

CHAPTER

5 FORCE AND MOTION—I

5-1 What is Physics?

We have seen that part of physics is a study of motion, including accelerations, which are changes in velocities. Physics is also a study of what can *cause* an object to accelerate. That cause is a **force**, which is, loosely speaking, a push or pull on the object. The force is said to *act* on the object to change its velocity. For example, when a dragster accelerates, a force from the track acts on the rear tires to cause the dragster's acceleration. When a defensive guard knocks down a quarterback, a force from the guard acts on the quarterback to cause the quarter-back's backward acceleration. When a car slams into a telephone pole, a force on the car from the pole causes the car to stop. Science, engineering, legal, and medical journals are filled with articles about forces on objects, including people.

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5-2 Newtonian Mechanics

The relation between a force and the acceleration it causes was first understood by Isaac Newton (1642–1727) and is the subject of this chapter. The study of that relation, as Newton presented it, is called *Newtonian mechanics*. We shall focus on its three primary laws of motion.

Newtonian mechanics does not apply to all situations. If the speeds of the interacting bodies are very large—an appreciable fraction of the speed of light—we must replace Newtonian mechanics with Einstein's special theory of relativity, which holds at any speed, including those near the speed of light. If the interacting bodies are on the scale of atomic structure (for example, they might be electrons in an atom), we must replace Newtonian mechanics with quantum mechanics. Physicists now view Newtonian mechanics as a special case of these two more comprehensive theories. Still, it is a very important special case because it applies to the motion of objects ranging in size from the very small (almost on the scale of atomic structure) to astronomical (galaxies and clusters of galaxies).

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5-3 Newton's First Law

Before Newton formulated his mechanics, it was thought that some influence, a “force,” was needed to keep a body moving at constant velocity. Similarly, a body was thought to be in its “natural state” when it was at rest. For a body to move with constant velocity, it seemingly had to be propelled in some way, by a push or a pull. Otherwise, it would “naturally” stop moving.

These ideas were reasonable. If you send a puck sliding across a wooden floor, it does indeed slow and then stop. If you want to make it move across the floor with constant velocity, you have to continuously pull or push it.

Send a puck sliding over the ice of a skating rink, however, and it goes a lot farther. You can imagine longer and more slippery surfaces, over which the puck would slide farther and farther. In the limit you can think of a long, extremely slippery surface (said to be a **frictionless surface**), over which the puck would hardly slow. (We can in fact come close to this situation by sending a puck sliding over a horizontal air table, across which it moves on a film of air.)

From these observations, we can conclude that a body will keep moving with constant velocity if no force acts on it. That leads us to the first of Newton's three laws of motion:



Newton's First Law: If no force acts on a body, the body's velocity cannot change; that is, the body cannot accelerate.

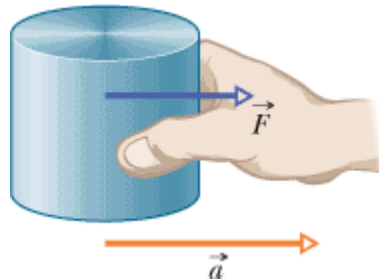
In other words, if the body is at rest, it stays at rest. If it is moving, it continues to move with the same velocity (same magnitude *and* same direction).


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5-4 Force

We now wish to define the unit of force. We know that a force can cause the acceleration of a body. Thus, we shall define the unit of force in terms of the acceleration that a force gives to a standard reference body, which we take to be the standard kilogram of Fig. 1-3. This body has been assigned, exactly and by definition, a mass of 1 kg.

We put the standard body on a horizontal frictionless table and pull the body to the right (Fig. 5-1) so that, by trial and error, it eventually experiences a measured acceleration of 1 m/s^2 . We then declare, as a matter of definition, that the force we are exerting on the standard body has a magnitude of 1 newton (abbreviated N).



 **Figure 5-1** A force \vec{F} on the standard kilogram gives that body an acceleration \vec{a} .

We can exert a 2 N force on our standard body by pulling it so that its measured acceleration is 2 m/s^2 , and so on. Thus in general, if our standard body of 1 kg mass has an acceleration of magnitude a , we know that a force F must be acting on it and that the magnitude of the force (in newtons) is equal to the magnitude of the acceleration (in meters per second per second).

Thus, a force is measured by the acceleration it produces. However, acceleration is a vector quantity, with both magnitude and direction. Is force also a vector quantity? We can easily assign a direction to a force (just assign the direction of the acceleration), but that is not sufficient. We must prove by experiment that forces are vector quantities. Actually, that has been done: forces are indeed vector quantities; they have magnitudes and directions, and they combine according to the vector rules of Chapter 3.

This means that when two or more forces act on a body, we can find their **net force**, or **resultant force**, by adding the individual forces vectorially. A single force that has the magnitude and direction of the net force has the same effect on the body as all the individual forces together. This fact is called the **principle of superposition for forces**. The world would be quite strange if, for example, you and a friend were to pull on the standard body in the same direction, each with a force of 1 N, and yet somehow the net pull was 14 N.

In this book, forces are most often represented with a vector symbol such as \vec{F} , and a net force is represented with the vector symbol \vec{F}_{net} . As with other vectors, a force or a net force can have components along coordinate axes. When forces act only

along a single axis, they are single-component forces. Then we can drop the overhead arrows on the force symbols and just use signs to indicate the directions of the forces along that axis.

Instead of the wording used in Section 5-3, the more proper statement of Newton's First Law is in terms of a *net* force:



Newton's First Law: If no *net* force acts on a body ($\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = 0$), the body's velocity cannot change; that is, the body cannot accelerate.

There may be multiple forces acting on a body, but if their net force is zero, the body cannot accelerate.

Inertial Reference Frames

Newton's first law is not true in all reference frames, but we can always find reference frames in which it (as well as the rest of Newtonian mechanics) is true. Such special frames are referred to as **inertial reference frames**, or simply **inertial frames**.



An inertial reference frame is one in which Newton's laws hold.

For example, we can assume that the ground is an inertial frame provided we can neglect Earth's astronomical motions (such as its rotation).

That assumption works well if, say, a puck is sent sliding along a *short* strip of frictionless ice—we would find that the puck's motion obeys Newton's laws. However, suppose the puck is sent sliding along a *long* ice strip extending from the north pole (Fig. 5-2a). If we view the puck from a stationary frame in space, the puck moves south along a simple straight line because Earth's rotation around the north pole merely slides the ice beneath the puck. However, if we view the puck from a point on the ground so that we rotate with Earth, the puck's path is not a simple straight line. Because the eastward speed of the ground beneath the puck is greater the farther south the puck slides, from our ground-based view the puck appears to be deflected westward (Fig. 5-2b). However, this apparent deflection is caused not by a force as required by Newton's laws but by the fact that we see the puck from a rotating frame. In this situation, the ground is a **noninertial frame**.

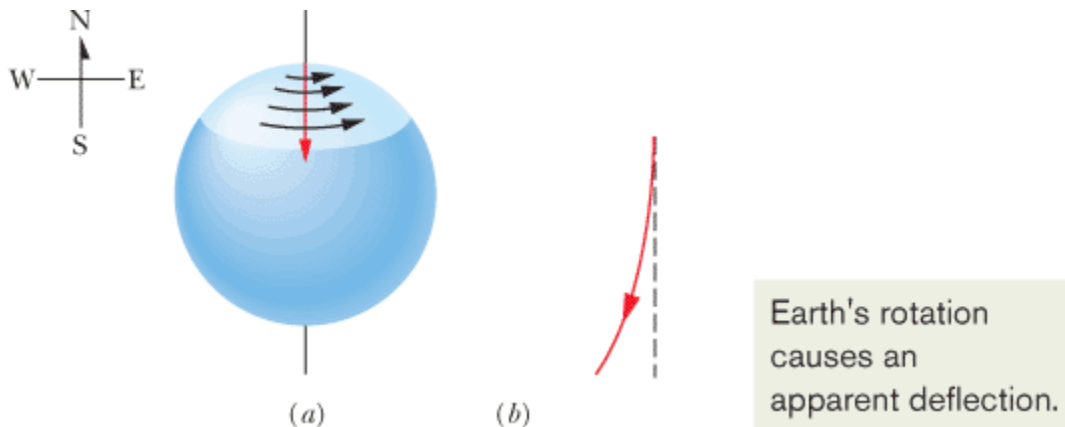


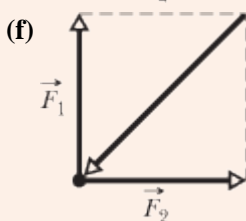
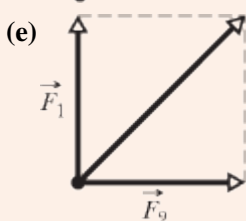
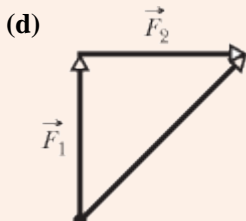
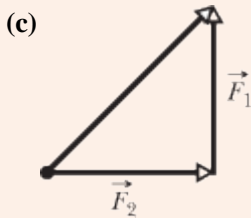
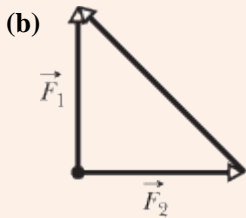
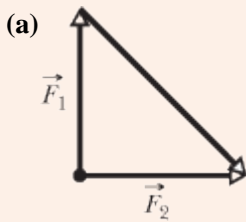
Figure 5-2(a) The path of a puck sliding from the north pole as seen from a stationary point in space. Earth rotates to the east. **(b)** The path of the puck as seen from the ground.

In this book we usually assume that the ground is an inertial frame and that measured forces and accelerations are from this frame. If measurements are made in, say, an elevator that is accelerating relative to the ground, then the measurements are being made in a noninertial frame and the results can be surprising.



CHECKPOINT 1

Which of the figure's six arrangements correctly show the vector addition of forces \vec{F}_1 and \vec{F}_2 to yield the third vector, which is meant to represent their net force \vec{F}_{net} ? Top of Form



5-5 Mass

Everyday experience tells us that a given force produces different magnitudes of acceleration for different bodies. Put a baseball and a bowling ball on the floor and give both the same sharp kick. Even if you don't actually do this, you know the result: The baseball receives a noticeably larger acceleration than the bowling ball. The two accelerations differ because the mass of the baseball differs from the mass of the bowling ball—but what, exactly, is mass?

We can explain how to measure mass by imagining a series of experiments in an inertial frame. In the first experiment we exert a force on a standard body, whose mass m_0 is defined to be 1.0 kg. Suppose that the standard body accelerates at 1.0 m/s^2 . We can then say the force on that body is 1.0 N.

We next apply that same force (we would need some way of being certain it is the same force) to a second body, body X , whose mass is not known. Suppose we find that this body X accelerates at 0.25 m/s^2 . We know that a *less massive* baseball receives a *greater acceleration* than a more massive bowling ball when the same force (kick) is applied to both. Let us then make the following conjecture: The ratio of the masses of two bodies is equal to the inverse of the ratio of their accelerations when the same force is applied to both. For body X and the standard body, this tells us that

$$\frac{m_x}{m_0} = \frac{a_0}{a_x}$$

Solving for m_x yields

$$m_x = m_0 \frac{a_0}{a_x} = (1.0 \text{ kg}) \frac{1.0 \text{ m/s}^2}{0.25 \text{ m/s}^2} = 4.0 \text{ kg}.$$

Our conjecture will be useful, of course, only if it continues to hold when we change the applied force to other values. For example, if we apply an 8.0 N force to the standard body, we obtain an acceleration of 8.0 m/s^2 . When the 8.0 N force is applied to body X , we obtain an acceleration of 2.0 m/s^2 . Our conjecture then gives us

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5-6 Newton's Second Law

All the definitions, experiments, and observations we have discussed so far can be summarized in one neat statement:



Newton's Second Law: The net force on a body is equal to the product of the body's mass and its acceleration.

In equation form,

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m\vec{a} \quad (\text{Newton's second law}).$$

(5-1)

This equation is simple, but we must use it cautiously. First, we must be certain about which body we are applying it to. Then \vec{F}_{net} must be the vector sum of *all* the forces that act on *that* body. Only forces that act on *that* body are to be included in the vector sum, not forces acting on other bodies that might be involved in the given situation. For example, if you are in a rugby scrum, the net force on *you* is the vector sum of all the pushes and pulls on *your* body. It does not include any push or pull on another player from you or from anyone else. Every time you work a force problem, your first step is to clearly state the body to which you are applying Newton's law.

Like other vector equations, Eq. 5-1 is equivalent to three component equations, one for each axis of an xyz coordinate system:

$$F_{\text{net},x} = ma_x, \quad F_{\text{net},y} = ma_y, \quad \text{and} \quad F_{\text{net},z} = ma_z. \quad (5-2)$$

Each of these equations relates the net force component along an axis to the acceleration along that same axis. For example, the first equation tells us that the sum of all the force components along the x axis causes the x component a_x of the body's acceleration, but causes no acceleration in the y and z directions. Turned around, the acceleration component a_x is caused only by the sum of the force components along the x axis. In general,



The acceleration component along a given axis is caused *only* by the sum of the force components along that *same* axis, and not by force components along any other axis.

Equation 5-1 tells us that if the net force on a body is zero, the body's acceleration $\vec{a} = 0$. If the body is at rest, it stays at rest; if it is moving, it continues to move at constant velocity. In such cases, any forces on the body *balance* one another, and both the forces and the body are said to be in *equilibrium*. Commonly, the forces are also said to *cancel* one another, but the term “cancel” is tricky. It does *not* mean that the forces cease to exist (canceling forces is not like canceling dinner reservations). The forces still act on the body.

For SI units, Eq. 5-1 tells us that

$$1 \text{ N} = (1 \text{ kg}) (1 \text{ m/s}^2) = 1 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m/s}^2. \quad (5-3)$$

Some force units in other systems of units are given in Table 5-1 and Appendix D.

Table 5-1 Units in Newton's Second Law (Eqs. 5-1 and 5-2)

System	Force	Mass	Acceleration
SI	newton (N)	kilogram (kg)	m/s^2
CGS ^a	dyne	gram (g)	cm/s^2
British ^b	pound (lb)	slug	ft/s^2

To solve problems with Newton's second law, we often draw a **free-body diagram** in which the only body shown is the one for which we are summing forces. A sketch of the body itself is preferred by some teachers but, to save space in these chapters, we shall usually represent the body with a dot. Also, each force on the body is drawn as a vector arrow with its tail on the body. A coordinate system is usually included, and the acceleration of the body is sometimes shown with a vector arrow (labeled as an acceleration).

A **system** consists of one or more bodies, and any force on the bodies inside the system from bodies outside the system is called an **external force**. If the bodies making up a system are rigidly connected to one another, we can treat the system as one composite body, and the net force \vec{F}_{net} on it is the vector sum of all external forces. (We do not include **internal forces**—that

is, forces between two bodies inside the system.) For example, a connected railroad engine and car form a system. If, say, a tow line pulls on the front of the engine, the force due to the tow line acts on the whole engine-car system. Just as for a single body, we can relate the net external force on a system to its acceleration with Newton's second law, $\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m\vec{a}$, where m is the total mass of the system.

CHECKPOINT 2

The figure here shows two horizontal forces acting on a block on a frictionless floor. If a third horizontal force \vec{F}_3 also acts on the block, what are the magnitude and direction of \vec{F}_3 when the block is (a) stationary and (b) moving to the left with a constant speed of 5 m/s?

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One- and two-dimensional forces, puck

Parts A, B, and C of Fig. 5-3 show three situations in which one or two forces act on a puck that moves over frictionless ice along an x axis, in one-dimensional motion. The puck's mass is $m = 0.20$ kg. Forces \vec{F}_1 and \vec{F}_2 are directed along the axis and have magnitudes $F_1 = 4.0$ N and $F_2 = 2.0$ N. Force \vec{F}_3 is directed at angle $\theta = 30^\circ$ and has magnitude $F_3 = 1.0$ N. In each situation, what is the acceleration of the puck?

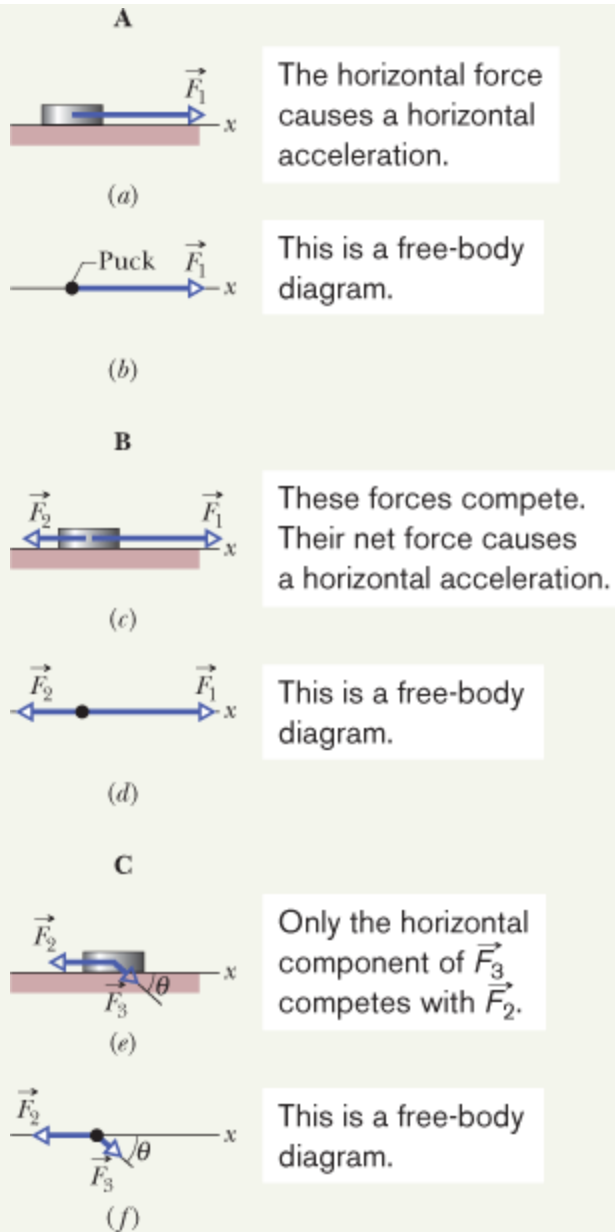


Figure 5-3 In three situations, forces act on a puck that moves along an x axis. Free-body diagrams are also shown.

