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PHYS 103 (GENERAL PHYSICS)

CHAPTER 5: THE LAWS OF MOTION (PART 2)

LECTURE NO. 8

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Lecture Outline

- ▶ Here is a quick list of the subjects that we will cover in this presentation. It is based on Serway, Ed. 6
- ▶ *Applications on Newton's Laws*
- ▶ *Objects in Equilibrium*
- ▶ *Traffic Light at Rest*
- ▶ *Weighing a Fish in an Elevator*
- ▶ *The Atwood Machine*
- ▶ *Acceleration of Two Objects Connected by a Cord*
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5.7 Applications of Newton's Laws

▶ *when we apply Newton's laws to an object, we are interested only in external forces that act on the object*

▶ **Objects in Equilibrium:**

If the acceleration of an object is zero, the particle is in **equilibrium**

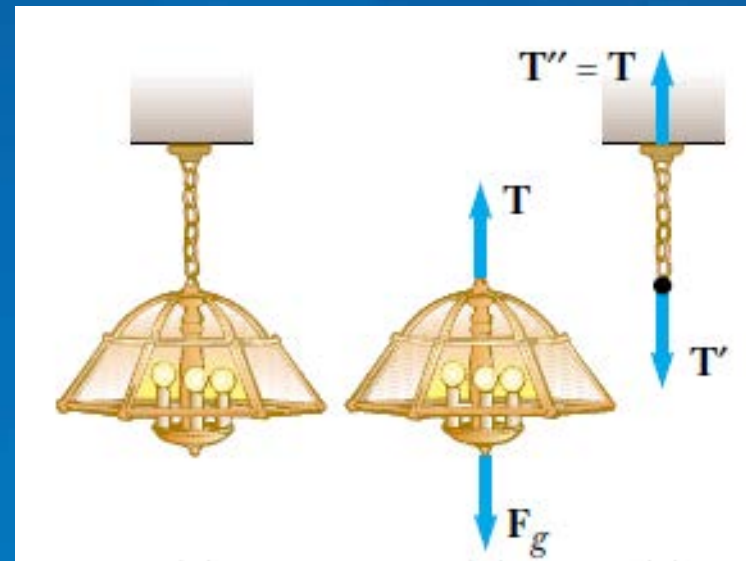
$$\sum F_x = 0 \qquad \sum F_y = 0 \qquad \sum F_z = 0$$

▶ For example: a lamp hang by a rope from the ceiling, is in equilibrium because:

$$\sum F_y = T - mg = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow ma = 0 \Rightarrow a = 0$$

▶ A lamp suspended from a ceiling by a chain of negligible mass balanced Under the effect of two forces **T** and **F_g**.



