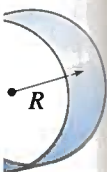


The Pont du Gard, in southern France, was built by the Romans nearly 2000 years ago, and was built to last.

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BODIES IN EQUILIBRIUM; ELASTICITY AND FRACTURE

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In this chapter, we will study a special case of motion—when the net force and the net torque on an object, or system of objects, are both zero. In this case the object or system is either at rest, or its center of mass is moving at constant velocity. We will be concerned mainly with the first case, when the object or objects are all at rest. Now you may think that the study of objects at rest is not very interesting since the objects will have neither velocity nor acceleration; and the net force and the net torque will be zero. But this does not imply that no forces at all act on the objects. In fact it is virtually impossible to find a body on which no forces act at all. Sometimes the forces may be so great that the object is seriously deformed, or it may even fracture (break)—and avoiding such problems gives this field of **statics** great importance.

9-1 Statics—The Study of Forces in Equilibrium

Objects within our experience have at least one force acting on them (gravity), and if they are at rest then there must be other forces acting on them as well so that the net force is zero. An object at rest on a table, for example, has two forces acting on it, the downward force of gravity and the normal force the table exerts upward on it (Fig. 9-1). Since the net

This chapter deals with forces within objects at rest

FIGURE 9-1 The book is in equilibrium; the net force on it is zero.

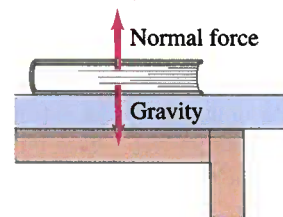




FIGURE 9-2 Elevated walkway collapse in a Kansas City hotel in 1981. How a simple physics calculation could have prevented the tragic loss of 100 lives is considered in Example 9-14.

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Orthodonture

force is zero, the upward force exerted by the table must be equal in magnitude to the force of gravity acting downward. (Do not confuse these forces with the equal and opposite forces of Newton's third law which act on different bodies; here both forces act on the same body.) Such a body is said to be in **equilibrium** (Latin for "equal forces" or "balance") under the action of these two forces.

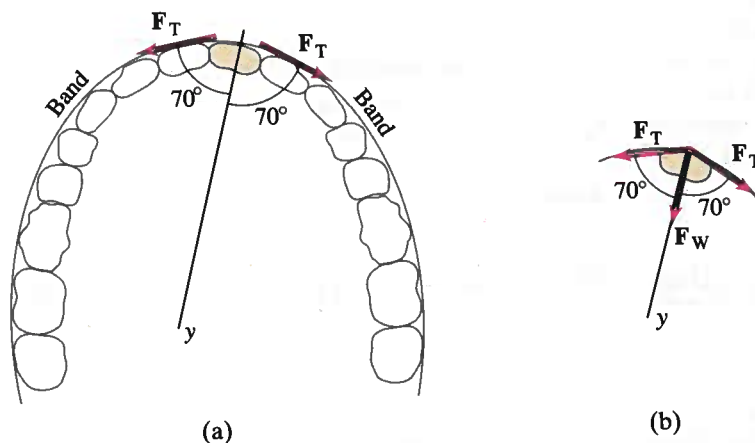
The subject of statics is concerned with the calculation of the forces acting on and within structures that are in equilibrium. Determination of these forces, which occupies us in the first part of this chapter, then allows a determination of whether the structures can sustain the forces without significant deformation or fracture, subjects we discuss later in this chapter. These techniques can be applied in a wide range of fields. Architects and engineers must be able to calculate the forces on the structural components of buildings, bridges, machines, vehicles, and other structures since any material will break or buckle if too much force is applied (Fig. 9-2). In the human body, a knowledge of the forces in muscles and joints is of great value for medicine and physical therapy, and is also valuable for the study of athletic activity.

Let us take a simple Example of the addition of forces applied in orthodonture.

EXAMPLE 9-1 Straightening teeth. The wire band shown in Fig. 9-3a has a tension F_T of 2.0 N along it. It therefore exerts forces of 2.0 N on the tooth (to which it is attached) in the two directions shown. Calculate the resultant force on the tooth due to the wire, F_w .

SOLUTION Since the two forces are equal, their sum will be directed along the line that bisects the angle between them, which we have labeled the y axis. The x components of the two forces add up to zero. The y component of each force is $(2.0 \text{ N})(\cos 70^\circ) = 0.68 \text{ N}$; adding the two together we get a total force F_w of 1.36 N as shown in Fig. 9-3b. Note that if the wire is firmly attached to the tooth, the tension to the right, say, can be made larger than that to the left, and the resultant force would correspondingly be directed more toward the right.

FIGURE 9-3 Forces on a tooth. Example 9-1.



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of the forces. The determination of the forces, then allows us to find the forces without having to do this chapter. The structural components of the structures are applied to the muscles and the forces are also applied to the

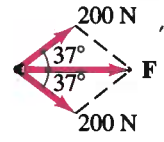
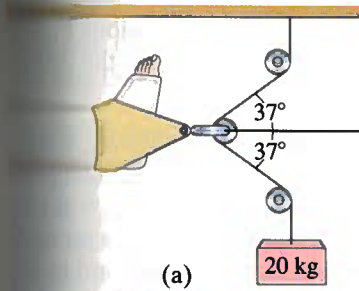


FIGURE 9-4 Traction apparatus exerts force on a leg.

EXAMPLE 9-2 Traction. Calculate the force exerted on the leg by the traction apparatus shown in Fig. 9-4. Assume the pulleys are frictionless.

SOLUTION There is a tension of $20 \text{ kg} \times 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2 = 200 \text{ N}$ all along the cord. Thus there are two 200-N forces acting at 37° angles on the central pulley and on the leg, Fig. 9-4b. So the resultant force on the leg is $F = 2(200 \text{ N}) \cos 37^\circ = 320 \text{ N}$ acting to the right. (The leg is in equilibrium, so there must be another 320-N force acting on the leg to keep it at rest. What exerts this force?)

9-2 The Conditions for Equilibrium

in Fig. 9-3a. The forces of 2.0 N on the wall. Calculate

It will be directed to the right. We have to find the force to zero. The resulting force is the sum of the two forces. Note that the resultant force is to the right.

For a body to be at rest, the sum of the forces acting on it must add up to zero. Since force is a vector, the components of the net force must each be zero. Hence, a condition for equilibrium is that

$$\Sigma F_x = 0, \quad \Sigma F_y = 0, \quad \Sigma F_z = 0. \quad (9-1)$$

We will mainly be dealing with forces that act in a plane, so we usually need only the x and y components. We must remember that if a particular force component points along the negative x or y axis, it must have a negative sign. Equation 9-1 is called the **first condition for equilibrium**.

First condition for equilibrium: the sum of all forces is zero

EXAMPLE 9-3 Pull-ups on a scale. A 90-kg weakling cannot do even one pull-up. By standing on a scale (Fig. 9-5), he can determine how strong he gets. His best effort results in a scale reading of 23 kg. What force is he exerting?