KEY IDEA

In each situation we can relate the acceleration \vec{a} to the net force \vec{F}_{net} acting on the puck with Newton's second law, $\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m\vec{a}$. However, because the motion is along only the x axis, we can simplify each situation by writing the second law for x components only:

$$F_{\text{net},x} = ma_x. \quad (5-4)$$

The free-body diagrams for the three situations are also given in Fig. 5-3, with the puck represented by a dot.

Situation A: For Fig. 5-3b, where only one horizontal force acts, Eq. 5-4 gives us

$$F_1 = ma_x,$$

which, with given data, yields

$$a_x = \frac{F_1}{m} = \frac{4.0 \text{ N}}{0.20 \text{ kg}} = 20 \text{ m/s}^2. \quad (\text{Answer})$$

The positive answer indicates that the acceleration is in the positive direction of the x axis.

Situation B: In Fig. 5-3d, two horizontal forces act on the puck, \vec{F}_1 in the positive direction of x and \vec{F}_2 in the negative direction. Now Eq. 5-4 gives us

$$F_1 - F_2 = ma_x,$$

which, with given data, yields

$$a_x = \frac{F_1 - F_2}{m} = \frac{4.0 \text{ N} - 2.0 \text{ N}}{0.20 \text{ kg}} = 10 \text{ m/s}^2. \quad (\text{Answer})$$

Thus, the net force accelerates the puck in the positive direction of the x axis.

Situation C: In Fig. 5-3f, force \vec{F}_3 is not directed along the direction of the puck's acceleration; only x component $F_{3,x}$ is. (Force \vec{F}_3 is two-dimensional but the motion is only one-dimensional.) Thus, we write Eq. 5-4 as

$$F_{3,x} - F_2 = ma_x. \quad (5-5)$$

From the figure, we see that $F_{3,x} = F_3 \cos \theta$. Solving for the acceleration and substituting for $F_{3,x}$ yield

$$\begin{aligned} a_x &= \frac{F_{3,x} - F_2}{m} = \frac{F_3 \cos \theta - F_2}{m} \\ &= \frac{(1.0 \text{ N})(\cos 30^\circ) - 2.0 \text{ N}}{0.20 \text{ kg}} = -5.7 \text{ m/s}^2. \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Answer})$$

Thus, the net force accelerates the puck in the negative direction of the x axis.

Two-dimensional forces, cookie tin

In the overhead view of Fig. 5-4a, a 2.0 kg cookie tin is accelerated at 3.0 m/s^2 in the direction shown by \vec{a} , over a frictionless horizontal surface. The acceleration is caused by three horizontal forces, only two of which are shown: \vec{F}_1 of magnitude 10 N and \vec{F}_2 of magnitude 20 N. What is the third force \vec{F}_3 in unit-vector notation and in magnitude-angle notation?

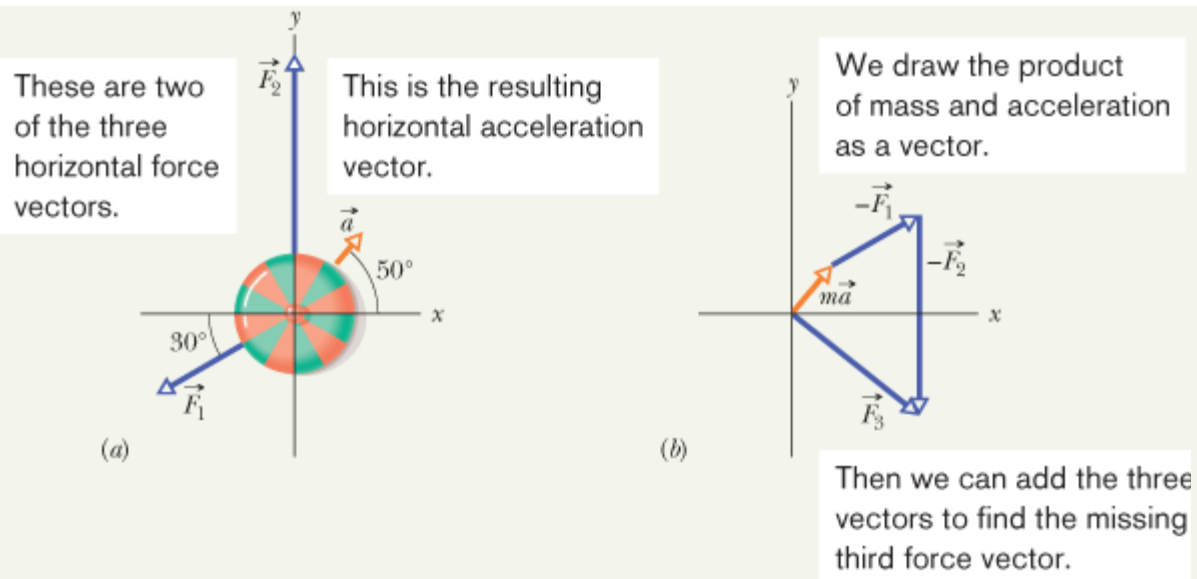


Figure 5-4(a) An overhead view of two of three horizontal forces that act on a cookie tin, resulting in acceleration \vec{a} . \vec{F}_3 is not shown. (b) An arrangement of vectors $m\vec{a}$, $-\vec{F}_1$, and $-\vec{F}_2$ to find force \vec{F}_3 .

KEY IDE A

The net force \vec{F}_{net} on the tin is the sum of the three forces and is related to the acceleration \vec{a} via Newton's second law ($\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m\vec{a}$). Thus,

$$\vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 + \vec{F}_3 = m\vec{a}, \quad (5-6)$$

which gives us

$$\vec{F}_3 = m\vec{a} - \vec{F}_1 - \vec{F}_2. \quad (5-7)$$

Calculations:

Because this is a two-dimensional problem, we *cannot* find \vec{F}_3 merely by substituting the magnitudes for the vector quantities on the right side of Eq. 5-7. Instead, we must vectorially add, $m\vec{a}$, $-\vec{F}_1$ (the reverse of \vec{F}_1), and $-\vec{F}_2$ (the reverse of \vec{F}_2), as shown in Fig. 5-4b. This addition can be done directly on a vector-capable calculator because we know both magnitude and angle for all three vectors. However, here we shall evaluate the right side of Eq. 5-7 in terms of components, first along the x axis and then along the y axis.

x components: Along the x axis we have

$$\begin{aligned} F_{3,x} &= ma_x - F_{1,x} - F_{2,x} \\ &= m(a \cos 50^\circ) - F_1 \cos(-150^\circ) - F_2 \cos 90^\circ. \end{aligned}$$

Then, substituting known data, we find

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_{3,x} &= (2.0 \text{ kg})(3.0 \text{ m/s}^2) \cos 50^\circ - (10 \text{ N}) \cos(-150^\circ) - (20 \text{ N}) \cos 90^\circ \\
 &= 12.5 \text{ N}.
 \end{aligned}$$

y components: Similarly, along the y axis we find

$$\begin{aligned}
 F_{3,y} &= ma_y - F_{1,y} - F_{2,y} \\
 &= m(a \sin 50^\circ) - F_1 \sin(-150^\circ) - F_2 \sin 90^\circ \\
 &= (2.0 \text{ kg})(3.0 \text{ m/s}^2) \sin 50^\circ - (10 \text{ N}) \sin(-150^\circ) - (20 \text{ N}) \sin 90^\circ \\
 &= -10.4 \text{ N}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Vector: In unit-vector notation, we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
 \vec{F}_3 &= F_{3,x}\hat{i} + F_{3,y}\hat{j} = (12.5 \text{ N})\hat{i} - (10.4 \text{ N})\hat{j} \\
 &\approx (13 \text{ N})\hat{i} - (10 \text{ N})\hat{j}
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{Answer}$$

We can now use a vector-capable calculator to get the magnitude and the angle of \vec{F}_3 . We can also use Eq. 3-6 to obtain the magnitude and the angle (from the positive direction of the x axis) as

$$F_3 = \sqrt{F_{3,x}^2 + F_{3,y}^2} = 16 \text{ N}$$

and

$$\theta = \tan^{-1} \frac{F_{3,y}}{F_{3,x}} = -40^\circ. \tag{Answer}$$

5-7 Some Particular Forces

The Gravitational Force

A **gravitational force** \vec{F}_g on a body is a certain type of pull that is directed toward a second body. In these early chapters, we do not discuss the nature of this force and usually consider situations in which the second body is Earth. Thus, when we speak of *the* gravitational force \vec{F}_g on a body, we usually mean a force that pulls on it directly toward the center of Earth—that is, directly down toward the ground. We shall assume that the ground is an inertial frame.

Suppose a body of mass m is in free fall with the free-fall acceleration of magnitude g . Then, if we neglect the effects of the air, the only force acting on the body is the gravitational force \vec{F}_g . We can relate this downward force and downward acceleration with Newton's second law ($\vec{F} = m\vec{a}$). We place a vertical y axis along the body's path, with the positive direction upward. For this axis, Newton's second law can be written in the form $F_{\text{net},y} = ma_y$, which, in our situation, becomes

$$-F_g = m(-g)$$

or

$$F_g = mg.$$

In words, the magnitude of the gravitational force is equal to the product mg .

This same gravitational force, with the same magnitude, still acts on the body even when the body is not in free fall but is, say, at rest on a pool table or moving across the table. (For the gravitational force to disappear, Earth would have to disappear.)

We can write Newton's second law for the gravitational force in these vector forms:

$$\vec{F}_g = -F_g \hat{j} = -mg \hat{j} = m \vec{g}, \quad (5-9)$$

where \hat{j} is the unit vector that points upward along a y axis, directly away from the ground, and \vec{g} is the free-fall acceleration (written as a vector), directed downward.

Weight

The **weight** W of a body is the magnitude of the net force required to prevent the body from falling freely, as measured by someone on the ground. For example, to keep a ball at rest in your hand while you stand on the ground, you must provide an upward force to balance the gravitational force on the ball from Earth. Suppose the magnitude of the gravitational force is 2.0 N. Then the magnitude of your upward force must be 2.0 N, and thus the weight W of the ball is 2.0 N. We also say that the ball *weighs* 2.0 N and speak about the ball *weighing* 2.0 N.

A ball with a weight of 3.0 N would require a greater force from you—namely, a 3.0 N force—to keep it at rest. The reason is that the gravitational force you must balance has a greater magnitude—namely, 3.0 N. We say that this second ball is *heavier* than the first ball.

Now let us generalize the situation. Consider a body that has an acceleration \vec{a} of zero relative to the ground, which we again assume to be an inertial frame. Two forces act on the body: a downward gravitational force \vec{F}_g and a balancing upward force of magnitude W . We can write Newton's second law for a vertical y axis, with the positive direction upward, as

$$F_{\text{net},y} = ma_y.$$

In our situation, this becomes

$$W - F_g = m(0) \quad (5-10)$$

or

$$W = F_g \quad (\text{weight with ground as inertial frame}). \quad (5-11)$$

This equation tells us (assuming the ground is an inertial frame) that



The weight W of a body is equal to the magnitude F_g of the gravitational force on the body.

Substituting mg for F_g from Eq. 5-8, we find

$$W = mg \quad (\text{weight}), \quad (5-12)$$

which relates a body's weight to its mass.

To *weigh* a body means to measure its weight. One way to do this is to place the body on one of the pans of an equal-arm balance (Fig. 5-5) and then place reference bodies (whose masses are known) on the other pan until we strike a balance (so that the gravitational forces on the two sides match). The masses on the pans then match, and we know the mass of the body. If we know the value of g for the location of the balance, we can also find the weight of the body with Eq. 5-12.

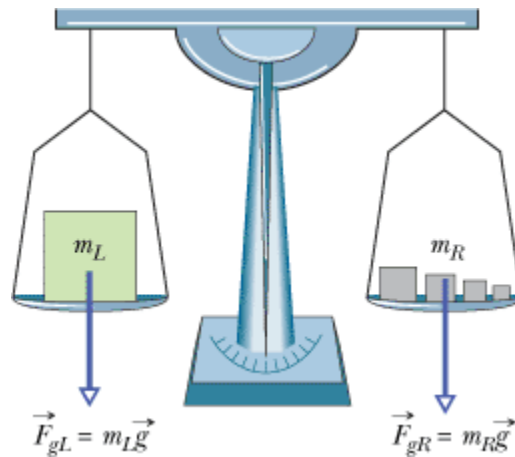


Figure 5-5

An equal-arm balance. When the device is in balance, the gravitational force \vec{F}_g^L on the body being weighed (on the left pan) and the total gravitational force \vec{F}_g^R on the reference bodies (on the right pan) are equal. Thus, the mass m_L of the body being weighed is equal to the total mass m_R of the reference bodies.

We can also weigh a body with a spring scale (Fig. 5-6). The body stretches a spring, moving a pointer along a scale that has been calibrated and marked in either mass or weight units. (Most bathroom scales in the United States work this way and are marked in the force unit pounds.) If the scale is marked in mass units, it is accurate only where the value of g is the same as where the scale was calibrated.

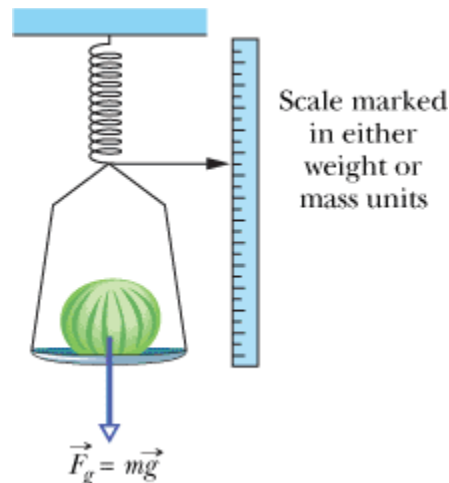


Figure 5-6

A spring scale. The reading is proportional to the *weight* of the object on the pan, and the scale gives that weight if marked in weight units. If, instead, it is marked in mass units, the reading is the object's weight only if the value of g at the location where the scale is being used is the same as the value of g at the location where the scale was calibrated.

The weight of a body must be measured when the body is not accelerating vertically relative to the ground. For example, you can measure your weight on a scale in your bathroom or on a fast train. However, if you repeat the measurement with the scale in an accelerating elevator, the reading differs from your weight because of the acceleration. Such a measurement is called an *apparent weight*.

Caution: A body's weight is not its mass. Weight is the magnitude of a force and is related to mass by Eq. 5-12. If you move a body to a point where the value of g is different, the body's mass (an intrinsic property) is not different but the weight is. For

example, the weight of a bowling ball having a mass of 7.2 kg is 71 N on Earth but only 12 N on the Moon. The mass is the same on Earth and Moon, but the free-fall acceleration on the Moon is only 1.6 m/s².

The Normal Force

If you stand on a mattress, Earth pulls you downward, but you remain stationary. The reason is that the mattress, because it deforms downward due to you, pushes up on you. Similarly, if you stand on a floor, it deforms (it is compressed, bent, or buckled ever so slightly) and pushes up on you. Even a seemingly rigid concrete floor does this (if it is not sitting directly on the ground, enough people on the floor could break it).

The push on you from the mattress or floor is a **normal force** \vec{F}_N . The name comes from the mathematical term *normal*, meaning perpendicular: The force on you from, say, the floor is perpendicular to the floor.



When a body presses against a surface, the surface (even a seemingly rigid one) deforms and pushes on the body with a normal force \vec{F}_N that is perpendicular to the surface.

Figure 5-7a shows an example. A block of mass m presses down on a table, deforming it somewhat because of the gravitational force \vec{F}_g on the block. The table pushes up on the block with normal force \vec{F}_N . The free-body diagram for the block is given in Fig. 5-7b. Forces \vec{F}_g and \vec{F}_N are the only two forces on the block and they are both vertical. Thus, for the block we can write Newton's second law for a positive-upward y axis ($F_{\text{net},y} = ma_y$) as

$$F_N - F_g = ma_y.$$

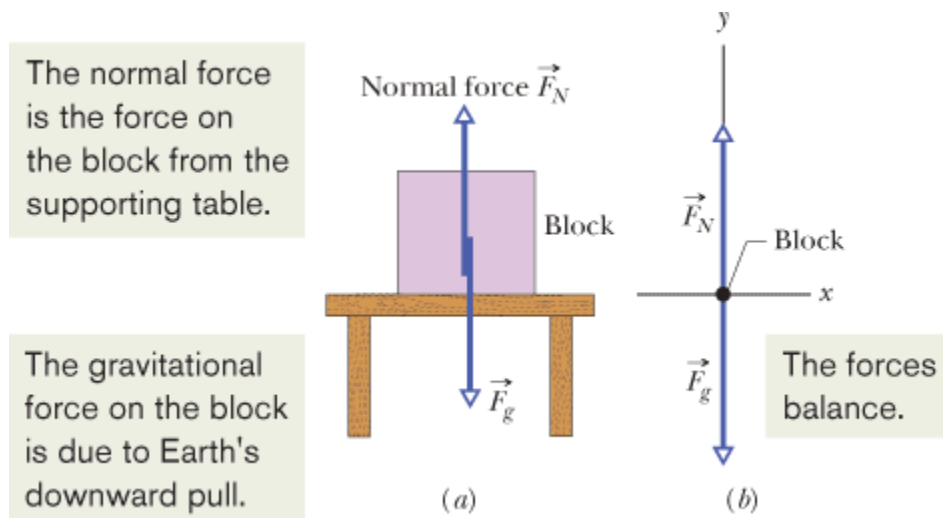


Figure 5-7

(a) A block resting on a table experiences a normal force \vec{F}_N perpendicular to the tabletop. (b) The free-body diagram for the block.

