

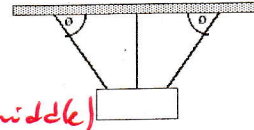
Force Problems: Type I, II and III

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1. A block is pulled by a string that makes an angle of 25° to the horizontal. If the mass of the block is 12.0 kg and the coefficient of friction is 0.25, what force would keep the block moving at a constant velocity?

(29 N, 25° w horizontal)

2. A 10-kg sign is suspended by three ropes, each supporting an equal portion of the sign's weight. The two end ropes make an angle of 70° to the horizontal. What is the magnitude of the tensions in each of the ropes?



(35 N in two end ropes, 33 N in middle)

3. A wooden block slides directly down an inclined plane, at a constant velocity of 6.0 m/s.
 a) How large is the coefficient of kinetic friction if the plane makes an angle of 25° with the horizontal? (0.47)
 b) If the angle of incline is changed to 10° , how far will the block slide before coming to a stop? (6.4 m)

4. A 10 N block is held motionless on a frictionless inclined plane which makes an angle of 30° with the horizontal. What force would be needed to hold the block in position? (5.0 N, up the incline)

5. A 32.53 N light hangs at equilibrium from two cables at angles 78.3° and 60.2° with respect to the ceiling. What is the tension in the first cable? (24.4 N, 78.3° w horizontal)

6. An object is being pulled up a 15° incline against a frictional coefficient of 0.15, and requires a force of 835 N parallel to the surface of the ramp to move it at a constant speed. What is the weight of the object? (2.1×10^3 N, down)

7. A 4.58 kg crate is at rest on a level icy surface. A cord suddenly exerts a force, $F = 13.0$ N, at an angle of 15.5° above the horizontal. At 3.3 seconds what is the crate's speed? (9.0 m/s)

8. A person pushes a 14.0 kg lawn mower at constant speed with a force of $F = 88.0$ N directed along the handle, which is at an angle of 45.0° to the horizontal. Calculate

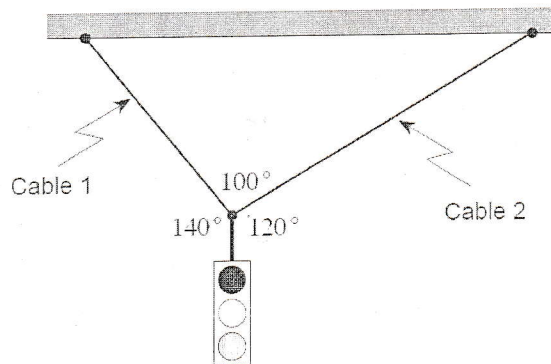
- a) the horizontal frictional force on the mower (62.2 N, left)
 b) the normal force exerted vertically upward on the mower by the ground. (199 N, up)

9. A package slides down a 135 m long ramp with no friction. If the package starts from rest at the top and is to have a speed no faster than 19 m/s at the bottom, what should be the maximum angle of inclination? (7.9)

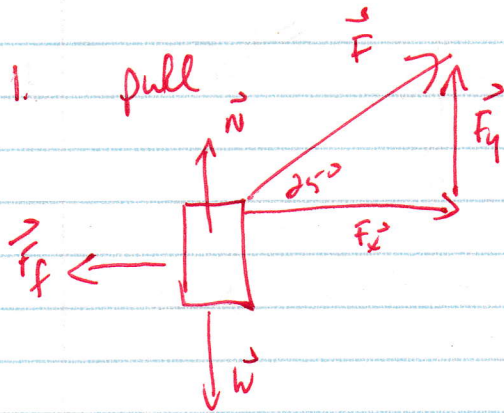
10. A rope attached to a 35.0 kg box makes an angle of 25.0° with the horizontal. A force of 185 N is applied to the rope, and the coefficient of kinetic friction between the box and floor is 0.450. Find the acceleration of the box.

