

SPH3U Area and Displacement

A graph is more than just a line or a curve. We will discover a very handy new property of graphs which has been right under our noses (and graphs) all this time!

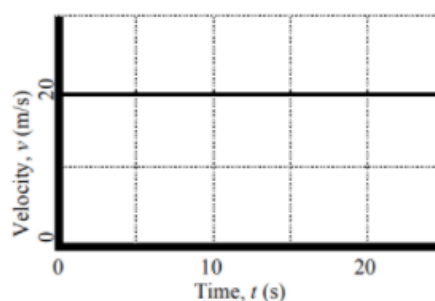
A: Looking Under the Graph

A car drives south along a straight road at 20 m/s. After 5 s the car passes a streetlight and at 20 s the car passes a bus stop.

1. **Calculate** the displacement of the car between the streetlight and the bus stop using the formula $\vec{v} = \Delta\vec{x}/\Delta t$

2. **Sketch.** Now we will think about this calculation in a new way. Draw and shade a rectangle on the graph that fills in the area between the line of the graph and the time axis, for the time interval of 5 to 20 seconds.

3. **Interpret.** Calculate the area of the rectangle. Note that the length and width have a meaning in physics, so the final result is not a physical area. Use the proper physics units that correspond to the height and the width of the rectangle. What physics quantity does the final result represent?



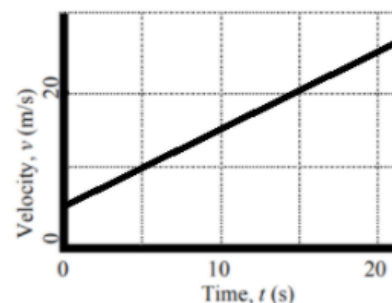
Area under a velocity graph. The *area* under a velocity-time graph for an interval of motion gives the *displacement* during that interval. Both velocity and displacement are vector quantities and can be positive or negative depending on their directions. According to our usual sign convention, areas above the time axis are positive and areas below the time axis are negative.

B: What if Velocity is not Constant?

Consider the velocity time graph shown in the diagram.

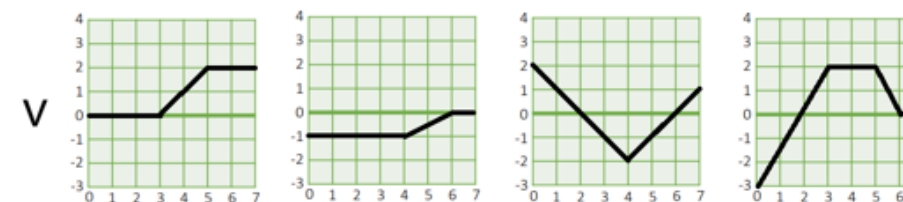
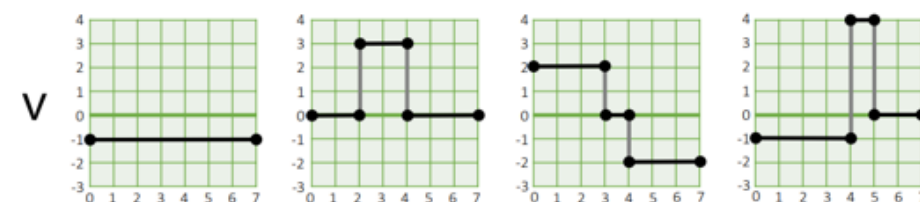
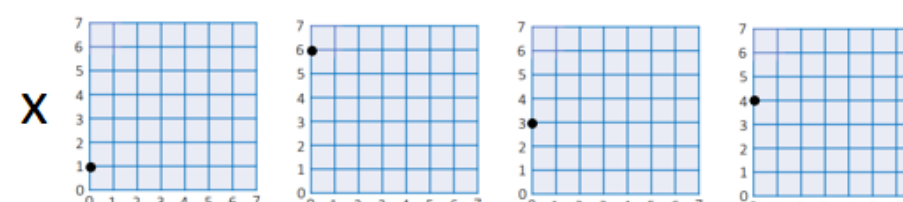
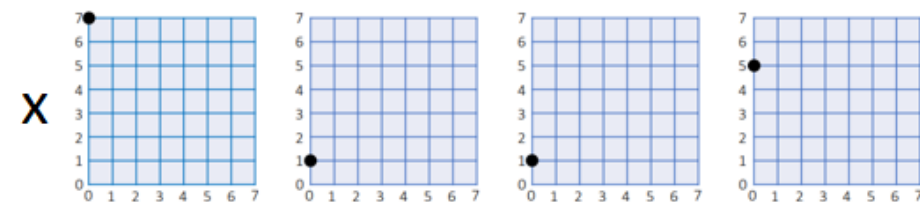
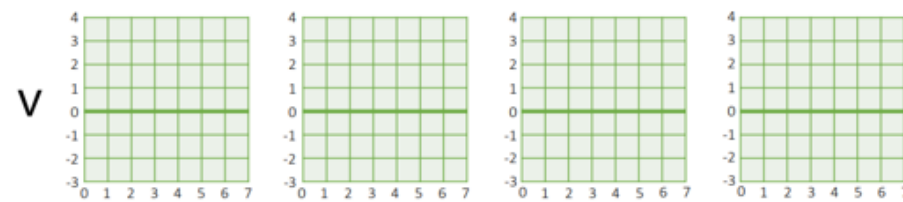
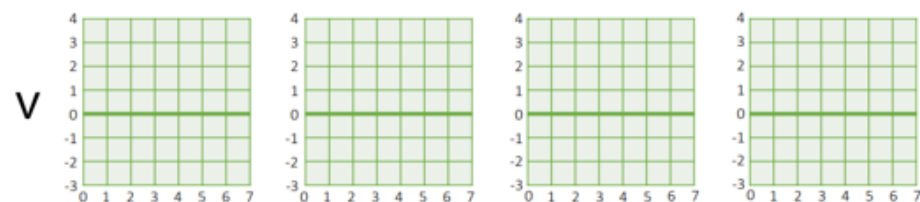
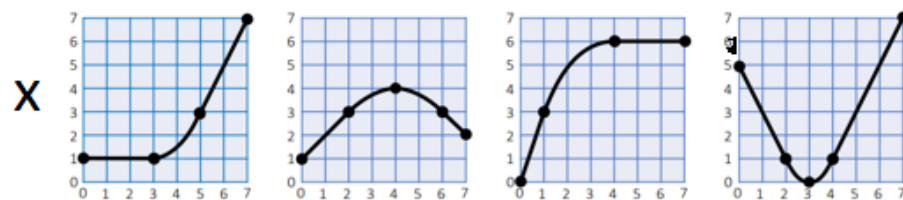
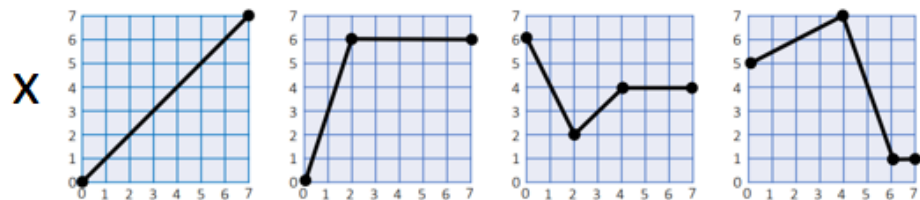
Suppose we want to know how far the car travelled between $t_1 = 5.0$ s and $t_2 = 15.0$ s. Shade in the area representing the distance travelled over this interval.

