



Chapter 5



APPLYING NEWTON'S LAWS

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Newton's Laws – Problem Solving Hints

1. Identify the system. (Who is the key role of the problem?)
2. Draw **free-body diagram(s)** for the object(s) in an inertial frame.
 - Include only forces acting on the object, **not including internal forces** and “**fictitious**” forces.
3. Establish coordinate system.
4. Categorize the problem
 - Newton's 1st law, Equilibrium ($\Sigma F = 0$)
 - Newton's Second Law ($\Sigma F = m \mathbf{a}$)
5. Solve for the unknown(s).

Outline

1. Using Newton's 1st law: particles in equilibrium
2. Using Newton's 2nd law: dynamics of particles
3. Frictional forces
4. Dynamics of circular motion
5. Motion in non-inertial Frames
6. The fundamental forces of Nature

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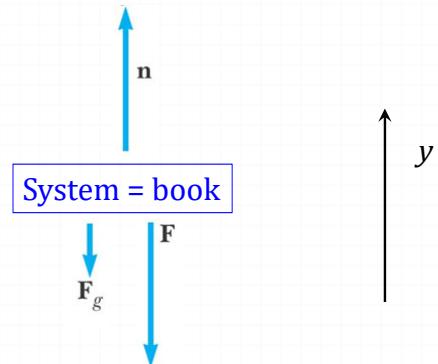
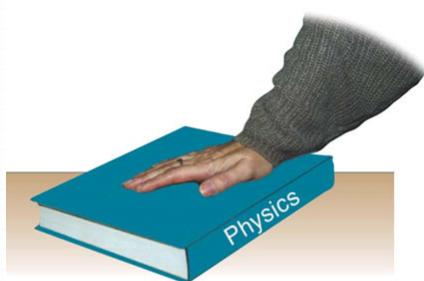
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1. Using Newton's 1st law: particles in equilibrium

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$$\sum F_y = n\hat{j} + (-)F_g\hat{j} + (-)F\hat{j} = \mathbf{0}$$

$$\Rightarrow n = F_g + F$$

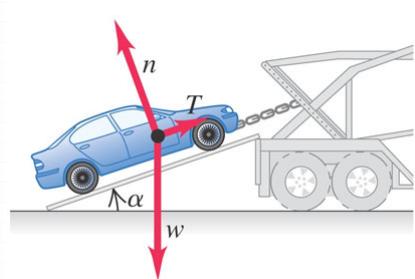
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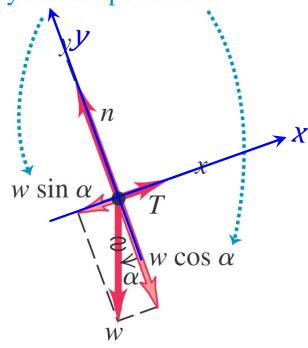
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System = car



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We replace the weight by its components.



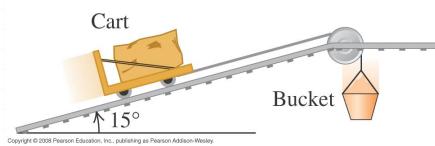
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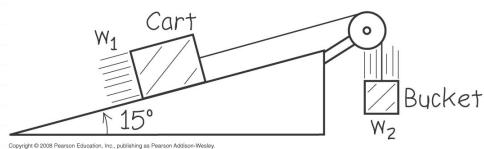
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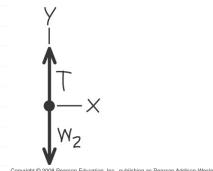
(a) Dirt-filled bucket pulls cart with granite block



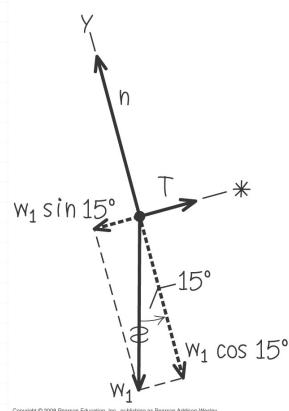
(b) Idealized model of the system



(c) Free-body diagram for bucket



(d) Free-body diagram for cart



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2. Using Newton's 2nd law: dynamics of particles

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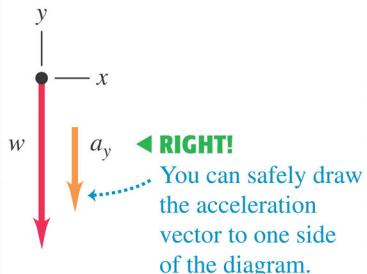
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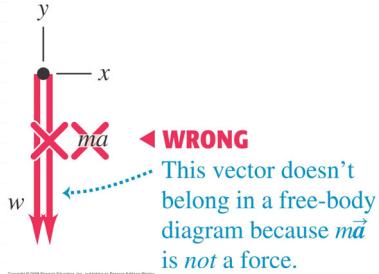


Only the force of gravity acts on this falling fruit.

(b) Correct free-body diagram



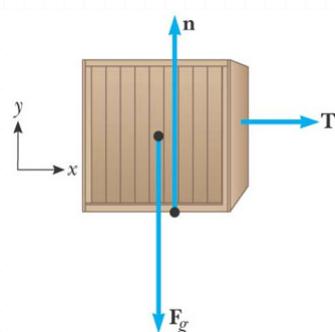
(c) Incorrect free-body diagram



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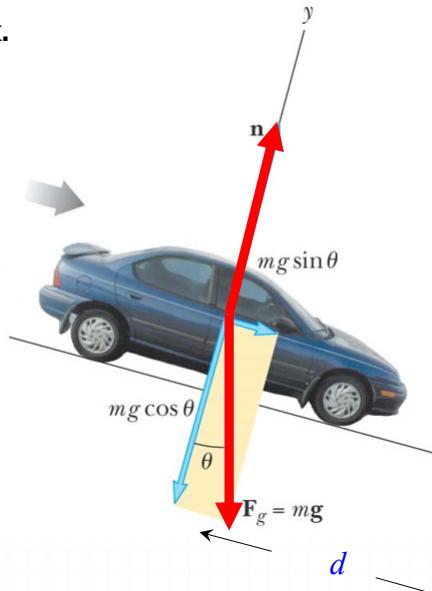
$$\sum F_x = T\hat{i} = m\vec{a}_x \hat{i}$$

$$\sum F_y = n\hat{j} + (-)F_g\hat{j} = \mathbf{0} \rightarrow n = F_g$$

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Ex.



$$(1) a_x = ?$$

$$\begin{cases} \sum F_x = mg \sin \theta = ma \\ \sum F_y = 0 = n - mg \cos \theta \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_x = g \sin \theta \quad \text{Indep. of mass.}$$

$$(2) t = ?$$

$$d = \frac{1}{2} a_x t^2$$

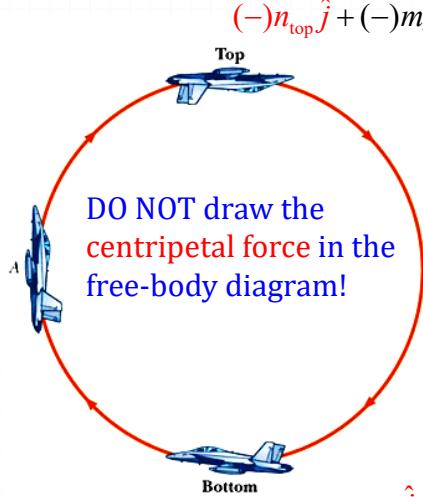
$$\Rightarrow t = \sqrt{\frac{2d}{a_x}} = \sqrt{\frac{2d}{g \sin \theta}}$$

Indep. of mass.

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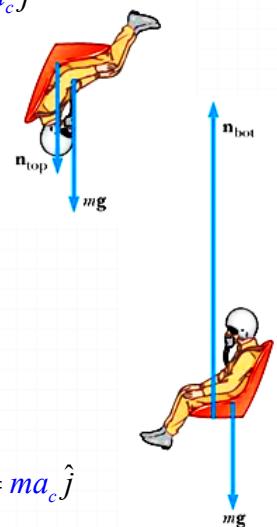
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DO NOT draw the
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free-body diagram!

$$(-)n_{\text{top}}\hat{j} + (-)mg\hat{j} = (-)ma_c\hat{j}$$

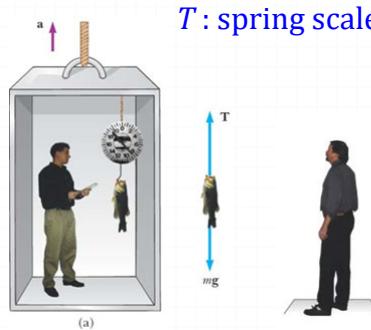
$$n_{\text{bot}}\hat{j} + (-)mg\hat{j} = ma_c\hat{j}$$



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Ex. Apparent weight in an accelerating elevator



T : spring scale reading



Inertial
frame



$$T\hat{j} - mg\hat{j} = m a\hat{j}$$

$$\Rightarrow T = m(g - a)$$

$$T\hat{j} - mg\hat{j} = (-)m a\hat{j}$$

$$\Rightarrow T = m(g + a)$$

p.s.,
If $a = g$, $\Rightarrow T = 0$
weightless.