(1.39 m/s², right)

11. A 35 kg traffic light is suspended from two cables as shown in the diagram. Find the tension in Cable 1 and Cable 2. (3.0×10^2 N, 50° w horiz., 2.2×10^2 N, 30° w horizontal)



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$$N - W + F_y = 0$$

$$N = W - F_y$$

$m = 12.0 \text{ kg}$
 $\mu = 0.25$
 (constant vel, $a = 0 \text{ m/s}^2$)
 $\vec{F} = ?$

$$+F_x - F_f = 0$$

$$F \cos 25^\circ - \mu N = 0$$

$$F \cos 25^\circ - \mu (W - F_y) = 0$$

$$F \cos 25^\circ - \mu (mg - F \sin 25^\circ) = 0$$

$$F \cos 25^\circ - \mu mg + \mu F \sin 25^\circ = 0$$

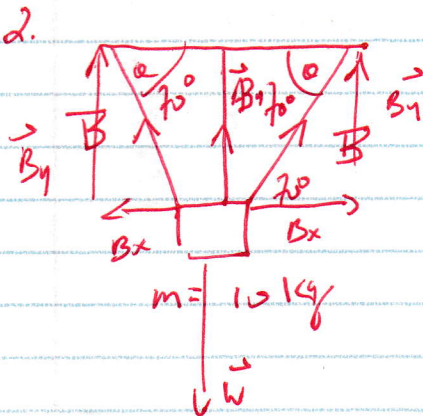
$$F \cos 25^\circ + \mu F \sin 25^\circ = \mu mg$$

$$F = \frac{\mu mg}{\cos 25^\circ + \mu \sin 25^\circ}$$

$$F = \frac{(0.25)(12.0)(9.80)}{\cos 25^\circ + (0.25) \sin 25^\circ}$$

$$F = 29 \text{ N}$$

The force is 29 N, 25° N of E (to horizontal)



$$3B_y - W = 0$$

$$3B \sin 70^\circ = mg$$

$$B = \frac{mg}{3 \sin 70^\circ}$$

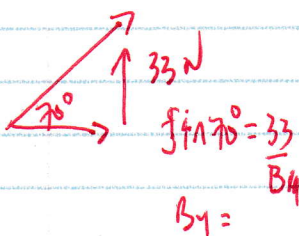
$$B = \frac{(10)(9.80)}{3 \sin 70^\circ}$$

$$B = 35 \text{ N}$$

$$B_y = B \sin 70^\circ$$

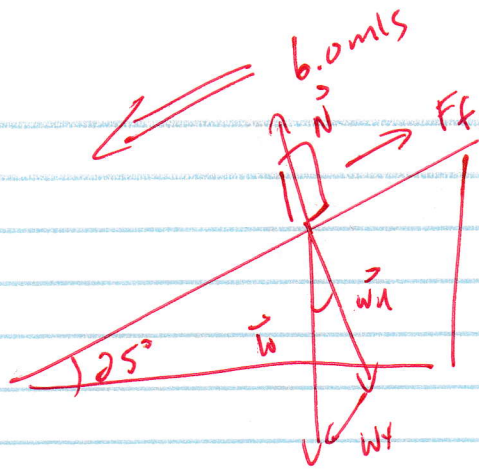
$$B_y = (35) \sin 70^\circ$$

$$B_y = 33 \text{ N}$$



$B = 35 \text{ N}$ in end ropes
 $B_y = 33 \text{ N}$ in middle rope

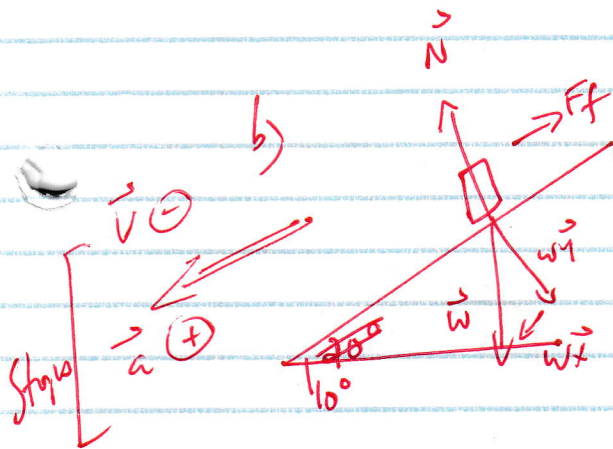
3.



$N = W_y$

$\mu = ?$
constant vel.

a) $+F_f - W_x = 0$
 $\mu N - W \sin \theta = 0$
 $\mu W_y - W \sin \theta = 0$
 $\mu W \cos \theta - W \sin \theta = 0$
 $\mu = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$
 $\mu = \tan \theta$
 $\mu = \tan 25^\circ$
 $\mu = 0.47$



