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Week 5, Lecture 1

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4 clicker questions today

On today's class...

1. Contact and non-contact forces
2. Tension, normal, friction
3. Free body diagrams
4. Static and Dynamic Equilibrium (continued Thursday)

CLICKER 1: How was the test?



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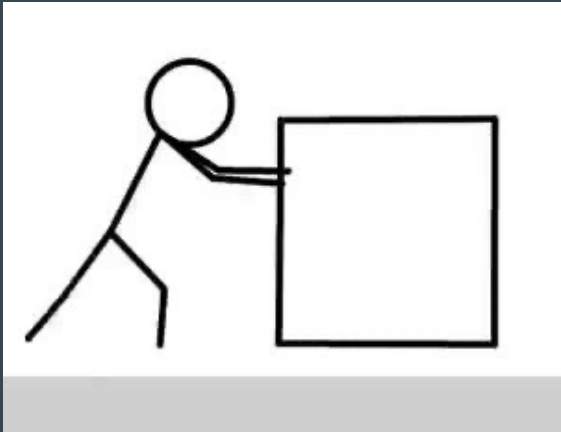
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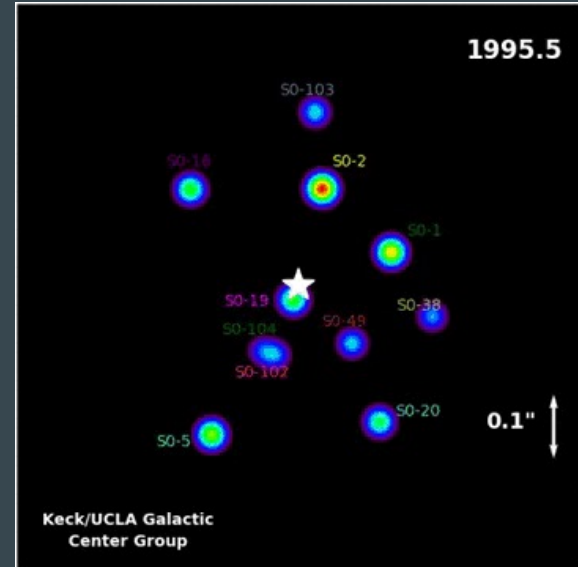
Contact and Non-Contact Forces

Contact forces need the system to be in **physical contact** with the objects in the surroundings causing the forces



(examples: spring force, tension, friction, normal force, pushing something, pulling something)

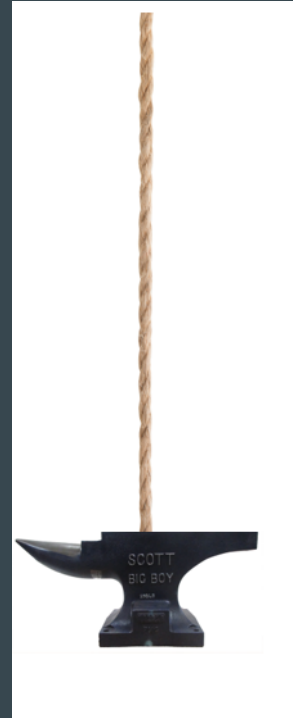
Non-contact forces cause their effects **at a distance**



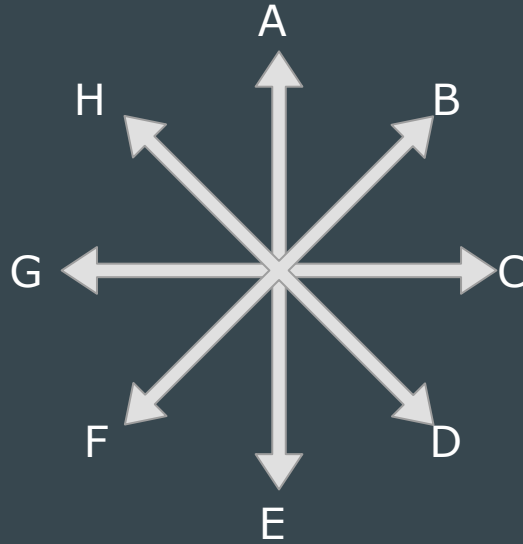
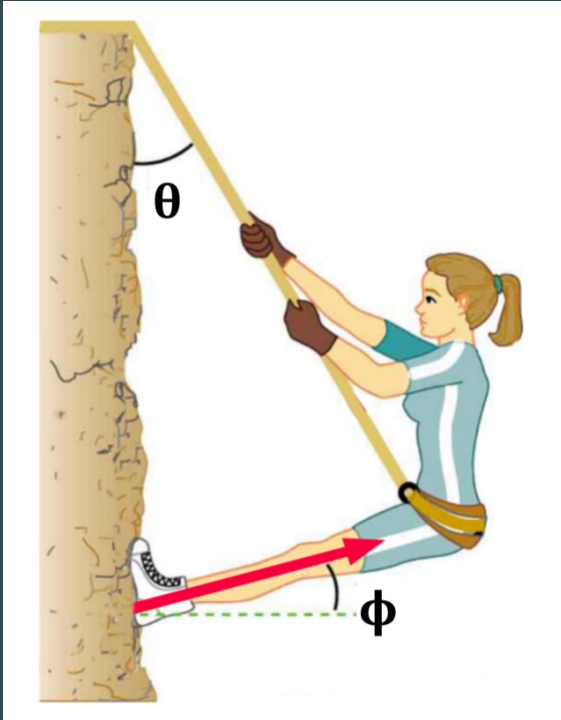
(examples: gravity, electric force)

Tension Force (\vec{F}_T or \vec{T})

- Always **pulls** on the system directly along the length of the rope/string
- Constant in magnitude throughout the entire length of the rope
- You can't push using a rope!
- Microscopically caused by spring-like interactions between atoms (the "ball-and-spring model" of solids)



CLICKER 2: What is the (**best approximate**) direction of the **tension** force on the rock climber due to the rope?



I - zero magnitude

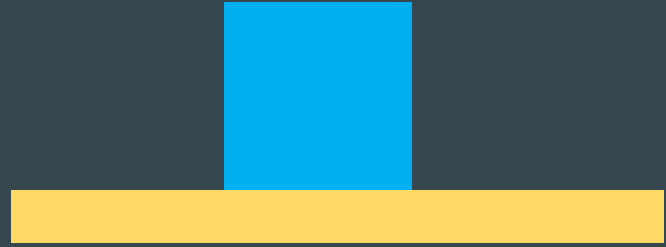
Surface Contact Forces \vec{F}_C

- When the system is in contact with a surface, there is a contact force acting on the system
- This contact force has a component **perpendicular to the surface**, which we call the **normal force**, and a component **parallel to the surface**, which we call the **friction force**