SOLUTION There are three forces acting on our nonathlete, as shown in Fig. 9-5: gravity, $mg = (90 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)$ downward, and two upward forces which are (1) the force the bar pulls upward on him, F_B (equal and opposite to the force he exerts on the bar), and (2) the force the scale exerts on his feet, F_S . At best, $F_S = (23 \text{ kg})(g)$. The person doesn't move, so the sum of these forces is zero:

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma F_y &= 0 \\ F_B + F_S - mg &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

We solve for F_B :

$$\begin{aligned} F_B &= mg - F_S \\ &= (90 \text{ kg} - 23 \text{ kg})(g) = (67 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2) = 660 \text{ N}. \end{aligned}$$

That is, he could lift himself if his mass were only 67 kg.

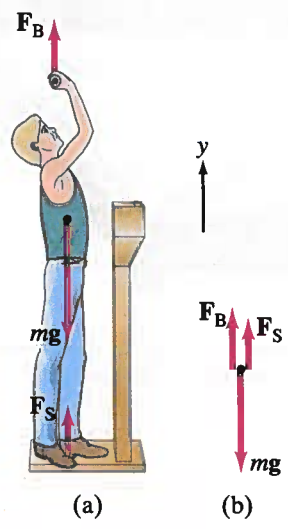


FIGURE 9-5 Example 9-3: (a) A person trying to do a pull-up while standing on a scale. (b) Simple free-body diagram.

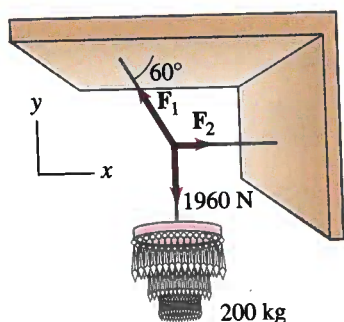
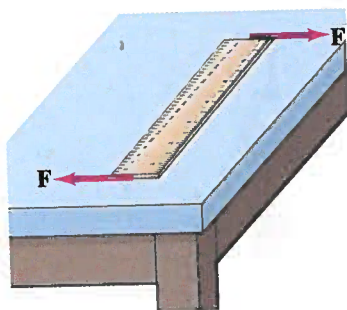


FIGURE 9-6 Example 9-4.

FIGURE 9-7 Although the net force on it is zero, the ruler will move (rotate). A pair of equal forces acting in opposite directions but at different points on a body (as shown here) is referred to as a *couple*.



Second condition for equilibrium:
the sum of all torques is zero

EXAMPLE 9-4 Chandelier cord tension. Calculate the tensions F_1 and F_2 in the two cords that are connected to the cord supporting the 200-kg chandelier in Fig. 9-6.

SOLUTION The three forces, F_1 , F_2 , and the weight of the 200-kg chandelier, act at the point where the three cords join. We choose this junction point (it could be a knot) as the object for which we write $\Sigma F_x = 0$, $\Sigma F_y = 0$. We don't bother considering the chandelier itself since only two forces act on it: gravity downward and the equal but opposite force exerted upward by the cord, both of which equal $mg = (200 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2) = 1960 \text{ N}$. There are two unknowns (F_1 and F_2)[†] and we can solve for them using Eqs. 9-1. We resolve F_1 into its horizontal (x) and vertical (y) components. Although we don't know the value of F_1 , we can write $F_{1x} = -F_1 \cos 60^\circ$ and $F_{1y} = F_1 \sin 60^\circ$. F_2 has only an x component. In the vertical direction we have only the weight of the chandelier $= (200 \text{ kg})(g)$ acting downward and the vertical component of F_1 upward. Since $\Sigma F_y = 0$, we have

$$\Sigma F_y = F_1 \sin 60^\circ - (200 \text{ kg})(g) = 0$$

so

$$F_1 = \frac{(200 \text{ kg})g}{\sin 60^\circ} = \frac{(200 \text{ kg})g}{0.866} = (231 \text{ kg})g = 2260 \text{ N}.$$

In the horizontal direction,

$$\Sigma F_x = F_2 - F_1 \cos 60^\circ = 0.$$

Thus

$$F_2 = F_1 \cos 60^\circ = (231 \text{ kg})(g)(0.500) = (115 \text{ kg})g = 1130 \text{ N}.$$

The magnitudes of F_1 and F_2 determine the strength of cord or wire that must be used. In this case, the wire must be able to hold at least 231 kg. Note in this example that we didn't insert the value of g , the acceleration due to gravity, until the end. In this way we found the magnitude of the force in terms of the number of kilograms (which may be a more familiar quantity than newtons) times g .

Although Eqs. 9-1 must be true if an object is to be in equilibrium, they are not a sufficient condition. Figure 9-7 shows an object on which the net force is zero. Although the two forces labeled F add up to a zero net force on the object, they do give rise to a net torque that will rotate the object. Referring to Eq. 8-14, $\Sigma \tau = I\alpha$, we see that if a body is to remain at rest, the net torque applied to it (calculated about *any* axis) must be zero. Thus we have the **second condition for equilibrium**: that the sum of the torques acting on a body must be zero:

$$\Sigma \tau = 0. \quad (9)$$

This will assure that the angular acceleration, α , about any axis will be zero. If the body is not rotating initially ($\omega = 0$), it will not start rotating. Equations 9-1 and 9-2 are the only requirements for a body to be in equilibrium.

We will consider cases in which the forces all act in a plane (we call it the xy plane). In this case the torque is calculated about an axis that is perpendicular to the plane.

[†]The directions of F_1 and F_2 are known, since tension in a rope can only be along the rope. Any other direction would cause the rope to bend, as already pointed out in Chapter 4. Our unknowns are the magnitudes F_1 and F_2 .

perpendicular to the xy plane. The choice of this axis is arbitrary. If the body is uniform, then $\Sigma \tau = 0$ about any axis whatever. Therefore we can choose any axis that makes our calculation easier.

0-kg chandeliers hang from the ceiling by function polystyrene wires. The net force $\Sigma F_y = 0$. (We assume the wires act on the chandeliers.) The upward force by the ceiling is 100 N. There are two chandeliers, each with a weight of 49–1. We find the weight of each chandelier. Although the weight of each chandelier is 49 N , $\cos 60^\circ$ and the direction, we find the weight of each chandelier hanging downward. We have

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CONCEPTUAL EXAMPLE 9-5 **A lever.** The bar in Fig. 9-8 is being used as a lever to pry up a large rock. The small rock acts as a fulcrum. The force F_p required at the long end of the bar can be quite a bit smaller than the rock's weight mg , since it is the *torques* that balance in the rotation about the fulcrum. If, however, the leverage isn't quite good enough, and the rock isn't budged, what are two ways to increase the leverage?

RESPONSE One way is to increase the lever arm of the force F_p by slipping a pipe over the end of the bar and thereby pushing with a longer lever arm. A second, perhaps handier, way is to move the fulcrum closer to the large rock. This may change the long lever arm R only a little, but it changes the short lever arm r by a good fraction and therefore changes the ratio of R/r dramatically. In order to pry the rock, the torque due to F_p must at least balance the torque due to mg , so $mgr = F_p R$ and

$$\frac{r}{R} = \frac{F_P}{mg}.$$

With r smaller, the weight mg can be balanced with less force F_p .

