

Arts & Science 2D06

Quiz #4 2013 Nov 21

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NB: Mark values are given in brackets [] beside each problem. Write all your answers on the quiz paper. No books or notes allowed. Time to write quiz: 50 minutes.

Rotational K.E. = $(1/2)I\omega^2$

Elastic collisions, target m_2 stationary: $v_1 = \frac{(m_1 - m_2)}{(m_1 + m_2)}u_1$, $v_2 = \frac{2m_1}{(m_1 + m_2)}u_1$

Gamma factor: $\gamma = (1 - v^2/c^2)^{-1/2}$ Momentum: $p = \gamma mv$

Lorentz transformation: $x' = \gamma(x - vt)$, $t' = \gamma(t - \frac{v}{c^2}x)$.

Velocity addition: $u' = \frac{(u-v)}{(1-uv/c^2)}$ Mass of proton = 1.67×10^{-27} kg

Rest-mass Energy: $E = mc^2$ Kinetic energy: $K = (\gamma - 1)mc^2$

Speed of light: 3×10^8 m/s 1 light-year = distance traveled by light in one year

1. [3] Identical forces act for the same length of time on two different masses. The change in momentum of the smaller mass is:

- a) smaller than the change in momentum of the larger mass, but not zero.
- b) larger than the change in momentum of the larger mass.
- c) equal to the change in momentum of the larger mass.
- d) zero.

2. [2] What is the quantity used to measure an object's resistance to changes in rotational motion?

- a) mass
- b) moment of inertia
- c) angular velocity
- d) angular acceleration

3. [5] Suppose that the kinetic energy of a proton in a particle accelerator is 80% of its total energy. What is the momentum of this proton?

4. [5] A 4.0-kg mass and a 9.0-kg mass are being held at rest against a compressed spring, with one mass on each end, on a frictionless surface. When the masses are released, the 4.0-kg mass moves to the right with a speed of 2.0 m/s. What is the velocity of the 9.0-kg mass after the masses are released?

5. [5] One 20-year-old twin sister takes a space trip with a speed of $0.80c$ for 30 years according to a clock on the spaceship. Upon returning to the Earth, what is her own age and the age of the Earth-based twin sister? (Ignore all accelerations and decelerations.)

[20] total marks