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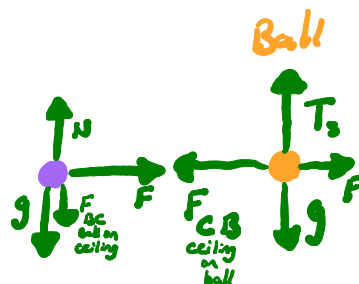
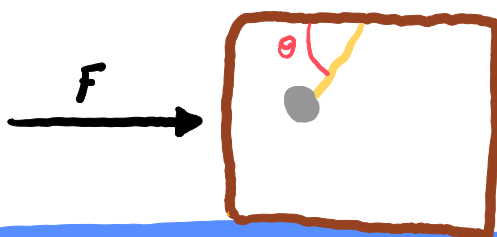
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A metal ball ($m = 1.9 \text{ kg}$) hangs by a light string from the ceiling of a wooden crate ($M = 5.2 \text{ kg}$). The crate is then pushed with a constant horizontal force F along some friction-less ice. This causes the ball hang inside the crate at an angle of $\theta = 40^\circ$ with respect to the vertical. What is the value of F ? (Hint: if the ceiling of the crate is pulling on the ball, then the ball is pulling back on the ceiling of the crate.) For the limit check, investigate what happens to F as the angle θ drops to zero.

Representation:	0	1	2
Physics Concept(s):	0	1	2
Initial Equation(s):	0	0.5	1
Symbolic Answer:	0		1
Units Check:	0	0.5	1
Limits Check:	0	0.5	1
Neatness:	-2	-1	0
Total:			
Correct Answer:	Y	N	

Representation

$$m = 1.9 \text{ kg} \quad M = 5.2 \text{ kg} \quad \theta = 40^\circ$$



Physics Concept(s) (Refer to the list posted on Carmen)

(1) Newton's Laws of Motion

Initial Equations

$$F = ma$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{a}{A}$$

$$F_g = mg$$

$$\theta_i = 90 - \theta$$

$$\tan \theta_i = \frac{F}{F_g} \rightarrow F = F_g \tan \theta_i$$

Symbolic Answer: $F = F_g \tan \theta_i$

Units Check

$$F_g = mg$$

$$N = \text{kg} \cdot \text{m/s}^2 \checkmark$$

$$F = F_g \tan \theta_i$$

$$N = N \cdot ? \checkmark$$

Limits Check

a) As $\theta \rightarrow 0^\circ$, what limit does F approach?

$$\lim_{\theta \rightarrow 0^\circ} F = \infty$$

b) Why does the result make physical sense?

The angle approaching 0° means that the force is increasing

Numerical Answer: (Obtain this by plugging numbers into your symbolic answer.)

$$F_g = 18.62 \text{ N}$$

$$F = 22.19 \text{ N}$$