

# Physics 121: Week 5 summary

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## Newton's Laws

1. Inertia law
  - $\vec{v}$  is constant unless a force acts upon it
2. Net force law
  - The sum of the forces on a body =  $\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}$
  - if the  $\Delta m = 0$ ,  $\frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}$
3. Equal and opposite forces law
  - The absolute value of  $\vec{F}_{BA}$  = the absolute value of  $\vec{F}_{AB}$

## 1 Contact and non-contact forces

Contact forces	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Normal (<math>\perp</math>)</li><li>• Friction (<math>\parallel</math>)</li><li>• Tension</li><li>• Air resistance</li><li>• Springs</li></ul>	Non-contact forces
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Gravitational</li><li>• Magnetism</li><li>• Weak</li><li>• Strong</li><li>• Electric</li></ul>

## 2 Free body diagrams

1. Draw a free body diagram
2. Write out the givens and the coordinate system
3. Find the sum of the forces, set them equal to  $ma$

Example of a person walking:

- $m = 60\text{kg}$
- $a = 1.0\text{m/s}^2$

1. What is the magnitude of the frictional force?
2. What is the magnitude of the normal force?

1.  $\sum F = ma, F_{GP} = ma = 60\text{kg} \cdot \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2} = 60\text{N}$

- In this case,  $F_{GP}$  is the force of the ground on the person

2.  $\sum F = ma_y = 0$

- $N_{GP} - W_{EP} = 0$
- $N_{GP}$  = the normal force of the ground on the person
- $W_{EP}$  = the weight (gravitational force) of the earth on the person
- $N = W = mg$
- $N = (60\text{kg})(9.8\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2})\text{N} \approx 600\text{N}$