

Unit 2 → Forces

Newton's First Law

- An object stays at rest or in motion unless acted upon by an unbalanced force
- (F_{net})
- Inertia → Object's stubbornness to change
 - Inertia = mass
- Mass (kg) → amount of matter in an object
 - Scalar quantity

Newton's Second Law

- Reference Table: $a = \frac{F_{net}}{m}$
 - Also can be written as $F_{net} = ma$
- Relationships
 - $a \propto F_{net}$
 - $m \propto F_{net}$
 - $a \propto \frac{1}{m}$
 - $m \propto \frac{1}{a}$
- F_{net} → net force (N); unbalanced force; vector quantity
 - $F_{net} = \sum F$
- F_{net} and a are *always in the same direction*

Newton's Third Law

- For every action there is an equal and opposite reaction
- Action → who creates the force
- Object → who experiences the force
- Action and reaction pairs are *never the same object*
- Effects of push and pull depend on the mass of object

Force

- Force is a push or pull
- Force acts on an object
- An *agent* causes the push or pull

Mass (m)

- Mass is the measure of the amount of matter in an object
 - Scalar quantity measured in kilograms (kg)

- MASS DOES NOT CHANGE BASED ON LOCATION

Weight (F_g)

- Represented by F_g
- Force of attraction between a planet and an object near its surface
- ALWAYS pulls towards the center of a planet
- ALWAYS attractive
- ALWAYS pulling down on us near the surface of a planet
- CAN change based on location
- Reference table: $g = \frac{F_g}{m}$
 - Can also be written as $F_g = mg$
- $F_g \rightarrow$ gravitational force (N); vector
- $g \rightarrow$ acceleration due to gravity ($\frac{m}{s^2}$); vector

Normal Force (F_N)

- $F_N \rightarrow$ normal force
- Normal \rightarrow perpendicular
- SUPPORTIVE FORCE between an object and a surface it's in contact with
- $F_N =$ apparent weight
 - What we FEEL as weight is the ground pushing up
- When you are flat on a surface and *not* accelerating up or down
- $F_N = F_g$
- Weightless during free-fall
 - $F_N = 0N$
 - Nothing is supporting us

Friction

- Force caused by contact between 2 objects
- Reference table: $|F_f| \leq \mu |F_N|$
 - $F_f \rightarrow$ force of friction (N); vectors
 - $\mu \rightarrow$ co-efficient of friction; always less than 1; NO UNITS
 - Motion

- Materials
- Lubrication

Kinetic Friction

- Moving friction
- Directed opposite motion
- If you are moving, force of friction is set to some value
 - $F_{f_{kinetic}} = \mu_{kinetic} F_N$
 - $F_f \propto F_N$

Static Friction

- Not moving; stationary
 - Static friction is stationary friction
- Directed opposite intended motion
- If you are *not* moving, your force of static friction will vary
- The harder you push, the harder the force of static friction pushes back
- There is a maximum force of static friction
- Once you reach the max, the object begins to move and transforms to kinetic friction
- $F_{f_{static}} \leq \mu_{static} F_N$

SHOUT IT OUT!!

- ❖ CONSTANT VELOCITY
- ❖ ZERO ACCELERATION
- ❖ $F_{net} = 0N$
- ❖ EQUILIBRIUM

Equilibrium

- Forces are balanced
- Forces add up to 0
 - $\sum F_{net} = 0N$
- Equilibrant
 - The force that creates equilibrium
 - Equal and opposite to the resultant of the forces; you are in balance

Unbalanced Forces

- Elevators
 - Moving in the y-axis
 - Mass and planet are constant
- F_N will vary
 - If $F_N = F_g$
 - Balanced
 - Constant velocity
 - Up or down
 - If $F_N < F_g$
 - We feel lighter
 - Accelerating down
 - F_{net} is down
 - If $F_N > F_g$
 - We feel heavier
 - Accelerating up
 - Moving up or down
 - F_{net} is up

Newton's Laws Quiz

Multiple Choice

- 1) D
- 2) A
- 3) D
- 4) B
- 5) A
- 6) C
- 7) B
- 8) C
- 9) D
- 10) B

Short Response

- 11) 5.21 kg
- 12) $3,240\text{ N}$
- 13) 90 kg
- 14) $4,440\text{ N}$
- 15) -49 N

Newton's Laws Test

Multiple Choice

- 1) B
- 2) B
- 3) D
- 4) C
- 5) D
- 6) C
- 7) B
- 8) D
- 9) A
- 10) D
- 11) C
- 12) A
- 13) A
- 14) OMIT
- 15) OMIT
- 16) B
- 17) B
- 18) A
- 19) A
- 20) A

Short Response

- 21) $140N$
- 22) $270.66N$
- 23) $231.5N$
- 24) 2.61 m/s^2
- 25) OMIT