

Forces - More Practice

Section 1 - \vec{F}_g

- 1.) Calculate the force of gravity on a 25 kg mass at the surface of the earth.

- 2.) A 75 kg mass is on the surface of Mars when an astronaut lifts it with a spring scale. The scale has a reading of 259 N . What is the gravitational field strength on Mars?

- 3.) How much force must a horizontal surface exert to hold up a 2.0 kg book and what is the name of that force?

Section 2 - \vec{F}_{net}

- 1.) A cat is dragged at a constant velocity of $+3.0\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$ across sandpaper. What is the total force on the cat?

- 2.) A 1200 kg car is pushed by three students from rest to $+5.0\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$, 30 m along a level surface. What was the unbalanced force used on the car?

- 3.) Assuming the force of friction on the car in problem 2 was 100 N how much combined force did the students have to exert?

- 4.) What is the acceleration of a 5.0 kg mass when pulled with 10 N [E] and 12 N [N]?

5.) What is the net force of a mass when pulled with a force of 10 N at 30° S of W and 12 N at 40° W of N .

Section 3 - \vec{F}_f and \vec{F}_n (level surfaces)

1.) A 10 kg mass is pulled along a level surface using a force of 25 N . What is the coefficient of friction?

2.) A force of 7.5 N is used to pull a rubber friction block across a table at constant speed. If the coefficient of friction is 0.35 what is the mass of the block?

3.) What shape is a graph of \vec{F}_f vs. \vec{F}_n and what is the slope?

Section 4 - \vec{F}_e

1.) Calculate the extension of a spring whose spring constant is $20\frac{\text{N}}{\text{m}}$ when a 0.50 kg mass is hung on it.

2.) What is the spring constant of a desk if a force of 784 N compresses it from height 1.00 m to 0.92 m ?

Section 5: Forces on Ramps

1.) What is the normal force and force down the ramp on a 5.0 kg mass resting on a 40° slope?

2.) What is the acceleration of a 3.0 kg mass on a 30° frictionless slope?

3.) What is the normal force on the mass in #2 above?

4.) What is the force of friction on the mass in #3 above if $\mu = 0.2$?

5.) What would be the acceleration of the mass in #4 above given $\mu = 0.2$?**

Answers

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| 1.) -245 N | 2.) $-3.45\text{ N} \times \text{kg}$ | 3.) $+19.6\text{ N}, \vec{F}_n$ | 1.) 0 N | 2.) $+500\text{ N}$ | 3.) $+600\text{ N}$ | 4.) $3.12\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$ at $50.^\circ\text{ N of E}$ | 5.) 16.9 N at 140° N of W |
| 1.) 0.26 | 2.) 2.18 kg | 3.) linear, μ | 1.) 0.245 m | 2.) $9800\frac{\text{N}}{\text{m}}$ | | | |
| 1.) $\vec{F}_n = +37.6\text{ N}$ | $\vec{F}_{down} = -31.5\text{ N}$ | | 2.) $-4.9\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$ | 3.) $+25.5\text{ N}$ | 4.) -5.1 N | 5.) $-3.21\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$ | |