

Sample Problem Set I Solutions

Two-Dimensional Motion and Vectors

ADDITIONAL PRACTICE C

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1. $\Delta x_1 = 250.0 \text{ m}$

$d_2 = 125.0 \text{ m}$

$\theta_2 = 120.0^\circ$

Solutions

$$\Delta x_2 = d_2(\cos \theta_2) = (125.0 \text{ m})(\cos 120.0^\circ) = -62.50 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta y_2 = d_2(\sin \theta_2) = (125.0 \text{ m})(\sin 120.0^\circ) = 108.3 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta x_{\text{tot}} = \Delta x_1 + \Delta x_2 = 250.0 \text{ m} - 62.50 \text{ m} = 187.5 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta y_{\text{tot}} = \Delta y_1 + \Delta y_2 = 0 \text{ m} + 108.3 \text{ m} = 108.3 \text{ m}$$

$$d = \sqrt{(\Delta x_{\text{tot}})^2 + (\Delta y_{\text{tot}})^2} = \sqrt{(187.5 \text{ m})^2 + (108.3 \text{ m})^2}$$

$$d = \sqrt{3.516 \times 10^4 \text{ m}^2 + 1.173 \times 10^4 \text{ m}^2} = \sqrt{4.689 \times 10^4 \text{ m}^2}$$

$$d = \boxed{216.5 \text{ m}}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\Delta y_{\text{tot}}}{\Delta x_{\text{tot}}}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{108.3 \text{ m}}{187.5 \text{ m}}\right) = \boxed{30.01^\circ \text{ north of east}}$$

2. $v = 3.53 \times 10^3 \text{ km/h}$

$\Delta t_1 = 20.0 \text{ s}$

$\Delta t_2 = 10.0 \text{ s}$

$\theta_1 = 15.0^\circ$

$\theta_2 = 35.0^\circ$

$$\Delta x_1 = v\Delta t_1(\cos \theta_1)$$

$$\Delta x_1 = (3.53 \times 10^3 \text{ km/h})\left(\frac{1 \text{ h}}{3600 \text{ s}}\right)(10^3 \text{ m/km})(20.0 \text{ s})(\cos 15.0^\circ) = 1.89 \times 10^4 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta y_1 = v\Delta t_1(\sin \theta_1)$$

$$\Delta y_1 = (3.53 \times 10^3 \text{ km/h})\left(\frac{1 \text{ h}}{3600 \text{ s}}\right)(10^3 \text{ m/km})(20.0 \text{ s})(\sin 15.0^\circ) = 5.08 \times 10^3 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta x_2 = v\Delta t_2(\cos \theta_2)$$

$$\Delta x_2 = (3.53 \times 10^3 \text{ km/h})\left(\frac{1 \text{ h}}{3600 \text{ s}}\right)(10^3 \text{ m/km})(10.0 \text{ s})(\cos 35.0^\circ) = 8.03 \times 10^3 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta y_2 = v\Delta t_2(\sin \theta_2)$$

$$\Delta y_2 = (3.53 \times 10^3 \text{ km/h})\left(\frac{1 \text{ h}}{3600 \text{ s}}\right)(10^3 \text{ m/km})(10.0 \text{ s})(\sin 35.0^\circ) = 5.62 \times 10^3 \text{ m}$$

$$\Delta y_{\text{tot}} = \Delta y_1 + \Delta y_2 = 5.08 \times 10^3 \text{ m} + 5.62 \times 10^3 \text{ m} = \boxed{1.07 \times 10^4 \text{ m}}$$

$$\Delta x_{\text{tot}} = \Delta x_1 + \Delta x_2 = 1.89 \times 10^4 \text{ m} + 8.03 \times 10^3 \text{ m} = \boxed{2.69 \times 10^4 \text{ m}}$$

$$d = \sqrt{(\Delta x_{\text{tot}})^2 + (\Delta y_{\text{tot}})^2} = \sqrt{(2.69 \times 10^4 \text{ m})^2 + (1.07 \times 10^4 \text{ m})^2}$$

$$d = \sqrt{7.24 \times 10^8 \text{ m}^2 + 1.11 \times 10^8 \text{ m}^2} = \sqrt{8.35 \times 10^8 \text{ m}^2}$$

$$d = \boxed{2.89 \times 10^4 \text{ m}}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\Delta y_{\text{tot}}}{\Delta x_{\text{tot}}}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1.07 \times 10^4 \text{ m}}{2.69 \times 10^4 \text{ m}}\right)$$

$$\theta = \boxed{21.7^\circ \text{ above the horizontal}}$$

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3. $\Delta x_1 + \Delta x_2 = 2.00 \times 10^2 \text{ m}$

