Physics Video Analysis Assignment

Analysis of Forces and Newton's Laws in Real-World Applications

Purpose

To analyze a real-world video using physics concepts from Chapter 4, demonstrating understanding through precise application of formulas and principles with explicit textbook references.

1 Group Structure and Roles

This is a group project requiring 4-6 team members. Each member must contribute to all aspects, but will have primary responsibility for their assigned role:

1.1 Project Leader (1 person)

- Coordinates team meetings and timeline
- Ensures all references are properly cited
- Reviews final submission for completeness
- Submits final work
- Maintains communication with instructor

1.2 Physics Analyst (1 person)

- Leads mathematical analysis
- Verifies all force calculations
- Ensures proper use of Newton's Laws
- Checks units and vector directions

1.3 Technical Illustrator (1 person)

- Creates all required free-body diagrams (Fig 4.2, 4.3)
- Ensures proper labeling of forces and vectors
- Maintains consistent vector notation
- Produces clear, professional diagrams

1.4 Documentation Specialist (1 person)

- Manages page and equation references
- Writes explanations and interpretations
- Ensures clear documentation of process
- Maintains organized project files

2 Required Materials

- Chapter 4 textbook (pages 116-142)
- Selected internet video
- Screenshot capability
- Drawing tools for force diagrams
- Shared workspace for collaboration

3 Core Formula Reference

All formulas must be cited with page and equation numbers from the textbook.

3.1 Newton's First Law

$$F_{net} = 0 \text{ or } \Sigma F = 0 \quad (p.118, \text{ Eq. } 4.1)$$
 (1)

3.2 Newton's Second Law

$$F_{net} = ma \text{ or } \Sigma F = ma \text{ (p.122, Eq. 4.2)}$$
 (2)

3.3 Force of Friction

$$f = \mu N$$
 (p.119, Eq. 4.3)

3.4 Normal Force

$$N = mg$$
 (p.129, Eq. 4.17) (4)

4 Assignment Requirements

4.1 Video Selection & Documentation

- Include video URL/source
- Screenshot of analyzed frame
- Timestamp of analyzed moment
- Brief description of forces involved

4.2 Required Analysis Components

Each section must include explicit textbook references:

4.2.1 Force Analysis

- Complete free-body diagram (p.116, Fig 4.2)
- Vector notation for all forces
- Net force calculations
- Classification of forces (contact vs field forces)

4.2.2 Newton's Laws Analysis

- Application of First Law (equilibrium conditions)
- Second Law calculations
- Third Law force pairs identification
- System definition and external forces

4.2.3 Calculations & Results

- Mass and weight determinations
- Acceleration calculations
- Force component analysis
- Complete step-by-step solutions

5 Documentation Requirements

Each analysis section must include:

- 1. Concept explanation (with page reference)
- 2. Relevant formula (with equation number)
- 3. Variable identification
- 4. Step-by-step calculations
- 5. Units analysis
- 6. Physical interpretation

6 Citation Format

Example: "Using the work-energy theorem (p.274, Eq. 7.10), we calculate..."

7 Group Presentation Requirements

Each group will prepare and deliver a 5-10 minute presentation analyzing their video. The presentation must include:

7.0.1 Required Slides (Minimum 5)

Slide 1. Introduction

- Title and group members
- Video source and timestamp
- Preview of key physics concepts to be analyzed
- Physical scenario overview and relevance

Slide 2. Physical Analysis

- Professional technical diagrams
- Clear labeling of all relevant quantities
- System/boundary definitions
- Key variable identification and relationships

Slide 3. Theory Application

- Application of relevant physical laws
- Key equation implementations

- Theoretical predictions
- Textbook references and citations

Slide 4. Calculations and Results

- Step-by-step mathematical analysis
- Quantitative determinations
- Units and significant figures
- Comparison of theory vs. observation

Slide 5. Conclusions

- Summary of key findings
- Real-world applications
- Sources of uncertainty
- Connection to textbook principles

7.0.2 Presentation Requirements

- Professional slide formatting
- Clear, readable diagrams and equations
- Equal participation from all members
- Proper citation of textbook concepts
- Prepared for peer questions

8 Grading Rubric

8.1 Score Interpretation

- 90-100: Excellent Demonstrates complete mastery of concepts and applications
- 80-89: Good Shows solid understanding with minor errors or omissions
- 70-79: Satisfactory Basic understanding present but needs improvement
- 60-69: Needs Improvement Significant gaps in understanding or application
- Below 60: Unsatisfactory Major deficiencies in understanding and execution

Important Notes

- All equations must include textbook equation numbers
- All concepts must include page number references
- Direct quotes must include quotation marks and page numbers
- Calculations must show complete work
- Units must be carried through all calculations

Category	Criteria	Points	Score
Physics Anal-		30	
ysis	• Correct application of Chapter 7 concepts		
	• All calculations complete and accurate		
	• Proper equation selection with references		
	• Clear step-by-step problem solving		
Documentation		20	
	• All textbook page numbers cited		
	• Equation numbers referenced		
	• Clear variable definitions		
	• Professional presentation		
Diagrams		20	
	• Complete free body diagrams (p.271, Fig 7.2)		
	• Force vs. displacement graphs (p.274, Fig 7.3)		
	• System diagrams with all forces labeled		
	• Vector notations properly shown		
Technical Exe-		15	
cution	• Correct units throughout		
	• Proper significant figures		
	• Logical solution flow		
	• Clear conclusions		
Group Partici-		15	
pation	• Active contribution to team meetings		
	• Completion of assigned role tasks		
	• Support of other team members		
	• Meeting of deadlines		
Total		100	

Table 1: Video Analysis Group Project Grading Rubric