Solving Statics Problems

This subject of statics is important because it allows us to calculate certain forces on (or within) a structure when some of the forces on it are already known. There is no single technique for attacking such statics problems, but the following procedure may be helpful:

PROBLEM SOLVING Statics

1. Choose one body at a time for consideration, and make a careful *free-body diagram* for it by showing all the forces acting on that body and the points at which these forces act.
2. Choose a convenient coordinate system, and resolve the forces into their components.
3. Using letters to represent unknowns, write down equations for
$$\Sigma F_x = 0, \quad \Sigma F_y = 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \Sigma \tau = 0.$$
4. For the $\Sigma \tau = 0$ equation, choose any axis perpendicular to the xy plane that you like. (For example, you can reduce the number of unknowns in the resulting equation by choosing the axis so that one of the unknown forces passes through

the axis; then this force will have zero lever arm and produce zero torque and so won't appear in the equation.) Pay careful attention to determining the lever arm for each force correctly. Give each torque a + or - sign. If torques that would tend to rotate the object counterclockwise are given a + sign, then torques that would tend to rotate it clockwise are negative.

- 5. Solve these equations for the unknowns. Three equations allow a maximum of three unknowns to be solved for; they can be forces, distances, even angles. (If an unknown force comes out negative in your solution, it means the direction you originally chose for that force is actually the opposite.)**

Probably the hardest step is (1): *all* the forces *on* the body must be included, but the forces exerted *by* this body on other objects must *not* be included.

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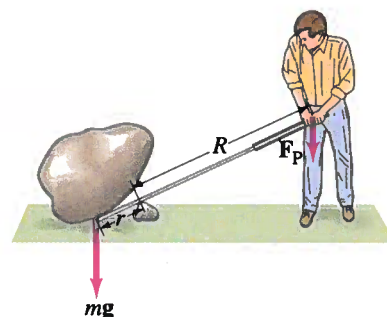


FIGURE 9-8 Example 9-5

It is useful to refer back to Example 9-4 to see how this procedure was followed. Notice that we considered the forces on the chandelier (briefly (gravity downward and the rope pulling upward with an equal magnitude force)). We wanted to know the tension in the two cords, so we chose the junction point (or knot) of the cords as our object. Since the object is essentially a point, there would be no torques, so the torque equation was not used. Of course, you do not have to use all three equations if they are not needed. In many situations we must make use of the torque equation as we shall soon see. Just as the components of a force are positive or negative depending on their direction, so too are torques. If a torque that tends to rotate the object counterclockwise is considered positive, then a torque that tends to rotate it clockwise must be considered negative.

Alternate form of
 $\Sigma \tau = 0, \Sigma \mathbf{F} = 0$

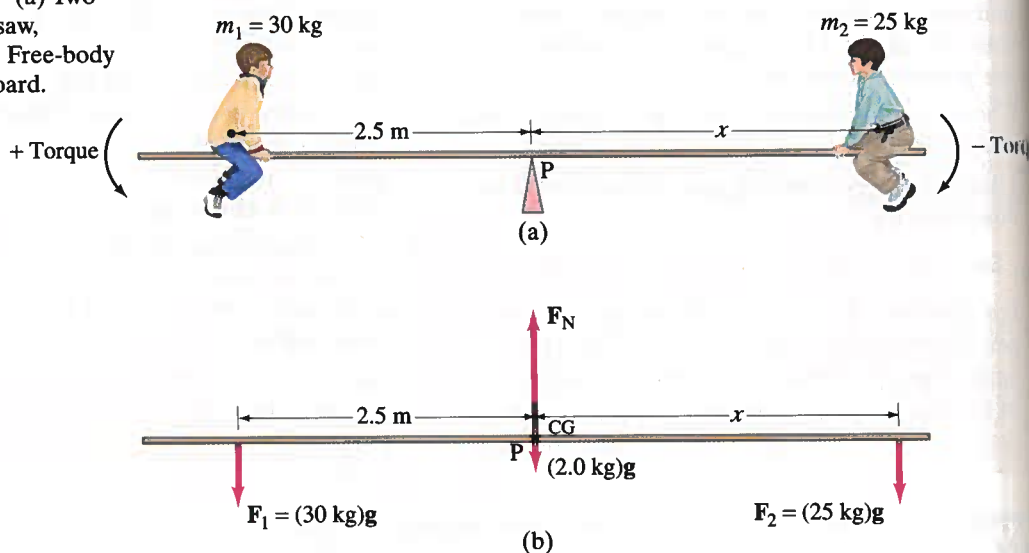
Another way of stating the torque equilibrium condition is that the sum of all clockwise torques is equal to the sum of all counterclockwise torques. And for the forces, the sum of the upward forces is equal to the sum of the downward forces, and the sum of horizontal forces to the left is equal to the sum of horizontal forces to the right.

One of the forces that acts on bodies is the force of gravity. Our analysis in this chapter is greatly simplified if we use the concept of center of gravity (CG) or center of mass (CM), which for practical purposes are the same point. As we discussed in Section 7-8, we can consider the force of gravity on the body as a whole as acting at its CG. For uniform symmetrically shaped bodies, the CG is at the geometric center. For more complicated bodies, the CG can be determined as discussed in Section 7-8.

EXAMPLE 9-6 Balancing a seesaw. A 2.0-kg board serves as a seesaw for two children, as shown in Fig. 9-9a. One child has a mass of 30 kg and sits 2.5 m from the pivot point (i.e., his CG is 2.5 m from the pivot). At what distance, x , from the pivot must a 25-kg child place herself to balance the seesaw? Assume the board is uniform and centered over the pivot.

SOLUTION The free-body diagram for the board is as shown in Fig. 9-9b. The forces acting on the board are the forces exerted downward on it by each child, \mathbf{F}_1 and \mathbf{F}_2 , the upward force exerted by the

FIGURE 9-9 (a) Two children on a seesaw, Example 9-6. (b) Free-body diagram of the board.



pivot, F_N , and the force of gravity (its weight), which acts at the center of the uniform board. Let us calculate the torque about the pivot point, P: the lever arms for F_N and for the weight of the board are then zero, and they will not appear in the torque equation. Thus the torque equation will involve only the forces F_1 and F_2 , which are equal to the weights of the children. The torque exerted by each child will be mg times the appropriate lever arm, which here is the distance of each child from the pivot point. Hence the torque equation is

$$\Sigma\tau = (30 \text{ kg})(g)(2.5 \text{ m}) - (25 \text{ kg})(g)(x) = 0,$$

where a torque tending to rotate the board counterclockwise has been chosen to be a positive torque, and a torque tending to rotate it clockwise to be negative. The acceleration of gravity, g , appears in both terms and cancels out. We solve for x and find:

$$x = \frac{(30 \text{ kg})(2.5 \text{ m})}{25 \text{ kg}} = 3.0 \text{ m}.$$

To balance the seesaw, the second child must sit so that her CG is 3.0 m from the pivot. This makes sense: since she is lighter, she must sit farther from the pivot.

EXAMPLE 9-7 Forces on a beam and supports. A uniform 1500-kg beam, 20.0 m long, supports a 15,000-kg printing press 5.0 m from the right support column (Fig. 9-10). Calculate the force on each of the vertical support columns.