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⌚ “Zero g” or weightless can be checked by using the acceleration sensor in your smart phone doing free fall motion.

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Apparent weightless

For an astronaut in orbit,

$$mg + n = ma_c$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 0$$

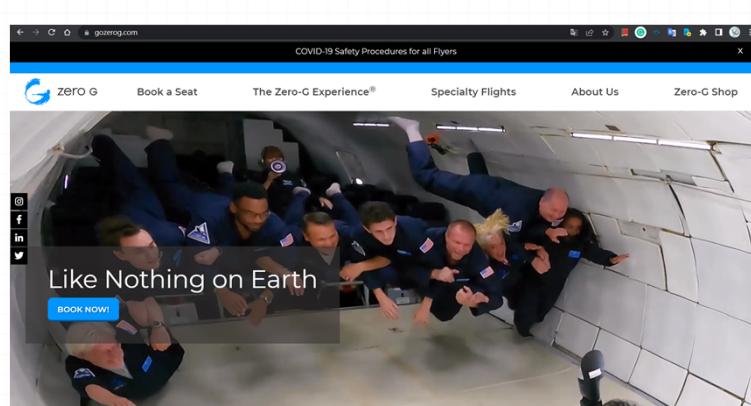
Weightless!



⌚ Not due to outside the pull of the earth's gravity!

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https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Reduced-gravity_aircraft

⌚ Can be checked by using the acceleration sensor in your smart phone!

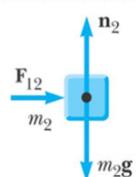
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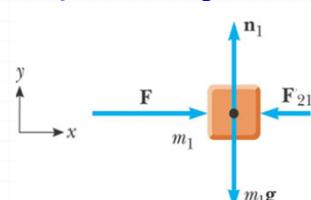


System = m_2



$$F_{12} = m_2 a_{2x}$$

System = m_1



$$F - F_{21} = m_1 a_{1x}$$

System = $m_1 + m_2$

$$\begin{aligned} F &= ma = (m_1 + m_2)a \\ \Rightarrow a &= \frac{F}{m_1 + m_2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = a_2 = a = \frac{F}{m_1 + m_2}$$

$$\Rightarrow F_{12} = F_{21} = \left(\frac{m_2}{m_1 + m_2} \right) F < F$$

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💡 Similarly, the tension of a rope is not uniform if the mass of the rope can't be ignored.

Q:



$$\begin{matrix} > \\ T_N = T_1 ? \\ < \end{matrix}$$

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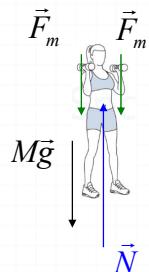
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Ex.



Scale reading?

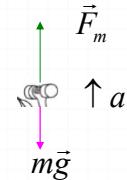
$$Mg + 2m(g + a)$$



$$\vec{N} + M\vec{g} + 2\vec{F}_m = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{N} - M\hat{g} - 2\hat{F}_m = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow N = Mg + 2m(g + a)$$



$$\vec{F}_m + \vec{m}\vec{g} = m\vec{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{F}_m - \hat{m}\hat{g} = m\hat{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow F_m = m(g + a)$$

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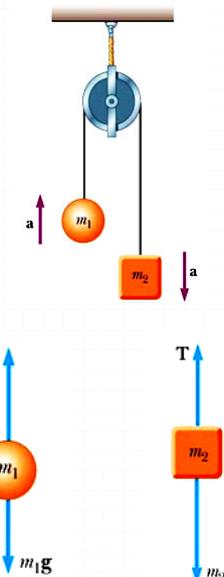


$$Mg + 2m(g - a)$$

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The Atwood machine $a = ?$
(tension and pulley mass are ignored)

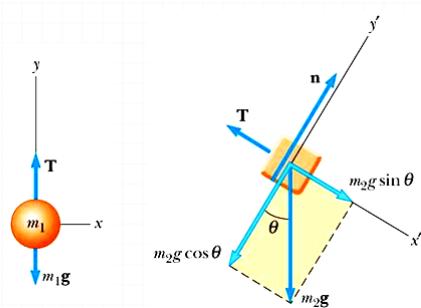
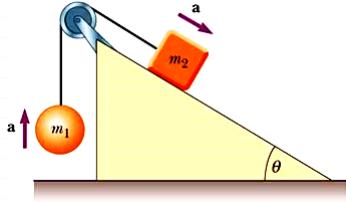
$$\begin{cases} T - m_1g = m_1a \\ -m_2g + T = -m_2a \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a = \frac{m_2 - m_1}{m_1 + m_2} g \\ T = \frac{2m_1m_2}{m_1 + m_2} g \end{cases}$$

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Ex.



$$(1) \quad T - m_1 g = m_1 a$$

$$(2) \quad \begin{cases} m_2 g \sin \theta - T = m_2 a \\ n - m_2 g \cos \theta = 0 \end{cases}$$

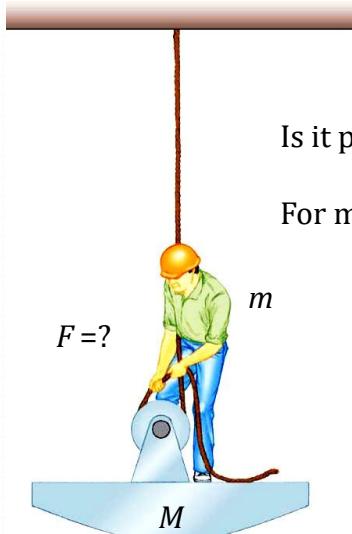
$$\Rightarrow \begin{cases} a = \frac{m_2 g \sin \theta - m_1 g}{m_1 + m_2} \\ T = \frac{m_1 m_2 g (\sin \theta + 1)}{m_1 + m_2} \end{cases}$$

p.s., $\theta=90^\circ \rightarrow$ Atwood machine.

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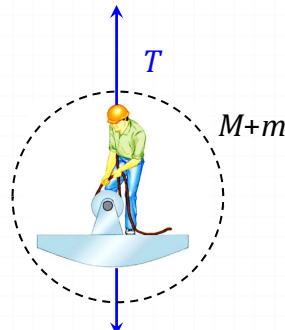
Is it possible to lift upward?

For moving upward steadily, $F = ?$

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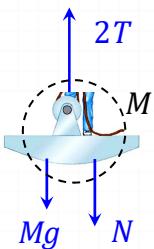
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$$(M+m)g$$



$$(a) T + mg = N$$



$$(b) 2T = Mg + N$$

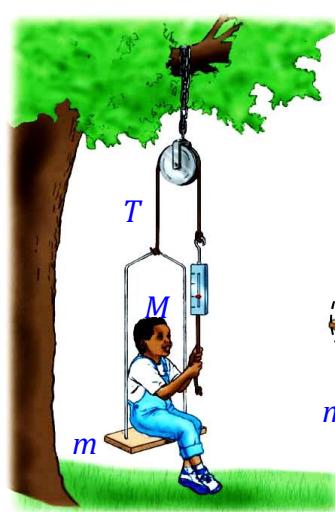
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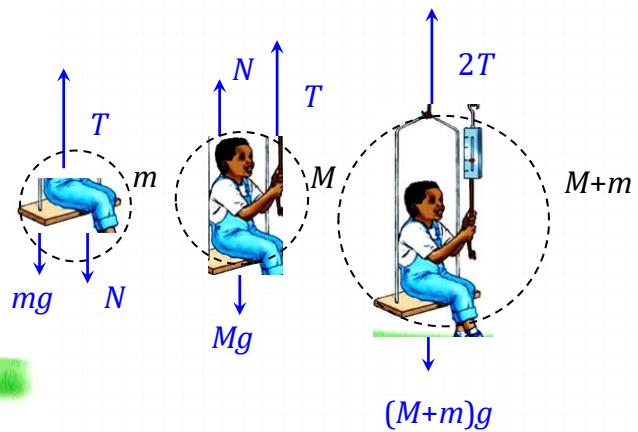
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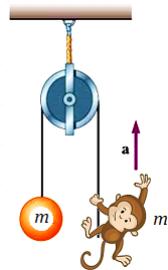
Draw free-body diagrams for the chair, child, and chair+child.



