

Questions of the Day

Non-Zero Total Force (NZTF)
Newton's 2nd Law

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- Draw a force diagram for the frictionless hover-puck.
- Describe its motion.
- *Answer: F_g and $F_{p-air, puck}$ only, forces are unbalanced, therefore puck will accelerate.*

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The only difference between each pair of objects are the values stated.



- Greater acceleration: a or b? ...c or d?
- *Answer: $a > b$, $c > d$*

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- A rocket powered sled experiences a total force of 100N and has a mass of 20 kg.
- What will be the rocket sled's acceleration?
- How fast will it be moving in 3.0 s ($v_i = 0$)?
- *Answer: $a = \Sigma F/m = 100 \text{ N} / 20 \text{ kg} = 5 \text{ m/s}^2$, $v = at + v_i = (5 \text{ m/s}^2)(3.0 \text{ s}) + 0 \text{ m/s} = 15 \text{ m/s}$*

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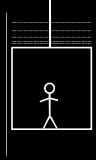
- You trade in your rocket powered sled for a rocket powered elevator. The rockets give the elevator an upward acceleration of 9.8 m/s^2 .
- Draw a force diagram for a 50 kg person in the elevator, label each force with number values.
- *Answer: downward F_g of 490 N & upward F_N of 980 N for a total upward Force of 490 N.*

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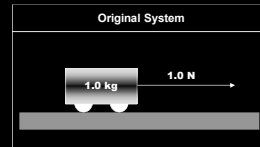
- At the bottom of a 60 kg bungee jumper's fall, their velocity goes from -30 m/s to 0 m/s in 2.0 seconds. What tension in the bungee cord causes this to happen? (Assume constant force.)
- *Answer: $a = \Delta v / \Delta t = (0 - -30 \text{ m/s}) / 2.0 \text{ s} = +15 \text{ m/s}^2 \rightarrow \Sigma F = m \cdot a = (60 \text{ kg}) \cdot (+15 \text{ m/s}^2) = +900 \text{ N}$*
- $\Sigma F = +900 \text{ N}$, $F_g = -588 \text{ N}$, $F_T = +1488 \text{ N}$

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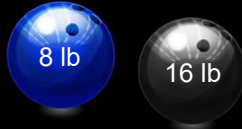
- If the elevator is moving down and slowing to a stop, then the total force on the person is directed:
 - a.) up
 - b.) down
 - c.) zero total force (therefore no direction)
 - d.) cannot be determined
- *Answer: "a", up. Since $v = -$, $a = +$ to slow to a stop.*

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- What would happen to the acceleration if...
 - the pulling force was changed to 4.0 N?
 - the mass was changed to 4.0 kg?
 - the previous two changes were done at the same time?
- *Answer: 4 x the acceleration, 1/4 x the acceleration, the two changes would counteract each other → no change*

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- An 8 lb bowling ball and a 16 lb bowling ball have the same acceleration. How must the total force on the two compare?
- *Answer: Since 16 lb ball has 2x the mass, it will require 2x the total force to have the same acceleration.*

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- A 16 g whiteboard marker is launched down a length of PVC tubing. The end of the marker has an area of $2.84 \text{ E } -4 \text{ m}^2$. A lung-induced pressure of 2.5 psi ($17,237 \text{ N/m}^2$) is applied.
 - What total force does the marker receive?
 - What is the resulting acceleration?
 - If the tube is 1.2 m long, how fast will it go?
- *Answer: $\Sigma F = 4.9 \text{ N}$, $a = 306 \text{ m/s}^2 = 31g$'s*
 - *down 4 ft (1.2 m) tube, $v_f = 27 \text{ m/s} = 60 \text{ mi/h}$*

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- A 500 kg racecar goes from 0 to 30 m/s in 3.5 seconds. What total force must be acting upon the racecar?
- *Answer: $\Sigma F = (500 \text{ kg})(8.57 \text{ m/s}^2) = 4285.7 \text{ N}$*