From Eq. 5-8, we substitute mg for F_g , finding

$$F_N - mg = ma_y.$$

Then the magnitude of the normal force is

$$F_N = mg + ma_y = m(g + a_y) \quad (5-13)$$

for any vertical acceleration a_y of the table and block (they might be in an accelerating elevator). If the table and block are not accelerating relative to the ground, then $a_y = 0$ and Eq. 5-13 yields

$$F_N = mg. \quad (5-14)$$

CHECKPOINT 3

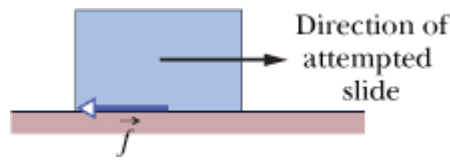
In Fig. 5-7, is the magnitude of the normal force F_N greater than, less than, or equal to mg if the block and table are in an elevator moving upward (a) at constant speed and (b) at increasing speed?

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Friction

If we either slide or attempt to slide a body over a surface, the motion is resisted by a bonding between the body and the surface.

(We discuss this bonding more in the next chapter.) The resistance is considered to be a single force \vec{f} , called either the **frictional force** or simply **friction**. This force is directed along the surface, opposite the direction of the intended motion (Fig. 5-8). Sometimes, to simplify a situation, friction is assumed to be negligible (the surface is *frictionless*).



 **Figure 5-8**

A frictional force \vec{f} opposes the attempted slide of a body over a surface.

Tension

When a cord (or a rope, cable, or other such object) is attached to a body and pulled taut, the cord pulls on the body with a force \vec{T} directed away from the body and along the cord (Fig. 5-9a). The force is often called a *tension force* because the cord is said to be in a state of *tension* (or to be *under tension*), which means that it is being pulled taut. The *tension in the cord* is the magnitude T of the force on the body. For example, if the force on the body from the cord has magnitude $T = 50$ N, the tension in the cord is 50 N.

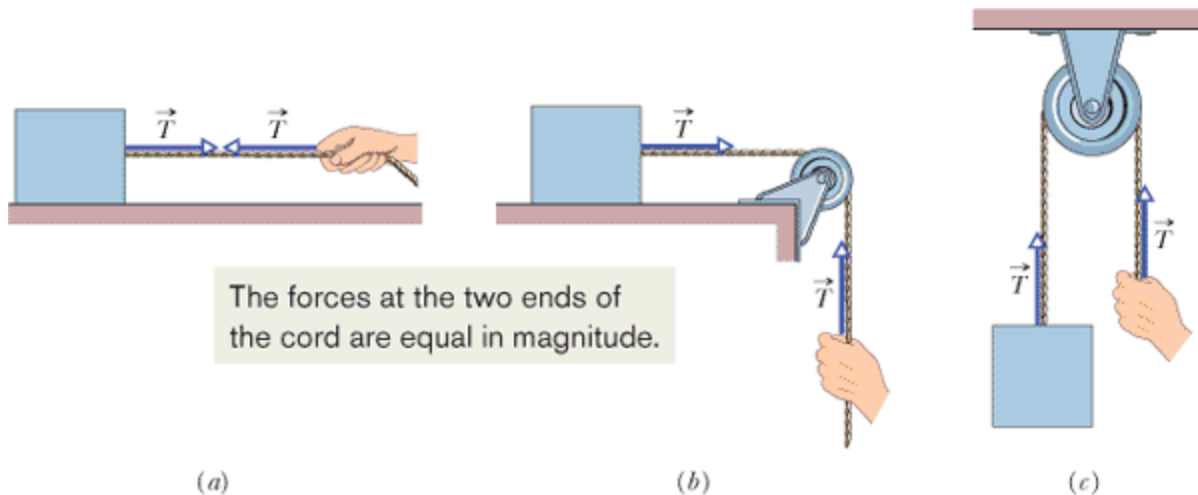


Figure 5-9(a) The cord, pulled taut, is under tension. If its mass is negligible, the cord pulls on the body and the hand with force \vec{T} , even if the cord runs around a massless, frictionless pulley as in (b) and (c).



Equal Tension in a String

A cord is often said to be *massless* (meaning its mass is negligible compared to the body's mass) and *unstretchable*. The cord then exists only as a connection between two bodies. It pulls on both bodies with the same force magnitude T , even if the bodies and the cord are accelerating and even if the cord runs around a *massless, frictionless pulley* (Figs. 5-9b and 5-9c). Such a pulley has negligible mass compared to the bodies and negligible friction on its axle opposing its rotation. If the cord wraps halfway around a pulley, as in Fig. 5-9c, the net force on the pulley from the cord has the magnitude $2T$.



CHECKPOINT 4

The suspended body in Fig. 5-9c weighs 75 N. Is T equal to, greater than, or less than 75 N when the Top of Form body is moving upward (a) at constant speed, (b) at increasing speed, and (c) at decreasing speed?

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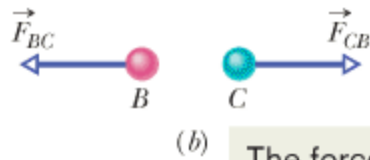
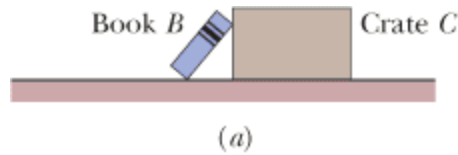
5-8 Newton's Third Law

Two bodies are said to *interact* when they push or pull on each other—that is, when a force acts on each body due to the other body. For example, suppose you position a book B so it leans against a crate C (Fig. 5-10a). Then the book and crate interact:

There is a horizontal force \vec{F}_{BC} on the book from the crate (or due to the crate) and a horizontal force \vec{F}_{CB} on the crate from the book (or due to the book). This pair of forces is shown in Fig. 5-10b. Newton's third law states that



Newton's Third Law: When two bodies interact, the forces on the bodies from each other are always equal in magnitude and opposite in direction.



The force on B due to C has the same magnitude as the force on C due to B .

Figure 5-10 (a) Book B leans against crate C . (b) Forces \vec{F}_{BC} (the force on the book from the crate) and \vec{F}_{CB} (the force on the crate from the book) have the same magnitude and are opposite in direction.

For the book and crate, we can write this law as the scalar relation

$$F_{BC} = F_{CB} \quad (\text{equal magnitudes})$$

or as the vector relation

$$\vec{F}_{BC} = -\vec{F}_{CB} \quad (\text{equal magnitudes and opposite directions}), \quad (5-15)$$

where the minus sign means that these two forces are in opposite directions. We can call the forces between two interacting bodies a **third-law force pair**. When any two bodies interact in any situation, a third-law force pair is present. The book and crate in Fig. 5-10a are stationary, but the third law would still hold if they were moving and even if they were accelerating.

As another example, let us find the third-law force pairs involving the cantaloupe in Fig. 5-11a, which lies on a table that stands on Earth. The cantaloupe interacts with the table and with Earth (this time, there are three bodies whose interactions we must sort out).

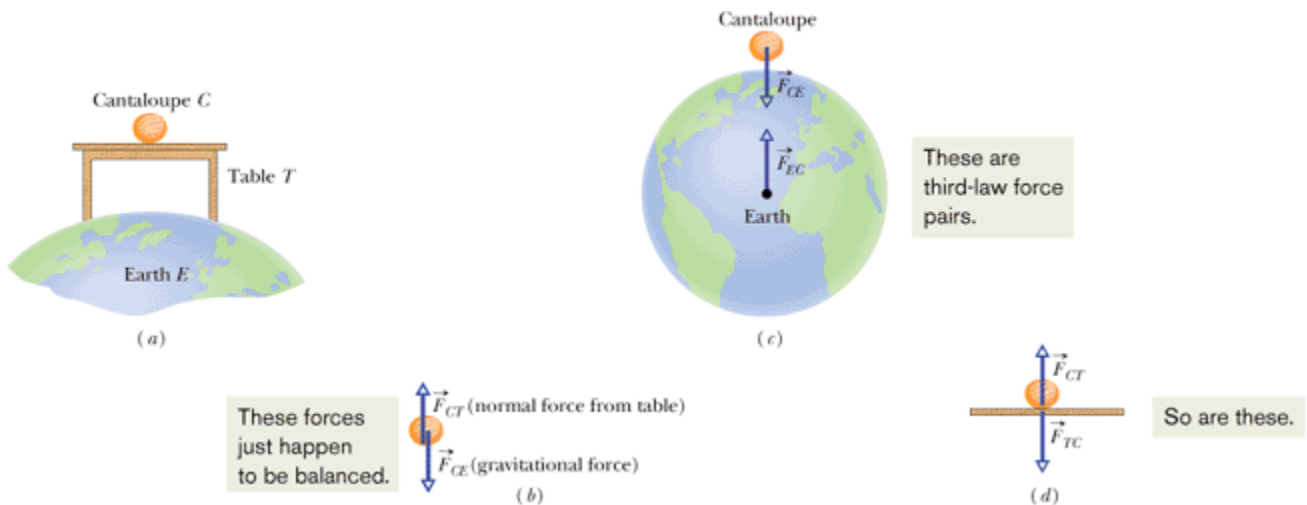


Figure 5-11 (a) A cantaloupe lies on a table that stands on Earth. (b) The forces *on the cantaloupe* are \vec{F}_{CT} and \vec{F}_{CE} . (c) The third-law force pair for the cantaloupe–Earth interaction. (d) The third-law force pair for the cantaloupe–table interaction.

Let's first focus on the forces acting on the cantaloupe (Fig. 5-11b). Force \vec{F}_{CT} is the normal force on the cantaloupe from the table, and force \vec{F}_{CE} is the gravitational force on the cantaloupe due to Earth. Are they a third-law force pair? No, because they are forces on a single body, the cantaloupe, and not on two interacting bodies.

To find a third-law pair, we must focus not on the cantaloupe but on the interaction between the cantaloupe and one other body. In the cantaloupe–Earth interaction (Fig. 5-11c), Earth pulls on the cantaloupe with a gravitational force \vec{F}_{CE} and the cantaloupe pulls on Earth with a gravitational force \vec{F}_{EC} . Are these forces a third-law force pair? Yes, because they are forces on two interacting bodies, the force on each due to the other. Thus, by Newton's third law,

$$\vec{F}_{CE} = -\vec{F}_{EC} \quad (\text{cantaloupe} - \text{Earth interaction}).$$

Next, in the cantaloupe–table interaction, the force on the cantaloupe from the table is \vec{F}_{CT} and, conversely, the force on the table from the cantaloupe is \vec{F}_{TC} (Fig. 5-11d). These forces are also a third-law force pair, and so

$$\vec{F}_{CT} = -\vec{F}_{TC} \quad (\text{cantaloupe} - \text{table interaction}).$$



CHECKPOINT 5

Suppose that the cantaloupe and table of Fig. 5-11 are in an elevator cab that begins to accelerate Top of Form upward. (a) Do the magnitudes of \vec{F}_{TC} and \vec{F}_{CT} increase, decrease, or stay the same? (b) Are those two forces still equal in magnitude and opposite in direction? (c) Do the magnitudes of \vec{F}_{CE} and \vec{F}_{EC} increase, decrease, or stay the same? (d) Are those two forces still equal in magnitude and opposite in direction?

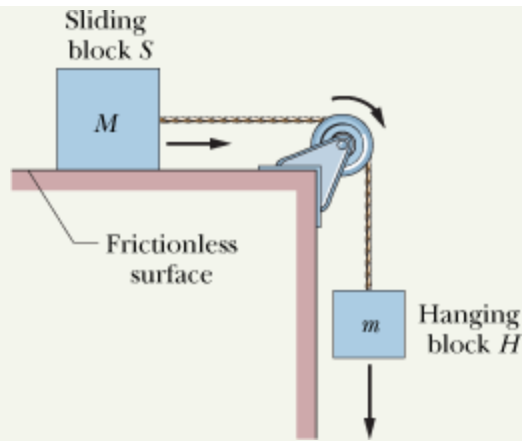
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5-9 Applying Newton's Laws

The rest of this chapter consists of sample problems. You should pore over them, learning their procedures for attacking a problem. Especially important is knowing how to translate a sketch of a situation into a free-body diagram with appropriate axes, so that Newton's laws can be applied.

Block on table, block hanging

Figure 5-12 shows a block S (the *sliding block*) with mass $M = 3.3$ kg. The block is free to move along a horizontal frictionless surface and connected, by a cord that wraps over a frictionless pulley, to a second block H (the *hanging block*), with mass $m = 2.1$ kg. The cord and pulley have negligible masses compared to the blocks (they are “massless”). The hanging block H falls as the sliding block S accelerates to the right. Find (a) the acceleration of block S , (b) the acceleration of block H , and (c) the tension in the cord.



 **Figure 5-12A** block S of mass M is connected to a block H of mass m by a cord that wraps over a pulley.

- (1) What is this problem all about? [Top of Form](#)
- (2) How do I classify this problem? Should it suggest a particular law of physics to me? [Top of Form](#)
- (3) If I apply Newton's second law to this problem, to which body should I apply it? [Top of Form](#)
- (4) What about the pulley? [Top of Form](#)
- (5) OK. Now how do I apply $\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m\vec{a}$ to the sliding block? [Top of Form](#)
- (6) Thanks, but you still haven't told me how to apply $\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m\vec{a}$ to the sliding block. All you've done is explain how to draw a free-body diagram. [Top of Form](#)
- (7) I agree. How do I apply $\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m\vec{a}$ to the hanging block? [Top of Form](#)
- (8) The problem is now solved, right? [Top of Form](#)

Cord accelerates block up a ramp

In Fig. 5-15a, a cord pulls on a box of sea biscuits up along a frictionless plane inclined at $\theta = 30^\circ$. The box has mass $m = 5.00$ kg, and the force from the cord has magnitude $T = 25.0$ N. What is the box's acceleration component a along the inclined plane?

KEY IDEA

The acceleration along the plane is set by the force components along the plane (not by force components perpendicular to the plane), as expressed by Newton's second law (Eq. 5-1).

Calculation:

For convenience, we draw a coordinate system and a free-body diagram as shown in Fig. 5-15b. The positive direction of the x axis is up the plane. Force \vec{T} from the cord is up the plane and has magnitude $T = 25.0$ N. The gravitational force \vec{F}_g is downward and has magnitude $mg = (5.00 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2) = 49.0$ N. More important, its component along the plane is down the plane and has magnitude $mg \sin \theta$ as indicated in Fig. 5-15g. (To see why that trig function is involved, we go through the steps of Figs. 5-15c to h to relate the given angle to the force components.) To indicate the direction, we can write the down-the-plane component as $-mg \sin \theta$. The normal force \vec{F}_N is perpendicular to the plane (Fig. 5-15i) and thus does not determine acceleration along the plane.

From Fig. 5-15h, we write Newton's second law ($\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m\vec{a}$) for motion along the x axis as

$$T - mg \sin \theta = ma. \quad (5-24)$$

Substituting data and solving for a , we find

$$a = 0.100 \text{ m/s}^2, \quad (\text{Answer})$$

where the positive result indicates that the box accelerates up the plane.



Finding Forces on an Inclined Plane

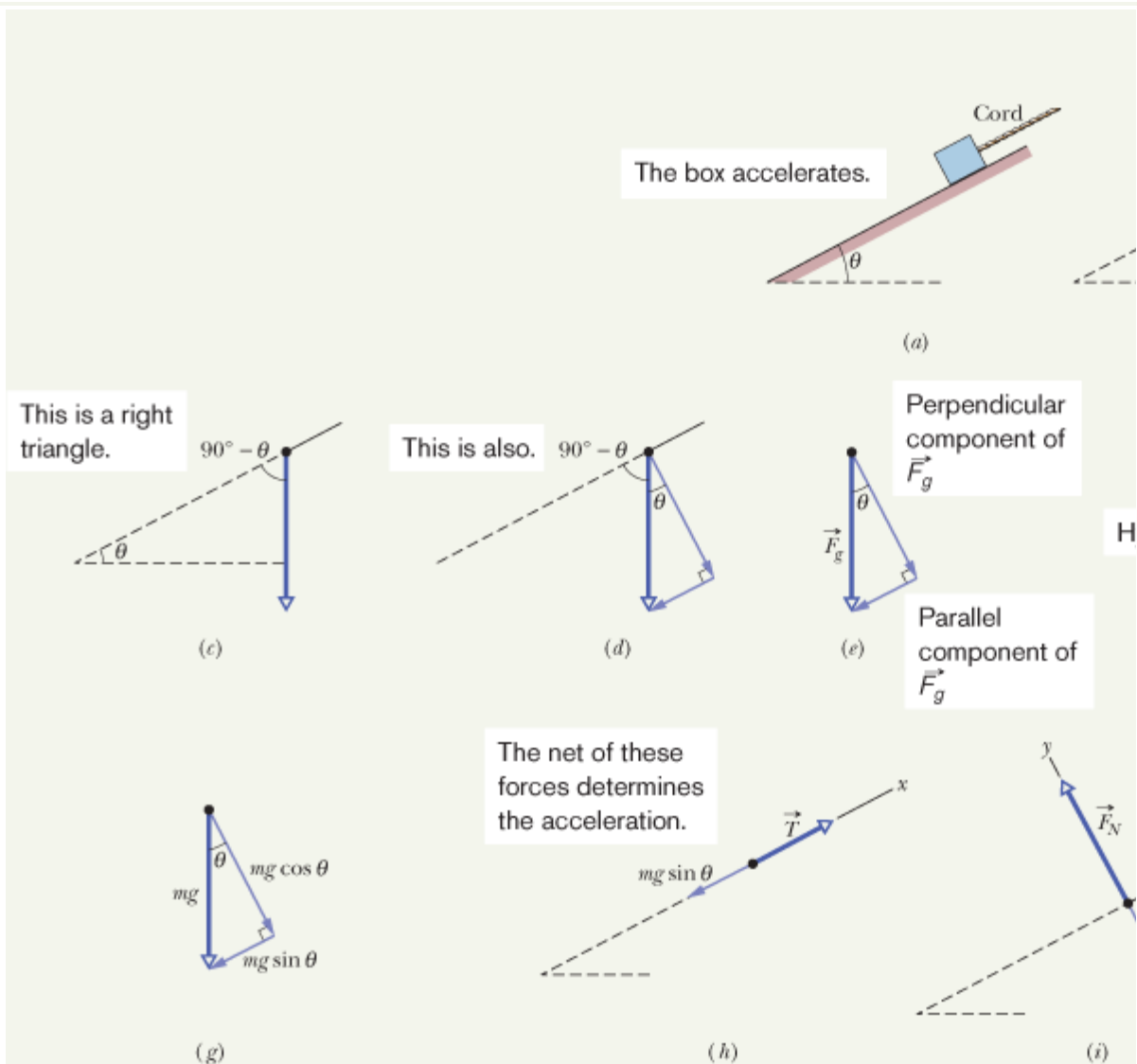


Figure 5-15 (a) A box is pulled up a plane by a cord. (b) The three forces acting on the box: the cord's force \vec{T} , the gravitational force \vec{F}_g and the normal force \vec{F}_N . (c)-(i) Finding the force components along the plane and perpendicular to it.

