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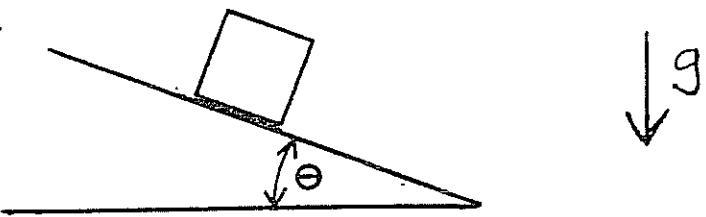
A block of mass 8 kg is sliding down a slope that is inclined at an angle θ . Find the maximum value of θ for which the block will slow down, and eventually stop.

$$g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$$

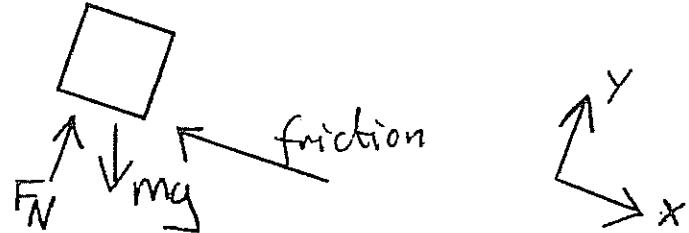
$$\mu_k = 0.25$$

$$\mu_s = 0.35$$

$$\text{mass} = 8 \text{ kg}$$



Answer



(a) Sum of normal forces = 0

$$\Rightarrow F_N = mg \cos \theta$$

(b) sliding body \Rightarrow kinetic friction = $\mu_k F_N$

(c) At max value of θ , $\sum F_x = 0$



$$-\mu_k F_N + mg \sin \theta = 0$$

$$mg \sin \theta = (\mu_k)(mg \cos \theta)$$

$$\mu_k = \tan \theta = 0.25$$

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(0.25) \approx 14^\circ$$

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(-3 if you thought this was a static problem!)

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