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Instructions:

- Do your own work.
- Answer the questions below in the space provided.
- Make sure you show all your work and any equations that you use.
- Please place a box around your answers.
- Remember to give the correct units with all numerical answers

Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
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PHYSICAL QUANTITY	SYMBOL	UNITS
Mass	M (or m)	kg
Radius	r	m
Time	t	s
Weight	W	$kg\ m/s^2$

1. The weight of an object due to the Earth's gravity is expressed: $W = \frac{GMm}{r^2}$, where G is known as the *Universal Gravitational Constant* (or just *Gravitational Constant*). Using the information in the table above, find the units on G . **(Week 1 Discussion 1-2)**

This is a problem of dimensional analysis:

First, write out the expression $W = \frac{GMm}{r^2}$ as $[W] = \frac{[G][M][m]}{[r^2]}$, which denotes that we are going to work with the units of each of these quantities. Now substitute the appropriate units:

$[W] = \frac{[G][M][m]}{[r^2]}$ becomes $kg\ \frac{m}{s^2} = \frac{[G](kg)(kg)}{m^2} = \frac{[G](kg^2)}{m^2}$. Now perform the algebra to find $[G]$:

$$kg\ \frac{m}{s^2} = \frac{[G](kg^2)}{m^2}$$

$$\frac{kg\ m(m^2)}{kg^2\ s^2} = [G]$$

$$\frac{m^3}{kg\ s^2} = [G]$$

Answer: 5 pts

2. You are on a hike through the woods. The table below describes the path you took.

STEP	DIRECTION	DISTANCE
1	West	3 km
2	North	2 km
3	30° south-of-east	4 km

Set up a coordinate system, with $(0\text{ km}, 0\text{ km})$ your starting point (let the $+x$ -axis be East and the $+y$ -axis be North). **(Week 2 Discussion 2-2)**

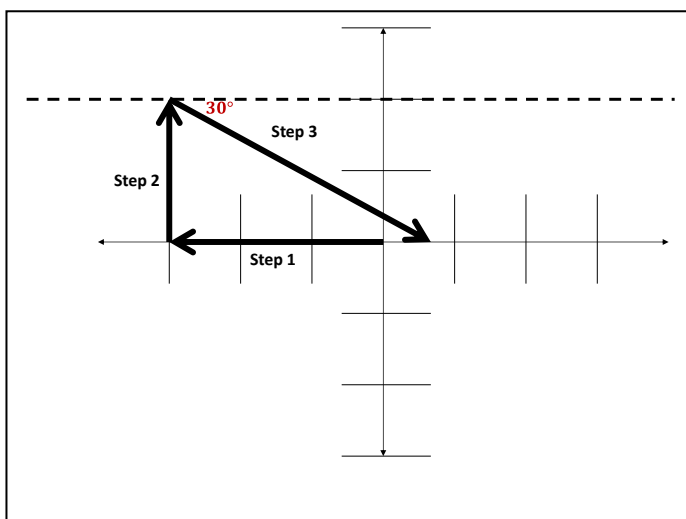
Diagram: 2 pts

Coordinates: 2 pts.

Distance: 1 pt.

- Draw your path through the woods in the space below.
- What are the coordinates of your final location? **$(0.46\text{ km}, 0\text{ km})$**
- How far from the starting point $(0\text{ km}, 0\text{ km})$ do you finish? **0.46 km East**

To solve this problem we first need a coordinate system. Then we can plot our vectors on that coordinate system:



Components:

- $(-3\text{ km}, 0\text{ km})$**
- $(0\text{ km}, 2\text{ km})$**
- $(4\text{ km} \times \cos 30^\circ, -4\text{ km} \times \sin 30^\circ) = (3.46\text{ km}, -2\text{ km})$**

Final vector: Components

$$v_{final} = (-3\text{ km} + 3.46\text{ km}, 2\text{ km} - 2\text{ km})$$

$$v_{final} = (0.46\text{ km}, 0\text{ km})$$

3. You have a bag which contains 2 types of coins: dimes (\$0.10) and nickels (\$0.05).

The bag: **(Week 1 Discussion 1-3)**

- Contains 10 coins.
- Has a total value: \$0.95.

How many dimes and nickels are in the bag?

Dimes:	Nickels:
9	1

Dimes: 1 pt.
Nickels: 1 pt.
Algebra: 3 pt.

This is a problem of two equations in two unknowns:
Let n be the number of nickels and d be the number of dimes.

$$n + d = 10 \text{ multiply through by 5}$$

$$\$0.05 n + \$0.10 d = \$0.90 \text{ multiply through by 100}$$

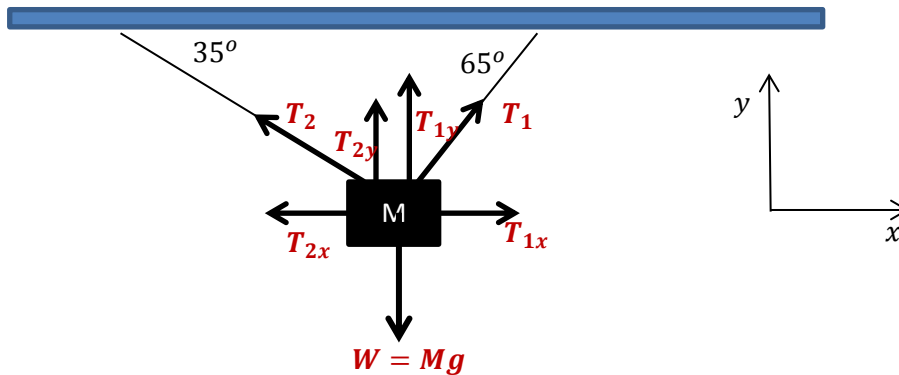
$$\begin{array}{r} 5n + 5d = 50 \\ (-) 5n + 10d = 95 \\ \hline -5d = -45 \end{array}$$

$$d = 9, \text{ after dividing both sides by 5.}$$

Now use the equation:

$$n + d = 10 \text{ and substitute for } d \rightarrow n = 10 - 9 = 1.$$

4. A block hangs from the ceiling as shown in the diagram: **(Lecture 2)**



- a. The block is in *equilibrium*. What does this mean?

If the block is in equilibrium, it experiences no net acceleration.

Definition: 2 pts.

- b. On the diagram above, draw all of the forces vectors *and* their components. Remember to label all of your vectors.

Vectors: 3 pts.