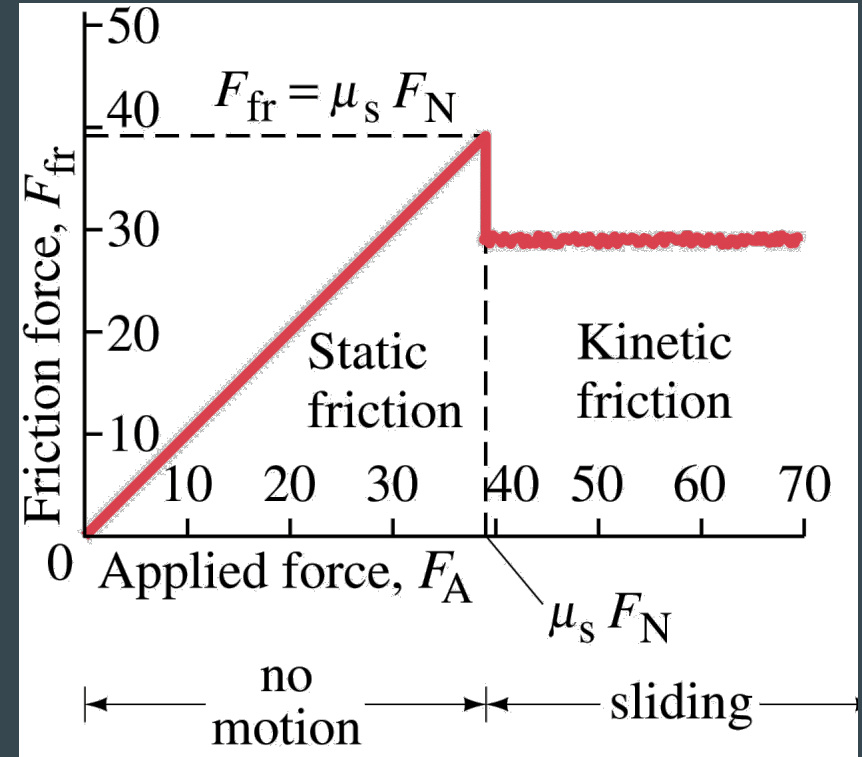
Normal Force (\vec{F}_N or \vec{N})

- Always pushes on the system, **perpendicular to the surface** exerting the force
- Prevents things from sinking into surfaces
- Microscopically caused by electric repulsion between electrons in the system and the surface



Friction Force \vec{f}

- Tries to **prevent sliding** between surfaces
- Can be **static** (system not moving relative to the surface exerting the force) or **kinetic** (system sliding across the surface exerting the force)
- Microscopically caused by little 'hooks' (roughness) in the surfaces that get caught on each other as they slide



Friction Force \vec{f}

- The magnitude of the friction force is proportional to the magnitude of the normal force
- The proportionality constant is called the **coefficient of friction**; its value depends on the surfaces, and it will be different for static friction and for kinetic friction

$$|\vec{f}_s| \leq \mu_s |\vec{N}|$$

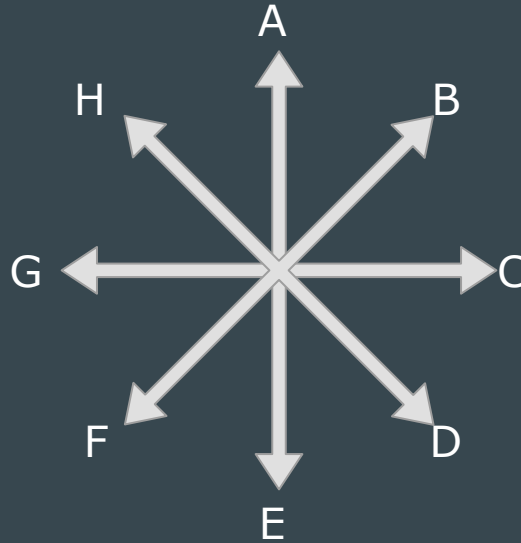
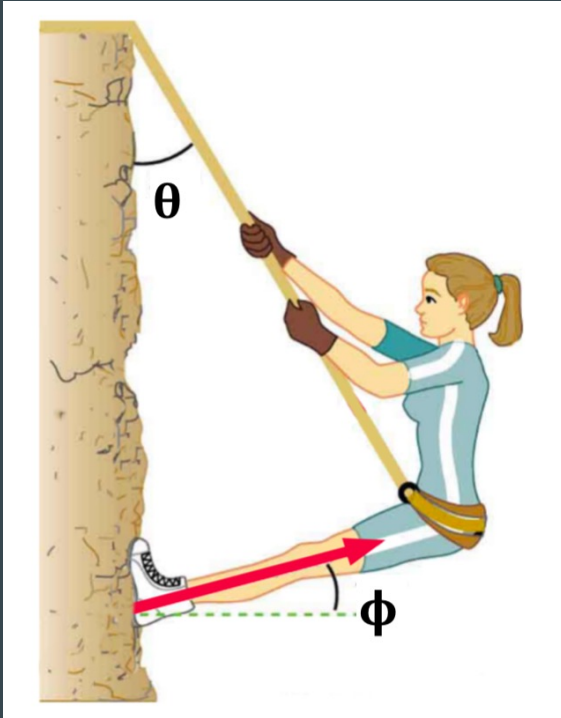
Static friction

$$|\vec{f}_k| = \mu_k |\vec{N}|$$

Kinetic friction

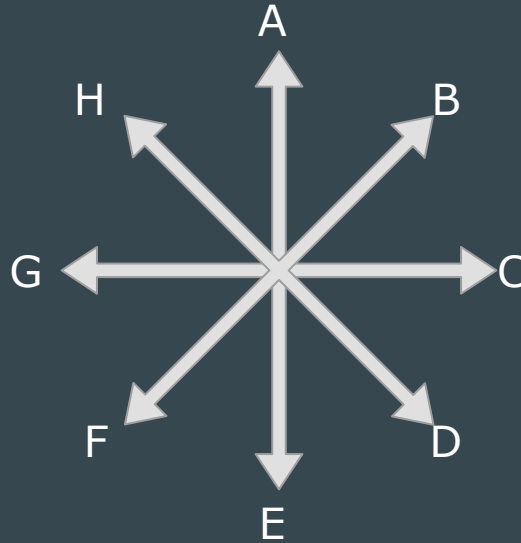
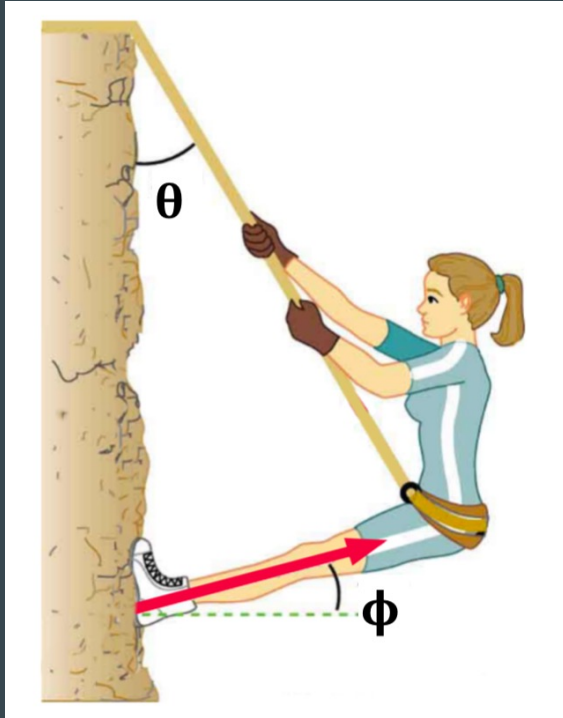
$$\text{Maximum static friction } |\vec{f}_{s,\max}| = \mu_s |\vec{N}|$$

CLICKER 3: The red arrow is the contact force on the climber's feet due to the rock wall. If the climber's feet are motionless, what is the direction of the normal force?