$\Delta y_1 + \Delta y_2 = 0$

$\theta_1 = 30.0^\circ$

$\theta_2 = -45.0^\circ$

$v = 11.6 \text{ km/h}$

Solutions

$\Delta y_1 = d_1(\sin \theta_1) = -\Delta y_2 = -d_2(\sin \theta_2)$

$$d_1 = -d_2 \left(\frac{\sin \theta_2}{\sin \theta_1} \right) = -d_2 \left[\frac{\sin(-45.0^\circ)}{\sin 30.0^\circ} \right] = 1.41d_2$$

$\Delta x_1 = d_1(\cos \theta_1) = (1.41d_2)(\cos 30.0^\circ) = 1.22d_2$

$\Delta x_2 = d_2(\cos \theta_2) = d_2[\cos(-45.0^\circ)] = 0.707d_2$

$\Delta x_1 + \Delta x_2 = d_2(1.22 + 0.707) = 1.93d_2 = 2.00 \times 10^2 \text{ m}$

$d_2 = \boxed{104 \text{ m}}$

$d_1 = (1.41)d_2 = (1.41)(104 \text{ m}) = \boxed{147 \text{ m}}$

$$v = 11.6 \text{ km/h} = (11.6 \text{ km/h}) \left(\frac{1 \text{ h}}{3600 \text{ s}} \right) (10^3 \text{ m/km}) = 3.22 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\Delta t_1 = \frac{d_1}{v} = \left(\frac{147 \text{ m}}{3.22 \text{ m/s}} \right) = 45.7 \text{ s}$$

$$\Delta t_2 = \frac{d_2}{v} = \left(\frac{104 \text{ m}}{3.22 \text{ m/s}} \right) = 32.3 \text{ s}$$

$\Delta t_{\text{tot}} = \Delta t_1 + \Delta t_2 = 45.7 \text{ s} + 32.3 \text{ s} = \boxed{78.0 \text{ s}}$

4. $v = 925 \text{ km/h}$

$\Delta t_1 = 1.50 \text{ h}$

$\Delta t_2 = 2.00 \text{ h}$

$\theta_2 = 135^\circ$

$d_1 = v\Delta t_1 = (925 \text{ km/h})(10^3 \text{ m/km})(1.50 \text{ h}) = 1.39 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$

$d_2 = v\Delta t_2 = (925 \text{ km/h})(10^3 \text{ m/km})(2.00 \text{ h}) = 1.85 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$

$\Delta x_1 = d_1 = 1.39 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$

$\Delta y_1 = 0 \text{ m}$

$\Delta x_2 = d_2(\cos \theta_2) = (1.85 \times 10^6 \text{ m})(\cos 135^\circ) = -1.31 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$

$\Delta y_2 = d_2(\sin \theta_2) = (1.85 \times 10^6 \text{ m})(\sin 135^\circ) = 1.31 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$

$\Delta x_{\text{tot}} = \Delta x_1 + \Delta x_2 = 1.39 \times 10^6 \text{ m} + (-1.31 \times 10^6 \text{ m}) = 0.08 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$

$\Delta y_{\text{tot}} = \Delta y_1 + \Delta y_2 = 0 \text{ m} + 1.31 \times 10^6 \text{ m} = 1.31 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$

$$d = \sqrt{(\Delta x_{\text{tot}})^2 + (\Delta y_{\text{tot}})^2} = \sqrt{(0.08 \times 10^6 \text{ m})^2 + (1.31 \times 10^6 \text{ m})^2}$$

$$d = \sqrt{6 \times 10^9 \text{ m}^2 + 1.72 \times 10^{12} \text{ m}^2} = \sqrt{1.73 \times 10^{12} \text{ m}^2}$$