Force with a variable angle

Figure 5-16a shows the general arrangement in which two forces are applied to a 4.00 kg block on a frictionless floor, but only force \vec{F}_1 is indicated. That force has a fixed magnitude but can be applied at an adjustable angle θ to the positive direction of the x axis. Force \vec{F}_2 is horizontal and fixed in both magnitude and angle. Figure 5-16b gives the horizontal acceleration a_x of the block for any given value of θ from 0° to 90° . What is the value of a_x for $\theta = 180^\circ$?

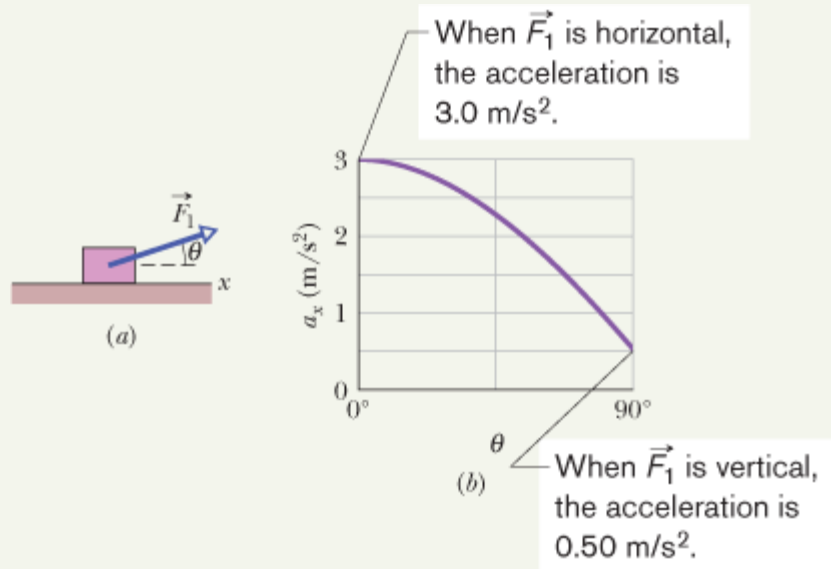


Figure 5-16 (a) One of the two forces applied to a block is shown. Its angle θ can be varied. (b) The block's acceleration component a_x versus θ .

KEY IDEAS

(1) The horizontal acceleration a_x depends on the net horizontal force $F_{\text{net},x}$, as given by Newton's second law. (2) The net horizontal force is the sum of the horizontal components of forces \vec{F}_1 and \vec{F}_2 .

Calculations:

The x component of \vec{F}_2 is F_2 because the vector is horizontal. The x component of \vec{F}_1 is $F_1 \cos \theta$. Using these expressions and a mass m of 4.00 kg, we can write Newton's second law ($\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m\vec{a}$) for motion along the x axis as

$$F_1 \cos \theta + F_2 = 4.00a_x. \quad (5-25)$$

From this equation we see that when $\theta = 90^\circ$, $F_1 \cos \theta$ is zero and $F_2 = 4.00a_x$. From the graph we see that the corresponding acceleration is 0.50 m/s^2 . Thus, $F_2 = 2.00 \text{ N}$ and \vec{F}_2 must be in the positive direction of the x axis.

From Eq. 5-25, we find that when $\theta = 0^\circ$,

$$F_1 \cos 0^\circ + 2.00 = 4.00a_x. \quad (5-26)$$

From the graph we see that the corresponding acceleration is 3.0 m/s^2 . From Eq. 5-26, we then find that $F_1 = 10 \text{ N}$.

Substituting $F_1 = 10 \text{ N}$, $F_2 = 2.00 \text{ N}$, and $\theta = 180^\circ$ into Eq. 5-25 leads to

$$a_x = -2.00 \text{ m/s}^2. \quad (\text{Answer})$$

In Fig. 5-17a, a passenger of mass $m = 72.2$ kg stands on a platform scale in an elevator cab. We are concerned with the scale readings when the cab is stationary and when it is moving up or down.

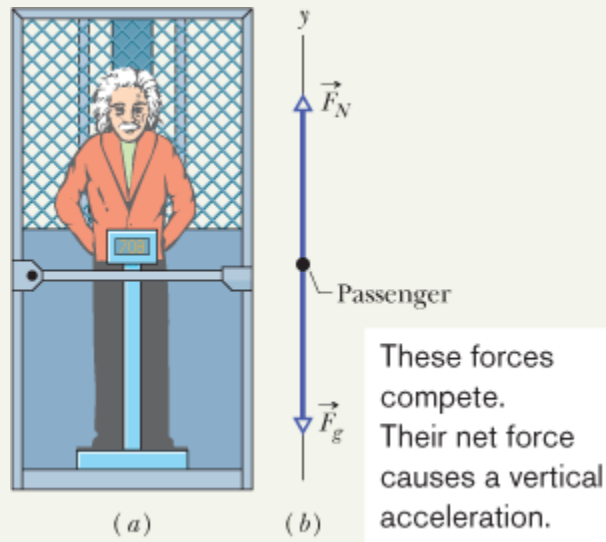


Figure 5-17(a) A passenger stands on a platform scale that indicates either his weight or his apparent weight. (b) The free-body diagram for the passenger, showing the normal force \vec{F}_N on him from the scale and the gravitational force \vec{F}_g .

(1) Find a general solution for the scale reading, whatever the vertical motion of the cab.

KEY IDEAS

(1) The reading is equal to the magnitude of the normal force \vec{F}_N on the passenger from the scale. The only other force acting on the passenger is the gravitational force \vec{F}_g , as shown in the free-body diagram of Fig. 5-17b. (2) We can relate the forces on the passenger to his acceleration \vec{a} by using Newton's second law ($\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m\vec{a}$). However, recall that we can use this law only in an inertial frame. If the cab accelerates, then it is *not* an inertial frame. So we choose the ground to be our inertial frame and make any measure of the passenger's acceleration relative to it.

Calculations:

Because the two forces on the passenger and his acceleration are all directed vertically, along the y axis in Fig. 5-17b, we can use Newton's second law written for y components ($F_{\text{net},y} = ma_y$) to get

$$F_N - F_g = ma$$

or

$$F_N = F_g + ma. \quad (5-27)$$

This tells us that the scale reading, which is equal to F_N , depends on the vertical acceleration. Substituting mg for F_g gives us

$$F_N = m(g + a) \quad (\text{Answer}) \quad (5-28)$$

for any choice of acceleration a .

(2) What does the scale read if the cab is stationary or moving upward at a constant 0.50 m/s?

KEY IDEA

For any constant velocity (zero or otherwise), the acceleration a of the passenger is zero.

Calculation:

Substituting this and other known values into Eq. 5-28, we find

$$F_N = (72.2 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 + 0) = 708 \text{ N.} \quad (\text{Answer})$$

This is the weight of the passenger and is equal to the magnitude F_g of the gravitational force on him.

(3) What does the scale read if the cab accelerates upward at 3.20 m/s^2 and downward at 3.20 m/s^2 ?

Calculations:

For $a = 3.20 \text{ m/s}^2$, Eq. 5-28 gives

$$\begin{aligned} F_N &= (72.2 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 + 3.20 \text{ m/s}^2) \\ &= 939 \text{ N,} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Answer})$$

and for $a = -3.20 \text{ m/s}^2$, it gives

$$\begin{aligned} F_N &= (72.2 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 - 3.20 \text{ m/s}^2) \\ &= 477 \text{ N.} \end{aligned} \quad (\text{Answer})$$

For an upward acceleration (either the cab's upward speed is increasing or its downward speed is decreasing), the scale reading is greater than the passenger's weight. That reading is a measurement of an apparent weight, because it is made in a noninertial frame. For a downward acceleration (either decreasing upward speed or increasing downward speed), the scale reading is less than the passenger's weight.

(4) During the upward acceleration in part (c), what is the magnitude F_{net} of the net force on the passenger, and what is the magnitude $a_{\text{p,cab}}$ of his acceleration as measured in the frame of the cab? Does $\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m\vec{a}_{\text{p,cab}}$?

Calculation:

The magnitude F_g of the gravitational force on the passenger does not depend on the motion of the passenger or the cab; so, from part (b), F_g is 708 N. From part (c), the magnitude F_N of the normal force on the passenger during the upward acceleration is the 939 N reading on the scale. Thus, the net force on the passenger is

$$F_{\text{net}} = F_N - F_g = 939 \text{ N} - 708 \text{ N} = 231 \text{ N,} \quad (\text{Answer})$$

during the upward acceleration. However, his acceleration $a_{\text{p,cab}}$ relative to the frame of the cab is zero. Thus, in the noninertial frame of the accelerating cab, F_{net} is not equal to $ma_{\text{p,cab}}$, and Newton's second law does not hold.

Acceleration of block pushing on block

In Fig. 5-18a, a constant horizontal force \vec{F}_{app} of magnitude 20 N is applied to block A of mass $m_A = 4.0 \text{ kg}$, which pushes against block B of mass $m_B = 6.0 \text{ kg}$. The blocks slide over a frictionless surface, along an x axis.

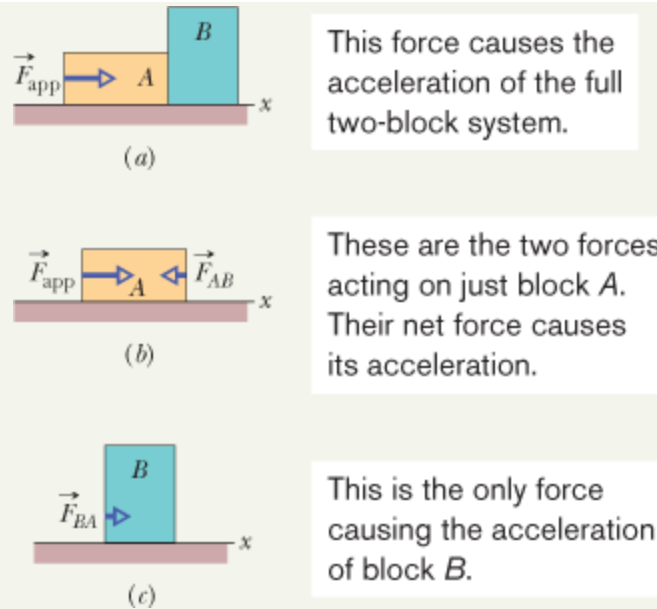


Figure 5-18

(a) A constant horizontal force \vec{F}_{app} is applied to block A, which pushes against block B. (b) Two horizontal forces act on block A. (c) Only one horizontal force acts on block B.

(a) What is the acceleration of the blocks?

Serious Error: Because force \vec{F}_{app} is applied directly to block A, we use Newton's second law to relate that force to the acceleration \vec{a} of block A. Because the motion is along the x axis, we use that law for x components ($F_{\text{net},x} = m a_x$), writing it as

$$F_{\text{app}} = m_A a.$$

However, this is seriously wrong because \vec{F}_{app} is not the only horizontal force acting on block A. There is also the force \vec{F}_{AB} from block B (Fig. 5-18b).

Dead-End Solution: Let us now include force \vec{F}_{AB} by writing, again for the x axis,

$$F_{\text{app}} - F_{AB} = m_A a.$$

(We use the minus sign to include the direction of \vec{F}_{AB} .) Because F_{AB} is a second unknown, we cannot solve this equation for a .

Successful Solution: Because of the direction in which force \vec{F}_{app} is applied, the two blocks form a rigidly connected system. We can relate the net force *on the system* to the acceleration *of the system* with Newton's second law. Here, once again for the x axis, we can write that law as

$$F_{\text{app}} = (m_A + m_B) a,$$

where now we properly apply \vec{F}_{app} to the system with total mass $m_A + m_B$. Solving for a and substituting known values, we find

$$a = \frac{F_{\text{app}}}{m_A + m_B} = \frac{20 \text{ N}}{4.0 \text{ kg} + 6.0 \text{ kg}} = 2.0 \text{ m/s}^2. \quad (\text{Answer})$$

Thus, the acceleration of the system and of each block is in the positive direction of the x axis and has the magnitude 2.0 m/s^2 .

(b) What is the (horizontal) force \vec{F}_{BA} on block B from block A (Fig. 5-18c)?

KEY IDEA

We can relate the net force on block B to the block's acceleration with Newton's second law.

Calculation:

Here we can write that law, still for components along the x axis, as

$$F_{BA} = m_B a,$$

which, with known values, gives

$$F_{BA} = (6.0 \text{ kg})(2.0 \text{ m/s}^2) = 12 \text{ N.} \quad (\text{Answer})$$

Thus, force \vec{F}_{BA} is in the positive direction of the x axis and has a magnitude of 12 N.

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Newtonian Mechanics The velocity of an object can change (the object can accelerate) when the object is acted on by one or more **forces** (pushes or pulls) from other objects. *Newtonian mechanics* relates accelerations and forces.

Force Forces are vector quantities. Their magnitudes are defined in terms of the acceleration they would give the standard kilogram. A force that accelerates that standard body by exactly 1 m/s^2 is defined to have a magnitude of 1 N. The direction of a force is the direction of the acceleration it causes. Forces are combined according to the rules of vector algebra. The **net force** on a body is the vector sum of all the forces acting on the body.

Newton's First Law If there is no net force on a body, the body remains at rest if it is initially at rest or moves in a straight line at constant speed if it is in motion.

Inertial Reference Frames Reference frames in which Newtonian mechanics holds are called *inertial reference frames* or *inertial frames*. Reference frames in which Newtonian mechanics does not hold are called *noninertial reference frames* or *noninertial frames*.

Mass The **mass** of a body is the characteristic of that body that relates the body's acceleration to the net force causing the acceleration. Masses are scalar quantities.

Newton's Second Law The net force \vec{F}_{net} on a body with mass m is related to the body's acceleration \vec{a} by

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m \vec{a}, \quad (5-1)$$

which may be written in the component versions

$$F_{\text{net},x} = ma_x, \quad F_{\text{net},y} = ma_y, \quad \text{and} \quad F_{\text{net},z} = ma_z. \quad (5-2)$$

The second law indicates that in SI units

$$1 \text{ N} = 1 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m/s}^2. \quad (5-3)$$

A **free-body diagram** is a stripped-down diagram in which only *one* body is considered. That body is represented by either a sketch or a dot. The external forces on the body are drawn, and a coordinate system is superimposed, oriented so as to simplify the solution.

Some Particular Forces A **gravitational force** \vec{F}_g on a body is a pull by another body. In most situations in this book, the other body is Earth or some other astronomical body. For Earth, the force is directed down toward the ground, which is assumed to be an inertial frame. With that assumption, the magnitude of \vec{F}_g is

$$F_g = mg, \quad (5-8)$$

where m is the body's mass and g is the magnitude of the free-fall acceleration.

The **weight** W of a body is the magnitude of the upward force needed to balance the gravitational force on the body. A body's weight is related to the body's mass by

$$W = mg. \quad (5-12)$$

A **normal force** \vec{F}_N is the force on a body from a surface against which the body presses. The normal force is always perpendicular to the surface.

A **frictional force** \vec{f} is the force on a body when the body slides or attempts to slide along a surface. The force is always parallel to the surface and directed so as to oppose the sliding. On a *frictionless surface*, the frictional force is negligible.

When a cord is under *tension*, each end of the cord pulls on a body. The pull is directed along the cord, away from the point of attachment to the body. For a *massless* cord (a cord with negligible mass), the pulls at both ends of the cord have the same magnitude T , even if the cord runs around a *massless, frictionless pulley* (a pulley with negligible mass and negligible friction on its axle to oppose its rotation).

Newton's Third Law If a force \vec{F}_{BC} acts on body B due to body C , then there is a force \vec{F}_{CB} on body C due to body B :

$$\vec{F}_{BC} = -\vec{F}_{CB}.$$



1 Figure 5-19 gives the free-body diagram for four situations in which an object is pulled by several forces across a frictionless floor, as seen from overhead. In which situations does the object's acceleration \vec{a} have (a) an x component and (b) a y component? (c) In each situation, give the direction \vec{a} of by naming either a quadrant or a direction along an axis. (This can be done with a few mental calculations.)