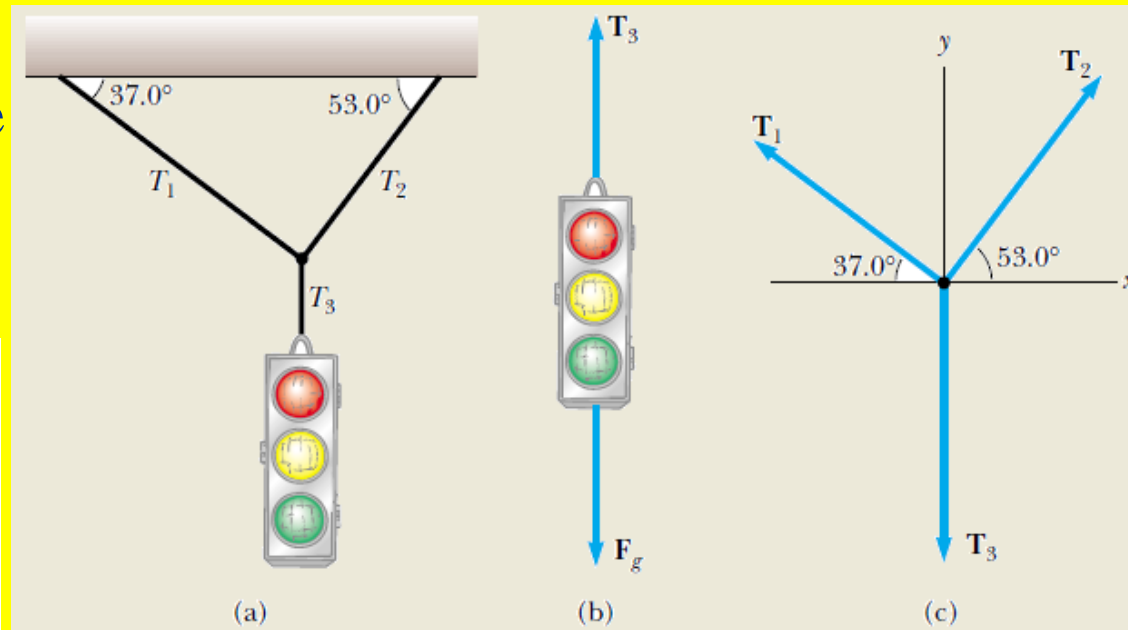
Example 5.4 A Traffic Light at Rest

- ▶ A traffic light weighing 122 N hangs from a cable tied to two other cables fastened to a support, as in Figure. The upper cables make angles of 37.0° and 53.0° with the horizontal. These upper cables are not as strong as the vertical cable, and will break if the tension in them exceeds 100 N. *Will the traffic light remain hanging in this situation, or will one of the cables break?*

▶ **Solution:**

We analyze forces as in the table Below.

Force	x Component	y Component
\mathbf{T}_1	$-T_1 \cos 37.0^\circ$	$T_1 \sin 37.0^\circ$
\mathbf{T}_2	$T_2 \cos 53.0^\circ$	$T_2 \sin 53.0^\circ$
\mathbf{T}_3	0	-122 N



Example 5.4 (continued)

► We should use the equilibrium conditions to solve this problem:

$$\sum F_x = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$\sum F_y = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$(1) \Rightarrow -T_1 \cos 37 + T_2 \cos 53 = 0 \quad (3)$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow T_1 \sin 37 + T_2 \sin 53 - 122N = 0 \quad (4)$$

