

Ch4: Forces + Newton's Laws of Motion

Forces = cause of motion

Dynamics = study of forces that drive/cause motion

Mechanics = Kinematics + Dynamics
 ↳ motion ↳ force/power

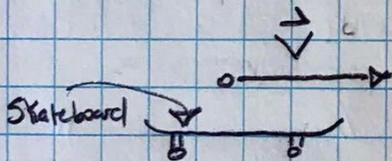
When you push your skateboard or pedal your bike, you exerting a Force that propels you!

Newton's 1st Law:

An objects velocity is constant (or conserved) unless acted upon by a net force.

your skateboard + bike slow down due to Friction + Drag...

so, to maintain constant velocity... we push or pedal.



$$\leftarrow \vec{F}_{\text{drag}} + \vec{F}_{\text{push}} = 0 \quad \& \quad \vec{v} = \text{constant}$$

Stop pushing... $\frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} \propto \vec{F}_{\text{drag}} < 0$

and you slow down!

Force is a Vector (Magnitude + Direction)

An "agent" applies a force on an "object".

Some forces require "contact" \Rightarrow push, pull ...

Others are "long-range" \Rightarrow gravity, magnetism

\hookrightarrow No physical contact

Forces obey vector addition + multiplication rules

\hookrightarrow the "net force" on an object determines its motion.

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = \vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 + \dots$$

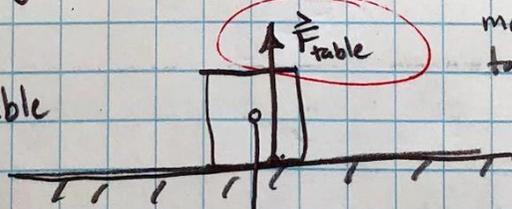
So for skateboard: $\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = \vec{F}_{\text{drag}} + \vec{F}_{\text{push}}$

s.t. if $\vec{v} = \text{constant}$: $F_{\text{net}} = 0$ & $\vec{F}_{\text{push}} = -\vec{F}_{\text{drag}}$

Weight = the force of gravity on an object.

F_{table} is a Normal Force meaning its perpendicular to the table.

A block sitting on the table



is pulled toward earth's center by gravity \vec{F}_g

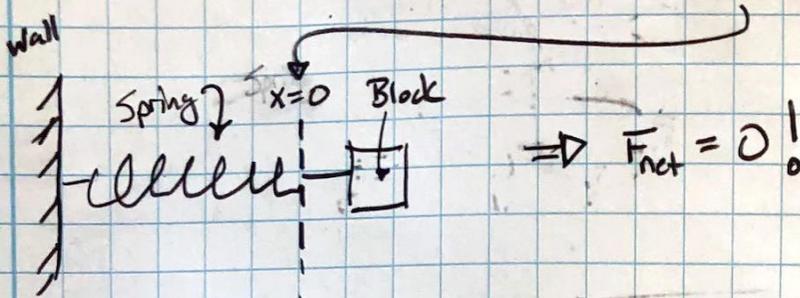
the table supports its weight with an upward force $\vec{F}_{\text{table}} = -\vec{F}_g$

$$F_{\text{net}} = \vec{F}_g + \vec{F}_{\text{table}} = \vec{F}_g - \vec{F}_g = 0$$

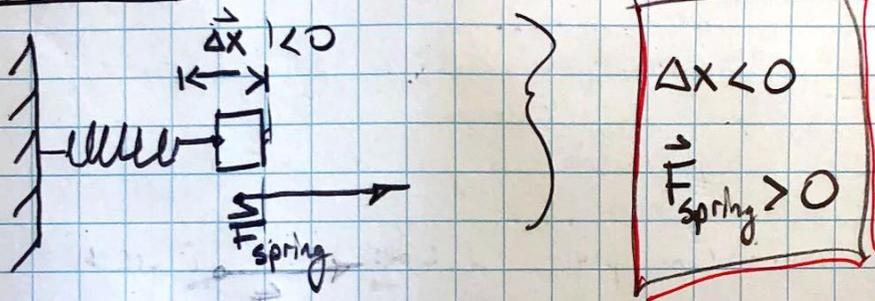
\therefore Block doesn't move!

