Lecture 11: Laws of Motion

 $\frac{\text{Warm-Up Activity}}{\text{Question?}}$

(A) Answer?



L11-1: Book on the Wall – Hold Still

- You push a book against a vertical wall so the book does not move.
 - Sketch a picture of the book and the wall.
 - Identify and describe each force acting on the book.
 - Draw and label a free-body diagram for the book.
- What do you know about the magnitudes of the forces acting on the book?
- What happens to each force if you push harder?

L11-2: Book on the Wall – Slide Down

- You push a different book horizontally against a vertical wall so that the book slides downward at constant speed.
- You know the coefficients of friction are μ_{bw} (between the book and the wall) and zero (between the book and your hand). You also know the mass m of the book.
 - Draw a free-body diagram for this situation.
 - Determine the magnitude of the force that your hand must exert on the book.
 - Make sense of your answer in at least three different ways.

Main Ideas

- There are many different kinds of forces that we can analyze differently.
- Objects can only change their motion when acted upon by an external force.
- The net force on an object is equal to its mass times its acceleration.
- Forces are vectors.
- When more than one force acts on an object, we can add all the forces together.
- We can model forces quantitatively.
- When an object is at rest or moving at constant speed, the forces-balance and the object is in equilibrium.