I - zero magnitude

CLICKER 4: The red arrow is the contact force on the climber's feet due to the rock wall. If the climber's feet are motionless, what is the direction of the friction force?



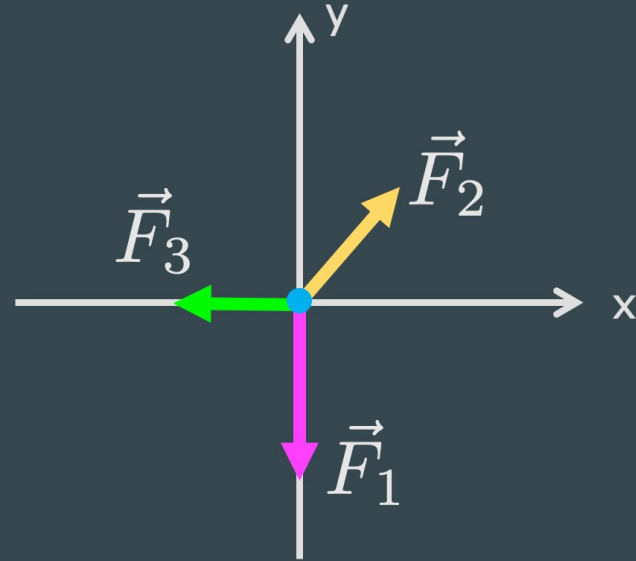
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Free Body Diagrams (FBD)

- Also known as “force diagrams” – see this slide from January 18:

Force Diagrams

- Represent system as a **point**, and put it at the origin of the coordinate system
- Represent each force with an **arrow**, pointing in the direction of the force (angles are important!)
- The relative lengths of the arrows represent the relative strengths of the forces



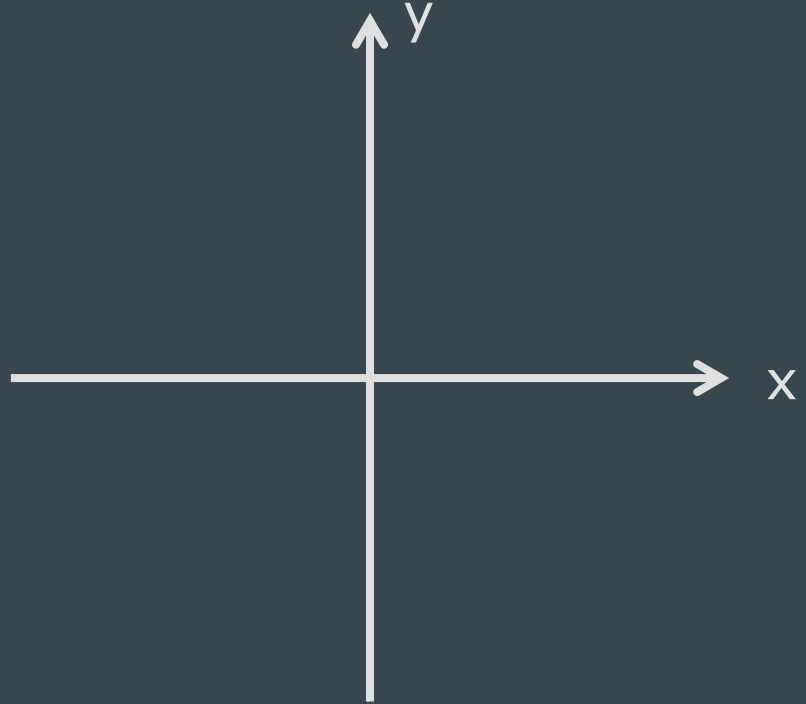
Free Body Diagrams – Example 1

System:

A **block of mass m** sitting
motionless on a table



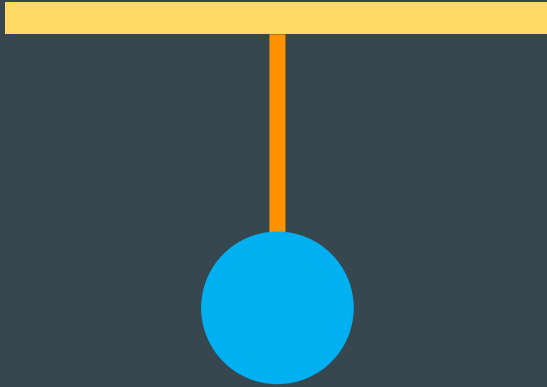
Forces acting on the system:



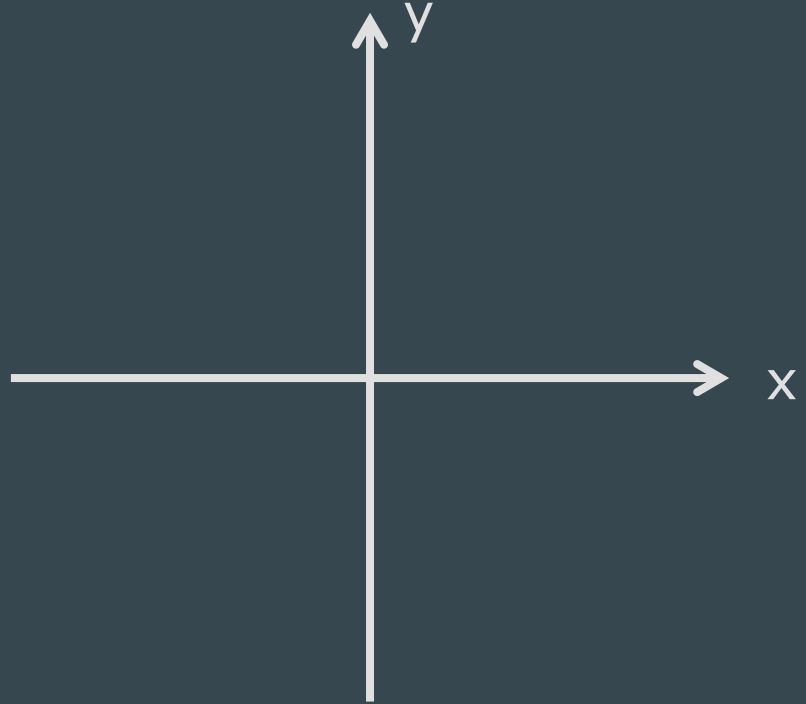
Free Body Diagrams – Example 2

System:

A ball of mass m hanging motionless from a string



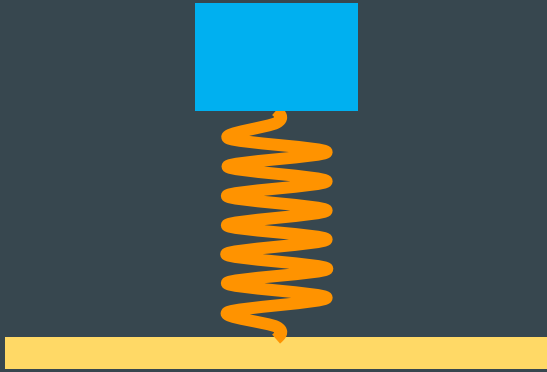
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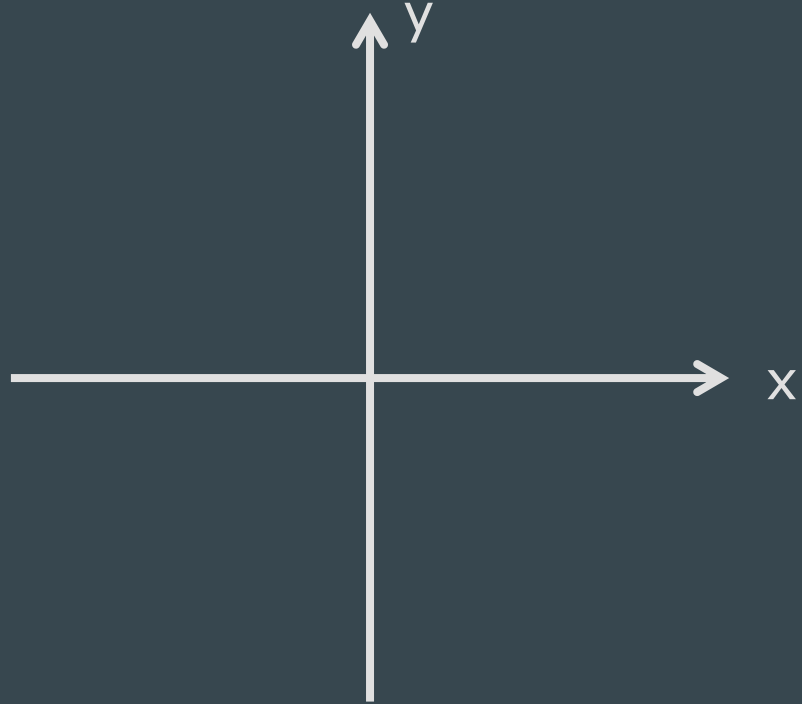
Free Body Diagrams – Example 3

System:

A block of mass m sits motionless on a compressed spring



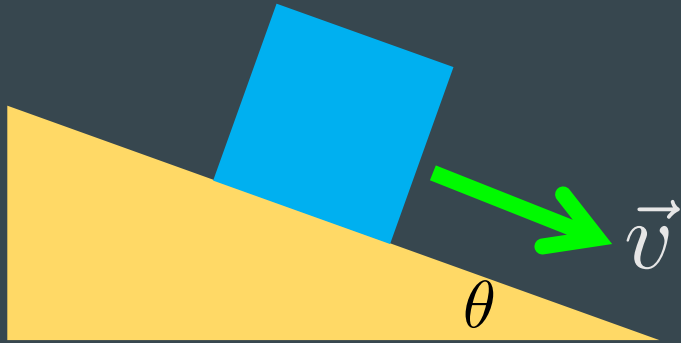
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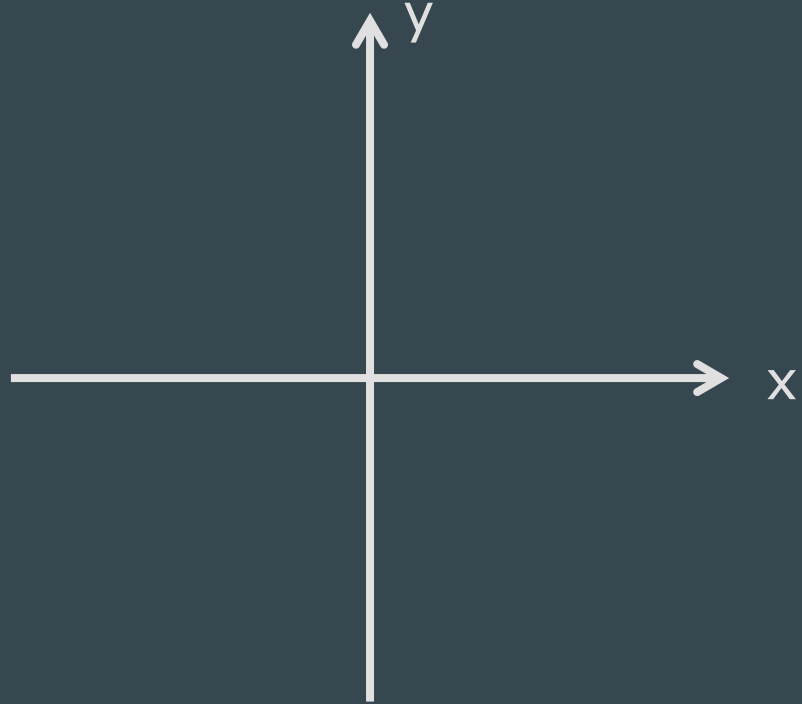
Free Body Diagrams – Example 4

System:

A **block of mass m** slides down a rough inclined plane



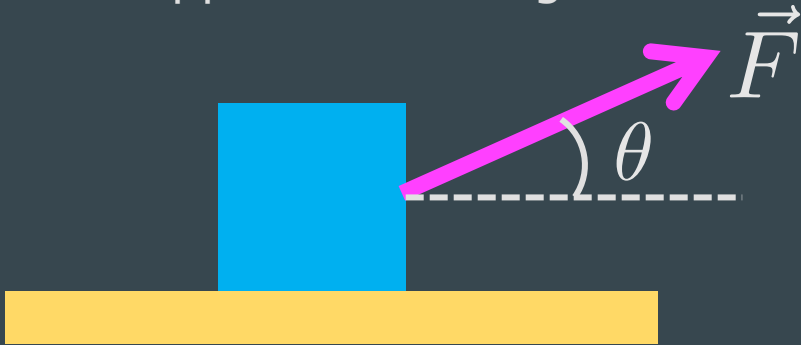
Forces acting on the system:



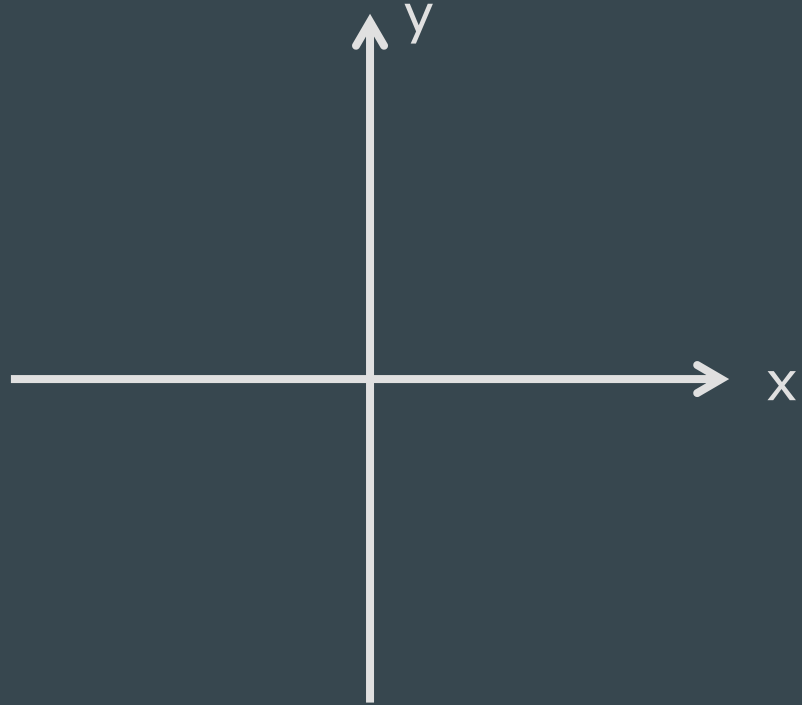
Free Body Diagrams – Example 5

System:

