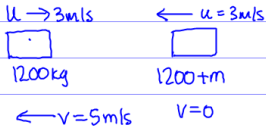


Mechanics I

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Q1



You have to assume that the unloaded wagon changes direction after the collision.

Using conservation of momentum

$$m_1 u_1 + m_2 u_2 = m_1 v_1 + m_2 v_2$$

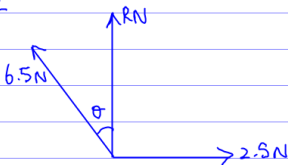
$$1200 \times 3 - 3(1200 + m) = 1200 \times (-5) + 0$$

$$\therefore 3m = 6000$$

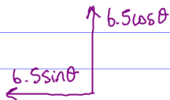
$$\therefore m = 2000 \text{ kg}$$

\* watch change of signs for opposite velocities

Q2



(i) Resolve the 6.5 N force into vertical & horizontal components



Equate horizontal components

$$6.5 \sin \theta = 2.5$$

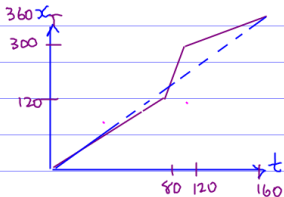
$$\therefore \theta = \sin^{-1} \left( \frac{2.5}{6.5} \right) = 22.6^\circ \text{ (3sf)}$$

(ii) Equate in vertical direction

$$R = 6.5 \cos \theta = 6 \text{ N.}$$

Alternatively as a right angle triangle  $R^2 + 2.5^2 = 6.5^2$

- Q3. (i) walks 120 m at 1.5 m/s  $\therefore t = \frac{120}{1.5} = 80$  seconds  
 runs 180 m at 4.5 m/s  $\therefore t = \frac{180}{4.5} = 40$  seconds  
 walks 60 m at 1.5 m/s  $\therefore t = \frac{60}{1.5} = 40$  seconds



line segments with same speed are parallel - same gradient

- (ii) the woman jogs the 360 m at constant speed in same time  
 so  $\frac{360}{160} = 2.25$  m/s

(iii) overtakes at intersection of lines

could do 2 ways (but not reading off graph for full marks)

$$\text{woman: distance} = 2.25t$$

$$\text{man } s = 120 + 4.5(t - 80) \text{ for 2nd segment.}$$

$$\text{equating and } t = 106 \frac{2}{3} \text{ seconds}$$

Q4.  $v = 2 \text{ m/s}$  for  $0 \leq t \leq 10$  note constant speed

$$v = 0.03t^2 - 0.3t + 2 \text{ for } t \geq 10$$

(i) displacement when  $t=10$

use constant speed =  $\frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}}$   $\therefore 2 = \frac{x}{10}$  so  $x = 20$  metres

(ii) when  $t \geq 10$  displacement by integrating  $v$  (must use  $+c$ )

$$x = 0.03 \frac{t^3}{3} - 0.3 \frac{t^2}{2} + 2t + c$$

when  $t=10$  we know  $x=20$  (i) so subs into above for  $c$  \*

$$\therefore x = 0.1 \times 1000 - 0.15 \times 100 + 2 \times 10 + c = 20$$

$$\therefore c = 5$$

$$\therefore x = 0.01t^3 - 0.15t^2 + 2t + 5.$$

show where  
the conditions  
to work out  $c$   
come from.

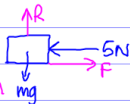
$$(iii) \quad \text{acceleration} = 0.6 \text{ m/s}^2 \quad a = \frac{dv}{dt}$$
$$\therefore \frac{dv}{dt} = 0.06t - 0.3$$

$$\text{equate } \therefore 0.06t - 0.3 = 0.6$$

$$\therefore t = \frac{0.9}{0.06} = 15 \text{ seconds}$$

$$\text{so when } t = 15 \text{ s, } x = 0.01(15)^3 - 0.15(15)^2 + 2(15) + 5$$
$$\therefore x = 35 \text{ metres from } 0.$$

Q5 (i) Note diagram relates to (ii)