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Q: What will happen to the mass m , if the monkey climbs up at an acceleration of a ?



Ans:
The mass will move up at the same acceleration.

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3. Frictional forces

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Friction force

- o The frictional force is an *electromagnetic force* acting between the surface **atoms** or **molecules**.
 - A complex question at the atomic level.
 - Intermolecular **bonding** (e.g., cold weld).
 - Physical **collisions** impedes the motion.

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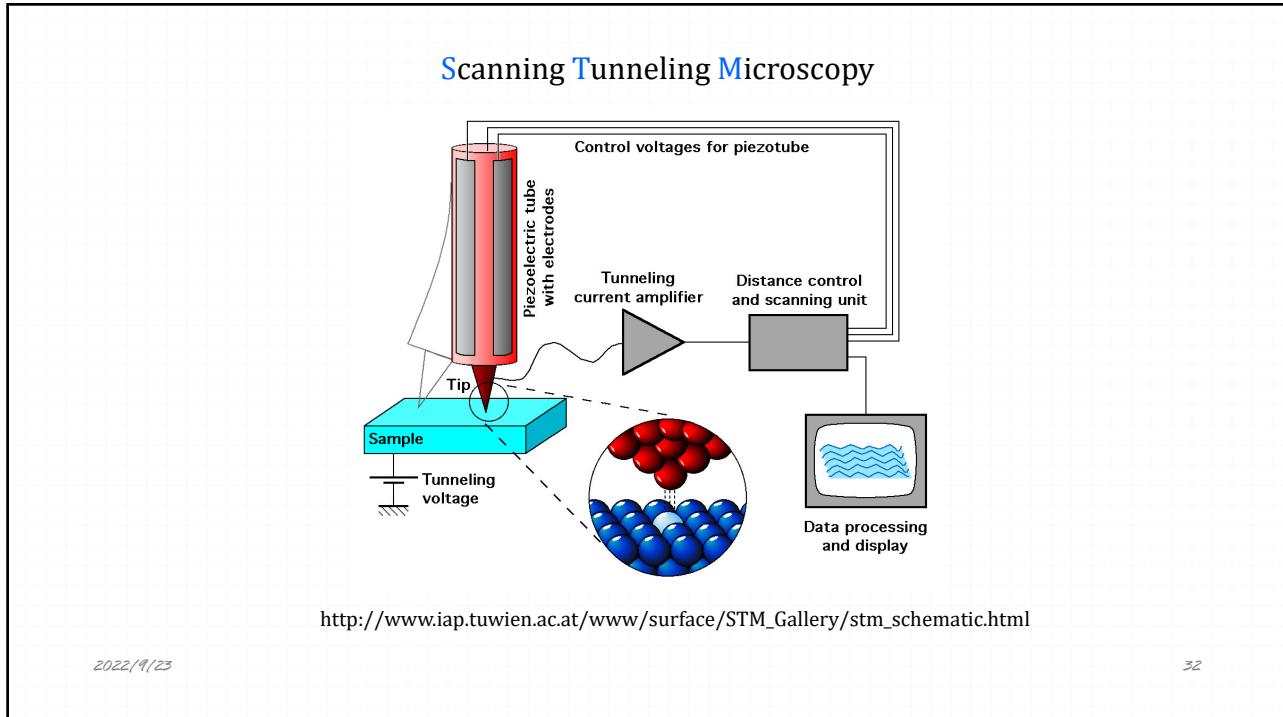
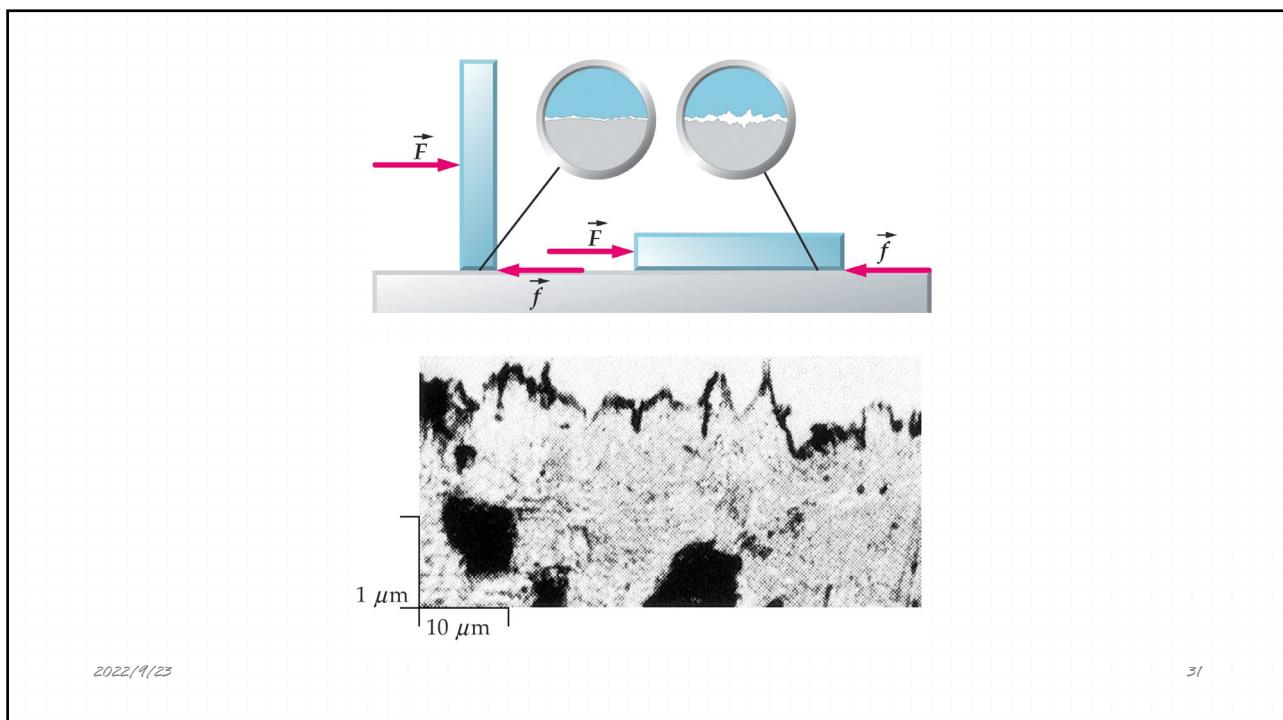
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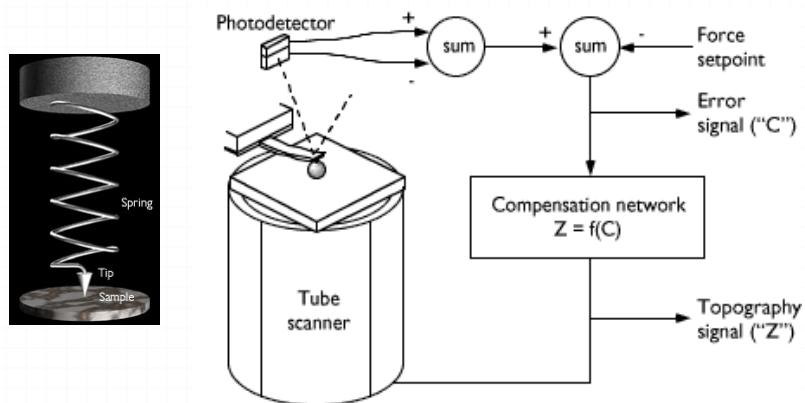
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Atomic Force Microscopy

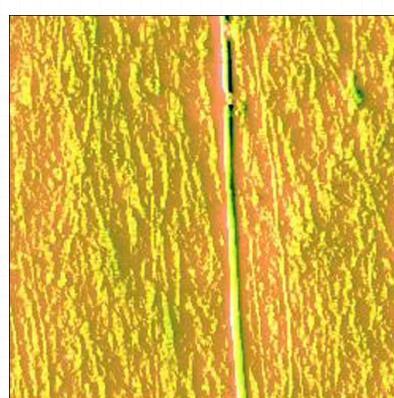


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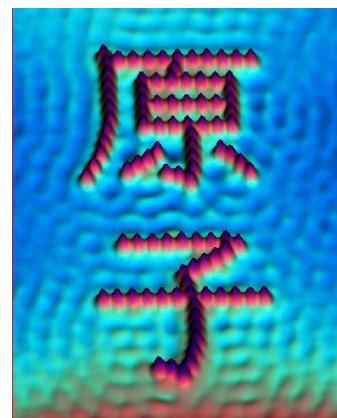
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AFM image



