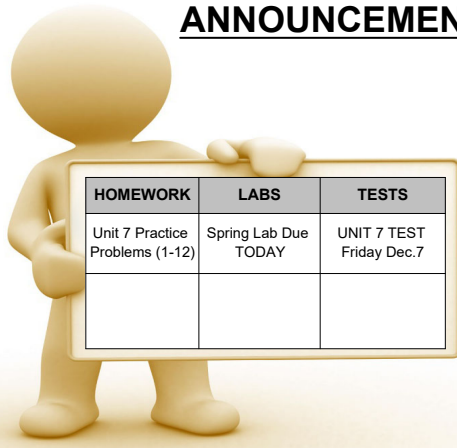


**ANNOUNCEMENTS**



**7.4 TENSION**

**LEARNING TARGETS**

**7.3** I can define, analyze, and solve dynamic problems involving tension forces and connected objects.



**REVIEW**

Some Types of Forces			
Force	Symbol	Definition	Direction
Friction	$F_f$	The contact force that acts to oppose sliding motion between surfaces	Parallel to the surface and opposite the direction of sliding
Normal	$F_N$	The contact force exerted by a surface on an object	Perpendicular to and away from the surface
Spring	$F_{sp}$ $F_s$	A restoring force; that is, the push or pull a spring exerts on an object	Opposite the displacement of the object at the end of the spring

**REFERENCE PAGE**

$f = \mu N$

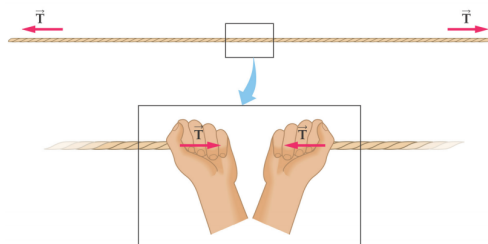
$|\vec{F}_f| \leq \mu |\vec{F}_n|$        $F = \text{force}$

$|\vec{F}_s| = k|\vec{x}|$        $k = \text{spring constant}$

$F_s = kx$        $\mu = \text{coefficient of friction}$

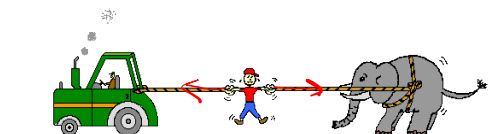
**tension**

When you pull on a string or rope, it becomes taut. We say that there is tension in the string.



**TENSION**

**Tension (T)** is a pulling force exerted by a string, rope, cable, or similar object on another object.



# TENSION

The tension in a real rope will vary along its length, due to the weight of the rope.

We will assume that all ropes, strings, wires, etc. are massless unless otherwise stated.



# TENSION

What is the tension in the rope if the box has a mass of 10 kg?

Handwritten physics solution:

$$F_{net} = 0$$

$$T_{R,B} = F_{g,B}$$

$$T_{R,B} = mg$$

$$T_{R,B} = 98 \text{ N}$$

**PULLEY**

A pulley is a simple machine that redirects tension forces.

An ideal pulley has no mass, and no friction. It simply changes the direction of the tension in a string, without changing its magnitude.



**TENSION**

A 50.0-kg bucket is being lifted by a rope. The rope will not break if the tension is 525 N or less. The bucket started at rest, and after being lifted 3.0 m, it is moving at 3.0 m/s. If the acceleration is constant, is the rope in danger of breaking?

Handwritten physics solution:

$$F_{net} = T_{R,B} - F_{g,B}$$

$$ma = T_{R,B} - mg$$

$$ma + mg = T_{R,B}$$

$$(50)(1.5) + (50)(9.8) = T_{R,B}$$

$$565 \text{ N} = T_{R,B}$$

Kinematics:

$$y_0 = 0$$

$$v_0 = 0$$

$$y_f = 3.0 \text{ m}$$

$$v_f = 3.0 \text{ m/s}$$

$$a = ?$$

$$v_f^2 = v_0^2 + 2a(y_f - y_0)$$

$$\frac{v_f^2}{2y_f} = a = 1.5 \text{ m/s}^2$$

## Applications of Tension



# PRACTICE

## UNIT 7 PROBLEMS

### (13-14)

#### 7.4 TENSION FORCES

- Pulling up on a rope, you lift a 4.25-kg bucket of water from a well with an acceleration of  $1.80 \text{ m/s}^2$ . What is the tension in the rope?
- You are helping to repair a roof by loading equipment into a bucket that workers hoist to the rooftop. If the rope is guaranteed not to break as long as the tension does not exceed 450 N and you fill the bucket until it has a mass of 42 kg, what is the greatest acceleration that the workers can give the bucket as they pull it to the roof?