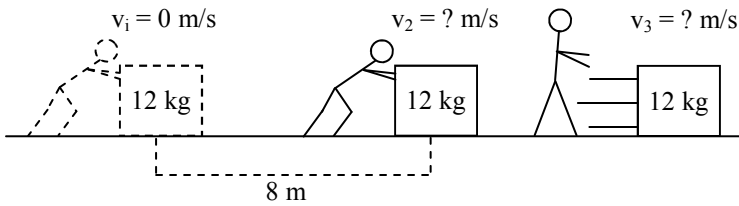


# PreAP Forces 4



- Slim Jim pushes on a 12 kg object for 10 seconds. Jim pushes for 8 m, then stops pushing the object.
  - \* Below the picture use a kinematic equation to calculate the acceleration of the mass.
  - Now, use  $F = ma$  to calculate the magnitude of Slim Jim's force.
  - If the surface is frictionless, how does  $v_3$  compare to  $v_2$ ?
  - If the surface has friction, how does  $v_3$  compare to  $v_2$ ?

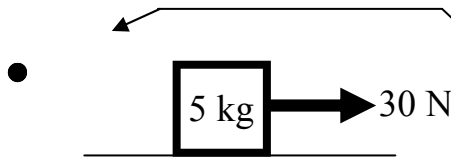
There are two major categories of forces: *contact forces* (when objects are actually touching) and *field forces* (forces that act at a distance and don't need to be touching).

2. Contact or Field force?

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| A. <input type="checkbox"/> Tension      | C. <input type="checkbox"/> Can cause accelerations | E. <input type="checkbox"/> * Electrostatic force |
| B. <input type="checkbox"/> Normal force | D. <input type="checkbox"/> Gravity                 | (like a balloon rubbed on hair)                   |

Why this matters: Newton's Third Law: "For every force there is an equal and opposite force." But this opposite force must be of the same type: *contact forces oppose contact forces; field forces oppose field forces.* Also, these Third Law forces cannot be acting on the same object. Reverse the words: "Force 1 is object X on Y. The 3rd Law Force is object Y on X."

- A box is sitting on a table.
  - What force opposes the normal force pushing up on the box?
  - What force opposes the force of weight pulling down on the box?



Let me talk you thru how you NEED to do EVERY force problem.

- \* A 5 kg mass is acted on by a 30 N force. There is no friction on the ground.

Step 1: Using a dot as the object, draw all of the forces acting on the object (known as a "Force Diagram").

Step 2: Write  $\Sigma F = ma$  for the both the x and y-directions:

Step 3: Put in what numbers you know.

(Hints: Since the object is not jumping up or crashing thru the ground, what is the  $a_y$ ?)

Step 4: Calculate unknowns. (Find the normal force in the y-direction and the acceleration in the x-direction.)

$$\Sigma F_x = ma_x$$

$$\Sigma F_y = ma_y$$

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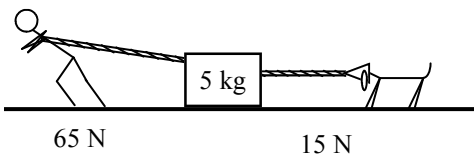
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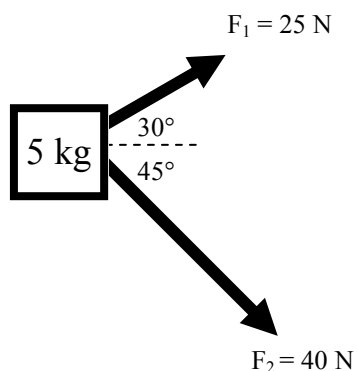
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**This is how you solve ALL force problems.**



- Slim Jim is pulling on an 5 kg box and his dog Bim tries to "help". Calculate the acceleration of the object (*pretend Jim is pulling parallel to the floor*). Show all of the above steps!

6. Now two forces pull on the 5 kg mass, but at angles. You are looking DOWN on the object.

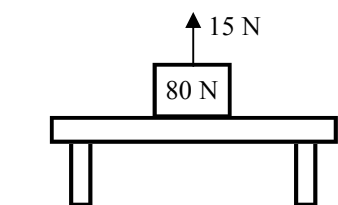


- Which force is bigger (greater magnitude)?
- So, which force will the resultant be closer to? (Which force will it accelerate toward?)
- Which components will add together: the x components (horizontal parts of the force) or the y-components (vertical parts)?
- Which components will subtract from each other: x's or y's?
- Split the two forces into their x and y-components (draw them on the diagram).
- Add up all the x-components and y-components (find total x and total y).
- \* Use total x and total y to find the net force on the object, using what you learned about vectors last chapter (give magnitude and direction). See "Adding Vectors" notes.

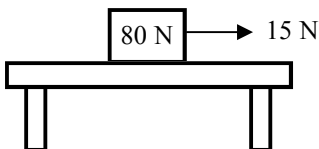
Since  $\Sigma F = ma$ , the acceleration will be in the direction of the net force.

- Calculate the acceleration of the object (magnitude and direction, of course).

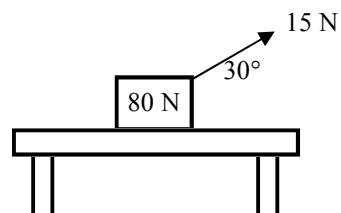
7. Using the LONG METHOD from Q4 ( $\Sigma F = ma$ ), calculate the normal force acting on each of the objects below. Also, notice that I gave you the weight of the object, not the mass.



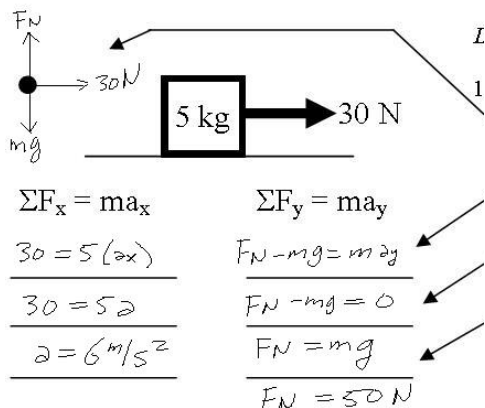
A.



B.



C. \*



- 1A) You have  $v_i$ ,  $t$ , and  $x$ , so  $a = 0.16\text{ m/s}^2$
- 2E) Field force. A charged balloon can cause your hair to stand up, even though it is not touching your hair.
- 4A) see below
- 6E)  $52.4\text{ N}$  at  $-17.5^\circ$
- 7C)  $72.5\text{ N}$

$$\begin{array}{l} \Sigma F_x = ma_x \\ 30 = 5(\Rightarrow a) \\ \underline{30 = 5a} \\ \underline{a = 6\text{ m/s}^2} \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{l} \Sigma F_y = ma_y \\ F_N - mg = m a_y \\ \underline{F_N - mg = 0} \\ \underline{F_N = mg} \\ \underline{F_N = 50\text{ N}} \end{array}$$