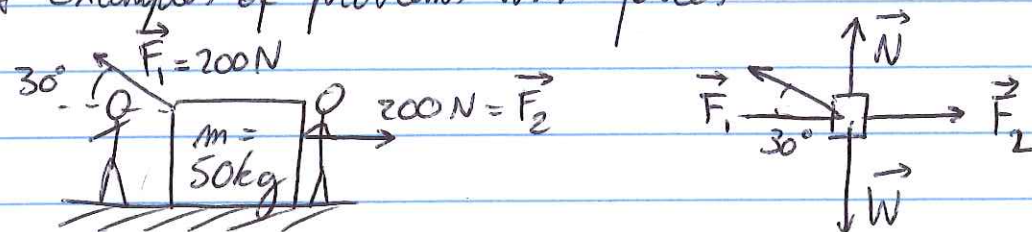


PHYS 107 - Week 4 - Wednesday

Question Forces 5-b

* Examples of problems with forces



$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m\vec{a} \rightarrow \begin{cases} x: -F_1 \cos 30^\circ + F_2 = ma_x \\ y: F_1 \sin 30^\circ + N - mg = ma_y \end{cases}$$

$$a_x = \frac{1}{m} (-F_1 \cos 30^\circ + F_2) = +0.54 \text{ m/s}^2$$

what about a_y ? could it be non-zero?

↳ method: assume $a_y = 0 \rightarrow$ calculate N

since N can only "push", not "pull":

$\begin{cases} \text{if } N \geq 0, \text{ then } a_y \text{ is indeed zero} \\ \text{if } N < 0, \text{ then } a_y \text{ is not zero, but } N = 0 \end{cases}$

$$\rightarrow N = mg - F_1 \sin 30^\circ = +390 \text{ N}, \text{ so } a_y = 0 \text{ indeed}$$

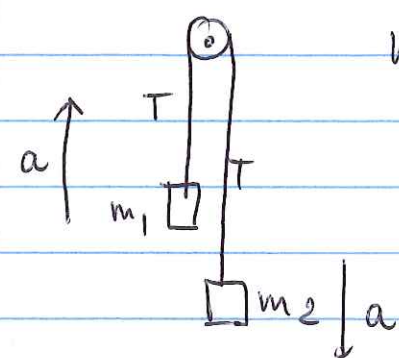
what if F_1 pulls harder? $F_1 = 1200 \text{ N}$

$$\rightarrow N = mg - F_1 \sin 30^\circ = -110 \text{ N} \rightarrow a_y \neq 0$$

$$a_y = \frac{1}{m} (F_1 \sin 30^\circ - mg) = +2.2 \text{ m/s}^2$$

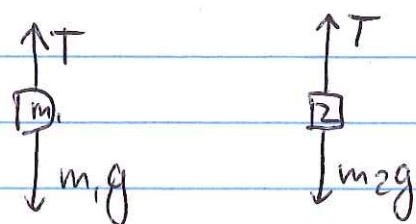
The box lifts off the floor.

* Atwood's machine



what are the acceleration and tension now?

Q Forces $T-a$



$$T - m_1g = m_1a \quad T - m_2g = -m_2a$$

opposite direction

$$\rightarrow T = m_1a + m_1g \rightarrow (m_1a + m_1g) - m_2g = -m_2a$$

$$a = \frac{m_2 - m_1}{m_2 + m_1} g$$

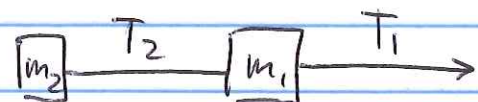
$$\begin{cases} m_2 \text{ large} \rightarrow a = g \\ m_1 \text{ large} \rightarrow a = -g \end{cases}$$

$$T = m_1 \frac{m_2 - m_1}{m_2 + m_1} g + m_1g$$

$$T = \frac{m_1(m_2 - m_1) + m_1(m_2 + m_1)}{m_2 + m_1} g = \frac{2m_1m_2}{m_2 + m_1} g$$

$$\text{if } m_1 = 2m_2 \rightarrow T = \frac{4m_2}{3m_2} W_2 = \frac{4}{3} W_2 > W_2$$

* Two connected objects



Q. Forces 8



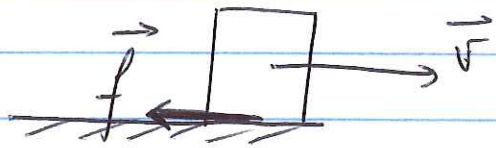
$$a_2 = \frac{T_2}{m_2} \quad a_1 = \frac{T_1 - T_2}{m_1}$$

$$\text{but } a_1 = a_2 \rightarrow \frac{T_2}{m_2} = \frac{T_1 - T_2}{m_1}$$

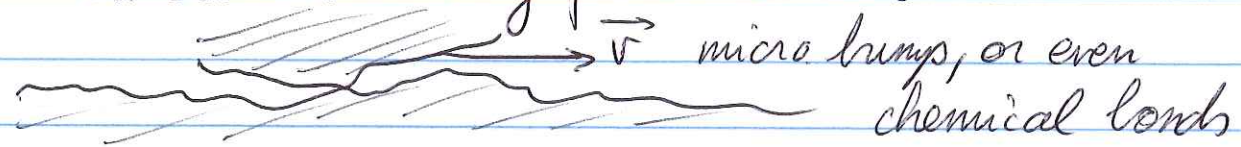
$$\rightarrow \cancel{T_1} T_1 = \frac{m_1}{m_2} T_2 + T_2$$

$$T_1 > T_2$$

* Friction = resistance against motion, against the direction of motion




How does this sliding friction resist motion?



Is friction useful? Q Friction

No: - wear & tear
- inefficiencies in mechanical systems:
e.g. 20% of car's fuel goes to overcoming friction

Yes: - allows you to walk
- keeps nails in the wall 

Study of friction = tribology "
originated with da Vinci in 1600

- 1) independent of contact area
- 2) independent of relative velocity
- 3) proportional to normal force

It is different for moving and stationary objects.

→ larger force needed to overcome initial friction

* Kinetic friction: $f_k = \mu_k N$

↑
coefficient of kinetic friction

- property of surfaces
- has no units

* Static friction: $0 \leq f_s \leq \mu_s N$
 \uparrow
 coefficient of static friction

f_s is as large as needed to keep object from moving