$$(3) \Rightarrow T_2 = \frac{\cos 37}{\cos 53} T_1 = 1.33 T_1 \quad (5)$$

$$(5) \text{ in } (4) \Rightarrow T_1 \sin 37 + 1.33 \sin 53 T_1 = 122$$

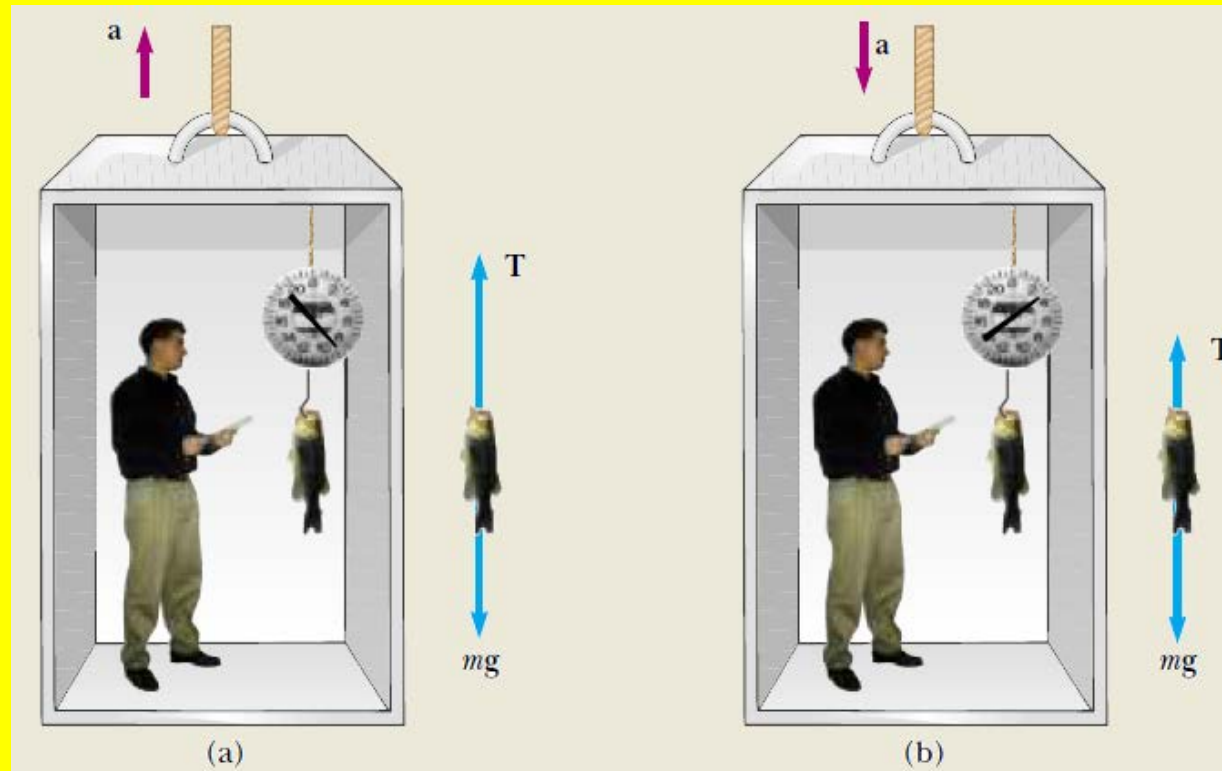
$$\Rightarrow T_1 = 73.4N \quad (6)$$

$$(6) \text{ in } (5) \Rightarrow T_2 = 1.33 T_1 = 97.4N$$



Example 5.8 Weighing a Fish in an Elevator

- ▶ A person weighs a fish of mass m on a spring scale attached to the ceiling of an elevator, as illustrated in the figure. Show that if the elevator accelerates either upward or downward, the spring scale gives a reading that is different from the weight of the fish.



Example 5.8 Weighing a Fish in an Elevator

► **Solution:**

- We apply Newton 2nd law: $\mathbf{F}_{\text{net}} = m\mathbf{a}$

$$\sum F_y = T - mg = ma_y \quad (1)$$

- Let us assume the weight of fish is: 40 N, and $a_y = \pm 2 \text{ m/s}^2$

Case: $a_y = +2 \text{ m/s}^2$ (Upward):

$$(1) \Rightarrow T = ma_y + mg = mg \left(\frac{a_y}{g} + 1 \right) = 40 \left(\frac{2}{9.8} + 1 \right) = 48.2 \text{ N}$$

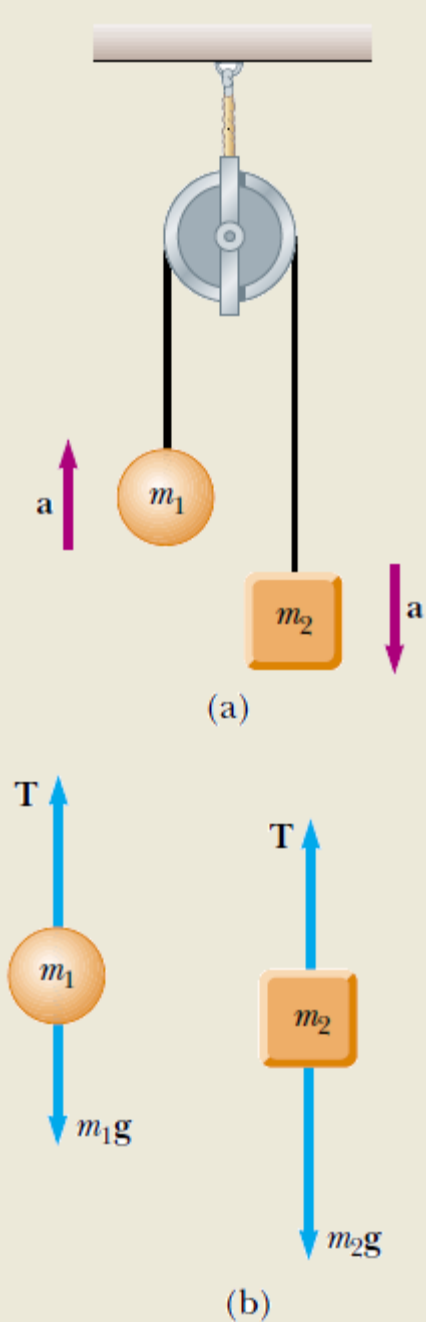
Case: $a_y = -2 \text{ m/s}^2$ (downward):