Springs - the force of a spring depends on the displacement

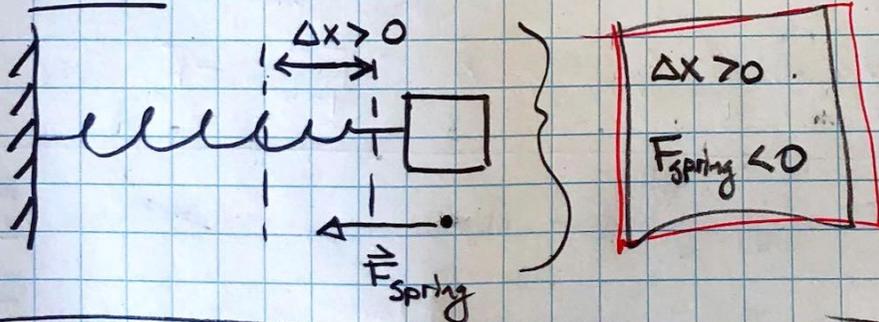
Compression / Extension from equilibrium



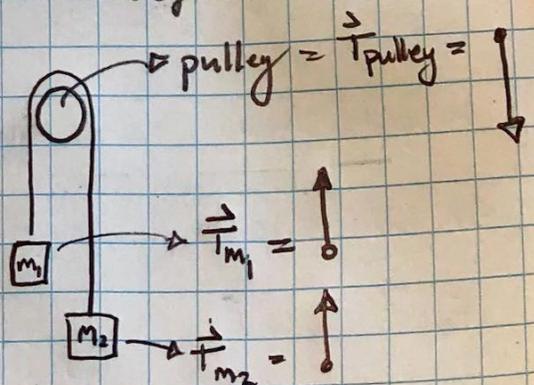
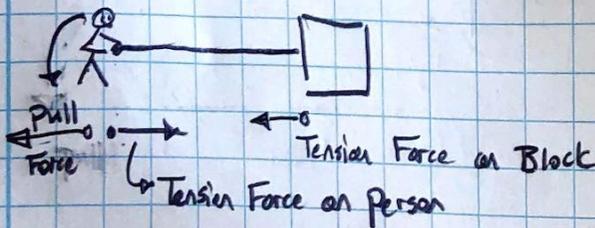
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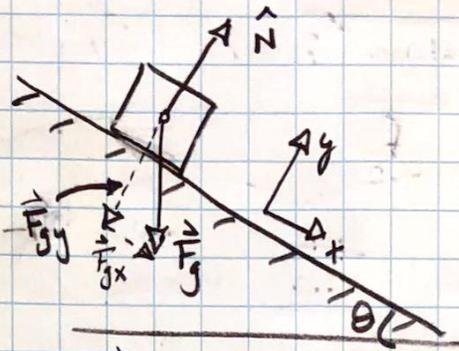
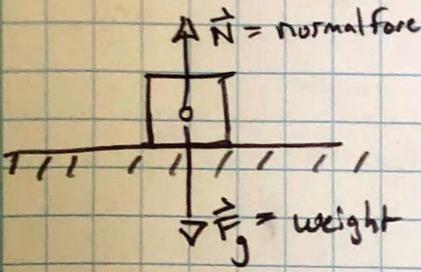
Stretched:



Tension: pull force directed away from object.



Normal Force: Force on object by surface (perpendicular to surface)



Block sliding down ramp...

$$F_{gy} = y\text{-component force of gravity} = F_g \cos \theta$$

$$N = \text{normal force of ramp (supporting weight of block)} = -F_g \cos \theta$$

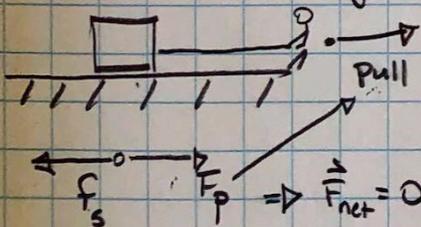
net y-component Force:

$$F_{y, \text{net}} = F_g \cos \theta + N = (F_g - F_g) \cos \theta = 0$$

∴ Block stays on ramp!

Friction: due to contact between object + agent

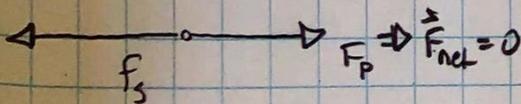
Static Friction: stationary



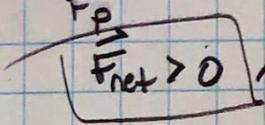
you pull, but object won't budge...

so you pull harder...

but F_s increases, too...