$\mu = 0.2$  and  $F \leq \mu R$  for limiting friction

$$R = mg \text{ and } F = \mu mg = 0.2mg$$

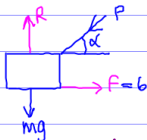
However because of equilibrium  $F = 5 \text{ N}$

$$\therefore 0.2mg = 5 \text{ so } m = 2.551 \text{ kg}$$

$mg = 25$  useful later

note  $P$  is pushing down on the block

(ii)



$$R = P \sin \alpha + mg \text{ for vertical components}$$

$$\text{and } F = P \cos \alpha \text{ for horizontal components}$$

resolve  $P$  into  $\uparrow$  and  $\leftrightarrow$  However  $F = 6 \text{ N}$  so  $P \cos \alpha = 6$  (1)

$$\text{and } F = \mu R \text{ gives } 0.2(P \sin \alpha + mg) = 6$$

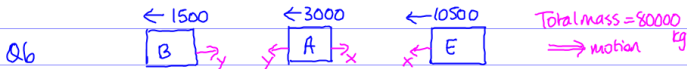
$$\therefore P \sin \alpha + mg = 30$$

But we know  $mg = 25$  (i) above  $\therefore P \sin \alpha = 5$  (2)

$$\text{From (1) and (2) } \frac{P \sin \alpha}{P \cos \alpha} = \frac{5}{6} \therefore \alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{5}{6}\right) = 39.8^\circ \text{ (3sf)}$$

$$\therefore P = 7.81 \text{ N}$$





(i) Say the force driving the train is D, then using  $F=ma \rightarrow$

$$D - 10500 - 3000 - 1500 = 80000 a$$

Resistive Forces

$$\therefore D - 15000 = 80000 a$$

so if  $D < 15000$  then  $a < 0$  so will be decelerating

(ii) If  $D = 35000$  N

$$35000 - 15000 = 80000 a$$

$$\therefore a = \frac{20000}{80000} = \frac{1}{4} = 0.25 \text{ m/s}^2$$

(iii)

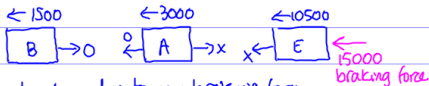
If  $X = 8500$  N when  $D = 35000$  N - consider forces on E alone

$$\therefore 35000 - 10500 - 8500 = m \times \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\therefore m = 16000 \times 4 = 64000 \text{ kg.}$$



(iv) the mass of B?



need to find new acceleration due to new braking force

$$\therefore -15000 - 15000 = 80000 a \quad \text{on whole train}$$

(braking) (resistive)

$$\therefore a = \frac{-30000}{80000} = -0.375 \text{ m/s}^2$$

expect deceleration because braking

now consider B alone:

$$-1500 = m \times (-0.375)$$

$$\therefore m = \frac{1500}{0.375} = 4000 \text{ kg}$$

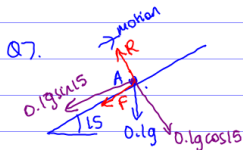
(v) to find new  $x$ , look at A say :  $M_A = 80000 - 64000 - 4000 = 12000$

$$\therefore x - 3000 = 12000 \times (-0.375)$$

$$x = 3000 - 4500 = -1500 \text{ N.}$$

Since we have a negative  $x$ , this implies our direction is wrong

so  $x$  is actually pushing into the back of the engine.



$$u = 6 \text{ m/s} \quad (i) \quad v = u + at$$

$$t = 1.5 \text{ seconds} \quad 0 = 6 + 1.5a$$

$$v = 0$$

$$\therefore a = \frac{-6}{1.5} = -4 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$\therefore R = 0.1g \cos 15$$

0.1 kg is mass

$$\text{and } -F - 0.1g \sin 15 = 0.1a \quad (F = ma)$$

0.1g N is weight.

$$\text{since } F = \mu R \quad \mu = \frac{F}{R} = 0.1546 = 0.155 \text{ (3sf)}$$

(ii) The particle will move back down if the force  $0.1g \sin 15$  is  $>$  friction.

So,  $R$  same, this time  $F$  is opposite direction to before if anticipating downwards motion.

$$\therefore 0.1g \sin 15 > \mu 0.1g \cos 15$$

$$\text{and } \mu < \tan 15$$

$$0.155 < 0.268 \text{ so moves downwards}$$

(iii) Speed back through A.

distance up to point where particle stops  $s = \frac{(u+v)}{2} t = \frac{1}{2}(6+0) \times 1.5$

$$\therefore s = 4.5 \text{ metres}$$

so coming back down, the component of gravity used for acceleration

$$0.1g \sin 15 - \mu 0.1g \cos 15 = 0.1a$$

$$\therefore a = 1.0728 \text{ m/s}^2.$$

so for  $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$

$$v^2 = 0^2 + 2 \times (1.0728) \times 4.5$$

$$\therefore v = 3.108 \text{ m/s}$$

$v = 3.11 \text{ m/s}$  on way down through A.