$d = \boxed{1.32 \times 10^6 \text{ m} = 1.32 \times 10^3 \text{ km}}$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\Delta y_{\text{tot}}}{\Delta x_{\text{tot}}} \right) = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{1.31 \times 10^6 \text{ m}}{0.08 \times 10^6 \text{ m}} \right) = 86.5^\circ = 90.0^\circ - 3.5^\circ$$

$\theta = \boxed{3.5^\circ \text{ east of north}}$

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5. $v = 57.2 \text{ km/h}$

$\Delta t_1 = 2.50 \text{ h}$

$\Delta t_2 = 1.50 \text{ h}$

$\theta_2 = 30.0^\circ$

Solutions

$d_1 = v\Delta t_1 = (57.2 \text{ km/h})(2.50 \text{ h}) = 143 \text{ km}$

$d_2 = v\Delta t_2 = (57.2 \text{ km/h})(1.50 \text{ h}) = 85.8 \text{ km}$

$\Delta x_{\text{tot}} = d_1 + d_2(\cos \theta_2) = 143 \text{ km} + (85.8 \text{ km})(\cos 30.0^\circ) = 143 \text{ km} + 74.3 \text{ km} = 217 \text{ km}$

$\Delta y_{\text{tot}} = d_2(\sin \theta_2) = (85.8 \text{ km})(\sin 30.0^\circ) = 42.9 \text{ km}$

$d = \sqrt{(\Delta x_{\text{tot}})^2 + (\Delta y_{\text{tot}})^2} = \sqrt{(217 \text{ km})^2 + (42.9 \text{ km})^2}$

$d = \sqrt{4.71 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2 + 1.84 \times 10^3 \text{ km}^2} = \sqrt{4.89 \times 10^4 \text{ km}^2}$

$d = \boxed{221 \text{ km}}$

$\theta = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{\Delta y_{\text{tot}}}{\Delta x_{\text{tot}}}\right) = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{42.9 \text{ km}}{217 \text{ km}}\right) = \boxed{11.2^\circ \text{ north of east}}$

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Problem C**ADDING VECTORS ALGEBRAICALLY****PROBLEM**

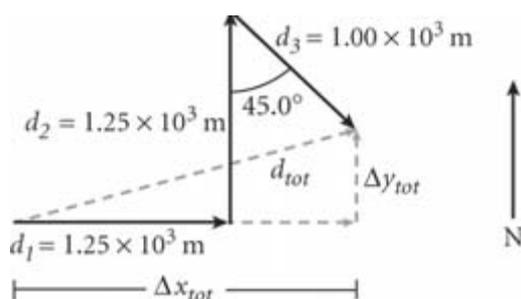
The record for the longest nonstop closed-circuit flight by a model airplane was set in Italy in 1986. The plane flew a total distance of 1239 km. Assume that at some point the plane traveled 1.25×10^3 m to the east, then 1.25×10^3 m to the north, and finally 1.00×10^3 m to the southeast. Calculate the total displacement for this portion of the flight.

SOLUTION**1. DEFINE**

Given: $d_1 = 1.25 \times 10^3$ m $d_2 = 1.25 \times 10^3$ m $d_3 = 1.00 \times 10^3$ m

Unknown: $\Delta x_{tot} = ?$ $\Delta y_{tot} = ?$ $d = ?$ $\theta = ?$

Diagram:



2. PLAN Choose the equation(s) or situation: Orient the displacements with respect to the x -axis of the coordinate system.

$$\theta_1 = 0.00^\circ \qquad \theta_2 = 90.0^\circ \qquad \theta_3 = -45.0^\circ$$

Use this information to calculate the components of the total displacement along the x -axis and the y -axis.