A **block of mass m** being pulled along a frictionless table with a force applied at an angle



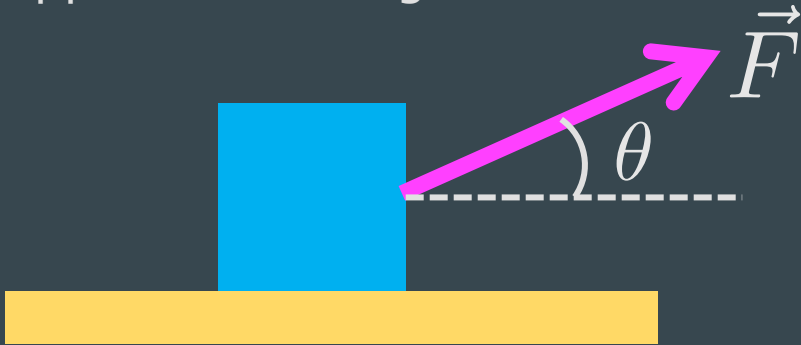
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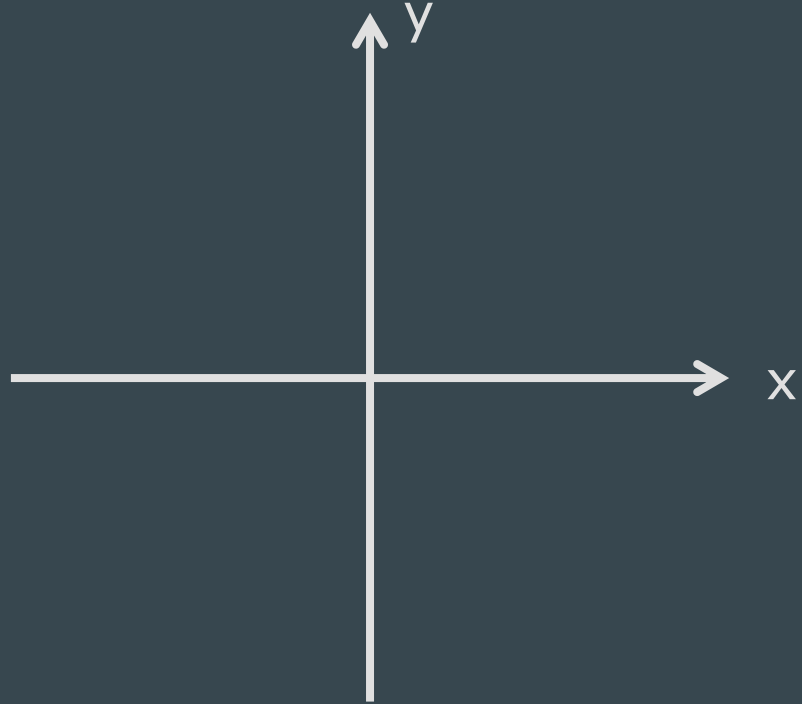
Free Body Diagrams – Example 6

System:

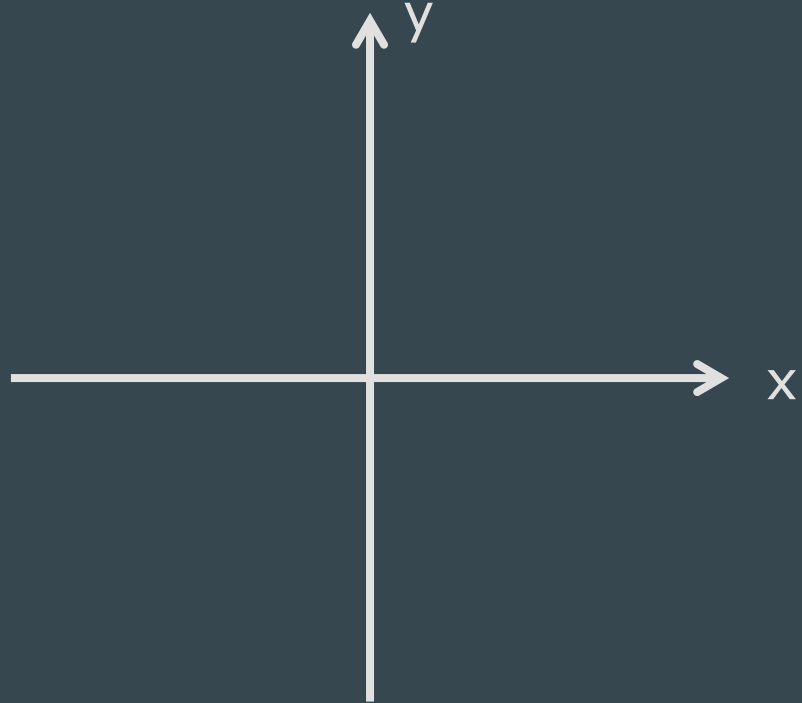
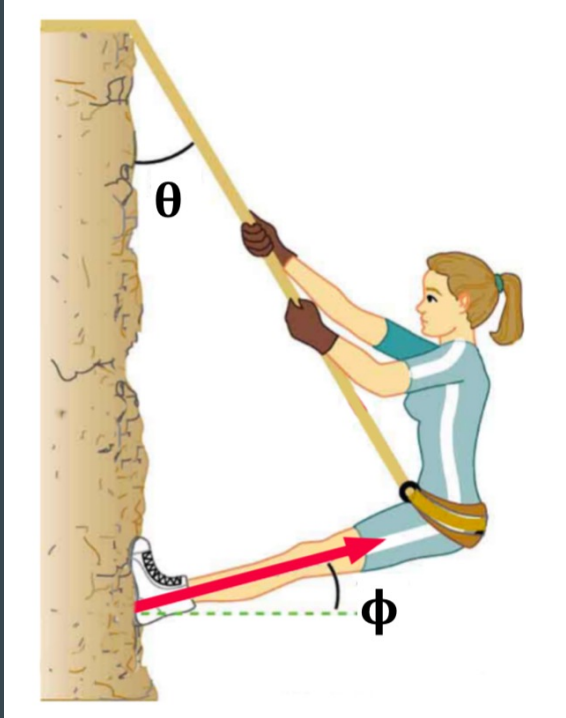
A **block of mass m** being pulled along a carpeted floor with a force applied at an angle



Forces acting on the system:



Free Body Diagrams – Example 7



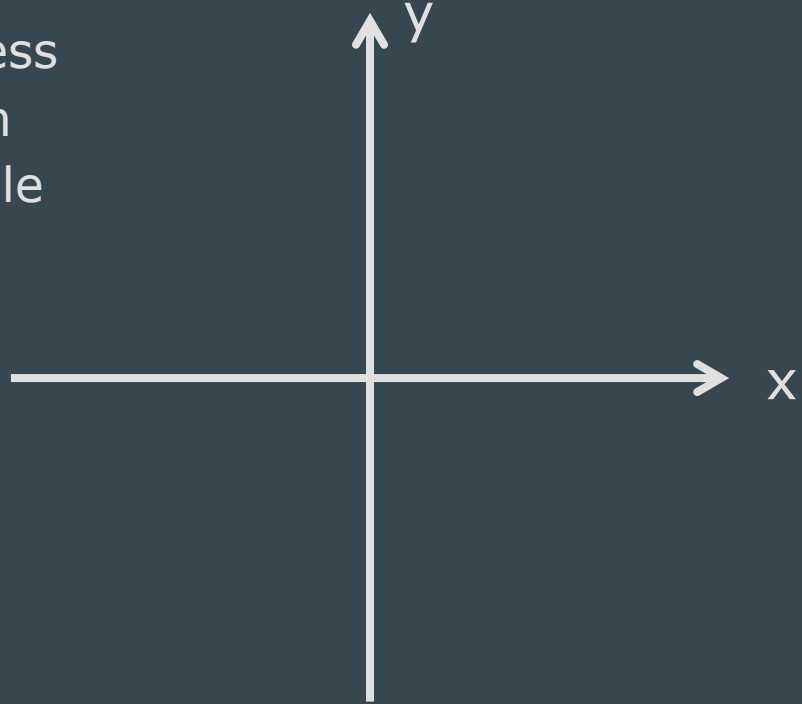
Free Body Diagrams – Example 8

System:

A block of mass m sitting motionless on top of a block of mass M , which itself is sitting motionless on a table



Forces acting on the system:



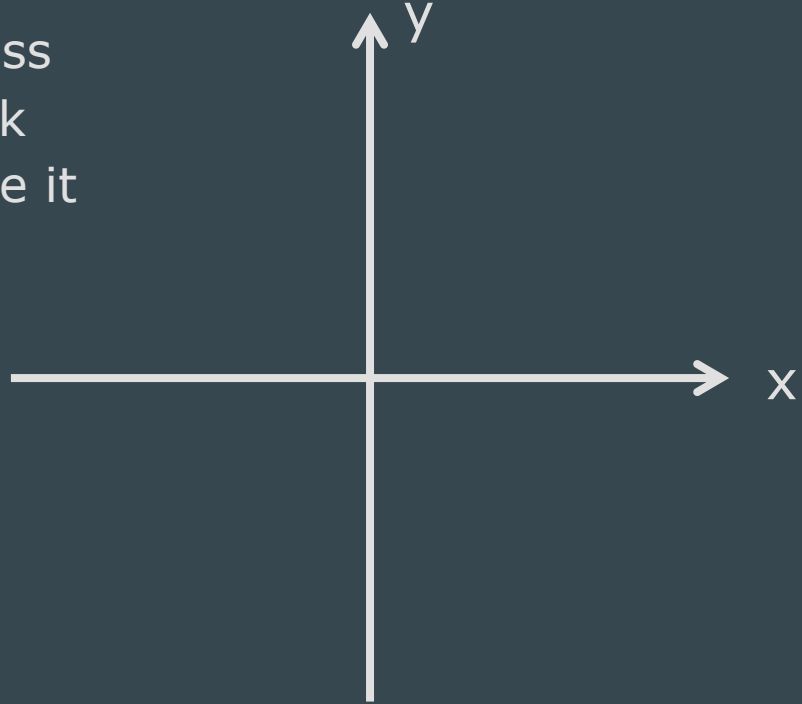
Free Body Diagrams – Example 9

System:

A block of mass M sitting motionless on a table, that has a smaller block of mass m sitting motionless above it

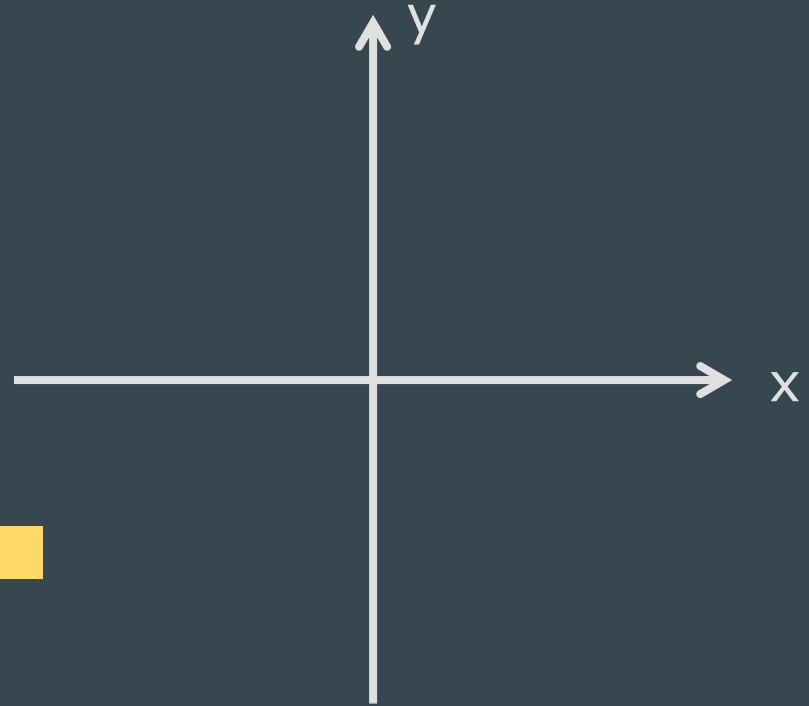


Forces acting on the system:



Free Body Diagrams – Example 10

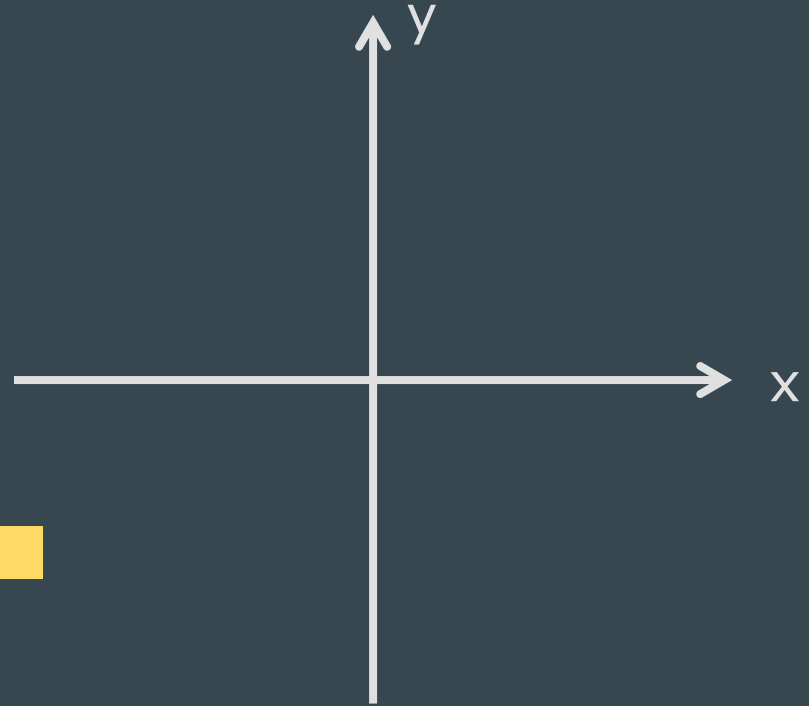
System: A block of mass M sits on a rough surface and is being pushed to the right, making it touch another block that has mass m



Forces acting on the system:

Free Body Diagrams – Example 11

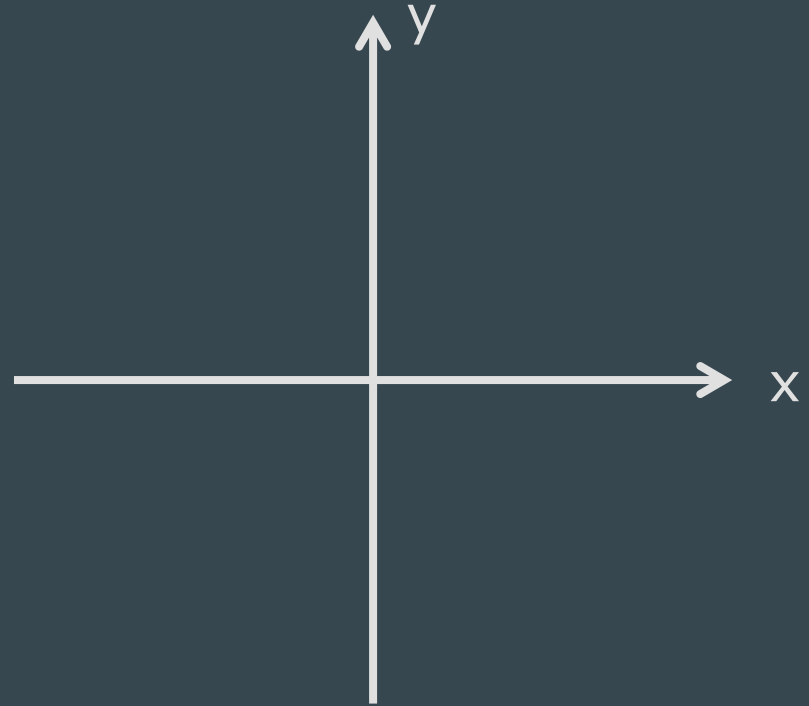
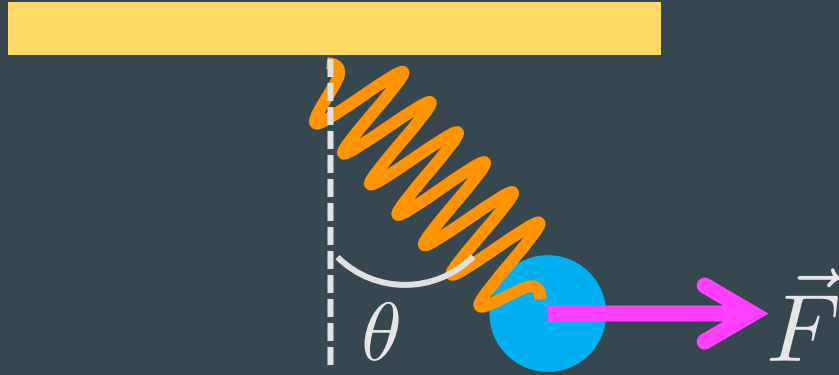
System: A block of mass m sits on a rough surface and is being pushed to the right by a block of mass M , which is itself being pushed to the right



Forces acting on the system:

Free Body Diagrams – Example 12

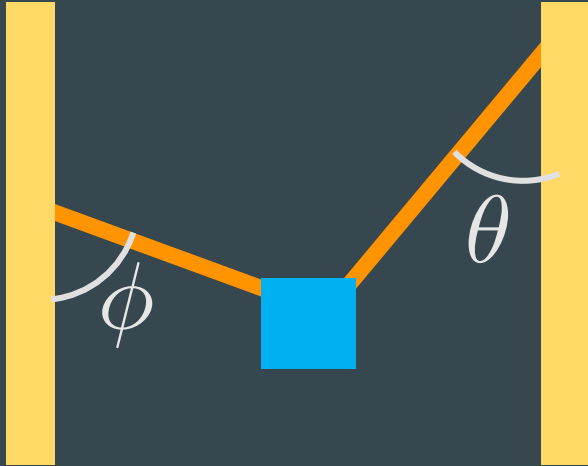
System: A ball of mass m attached to a stretched spring and to a rope pulling it to the right



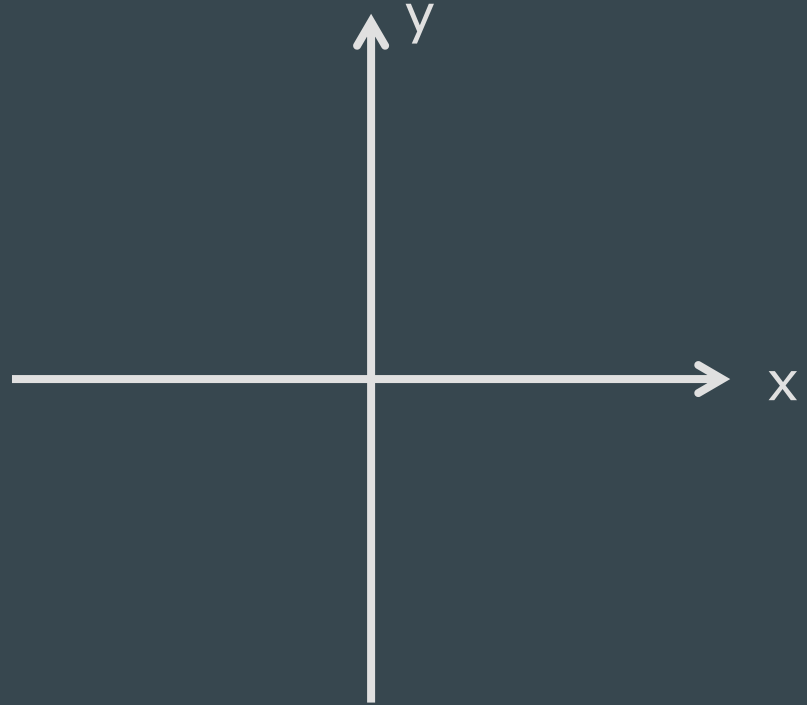
Forces acting on the system:

Free Body Diagrams – Example 13

System: A block of mass m attached to two ropes that make different angles on two parallel walls

