

# Physics 207 – Lecture 9

Physics 207, Lecture 9, Oct. 4

Agenda:

- Problem Solving and Review for MidTerm I

Assignments:

- For Monday Oct. 9, Read Chapter 7 (Energy and Energy Transfer)
- WebAssign Problem Set 4 due Oct. 18, Tuesday 11:59 PM

Remember

- MidTerm Thurs., Oct. 5, Chapters 1-6, 90 minutes, 7:15-8:45 PM
- NOTE: Assigned Rooms are 105 and 113 Psychology
- McBurney Students: Room 5310 Chamberlin

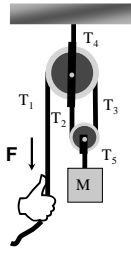
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## Problem solving...

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**Example with pulley**

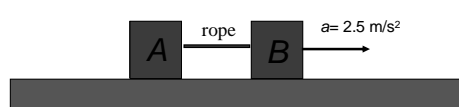
- A mass  $M$  is held in place by a force  $F$ . Find the tension in each segment of the rope and the magnitude of  $F$ .
- Assume the pulleys are massless and frictionless.
- Assume the rope is massless.
- The action of a massless frictionless pulley is to change the direction of a tension.
- Here  $F = T_1 = T_2 = T_3$
- Equilibrium means  $\Sigma \mathbf{F} = 0$  for  $x, y$  &  $z$
- For example:  $y$ -dir  $ma = 0 = T_2 + T_3 - T_5$  and  $ma = 0 = T_5 - Mg$
- So  $T_5 = Mg = T_2 + T_3 = 2F \rightarrow T = Mg/2$



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**Lecture 9, Exercise 1**

- You are going to pull two blocks ( $m_A=4$  kg and  $m_B=6$  kg) at constant acceleration ( $a=2.5$  m/s<sup>2</sup>) on a horizontal frictionless floor, as shown below. The rope connecting the two blocks can stand tension of only 9.0 N. Would the rope break?
- (A) YES      (B) CAN'T TELL      (C) NO



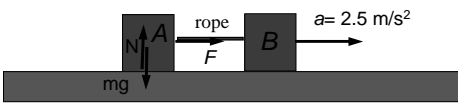
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1. FBD for A
2. Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> Law  $x$ -dir:  $ma = F = 4 \text{ kg} \times 2.5 \text{ m/s}^2 = 10 \text{ N}$

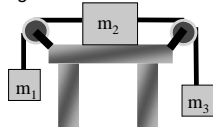
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**Example**  
**Problem 5.40 from Serway**

Three blocks are connected on the table as shown. The table has a coefficient of kinetic friction of  $\mu_k=0.40$ , the masses are  $m_1 = 4.0$  kg,  $m_2 = 1.0$  kg and  $m_3 = 2.0$  kg.



(A) What is the magnitude and direction of acceleration on the three blocks?

(B) What is the tension on the two cords?

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**Problem 5.40 from the book**

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(A) FBD (except for friction)  
 (B) So what about friction ?

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**Problem 5.40 recast as 1D motion**

Three blocks are connected on the table as shown. The center table has a coefficient of kinetic friction of  $\mu_k=0.40$ , the masses are  $m_1 = 4.0$  kg,  $m_2 = 1.0$  kg and  $m_3 = 2.0$  kg.

$m_1g > m_3g$  and  $m_1g > (\mu_k m_2g + m_3g)$   
 and friction opposes motion (starting with  $v = 0$ )  
 so  $f_i$  is to the right and  $a$  is to the left (negative)

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x-dir: 1.  $\Sigma F_x = m_2 a = \mu_k m_2 g - T_1 + T_3$   
 $m_3 a = m_3 g - T_3$   
 $m_1 a = -m_1 g + T_1$

Add all three:  $(m_1 + m_2 + m_3) a = \mu_k m_2 g + m_3 g - m_1 g$

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**Forces at different angles**

Case 1: Downward angled force with friction  
 Case 2: Upwards angled force with friction  
 Cases 3,4: Up against the wall

Questions: Does it slide?  
 What happens to the normal force?  
 What happens to the frictional force?

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**Forces at different angles**

1. Identify forces pairs
2. Make a Force Body Diagram
3. Choose directions for x, y and z axes
4. Write down Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> Law for the x, y and z directions
5. If no acceleration sum of the forces is zero, ma otherwise

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**"Normal" Forces and Frictional Forces**

1. At first the velocity is  $v$  up along the slide
2. Can we draw a velocity time plot?
3. What the acceleration versus time?

"Normal" means perpendicular

Friction Force = Normal Force  $\times$  (coefficient of friction)  
 $F_{\text{friction}} = \mu F_{\text{normal}} = \mu mg \sin \theta$

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