec{\nabla} f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial \rho} \hat{\rho} + \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \varphi} \hat{\varphi} + \frac{\partial f}{\partial z} \hat{z}$$

- Spherical polar coordinates  $x = r \sin \theta \cos \phi$ ,  $y = r \sin \theta \sin \phi$ ,  $z = r \cos \theta$

$$ds^2 = dr^2 + r^2 d\theta^2 + r^2 \sin^2 \theta d\phi^2, \quad d^3\vec{r} = r^2 dr \sin \theta d\theta d\phi, \quad \vec{v} = \dot{r}\hat{r} + r\dot{\theta}\hat{\theta} + r \sin \theta \dot{\phi}\hat{\phi}$$

$$\vec{\nabla} f = \frac{\partial f}{\partial r} \hat{r} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \theta} \hat{\theta} + \frac{1}{r \sin \theta} \frac{\partial f}{\partial \phi} \hat{\phi}$$

- Ellipse and hyperbola in Cartesian coordinates (centered at origin)

$$\frac{x^2}{a^2} \pm \frac{y^2}{b^2} = 1$$

semi-major axis  $a$ , semi-minor axis  $b$