

Physics 101H

General Physics 1 - Honors



Lecture 10 - 9/16/22

Forces



Summary

Topics

Yesterday: kinematics in 2D

- Circular motion
- Relative velocity
- Galilean transformations

Today: Forces [chapter 5]

- Types of force
- Force examples

Announcements

Next week: No class on Thursday or Friday!



Dynamics

We finally get to explain motion, not just describe it

Dynamics



Kinematics is the description of the motion of objects

Dynamics is the explanation of the cause of the motion of objects

We have studied kinematics in one and two dimensions, and we are now going to turn to dynamics (initially in one dimension)

We are now chiefly concerned with the **forces acting on** an object

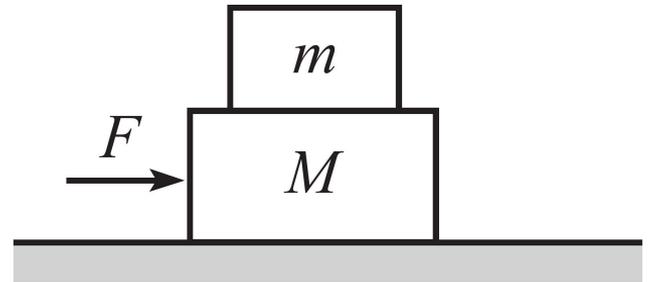


Multiple choice

Instructions: Consider the following question. After you have had a chance to think, I will ask you to raise your hands to indicate your answer.

Question: You accelerate two blocks by pushing on the bottom block with a force F . The top block moves along with the bottom block. What force directly causes the top block to accelerate?

- (a) the normal force between the blocks
- (b) the friction force between the blocks
- (c) the gravitational force on the top block
- (d) the force you apply to the bottom block



Forces



What causes an object to move? A force!

But what is a force? There are two types:

- Contact forces
- Field forces

Fundamental forces



- ⦿ **Electromagnetic force**
Attraction and repulsion of electrically charged particles
- ⦿ **Weak nuclear force**
Responsible for decay of radioactive nuclei
- ⦿ **Strong nuclear force**
Binds together quarks and gluons into protons and neutrons, and protons and neutrons into nuclei
- ⦿ **Gravitational force**
Attractive force between massive objects (objects with mass)

Standard model of particle physics

Describes interactions of fundamental particles (smallest known units of matter in the observable universe) via electromagnetic, weak and strong forces

		three generations of matter (fermions)			interactions / force carriers (bosons)	
		I	II	III		
mass		$\approx 2.2 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 1.28 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	$\approx 173.1 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0	$\approx 124.97 \text{ GeV}/c^2$
charge		$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	$\frac{2}{3}$	0	0
spin		$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	0
		u up	c charm	t top	g gluon	H higgs
		d down	s strange	b bottom	γ photon	
		e electron	μ muon	τ tau	Z Z boson	
		ν_e electron neutrino	ν_μ muon neutrino	ν_τ tau neutrino	W W boson	
		$\approx 4.7 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 96 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 4.18 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0	
		$-\frac{1}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	$-\frac{1}{3}$	0	
		$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	
		$\approx 0.511 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 105.66 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 1.7768 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	0	
		-1	-1	-1	1	
		$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$		
		$< 1.0 \text{ eV}/c^2$	$< 0.17 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$< 18.2 \text{ MeV}/c^2$	$\approx 80.39 \text{ GeV}/c^2$	
		0	0	0	± 1	
		$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	1	

QUARKS

LEPTONS

GAUGE BOSONS
VECTOR BOSONS

SCALAR BOSONS

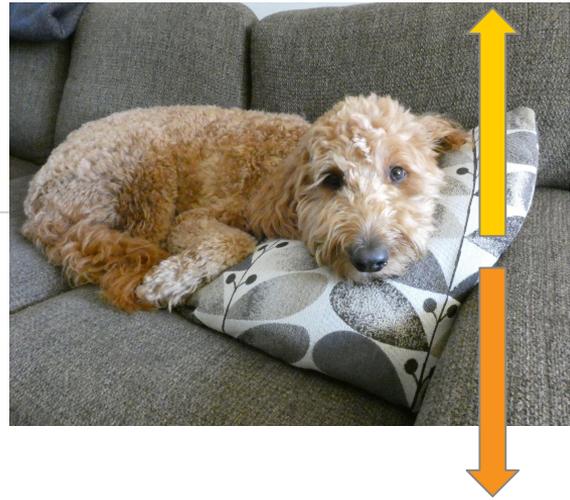


**If these four forces are the only ones we know about -
what causes contact forces?**

Types of contact force



- ⦿ **Tension**
When you pull on a rope, the rope pulls back
- ⦿ **Normal force**
When you push on a surface, the surface pushes back
- ⦿ **Spring tension**
When you pull on a spring, the spring definitely pulls back
- ⦿ **Friction**
This one is surprisingly tricky and not entirely like the others



Two other types of force



Gravity generates a downward force

- Acceleration due to gravity depends on the (mass of the) planet
- Note that **weight** and **mass** are not the same!

