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PHYS1120 Summer 2025

## Show all work for credit! Due Date: Friday, 11 July

- 1. Vector  $\vec{A}$  has magnitude  $|\vec{A}| = 8$  and makes an angle of  $225^{\circ}$  CCW to the +x-axis. Vector  $\vec{B}$  can be represented as  $\langle 5, -12 \rangle$ .
  - (a) Sketch and label vectors  $\vec{A}$  and  $\vec{B}$  on an xy-plane.
  - (b) Write, in component form, vector  $\vec{A}$ .
  - (c) Calculate the magnitude and direction of vector  $\vec{B}$ .
  - (d) Calculate the vector sum  $\vec{A} + \vec{B}$ . Express your answer as a magnitude and direction.
- 2. A 100 g aluminum cup ( $c = 900 \text{ J} / \text{kg }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) is initially at room temperature (68 °F) and is filled with 200 grams of water. A hot copper sphere ( $c = 387 \text{ J} / \text{kg }^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) with mass  $m_{\text{copper}} = 100 \text{ g}$  and temperature 500 °F is then submerged.
  - (a) Convert all initial temperatures from Fahrenheit to Celsius.
  - (b) Calculate the final temperature (in Celsius) of the system after thermal equilibrium has been achieved.
- 3. An astronaut is stranded in low-Earth orbit. Because of the lack of atmosphere, the astronaut only loses heat through thermal radiation.
  - (a) Assuming the astronaut is at body temperature and has a surface area of  $\sim 1 \text{ m}^2$ , calculate the heat lost through thermal radiation.
  - (b) The Sun has a radius  $R_{\odot} = 6.957 \times 10^8$  m and temperature T = 5780 K. Calculate the power radiated by the Sun. Use an emissivity e = 1.
  - (c) Use your answer from part (b) to calculate the intensity of Sunlight at the Earth. The Sun's luminosity is equally distributed across the surface area of a sphere of radius r a distance r from the Sun. The Earth's distance from the Sun is approximately  $1.50 \times 10^{11}$  m.
  - (d) Convert the intensity of Sunlight to the Power received by the astronaut, with surface-area  $A=1~\mathrm{m}^2$ .
  - (e) Will the astronaut heat up or cool down? Why?
- 4. A 5 kg block oscillates on a spring with spring constant k = 10 N/m. The amplitude of the oscillations is measured to be A = 10 cm.
  - (a) Calculate the angular frequency of oscillations.
  - (b) Calculate the period of oscillations.

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- (c) Calculate the speed of the block as it passes through the equilibrium point.
- (d) At what displacement from the equilibrium position will the block move with speed  $0.05 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ ?
- 5. A message in a bottle floats in the ocean. The distance between wave crests in the ocean are observed to be 5 m apart and the bottle bobs every 10 s. What is the speed of the ocean waves?
- 6. Find the temperature x where  $x \, {}^{\circ}\mathbf{F} = x \, {}^{\circ}\mathbf{C}$ . Find also the temperature  $y \, {}^{\circ}\mathbf{F} = y \, \mathbf{K}$ .

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Answer key: (1a) ...; (1b) \vec{A} = \langle -5.66, -5.66 \rangle; (1c) |\vec{B}| = 13, \theta_B = 292.6°; (1d) |\vec{A} + \vec{B}| = 17.67 @ 267°; (2a) T_{i,Al} = 20°C, T_{i,water} = 20°C, T_{i,Cu} = 260°C; (2b) |\vec{T}_f| = 29.6°C; (3a) 524 W; (3b) 3.85 \times 10^{26} W; (3c) 1360 W m<sup>-2</sup>; (3d) 1360 W; (3e) Heat up; (4a) 1.41 rad s<sup>-1</sup>; (4b) 0.113 s; (4c) 0.141 m s<sup>-1</sup>; (4d) 9.35 cm; (5) 0.50 m s<sup>-1</sup>; (6)-40 °F = -40 °C, 574.6 °F = 574.6 K
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How many hours (approximately) did it take you to complete this assignment?