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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.

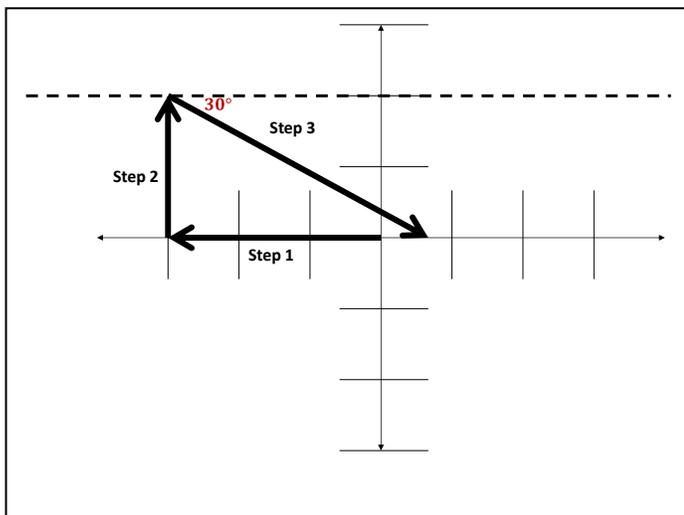
STEP	DIRECTION	DISTANCE
1	West	3 km
2	North	2 km
3	30° south-of-east	4 km

Set up a coordinate system, with (0 km, 0 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.

- i. Draw your path through the woods in the space below.
- ii. What are the coordinates of your final location? **(0.46 km, 0 km)**
- iii. How far from the starting point (0 km, 0 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:**

- 1:  $(-3 \text{ km}, 0 \text{ km})$
- 2:  $(0 \text{ km}, 2 \text{ km})$
- 3:  $(4 \text{ km} \times \cos 30^\circ, -4 \text{ km} \times \sin 30^\circ) = (3.46 \text{ km}, -2 \text{ km})$

**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)**

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

How many dimes and nickels are in the bag?

Dimes:	Nickels:
<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>

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.**

$n + d = 10$  multiply through by 5  
 $\$0.05 n + \$0.10 d = \$0.90$  multiply through by 100

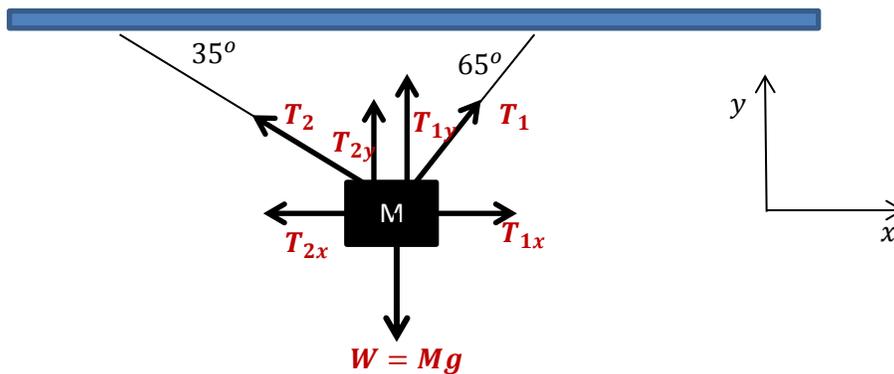
$$\begin{array}{r} 5n + 5d = 50 \\ (-) 5n + 10d = 95 \\ \hline -5d = -45 \end{array}$$

$d = 9$ , after dividing both sides by 5.

**Now use the equation:**

$n + d = 10$  and substitute for  $d$ -- $n = 10 - 9 = 1$ .

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.