

Forces and Incline Planes

Ch 5.25 in book

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Objectives

- Analyze the motion of an object on an inclined plane without and with friction

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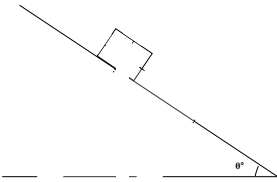
Frictionless surface

- Free body diagram
- Define F_N



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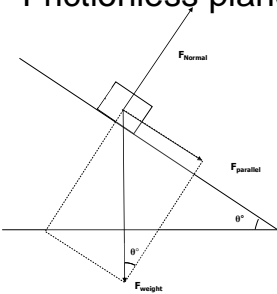
Frictionless plane



- Free body diagram

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Frictionless plane

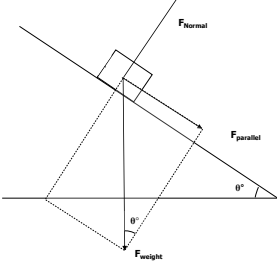


- Steps:
 - Calculate weight
 - Calculate normal force
 - Calculate the parallel force
 - Calculate the acceleration

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Example 1

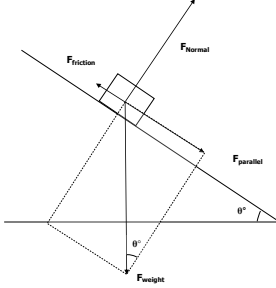
A 40 kg box rests on an 18° incline.



- Steps:
 - Calculate weight
 - Calculate normal force
 - Calculate the parallel force
 - Calculate the acceleration

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Plane with Friction



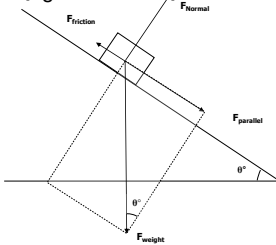
- Calculate weight
- Calculate normal force
- Calculate parallel force
- Calculate $F_{f,s}$
- Does object slide?
- If so, calculate $F_{f,k}$
- Calculate net force
- Calculate acceleration

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Example 2

A 225 kg box rests on a 20° incline.

$\mu_s = 0.37$, $\mu_k = 0.20$:



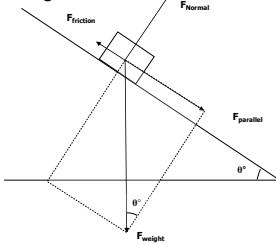
- Calculate weight
- Calculate normal force
- Calculate parallel force
- Calculate $F_{f,s}$
- Does object slide?
- If so, calculate $F_{f,k}$
- Calculate net force
- Calculate acceleration

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Example 3

A 540 kg box rests on a 31° incline.

$\mu_s = 0.25$, $\mu_k = 0.17$:



- Calculate weight
- Calculate normal force
- Calculate parallel force
- Calculate $F_{f,s}$
- Does object slide?
- If so, calculate $F_{f,k}$
- Calculate net force
- Calculate acceleration

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