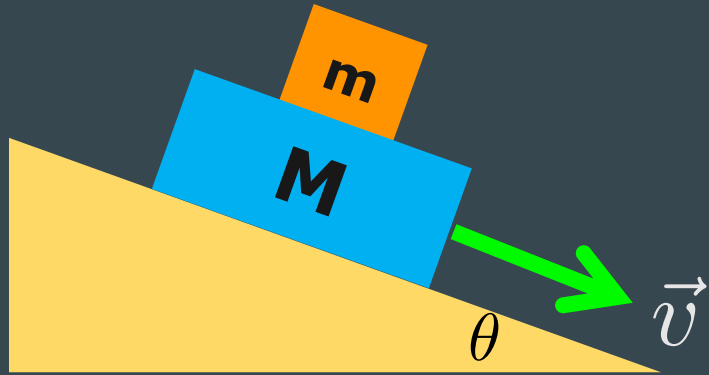


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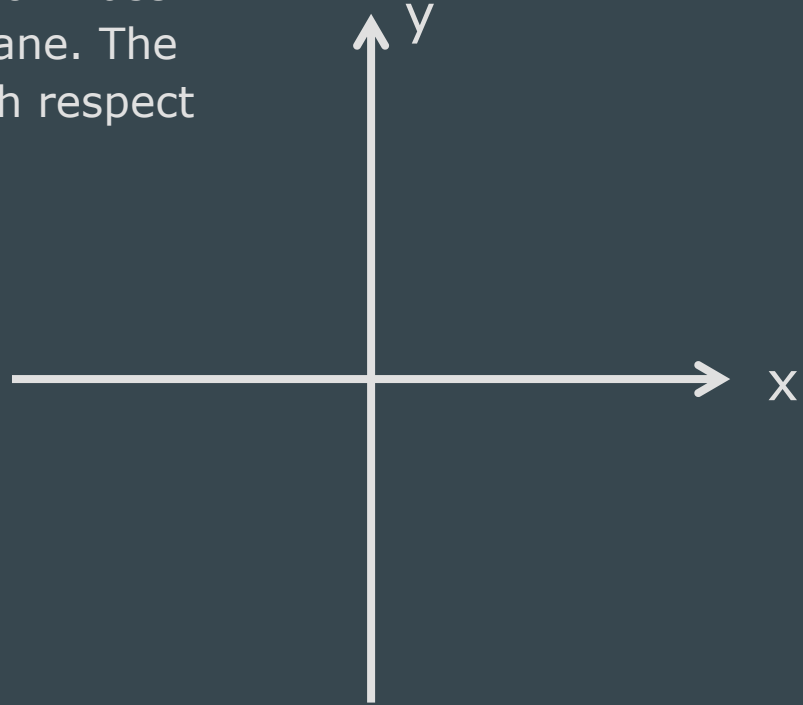


Free Body Diagrams – Example 14

System: A block of mass m sits on a block of mass M which is sliding down a rough inclined plane. The position of block m remains unchanged with respect to the inclined plane

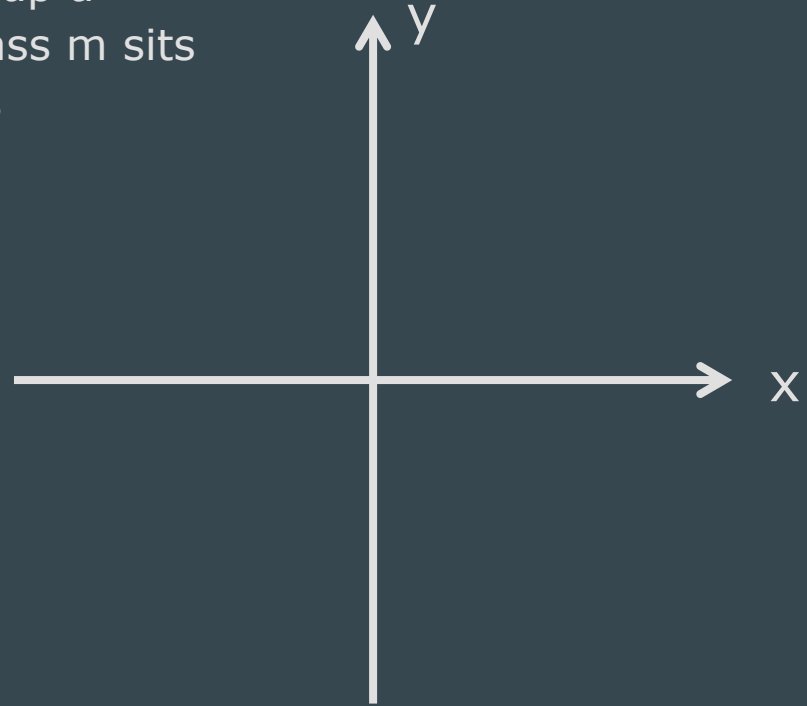
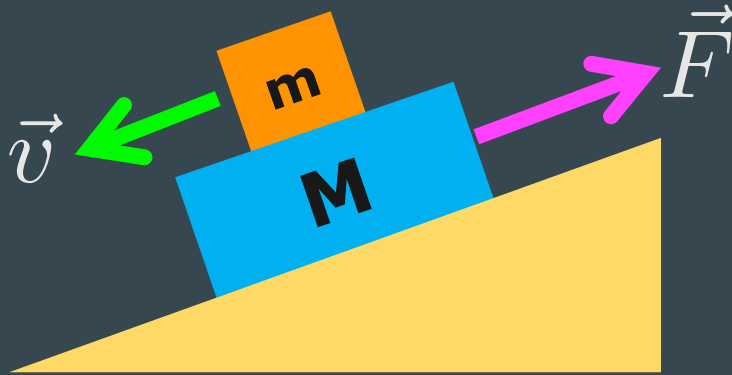


Forces acting on the system:



Free Body Diagrams – Example 15

System: A **block of mass M** is being pulled up a rough inclined plane. A smaller block of mass m sits on top of the block M and slides backwards

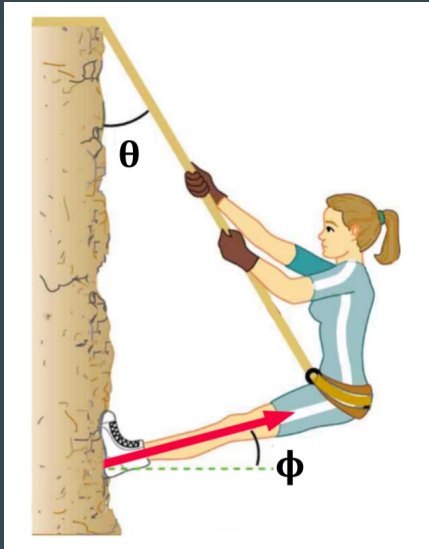


Forces acting on the system:

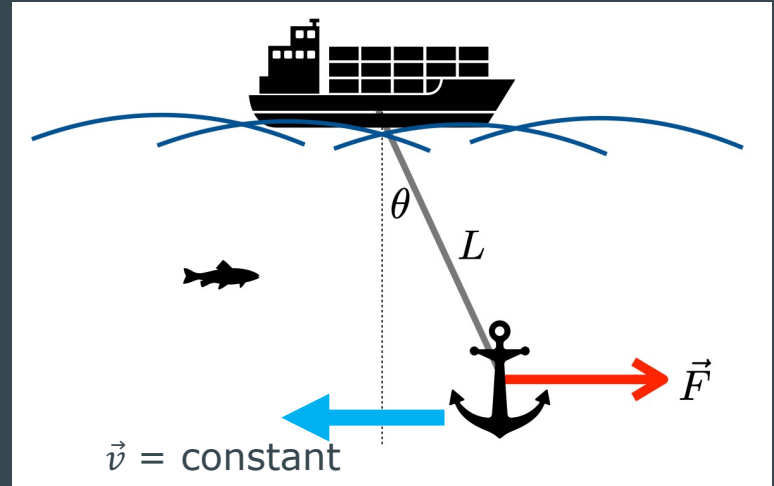
Static & Dynamic Equilibrium

A system is in **static** equilibrium when $F_{\text{net}} = 0$ and $v = 0$

Engineering students may take a class that's all about this, called "Statics"



A system is in **dynamic** equilibrium when $F_{\text{net}} = 0$ but $v = \text{constant} \neq 0$



If $F_{\text{net}} \neq 0$, then the system is **NOT** in equilibrium

We'll do lots of equilibrium problems on Thursday!