$$(1) \Rightarrow T = ma_y + mg = mg \left(\frac{-a_y}{g} + 1 \right) = 40 \left(\frac{2}{9.8} + 1 \right) = 31.8 \text{ N}$$



Example 5.9 The Atwood Machine

- ▶ When two objects of unequal mass are hung vertically over a frictionless pulley of negligible mass, as in the figure, the arrangement is called an Atwood machine
- ▶ **Solution:**
- ▶ We have in this example 2 objects. When we apply Newton's 2nd law, we get 2 equations (1 for each object).
- ▶ We must assume a direction for the motion before we can setup the two equations.
- ▶ Let us assume Clockwise direction:
- ▶ Our strategy states that: *Net Force = ma* for each object.
- ▶ Please look at the free body diagram (b).



Example 5.9 (continued)

Solving for m_1 and m_2 :

$$m_1 : \sum F_y = T - m_1 g = m_1 a_y \quad (1)$$

$$m_2 : \sum F_y = m_2 g - T = m_2 a_y \quad (2)$$

(1) + (2) \Rightarrow :

$$m_2 g - m_1 g = (m_1 + m_2) a_y$$

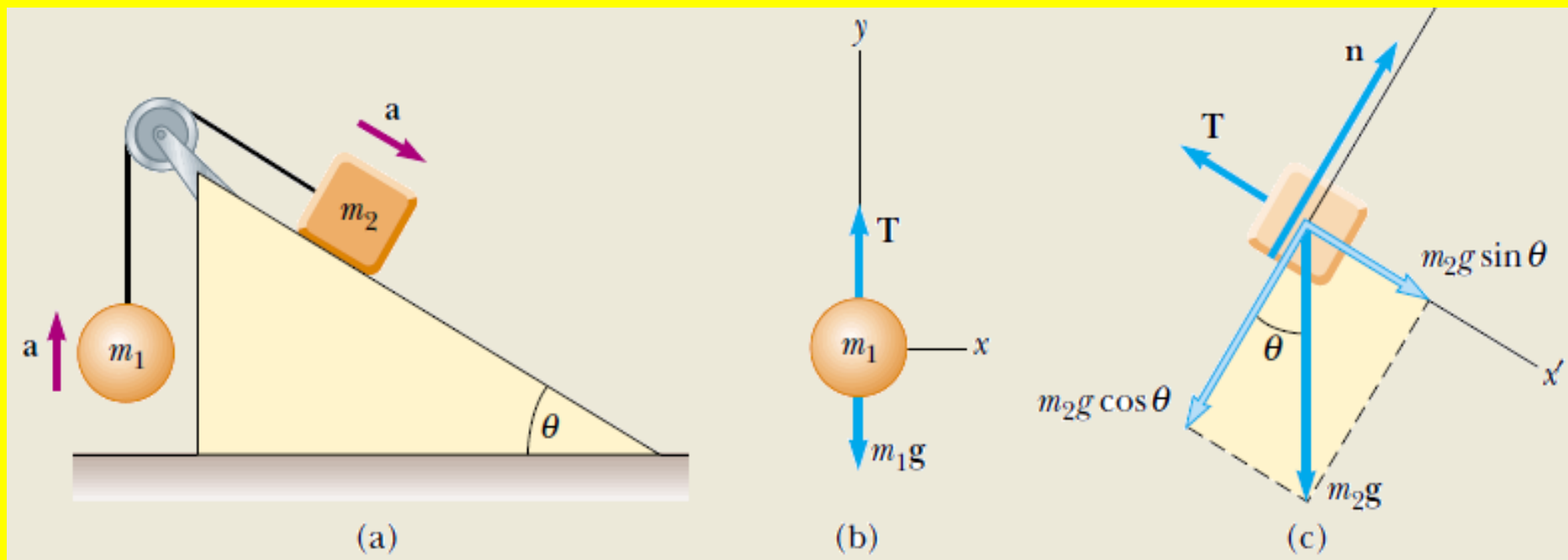
$$\Rightarrow a_y = \frac{m_2 g - m_1 g}{m_1 + m_2} \quad (3)$$