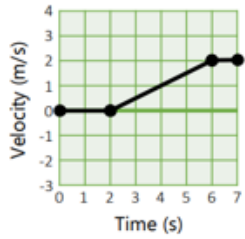
Calculate the area of your shaded region. Remember to include units.



Extend. Find an expression for the area under the graph using some or all of the variables t_1 , t_2 , Δt , \vec{v}_1 , \vec{v}_2

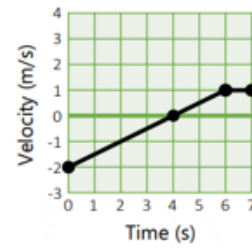
Convert all $x-t$ graphs into $v-t$ graphs, and vice versa.





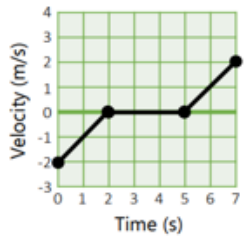
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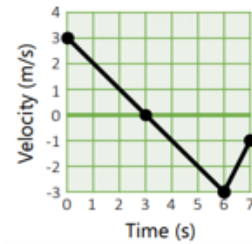
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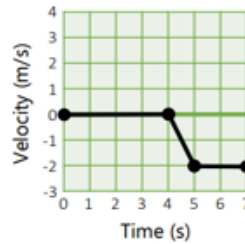
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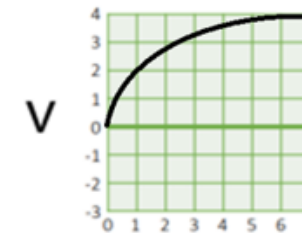
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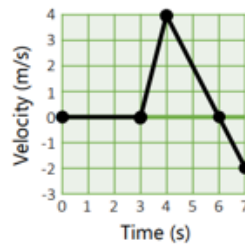


During which interval is it moving in the negative direction

What the total displacement represented in this graph?



Consider the v-t graph. Why is it hard to find the displacement?



What is the significance of the point at 6 seconds?

What the total displacement represented in this graph?

Try to obtain an estimate for the displacement. Explain how you did it.

SPH3U: The BIG Five

Last class we found three equations to help describe motion with constant acceleration. A bit more work along those lines would allow us to find two more equations which give us a complete set of equations for the five kinematic quantities.

A: The BIG Five – Revealed!

Here are the BIG five equations for uniformly accelerated motion.

The BIG Five	\vec{v}_1	\vec{v}_2	$\Delta\vec{x}$	\vec{a}	Δt
$\vec{v}_2 = \vec{v}_1 + \vec{a}\Delta t$					
$\Delta\vec{x} = \vec{v}_1\Delta t + \frac{1}{2}\vec{a}(\Delta t)^2$					
$\Delta\vec{x} = \vec{v}_2\Delta t - \frac{1}{2}\vec{a}(\Delta t)^2$					
$\Delta\vec{x} = \frac{1}{2}(\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2)\Delta t$					
$\vec{v}_2^2 = \vec{v}_1^2 + 2\vec{a}\Delta\vec{x}$					

1. **Describe.** Define carefully each of the kinematic quantities in the chart below.

\vec{v}_1	
\vec{v}_2	
$\Delta\vec{x}$	
\vec{a}	
Δt	

2. **Reason.** What condition must hold true (we mentioned these in the previous investigation) in order to use the big 5 kinematic equations?

B: As Easy as 3-4-5

Solving a problem involving uniformly accelerated motion is as easy as 3-4-5. As soon as you know **three** quantities, you can always find a **fourth** using a **BIG five**! Write your solutions carefully using our solution process.

Problem 1

A traffic light turns green and an anxious student floors the gas pedal, causing the car to accelerate at 3.4 m/s^2 for a total of 10.0 seconds. We wonder: How far did the car travel in that time and what's the big rush anyways?

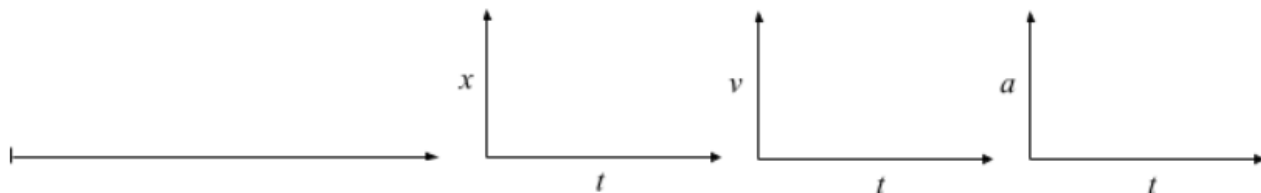
A: Pictorial Representation

Sketch, coordinate system, label givens with symbols, conversions, describe events

Emmy says, "I am given only two numbers, the acceleration and time. I need three to solve the problem. I'm stuck!" Explain how to help Emmy.