10x10um Steel, polished

STM image



Iron on Copper (111)

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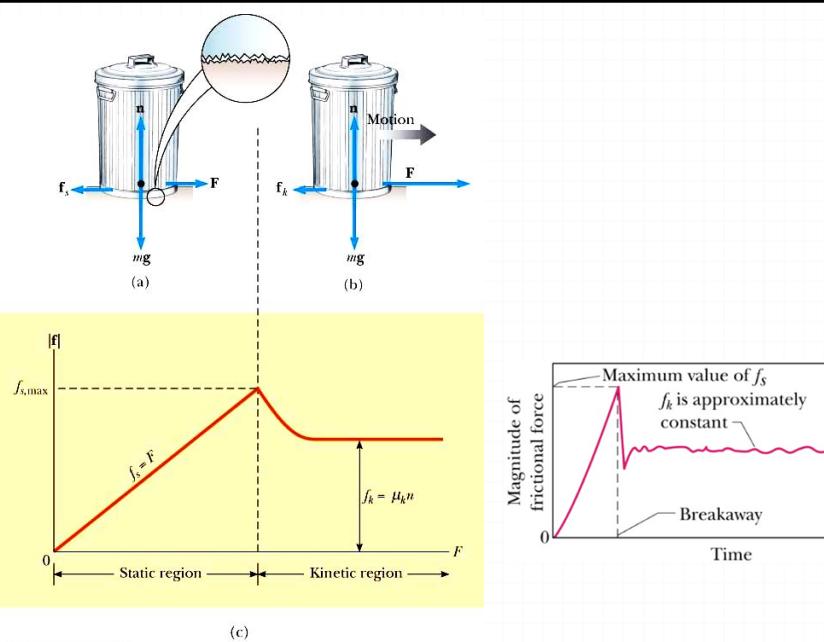
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Types of friction

- Static friction: $f_s \leq \mu_s n$; n : normal force
- Kinetic friction: $f_k = \mu_k n$; $\mu_{s,k}$: coefficient
- $f_k \leq f_{s,max}$
- μ_s and μ_k :
 - Nearly constant (usually $0 < \mu_s, \mu_k < 1$, but can be > 1)
 - Ideally,
 - Independent of the contact area!
 - Independent of speed (for μ_k case)

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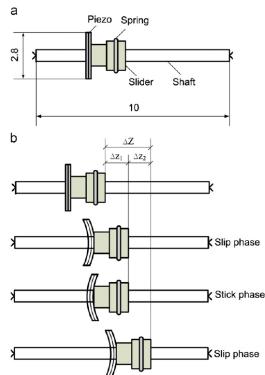


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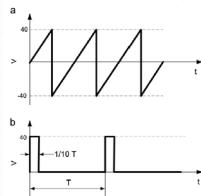
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Inertial piezoelectric motor



PI Piezo Motor Precision Positioning Solutions

Inertia Motors PiezoWatt® Ultrasonic PiezoMix Mini-Rod



[<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i-Dm-5EfSAk>]

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Coefficients of Friction^a

	μ_s	\geq	μ_k
Steel on steel	0.74		0.57
Aluminum on steel	0.61		0.47
Copper on steel	0.53		0.36
Rubber on concrete	1.0		0.8
Wood on wood	0.25–0.5		0.2
Glass on glass	0.94		0.4
Waxed wood on wet snow	0.14		0.1
Waxed wood on dry snow	—		0.04
Metal on metal (lubricated)	0.15		0.06
Ice on ice	0.1		0.03
Teflon on Teflon	0.04		0.04
Synovial joints in humans	0.01		0.003

^a All values are approximate. In some cases, the coefficient of friction can exceed 1.0.

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Direction of Friction Force

- The frictional force is **opposite** to the object's intended inertial motion or the impeding motion "*relative to the contact surface*".



Which direction is for the friction force on the box?

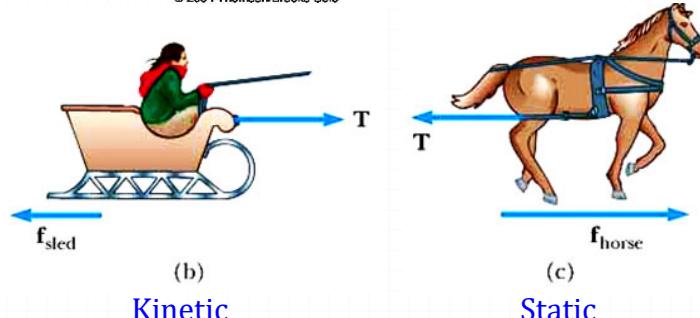
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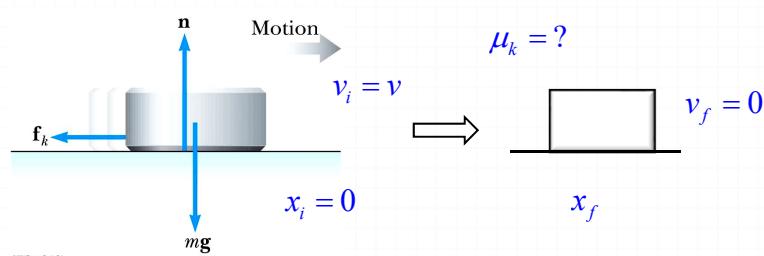
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Q: Regarding the friction force between the tires and the ground, what is the difference between the **front-wheel drive** and **rear-wheel drive** vehicles? Which one is easier to do back end whip or drifting?

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Ex.



$$\begin{cases} -F_k = ma_x \\ n - mg = 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{aligned} -\mu_k n &= -\mu_k mg = ma_x \\ \Rightarrow a_x &= -\mu_k g \end{aligned}$$

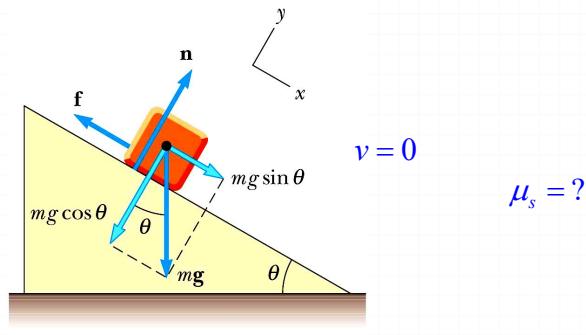
$$v_{xf}^2 = v_{xi}^2 + 2a_x(x_f - x_i)$$

$$0 = v^2 - 2\mu_k g x_f \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mu_k = \frac{v^2}{2g x_f}$$

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Ex.



$$\begin{cases} mg \sin \theta - F_s = ma_x = 0 \\ n - mg \cos \theta = ma_y = 0 \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow F_s = mg \sin \theta = \left(\frac{n}{\cos \theta} \right) \sin \theta = (\tan \theta) n$$

$$F_{s,\max} = (\tan \theta_c) n = \mu_s n \Rightarrow \mu_s = \tan \theta_c$$

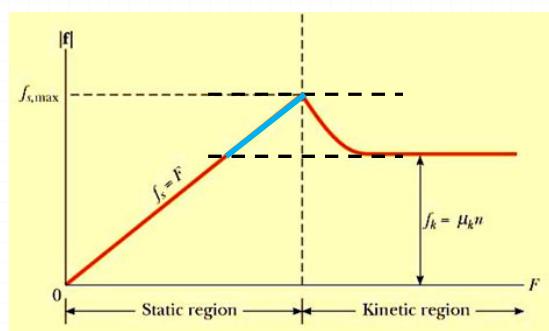
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ABS-Automobile Antilock Braking Systems

- o ABS is to maintain rolling contact between tires and ground, i.e., **no slipping**, so that the car can stop in a minimized distance.
- o The friction force is larger if it is static friction.

- Slipping, $f = f_k$
- No slipping, $f = f_s$



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ABS \rightarrow To make $f_k < f < f_{s,\max}$, not $f = f_k$!

