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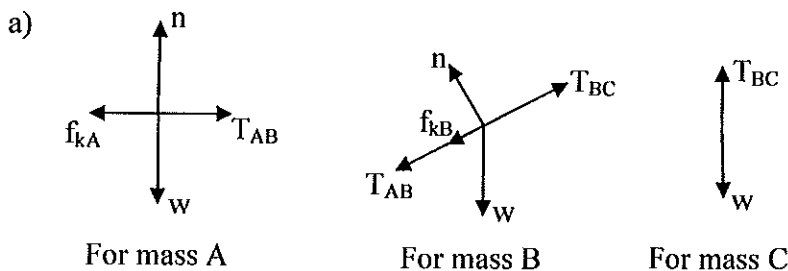
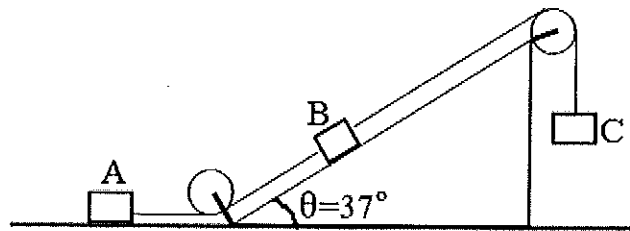
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Blocks A, B and C are connected by massless strings and pulleys are also massless and frictionless. (See the figure). Both blocks A and B have the same mass, $M_A = M_B = 2.5\text{kg}$. The coefficient of kinetic friction between each block and surface is $\mu_k = 0.20$. Block C moves downward with constant speed.

- Draw three separate free-body diagrams showing all the forces acting on the blocks A, B and C.
- Calculate the tension in the string connecting blocks A and B.
- Calculate mass M_C of block C.



b) Since block C moves with constant speed, acceleration of all masses are zero. Therefore, $T_{AB} = f_{kA}$, $f_{kA} = \mu_k m_A g = 5\text{N}$.

c) Since acceleration is zero, total force acting on the system is zero.

$f_{kA} + f_{kB} + w_{//B} = w_C$, where $w_{//B}$ is the component of the weight of B parallel to the inclined plane.

$$f_{kB} = \mu_k m_A g \cos\theta = 4\text{N}$$

$$w_{//B} = m_B g \sin\theta = 15\text{N} \implies w_C = 24\text{N} \implies m_C = 2.4\text{kg}$$

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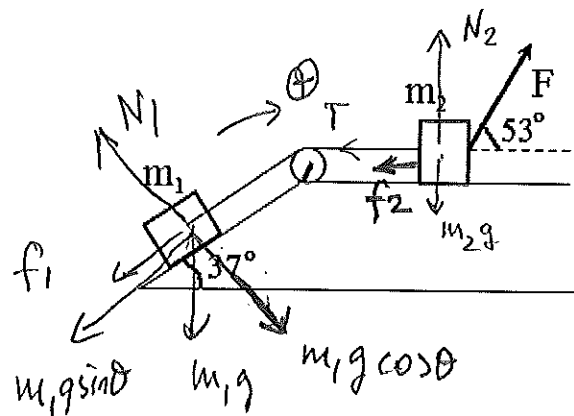
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Two blocks, $m_1 = 3.0\text{kg}$ on the inclined plane ($\theta = 37^\circ$) and $m_2 = 5.0\text{kg}$ on the horizontal plane are connected by light cord over a frictionless pulley. A force $F=50\text{N}$ is acting on m_2 in a direction making 53° with the horizontal. Coefficient of static and kinetic frictions for both blocks and surfaces are $\mu_s = 0.3$ and $\mu_k = 0.2$. The system is initially at rest. ($\cos 37^\circ = \sin 53^\circ = 0.8, \sin 37^\circ = \cos 53^\circ = 0.6, g = 10\text{m/s}^2$)

- a) If the system is released from rest, how does it behave? Explain briefly giving argument to support your answer.
b) Find the acceleration a of the blocks.



Summation of the forces acting in \oplus direction

$$\sum F_+ = F \cos 53^\circ = 50 (0.6) = 30 \text{ N}$$

Summation of the forces acting in \ominus direction

$$\sum F_- = m_1 g \sin 37^\circ + f_{1s} + f_{2s} = 18 + \mu_s N_1 + \mu_s N_2$$

$$(3)(10)(0.6) + (0.3)(m_1 g \cos 37^\circ) + (0.3)(m_2 g - F \sin 53^\circ)$$

$$\sum F_- = 18 + 7.2 + 3 = 28.2 \text{ N} //$$

Since $\sum F_+ > \sum F_-$ system starts to move in \oplus direction.