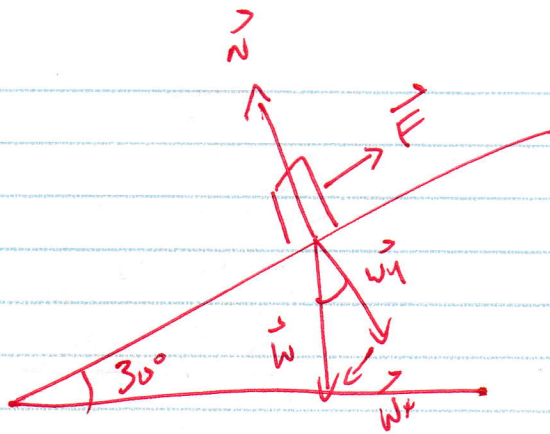
$+F_f - W_x = +ma$
 $\mu N - mg \sin \theta = ma$
 $\mu mg \cos \theta - mg \sin \theta = ma$

$a = 0.47 / (9.80) \cos 10^\circ - g / (9.80) (\sin 10^\circ)$
 $a = \cancel{0.0328 \text{ m/s}^2} + 2.83 \text{ m/s}^2$

$v_i = -6.0 \text{ m/s}$
 $v_f = 0$
 $d = ?$
 $a = ?$

~~$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2a d$~~
 $d = \frac{-v_i^2}{2a}$
 $d = \frac{-(-6.0 \text{ m/s})^2}{2(2.83)}$
 ~~$d = -3.4055 \text{ m}$~~
 $d = -6.4 \text{ m}$

4.



frictionless inclined plane

$$W = 10 \text{ N}$$

$$F = ?$$

$$+F - W_x = 0$$

$$F = W_x$$

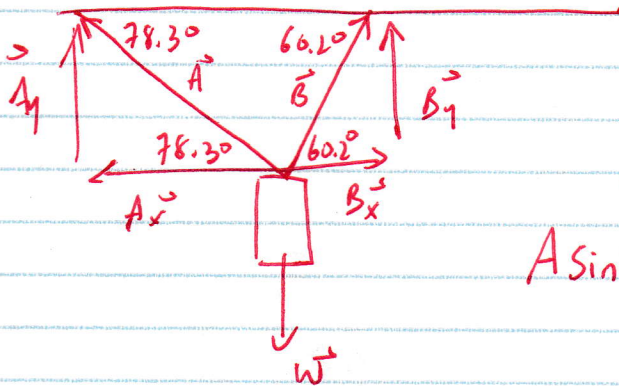
$$F = W \sin \alpha$$

$$F = 10 \sin 30^\circ$$

$$F = 5.0 \text{ N}$$

$\vec{F} = 5.0 \text{ N}$, up the inclined plane.

5.



$$A_y + B_y - W = 0$$

$$A \sin 78.3^\circ + B \sin 60.2^\circ = W$$

$$A \sin 78.3^\circ + \left(\frac{A \cos 78.3^\circ}{\cos 60.2^\circ} \right) \sin 60.2^\circ = W$$

$$A \sin 78.3^\circ + A \cos 78.3^\circ \tan 60.2^\circ = W$$

$$A = \frac{W}{\sin 78.3^\circ + \cos 78.3^\circ \tan 60.2^\circ}$$

$$A = \frac{32.53}{\sin 78.3^\circ + \cos 78.3^\circ \tan 60.2^\circ}$$

$$A = 24.4 \text{ N}$$

$$+B_x - A_x = 0$$

$$B_x = A_x$$

$$B \cos 60.2^\circ = A \cos 78.3^\circ$$

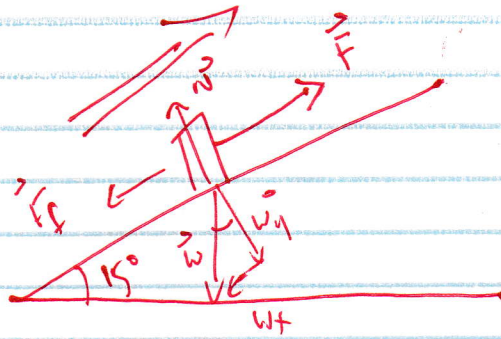
$$W = 32.53 \text{ N}$$

$$B = \frac{A \cos 78.3^\circ}{\cos 60.2^\circ}$$

$$B = \frac{24.4 \cos 78.3^\circ}{\cos 60.2^\circ} = 9.96 \text{ N}$$

$\Rightarrow \vec{A} = 24.4 \text{ N}$, 78.3° w hor.
 $\vec{B} = 9.96 \text{ N}$, 60.2° w hor.

6.



