Week 4B: Introducing Newton's Laws

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1 More Rocket Science

A rocket is being launched to put a satelite in orbit. Air resistance is not negligible.

(a) Draw the force diagram for the rocket

(b) Is the rocket an interial reference frame?

(c) Write down Newton's 2nd law for the rocket during lift-off.

2 Block on Ice

A block is moving along on ice at $v_0 = 5$ m/s. I come along and exert a force of 5 N at an angle of $\theta = 30$ deg on the block for 5 seconds Find the speed of the block after 5 seconds.

3 Elevators

You are at the bottom floor of Orbach Library. You have sore legs so you decide to take the elevator up to the top floor.

- (a) Draw the force diagram for the elevator.
- (b) Sketch an acceleration vs time graph.
- (c) Sketch a velocity vs time graph.