Pound-force should not be confused with [pound-mass](#) (lb), often simply called *pound*, which is a unit of [mass](#), nor should these be confused with [foot-pound](#) (ft-lbf), a unit of energy, or [pound-foot](#) (lb-ft), a unit of torque.

Centripetal forces are any force that keeps an object moving in circular motion

- Not a distinct type of force, but caused by other forces



**DON'T CONFUSE *CENTRIPETAL* FORCES (REAL!)
WITH *CENTRIFUGAL* FORCES (NOT REALLY REAL!)**



Problem solving in pairs

Instructions: Attempt the following question with a neighbour. Your answers will not be graded; your discussion is for your own learning. It is ok if you do not complete the question, but make sure you identify the key steps and write down the main equations.

Question: A firefighter a horizontal distance d from a burning building directs a stream of water from a fire hose at an angle θ above the horizontal. If the initial speed of the stream is v , at what height does the water strike the building (express your result in terms of d , v , θ , and g)?



Summary

Topics

This week

- 2D motion
- Uniform circular motion
- Nonuniform motion
- Forces

Next week

- Newton's laws
- Noninertial reference frames
- Work and energy

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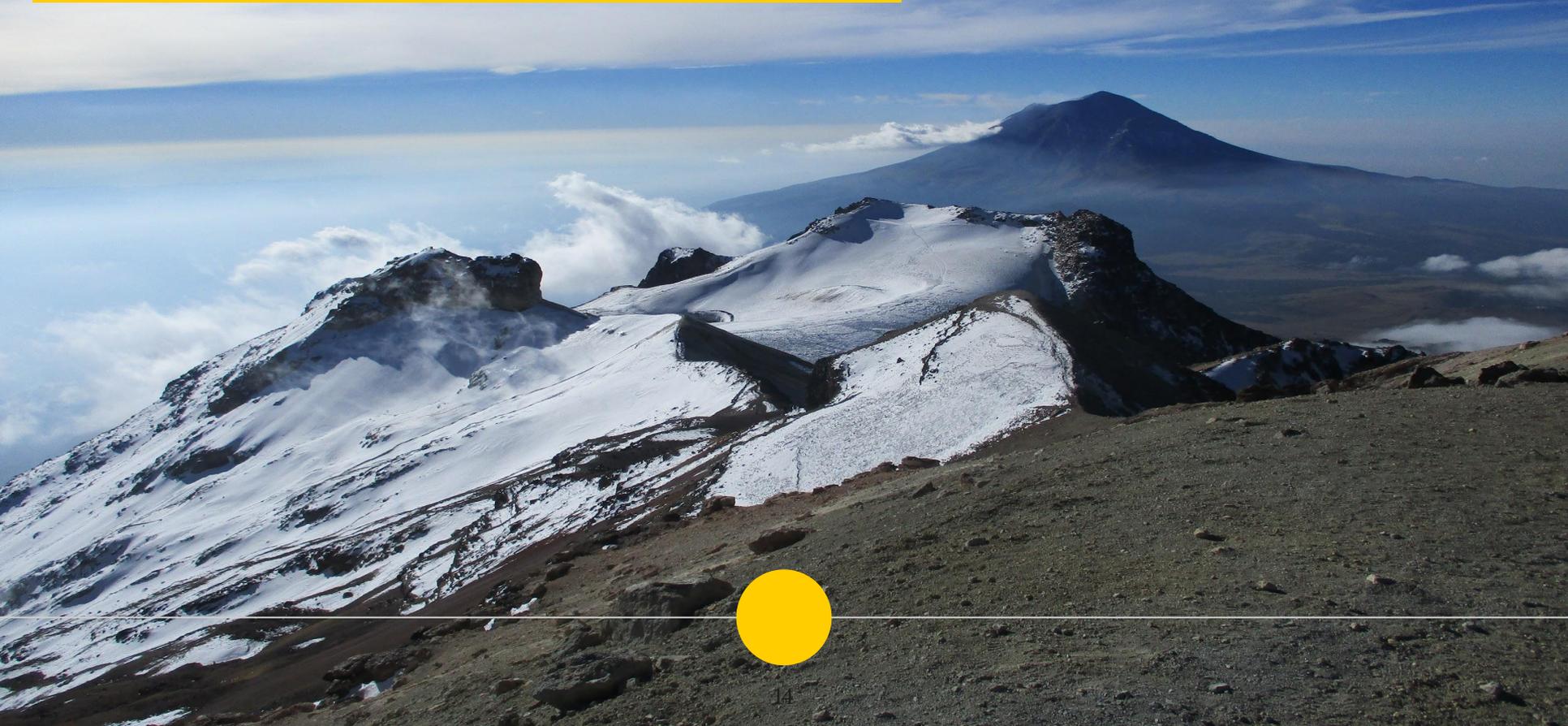
Monday: Newton's laws [chapter 5]

