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INSTRUCTIONS: Answer ALL questions Use $g = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$

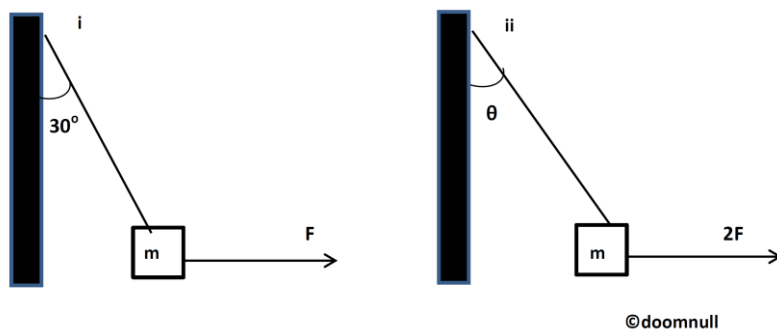
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Question 1 [14]

- 1.1. The period T of a simple pendulum somehow depends on the length l of the string, the acceleration because of gravity g and possibly on the mass m of the bob. Strictly using dimensional analysis, derive the form of equation that relates these quantities. (3)
- 1.2. The lifting force F on a bird's wing somehow depends on the area A of the wing, the speed v of the bird and the air density ρ . Make use of dimensional analysis to derive an expression of the lifting in terms of other quantities. (4)
- 1.3. When a bird glides the lifting force on it is proportional to the square of its speed and the area of its wings. If a 1 kg bird glides horizontally at 5 m/s, how fast would a 3 kg bird with the same proportions glide horizontally?
(When a bird glides horizontally the lifting force is equal to its weight.) (4)
- 1.4. The mass of gold needed to plate a sphere of mass 0.3 kg to a certain thickness is 10^{-3} kg. Calculate the mass of gold needed to plate a sphere of the same material but mass 2.4 kg to the same thickness as for the 0.3 kg mass. (3)

Question 2 [24]

- 2.1 When a force F is applied horizontally, to a mass m at the end of a string as in the figure below, the string makes an angle of 30° with the vertical.
 - 2.1.1 If the force is increased to $2F$ calculate the angle with the vertical. (3)
 - 2.1.2 If $F = 20\text{N}$ calculate the mass m and the tensions in the string in each case. (3)



- 2.2 A girl drops a ball from the top of a 20m high building, and at the same instant a boy throws a ball upwards from the ground with an initial velocity of 20m/s. Calculate:

2.2.1 how much time has elapsed when the balls pass each other (3)

2.2.2 how far above the ground they will pass each other (3)

2.2.3 their velocities when they pass each other. (2)

- 2.3 A projectile is launched with initial velocity u at an angle θ relative to the horizontal. The launching and landing points lie on the same horizontal plane. If the magnitude of the velocity of the projectile at the maximum height is found to be $\sqrt{\frac{6}{7}}$ times that at half the maximum height, show that the launch angle θ is 30° . (5)

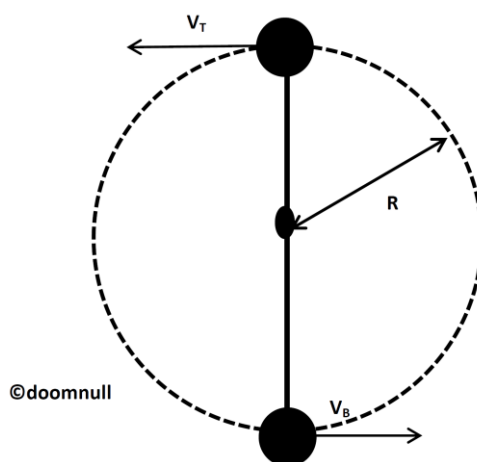
- 2.4 A balloon rises from rest on the ground with a constant acceleration a . As it leaves the ground, a gun placed at a horizontal distance x from the balloon fires a shell with a velocity u at an angle θ to the horizontal. If the shell hits the balloon show that:

$$u^2 \sin 2\theta = (a + g)x. \quad (5)$$

Question 3 [24]

- 3.1 A ball on the end of a string, as shown in the figure below, is set in a non-uniform circular motion in a vertical circle of radius R . Prove that the tension in the string at the lowest point exceeds that at the highest point by 6 times the weight of the ball.