SOLUTION We analyze the forces on the beam, since the force the beam exerts on the columns is equal and opposite to the forces exerted by the columns on the beam. We call the latter F_1 and F_2 in Fig. 9-10. The weight of the beam itself acts at its center of gravity, 10.0 m from either end. Since it doesn't matter which point we choose as the axis for writing the torque equation, we can choose one that is convenient. If we calculate the torques about the point of application of F_1 , then F_1 will not enter the equation (its lever arm will be zero) and we will have an equation in only one unknown, F_2 . We choose the counterclockwise direction as positive, and $\Sigma\tau = 0$ gives

$$\Sigma\tau = -(10.0 \text{ m})(1500 \text{ kg})g - (15.0 \text{ m})(15,000 \text{ kg})g + (20.0 \text{ m})F_2 = 0.$$

Solving for F_2 we find $F_2 = (12,000 \text{ kg})g = 118,000 \text{ N}$. To find F_1 , we use $\Sigma F_y = 0$:

$$\Sigma F_y = F_1 - (1500 \text{ kg})g - (15,000 \text{ kg})g + F_2 = 0.$$

Putting in $F_2 = (12,000 \text{ kg})g$ we find that $F_1 = (4500 \text{ kg})g = 44,100 \text{ N}$.

To confirm that the results don't depend on where the axis is chosen, let us choose a different axis, say, at the other end of the beam, where F_2 acts. In this case, the torque equation is

$$\Sigma\tau = -(20.0 \text{ m})F_1 + (10.0 \text{ m})(1500 \text{ kg})g + (5.0 \text{ m})(15,000 \text{ kg})g = 0.$$

We solve this for F_1 and find $F_1 = (4500 \text{ kg})g$, just as before. The ΣF_y equation is the same as before and gives $F_2 = (12,000 \text{ kg})g$. So our results are the same, no matter which axis we choose to calculate the torques about.

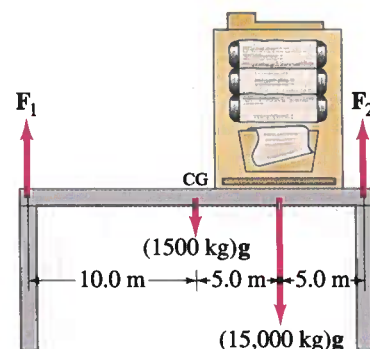


FIGURE 9-10 A 1500-kg beam supports a 15,000-kg machine. Example 9-7.

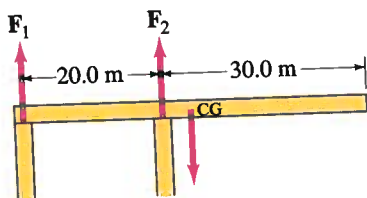


FIGURE 9-11 A cantilever.

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If a force comes out negative

Figure 9-11 shows a beam that extends beyond its support like a diving board. Such a beam is called a *cantilever*. The forces acting on the beam in this figure are those due to the supports, F_1 and F_2 , and the force of gravity which acts at the CG, 5.0 m to the right of the right-hand support. If you follow the procedure of the last Example to calculate F_1 and F_2 , assuming the point upward as shown in the figure, you will find that F_1 comes out negative. If the beam has a mass of 1200 kg, then $F_2 = 15,000$ N and $F_1 = -3000$ N (see Problem 15). Whenever an unknown force comes out negative, it merely means that the force actually points in the opposite direction from what you assumed. Thus in Fig. 9-11, F_1 actually points downward. With a little reflection it should become obvious that the left-hand support must indeed pull downward on the beam (by means of bolts, screws, fasteners and glue) if the beam is to be in equilibrium; otherwise the sum of the torques about the CG (or about the point where F_2 acts) could not be zero.

Our next Example involves a beam attached to a wall by a hinge and supported by a guy wire (Fig. 9-12). It is important to remember that a flexible cord or wire can support a force only along its length. (If there were a component of force perpendicular to the cord or wire, it would bend because it is flexible.) For a rigid device, such as the hinge in Fig. 9-12, the force can be in any direction and we can know the direction only after solving the problem.

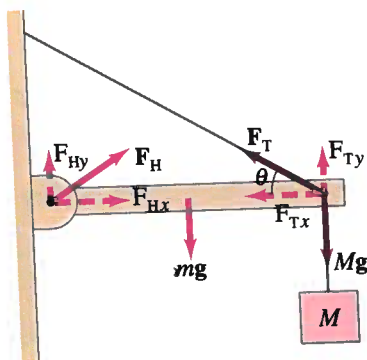


FIGURE 9-12 Example 9-8.

EXAMPLE 9-8 Beam and wire. A uniform beam, 2.20 m long with mass $m = 25.0$ kg, is mounted by a hinge on a wall as shown in Fig. 9-12. The beam is held in a horizontal position by a wire that makes an angle $\theta = 30^\circ$ as shown. The beam supports a mass $M = 280$ kg suspended from its end. Determine the components of the force F_H that the hinge exerts on the beam, and the components of the tension F_T in the supporting wire.

SOLUTION Figure 9-12 is the free-body diagram for the beam, showing all the forces acting on the beam; it also shows the components of F_H and F_T . We have three unknowns, F_{Hx} , F_{Hy} , and F_T (we are given θ), so we will need all three equations, $\Sigma F_x = 0$, $\Sigma F_y = 0$, $\Sigma \tau = 0$. The sum of the forces in the vertical (y) direction is

$$\Sigma F_y = F_{Hy} + F_{Ty} - mg - Mg = 0.$$

In the horizontal (x) direction, the sum of the forces is

$$\Sigma F_x = F_{Hx} - F_{Tx} = 0.$$

For the torque equation, we choose the axis at the point where F_T and Mg act (so our equation then contains only one unknown, F_{Hy} , and we can solve it more quickly); we choose torques that tend to rotate the beam counterclockwise as positive. The weight mg of the (uniform) beam acts at its center, so we have:

$$\Sigma \tau = -(F_{Hy})(2.20 \text{ m}) + (mg)(1.10 \text{ m}) = 0$$

or

$$F_{Hy} = \frac{1}{2}mg = \frac{1}{2}(25.0 \text{ kg})(9.80 \text{ m/s}^2) = 123 \text{ N}.$$

Next, since the tension F_T in the wire acts along the wire ($\theta = 30^\circ$),

$$F_{Ty} = F_{Tx} \tan \theta = 0.577 F_{Tx}.$$

From Eqs. i, ii, and iii we get

$$F_{Ty} = (m + M)g - F_{Hy} = (305 \text{ kg})(9.80 \text{ m/s}^2) - 123 \text{ N} = 2870 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{Tx} = F_{Ty}/0.577 = 4970 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{Hx} = F_{Tx} = 4970 \text{ N}.$$

The components of \mathbf{F}_H are $F_{Hy} = 123 \text{ N}$ and $F_{Hx} = 4970 \text{ N}$. The tension in the wire is $F_T = \sqrt{F_{Tx}^2 + F_{Ty}^2} = 5740 \text{ N}$.

EXAMPLE 9-9 Ladder. A 5.0-m-long ladder leans against a wall at a point 4.0 m above the ground as shown in Fig. 9-13. The ladder is uniform and has mass 12.0 kg. Assuming the wall is frictionless (but the ground is not), determine the forces exerted on the ladder by the ground and the wall.