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$$v_i \quad m \qquad \qquad v_f = 0 \qquad \qquad v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2ad$$

$$f \leftarrow \qquad \qquad \qquad d \qquad \qquad \qquad 0 = v_i^2 + 2ad$$

$$-f = ma \Rightarrow a = -\frac{f}{m} \qquad \qquad \qquad \Rightarrow d = \frac{-v_i^2}{2a}$$

$$\Rightarrow d = \frac{v_i^2}{2g\mu} \qquad \qquad \qquad$$

$$f = \mu n = \mu mg$$

$$f = f_{s,\max} \text{ or } f_k$$

$$\mu = \mu_s \text{ or } \mu_k$$

$$\Rightarrow a = -\mu g$$

1. d is indep. of m

(In reality, this may not be true, because μ_s may change if the tires get hotter for the heavier car than for the lighter car.)

2. $d \propto v_i^2$

$$3. d_k = \frac{v_i^2}{2g\mu_k} > d_s = \frac{v_i^2}{2g\mu_s}$$

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Fluid Resistance and Terminal Speed

- o Liquid and gas are fluid, which can exert a **fluid resistance, R** , on a moving object.
 - The **magnitude of R** depends on the **medium** and the object's **shape and size**.
 - **R nearly always increases with increasing speed.**
 - The **direction of R** is **opposite** to the direction of motion of the object relative to the medium.

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o Two special cases:

■ **R** is proportional to **v**.

➤ Good approximation for *slow* motions or *small* objects.

■ **R** is proportional to **v²**.

➤ Good approximation for *high* speed and *large* objects.

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Non-Newtonian Fluid



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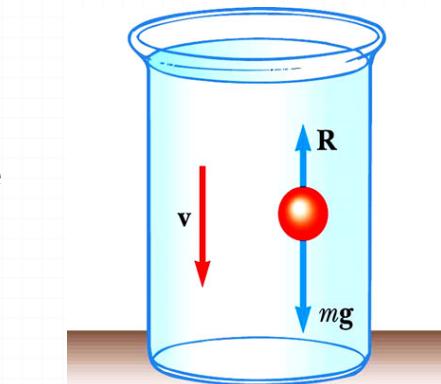
- o The resistive force can be expressed as $R = -b v$
- b depends on the property of the medium, and on the shape and dimensions of the object

o Analysis:

$$\sum \vec{F} = m\vec{a}$$

$$\Rightarrow -mg\hat{j} + (b\hat{v}\hat{j}) = -m \frac{dv}{dt} \hat{j}$$

$$\Rightarrow \vec{a} = \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = \vec{g} - \frac{b}{m} \vec{v}$$



(Buoyant force is ignored here)

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Terminal Speed

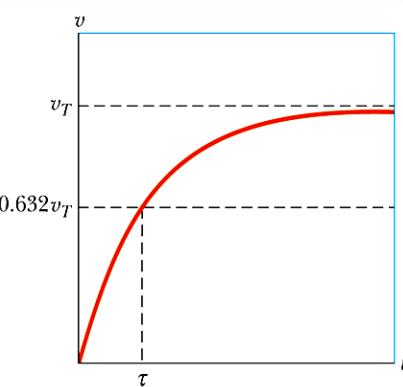
- o The **terminal speed**:

$$a = 0 \Rightarrow v_T = \frac{mg}{b}$$

- o Solving the differential equation gives

$$v = \frac{mg}{b} \left(1 - e^{-bt/m}\right) = v_T \left(1 - e^{-t/\tau}\right)$$

- τ is the **time constant** and $\tau = m/b$.



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$$\frac{dv}{dt} = g - \frac{b}{m}v \quad \text{1st-order differential equation}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \frac{dv}{g - \frac{b}{m}v} = dt &\Rightarrow \int_{v_i}^{v_f} \frac{dv}{g - \frac{b}{m}v} = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} dt \\ &\Rightarrow -\frac{m}{b} \ln(g - \frac{bv}{m}) \Big|_{v_i}^{v_f} = t \Big|_{t_i}^{t_f} \\ \Rightarrow \left[-\frac{m}{b} \ln(g - \frac{bv_f}{m}) \right] - \left[-\frac{m}{b} \ln(g - \frac{bv_i}{m}) \right] &= t_f - t_i \end{aligned}$$

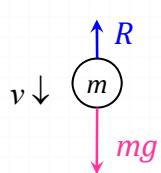
$$t_i = 0, v_i = 0; t_f = t, v_f = v$$

$$\Rightarrow v(t) = \frac{mg}{b} \left(1 - e^{-\frac{t}{m/b}} \right)$$

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{Air drag force: } R &= \frac{1}{2} D \rho A v^2 & D: \text{drag coefficient} \\ && \rho: \text{air density} \\ (\text{See Serway Problem 8.32}) \quad A: \text{cross-section area} \\ && v: \text{velocity} \end{aligned}$$



$$\sum F = mg - \frac{1}{2} D \rho A v^2 = ma$$

$$\Rightarrow a = g - \left(\frac{D \rho A}{2m} \right) v^2$$

$$a = 0 \Rightarrow v_T = \sqrt{\frac{2mg}{D \rho A}}$$

Note: mg never $< \frac{1}{2} D \rho A v^2$, assuming still air.

For a spherical object, $m \propto r^3$, $A \propto r^2$

$$\Rightarrow v_T \propto \sqrt{r}$$

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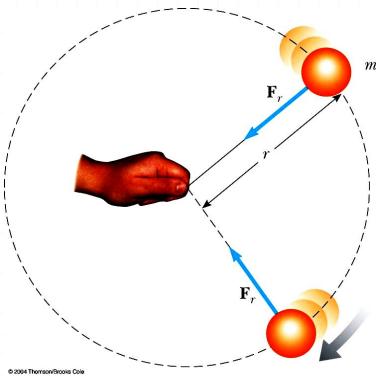
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Uniform Circular Motion

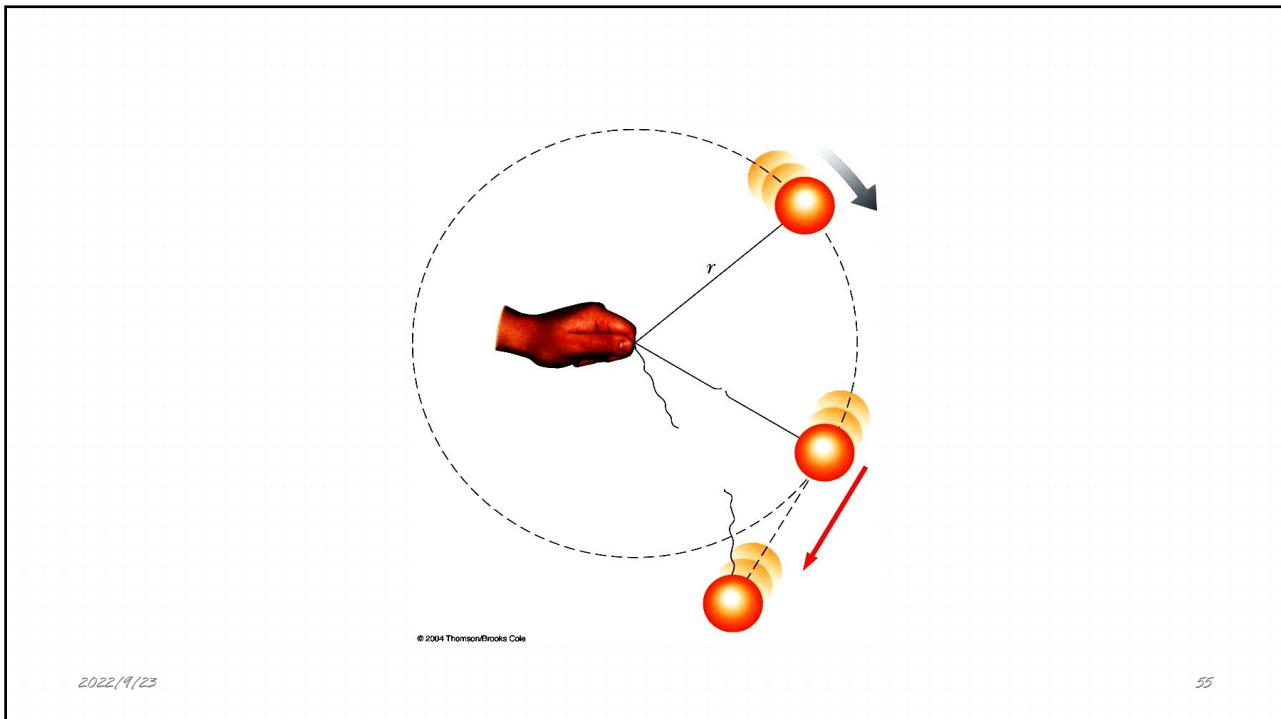


$$\vec{a}_c \rightarrow \vec{F}_c$$

$$\sum \vec{F} = \vec{F}_c = m\vec{a}_c = (-)m \frac{v^2}{r} \hat{r}$$

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Ex.