C: Physics Representation

Motion diagram, motion graphs, velocity vectors, events



D: Mathematical Representation

Describe steps, complete equations, algebraically isolate, substitutions with units, final statement

Big Five Homework (from Irwin Physics 11 p67)

35. A sneeze causes you to momentarily shut your eyes. If this process takes 0.50 s and you are moving at 30.0 km/h, how far will you travel in that time?
37. How far would a car move in 4.80 s if its velocity changed from 14.0 m/s to 16.0 m/s?
43. What was the initial velocity of an object that moved 120 m in 5.60 s, reaching a final velocity of 15.0 m/s in that time? Was the object speeding up or slowing down?
44. If Donovan Bailey reaches a top speed from rest of 10.2 m/s in 2.5 s, what is his acceleration?
45. If a sprinter accelerates at 2.2 m/s^2 for 2.5 s starting from rest, what is her final velocity?
46. If it takes 0.080 s for an air bag to stop a person, what is the acceleration of a person moving 13.0 m/s and coming to a complete stop in that time?
56. A car traveling at 40. km/h accelerates at 2.3 m/s^2 for 2.7 s. How far has it traveled in that time? What is its final velocity?
58. If 100 m sprinters accelerate from rest for 3.5 s at 2.8 m/s^2 , how far have they run to this point? How long will it take them to complete the 100 m sprint, assuming they maintain their speed the rest of the way?
65. A dragster accelerates from rest for a distance of 450 m at 14 m/s^2 . A parachute is then used to slow it down to a stop. If the parachute gives the dragster an acceleration of -7.0 m/s^2 , how far has the dragster traveled before stopping?
35. 4.2 m 37. 72m [fwd] 43. 28m [fwd] 44. 4.1 m/s² [fwd] 45. 5.5 m/s [fwd] 46. 160 m/s² [backward] 53. -19 m/s
38 m 57. 22 m 58. 12s 65. 1350m (rounds to 1400m)



SPH3U: Vectors in Two-Dimensions

The main model of motion we have developed so far is motion in a straight line. Now consider two-dimensional motion.

A: Representing a Two-Dimensional Vector

We visually represent vectors by drawing an arrow. We have already done this with displacement and velocity vectors.

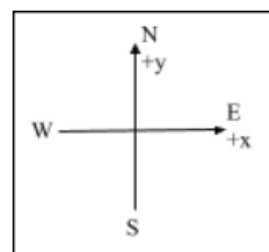
1. **Interpret.** What does the length of a displacement vector describe?
2. **Interpret.** What does the length of a velocity vector describe?

<p>Displacement Vector</p>  <p>1 cm = 4 m</p>	<p>Velocity Vector</p>  <p>1 cm = 5 km/h</p>
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B: Vector Addition aka Treasure Hunt

Suppose you are at a starting location, shown as an **x** below. Someone tells you that you can find a treasure if you walk 400 m [East], then 300 m [North].

Use a ruler to draw the vectors corresponding to those instructions, and mark another **x** where the treasure is buried. You will need to choose an appropriate scale. Remember to put an arrowhead at the end of each vector.



x

In order for you to save some time, you could have instead walked a direct line from your starting point to the buried treasure. Using a dotted line, draw a new vector between your starting point and the treasure (this is called the *resultant vector*)

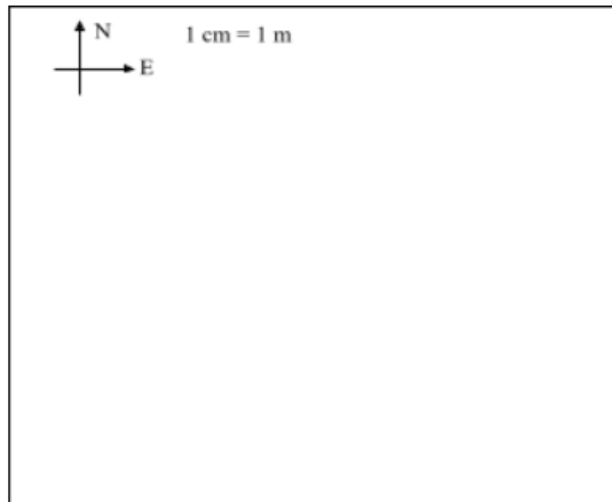
How to write vectors that aren't going either straight up/down/left/right? Imagine a person travels 3.5 m in a direction north and 60° to the west. We will record this as: $\vec{\Delta d} = 3.5 \text{ m } [N60^\circ W]$. The symbol $\vec{\Delta d}$ with an arrow signifies a displacement (a change in the position vector). The number part, 3.5 m, is called the magnitude of the vector, and the direction goes in square brackets.

Use a ruler and a protractor to measure the important characteristics of your resultant vector (both magnitude and direction), and record the resultant vector that would bring you directly from your starting point to the treasure.

B: Let's Take a Walk

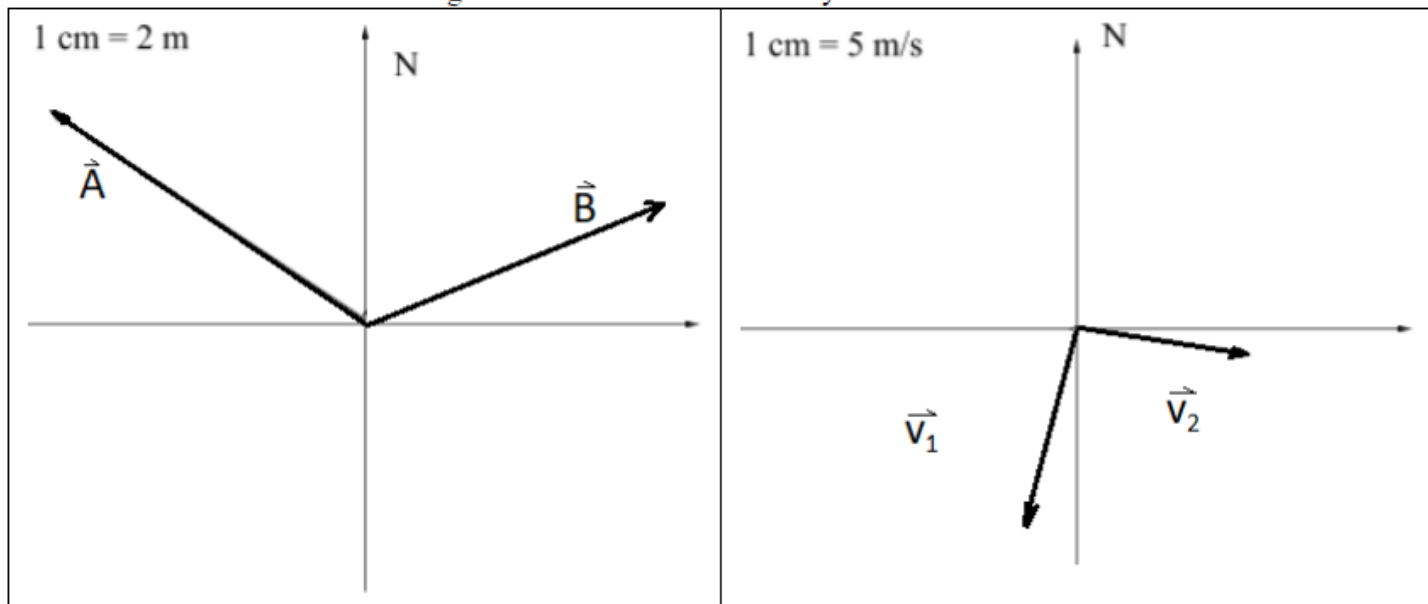
You and a friend take a stroll through a forest. You travel 6 m [E] and then 5 m [S].