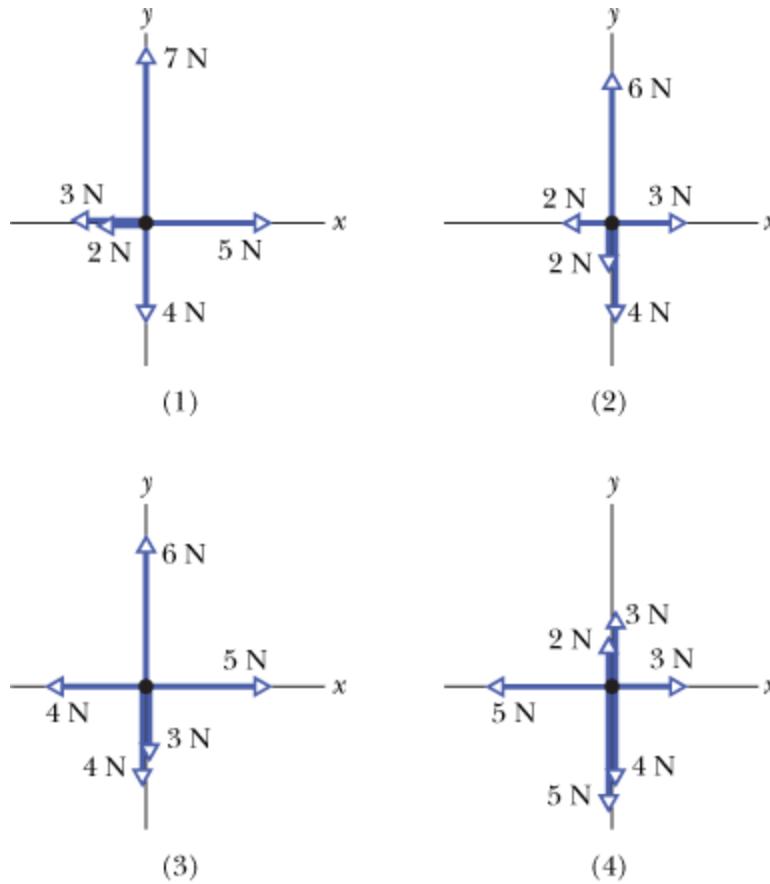


Figure 5-19 Question 1.

2 Two horizontal forces,

$$\vec{F}_1 = (3 \text{ N})\hat{i} - (4 \text{ N})\hat{j} \quad \text{and} \quad \vec{F}_2 = -(1 \text{ N})\hat{i} - (2 \text{ N})\hat{j}$$

pull a banana split across a frictionless lunch counter. Without using a calculator, determine which of the vectors in the free-body diagram of Fig. 5-20 best represent (a) \vec{F}_1 and (b) \vec{F}_2 . What is the net-force component along (c) the x axis and (d) the y axis? Into which quadrants do (e) the net-force vector and (f) the split's acceleration vector point?

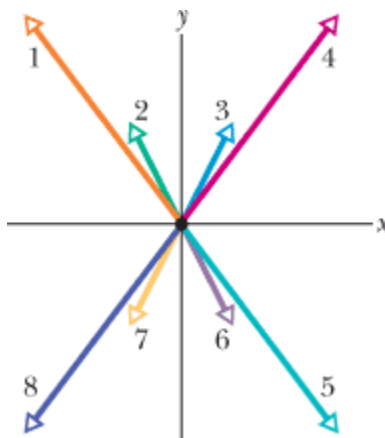


Figure 5-20 Question 2.

3 In Fig. 5-21, forces \vec{F}_1 and \vec{F}_2 are applied to a lunchbox as it slides at constant velocity over a frictionless floor. We are to decrease angle θ without changing the magnitude of \vec{F}_1 . For constant velocity, should we increase, decrease, or maintain the magnitude of \vec{F}_2 ?

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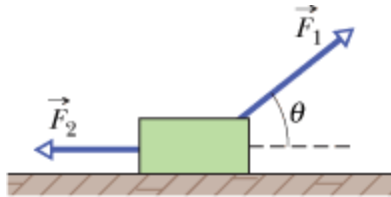


Figure 5-21 Question 3.

4 At time $t = 0$, constant \vec{F} begins to act on a rock moving through deep space in the $+x$ direction. (a) For time $t > 0$, which are possible functions $x(t)$ for the rock's position: (1) $x = 4t - 3$, (2) $x = -4t^2 + 6t - 3$, (3) $x = 4t^2 + 6t - 3$? (b) For which function is \vec{F} directed opposite the rock's initial direction of motion?

5 Figure 5-22 shows overhead views of four situations in which forces act on a block that lies on a frictionless floor. If the force magnitudes are chosen properly, in which situations is it possible that the block is (a) stationary and (b) moving with a constant velocity? Top of Form

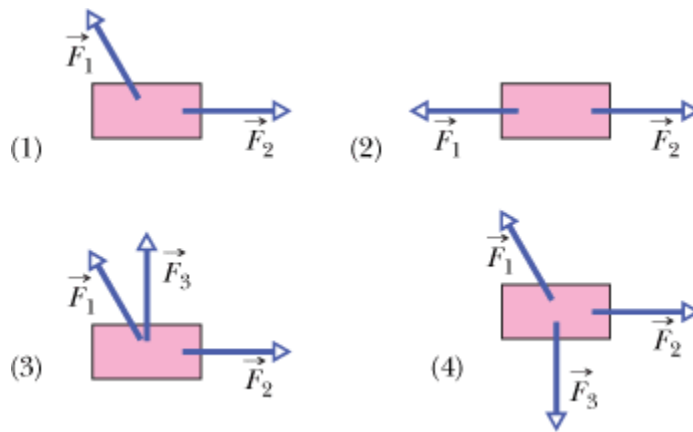


Figure 5-22 Question 5.

6 Figure 5-23 shows the same breadbox in four situations where horizontal forces are applied. Rank the situations according to the magnitude of the box's acceleration, greatest first.

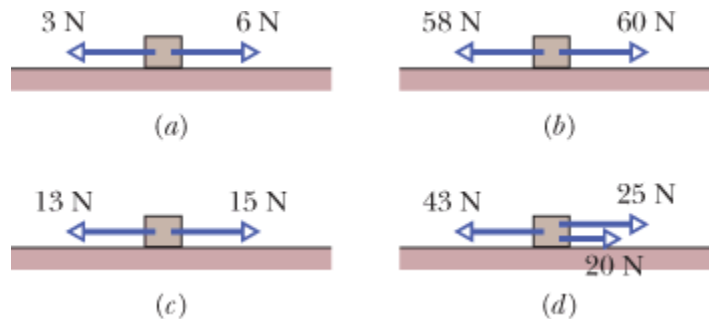


Figure 5-23 Question 6.

7 July 17, 1981, Kansas City: The newly opened Hyatt Regency is packed with people listening and dancing to a band playing favorites from the 1940s. Many of the people are crowded onto the walkways that hang like bridges across the wide atrium. Suddenly two of the walkways collapse, falling onto the merrymakers on the main floor. Top of Form

The walkways were suspended one above another on vertical rods and held in place by nuts threaded onto the rods. In the original design, only two long rods were to be used, each extending through all three walkways (Fig. 5-24a). If each walkway and the merrymakers on it have a combined mass of M , what is the total mass supported by the threads and two nuts on (a) the lowest walkway and (b) the highest walkway?

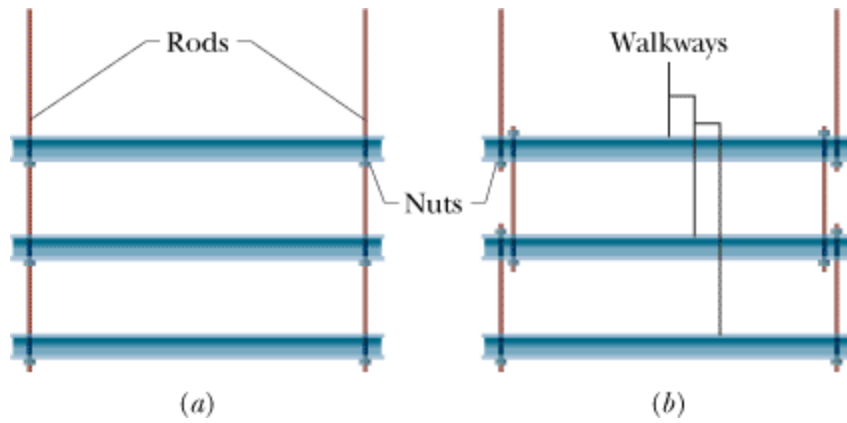


Figure 5-24 Question 7.

Threading nuts on a rod is impossible except at the ends, so the design was changed: Instead, six rods were used, each connecting two walkways (Fig. 5-24b). What now is the total mass supported by the threads and two nuts on (c) the lowest walkway, (d) the upper side of the highest walkway, and (e) the lower side of the highest walkway? It was this design that failed.

8 Figure 5-25 gives three graphs of velocity component $v_x(t)$ and three graphs of velocity component $v_y(t)$. The graphs are not to scale. Which $v_x(t)$ graph and which $v_y(t)$ graph best correspond to each of the four situations in Question 1 and Fig. 5-19?

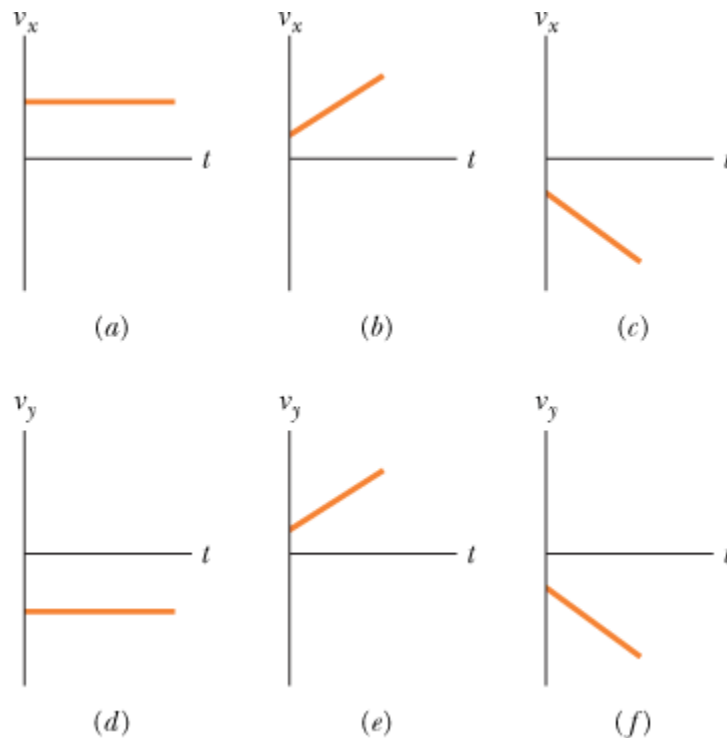


Figure 5-25 Question 8.

9 Figure 5-26 shows a train of four blocks being pulled across a frictionless floor by force \vec{F} . What total mass Top of Form is accelerated to the right by (a) force \vec{F} , (b) cord 3, and (c) cord 1? (d) Rank the blocks according to their accelerations, greatest first. (e) Rank the cords according to their tension, greatest first.

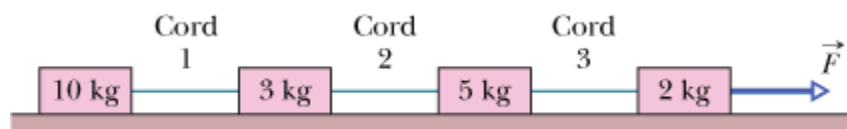


Figure 5-26 Question 9.

- 10 Figure 5-27 shows three blocks being pushed across a frictionless floor by horizontal force \vec{F} . What total mass is accelerated to the right by (a) force \vec{F} , (b) force \vec{F}_{21} on block 2 from block 1, and (c) force \vec{F}_{32} on block 3 from block 2? (d) Rank the blocks according to their acceleration magnitudes, greatest first. (e) Rank forces \vec{F} , \vec{F}_{21} , and \vec{F}_{32} according to magnitude, greatest first.

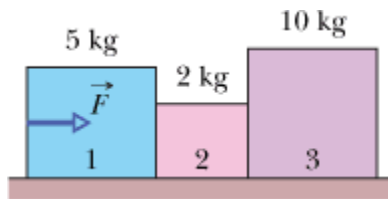


Figure 5-27 Question 10.

- 11 A vertical force \vec{F} is applied to a block of mass m that lies on a floor. What happens to the magnitude of the normal force F_N on the block from the floor as magnitude F is increased from zero if force \vec{F} is (a) downward and (b) upward? Top of Form

- 12 Figure 5-28 shows four choices for the direction of a force of magnitude F to be applied to a block on an inclined plane. The directions are either horizontal or vertical. (For choice b , the force is not enough to lift the block off the plane.) Rank the choices according to the magnitude of the normal force acting on the block from the plane, greatest first.

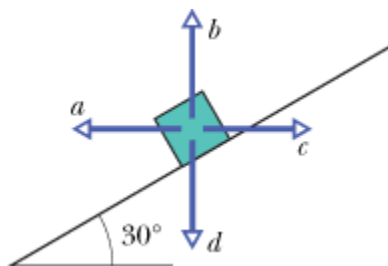


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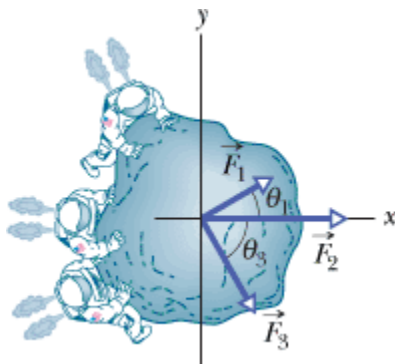


sec. 5-6 Newton's Second Law

- 1 Only two horizontal forces act on a 3.0 kg body that can move over a frictionless floor. One force is 9.0 N, acting due east, and the other is 8.0 N, acting 62° north of west. What is the magnitude of the body's acceleration? Top of Form
- 2 Two horizontal forces act on a 2.0 kg chopping block that can slide over a frictionless kitchen counter, which lies in an xy plane. One force is $\vec{F}_1 = (3.0 \text{ N})\hat{i} + (4.0 \text{ N})\hat{j}$. Find the acceleration of the chopping block in unit-vector notation when the other force is (a) $\vec{F}_2 = (-3.0 \text{ N})\hat{i} + (-4.0 \text{ N})\hat{j}$, (b) $\vec{F}_2 = (-3.0 \text{ N})\hat{i} + (4.0 \text{ N})\hat{j}$, and (c) $\vec{F}_2 = (3.0 \text{ N})\hat{i} + (-4.0 \text{ N})\hat{j}$.
- 3 If the 1 kg standard body has an acceleration of 2.00 m/s² at 20.0° to the positive direction of an x axis, what are (a) the x component and (b) the y component of the net force acting on the body, and (c) what is the net force in unit-vector notation? Top of Form

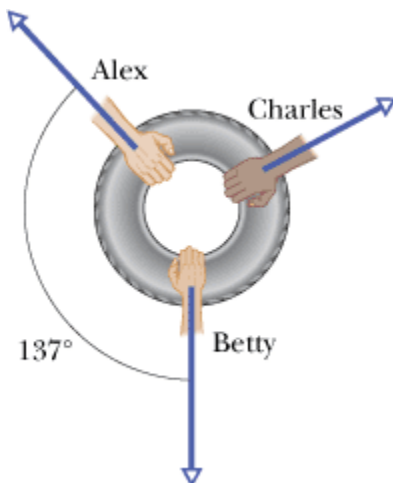
••4 While two forces act on it, a particle is to move at the constant velocity $\vec{v} = (3 \text{ m/s})\hat{i} - (4 \text{ m/s})\hat{j}$. One of the forces is $\vec{F}_1 = (2 \text{ N})\hat{i} + (-6 \text{ N})\hat{j}$. What is the other force?

••5 **GO** Three astronauts, propelled by jet backpacks, push and guide a 120 kg asteroid toward a processing dock, Top of Form exerting the forces shown in Fig. 5-29, with $F_1 = 32 \text{ N}$, $F_2 = 55 \text{ N}$, $F_3 = 41 \text{ N}$, $\theta_1 = 30^\circ$, and $\theta_3 = 60^\circ$. What is the asteroid's acceleration (a) in unit-vector notation and as (b) a magnitude and (c) a direction relative to the positive direction of the x axis?



+ Figure 5-29 Problem 5.

••6 In a two-dimensional tug-of-war, Alex, Betty, and Charles pull horizontally on an automobile tire at the angles shown in the overhead view of Fig. 5-30. The tire remains stationary in spite of the three pulls. Alex pulls with force \vec{F}_A of magnitude 220 N, and Charles pulls with force \vec{F}_C of magnitude 170 N. Note that the direction of \vec{F}_C is not given. What is the magnitude of Betty's force \vec{F}_B ?



+ Figure 5-30 Problem 6.

••7 **SSM** There are two forces on the 2.00 kg box in the overhead view of Fig. 5-31, but only one is shown. For Top of Form $F_1 = 20.0 \text{ N}$, $a = 12.0 \text{ m/s}^2$, and $\theta = 30.0^\circ$, find the second force (a) in unit-vector notation and as (b) a magnitude and (c) an angle relative to the positive direction of the x axis.

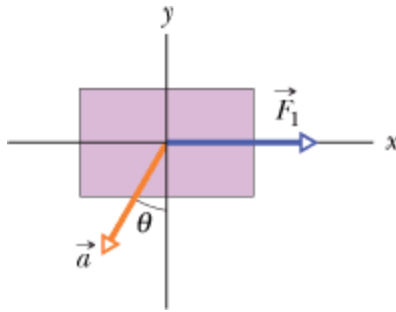


Figure 5-31 Problem 7.

- 8 A 2.00 kg object is subjected to three forces that give it an acceleration $\vec{a} = -(8.00 \text{ m/s}^2)\hat{i} + (6.00 \text{ m/s}^2)\hat{j}$. If two of the three forces are $\vec{F}_1 = (30.0 \text{ N})\hat{i} + (16.0 \text{ N})\hat{j}$ and $\vec{F}_2 = -(12.0 \text{ N})\hat{i} + (8.00 \text{ N})\hat{j}$ find the third force.

