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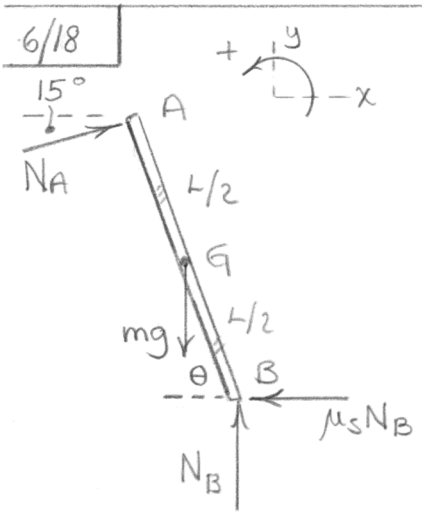

$\Sigma F_x = 0$: $N_A \cos 15° - \mu_s N_B = 0$

$\Sigma F_y = 0$: $N_B + N_A \sin 15° - mg = 0$

$\Sigma M_A = 0$: $-mg \frac{L}{2} \cos\theta + N_B L \cos\theta - \mu_s N_B L \sin\theta = 0$

Eliminate N_A and N_B to obtain

$$\tan\theta = \frac{1 - \mu_s \tan 15°}{2\mu_s}$$

For $\mu_s = 0.25$, $\underline{\theta = 61.8°}$

For $\mu_s = 0.50$, $\underline{\theta = 40.9°}$