

1.

There are two forces on the 2.00 kg box in the overhead view of the figure shown (fig. 1), but only one is shown. For $F_1 = 10.0 \text{ N}$, $a = 12.0 \text{ m/s}^2$, and $\theta = 30.0^\circ$, find the magnitude of the second force. Give the answer in Newton (N) and give three significant figures.

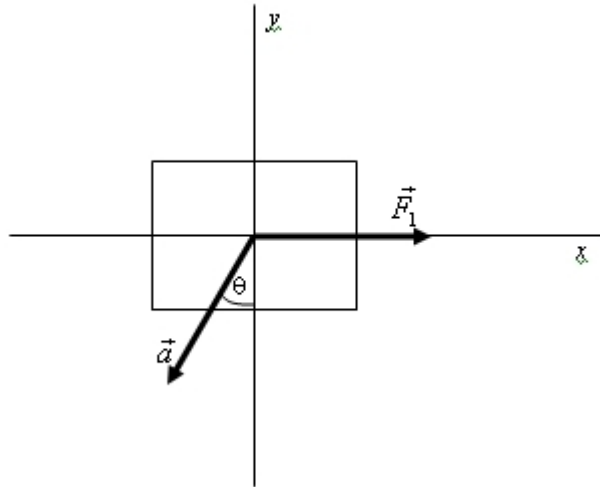


Fig1

Student Response	Value	Correct Answer
Answer: not answered	0%	30.3

$$\vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 = m\vec{a}$$

$$\langle 10.0, 0 \rangle + \langle F_{2,x}, F_{2,y} \rangle = 2.00 * \langle 12.0 \cos[240], 12.0 \sin[240] \rangle$$

Note that the angle is 240 with the positive x-direction (measured counterclockwise) NOT 30. Continuing:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle F_{2,x}, F_{2,y} \rangle &= 2.00 * \langle 12.0 \cos[240], 12.0 \sin[240] \rangle - \langle 10.0, 0 \rangle \\ &= 2.00 * \langle -6.0, -10.3923 \rangle - \langle 10.0, 0 \rangle \\ &= \langle -22, -20.7846 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow F_2 = \sqrt{(-22)^2 + (-20.7846)^2} = \boxed{30.3} \text{ N}$$

2.

There are two forces on the 2.00 kg box in the overhead view of the figure shown (fig. 1), but only one is shown. For $F_1 = 13.7 \text{ N}$, $a = 12.0 \text{ m/s}^2$, and $\theta = 30.0^\circ$, find the angle the second force makes with the positive direction of x-axis, measured counterclockwise. Give three significant figures and give the answer in degrees.

Student Response	Value	Correct Answer
Answer: not answered	0%	219

$$\vec{F}_1 + \vec{F}_2 = m\vec{a}$$

$$\langle 13.7, 0 \rangle + \langle F_{2,x}, F_{2,y} \rangle = 2.00 * \langle 12.0 \cos[240], 12.0 \sin[240] \rangle$$

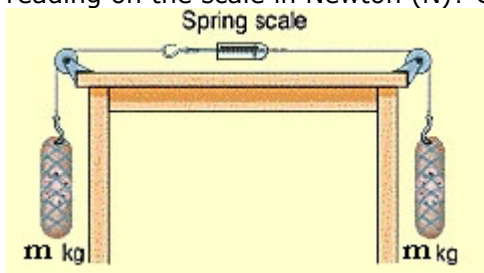
Note that the angle is 240 with the positive x-direction (measured counterclockwise) NOT 30. Continuing:

$$\begin{aligned} \langle F_{2,x}, F_{2,y} \rangle &= 2.00 * \langle 12.0 \cos[240], 12.0 \sin[240] \rangle - \langle 13.7, 0 \rangle \\ &= 2.00 * \langle -6.0, -10.3923 \rangle - \langle 13.7, 0 \rangle \\ &= \langle -25.7, -20.7846 \rangle \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{-20.7846}{-25.7} \right) = 38.96 + 180 = \boxed{219}^\circ$$

3.

Two $m=5.0$ kg mass are hung in equilibrium as shown in the figure. What is the reading on the scale in Newton (N)? Give three significant figures.



Student Response	Value	Correct Answer
Answer: not answered	0%	49.0

The scale will just read the tension in the string and the tension is equal to $mg = 5.0 * 9.8 = \boxed{49}$ N

4.

In the figure shown (fig. 3), the mass of the block is 8.5 kg, and the angle θ is 26.7° . The tension in the cord in Newton (N) is: (Give three significant figures).