$$(3) \text{ in } (1) : T = \frac{2m_1 m_2}{m_1 + m_2} g \quad (4)$$



Ex. 5.10 2 Obj. Connected by a Cord

- A ball of mass m_1 and a block of mass m_2 are attached by a lightweight cord that passes over a frictionless pulley of negligible mass, as in the figure. The block lies on a frictionless incline of angle θ . Find the magnitude of the acceleration of the two objects and the tension in the cord.



Ex. 5.10 2 Obj. Connected by a Cord

- ▶ Again: we have 2 bodies, thus we must have 2 equations. We call these equations: equations of motion. One equation is required for each body.
- ▶ We must also assume a direction for the motion. We select Clockwise.
- ▶ But first; we should analyze forces acting on each body.
 - ▶ Body m_1 : T (up), m_1g (down)
 - ▶ Body m_2 : from part (c) in previous figure: $m_2g\sin\theta$ (down the incline), T up the incline.
 - ▶ For $m_2g\cos\theta$ component: this is not important unless there is a friction. We will get back to this issue when we consider the friction.
 - ▶ Also; the pulley is not considered now. If the pulley is not frictionless and thus rotates with motion; situation will be much different. In this case one more equation is to be added for the pulley. In this chapter; we always assume the pulley is frictionless.



Example 5.10 (continued)

$$m_1: T - m_1g = m_1a \quad (1)$$

$$m_2: m_2g \sin \theta - T = m_2a \quad (2)$$

$$(1)+(2): m_2g \sin \theta - m_1g = (m_1 + m_2)a$$

$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{m_2g \sin \theta - m_1g}{m_1 + m_2} \quad (3)$$

$$(3) \text{ in } (1): T - m_1g = m_1 \left(\frac{m_2g \sin \theta - m_1g}{m_1 + m_2} \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow T = \frac{m_1m_2g (\sin \theta + 1)}{m_1 + m_2} \quad (4)$$



5.8 Forces of Friction

- ▶ When an object is in motion either on a surface or in a viscous medium such as air or water, there is resistance to the motion because the object interacts with its surroundings. We call such resistance a *force of friction*
- ▶ There are two types of frictional forces:
 - ▶ Static: f_s and kinetic: f_k
- ▶ We define these two types as:

$$f_s = \mu_s n \quad (1)$$

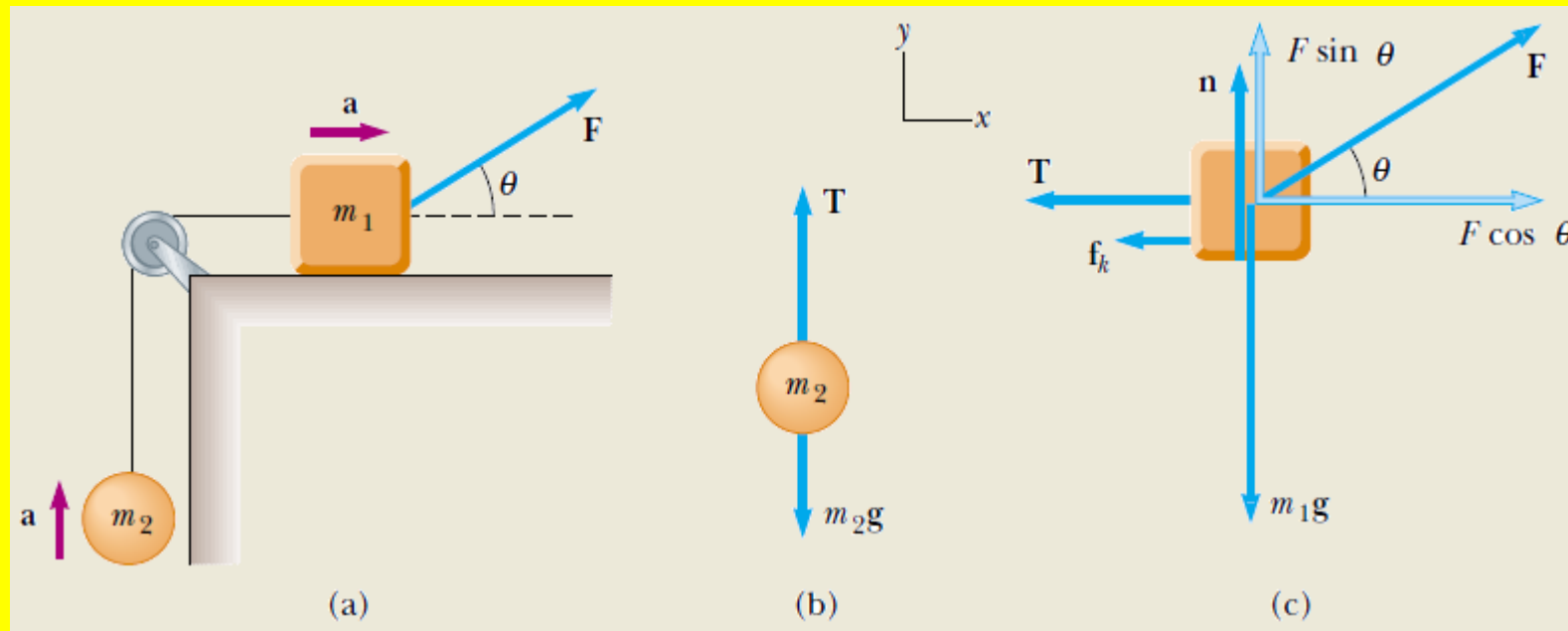
$$f_k = \mu_k n \quad (1)$$

- ▶ μ_s is called coefficient of static friction, and μ_k is called coefficient of kinetic friction. $\mu_s > \mu_k$, ($0 \leq \mu \leq 1$)
- ▶ The direction of the friction force on an object is parallel to the surface with which the object is in contact and *opposite* to the actual motion.



Ex. 5.14 Two Connected Objects with Friction

- A block of mass m_1 on a rough, horizontal surface is connected to a ball of mass m_2 by a lightweight cord over a lightweight, frictionless pulley, as shown in the figure. A force of magnitude F at an angle θ with the horizontal is applied to the block as shown. The coefficient of kinetic friction between the block and surface is μ_k . Determine the magnitude of the acceleration of the two objects.



Example 5.14 (Continued)

- ▶ To solve, we use same steps in Example 5.9.

$$m_1: F \cos \theta - f_k - T = m_1 a \quad (1)$$

$$m_2: T - m_2 g = m_2 a \quad (2)$$

- ▶ It is our duty to find out about f_k .

$$\therefore f_k = \mu_k n$$

$$\therefore n = m_1 g - F \sin \theta$$

$$\therefore f_k = \mu_k (m_1 g - F \sin \theta) \quad (3)$$

- ▶ Let use these values: $m_1=10$ kg, $m_2=1$ kg, $\mu_k=0.1$, $F=30$ N, $\theta=30^\circ$.
- ▶ Using equations, (1), (2) and (3) we can find:
 - ▶ Acceleration: a
 - ▶ Tension: T



Example 5.14 (Continued)