1. **Represent.** Draw the two displacement vectors one after the other (tip to tail). Start your vectors at the centre of the coordinate system.
2. **Interpret.** After travelling through the two displacements, how far are you from your starting point? In what direction?
3. **Represent.** Draw a single vector arrow which represents the total displacement for your friend's entire trip. Label the three vectors in your diagram as $\vec{\Delta d}_1$, $\vec{\Delta d}_2$ and $\vec{\Delta d}_T$



SPH3U: Vector Practice

1. Measure each vector according to the scale and coordinate system.



2. Draw each vector to scale on the space above, each starting at the origin of the coordinate system.

$$\vec{C} = 12 \text{ m [S } 10^\circ \text{ E]}$$

$$\vec{D} = 9 \text{ m [W } 70^\circ \text{ S]}$$

$$\vec{V}_3 = 35 \text{ m/s [N } 15^\circ \text{ W]}$$

$$\vec{V}_4 = 20 \text{ m/s [E } 40^\circ \text{ N]}$$

3. Add the two displacement vectors together tip-to-tail. Find the total distance, displacement average speed and average velocity if the whole trip took 2.0 hours. Use the scale 1 cm = 10 km.
 - a) 80 km [W] & 60 km [N]
 - d) 40 km [E] & 30 km [S50°W]

SPH3U - 2D Projectile Motion Problems

<p>20. A movie scene has a car fall off a cliff. If the car took 5.5 s to reach the ground, how high was the cliff?</p> <p>21. If the car in Problem 20 had an initial horizontal velocity of 26 m/s, how far from the cliff bottom did the car land?</p> <p>22. A bullet is shot horizontally from a gun. If the bullet's speed exiting the muzzle is 325 m/s and the height of the gun above the ground is 2.0 m,</p> <p>a) how long was the bullet in the air? b) how far did the bullet travel horizontally before it hit the ground?</p> <p>23. A tennis player serves a tennis ball from a height of 2.5 m. If the ball leaves the racket horizontally at 160 km/h, how far away will the ball land?</p> <p>24. A pitcher throws a baseball at 140 km/h. If the plate is 28.3 m away, how far does the ball drop if we assume the ball started travelling toward the plate horizontally?</p> <p>25. Two pennies are sitting on a table 1.2 m high. Both fall off the table at the same time, except one is given a significant push. If the pushed penny is moving at 4.1 m/s horizontally at the time it leaves the table,</p> <p>a) which penny lands first? b) how far from the table does the pushed penny land?</p>	<p>27. A plane is flying horizontally with a speed of 90 m/s. If a skydiver jumps out and free falls for 10.6 s, find</p> <p>a) how far the skydiver falls. b) how far the skydiver moves horizontally. c) the final vertical velocity of the skydiver. d) the final velocity of the skydiver.</p> <p>28. A plane flying level at 80 m/s releases a package from a height of 1000 m. Find</p> <p>a) the time it takes for the package to hit the ground. b) the distance it travelled horizontally. c) the final velocity of the package.</p> <p>31. Will a football, kicked at 14.0 m/s vertically and 9.0 m/s horizontally, clear a bar 3.0 m high and 20 m away from the kicker? Solve in two different ways.</p> <p>32. Will a tennis ball served horizontally at 100 km/h from a height of 2.2 m clear a net 0.9 m high and 10 m away? Solve in two different ways.</p> <p>33. Emanuel Zacchini was shot over three ferris wheels, landing in a net at the same height from which he was shot (described in Fig. 3.19). Given his initial velocity of 27 m/s [R53°U] and range of 69 m, find</p> <p>a) his maximum height reached. b) the time spent in air, using two different methods. c) his final velocity, using logic and computation.</p>	
<p>ANSWERS</p> <p>20. 150 m 21. 140 m 22. a) 0.64 s, b) 210 m 23. 32 m 24. 2.60 m 25. a) land at same time b) 2.0 m 26. (22) 330 m/s [R1.1°D], (23) 45 m/s [R9.0°D] (24) 40 m/s [R10°D] 27. a) 550 m, b) 950 m, c) 100 m/s, d) 130 m/s [R48°D]</p>	<p>28. a) 14 s b) 1100 m c) 160 m/s [R60°D] 29. a) 1000 m b) 1100 m c) 230 m 30. 8.5 m 31. yes 32. yes 33. a) 24 m, b) 4.3 s, c) 27 m/s [R53°D] 35. 101.5 km/h, 98.5 km/h 36. a) -35 km/h, b) 35 km/h, c) 135 km/h, d) 135 km/h</p>	<p>FORMULAS</p> $\mathbf{v} = \frac{\Delta \mathbf{d}}{\Delta t} \text{ (when accel} = 0)$ <div style="background-color: #f0f0f0; padding: 5px; border: 1px solid #ccc;"> $\vec{v}_2 = \vec{v}_1 + \vec{a}\Delta t$ $\Delta \vec{x} = \vec{v}_1 \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} \vec{a}(\Delta t)^2$ $\Delta \vec{x} = \vec{v}_2 \Delta t - \frac{1}{2} \vec{a}(\Delta t)^2$ $\Delta \vec{x} = \frac{1}{2} (\vec{v}_1 + \vec{v}_2) \Delta t$ $\vec{v}_2^2 = \vec{v}_1^2 + 2\vec{a}\Delta \vec{x}$ </div>

A: Interactions and Forces

There are many different ways in which objects can interact and these different types of interactions can be organized into two large groups. Some common ones are listed below.