$\mu = 0.15$
 $F = 835 \text{ N}$
 Constant speed
 $\vec{W} = ?$

$$F - F_f - W_x = 0$$

$$F - \mu N - W \sin \theta = 0$$

$$F - \mu W_y - W \sin \theta = 0$$

$$F - \mu W \cos \theta - W \sin \theta = 0$$

$$F = \mu W \cos \theta + W \sin \theta$$

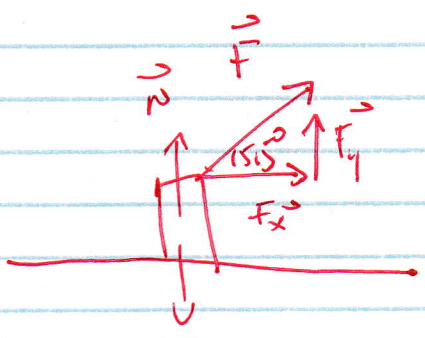
$$W = \frac{F}{\mu \cos \theta + \sin \theta}$$

$$W = \frac{835}{0.15 \cos 15^\circ + \sin 15^\circ}$$

$$W = 2.1 \times 10^3 \text{ N}$$

$$\vec{W} = -2.1 \times 10^3 \text{ N}$$

7.



$F = 13.0 \text{ N}$
 icy surface
 $\vec{v}_i = 0 \text{ m/s}$
 $t = 3.3 \text{ s}$
 $v_f = ?$ (speed)
 $m = 4.58 \text{ kg}$

$$F_x = ma$$

$$F \cos 15.5^\circ = ma$$

$$a = \frac{F \cos 15.5^\circ}{m}$$

$$a = \frac{13.0 \cos 15.5^\circ}{4.58}$$

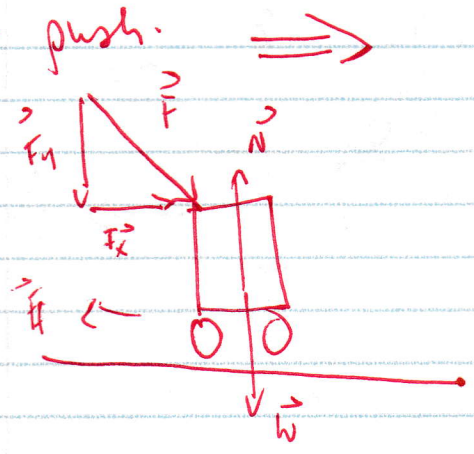
$$a = 2.74 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$\vec{a} = \frac{\vec{v}_f - \vec{v}_i}{t}$$

$$\vec{v}_f = \vec{v}_i + \vec{a}t = (2.74)(3.3)$$

$$\vec{v}_f = 9.0 \text{ m/s}, v_f = 9.0 \text{ m/s}$$

8. push.



$m = 14.0 \text{ kg}$
 (constant speed)
 $F = 88.0 \text{ N}$
 $\theta = 45.0^\circ$

a) $\vec{F}_f = ?$

$$+F_x - F_f = 0$$

$$F_f = F_x$$

$$F_f = F \cos 45.0^\circ$$

$$F_f = 88.0 \cos 45.0^\circ$$

$$F_f = 62.2 \text{ N}$$

$$\vec{F}_f = 62.2 \text{ N, left}$$

b)

$$N - W - F_y = 0$$

$$N = W + F_y$$

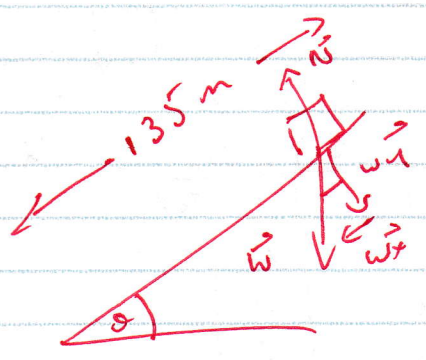
$$N = mg + F \sin \theta$$

$$N = 14.0(9.80) + (88.0) \sin 45.0^\circ$$

$$N = 199 \text{ N}$$

$$\vec{N} = 199 \text{ N, up}$$

9.