$$1.) \quad a = \frac{\sum F_+ - \sum F_-}{m_1 + m_2}$$

$$a = \frac{30 - 24.8}{8} = \frac{5.2}{8} //$$

System is moving we must use f_{1k} and f_{2k} in our calculations

$$\sum F_+ = F \cos 53^\circ = 30 \text{ N}$$

$$\sum F_- = 18 + (0.2)(24) + (0.2)(50 - 40) = 24.8 \text{ N}$$

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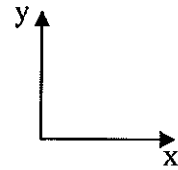
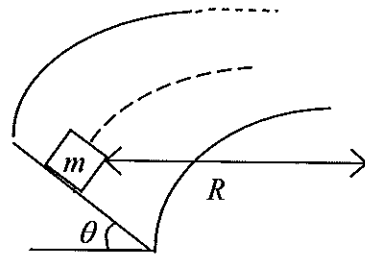
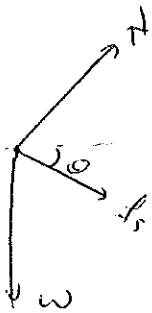
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A car rounds a banked curve (where the coefficient of static friction is μ) as shown in the figure. The radius of curvature of the road is R and the banking angle is θ .

What is the maximum speed the car can have before sliding up the banking (express your answer in terms of R , g , θ and μ). Draw the free body diagram for the car and write the equations of motion in each direction using the coordinate axes given in the figure.



$$N_x = N \sin \theta$$

$$N_y = N \cos \theta$$

$$f_x = f_s \cos \theta \Rightarrow f_x = \mu_s N \cos \theta$$

$$f_y = f_s \sin \theta \Rightarrow f_y = \mu_s N \sin \theta$$

We know that $\sum_i F_{ix} = m \frac{v^2}{R}$ $\sum_i F_{iy} = 0$

$$N_y - w - f_y = 0$$

$$N_y = mg + \mu_s N \sin \theta$$

$$N \cos \theta = mg + \mu_s N \sin \theta$$

$$N (\cos \theta - \mu_s \sin \theta) = mg$$

$$N = \frac{mg}{\cos \theta - \mu_s \sin \theta}$$

$$N \sin \theta + \mu N \cos \theta = m \frac{v^2}{R}$$

$$N (\sin \theta + \mu \cos \theta) = m \frac{v^2}{R}$$

$$\frac{mg}{\cos \theta - \mu \sin \theta} (\sin \theta + \mu \cos \theta) = m \frac{v^2}{R}$$

$$v^2 \leq \frac{(\sin \theta + \mu \cos \theta) g R}{\cos \theta - \mu \sin \theta}$$

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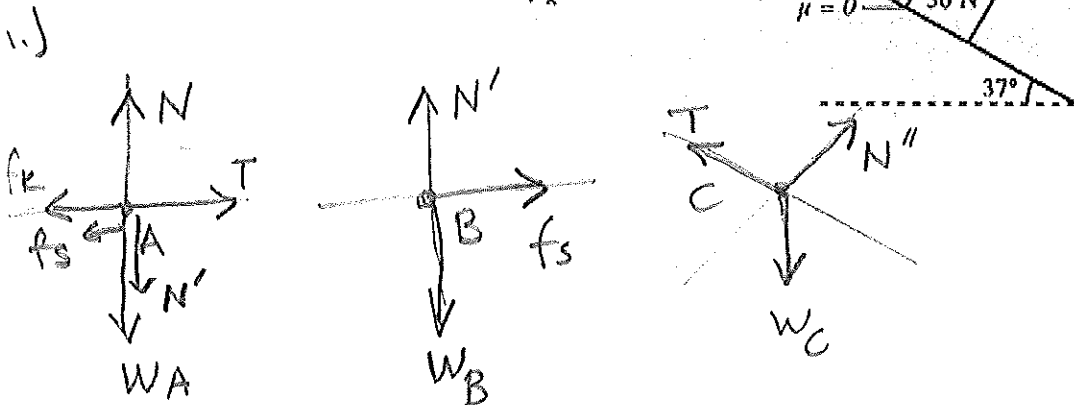
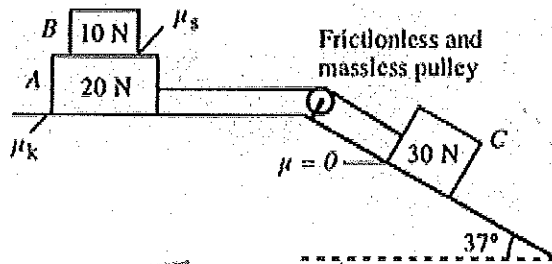
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In the figure blocks A, B and C have weights of 20N, 10N and 30N, respectively. The coefficient of static friction between blocks A and B is μ_s and the coefficient of kinetic friction between block A and the horizontal surface is μ_k . There is no friction between block C and the inclined plane. The system of blocks are released from rest. We observe that blocks A and B move together ($g = 10\text{ m/s}^2$; $\sin 37^\circ = 0.6$, $\cos 37^\circ = 0.8$)

a) Draw free-body diagram for each block just after the release.

b) In terms of g and μ_s , what is a , the maximum acceleration that block B can have without sliding over block A?

c) If $\mu_k = 0.4$, what is the minimum μ_s between A and B so that B does not slip and they (A and B) move together?



