

**WebAssign**  
**CH04-HW03-SP12 (Homework)**Yinglai Wang  
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MI3 4.8.X.008

When you apply a horizontal force of 40 N to a block, the block moves across the floor at a constant speed ( $\mu_k = \mu_s$ ).

(a) What happens if instead you apply a force of 30 N to the block initially at rest?

- ☒ The block doesn't move.
- ☐ The block decelerates (the speed continually decreases).
- ☐ The block moves at a constant speed, but it moves more slowly.



(b) When you apply a force of 30 N to the block initially at rest, what is the magnitude of the horizontal component of the force that the floor exerts on the block?


$F_{\text{hor}} =$    N

(c) What happens if instead you exert a force of 45 N?

- ☒ The block accelerates (the speed continually increases).
- ☐ The block doesn't move.
- ☐ The block moves at a constant speed, but it moves faster.



(d) When you apply a force of 45 N, what is the magnitude of the horizontal component of the force that the floor exerts on the block?

$F_{\text{hor}} =$    N


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MI3 4.8.X.056

Bob is pushing a box across the floor at a constant speed of 1.3 m/s, applying a horizontal force whose magnitude is 50 N. Alice is pushing an identical box across the floor at a constant speed of 2.6 m/s, applying a horizontal force.

(a) What is the magnitude of the force that Alice is applying to the box?

$F =$    N

(b) With the two boxes starting from rest, explain qualitatively what Alice and Bob did to get their boxes moving at different constant speeds.

- ☐ In order to keep the box moving twice as fast, Alice had to apply a constant force that was twice as large as the force that Bob applied.
- ☒ Each initially applied a force bigger than static friction to get the box moving and accelerating, then when the desired final speed was achieved they reduced the force to make the net force zero.



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MI3 4.8.X.058

A 28 kg box sits on a table. The coefficient of static friction  $\mu_s$  between table and box is 0.27, and the coefficient of kinetic friction  $\mu_k$  is 0.20.

(a) What is the force required to start the box moving?

$F =$   N

(b) What is the force required to keep it moving at constant speed?

$F =$   N

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MI3 4.8.X.009

A 8 kg box with initial speed 8 m/s slides across the floor and comes to a stop after 1.5 s.

(a) What is the coefficient of kinetic friction?

$\mu_k =$

(b) How far does the box move?

distance =  m

(c) You put a 5 kg block in the box, so the total mass is now 13 kg, and you launch this heavier box with an initial speed of 8 m/s. How long does it take to stop?

$\Delta t =$   s

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MI3 4.8.X.059

A 29 kg box is being pushed across the floor by a constant force  $\langle 110, 0, 0 \rangle$  N. The coefficient of kinetic friction for the table and box is 0.17. At  $t = 7.0$  s the box is at location  $\langle 11, 2, -3 \rangle$  m, traveling with velocity  $\langle 6, 0, 0 \rangle$  m/s. What is its position and velocity at  $t = 8.3$  s?

New velocity  $\vec{v} =$   m/s

New position  $\vec{d} =$   m

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