SOLUTION Figure 9-13 shows the free-body diagram for the ladder, showing all the forces acting on the ladder. The wall, since it is frictionless, can exert a force only perpendicular to the wall, and we label that force F_w . The ground, however, can exert both horizontal, F_{Gx} , and vertical, F_{Gy} , force components, the former being frictional and the latter the normal force. Finally, gravity exerts a force $mg = (12.0 \text{ kg})(9.80 \text{ m/s}^2) = 118 \text{ N}$ on the ladder at its midpoint, since the ladder is uniform. The y component of the force equation is

$$\Sigma F_y = F_{Gy} - mg = 0,$$

so immediately we have $F_{Gy} = mg = 118 \text{ N}$. The x component of the force equation is

$$\Sigma F_x = F_{Gx} - F_w = 0.$$

To determine F_{Gx} and F_w , which are both unknowns, we need another equation, namely a torque equation, which we calculate about the point where the ladder touches the ground. This point is a distance $x_0 = \sqrt{(5.0 \text{ m})^2 - (4.0 \text{ m})^2} = 3.0 \text{ m}$ from the wall. The lever arm for mg is half this, or 1.5 m, and the lever arm for F_w is 4.0 m. Since \mathbf{F}_G acts at the axis, its lever arm is zero and so doesn't enter the equation (we planned it like that), and we get

$$\Sigma \tau = (4.0 \text{ m})F_w - (1.5 \text{ m})mg = 0.$$

Thus

$$F_w = \frac{(1.5 \text{ m})(12.0 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)}{4.0 \text{ m}} = 44 \text{ N}.$$

Then, from the x component of the force equation,

$$F_{Gx} = F_w = 44 \text{ N}.$$

Since the components of \mathbf{F}_G are $F_{Gx} = 44 \text{ N}$ and $F_{Gy} = 118 \text{ N}$, then

$$F_G = \sqrt{(44 \text{ N})^2 + (118 \text{ N})^2} = 126 \text{ N} \approx 130 \text{ N}$$

(rounded off to two significant figures) and it acts at an angle

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(118 \text{ N}/44 \text{ N}) = 70^\circ$$

to the ground. Note the force \mathbf{F}_G does *not* have to act along the ladder's direction because the ladder is rigid and not flexible like a cord or cable.

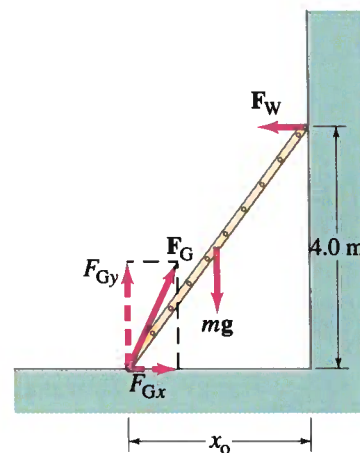


FIGURE 9-13 A ladder leaning against a wall. Example 9-9.

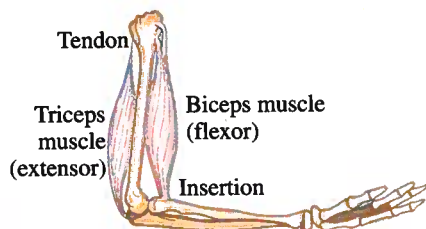


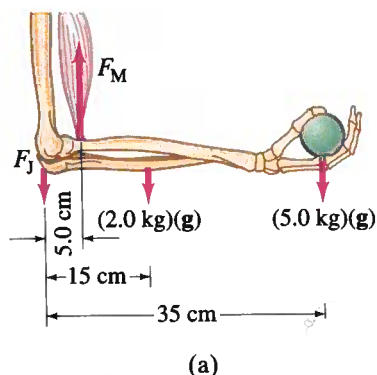
FIGURE 9-14 Diagram showing the biceps (flexor) and triceps (extensor) muscles in the human arm.

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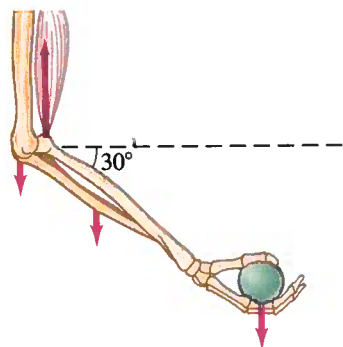
Forces in muscles and joints

* 9-4 Applications to Muscles and Joints

The techniques we have been discussing for calculating forces on bodies in equilibrium can readily be applied to the human (or animal) body. This is of great use in studying the forces on muscles, bones, and joints for organisms in motion or at rest. Generally a muscle is attached, via tendons, to two different bones (see Fig. 9-14). The points of attachment are called *insertions*. The two bones are flexibly connected at a *joint*, such as those at the elbow, knee, and hip. A muscle exerts a pull when its fibers contract under stimulation by a nerve, but it cannot exert a push. Muscles that tend to bring two limbs closer together, such as the biceps muscle in the upper arm (Fig. 9-14) are called *flexor* muscles; those that act to extend a limb outward, such as the triceps, are called *extensor* muscles. The flexor muscle in the upper arm is used when lifting an object in your hand; the extensor muscle is used when throwing a ball.



(a)



(b)

FIGURE 9-15 Example 9-10.

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Muscle insertion and lever arm

EXAMPLE 9-10 Force exerted by biceps muscle. How much force must the biceps muscle exert when a 5.0-kg mass is held in the hand (a) with the arm horizontal as in Fig. 9-15a, and (b) when the arm is at a 30° angle as in Fig. 9-15b? Assume that the mass of forearm and hand together is 2.0 kg and their CG is as shown.

SOLUTION (a) The forces acting on the forearm are shown in Fig. 9-15a and include the upward force F_M exerted by the muscle and a force F_J exerted at the joint by the bone in the upper arm (both assumed to act vertically). We wish to find F_M , which is done most easily by using the torque equation and by choosing our axis through the joint so that F_J does not enter:

$$\Sigma \tau = (0.050 \text{ m})(F_M) - (0.15 \text{ m})(2.0 \text{ kg})(g) - (0.35 \text{ m})(5.0 \text{ kg})(g) = 0$$

We solve this for F_M and find $F_M = (41 \text{ kg})(g) = 400 \text{ N}$.

(b) The lever arm, as calculated about the joint, is reduced by the factor $\cos 30^\circ$ for all three forces. So our torque equation will look like the one just above, except that each term will have a " $\cos 30^\circ$." The latter will cancel out so the same result will be obtained, $F_M = 400 \text{ N}$.

Note in this Example that the force required of the muscle (400 N) is quite large compared to the weight of the object lifted (49 N). Indeed, the muscles and joints of the body are generally subjected to quite large forces.

The point of insertion of a muscle varies from person to person. A slight increase in the point of insertion of the biceps muscle from 5.0 cm to 5.5 cm can be a considerable advantage for lifting and other exertions. Indeed, champion athletes are often found to have muscle insertions farther from the joint than the average person, and if this applies to one muscle it usually applies to all.

As another example of the large forces acting within the human body we consider the muscles used to support the trunk when a person bends

forward (Fig. 9-16a). The lowest vertebra on the spinal column (fifth lumbar vertebra) acts as a fulcrum for this bending position. The “erector spinae” muscles in the back that support the trunk act at an effective angle of about 12° to the axis of the spine. Figure 9-16b is a simplified schematic drawing showing the forces on the upper body. We assume the trunk makes an angle of 30° with the horizontal. The force exerted by the back muscles is represented by F_M , the force exerted on the base of the spine at the lowest vertebra is F_V , and w_1 , w_2 , and w_3 represent the weights of the head, freely hanging arms, and trunk, respectively. The values shown are approximations taken from Table 7-1. The distances (in cm) refer to a person 180 cm tall, but are approximately in the same ratio of 1:2:3 for an average person of any height, and the result in the following Example is then independent of the height of the person.