no friction
 $v_i = 0 \text{ m/s}$
 $v_f = -19 \text{ m/s}$
 $\theta = ?$
 $D = -135 \text{ m}$

$$v_f^2 = v_i^2 + 2aD$$

$$a = \frac{v_f^2}{2D}$$

$$a = \frac{(-19)^2}{2(-135)}$$

$$a = -1.34 \text{ m/s}^2$$

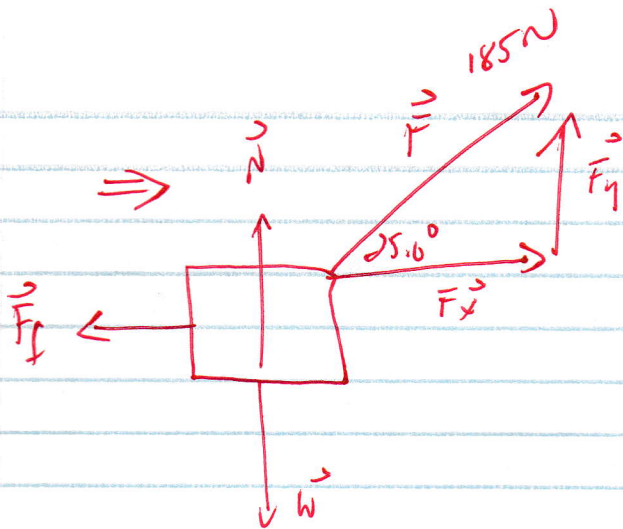
$$-W_x = -ma$$

$$+mg \sin \theta = +ma$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{a}{g} = \frac{1.34}{9.80}$$

$$\theta = 7.9^\circ$$

10.



$$+F_x - F_f = +ma$$

$$F \cos 25.0^\circ - \mu N = ma$$

$$F \cos 25.0^\circ - \mu (W - F_y) = ma$$

$$F \cos 25.0^\circ - \mu (mg - F \sin 25.0^\circ) = ma$$

$$m = 35.0 \text{ kg}$$

$$\mu = 0.450$$

$$\vec{a} = ?$$

$$a = \frac{F \cos 25.0^\circ - \mu (mg - F \sin 25.0^\circ)}{m}$$

$$a = \frac{185 \cos 25.0^\circ - (0.450)(35.0(9.80) - 185 \sin 25.0^\circ)}{35.0}$$

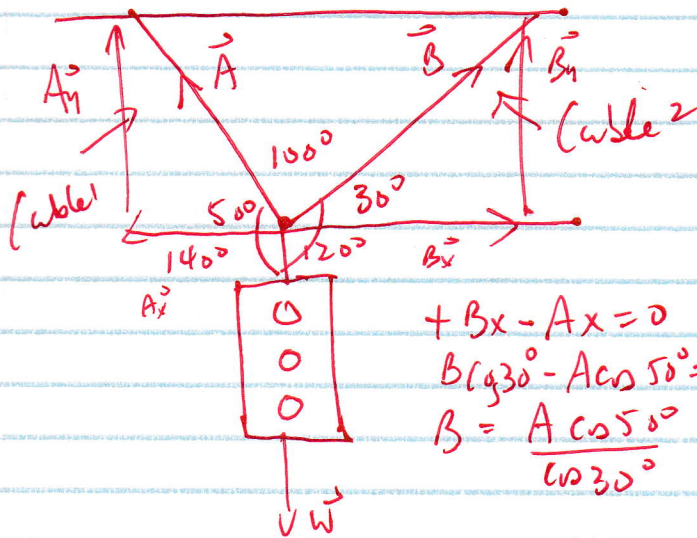
$$N + F_y - W = 0$$

$$N = W - F_y$$

$$a = 1.39 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$\vec{a} = 1.39 \text{ m/s}^2, \text{ right.}$$

11.



$$m = 35 \text{ kg}$$

$$+B_x - A_x = 0$$

$$B \cos 30^\circ - A \cos 50^\circ = 0$$

$$B = \frac{A \cos 50^\circ}{\cos 30^\circ}$$

$$B = \frac{3.0 \times 10^2 \cos 50^\circ}{\cos 30^\circ}$$

$$B = 2.2 \times 10^2 \text{ N}$$

$$A_y + B_y - W = 0$$

$$A \sin 50^\circ + B \sin 30^\circ = mg$$

$$A \sin 50^\circ + \left(\frac{A \cos 50^\circ}{\cos 30^\circ} \right) \sin 30^\circ = mg$$

$$A \sin 50^\circ + A \cos 50^\circ \tan 30^\circ = mg$$

$$A = \frac{mg}{\sin 50^\circ + \cos 50^\circ \tan 30^\circ}$$

$$A = \frac{35(9.80)}{\sin 50^\circ + \cos 50^\circ \tan 30^\circ}$$

$$A = 3.0 \times 10^2 \text{ N}$$

$$\vec{A} = 3.0 \times 10^2 \text{ N}, 50^\circ \text{ w hor.} \quad || \quad \vec{B} = 2.2 \times 10^2, 30^\circ \text{ w hor.}$$