(7)

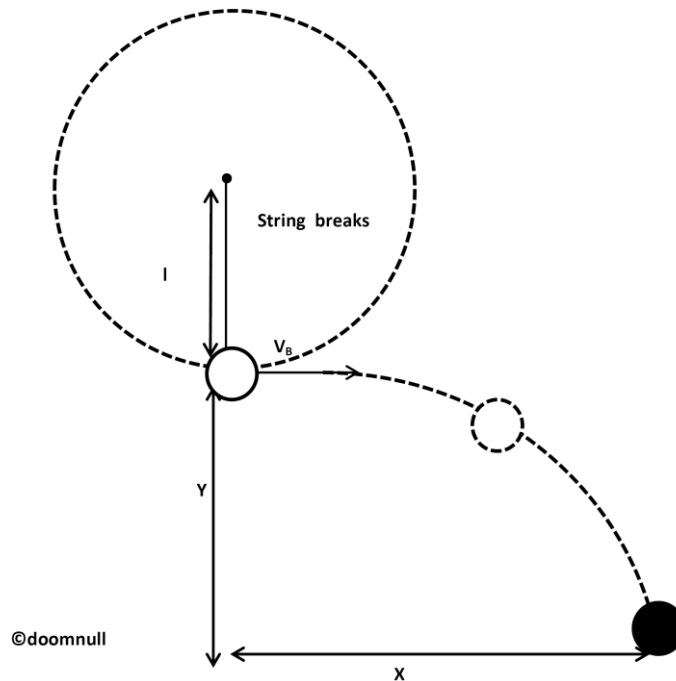


3.2 The string of length 4 m, in the figure below, attached to a ball of mass 0.5 kg undergoing a non-uniform circular motion in the vertical plane breaks when the ball is at the lowest point. If the ball then hits the ground at a horizontal distance 8 m and vertical distance 20 m from the position where the string breaks, calculate:

3.2.1 the time t the ball travelled from when the string breaks to when it hits the ground, (6)

3.2.2 the velocity V_B of the ball at the moment the string breaks, (5)

3.2.3 the tension of the string just before it breaks. (6)



Question 4 [21]

4.1. Consider a car travelling around an inclined curve of radius r at a velocity v , as shown in the figure below.

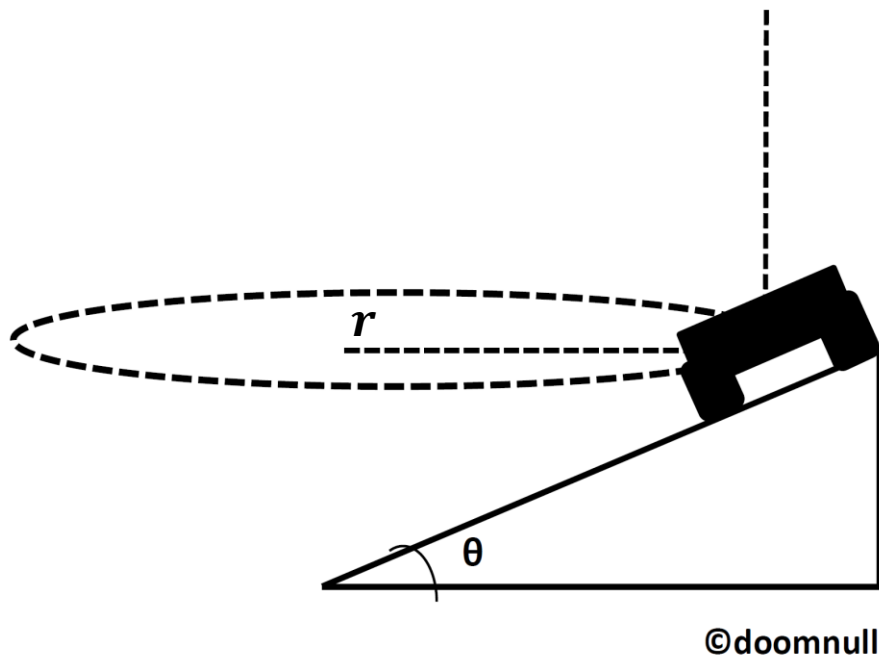
4.1.1 If the road is not smooth and banked at θ to the horizontal, and the minimum coefficient of friction between the tyres of the car and the road, which will prevent the car from skidding sideways is μ . Show that:

$$\frac{\sin\theta + \mu\cos\theta}{\cos\theta - \mu\sin\theta} = \frac{v^2}{rg} \quad (5)$$

Make use of the equation given in 4.1.1:

4.1.2 when $\theta = 0$, give the expression of μ , (1)

4.1.3 when $\mu = 0$, give the expression of θ . (1)