1.)

b) $m_B g \mu_s = m_B a_{max} \Rightarrow a_{max} = \mu_s g$

c) Blocks move with $a_A = a_B = a_C = a$
 Newton's 2nd Law for each block;

for block A: $T - f_s - f_k = m_A a$
 for block B: $f_s = m_B a$
 for block C: $m_C g \sin 37^\circ - T = m_C a$

where $f_k = \mu_k N = \mu_k (m_A + m_B) g$
 $f_k = (0.4)(30\text{ N}) = 12\text{ N}$

then $(30\text{ N})(0.6) - 12\text{ N} = (6\text{ kg})a$
 $a = 1\text{ m/s}^2$

$f_s = \mu_s N = m_B a \Rightarrow \mu_s = \frac{m_B a}{N} = \frac{m_B a}{m_B g}$
 $\mu_s = \frac{1}{10} = 0.1$

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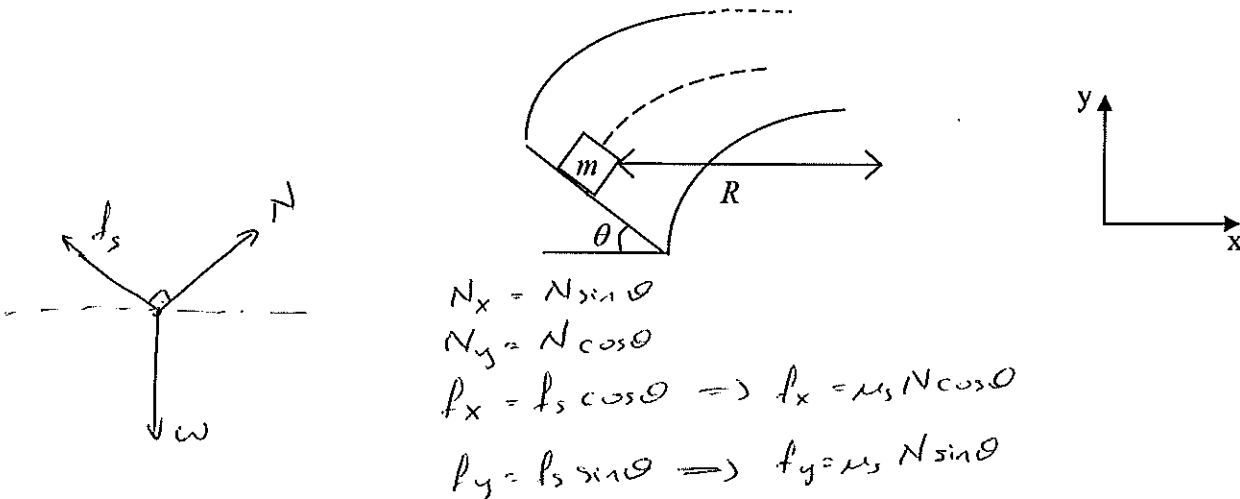
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A car rounds a banked curve (where the coefficient of static friction is μ) as shown in the figure. The radius of curvature of the road is R and the banking angle is θ .

What is the minimum speed the car can have before sliding down the banking (express your answer in terms of R , g , θ and μ). Draw the free body diagram for the car and write the equations of motion in each direction using the coordinate axes given in the figure.



$$N_x = N \sin \theta$$

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$$\sum_i F_{iy} = 0 \Rightarrow N_y - mg + f_y = 0$$

$$N \cos \theta - mg + \mu_s N \sin \theta = 0$$

$$N (\cos \theta + \mu_s \sin \theta) = mg$$

$$N = \frac{mg}{\cos \theta + \mu_s \sin \theta}$$

$$\sum_i F_{ix} = \frac{mv^2}{R} \Rightarrow N_x - f_x = \frac{mv^2}{R}$$

$$N \sin \theta - \mu_s N \cos \theta = \frac{mv^2}{R}$$

$$\left(\frac{mg}{\cos \theta + \mu_s \sin \theta} \right) (\sin \theta - \mu_s \cos \theta) = \frac{mv^2}{R} \Rightarrow v^2 \geq \frac{gR (\sin \theta - \mu_s \cos \theta)}{\cos \theta + \mu_s \sin \theta}$$