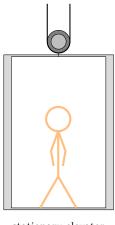
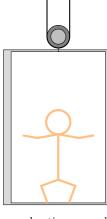
The Elevator Effect

When do you are riding in an elevator, there are some times that you feel heavier and some times that you feel lighter.

(a) Draw a Free-Body Diagram for each of these situations:



stationary elevator



accelerating upward



accelerating downward

(b) Write an expression for the normal force in each situation above.

- (c) Which force corresponds to "how heavy" you feel?
- (d) How could you use an elevator to simulate weightlessness?