Two free-body diagrams are shown. The left diagram shows a ball of mass m at the end of a string of length L , making an angle θ with the vertical. The ball moves in a horizontal dashed circle of radius r . The tension T is at an angle θ to the vertical, and the weight mg is vertically downwards. A question mark $v = ?$ is written below. The right diagram shows the ball from a top-down perspective. The tension T is at an angle θ to the vertical, resolved into components $T \cos \theta$ (upwards) and $T \sin \theta$ (to the right). The weight mg is downwards.

$$\begin{cases} T \cos \theta = mg \\ T \sin \theta = ma_c = \frac{mv^2}{r} \end{cases} \Rightarrow \tan \theta = \frac{v^2}{rg}, \quad r = L \sin \theta$$

$$\Rightarrow v = \sqrt{Lg \sin \theta \tan \theta}, \text{ indep. of mass.}$$

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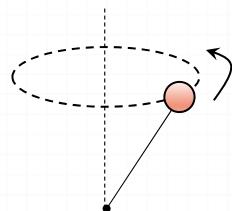
- o “Centripetal Force” is not a new kind of force. It acts just in the role of a force that causes a circular motion.
 - Don’t draw another vector ma_c for the centripetal force.

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Q:

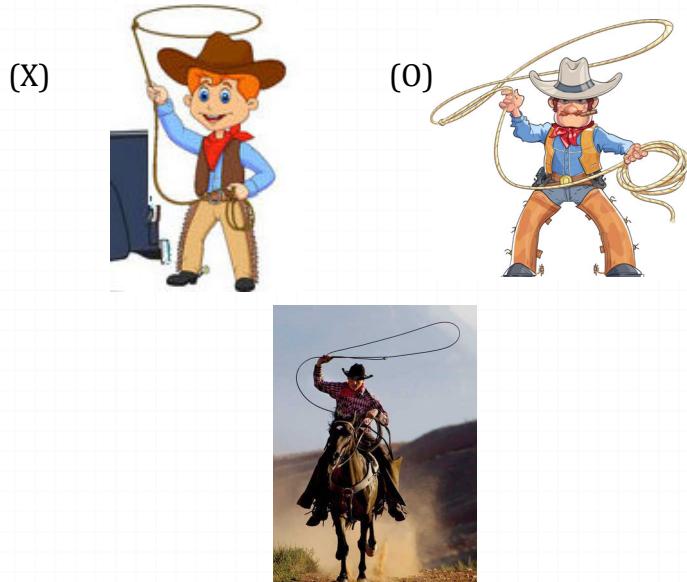
A mass is attached to a rope. Is this circular motion possible?



No.

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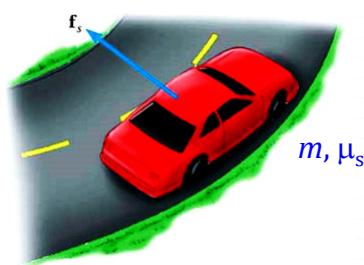
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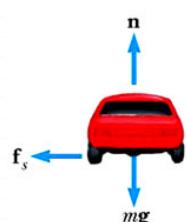
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Ex.



$$v_{\max} = ?$$

$$f_{s,\max} = m \frac{v_{\max}^2}{r}$$



$$\mu_s n = \mu_s mg = m \frac{v_{\max}^2}{r}$$

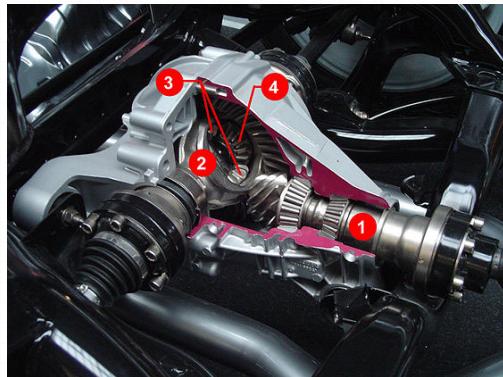
$$v_{\max} = \sqrt{\mu_s gr}$$

indep. of mass.

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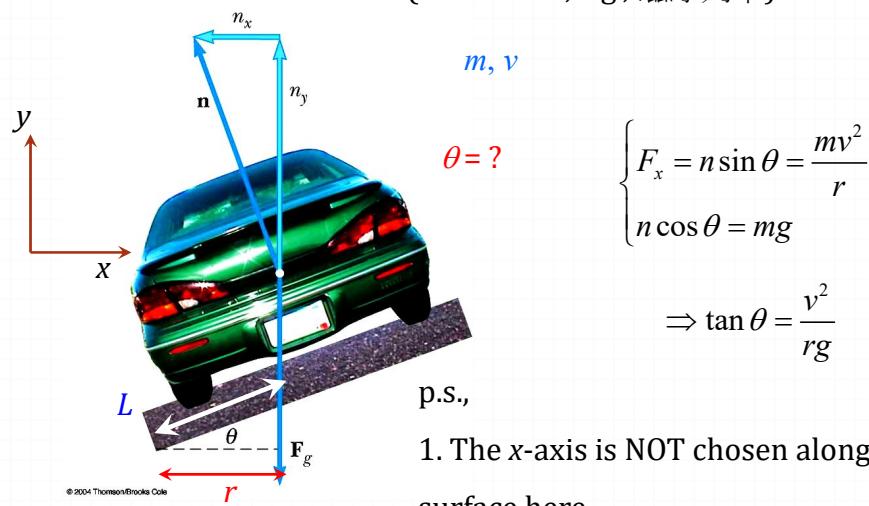
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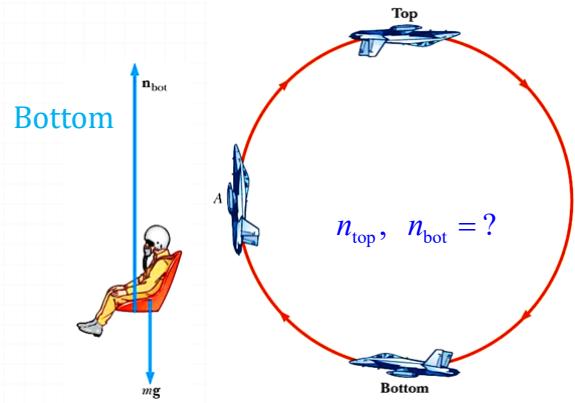
(No friction, e.g., 磁浮列車)



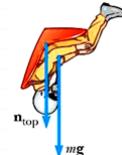
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Ex.



Top



$$n_{\text{bot}} \hat{j} - mg \hat{j} = m \frac{v^2}{r} \hat{j}$$

$$\Rightarrow n_{\text{bot}} = m \left(g + \frac{v^2}{r} \right)$$

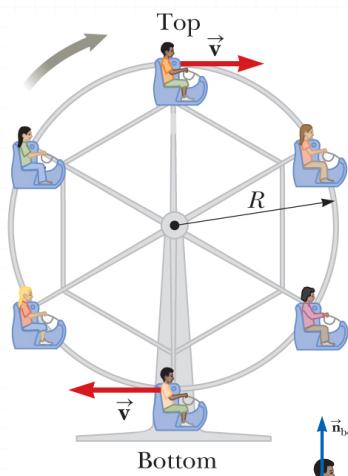
$$-n_{\text{top}} \hat{j} - mg \hat{j} = -m \frac{v^2}{r} \hat{j}$$

$$\Rightarrow n_{\text{top}} = m \left(\frac{v^2}{r} - g \right)$$

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$$\sum \vec{F} = -mg \hat{j} + n_{\text{top}} \hat{j} = -m \frac{v^2}{r} \hat{j}$$

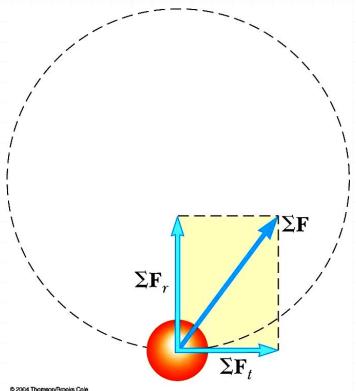


$$\sum \vec{F} = -mg \hat{j} + n_{\text{bot}} \hat{j} = m \frac{v^2}{r} \hat{j}$$