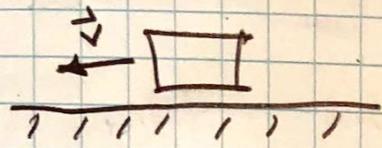
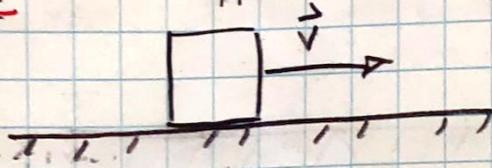


until you reach a critical threshold and object moves



once moving Kinetic Friction kicks in

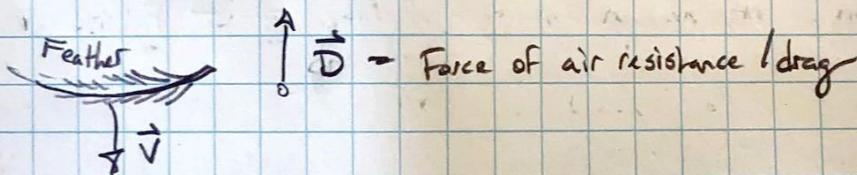
Kinetic friction opposes motion!



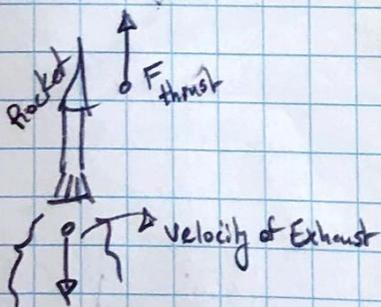
Friction has no normal component!!

Drag is due to air flow around a moving object

↳ also opposes motion!



Thrust = Forward force produced by expelling material (mass) backward



Force \Leftrightarrow Acceleration

1) An object subject to constant force \vec{F} undergoes constant acceleration \vec{a}

★ in the same direction as the force!

2) If the net force is scaled by a constant (c), i.e. $\vec{F}_2 = c\vec{F}_1$

the acceleration scales by the same amount, $\vec{a}_2 = c\vec{a}_1$

$$\vec{a} \propto \vec{F}_{\text{net}}$$

3) If the mass of the object is scaled by (c), i.e. $m_2 = c m_1$

the acceleration is scaled by $1/c$, $\vec{a}_2 = \vec{a}_1 / c$

Corollary:

if $c > 1$, then $a_2 < a_1$, and we say that

mass 2 has larger inertia than mass 1

↳ resistance to Δ in motion

Newton's 2nd Law

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m \vec{a} \quad (\text{net force} = (\text{mass}) \times (\text{acceleration}))$$

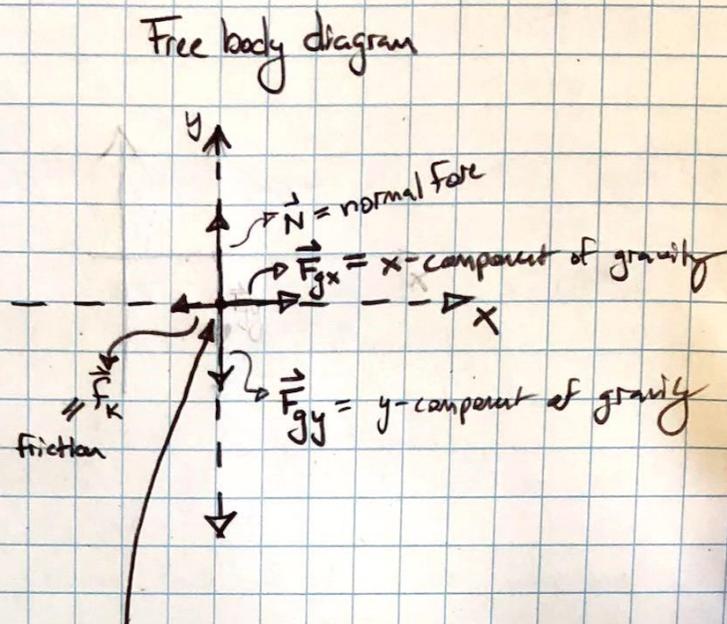
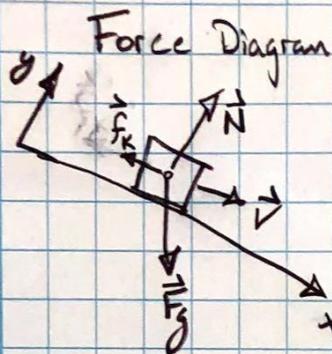
or

$$\vec{a} = \frac{\vec{F}_{\text{net}}}{m}$$

Units: $\vec{a} \left(\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2} \right) = \frac{\vec{F}_{\text{net}} (?)}{m (\text{kg})} \Rightarrow m \vec{a} \left(\frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{s}^2} \right) = \vec{F} (?)$

$$\boxed{1 \text{ Newton} = 1 \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{s}^2}}$$

35 m/s

 $2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ s}$ 

Free body diagram = particle model showing forces on objects.

Newton's 3rd Law: every action (force) has an equal and opposite reaction (force)

if you push on a wall with force \vec{F}_p ,
 the wall pushes back with force $\vec{F}_w = -\vec{F}_p$