- 9 A 0.340 kg particle moves in an xy plane according to $x(t) = -15.00 + 2.00t - 4.00t^3$ and $y(t) = 25.00 + 7.00t - 9.00t^2$, with x and y in meters and t in seconds. At $t = 0.700$ s, what are (a) the magnitude and (b) the angle (relative to the positive direction of the x axis) of the net force on the particle, and (c) what is the angle of the particle's direction of travel? Top of Form

- 10 A 0.150 kg particle moves along an x axis according to $x(t) = -13.00 + 2.00t + 4.00t^2 - 3.00t^3$, with x in meters and t in seconds. In unit-vector notation, what is the net force acting on the particle at $t = 3.40$ s?

- 11 A 2.0 kg particle moves along an x axis, being propelled by a variable force directed along that axis. Its position is given by $x = 3.0 \text{ m} + (4.0 \text{ m/s})t + ct^2 - (2.0 \text{ m/s}^3)t^3$, with x in meters and t in seconds. The factor c is a constant. At $t = 3.0$ s, the force on the particle has a magnitude of 36 N and is in the negative direction of the axis. What is c ? Top of Form

- 12 **GO** Two horizontal forces \vec{F}_1 and \vec{F}_2 act on a 4.0 kg disk that slides over frictionless ice, on which an xy coordinate system is laid out. Force \vec{F}_1 is in the positive direction of the x axis and has a magnitude of 7.0 N. Force \vec{F}_2 has a magnitude of 9.0 N. Figure 5-32 gives the x component v_x of the velocity of the disk as a function of time t during the sliding. What is the angle between the constant directions of forces \vec{F}_1 and \vec{F}_2 ?

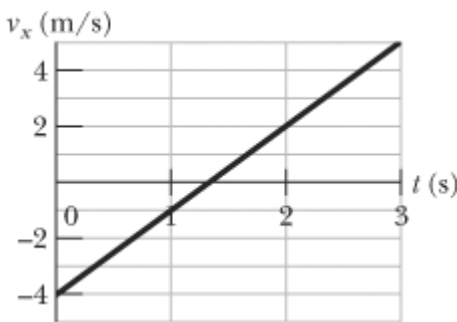


Figure 5-32 Problem 12.

sec. 5-7 Some Particular Forces

- 13 Figure 5-33 shows an arrangement in which four disks are suspended by cords. The longer, top cord loops over a frictionless pulley and pulls with a force of magnitude 98 N on the wall to which it is attached. The tensions in the three shorter cords are $T_1 = 58.8$ N, $T_2 = 49.0$ N, and $T_3 = 9.8$ N. What are the masses of (a) disk A, (b) disk B, (c) disk C, and (d) disk D? Top of Form

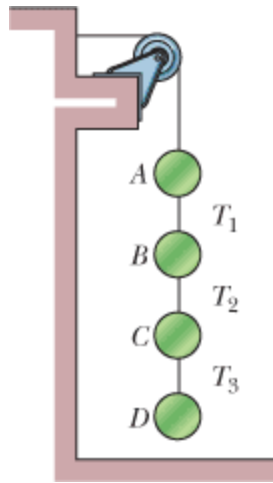


Figure 5-33 Problem 13.

•14 A block with a weight of 3.0 N is at rest on a horizontal surface. A 1.0 N upward force is applied to the block by means of an attached vertical string. What are the (a) magnitude and (b) direction of the force of the block on the horizontal surface?

•15 **SSM** (a) An 11.0 kg salami is supported by a cord that runs to a spring scale, which is supported by a cord hung from the ceiling (Fig. 5-34a). What is the reading on the scale, which is marked in weight units? (b) In Fig. 5-34b the salami is supported by a cord that runs around a pulley and to a scale. The opposite end of the scale is attached by a cord to a wall. What is the reading on the scale? (c) In Fig. 5-34c the wall has been replaced with a second 11.0 kg salami, and the assembly is stationary. What is the reading on the scale?

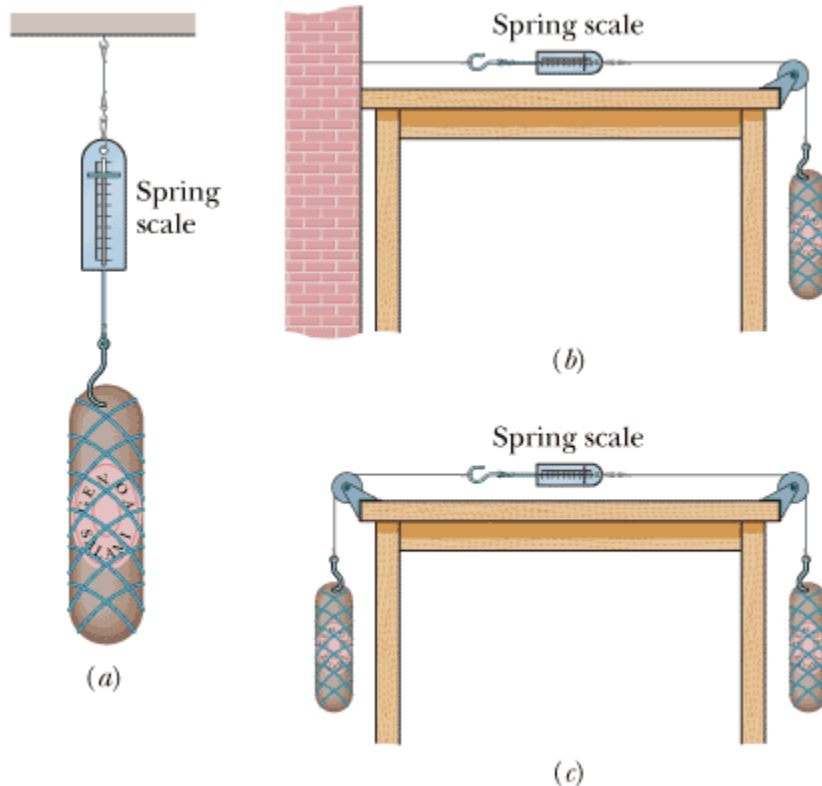
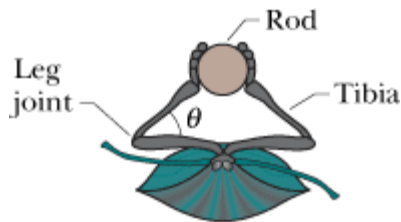



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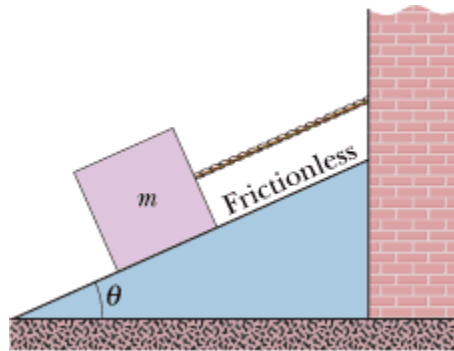
••16 Some insects can walk below a thin rod (such as a twig) by hanging from it. Suppose that such an insect has mass m and hangs from a horizontal rod as shown in Fig. 5-35, with angle $\theta = 40^\circ$. Its six legs are all under the same tension, and the leg sections nearest the body are horizontal. (a) What is the ratio of the tension in each tibia (forepart of a leg) to the insect's weight? (b) If the insect straightens out its legs somewhat, does the tension in each tibia increase, decrease, or stay the same?





 **Figure 5-35** Problem 16.

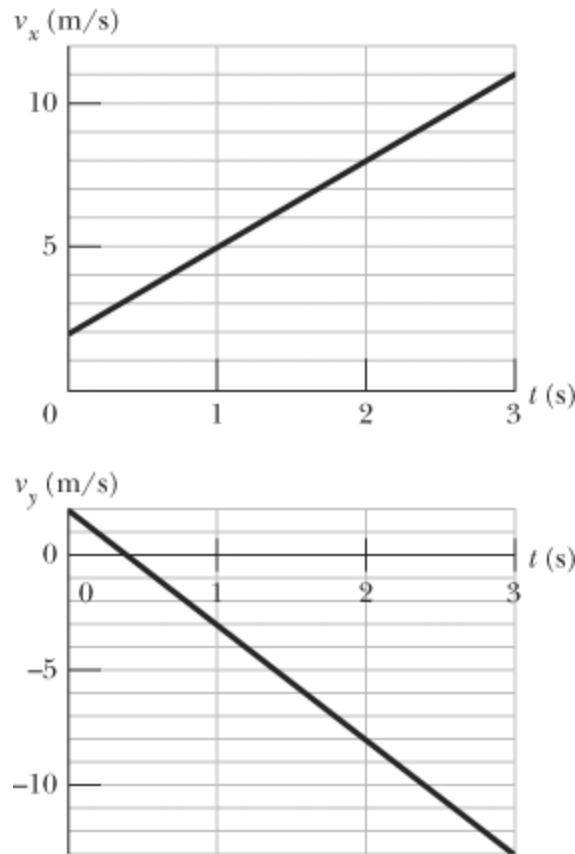
sec. 5-9 Applying Newton's Laws


- 17 **SSM WWW** In Fig. 5-36, let the mass of the block be 8.5 kg and the angle θ be 30° . Find (a) the tension in the cord and (b) the normal force acting on the block. (c) If the cord is cut, find the magnitude of the resulting acceleration of the block. [Top of Form](#)




 **Figure 5-36** Problem 17.


- 18  In April 1974, John Massis of Belgium managed to move two passenger railroad cars. He did so by clamping his teeth down on a bit that was attached to the cars with a rope and then leaning backward while pressing his feet against the railway ties. The cars together weighed 700 kN (about 80 tons). Assume that he pulled with a constant force that was 2.5 times his body weight, at an upward angle θ of 30° from the horizontal. His mass was 80 kg, and he moved the cars by 1.0 m. Neglecting any retarding force from the wheel rotation, find the speed of the cars at the end of the pull.
- 19 **SSM** A 500 kg rocket sled can be accelerated at a constant rate from rest to 1600 km/h in 1.8 s. What is the magnitude of the required net force? [Top of Form](#)
- 20 A car traveling at 53 km/h hits a bridge abutment. A passenger in the car moves forward a distance of 65 cm (with respect to the road) while being brought to rest by an inflated air bag. What magnitude of force (assumed constant) acts on the passenger's upper torso, which has a mass of 41 kg?
- 21 A constant horizontal force \vec{F}_a pushes a 2.00 kg FedEx package across a frictionless floor on which an xy coordinate system has been drawn. Figure 5-37 gives the package's x and y velocity components versus time t . What are the (a) magnitude and (b) direction of \vec{F}_a ? [Top of Form](#)



 **Figure 5-37** Problem 21.


- 22  A customer sits in an amusement park ride in which the compartment is to be pulled downward in the negative direction of a y axis with an acceleration magnitude of $1.24g$, with $g = 9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$. A 0.567 g coin rests on the customer's knee. Once the motion begins and in unit-vector notation, what is the coin's acceleration relative to (a) the ground and (b) the customer? (c) How long does the coin take to reach the compartment ceiling, 2.20 m above the knee? In unit-vector notation, what are (d) the actual force on the coin and (e) the apparent force according to the customer's measure of the coin's acceleration?
- 23 Tarzan, who weighs 820 N , swings from a cliff at the end of a 20.0 m vine that hangs from a high tree limb Top of Form and initially makes an angle of 22.0° with the vertical. Assume that an x axis extends horizontally away from the cliff edge and a y axis extends upward. Immediately after Tarzan steps off the cliff, the tension in the vine is 760 N . Just then, what are (a) the force on him from the vine in unit-vector notation and the net force on him (b) in unit-vector notation and as (c) a magnitude and (d) an angle relative to the positive direction of the x axis? What are the (e) magnitude and (f) angle of Tarzan's acceleration just then?
- 24 There are two horizontal forces on the 2.0 kg box in the overhead view of Fig. 5-38 but only one (of magnitude $F_1 = 20 \text{ N}$) is shown. The box moves along the x axis. For each of the following values for the acceleration a_x of the box, find the second force in unit-vector notation: (a) 10 m/s^2 , (b) 20 m/s^2 , (c) 0 , (d) -10 m/s^2 , and (e) -20 m/s^2 .

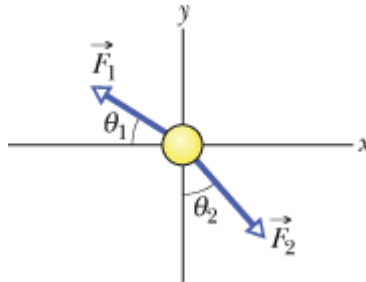



 **Figure 5-38** Problem 24.

- 25 *Sunjamming*. A “sun yacht” is a spacecraft with a large sail that is pushed by sunlight. Although such a push Top of Form is tiny in everyday circumstances, it can be large enough to send the spacecraft outward from the Sun on a cost-free but slow trip. Suppose that the spacecraft has a mass of 900 kg and receives a push of 20 N . (a) What is the magnitude of the resulting acceleration? If the craft starts from rest, (b) how far will it travel in 1 day and (c) how fast will it then be moving?
- 26 The tension at which a fishing line snaps is commonly called the line's “strength.” What minimum strength is needed for a line that is to stop a salmon of weight 85 N in 11 cm if the fish is initially drifting at 2.8 m/s ? Assume a constant

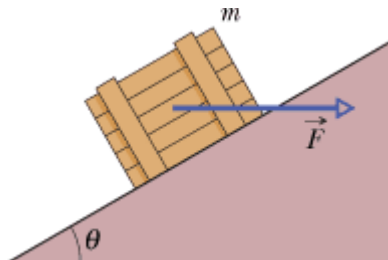
deceleration.


- 27 **SSM** An electron with a speed of 1.2×10^7 m/s moves horizontally into a region where a constant vertical force of 4.5×10^{-16} N acts on it. The mass of the electron is 9.11×10^{-31} kg. Determine the vertical distance the electron is deflected during the time it has moved 30 mm horizontally. Top of Form
- 28 A car that weighs 1.30×10^4 N is initially moving at 40 km/h when the brakes are applied and the car is brought to a stop in 15 m. Assuming the force that stops the car is constant, find (a) the magnitude of that force and (b) the time required for the change in speed. If the initial speed is doubled, and the car experiences the same force during the braking, by what factors are (c) the stopping distance and (d) the stopping time multiplied? (There could be a lesson here about the danger of driving at high speeds.)
- 29 A firefighter who weighs 712 N slides down a vertical pole with an acceleration of 3.00 m/s^2 , directed downward. What are the (a) magnitude and (b) direction (up or down) of the vertical force on the firefighter from the pole and the (c) magnitude and (d) direction of the vertical force on the pole from the firefighter? Top of Form
- 30  The high-speed winds around a tornado can drive projectiles into trees, building walls, and even metal traffic signs. In a laboratory simulation, a standard wood toothpick was shot by pneumatic gun into an oak branch. The toothpick's mass was 0.13 g, its speed before entering the branch was 220 m/s, and its penetration depth was 15 mm. If its speed was decreased at a uniform rate, what was the magnitude of the force of the branch on the toothpick?
- 31 **SSM WWW** A block is projected up a frictionless inclined plane with initial speed $v_0 = 3.50$ m/s. The angle of incline is $\theta = 32.0^\circ$. (a) How far up the plane does the block go? (b) How long does it take to get there? (c) What is its speed when it gets back to the bottom? Top of Form
- 32 Figure 5-39 shows an overhead view of a 0.0250 kg lemon half and two of the three horizontal forces that act on it as it is on a frictionless table. Force \vec{F}_1 has a magnitude of 6.00 N and is at $\theta_1 = 30.0^\circ$. Force \vec{F}_2 has a magnitude of 7.00 N and is at $\theta_2 = 30.0^\circ$. In unit-vector notation, what is the third force if the lemon half (a) is stationary, (b) has the constant velocity $\vec{v} = (13.0\hat{i} - 14.0\hat{j})$ m/s, and (c) has the varying velocity $\vec{v} = (13.0\hat{i} - 14.0t\hat{j})$ m/s², where t is time?



 **Figure 5-39** Problem 32.

- 33 An elevator cab and its load have a combined mass of 1600 kg. Find the tension in the supporting cable when the cab, originally moving downward at 12 m/s, is brought to rest with constant acceleration in a distance of 42 m. Top of Form
- 34 **GO** In Fig. 5-40, a crate of mass $m = 100$ kg is pushed at constant speed up a frictionless ramp ($\theta = 30.0^\circ$) by a horizontal force \vec{F} . What are the magnitudes of (a) \vec{F} and (b) the force on the crate from the ramp?



 **Figure 5-40** Problem 34.

The velocity of a 3.00 kg particle is given by $\vec{v} = (8.00\hat{i} + 3.00t^2\hat{j})$ m/s, with time t in seconds. At the instant the net force on the particle has a magnitude of 35.0 N, what are the direction (relative to the positive direction of the x axis) of (a) the net force and (b) the particle's direction of travel?