Types of Interactions / Forces

Tension (t) = two objects pulling on each other through a rope or string (no stretching)

Elastic (e) = two objects push/pull on each other due to stretch or compression of material

Friction (f) = resistance between two surfaces that are slipping or trying to slip past each other

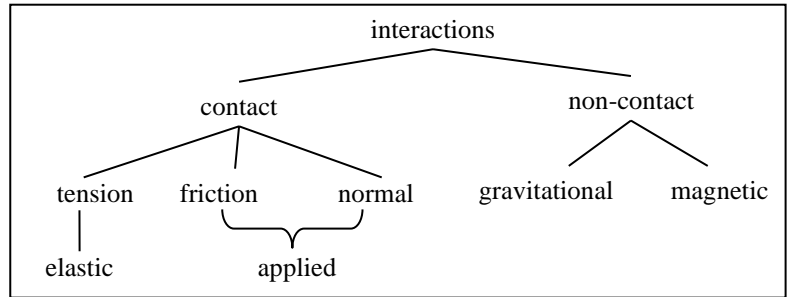
Normal (n) = two surfaces in contact and pressing in to each other

Applied (a) = the contact force due to a person – a combination of friction and normal forces

Gravitational (g) = the gravitational interaction between two objects

Magnetic (m) = the magnetic interaction between two objects

Our contact interactions usually focus on solid objects. It is also possible to have a contact interaction with a fluid. One example of this is **air resistance** (air), and **buoyancy** (b) the interaction responsible for floating.




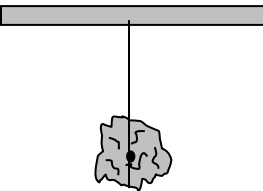
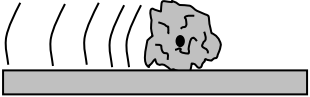


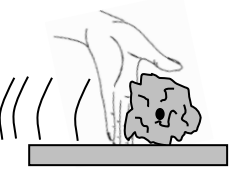
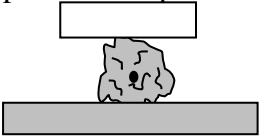



1. **Represent.** For each situation below complete the missing parts: the description (with the system), the sketch, or the interaction diagram.

Situation 1	Situation 2	Situation 3	Situation 4
You pull a ball upwards using a string. system = ball	system = boat	system = nail	system =

2. **Represent.** Draw force diagrams (FD) for each situation.

Situation 1	Situation 2	Situation 3	Situation 4

Draw an interaction diagram and a force diagram for the system of the rock. Label the forces using: \vec{F}_g (force of gravity), \vec{F}_T (force of tension), \vec{F}_N (normal force), \vec{F}_f (force of friction), \vec{F}_{air} (force of air resistance). Indicate the direction of motion and the direction of acceleration.

Situation	ID	FD	Situation	ID	FD
<p>1) A rock is falling at constant (terminal) velocity due to air resistance.</p> 			<p>2) A rock tied to a rope is at rest.</p> 		
<p>3) A rock is slowing down due to friction.</p> 			<p>4) A rock is moving upwards and is slowing down.</p> 		
<p>5) A rock is tied to a rope and is pulled upward such that it is accelerating up</p> 			<p>6) The rock is speeding up and experiences friction.</p> 		
<p>7) A rock has a book placed on top of it.</p> 			<p>8) The rock is sliding at constant speed on a frictionless surface.</p> 		
<p>9) A rock has been thrown upwards and is slowing down.</p> 			<p>10) The rock is being held against a wall with a horizontal force.</p> 		

SPH3U: What is the Effect of a Force?

What happens when a single constant force acts on an object?

A: The Steady Push or Pull

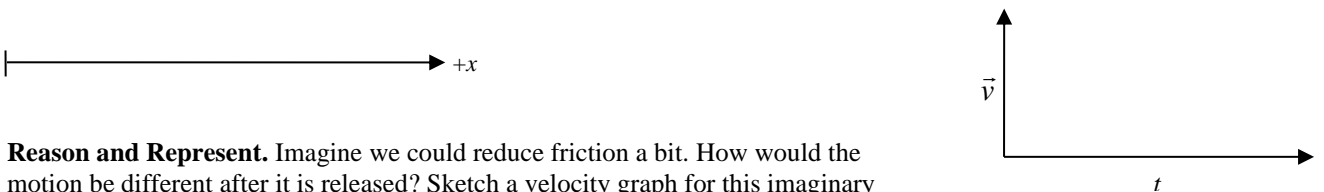
1. **Prediction.** How will an object move when you exert a constant horizontal force (a steady push or pull) on it?
2. **Observe.** Your teacher will demonstrate the application of a constant(ish) horizontal force to a cart. Record your observations.
3. **Represent.** Draw an interaction diagram for your system while the force is being exerted. Then draw a motion diagram and a velocity graph and a force diagram (FD). Label the events (1) starts the push / pull (2) stop the push / pull.



B: Let Go

After the object is in motion, we will stop exerting the force.

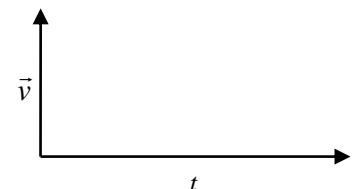
1. **Observe.** Describe the motion of the object **after** it has been released.
2. **Represent.** Complete the motion diagram and velocity-time graph diagrams. Label two events on each: (2) stop the push / pull and (3) the object comes to rest.



3. **Reason and Represent.** Imagine we could reduce friction a bit. How would the motion be different after it is released? Sketch a velocity graph for this imaginary situation and explain how it appears different from the previous velocity graph.
4. **Reason and Represent.** Now imagine we remove **all** sources of friction. After you stop pushing / pulling, what would you observe in this very special situation? Sketch a velocity graph. In this situation what horizontal forces are acting on the cart?