EXAMPLE 9-11 Forces on your back. Calculate the magnitude and direction of the force F_V acting on the fifth lumbar vertebra for the example shown in Fig. 9-16b.

SOLUTION First we calculate F_M using the torque equation, taking the axis at the base of the spine. To figure the lever arms, we need to use trigonometric functions. For F_M , the lever arm (perpendicular distance from axis to line of action of the force) will be the real distance to where the force acts (48 cm) times $\sin 12^\circ$ as shown in Fig. 9-16c. The lever arms for w_1 , w_2 , and w_3 can be seen from Fig. 9-16b to be their respective distances times $\sin 60^\circ$. Thus $\Sigma \tau = 0$ gives

$$(0.48 \text{ m})(\sin 12^\circ)(F_M) - (0.72 \text{ m})(\sin 60^\circ)(w_1) - (0.48 \text{ m})(\sin 60^\circ)(w_2) - (0.36 \text{ m})(\sin 60^\circ)(w_3) = 0,$$

where we chose the positive sign for counterclockwise torque. Putting in the values for w_1 , w_2 , w_3 given in the figure, we find $F_M = 2.2w$, where w is the total weight of the body. To get the components of F_V we use the x and y components of the force equation (noting that $30^\circ - 12^\circ = 18^\circ$):

$$\Sigma F_y = F_{Vy} - F_M \sin 18^\circ - w_1 - w_2 - w_3 = 0$$

$$F_{Vy} = 1.3w$$

$$\Sigma F_x = F_{Vx} - F_M \cos 18^\circ = 0$$

$$F_{Vx} = 2.1w.$$

Then

$$F_V = \sqrt{F_{Vx}^2 + F_{Vy}^2} = 2.5w.$$

The angle θ that F_V makes with the horizontal is given by $\tan \theta = F_{Vy}/F_{Vx} = 0.62$, so $\theta = 32^\circ$.

The force on the lowest vertebra is thus $2\frac{1}{2}$ times the body weight! This force is transmitted from the “sacral” bone at the base of the spine, through the fluid-filled and somewhat flexible *intervertebral disc*. The discs at the

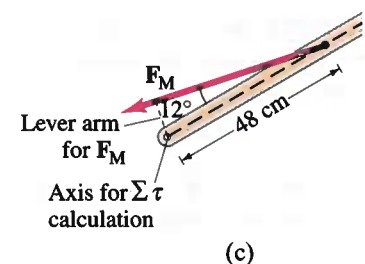
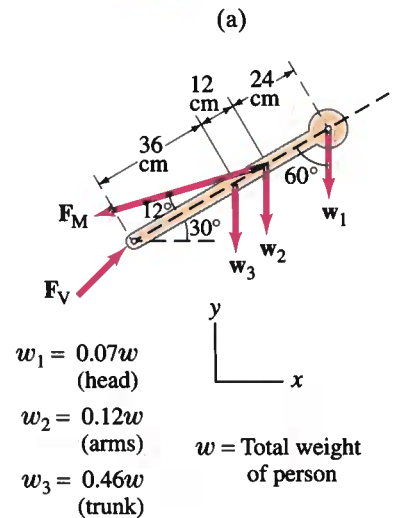
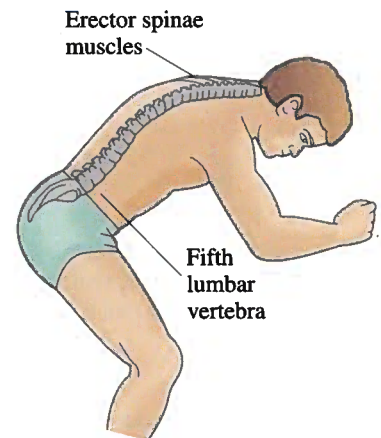


FIGURE 9-16 (a) A person bending over. (b) Forces on the back exerted by the back muscles (F_M) and by the vertebrae (F_V) when a person bends over.

base of the spine are clearly being compressed under very large forces. If the body was less bent over (say the 30° angle in Fig. 9-16b becomes 60° or 70°) then the stress on the lower back will be less (see Problem 40).]

If the person in Fig. 9-16 has a mass of 90 kg, and is holding 20 kg in his hands (this increases w_2 to $0.33w$), then F_V is increased to nearly five times the person's weight ($5w$)! (For this 200-lb person, the force on the disc would be 1000 lb!) With such strong forces acting, it is little wonder that so many people suffer from low back pain at one time or another in their lives.

* 9-5 Stability and Balance

A body in static equilibrium, if left undisturbed, will undergo no translational or rotational acceleration since the sum of all the forces and the sum of all the torques acting on it are zero. However, if the object is displaced slightly, three different outcomes are possible: (1) the object returns to its original position, in which case it is said to be in **stable equilibrium**; (2) the object moves even farther from its original position, in which case it is said to be in **unstable equilibrium**; or (3) the object remains in its new position, in which case it is said to be in **neutral equilibrium**.

Consider the following examples. A ball suspended freely from a string is in stable equilibrium, for if it is displaced to one side, it will quickly return to its original position (Fig. 9-17a). On the other hand, a pencil standing on its tip is in unstable equilibrium. If its CG is directly over the tip (Fig. 9-17b), the net force and net torque on it will be zero. But if it is displaced ever so slightly—say by a slight vibration or tiny air current—there will be a torque on it, and it will continue to fall in the direction of the original displacement. Finally, an example of an object in neutral equilibrium is a sphere resting on a horizontal tabletop. If it is placed slightly to one side, it will remain in its new position.

In most situations, such as in the design of structures and in working with the human body, we are interested in maintaining stable equilibrium or *balance*, as we sometimes say. In general, an object whose CG is below its point of support, such as a ball on a string, will be in stable equilibrium. If the CG is above the base of support, we have a more complicated situation. Consider a standing refrigerator (Fig. 9-18a). If it is tipped slightly, it will return to its original position due to the torque on it, as shown in Fig. 9-18b. But if it is tipped too far, Fig. 9-18c, it will fall over. The critical point is reached when the CG is no longer above the base of support. In general, *a body whose CG is above its base of support will be stable if a vertical line projected downward from the CG falls within its base of support*. This is because the normal force upward on the object (which balances out gravity) can be exerted only within the area of contact, so that if the force of gravity acts beyond this area, a net torque will act to topple the object. Stability, then, can be relative. A brick lying on its widest face is more stable than a brick standing on its end, for it will take more of an effort to tip it over. In the extreme case of the pencil in Fig. 9-17b, the base is practically a point and the slightest disturbance will topple it. In general, the larger the base and the lower the CG, the more stable the object.