► We can use these values to find:

$$\begin{aligned}\therefore \mathbf{f}_k &= \mu_k (m_1 g - F \sin \theta) \\ \Rightarrow \mathbf{f}_k &= 0.1(10 \times 9.8 - 30 \sin 30) \\ &= 8.3 \text{ N}\end{aligned}\tag{4}$$

$$\begin{aligned}(4) \text{ in } (1): 30 \times \cos 30 - 8.3 - T &= 10a \\ \Rightarrow 17.68 - T &= 10a\end{aligned}\tag{5}$$

$$(2) \Rightarrow T - 1 \times 9.8 = 1a\tag{6}$$

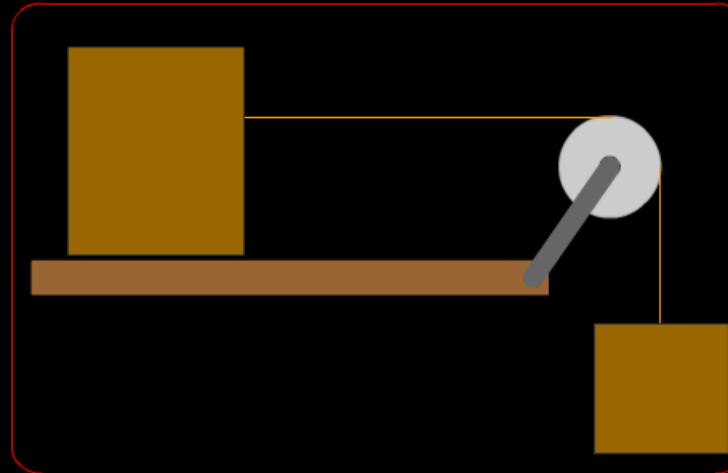
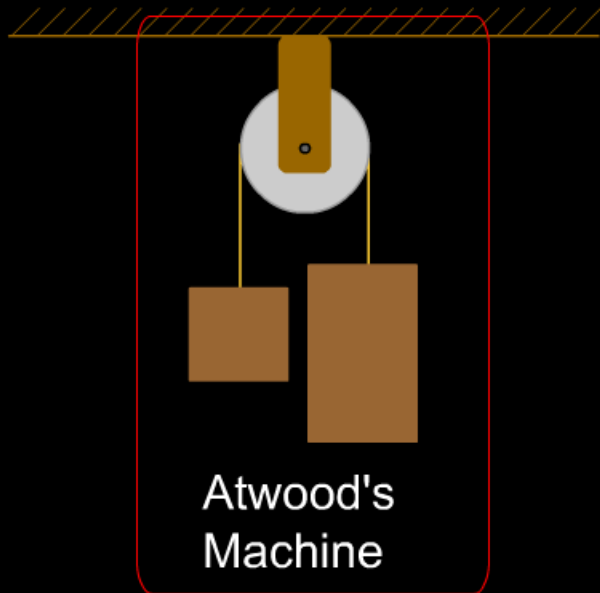
$$(5) + (6): 7.88 = (11)a \quad \Rightarrow a = 0.72 \text{ m / s}^2$$

$$\therefore T = 1 \times 0.72 + 1 \times 9.8 = 10.52 \text{ N}$$



Activity Flash

Force Systems and other Mental Workout Machines



More complex systems !!!



Lecture Summary

- ▶ **Newton's first law:** defined earlier.
- ▶ **Newton's second law:** defined earlier.
- ▶ **The gravitational force:** defined earlier.
- ▶ **Newton's third law:** defined earlier.
- ▶ **The maximum force of static friction** $f_{s,\max}$ between an object and a surface is proportional to the normal force acting on the object.
- ▶ In general, $f_s \leq \mu_s n$, where μ_s is the **coefficient of static friction** and n is the magnitude of the normal force.
- ▶ When an object slides over a surface, the direction of the force of kinetic friction f_k is **opposite** the direction of motion of the object relative to the surface and is also proportional to the magnitude of the normal force. The magnitude of this force is given by $f_k \leq \mu_k n$, where μ_k is the **coefficient of kinetic friction**.



Quiz 5.11 to 5.13

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Item 2 Item 6

Item 3 Item 7

Item 4 Item 8

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