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta x_{tot} &= \Delta x_1 + \Delta x_2 + \Delta x_3 \\ &= d_1(\cos \theta_1) + d_2(\cos \theta_2) + d_3(\cos \theta_3) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta y_{tot} &= \Delta y_1 + \Delta y_2 + \Delta y_3 \\ &= d_1(\sin \theta_1) + d_2(\sin \theta_2) + d_3(\sin \theta_3) \end{aligned}$$

Use the components of the total displacement, the Pythagorean theorem, and the tangent function to calculate the total displacement.

$$d = \sqrt{(\Delta x_{tot})^2 + (\Delta y_{tot})^2} \qquad \theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{\Delta y_{tot}}{\Delta x_{tot}} \right)$$

3. CALCULATE Substitute the values into the equation(s) and solve:

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta x_{tot} &= (1.25 \times 10^3 \text{ m})(\cos 0^\circ) + (1.25 \times 10^3 \text{ m})(\cos 90.0^\circ) \\ &\quad + (1.00 \times 10^3 \text{ m})[\cos (-45.0^\circ)] \\ &= 1.25 \times 10^3 \text{ m} + 7.07 \times 10^2 \text{ m} \\ &= 1.96 \times 10^3 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta y_{tot} &= (1.25 \times 10^3 \text{ m})(\sin 0^\circ) + (1.25 \times 10^3 \text{ m})(\sin 90.0^\circ) \\ &\quad + (1.00 \times 10^3 \text{ m})[\sin (-45.0^\circ)] \\ &= 1.25 \times 10^3 \text{ m} + 7.07 \times 10^2 \text{ m} \\ &= 0.543 \times 10^3 \text{ m} \end{aligned}$$

$$d = \sqrt{(1.96 \times 10^3 \text{ m})^2 + (0.543 \times 10^3 \text{ m})^2}$$

$$d = \sqrt{3.84 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^2 + 2.95 \times 10^5 \text{ m}^2} = \sqrt{4.14 \times 10^6 \text{ m}^2}$$

$$d = 2.03 \times 10^3 \text{ m}$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{0.543 \times 10^3 \text{ m}}{1.96 \times 10^3 \text{ m}} \right)$$

$$\theta = 15.5^\circ \text{ north of east}$$

4. **EVALUATE** The magnitude of the total displacement is slightly larger than that of the total displacement in the eastern direction alone.

ADDITIONAL PRACTICE

- For six weeks in 1992, Akira Matsushima, from Japan, rode a unicycle more than 3000 mi across the United States. Suppose Matsushima is riding through a city. If he travels 250.0 m east on one street, then turns counterclockwise through a 120.0° angle and proceeds 125.0 m northwest along a diagonal street, what is his resultant displacement?
- In 1976, the Lockheed SR-71A *Blackbird* set the record speed for any airplane: 3.53×10^3 km/h. Suppose you observe this plane ascending at this speed. For 20.0 s, it flies at an angle of 15.0° above the horizontal, then for another 10.0 s its angle of ascent is increased to 35.0° . Calculate the plane's total gain in altitude, its total horizontal displacement, and its resultant displacement.
- Magnor Mydland of Norway constructed a motorcycle with a wheelbase of about 12 cm. The tiny vehicle could be ridden at a maximum speed of 11.6 km/h. Suppose this tiny motorcycle travels in the directions d_1 and d_2 , where d_1 is 30° with the horizontal (upward and right) and d_2 is 45° with the vertical (down and to the right). Calculate d_1 and d_2 , and determine how long it takes the motorcycle to reach a net displacement of 2.0×10^2 to the right.
- The fastest propeller-driven aircraft is the Russian TU-95/142, which can reach a maximum speed of 925 km/h. For this speed, calculate the plane's resultant displacement if it travels east for 1.50 h, then turns 135° north-west and travels for 2.00 h.
- In 1952, the ocean liner *United States* crossed the Atlantic Ocean in less than four days, setting the world record for commercial ocean-going vessels. The average speed for the trip was 57.2 km/h. Suppose the ship moves in a straight line eastward at this speed for 2.50 h. Then, due to a strong local current, the ship's course begins to deviate northward by 30.0° , and the ship follows the new course at the same speed for another 1.50 h. Find the resultant displacement for the 4.00 h period.