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Nonuniform circular motion



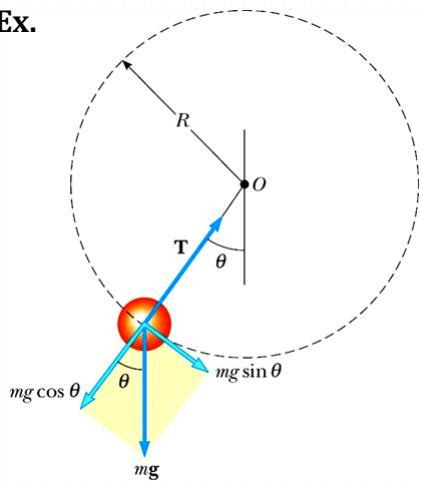
$$\sum \vec{F} = \sum \vec{F}_t + \sum \vec{F}_r$$

$$\vec{a} = \vec{a}_t + \vec{a}_r$$

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Ex.



$$1. a_t = ?$$

$$2. T = ?$$

$$3. \text{At top if } T=0, \text{then } v_{\text{top}}=?$$

$$4. \text{What happen if } v < v_{\text{top}}?$$

$$(2) -T\hat{r} + mg \cos \theta \hat{r} = -m \frac{v^2}{R} \hat{r}$$

$$\Rightarrow T = m \left(\frac{v^2}{R} + g \cos \theta \right)$$

$$(3) 0 = m \left(\frac{v_{\text{top}}^2}{R} + g \cos 180^\circ \right)$$

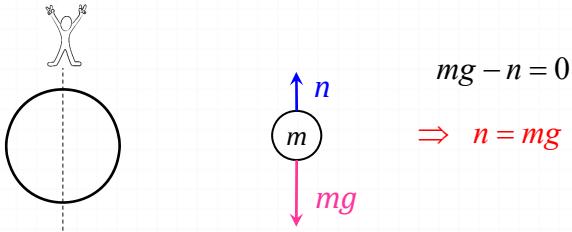
$$\Rightarrow v_{\text{top}} = \sqrt{gR}$$

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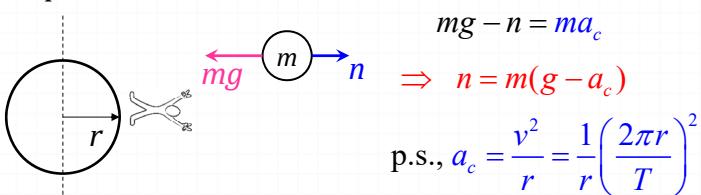
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Q: Assume the Earth is a uniform sphere, will the weight of an object be the same for at the equator and the poles?

(1) At poles:



(2) At equator:



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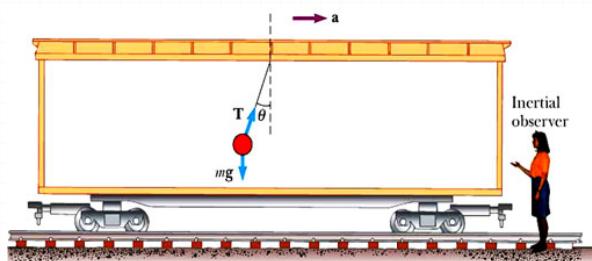
Motion in Accelerated Frames

- o A *fictitious force* can result from an *accelerated frame of reference*.
 - A fictitious force appears to act on an object in the same way as a real force, but you cannot identify a second object for the fictitious force, i.e., NOT in a pair of the act-reaction forces.

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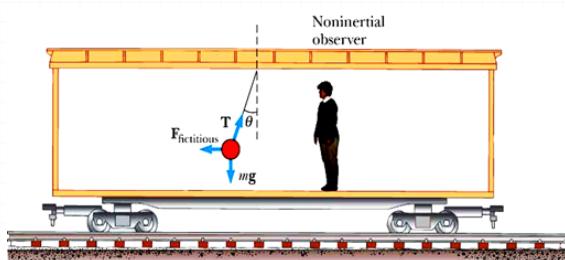
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A fictitious force due to the change of the train speed



$$\begin{cases} T \cos \theta = mg \\ T \sin \theta = ma \end{cases}$$

$$\Rightarrow a = g \tan \theta$$



$$\begin{cases} T \cos \theta = mg \\ T \sin \theta = m \underline{a} = 0 \quad (\text{x}) \end{cases}$$

$$T \sin \theta + (F_{\text{fictitious}}) = m \underline{a} = 0$$

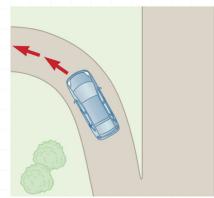
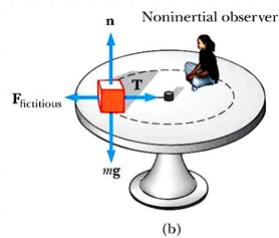
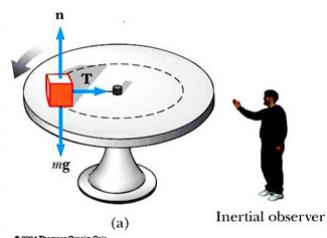
$$\Rightarrow F_{\text{fictitious}} = -T \sin \theta$$

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A fictitious force due to the changing direction of the car's velocity:

"Centrifugal force"



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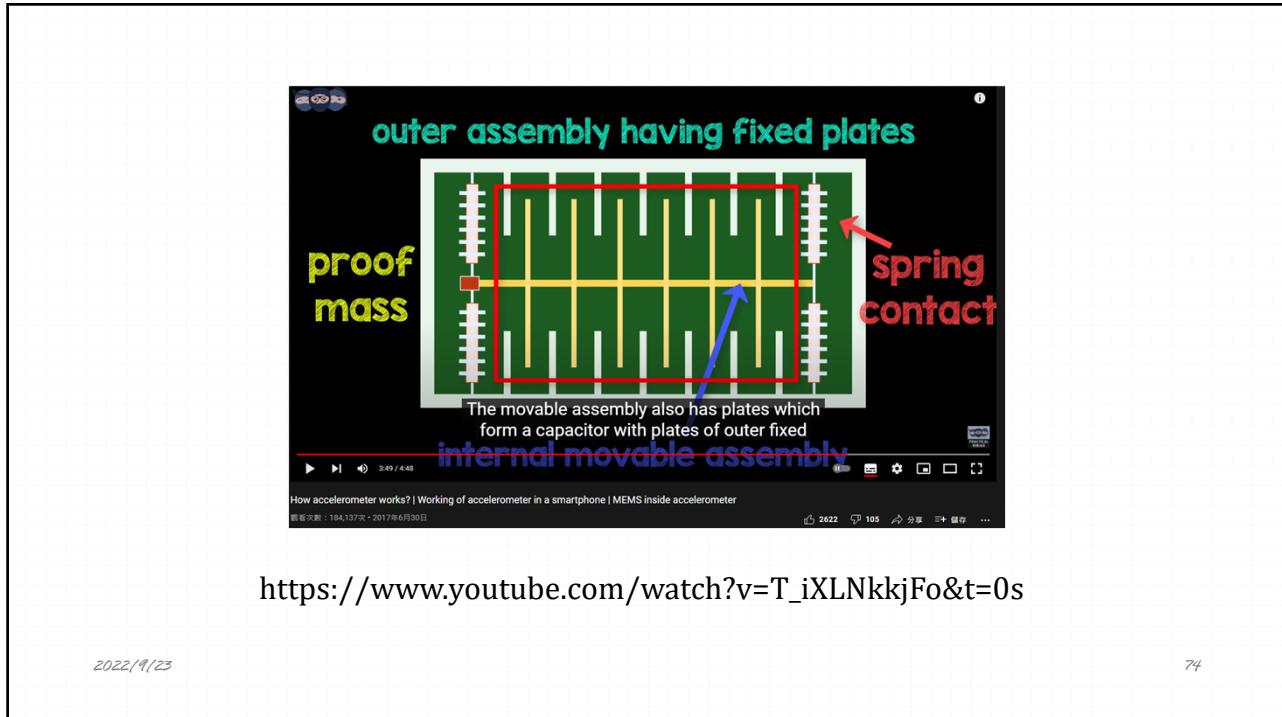
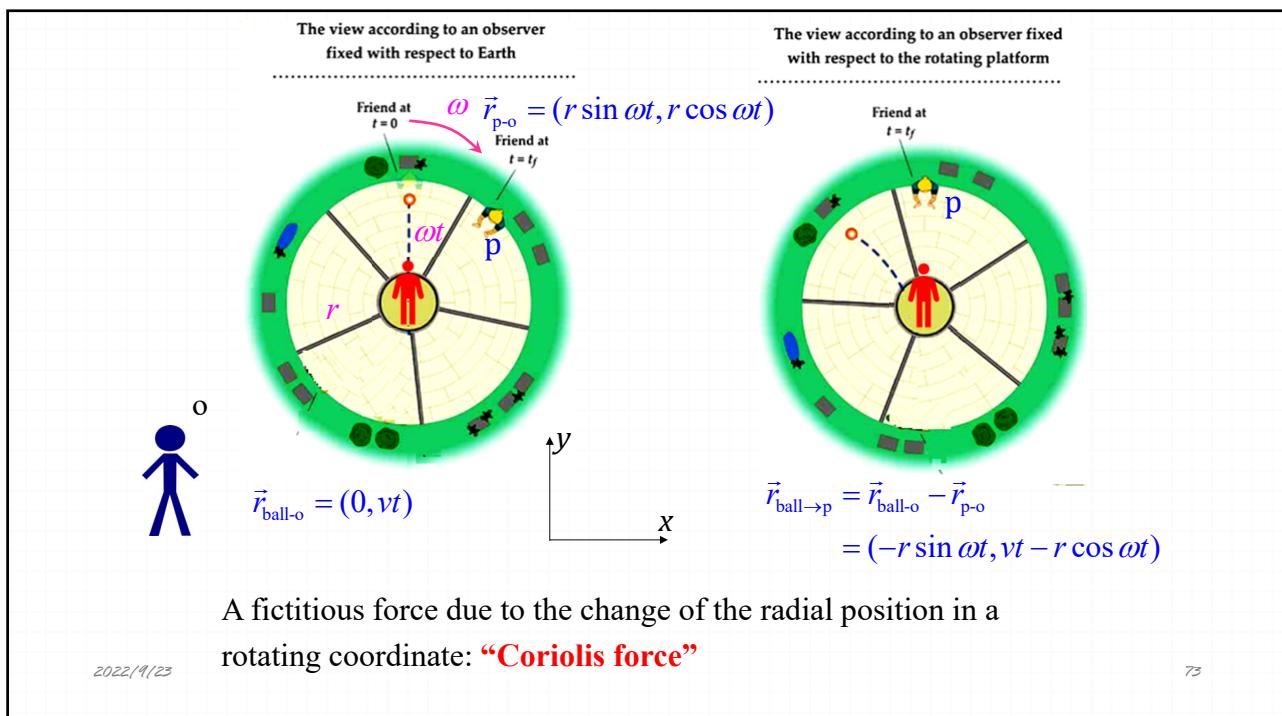
$$\begin{cases} T = ma_c = m \frac{v^2}{r} \\ n = mg \end{cases}$$