Stable and
unstable equilibrium

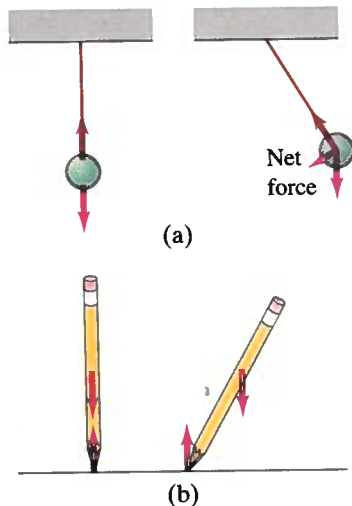
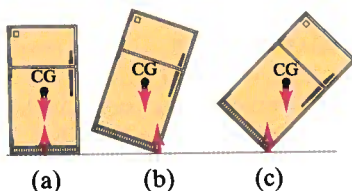


FIGURE 9-17 (a) Stable equilibrium, and (b) unstable equilibrium.

FIGURE 9-18 Equilibrium of a refrigerator resting on a surface.



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In this sense, humans are much less stable than four-legged mammals, which not only have a larger base of support because of their four legs, but also have a lower center of gravity. The human species has had to develop special apparatus, such as certain very strong muscles, in order to deal with the problem of keeping a person upright and at the same time stable. Because of their upright position, humans suffer from numerous ailments such as low back pain due to the large forces involved, as we saw in Example 9–11. When walking and performing other kinds of movement, a person continually shifts the body so that its CG is over the feet, although in the normal adult this requires no conscious thought. Even as simple a movement as bending over requires moving the hips backward so that the CG remains over the feet, and this repositioning is done without thinking about it. To see this, position yourself with your heels and back to a wall and try to touch your toes. You won't be able to do it without falling. Persons carrying heavy loads automatically adjust their posture so that the CG of the total mass is over their feet, Fig. 9–19.

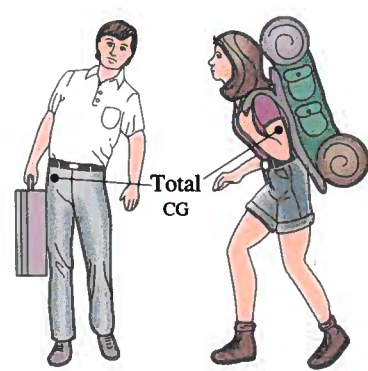


FIGURE 9–19 Humans adjust their posture to achieve stability when carrying loads.

9–6 Elasticity; Stress and Strain

In the first part of this chapter we studied how to calculate the forces on objects in equilibrium. In this Section we study the effects of these forces: any object changes shape under the action of applied forces. In Section 9–7 we will see that if the forces are great enough, the object will break or *fracture*.

If a force is exerted on an object, such as the vertically suspended metal rod shown in Fig. 9–20, the length of the object changes. If the amount of elongation, ΔL , is small compared to the length of the object, experiment shows that ΔL is proportional to the weight or force exerted on the object. This proportionality, as we saw in Section 6–4, can be written as an equation:

$$F = k \Delta L. \quad (9-3)$$

Here F represents the force (or weight) pulling on the object, ΔL is the change in length, and k is a proportionality constant. Equation 9–3, which is sometimes called **Hooke's law**[†], after Robert Hooke (1635–1703) who first noted it, is found to be valid for almost any solid material from iron to bone, but it is valid only up to a point. For if the force is too great, the object stretches excessively and eventually breaks. Figure 9–21 shows a typical graph of elongation versus applied force. Up to a point called the **proportional limit**, Eq. 9–3 is a good approximation for many common materials, and the curve is a straight line. Beyond this point, the graph deviates from a straight line, and no simple relationship exists between F and ΔL . Nonetheless, up to a point farther along the curve called the **elastic limit**, the object will return to its original length if the applied force is removed. The region from the origin to the elastic limit is called the *elastic region*. If the object is stretched beyond the elastic limit, it enters the *plastic region*: it does not return to the original length upon removal of the external force, but remains permanently deformed (like bending a paper clip). The maxi-

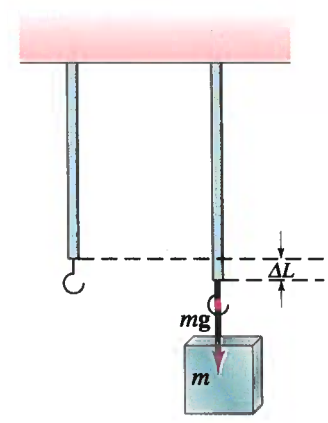
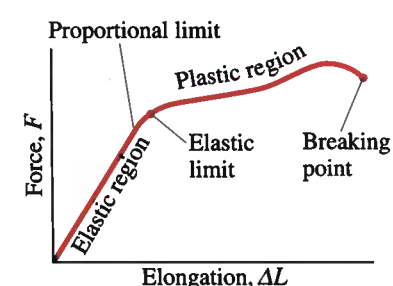


FIGURE 9–20 Hooke's law: $\Delta L \propto$ applied force.

Hooke's law (again)

FIGURE 9–21 Applied force vs. elongation for a typical metal under tension.



[†]The term “law” applied to this relation is not really appropriate, since first of all, it is only an approximation, and secondly, it refers only to a limited set of phenomena. Most physicists prefer to reserve the word “law” for those relations that are deeper and more encompassing and precise, such as Newton’s laws of motion or the law of conservation of energy.

mum elongation is reached at the *breaking point*. The maximum force that can be applied without breaking is called the **ultimate strength** of the material (actually force per unit area as discussed in Section 9-7).

The amount of elongation of an object, such as the rod shown in Fig. 9-20, depends not only on the force applied to it, but also on the material from which it is made and on its dimensions. That is, the constant k in Eq. 9-3 can be written in terms of these factors. If we compare rods made of the same material but of different lengths and cross-sectional areas, it is found that for the same applied force, the amount of stretch (again assumed small compared to the total length) is proportional to the original length and inversely proportional to the cross-sectional area. That is, the longer the object, the more it elongates for a given force; and the thicker it is, the less it elongates. These findings can be combined with Eq. 9-3 to yield

$$\Delta L = \frac{1}{E} \frac{F}{A} L_0, \quad (9-4)$$

Young's modulus

where L_0 is the original length of the object, A is the cross-sectional area, and ΔL is the change in length due to the applied force F . E is a constant of proportionality[†] known as the **elastic modulus**, or **Young's modulus**. Its value depends only on the material. The value of Young's modulus for various materials is given in Table 9-1 (note: shear and bulk modulus

TABLE 9-1 Elastic Moduli

Material	Elastic Modulus, E (N/m ²)	Shear Modulus, G (N/m ²)	Bulk Modulus, B (N/m ²)
<i>Solids</i>			
Iron, cast	100×10^9	40×10^9	90×10^9
Steel	200×10^9	80×10^9	140×10^9
Brass	100×10^9	35×10^9	80×10^9
Aluminum	70×10^9	25×10^9	70×10^9
Concrete	20×10^9		
Brick	14×10^9		
Marble	50×10^9		70×10^9
Granite	45×10^9		45×10^9
Wood (pine)			
(parallel to grain)	10×10^9		
(perpendicular to grain)	1×10^9		
Nylon	5×10^9		
Bone (limb)	15×10^9	80×10^9	
<i>Liquids</i>			
Water			2.0×10^9
Alcohol (ethyl)			1.0×10^9
Mercury			2.5×10^9
<i>Gases</i> [†]			
Air, H ₂ , He, CO ₂			1.01×10^5

[†]At normal atmospheric pressure; no variation in temperature during process.