C: Summary

1. **Reason.** Describe the motion that results from an object experiencing a single constant force.



SPH3U: The Net Force

A car driving down the road experiences many forces at the same time. What happens in such a case? Use the Forces and Motion Basics (Net Force) simulation with 2 horizontal forces pulling on the cart (<https://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulation/forces-and-motion-basics>). Assume friction is very small (the size of friction is zero).

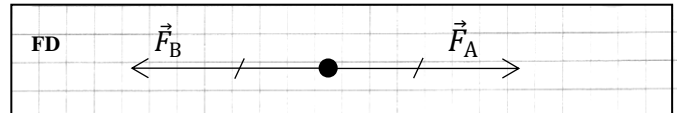
A: Two Balanced Forces

Exert two equal-sized forces on the cart, but in opposite directions.



1. **Observe.** Describe the motion of the cart.

2. **Interpret.** The force diagram (FD) to the right shows a model for the two tension forces exerted on the cart. What do the “tick marks” and the lengths of these vectors tell us about the two forces?



Net Force. The *net force* (\vec{F}_{net}) is the combined effect of all the forces acting on an object. Since there may be forces in more than one direction (horizontal & vertical) we will often describe the net force in a particular direction ($\vec{F}_{net x}$ or $\vec{F}_{net y}$).

3. **Explain.** Below are vector and scalar equations for the net force in the x -direction experienced by the cart. Why do these make sense? Notice the vector symbols (or lack thereof).

$$\vec{F}_{net x} = \vec{F}_B + \vec{F}_A$$

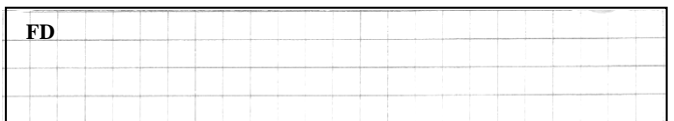
$$F_{net x} = -F_B + F_A$$

B: On the Move

What will happen to a cart that is already moving if it experiences balanced forces?



1. **Represent.** Draw a FD for the cart. Label the two forces. Assume $F_A = 50$ N and $F_B = 50$ N.



2. **Calculate.** Write a net force equation in the x -direction and calculate the result.

3. **Test.** Turn on the speed measurement and add a person to one side of the cart. Once the cart is moving, add a person to the other side of the cart so that the forces balance. Describe your observations and explain.

C: Net Force is Not Zero

Now increase the size of one of the forces. $F_A = 100\text{ N}$.



1. **Represent.** Draw a FD and label the two forces. How should you draw the length of the two force vectors?

FD	
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2. **Calculate.** Write a net force equation and calculate the result.

Unbalanced Forces. If the net force is not equal to zero, we say that the forces acting on the object are *unbalanced*.

3. **Test.** Use a timer to determine how long it will take for the tug-of-war to end.

Acceleration Vector. If a system accelerates, draw a wiggly acceleration vector (\vec{a}) that points in the direction of the acceleration alongside the force diagram. Check your previous force diagrams and add an acceleration vector.

4. **Speculate.** According to your calculation for the net force, what single force could replace the two forces in this situation? Draw a FD for this situation.

FD	
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5. **Test.** The cart now experiences a single force equal to the net force from before. Run the simulation, and again use your timer to determine how long it takes. Compare your result to the time from #3 above.

D: The Forces-Motion Catalogue

Complete the chart below showing the correspondence between the different states of force and motion we have explored.

State of Force	Net Force (circle one)	State of Motion (at rest / constant velocity / accelerating)
No forces at all	zero / non-zero	1) if starting at rest...
		2) if starting in motion...
Balanced forces (two or more)	zero / non-zero	1) if starting at rest...
		2) if starting in motion...
One single, unbalanced force	zero / non-zero	
Unbalanced forces (two or more)	zero / non-zero	

First Law of Motion: A body at rest remains at rest or, if in motion, remains in motion at a constant velocity unless acted on by a net external force.

1. For each force diagram, decide if the forces appear to be balanced or unbalanced. Write the expression for the net force in the x - or y -direction. Use the directions right or up as positive. What type of motion will be the result: acceleration or rest/constant velocity? Look at the sample answers for hints on what to do if you're stuck.

FD				
Balanced?		unbalanced		
$\vec{F}_{net\ x}$	$\vec{F}_{net\ x} = \vec{F}_f + \vec{F}_a$			
Motion?				positive acceleration

FD				
Balanced?	balanced			
$\vec{F}_{net\ y}$		$\vec{F}_{net\ y} = \vec{F}_n + \vec{F}_g$		
Motion?				negative acceleration

2. Two forces act in opposite directions on an object, F_R to the right and F_L to the left. Indicate the direction of the acceleration with a wiggly acceleration vector. Compare the size of the two forces. Draw a force diagram.

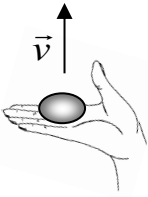
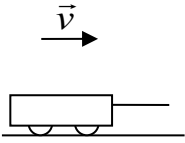
Motion Diagram				
Accel.				
Compare		$F_L > F_R$		
Force Diagram				

3. Each situation is described by a force diagram and an initial velocity. Complete the table below. You may assume that the object does not change direction.

FD				
v_i	0	Negative		positive
Motion Diagram				

SPH3U: Force of Gravity Homework

1. **Represent.** Complete the chart for each situation described.

	Description	Sketch	Interaction Diagram	Force Diagram	Net Force
1	A tasty chocolate in your hand is moving upwards with a constant speed. System = chocolate				$\vec{F}_{net\ x} =$ $\vec{F}_{net\ y} =$
2	You pull upwards on a heavy dumbbell, but it doesn't move. System = dumbbell				
3	You pull along the horizontal handle of a wagon. It travels along the rough ground and speeds up. System = wagon				
4	You lower a ball using a string. It slows down. System = ball				

2. **Calculate.** The chocolate in question #1 has a mass of 20 g. What is the size of the gravity force it experiences?

3. **Calculate.** The dumbbell in question #2 has a mass of 10 kg and you pull with a force of 10 N. What is the size of the gravity force?

4. **Calculate.** The wagon in question #3 experiences a net force of 30 N and a force of friction of 10 N. What is the size of the pulling force?