- 36 Holding on to a towrope moving parallel to a frictionless ski slope, a 50 kg skier is pulled up the slope, which is at an angle of 8.0° with the horizontal. What is the magnitude F_{rope} of the force on the skier from the rope when (a) the magnitude v of the skier's velocity is constant at 2.0 m/s and (b) $v = 2.0$ m/s as v increases at a rate of 0.10 m/s^2 ?
- 37 A 40 kg girl and an 8.4 kg sled are on the frictionless ice of a frozen lake, 15 m apart but connected by a rope of negligible mass. The girl exerts a horizontal 5.2 N force on the rope. What are the acceleration magnitudes of (a) the sled and (b) the girl? (c) How far from the girl's initial position do they meet? Top of Form
- 38 A 40 kg skier skis directly down a frictionless slope angled at 10° to the horizontal. Assume the skier moves in the negative direction of an x axis along the slope. A wind force with component F_x acts on the skier. What is F_x if the magnitude of the skier's velocity is (a) constant, (b) increasing at a rate of 1.0 m/s^2 , and (c) increasing at a rate of 2.0 m/s^2 ?
- 39 ILW A sphere of mass 3.0×10^{-4} kg is suspended from a cord. A steady horizontal breeze pushes the sphere so that the cord makes a constant angle of 37° with the vertical. Find (a) the push magnitude and (b) the tension in the cord. Top of Form
- 40 GO A dated box of dates, of mass 5.00 kg, is sent sliding up a frictionless ramp at an angle of θ to the horizontal. Figure 5-41 gives, as a function of time t , the component v_x of the box's velocity along an x axis that extends directly up the ramp. What is the magnitude of the normal force on the box from the ramp?

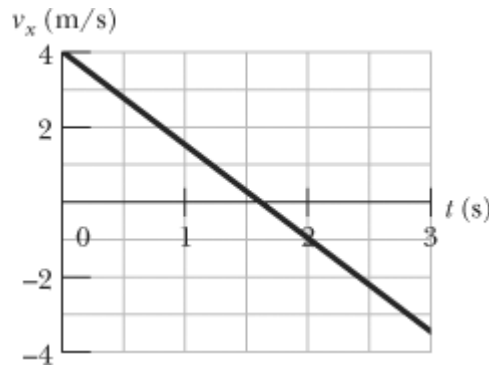


Figure 5-41 Problem 40.

- 41 Using a rope that will snap if the tension in it exceeds 387 N, you need to lower a bundle of old roofing material weighing 449 N from a point 6.1 m above the ground. (a) What magnitude of the bundle's acceleration will put the rope on the verge of snapping? (b) At that acceleration, with what speed would the bundle hit the ground? Top of Form
- 42 GO In earlier days, horses pulled barges down canals in the manner shown in Fig. 5-42. Suppose the horse pulls on the rope with a force of 7900 N at an angle of $\theta = 18^\circ$ to the direction of motion of the barge, which is headed straight along the positive direction of an x axis. The mass of the barge is 9500 kg, and the magnitude of its acceleration is 0.12 m/s^2 . What are the (a) magnitude and (b) direction (relative to positive x) of the force on the barge from the water?

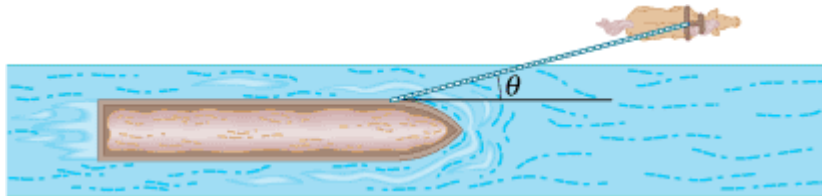


Figure 5-42 Problem 42.

- 43 SSM In Fig. 5-43, a chain consisting of five links, each of mass 0.100 kg, is lifted vertically with constant acceleration of magnitude $a = 2.50 \text{ m/s}^2$. Find the magnitudes of (a) the force on link 1 from link 2, (b) the force on link 2 from link 3, (c) the force on link 3 from link 4, and (d) the force on link 4 from link 5. Then find the magnitudes of (e) the force \vec{F} on the top link from the person lifting the chain and (f) the net force accelerating

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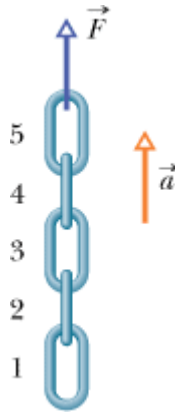


Figure 5-43 Problem 43.

- 44 A lamp hangs vertically from a cord in a descending elevator that decelerates at 2.4 m/s^2 . (a) If the tension in the cord is 89 N, what is the lamp's mass? (b) What is the cord's tension when the elevator ascends with an upward acceleration of 2.4 m/s^2 ?
- 45 An elevator cab that weighs 27.8 kN moves upward. What is the tension in the cable if the cab's speed is (a) Top of Form increasing at a rate of 1.22 m/s^2 and (b) decreasing at a rate of 1.22 m/s^2 ?
- 46 An elevator cab is pulled upward by a cable. The cab and its single occupant have a combined mass of 2000 kg. When that occupant drops a coin, its acceleration relative to the cab is 8.00 m/s^2 downward. What is the tension in the cable?
- 47 The Zacchini family was renowned for their human-cannonball act in which a family member was Top of Form shot from a cannon using either elastic bands or compressed air. In one version of the act, Emanuel Zacchini was shot over three Ferris wheels to land in a net at the same height as the open end of the cannon and at a range of 69 m. He was propelled inside the barrel for 5.2 m and launched at an angle of 53° . If his mass was 85 kg and he underwent constant acceleration inside the barrel, what was the magnitude of the force propelling him? (*Hint*: Treat the launch as though it were along a ramp at 53° . Neglect air drag.)
- 48 In Fig. 5-44, elevator cabs A and B are connected by a short cable and can be pulled upward or lowered by the cable above cab A. Cab A has mass 1700 kg; cab B has mass 1300 kg. A 12.0 kg box of catnip lies on the floor of cab A. The tension in the cable connecting the cabs is $1.91 \times 10^4 \text{ N}$. What is the magnitude of the normal force on the box from the floor?

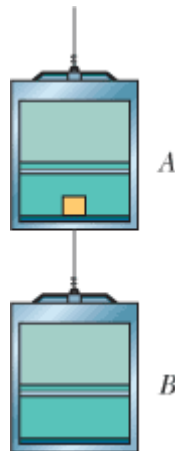
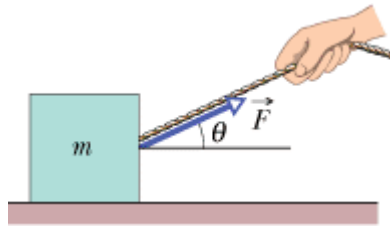




Figure 5-44 Problem 48.

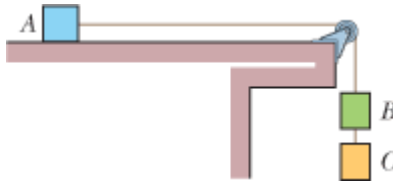
- 49 In Fig. 5-45, a block of mass $m = 5.00 \text{ kg}$ is pulled along a horizontal frictionless floor by a cord that exerts Top of Form a force of magnitude $F = 12.0 \text{ N}$ at an angle $\theta = 25.0^\circ$. (a) What is the magnitude of the block's acceleration? (b) The force magnitude F is slowly increased. What is its value just before the block is lifted (completely) off the floor? (c) What is the magnitude of the block's acceleration just before it is lifted (completely) off the


floor?




 **Figure 5-45** Problems 49 and 60.

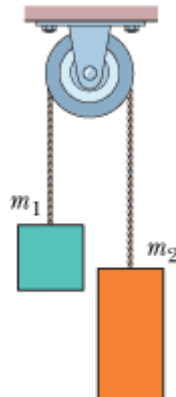
- 50**  In Fig. 5-46, three ballot boxes are connected by cords, one of which wraps over a pulley having negligible friction on its axle and negligible mass. The three masses are $m_A = 30.0$ kg, $m_B = 40.0$ kg, and $m_C = 10.0$ kg. When the assembly is released from rest, (a) what is the tension in the cord connecting B and C, and (b) how far does A move in the first 0.250 s (assuming it does not reach the pulley)?



 **Figure 5-46** Problem 50.

- 51**  Figure 5-47 shows two blocks connected by a cord (of negligible mass) that passes over a frictionless pulley (also of negligible mass). The arrangement is known as *Atwood's machine*. One block has mass $m_1 = 1.30$ kg; the other has mass $m_2 = 2.80$ kg. What are (a) the magnitude of the blocks' acceleration and (b) the tension in the cord?

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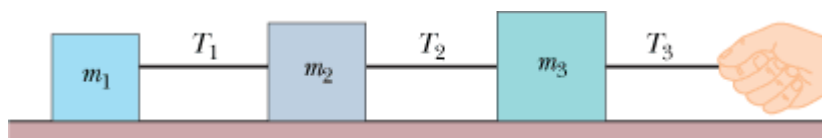



 **Figure 5-47** Problems 51 and 65.


- 52** An 85 kg man lowers himself to the ground from a height of 10.0 m by holding onto a rope that runs over a frictionless pulley to a 65 kg sandbag. With what speed does the man hit the ground if he started from rest?

- 53** In Fig. 5-48, three connected blocks are pulled to the right on a horizontal frictionless table by a force of magnitude $T_3 = 65.0$ N. If $m_1 = 12.0$ kg, $m_2 = 24.0$ kg, and $m_3 = 31.0$ kg, calculate (a) the magnitude of the system's acceleration, (b) the tension T_1 , and (c) the tension T_2 .

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 **Figure 5-48** Problem 53.

- 54**  Figure 5-49 shows four penguins that are being playfully pulled along very slippery (frictionless) ice by a curator. The

masses of three penguins and the tension in two of the cords are $m_1 = 12 \text{ kg}$, $m_3 = 15 \text{ kg}$, $m_4 = 20 \text{ kg}$, $T_2 = 111 \text{ N}$, and $T_4 = 222 \text{ N}$. Find the penguin mass m_2 that is not given.

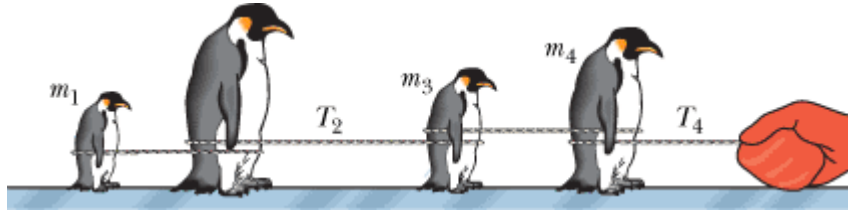


Figure 5-49 Problem 54.

- 55 SSM WWW ILW** Two blocks are in contact on a frictionless table. A horizontal force is applied to the larger block, as shown in Fig. 5-50. (a) If $m_1 = 2.3 \text{ kg}$, $m_2 = 1.2 \text{ kg}$, and $F = 3.2 \text{ N}$, find the magnitude of the force between the two blocks. (b) Show that if a force of the same magnitude F is applied to the smaller block but in the opposite direction, the magnitude of the force between the blocks is 2.1 N , which is not the same value calculated in (a). (c) Explain the difference. Top of Form

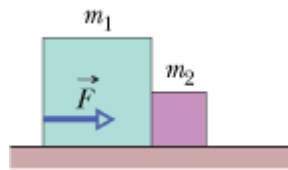


Figure 5-50 Problem 55.

- 56** In Fig. 5-51a, a constant horizontal force \vec{F}_a is applied to block A, which pushes against block B with a 20.0 N force directed horizontally to the right. In Fig. 5-51b, the same force \vec{F}_a is applied to block B; now block A pushes on block B with a 10.0 N force directed horizontally to the left. The blocks have a combined mass of 12.0 kg . What are the magnitudes of (a) their acceleration in Fig. 5-51a and (b) force \vec{F}_a ?

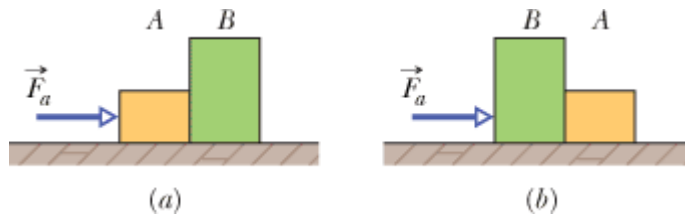


Figure 5-51 Problem 56.

- 57 ILW** A block of mass $m_1 = 3.70 \text{ kg}$ on a frictionless plane inclined at angle $\theta = 30.0^\circ$ is connected by a cord over a massless, frictionless pulley to a second block of mass $m_2 = 2.30 \text{ kg}$ (Fig. 5-52). What are (a) the magnitude of the acceleration of each block, (b) the direction of the acceleration of the hanging block, and (c) the tension in the cord? Top of Form

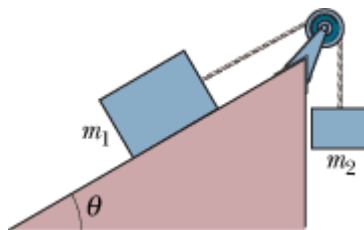
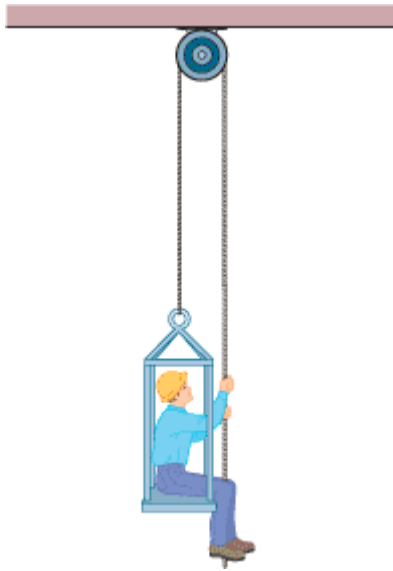



Figure 5-52 Problem 57.

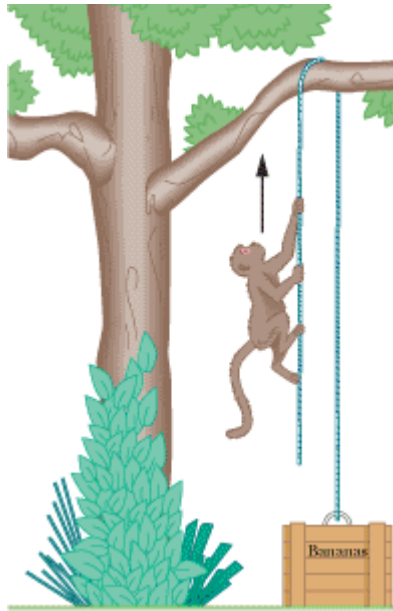
- 58** Figure 5-53 shows a man sitting in a bosun's chair that dangles from a massless rope, which runs over a massless, frictionless pulley and back down to the man's hand. The combined mass of man and chair is 95.0 kg . With what force magnitude must the man pull on the rope if he is to rise (a) with a constant velocity and (b) with an upward acceleration of


1.30 m/s²? (*Hint*: A free-body diagram can really help.) If the rope on the right extends to the ground and is pulled by a coworker, with what force magnitude must the co-worker pull for the man to rise (c) with a constant velocity and (d) with an upward acceleration of 1.30 m/s²? What is the magnitude of the force on the ceiling from the pulley system in (e) part a, (f) part b, (g) part c, and (h) part d?




 **Figure 5-53** Problem 58.

- 59 SSM** A 10 kg monkey climbs up a massless rope that runs over a frictionless tree limb and back down to a Top of Form 15 kg package on the ground (Fig. 5-54). (a) What is the magnitude of the least acceleration the monkey must have if it is to lift the package off the ground? If, after the package has been lifted, the monkey stops its climb and holds onto the rope, what are the (b) magnitude and (c) direction of the monkey's acceleration and (d) the tension in the rope?

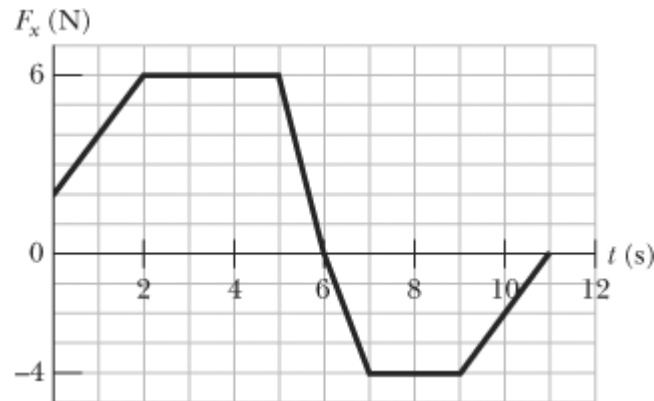



 **Figure 5-54** Problem 59.

- 60** Figure 5-45 shows a 5.00 kg block being pulled along a frictionless floor by a cord that applies a force of constant magnitude 20.0 N but with an angle $\theta(t)$ that varies with time. When angle $\theta = 25.0^\circ$, at what rate is the acceleration of the block changing if (a) $\theta(t) = (2.00 \times 10^{-2} \text{ deg/s})t$ and (b) $\theta(t) = -(2.00 \times 10^{-2} \text{ deg/s})t$? (*Hint*: The angle should be in radians.)
- 61 SSM ILW** A hot-air balloon of mass M is descending vertically with downward acceleration of magnitude Top of Form a . How much mass (ballast) must be thrown out to give the balloon an upward acceleration of magnitude a ? Assume that the upward force from the air (the lift) does not change because of the decrease in mass.

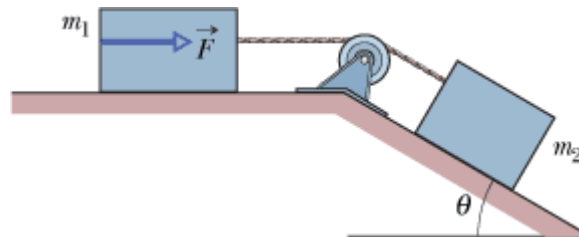
- 62  In shot putting, many athletes elect to launch the shot at an angle that is smaller than the theoretical one (about 42°) at which the distance of a projected ball at the same speed and height is greatest. One reason has to do with the speed the athlete can give the shot during the acceleration phase of the throw. Assume that a 7.260 kg shot is accelerated along a straight path of length 1.650 m by a constant applied force of magnitude 380.0 N , starting with an initial speed of 2.500 m/s (due to the athlete's preliminary motion). What is the shot's speed at the end of the acceleration phase if the angle between the path and the horizontal is (a) 30.00° and (b) 42.00° ? (Hint: Treat the motion as though it were along a ramp at the given angle.) (c) By what percent is the launch speed decreased if the athlete increases the angle from 30.00° to 42.00° ?