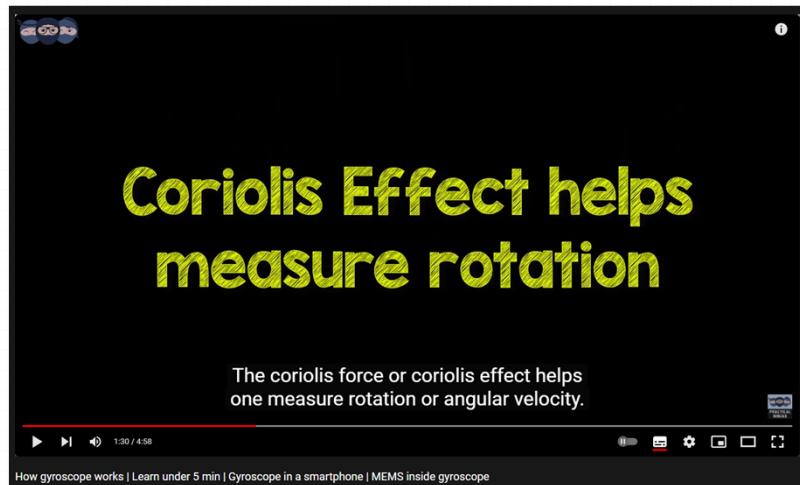
$$\begin{aligned} T &= m a_c \quad (\text{x}) \\ \neq 0 &\quad \neq 0 \\ \Rightarrow T + F_{\text{fictitious}} &= 0 \\ \Rightarrow F_{\text{fictitious}} &= -T \end{aligned}$$

⌚ Fictitious force is in the direction opposite to the acceleration of the non-inertial frame.

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Fundamental Forces in Nature

- o **Strong force (nuclear force):** between subatomic particles inside nuclei.
- o **Electromagnetic force:** between two charges
- o **Weak force:** in certain radioactive decay processes
- o **Gravitational force:** between two masses

p.s.

- All are **field forces**.
- Strong force is ~ 100 times larger than electroweak force.
- Open questions: a force unification theory? or a 5th fundamental force for “dark matter”?

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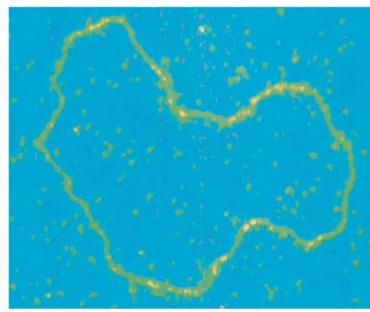
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(a) Gravitational forces hold planets together.



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(b) Electromagnetic forces hold molecules together.

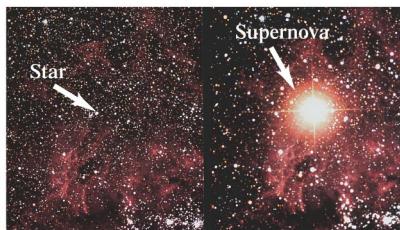


(c) Strong forces release energy to power the sun.



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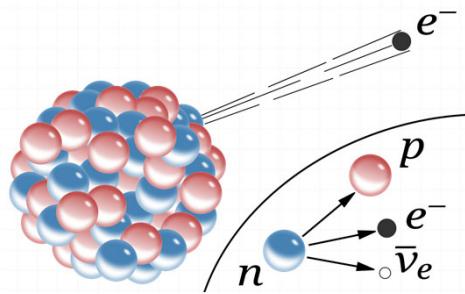
(d) Weak forces play a role in exploding stars.



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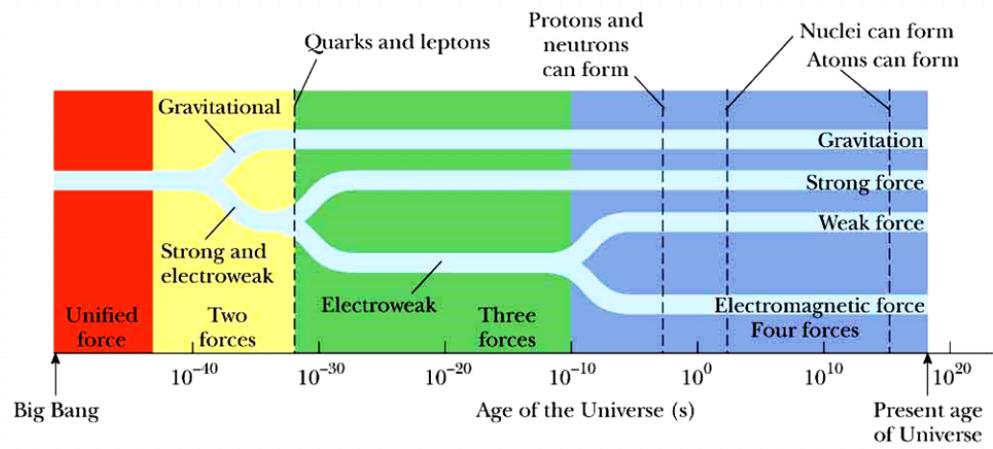
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Interaction	Relative Strength	Range of Force	Mediating Field Particle	Mass of Field Particle (GeV/c ²)
Nuclear	1	Short (≈ 1 fm)	Gluon	0
Electromagnetic	10^{-2}	∞	Photon	0
Weak	10^{-5}	Short ($\approx 10^{-3}$ fm)	W^\pm, Z^0 bosons	80.4, 80.4, 91.2
Gravitational	10^{-39}	∞	Graviton	0

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