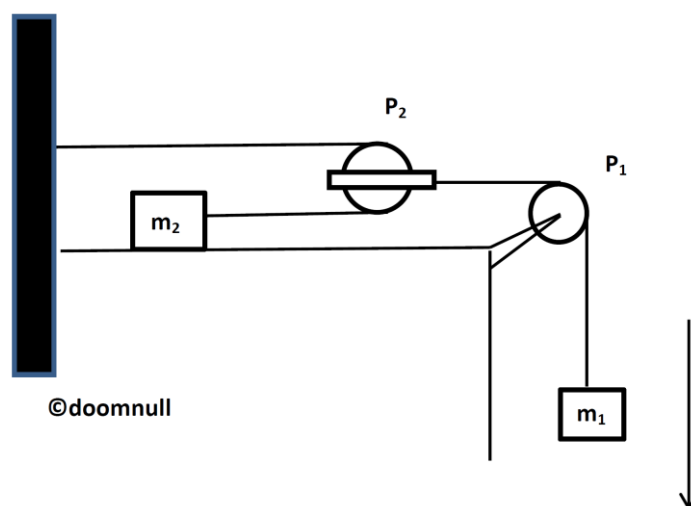
- 4.2 An object of mass m_1 hangs from a string that passes over a massless pulley as shown in the figure below. The string connects to a second very light pulley. A second string passes around this pulley with one end attached to a wall and the other to an object of mass m_2 on a frictionless, horizontal table. With the aid detailed free-body diagrams:

4.2.1 if a_1 and a_2 are the accelerations of m_1 and m_2 respectively, show that

$$a_2 = 2 a_1 \quad (3)$$

4.2.2 show how the tensions in the strings are related, (1)

4.2.3 Derive the expressions for the tensions in the strings in terms of m_1 , m_2 and g only. (5)



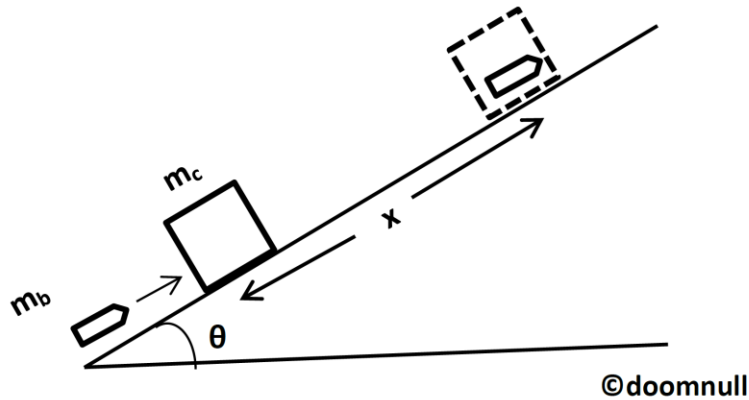
- 4.3 A box is on a rough inclined plane making an angle θ to the horizontal. Just to get the box moving up the plane requires 6 times the force required to just to get it moving down the plane. With the force being applied parallel to the plane in each case, show that the coefficient of friction between the box and the plane can be expressed as:

$$\mu = \frac{7}{5} \tan \theta. \quad (5)$$

Question 5 [18]

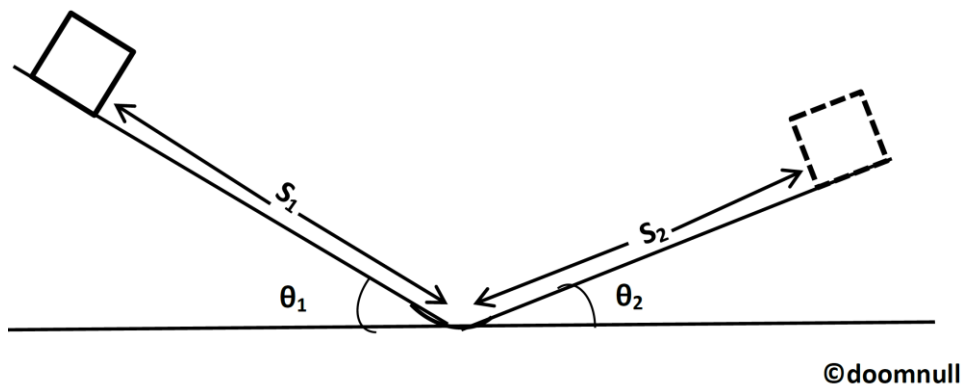
- 5.1 A 1.5 kg block at rest on a plane making an angle of 30° with the horizontal is struck by a 0.02 kg bullet travelling at 300 m/s parallel to the plane. The bullet becomes embedded in the block forming a composite mass which travels x meters up the plane, as shown in the figure below. If the coefficient of friction between the block and the plane is 0.2, calculate x .