- 63 Figure 5-55 gives, as a function of time t , the force component F_x that acts on a 3.00 kg ice block that can move only along the x axis. At $t = 0$, the block is moving in the positive direction of the axis, with a speed of 3.0 m/s . What are its (a) speed and (b) direction of travel at $t = 11\text{ s}$? Top of Form



 **Figure 5-55** Problem 63.

- 64 Figure 5-56 shows a box of mass $m_2 = 1.0\text{ kg}$ on a frictionless plane inclined at angle $\theta = 30^\circ$. It is connected by a cord of negligible mass to a box of mass $m_1 = 3.0\text{ kg}$ on a horizontal frictionless surface. The pulley is frictionless and massless. (a) If the magnitude of horizontal force \vec{F} is 2.3 N , what is the tension in the connecting cord? (b) What is the largest value the magnitude of \vec{F} may have without the cord becoming slack?



 **Figure 5-56** Problem 64.

- 65 Figure 5-47 shows *Atwood's machine*, in which two containers are connected by a cord (of negligible mass) passing over a frictionless pulley (also of negligible mass). At time $t = 0$, container 1 has mass 1.30 kg and container 2 has mass 2.80 kg , but container 1 is losing mass (through a leak) at the constant rate of 0.200 kg/s . At what rate is the acceleration magnitude of the containers changing at (a) $t = 0$ and (b) $t = 3.00\text{ s}$? (c) When does the acceleration reach its maximum value? Top of Form
- 66 Figure 5-57 shows a section of a cable-car system. The maximum permissible mass of each car with occupants is 2800 kg . The cars, riding on a support cable, are pulled by a second cable attached to the support tower on each car. Assume that the cables are taut and inclined at angle $\theta = 35^\circ$. What is the difference in tension between adjacent sections of pull cable if the cars are at the maximum permissible mass and are being accelerated up the incline at 0.81 m/s^2 ?

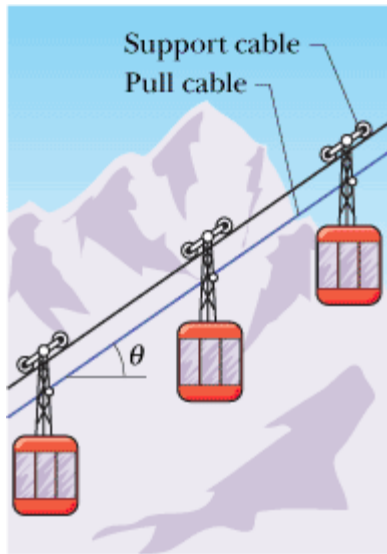


Figure 5-57 Problem 66.

- 67 Figure 5-58 shows three blocks attached by cords that loop over frictionless pulleys. Block B lies on a frictionless table; the masses are $m_A = 6.00$ kg, $m_B = 8.00$ kg, and $m_C = 10.0$ kg. When the blocks are released, what is the tension in the cord at the right?

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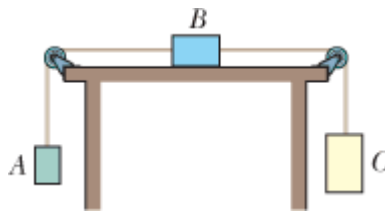


Figure 5-58 Problem 67.

- 68 A shot putter launches a 7.260 kg shot by pushing it along a straight line of length 1.650 m and at an angle of 34.10° from the horizontal, accelerating the shot to the launch speed from its initial speed of 2.500 m/s (which is due to the athlete's preliminary motion). The shot leaves the hand at a height of 2.110 m and at an angle of 34.10° , and it lands at a horizontal distance of 15.90 m. What is the magnitude of the athlete's average force on the shot during the acceleration phase? (*Hint*: Treat the motion during the acceleration phase as though it were along a ramp at the given angle.)

Additional Problems

- 69 In Fig. 5-59, 4.0 kg block A and 6.0 kg block B are connected by a string of negligible mass. Force $\vec{F}_A = (12 \text{ N})\hat{i}$ on block A; force $\vec{F}_B = (12 \text{ N})\hat{i}$ acts on block B. What is the tension in the string?

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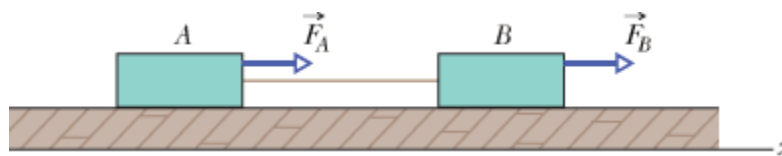


Figure 5-59 Problem 69.

- 70 An 80 kg man drops to a concrete patio from a window 0.50 m above the patio. He neglects to bend his knees on landing, taking 2.0 cm to stop. (a) What is his average acceleration from when his feet first touch the patio to when he stops? (b) What is the magnitude of the average stopping force exerted on him by the patio?
- 71 **SSM** Figure 5-60 shows a box of dirty money (mass $m_1 = 3.0$ kg) on a frictionless plane inclined at angle $\theta_1 = 30^\circ$. The box is connected via a cord of negligible mass to a box of laundered money (mass $m_2 = 2.0$ kg) on a frictionless plane inclined at angle $\theta_2 = 60^\circ$. The pulley is frictionless and has negligible mass. What is the tension in the cord?

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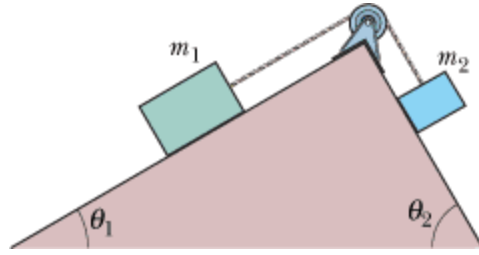


Figure 5-60 Problem 71.

- 72 Three forces act on a particle that moves with unchanging velocity $\vec{v} = (2 \text{ m/s})\hat{i} - (7 \text{ m/s})\hat{j}$. Two of the forces are $\vec{F}_1 = (2\text{N})\hat{i} + (3\text{N})\hat{j} + (-2\text{N})\hat{k}$ and $\vec{F}_2 = (-5\text{N})\hat{i} + (8\text{N})\hat{j} + (-2\text{N})\hat{k}$. What is the third force?

- 73 **SSM** In Fig. 5-61, a tin of antioxidants ($m_1 = 1.0 \text{ kg}$) on a frictionless inclined surface is connected to a tin of corned beef ($m_2 = 2.0 \text{ kg}$). The pulley is massless and frictionless. An upward force of magnitude $F = 6.0 \text{ N}$ acts on the corned beef tin, which has a downward acceleration of 5.5 m/s^2 . What are (a) the tension in the connecting cord and (b) angle β ? Top of Form

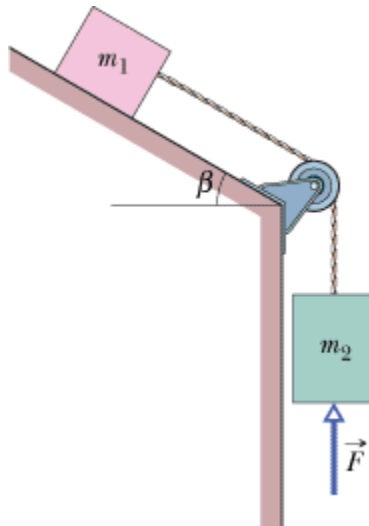


Figure 5-61 Problem 73.

- 74 The only two forces acting on a body have magnitudes of 20 N and 35 N and directions that differ by 80° . The resulting acceleration has a magnitude of 20 m/s^2 . What is the mass of the body?
- 75 Figure 5-62 is an overhead view of a 12 kg tire that is to be pulled by three horizontal ropes. One rope's force ($F_1 = 50 \text{ N}$) is indicated. The forces from the other ropes are to be oriented such that the tire's acceleration magnitude a is least. What is that least a if (a) $F_2 = 30 \text{ N}$, $F_3 = 20 \text{ N}$; (b) $F_2 = 30 \text{ N}$, $F_3 = 10 \text{ N}$; and (c) $F_2 = F_3 = 30 \text{ N}$? Top of Form

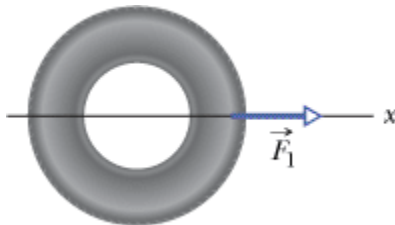


Figure 5-62 Problem 75.

- 76 A block of mass M is pulled along a horizontal frictionless surface by a rope of mass m , as shown in Fig. 5-63. A horizontal force \vec{F} acts on one end of the rope. (a) Show that the rope *must* sag, even if only by an imperceptible amount. Then,

assuming that the sag is negligible, find (b) the acceleration of rope and block, (c) the force on the block from the rope, and (d) the tension in the rope at its midpoint.

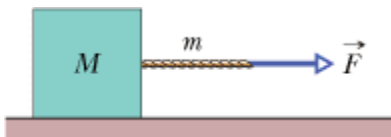


Figure 5-63 Problem 76.

77 SSM A worker drags a crate across a factory floor by pulling on a rope tied to the crate. The worker exerts a Top of Form force of magnitude $F = 450 \text{ N}$ on the rope, which is inclined at an upward angle $\theta = 38^\circ$ to the horizontal, and the floor exerts a horizontal force of magnitude $f = 125 \text{ N}$ that opposes the motion. Calculate the magnitude of the acceleration of the crate if (a) its mass is 310 kg and (b) its weight is 310 N .

78 In Fig. 5-64, a force \vec{F} of magnitude 12 N is applied to a FedEx box of mass $m_2 = 1.0 \text{ kg}$. The force is directed up a plane tilted by $\theta = 37^\circ$. The box is connected by a cord to a UPS box of mass $m_1 = 3.0 \text{ kg}$ on the floor. The floor, plane, and pulley are frictionless, and the masses of the pulley and cord are negligible. What is the tension in the cord?

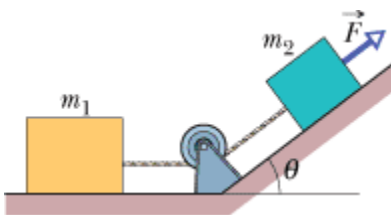


Figure 5-64 Problem 78.

79 A certain particle has a weight of 22 N at a point where $g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$. What are its (a) weight and (b) mass at Top of Form a point where $g = 4.9 \text{ m/s}^2$? What are its (c) weight and (d) mass if it is moved to a point in space where $g = 0$?

80 An 80 kg person is parachuting and experiencing a downward acceleration of 2.5 m/s^2 . The mass of the parachute is 5.0 kg . (a) What is the upward force on the open parachute from the air? (b) What is the downward force on the parachute from the person?

81 A spaceship lifts off vertically from the Moon, where $g = 1.6 \text{ m/s}^2$. If the ship has an upward acceleration of Top of Form 1.0 m/s^2 as it lifts off, what is the magnitude of the force exerted by the ship on its pilot, who weighs 735 N on Earth?

82 In the overhead view of Fig. 5-65, five forces pull on a box of mass $m = 4.0 \text{ kg}$. The force magnitudes are $F_1 = 11 \text{ N}$, $F_2 = 17 \text{ N}$, $F_3 = 3.0 \text{ N}$, $F_4 = 14 \text{ N}$, and $F_5 = 5.0 \text{ N}$, and angle $\theta_4 = 30^\circ$. Find the box's acceleration (a) in unit-vector notation and as (b) a magnitude and (c) an angle relative to the positive direction of the x axis.

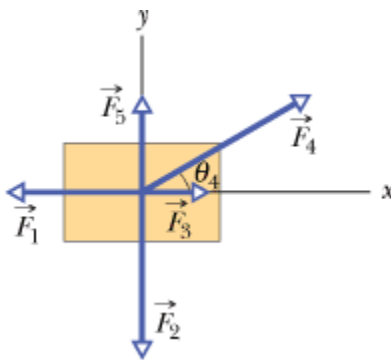


Figure 5-65 Problem 82.

83 SSM A certain force gives an object of mass m_1 an acceleration of 12.0 m/s^2 and an object of mass m_2 an Top of Form acceleration of 3.30 m/s^2 . What acceleration would the force give to an object of mass (a) $m_2 - m_1$ and (b) $m_2 + m_1$?

- 84 You pull a short refrigerator with a constant force \vec{F} across a greased (frictionless) floor, either with \vec{F} horizontal (case 1) or with \vec{F} tilted upward at an angle θ (case 2). (a) What is the ratio of the refrigerator's speed in case 2 to its speed in case 1 if you pull for a certain time t ? (b) What is this ratio if you pull for a certain distance d ?
- 85 A 52 kg circus performer is to slide down a rope that will break if the tension exceeds 425 N. (a) What happens if the performer hangs stationary on the rope? (b) At what magnitude of acceleration does the performer just avoid breaking the rope? Top of Form
- 86 Compute the weight of a 75 kg space ranger (a) on Earth, (b) on Mars, where $g = 3.7 \text{ m/s}^2$, and (c) in interplanetary space, where $g = 0$. (d) What is the ranger's mass at each location?
- 87 An object is hung from a spring balance attached to the ceiling of an elevator cab. The balance reads 65 N when the cab is standing still. What is the reading when the cab is moving upward (a) with a constant speed of 7.6 m/s and (b) with a speed of 7.6 m/s while decelerating at a rate of 2.4 m/s^2 ? Top of Form
- 88 Imagine a landing craft approaching the surface of Callisto, one of Jupiter's moons. If the engine provides an upward force (thrust) of 3260 N, the craft descends at constant speed; if the engine provides only 2200 N, the craft accelerates downward at 0.39 m/s^2 . (a) What is the weight of the landing craft in the vicinity of Callisto's surface? (b) What is the mass of the craft? (c) What is the magnitude of the free-fall acceleration near the surface of Callisto?
- 89 A 1400 kg jet engine is fastened to the fuselage of a passenger jet by just three bolts (this is the usual practice). Assume that each bolt supports one-third of the load. (a) Calculate the force on each bolt as the plane waits in line for clearance to take off. (b) During flight, the plane encounters turbulence, which suddenly imparts an upward vertical acceleration of 2.6 m/s^2 to the plane. Calculate the force on each bolt now. Top of Form
- 90 An interstellar ship has a mass of $1.20 \times 10^6 \text{ kg}$ and is initially at rest relative to a star system. (a) What constant acceleration is needed to bring the ship up to a speed of $0.10c$ (where c is the speed of light, $3.0 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s}$) relative to the star system in 3.0 days? (b) What is that acceleration in g units? (c) What force is required for the acceleration? (d) If the engines are shut down when $0.10c$ is reached (the speed then remains constant), how long does the ship take (start to finish) to journey 5.0 light-months, the distance that light travels in 5.0 months?
- 91 **SSM** A motorcycle and 60.0 kg rider accelerate at 3.0 m/s^2 up a ramp inclined 10° above the horizontal. What are the magnitudes of (a) the net force on the rider and (b) the force on the rider from the motorcycle? Top of Form
- 92 Compute the initial upward acceleration of a rocket of mass $1.3 \times 10^4 \text{ kg}$ if the initial upward force produced by its engine (the thrust) is $2.6 \times 10^5 \text{ N}$. Do not neglect the gravitational force on the rocket.
- 93 **SSM** Figure 5-66a shows a mobile hanging from a ceiling; it consists of two metal pieces ($m_1 = 3.5 \text{ kg}$ and $m_2 = 4.5 \text{ kg}$) that are strung together by cords of negligible mass. What is the tension in (a) the bottom cord and (b) the top cord? Figure 5-66b shows a mobile consisting of three metal pieces. Two of the masses are $m_3 = 4.8 \text{ kg}$ and $m_5 = 5.5 \text{ kg}$. The tension in the top cord is 199 N. What is the tension in (c) the lowest cord and (d) the middle cord? Top of Form

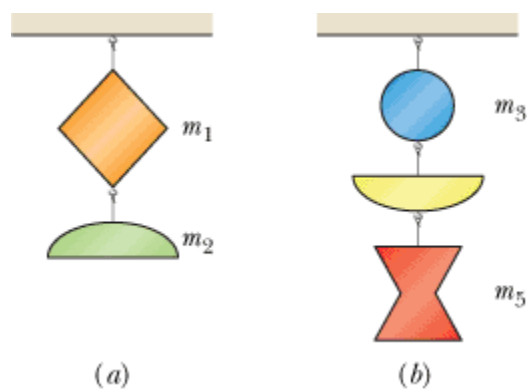


Figure 5-66 Problem 93.

- 94 For sport, a 12 kg armadillo runs onto a large pond of level, frictionless ice. The armadillo's initial velocity is 5.0 m/s along the positive direction of an x axis. Take its initial position on the ice as being the origin. It slips over the ice while being pushed by a wind with a force of 17 N in the positive direction of the y axis. In unit-vector notation, what are the animal's (a) velocity and (b) position vector when it has slid for 3.0 s?

- 95 Suppose that in Fig. 5-12, the masses of the blocks are 2.0 kg and 4.0 kg. (a) Which mass should the hanging Top of Form block have if the magnitude of the acceleration is to be as large as possible? What then are (b) the magnitude of the acceleration and (c) the tension in the cord?
- 96 A nucleus that captures a stray neutron must bring the neutron to a stop within the diameter of the nucleus by means of the *strong force*. That force, which “glues” the nucleus together, is approximately zero outside the nucleus. Suppose that a stray neutron with an initial speed of 1.4×10^7 m/s is just barely captured by a nucleus with diameter $d = 1.0 \times 10^{-14}$ m. Assuming the strong force on the neutron is constant, find the magnitude of that force. The neutron's mass is 1.67×10^{-27} kg.