SPH3U: Normal Forces Homework



You grab your physics textbook off a shelf and lower it down on to your desk. As the book moves, it lies flat on the palm of your hand. There are four important events that take place: (1) The book begins to speed up as it starts moving downwards, (2) the book reaches a constant velocity, (3) the book begins to slow down as it nears the desk, and (4) the book comes to rest at the bottom.

ID

- Represent.** Draw an interaction diagram for the system of the book during these events.
- Represent.** Complete the chart below for each of the three intervals in the book's downwards motion.
- Calculate.** The mass of the book is 1.3 kg. What is the size of the force exerted by your hand between events 2 and 3?

Interval	1-2	2-3	3-4
Motion Diagram	↓ +y	↓ +y	↓ +y
Force Diagram	•	•	•
Net Force	=	=	=

- Test and Describe.** Find a heavy book and place it on the palm of your hand just like in the picture. Lower the book just as we have described above. Try to connect how it feels in your hand when you do this with your understanding of the forces. Describe what you notice.

- Reason.** Your friend places the same book on a table. She then leans on top of it, pushing down with 7 N of force. Draw a FD for book with and without the downwards push. Compare the size of all the forces in the two diagrams.

FD – no push	FD – push
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- Calculate:** Calculate the normal force acting on a 2.1 kg book in each scenario:
 - The book is at rest on the table
 - The book is still at rest, but you are pushing down on the book with a force of 2.0 N
 - The book is attached to a string that is being pulled up with a force of 1.5 N
 - There is a 0.40 kg apple on the book
 - You pull out the table from below and the book falls through the air

SPH3U: Mass, Weight, Apparent Weight, Inertia

Mass

- quantity of stuff/matter
- fundamental property (like time): impossible to define in terms of other things
- not dependent on gravity...mass constant everywhere (earth, moon, in space, under water, etc.)

Weight

- measures force (in Newtons) acting on an object by gravity
- depends on gravity...weight will be different on the moon, or in outer space
- commonly (& incorrectly) used as a substitute for mass, since we spend our time on earth
- in physics we call it the Force of Gravity (F_g)

Inertia

- resistance of an object to a change in its state of motion (at rest \rightarrow at rest; moving \rightarrow moving)
- from the latin "*iners*" (idle, sluggish)
- is a concept, not a measurement
- the more mass something has, the more inertia it has (consider pushing a small vs. big rock)

Apparent Weight

- how hard the floor pushes up on you
- the weight you *feel* (consider: in a swimming pool; in an elevator; in outer space)
- this is what a bathroom scale measures
- in physics we call this the Normal Force (F_n)

Normal Force (F_n)

- the force with which the floor pushes up on an object

Force of Gravity (F_g)

- the force of attraction between ANY two objects, but most commonly used for the force between the earth and an object near earth

-When things are on flat surfaces, not accelerating, and acted upon by gravity only, then:

$$F_n = F_g = mg$$

Where m is the mass of the object and g is the acceleration due to gravity (on earth)

Complete the table using symbols like $x, =z, 0$, etc

	Mass	Weight	Apparent Weight
On flat earth	x	y	z
On the moon			
Waist deep in water			
In outer space			

SPH3U: The Change of Force Principle

We have made a great discovery with the First Law of Motion (our catalogue of force-motion relationships). Now we need to figure out what happens when forces change.

A: Systems and Interactions

Your teacher has a cart set up on a track with a motion detector. We will create a model for the system of the cart including the extra weights. Our experiment has three events: (1) the cart begins moving, (2) the mass hits the ground, and (3) the cart reaches the end of the track.

Objects outside a system are in the *environment*. When objects outside a system interact with a system object, they produce an *external force*. The First Law of Motion involves **external forces only**. So, we only draw external forces on a force diagram.

- Represent.** We will begin by focusing on the system between events 1 and 2. Complete the chart below. Use the interaction diagram to determine the number of force vectors to draw. Use your understanding of the state of motion and force in each direction to determine the size of the force vectors.

Interaction Diagram	Vertical Direction	Horizontal Direction	Force Diagram
<p>The diagram shows a cart on a track. Labels include 'track', 'counter-weight', 'cart', 'weights', 'g', and 'earth'. Force vectors are labeled 'n' (normal force) and 't' (tension).</p>	State of motion: State of force:	State of motion: State of force:	

- Interpret.** According to the ID above, what have we assumed about the force of friction?

B: Change of State

Let's return to our experiment. We are interested in exploring what happens to the state of motion when forces suddenly change.

- Observe and Interpret.** Observe the results from the computer. Complete the velocity and tension force graphs. Label the events. Complete the rest of the chart.
- Interpret.** During this experiment the state of motion changes and the state of the force change. What do you notice about the timing of these two changes?
- Reason.** Isaac says, "How is it possible in interval 2-3 for the cart to move horizontally with no horizontal force! This doesn't make sense!" Help Isaac understand.

	Interval 1-2	Interval 2-3
State of Motion:		
State of Force:		
FD		

A: The Billiards Game

In the game of pool, a ball bounces off the cushion at the side of a table. Friction between the ball and the table surface is very small compared with other forces, so we will ignore it. We choose five events to help us explore what happens:



- (1) The ball is travelling towards the cushion.
- (2) The ball makes contact with the cushion.
- (3) The cushion is squished and the ball stops.
- (4) The ball leaves contact with the cushion.
- (5) The ball is travelling away from the cushion.

1. **Reason and Represent.** For each interval of time between the pairs of events:
- (a) Draw an interaction diagram and a force diagram. The possible interacting objects are ball, Earth, table and cushion. Label the normal forces $F_{n\ c-b}$ (normal force of cushion on ball) and $F_{n\ t-b}$ (normal force of table on ball)
 - (b) Describe the state of forces, the state of motion, and what is happening to the speed.
 - (c) Sketch a velocity time graph and label the events (the graph is divided up according to the time intervals).

Interval	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5
Description	Ball rolls towards cushion	Cushion becomes squished (compressed)	Cushion expands	Ball rolls away from cushion
Sketch				
Interaction Diagram				
Force Diagram				
State of Force (balanced/unbalanced)				
State of Motion (constant/accelerating)				
Speeding Up or Slowing Down?				
Velocity Graph				

SPH3U Homework: The Force-Change Principle Practice

Situation #1: You are standing still on ice, holding onto the boards. You push off the boards and glide at a constant velocity (no friction) to the other side. When you arrive at the other side you grab the boards and slow down to a stop.