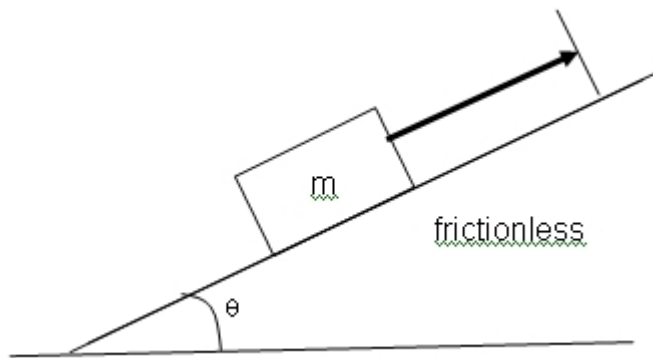


Fig. 3

Student Response	Value	Correct Answer
Answer: not answered	0%	37.4

The block is in equilibrium, acceleration, $\vec{a} = 0$.

$$\sum \vec{F} = m\vec{a}$$

$$\sum \vec{F} = 0$$

Taking x-axis along the incline upward:

$$\sum F_x = T - m g \sin\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow T = 8.5 * 9.8 * \sin[26.7] = \boxed{37.4} \text{ N}$$

5.

In the figure shown (fig. 3), the mass of the block is 8.5 kg, and the angle θ is 26.3° . The normal force in Newton (N) is : (Give three significant figures)

Student Response	Value	Correct Answer
Answer: not answered	0%	74.7

The block is in equilibrium, acceleration, $\vec{a} = 0$.

$$\sum \vec{F} = m\vec{a}$$

$$\sum \vec{F} = 0$$

Taking x-axis along the incline upward:

$$\sum F_y = N - m g \cos\theta = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow T = 8.5 * 9.8 * \cos[26.3] = \boxed{74.7} \text{ N}$$

6.

In the figure shown (fig. 4), two connected blocks are pulled on a frictionless surface to the right by a force $F = 28.9 \text{ N}$. If $M_1 = 2.00 \text{ kg}$ and $M_2 = 3.00 \text{ kg}$, the tension between the blocks (in Newton) is: (Give three significant figures).

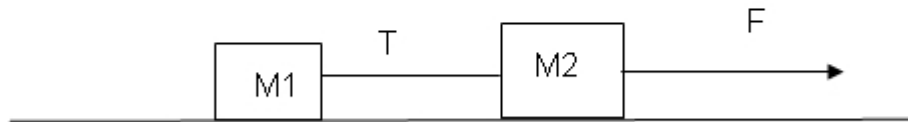


Fig. 4

Student Response	Value	Correct Answer
Answer: not answered	0%	11.6

Taking the two blocks as one system with mass $(m_1 + m_2)$ as they have the same \vec{a} to the right. And choosing the x-axis along \vec{a} , we apply Newton's 2nd Law in the x-direction:

$$F = (m_1 + m_2)a$$

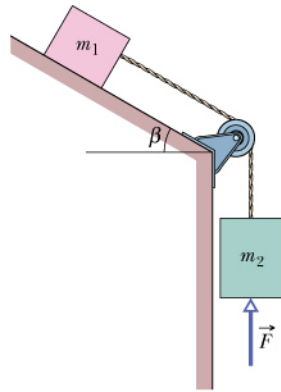
$$\Rightarrow a = \frac{F}{m_1 + m_2} = \frac{28.9}{5} = 5.78 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Now applying Newton's 2nd Law for the block m_1 only, in the x-direction:

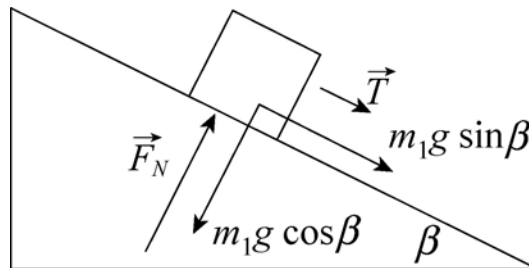
$$T = m_1 a = 2 * 5.72 = \boxed{11.6} \text{ N}$$

7.

In the figure shown, a block of mass $m_1 = 1.0 \text{ kg}$ on a frictionless inclined surface is connected to another block of mass $m_2 = 2.0 \text{ kg}$. The pulley is massless and frictionless. An upward force of magnitude $F = 6.0 \text{ N}$ acts on the mass m_2 , which has a downward acceleration of 5.5 m/s^2 . What is the tension in the connecting cord? Give the answer in Newton (N) and give two significant figures.



We first analyze the forces on $m_1=1.0$ kg.



The $+x$ direction is “downhill” (parallel to \vec{T}).

With the acceleration (5.5 m/s^2) in the positive x direction for m_1 , then Newton’s second law, applied to the x axis, becomes

$$T + m_1 g \sin \beta = m_1 (5.5 \text{ m/s}^2)$$

This equation has two unknowns T and β . So let’s apply the N’s 2nd Law on the mass m_2 .

But for $m_2=2.0$ kg, using the more familiar vertical y axis (with up as the positive direction), we have the acceleration in the negative direction:

$$F + T - m_2 g = m_2 (-5.5 \text{ m/s}^2)$$

where the tension comes in as an upward force (the cord can pull, not push).

From the equation for m_2 , with $F = 6.0$ N, we find the tension $T = \boxed{2.6}$ N.