- First law
- Second law
- Third law

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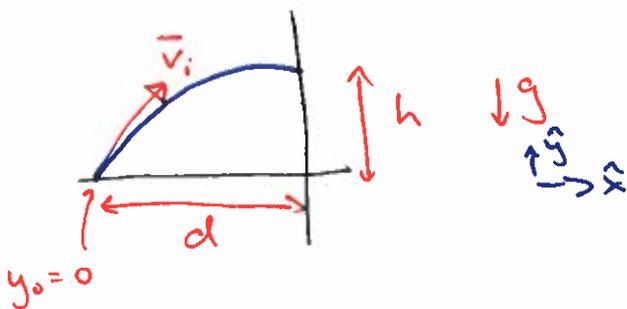


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Firefighter example



$$\vec{v}_i = \overbrace{v_i \cos \theta}^{v_{ix}} \hat{x} + \overbrace{v_i \sin \theta}^{v_{iy}} \hat{y}$$

x-axis motion

$$v_{ix} = v_i \cos \theta$$

$$d = v_{ix} t \quad \Rightarrow \quad t = \frac{d}{v_i \cos \theta}$$

y-axis motion

$$h = \frac{1}{2}(-g)t^2 + v_{iy}t + 0$$

$$= -\frac{g}{2} \left(\frac{d}{v_i \cos \theta} \right)^2 + v_i \sin \theta \left(\frac{d}{v_i \cos \theta} \right)$$

$$= -\frac{g d^2}{2 v_i^2 \cos^2 \theta} + d \tan \theta$$

Forces (slide 7)

Force "=" a push or pull

↑
vector!

units are Newtons

$$1\text{N} = 1\text{kg m/s}^2$$

N.B 1 lb is force required to accelerate one slug to 1 ft/s². 1 slug = 14.593.
 $\Rightarrow 1\text{N} \approx \frac{1}{4}\text{lb} \sim 1\text{ apple}$

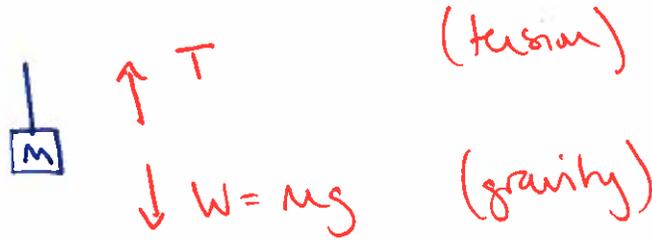
Contact force - physical contact between objects

Field force - acts through empty space

Forces (slide 11)

Tension

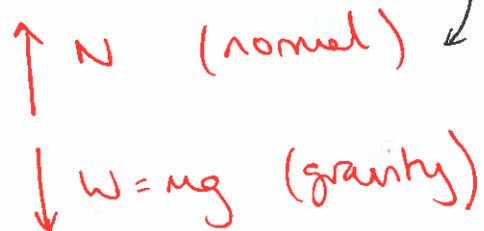
if you pull on a rope, the rope pulls back
(same magnitude, opposite direction)



← free-body diagrams
(draw only forces on object)

Normal force

↑
perpendicular
to surface



Spring tension

↑
restoring force

if you pull on a spring, the spring pulls back

$$\vec{F} = -k\vec{x}$$

↑ force ↑ restoring ↑ displacement ↑ spring constant

Hooke's law



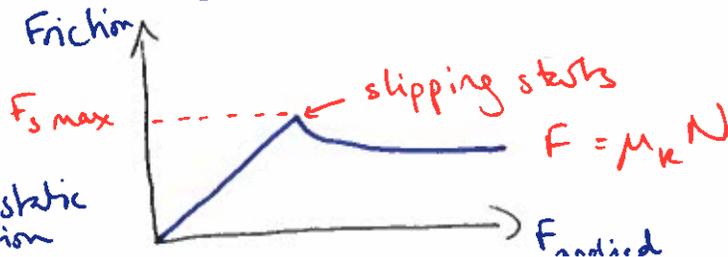
Friction

resistance to relative motion for two objects in contact
caused by electrostatic forces
depends on how strongly contact points are
pushed together, but not on area

static friction
(before slipping)

$$F_s \leq \mu_s N$$

↑ coefficient of static friction



kinetic friction
(once moving)

Gravity (slide 12)

Attractive force between two masses

Near the Earth's surface $F = mg$

Weight is size of force acting on an object of mass m
 \Rightarrow [weight] = N [m] = kg

Weight depends on planet, mass does not!

Centripetal force

Any force that keeps object moving in a circle

$$F_c = ma_c^2 = m \frac{v^2}{r}$$

Not a type of force, just a description: can be caused by tension, gravity, etc.