(7)

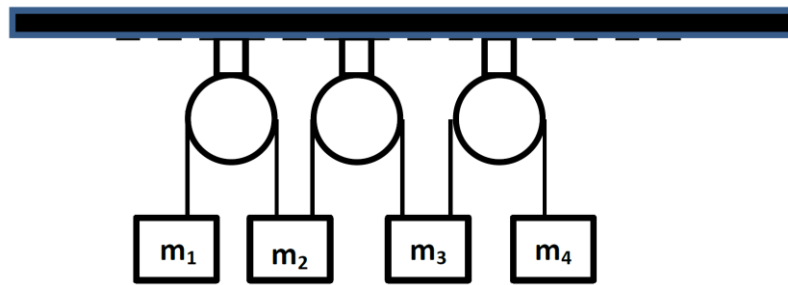


- 5.2 The small box shown in the figure below slides a distance S_1 down the plane inclined at θ_1 to the horizontal. This plane makes a smooth transition to another plane, which makes an angle θ_2 with the horizontal. If the kinetic coefficient of friction between the block and the planes is the same, μ , Derive how far the block will slide up the second plane S_2 in terms of S_1 , θ_1 , θ_2 and μ only.

(7)



5.3



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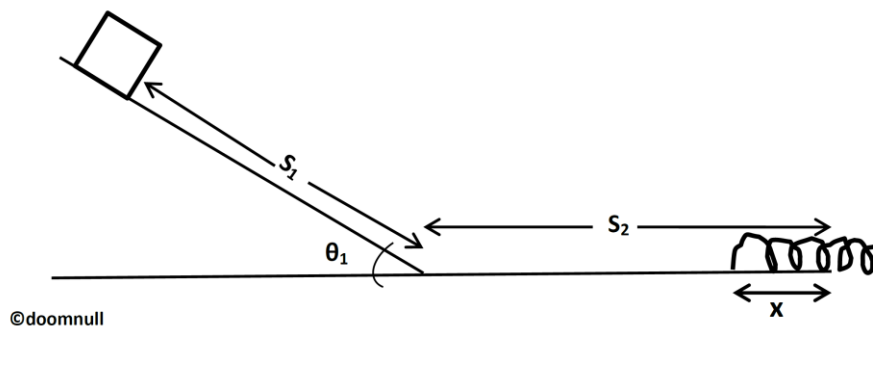
Given that $m_1 > m_2 > m_3 > m_4$ in the pulley system, with the aid of detailed free-body diagrams and equations, derive the acceleration a of the system in terms of m_1 , m_2 , m_3 , m_4 and g only. (4)

Question 6 [31]

6.1 The box of mass m as shown in the diagram slides a distance S_1 from rest down the slope making an angle θ to the horizontal, travels a distance S_2 along a horizontal section at same journey compresses the spring x distance from its original length before coming to rest. If also the stiffness constant of the spring is k , by the applying concept of law of conservation of work and energy, derive the expression:

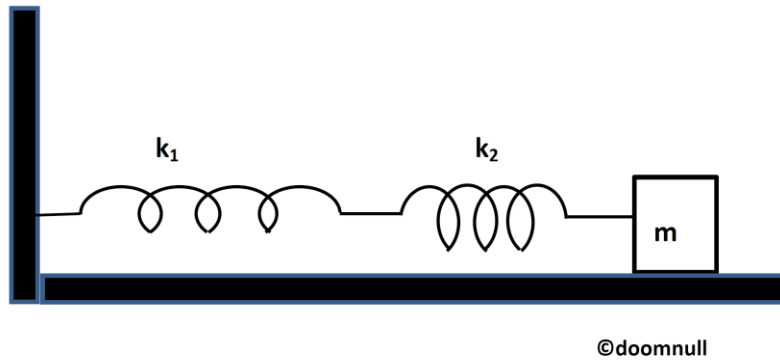
6.1.1 for the kinetic coefficient of friction μ between the box and the surface in terms of S_1 , S_2 , m , k , x and θ given that μ it the same for the whole trip, (8)

6.1.2 for $m = 3$ kg, $S_1 = 4$ m, $S_2 = 3$ m, $k = 10^6$ N/m, $x = 0.00651$ m and $\theta = 30^\circ$, calculate μ . (4)



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6.3



At equilibrium position neither of the springs with stiffness constants k_1 and k_2 respectively is stretched or compressed. The mass m is displaced x from equilibrium and then released from rest. Derive the expression

6.3.1 for the effective stiffness constant of the system k_{eff} in terms of k_1 and k_2 , (6)

6.3.2 for the acceleration of the system in terms of x , m , k_1 and k_2 , (4)

6.3.3 for the velocity of the amplitude A , x , m , k_1 and k_2 . (3)

6.4 If $m = 4.0 \text{ kg}$, $k_1 = 20 \text{ N/m}$, $k_2 = 30 \text{ N/m}$ and the mass is displaced $x = 0.05 \text{ m}$ from Equilibrium and then released from rest. Calculate:

6.4.1 its acceleration just after being released, (3)

6.4.2 its velocity as it passes the equilibrium point. (3)

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