PHYSICS



FOR SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS A STRATEGIC APPROACH 4/E

Chapter 7
QuickCheck Questions





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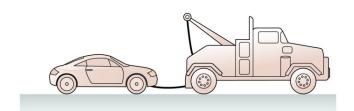
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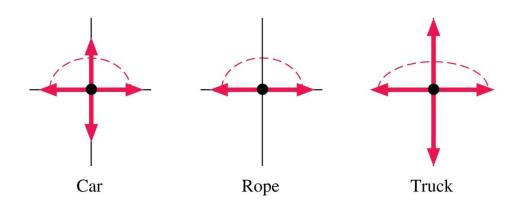
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Newton's second law:
$$a = \frac{F}{m}$$
Huge difference

Don't confuse cause and effect! The same force can have very different effects.

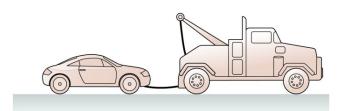
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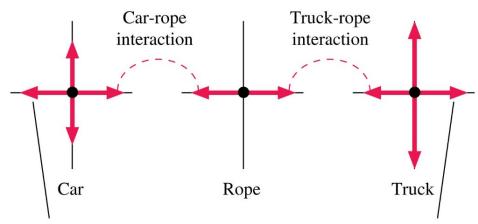




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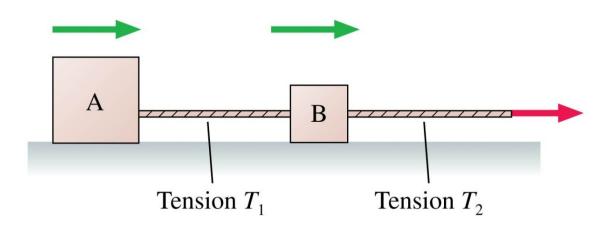
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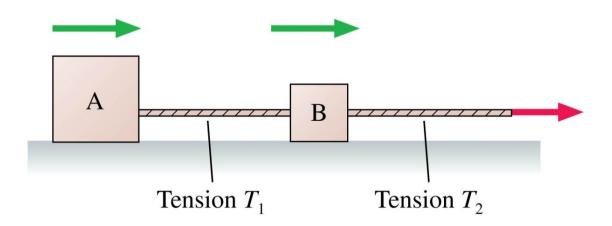
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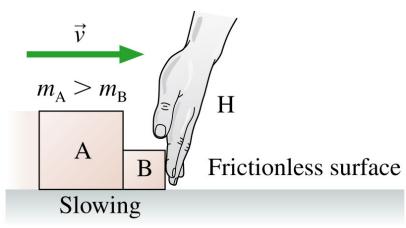
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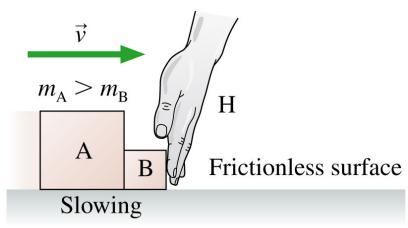
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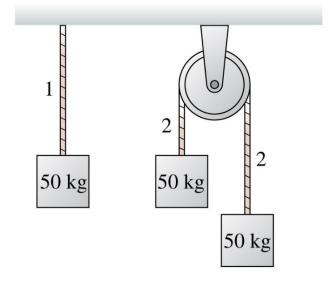
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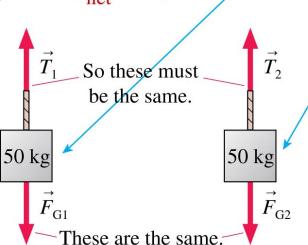
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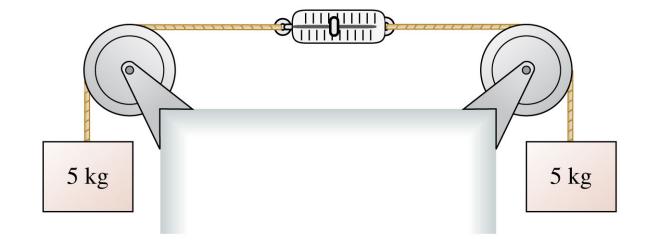
Each block is in static equilibrium, with $\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = 0$.



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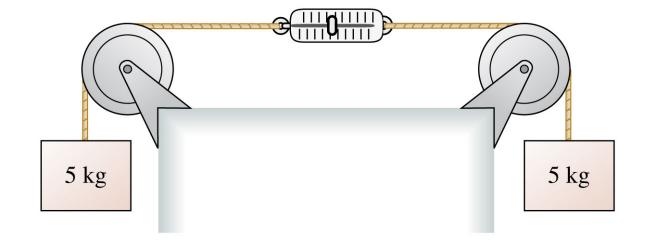
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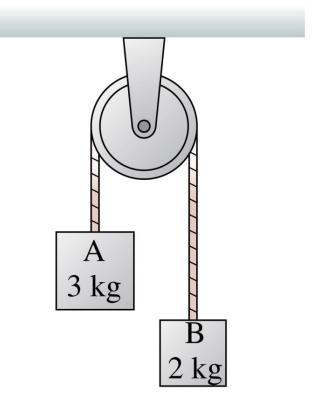
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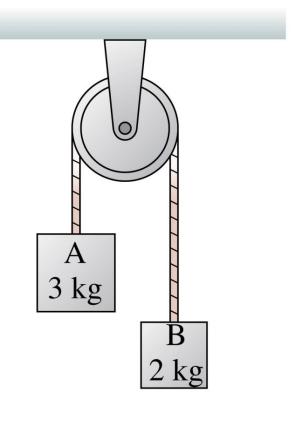
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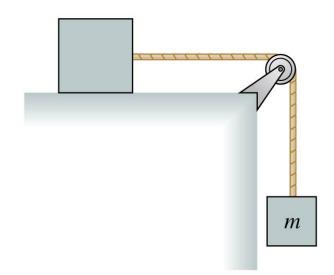


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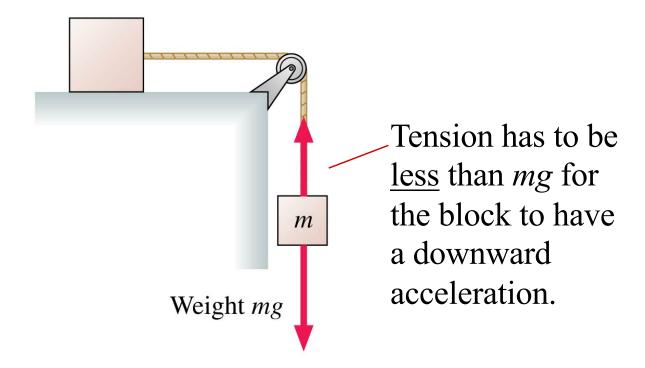


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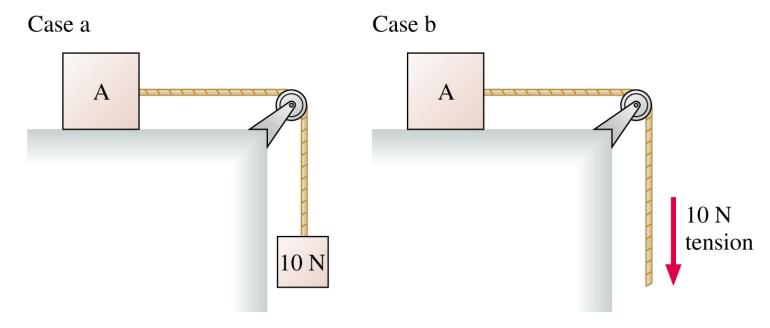
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