EVENTS: 1 – start to push off 2 – finish pushing 3 – arrive at other side 4 – come to rest

Interval	1-2	2-3	3-4
Interaction Diagram			
Force Diagram			
State of Force (balanced/unbalanced)			
State of Motion (constant/accelerating)			

Situation #2: You drop a tennis ball into water from a height. The ball goes under water, then floats back to the surface.

EVENTS: 1 – you drop the ball 2 ball hits surface 3 ball reaches lowest point 4 ball reaches surface 5? (might not need)

Interval	1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5
Interaction Diagram				
Force Diagram				
State of Force (balanced/unbalanced)				
State of Motion (constant/accelerating)				

SPH3U “Well I’m Free……Freefallin!!”

Events:	1.Start throwing ball upwards	2.Let go of ball	3.Ball reaches max height	4.Ball contacts hand	5.Ball comes to rest
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1. Draw a force diagram of the ball in each interval/moment (use the events above). Ignore air resistance.

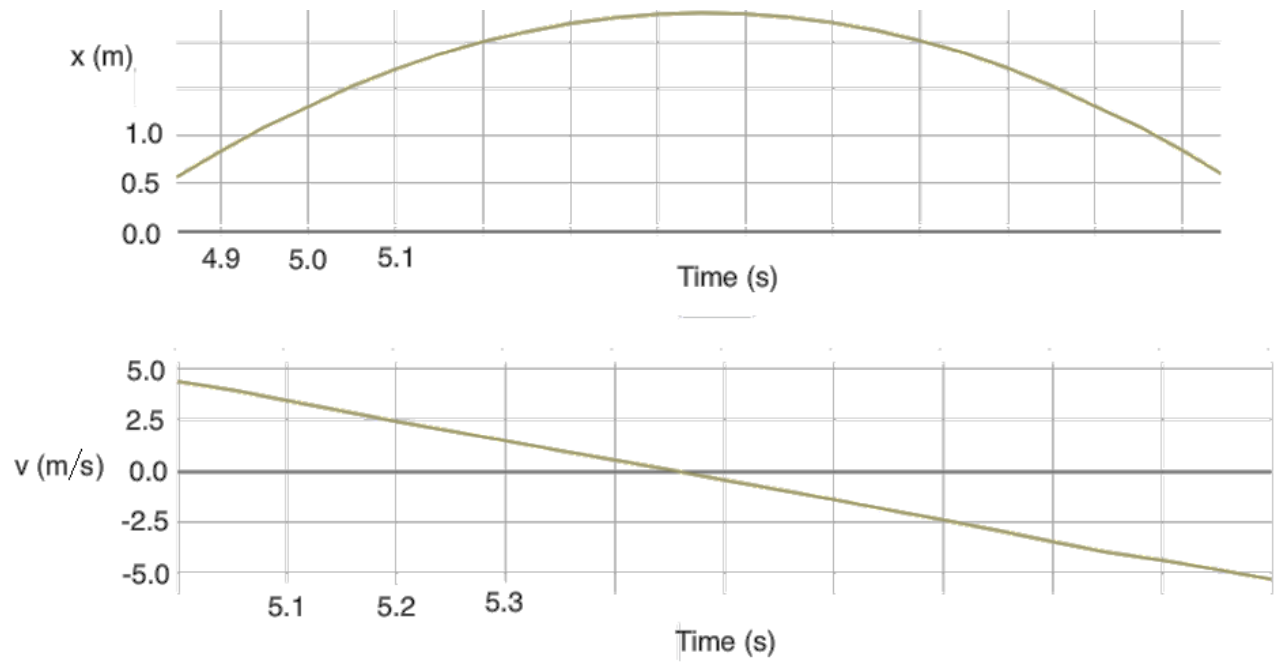
1-2	2-3	At event 3	3-4	4-5
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2. Considering the force diagrams above, what can you say about the acceleration of the object while it is going up, at its peak, and coming back down?

3. Predict what the x-t, v-t and a-t graphs would look like if we considered the intervals given.
- The interval between events 2 and 4 (ie. the time the ball was in the air). Label the events.
 - The interval between events 1 and 5 (ie. now including the throw and catch). Label the events.

4. Use the graphs on the next page to estimate the following:

a) The height of the ball at 5.2 s	b) the velocity of the ball at 5.6 s	c) The time at which the velocity was -3.2 m/s	d) The time at which the ball was at a height of 0.9 m
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5. Determine the slope of the v-t graph. Show your work, include units, then explain the slope's meaning.

6. Record the data from our class experiment, then answer the question below.

Drop height:

Drop time:

Initial velocity:

Calculate the acceleration due to gravity using the appropriate equations.

If you're all done, can you find the equation of the v-t line ($y=mx+b$) and x-t curve ($y=a(x-h)^2+k$) above?

SPH3U Formula Sheet (Kinematics/Forces)

Kinematics

$$v = \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t}$$

$$\vec{v} = \frac{\Delta \vec{d}}{\Delta t}$$

$$\vec{a} = \frac{\Delta \vec{v}}{\Delta t}$$

$$\Delta \vec{d} = \left(\frac{\vec{v}_f + \vec{v}_i}{2} \right) \Delta t$$

$$\vec{v}_f = \vec{v}_i + \vec{a} \Delta t$$

$$\Delta \vec{d} = \vec{v}_i \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} \vec{a} \Delta t^2$$

$$\vec{v}_f^2 = \vec{v}_i^2 + 2\vec{a}\Delta\vec{d}$$

$$\Delta \vec{d} = \vec{v}_f \Delta t - \frac{1}{2} \vec{a} \Delta t^2$$

$$\vec{g} = -9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Forces

$$\vec{F}_{Net} = m\vec{a}$$

$$\vec{F}_g = m\vec{g}$$

$$\vec{F}_s = \mu_s \vec{F}_N$$

$$\vec{F}_k = \mu_k \vec{F}_N$$

$$\vec{F}_{Net} = \text{sum of forces}$$

when an object is only acted upon by gravity and the normal force, $|\vec{F}_N| = |\vec{F}_g|$

$$F_g = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2}$$