Physics 200 Practice Final (Sketchy, as in outlined) Solution

I. (i) In time t the heater will have provided energy $Q_{\text{heater}} = Pt$, where P is the power. We first compare this to the amount of energy needed to get the water to the boiling point (the symbols should be relativity self-explanatory; we will keep all the quantities positive here):

 $Q_{\text{boil}} = (m_{\text{Al}}c_{\text{Al}} + m_{\text{water}}c_{\text{water}})\Delta T_{\text{boil}},$

which turns out to be larger than Q_{heater} . So the water will not boil, and we can find the final temperature with

$$T = T_0 + \Delta T = T_0 + \frac{Q_{\text{heater}}}{m_{\text{Al}}c_{\text{Al}} + m_{\text{water}}c_{\text{water}}}.$$

Let the denominator be α for the next part.

(ii) It's clear this time that the water will not get to the boiling point. Let R be the rate of rain, so that the amount of rainfall is Rt, and let T' be the final temperature with the rain mixed in. Then

$$\alpha(T'-T) + (Rt)c_{\text{water}}(T'-T_{\text{rain}}) = 0,$$

which gives

$$T' = \frac{\alpha T + Rtc_{\text{water}}T_{\text{rain}}}{\alpha + Rtc_{\text{water}}}.$$

II. Let m stand for the main pipe and v for the venturi. Then Bernoulli's equation tells us

$$\Delta P = \frac{1}{2}\rho(v_v^2 - v_m^2),$$

and by flow conservation we know $v_v = 4v_m$, so that

$$v_v^2 - v_m^2 = v_m^2 \left[\left(\frac{v_v}{v_m} \right)^2 - 1 \right] = 15v_m^2.$$

Therefore

$$\rho = \frac{2\Delta P}{v_v^2 - v_m^2} = \frac{2\Delta P}{15v_m^2}.$$

III. (i) From the adiabatic relation

$$P_B = P_A \left(\frac{V_A}{V_B}\right)^{\gamma} = \frac{P_A}{3^{\gamma}}.$$

(ii) Because the path CA is an isotherm, PV stays constant. therefore

$$P_C = P_A \frac{V_A}{V_C} = \frac{P_A}{3}.$$

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$$\begin{split} W_{AB} &= \frac{P_A V_A - P_B V_B}{\gamma - 1}, \\ W_{BC} &= 0, \\ W_{CA} &= P_A V_A \ln \frac{V_A}{V_C}, \end{split}$$

so the total work done is $W = W_{AB} + W_{CA}$. Note that when you plug in numbers the total work done is negative. This means that that this cycle represents a refrigerator not an engine.

- (iv) Since we complete an entire cycle, the net energy change is zero and the heat input is equal to the work done: Q = W.
- IV. Since only one end is fixed, the allowed modes must fit an odd number of quarter-wavelengths in the length of the string. So the first three modes are $L = \lambda/4$, $3\lambda/4$, $5\lambda/4$:



The frequency is inversely proportional to wavelength, so the two higher frequencies are $3f_0$ and $5f_0$.

V. (i) Initially all the energy is stored as potential energy in the spring, so

$$E = \frac{1}{2}kx_i^2.$$

(ii) Using the conservation of energy

$$E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + \frac{1}{2}kx^2 \implies v = \sqrt{\frac{2E - kx^2}{m}}$$

where x = 10cm.

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$$\mu_k = \frac{E}{mg(\Delta x)}$$

where $\Delta x = 15cm$.

VI. This is simply

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{\mu g y}{\mu}} = \sqrt{g y}.$$

- VII. Please see the solutions to Problem Set 6, question 10. Note that the numbers are somewhat different here.
- VIII. Please see the solutions to Problem Set 7, question 4.
- IX. Please see the solutions to Problem Set 7, question 9.
- X. Take the length of the vine to be ℓ and the distance across the gorge to be d. The total heigh, h Tarzan will be off the ground when he arrives at the other side of the gorge is

$$h = \ell - \sqrt{\ell^2 - d^2}.$$

To reach this height, we can use conservation of energy to see that he must start out with a minimum velocity given by

$$v = \sqrt{2gh}.$$

Tarzan and the rope are moving in a circle, so the tension is given by

$$T = m \frac{v^2}{\ell} + mg$$

where m is the mass of Tarzan.

XI. Angular momentum is conserved because the sum of the external torques is zero. This means that

$$I_i\omega_i = I_f\omega_f \implies \omega_f = \omega_i \ \frac{MR^2}{MR^2 + mr^2}$$

where M and R go with the initial mass and m and r correspond to the second smaller mass. The initial kinetic energy is $K_i = \frac{1}{2}I_i\omega_i^2$, and similarly for the final kinetic energy. The fraction of kinetic energy lost is

$$1 - \frac{K_f}{K_i} = 1 - \left(\frac{\omega_f}{\omega_i}\right)^2 \frac{I_f}{I_i}.$$

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