

Mechanics I

velocity \neq speed
vectors scalars

displacement, velocity, acceleration
are all vectors

graphs: s-t / v-t / a-t \rightarrow be careful, look at the axes!

The IB likes to use v for current velocity and
u for initial velocity

uniformly accelerated motion:

$$v = u + at$$

speed gain

$$s = \left(\frac{u+v}{2} \right) \cdot t$$

avg speed

$$v^2 = u^2 + 2as$$

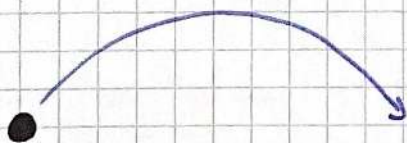
$$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

$$s = vt + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

\rightarrow e.g. free-fall

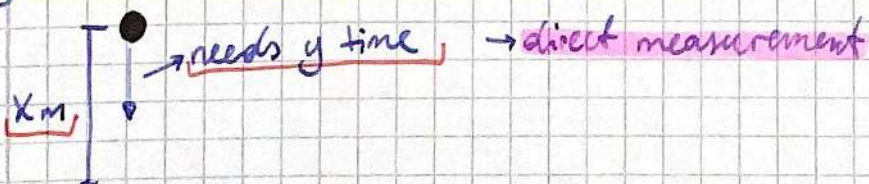
- without air resistance, same acceleration for all objects, indefinitely
- with air resistance the object reaches some terminal velocity (max. velocity)

projectile motion



- parabola
- independent components vertical and horizontal
 - \downarrow acceleration by gravit. field
 - \downarrow const

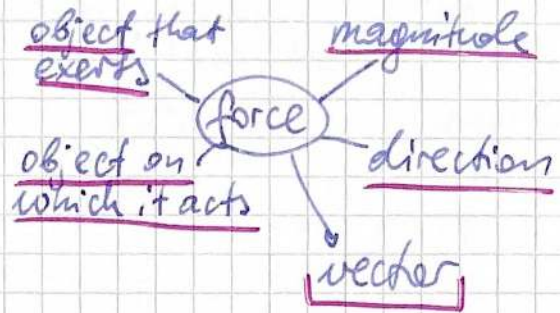
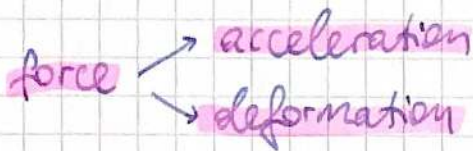
E determine free-fall acceleration



or distance senses + data logger
or video analysis

Forces

$$N = \frac{\text{kg} \cdot \text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$



Hooke's law → extension of spring ~ force acting on it
→ k is spring constant

if at rest, stays at rest.
if moving, keeps moving

Newton's first law → "if don't push, don't move"
(or stay at const speed)

$$F_{\text{res}} = 0 \Leftrightarrow v = \text{const}$$

(translational) equilibrium → resultant/net force is zero

forces: gravitational, electrostatic, magnetic, friction, tension, normal reaction

Newton's second law → resultant force is proportional to the rate of change of momentum

$$F = \frac{\Delta p}{\Delta t} \quad \text{or} \quad F = m \cdot a$$

const force on const mass

Newton's third law → "actio = reactio"

A on B → B on A → equal and opposite and same type

$$F_{A \text{ on } B} = -F_{B \text{ on } A}$$

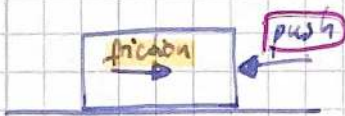
Mass and weight

"weight" = gravitational force = $F_G = m \cdot g$
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mass

$$g_{\text{earth}} \approx 10 \text{ N/kg}$$

$$g_{\text{moon}} \approx 1.6 \text{ N/kg}$$

Solid friction



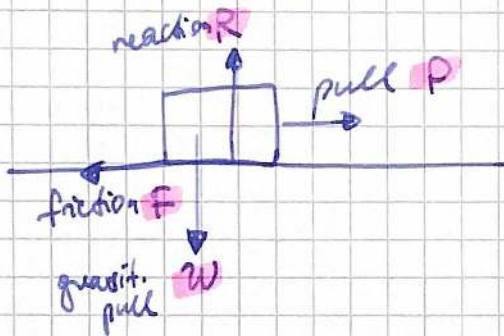
if not moving: static friction
if moving: dynamic/kinetic friction

$$F_k$$

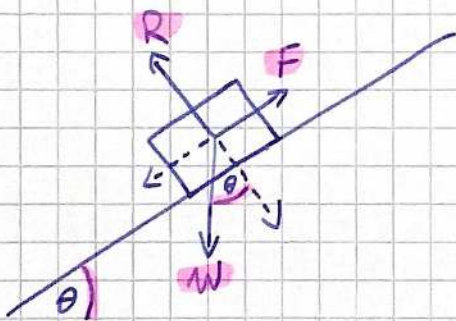
not moving until
push exceeds F_{max}

$$F_{max} > F_k$$

coefficient of friction μ (no units)



$$F_{max} = \mu \cdot R$$



$$F = W \cdot \sin(\theta)$$

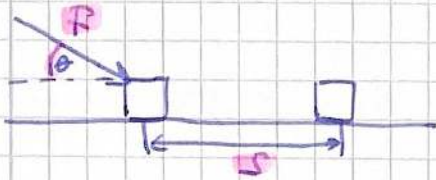
$$R = W \cdot \cos(\theta)$$

$$\mu = \frac{F_{max}}{R} = \frac{W \cdot \sin(\theta)}{W \cdot \cos(\theta)} = \tan(\theta)$$

when block
just starts moving

Work, Energy and Power

Work is only done if a force moves its point of application in the direction of the force.
(const velocity without friction \rightarrow no work done)



$$W = F \cdot s \cdot \cos(\theta)$$

$$[W] = J = N \cdot m$$

$$W_{\text{lift}} = m \cdot g \cdot h$$

$$W_{\text{spring}} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot k \cdot \Delta x^2$$

compress/extend

extension/contraction

spring const, $[k] = \frac{N}{m}$

Work = energy transferred

$$W_{\text{kin}} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot m \cdot v^2$$

$$W_{\text{gr. pot.}} = m \cdot g \cdot h$$

$$W_{\text{elastic pot.}} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot k \cdot \Delta x^2$$

Leistung

Power $P = \frac{W}{t}$

"work per time"

moving at const velocity v
on const friction F

$$\rightarrow P = F \cdot v$$

Wirkungsgrad

Efficiency

$$\eta = \frac{\text{useful work out}}{\text{total work in}} = x \%$$

Eba

Momentum and impulse

Impuls

momentum

$$\vec{p} = m \cdot \vec{v}$$

"big object more momentum
at same speed"

Kraftstoß

impulse

$$J = \Delta p = F \cdot \Delta t$$