[†]The fact that E is in the denominator, so that $1/E$ is the actual proportionality constant, is merely a convention. When we rewrite Eq. 9-3 to get Eq. 9-5, E is found in the numerator.

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this Table are discussed later in this section). Because E is a property only of the material and is independent of the object's size or shape, Eq. 9-4 is far more useful for practical calculation than Eq. 9-3.

From Eq. 9-4, we see that the change in length of an object is directly proportional to the product of the object's length L_0 and the force per unit area F/A applied to it. It is general practice to define the force per unit area as the **stress**:

$$\text{stress} = \frac{\text{force}}{\text{area}} = \frac{F}{A},$$

Stress

which has units of N/m². Also, the **strain** is defined to be the ratio of the change in length to the original length:

$$\text{strain} = \frac{\text{change in length}}{\text{original length}} = \frac{\Delta L}{L_0},$$

Strain

and is dimensionless (no units). Strain is thus the fractional change in length of the object, and is a measure of how much the bar has been deformed. Stress is applied to the material by external agents, whereas strain is the material's response to the stress. Equation 9-4 can be rewritten as

$$\frac{F}{A} = E \frac{\Delta L}{L_0} \quad (9-5)$$

or

$$E = \frac{F/A}{\Delta L/L_0} = \frac{\text{stress}}{\text{strain}}.$$

Young's modulus
(again)

Thus we see that the strain is directly proportional to the stress, in the linear (elastic) region of Fig. 9-21.

EXAMPLE 9-12 Tension in piano wire. A 1.60-m-long steel piano wire has a diameter of 0.20 cm. How great is the tension in the wire if it stretches 0.30 cm when tightened?

SOLUTION We solve for F in Eq. 9-5 and note that the area $A = \pi r^2 = (3.14)(0.0010 \text{ m})^2 = 3.1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} F &= E \frac{\Delta L}{L_0} A \\ &= (2.0 \times 10^{11} \text{ N/m}^2) \left(\frac{0.0030 \text{ m}}{1.60 \text{ m}} \right) (3.1 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2) = 1200 \text{ N}. \end{aligned}$$

where we obtained the value for E from Table 9-1. The strong tension in all the wires in a piano must be supported by a strong frame.

The rod shown in Fig. 9-20 is said to be under **tension** or **tensile stress**. For not only is there a force pulling down on the rod at its lower end, but since the rod is in equilibrium we know that the support at the top is exerting an equal[†] upward force on the rod at its upper end,

Tension

†If we ignore the weight of the bar.

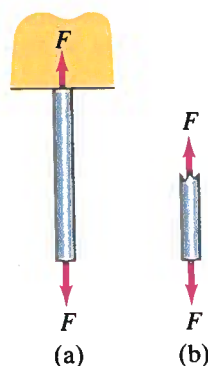


FIGURE 9-22 Stress exists *within* the material.



FIGURE 9-23 This Greek temple, in Agrigento, Sicily, built 2500 years ago, shows the post-and-beam construction.

Fig. 9-22a. In fact, this tensile stress exists throughout the material. Consider, for example, the lower half of a suspended rod as shown in Fig. 9-22b. This lower half is in equilibrium, so there must be an upward force on it to balance the downward force at its lower end. What exerts this upward force? It must be the upper part of the rod. Thus we see that external forces applied to an object give rise to internal forces, or stress, within the material itself. (Recall also the discussion of tension in a cord on page 92.)

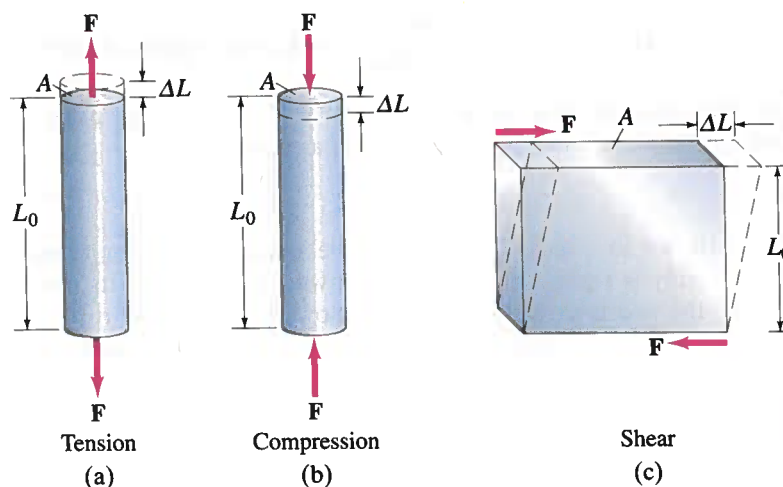
Compression

Strain or deformation due to tensile stress is but one type of strain to which materials can be subjected. There are two other common types of stress: compressive and shear. **Compressive stress** is the exact opposite of tensile stress. Instead of being stretched, the material is compressed: the forces act inwardly on the body. Columns that support a weight, such as the columns of a Greek temple (Fig. 9-23), or those that support the beam in Fig. 9-10, are subjected to compressive stress. Equations 9-4 and 9-5 apply equally well to compression and tension, and the values for the elastic modulus E are usually the same.

Shear

Figure 9-24 compares tensile and compressive stresses as well as the third type, shear stress. An object under **shear stress** has equal and opposite forces applied *across* its opposite faces. An example is a book or brick firmly attached to a tabletop, on which a force is exerted parallel to the

FIGURE 9-24 The three types of stress for rigid bodies.



top surface. The table exerts an equal and opposite force along the bottom surface. Although the dimensions of the object do not change significantly, the shape of the object does change as shown in the figure. An equation similar to Eq. 9-4 can be applied to calculate shear strain:

$$\Delta L = \frac{1}{G} \frac{F}{A} L_0, \quad (9-6)$$

but ΔL , L_0 , and A must be reinterpreted as indicated in Fig. 9-24c. Note that A is the area of the surface *parallel* to the applied force (and not perpendicular as for tension and compression), and ΔL is *perpendicular* to L_0 . The constant of proportionality, G , is called the **shear modulus** and is generally one half to one third the value of the elastic modulus, E (see Table 9-1). Figure 9-25 illustrates why $\Delta L \propto L_0$: the fatter book shifts more for the same shearing force.

The rectangular object undergoing shear in Fig. 9-24c would not actually be in equilibrium under the forces shown, for a net torque would exist. If the object is in fact in equilibrium, there must be two more forces acting on it which balance out this torque. One acts vertically upward on the right, and the other acts vertically downward on the left, as shown in Fig. 9-26. This is generally true of shear forces. If the object is a brick or book lying on a table, these two additional forces can be exerted by the table and by whatever exerts the other horizontal force (such as a hand pushing across the top of a book).

If an object is subjected to inward forces from all sides, its volume will decrease. A common situation is a body submerged in a fluid; for in this case, the fluid exerts a pressure on the object in all directions, as we shall see in Chapter 10. Pressure is defined as force per area, and thus is the equivalent of stress. For this situation the change in volume, ΔV , is found to be proportional to the original volume, V_0 , and to the increase in the pressure, ΔP . We thus obtain a relation of the same form as Eq. 9-4 but with a proportionality constant called the **bulk modulus**, B :

$$\frac{\Delta V}{V_0} = -\frac{1}{B} \Delta P \quad (9-7)$$

$$B = -\frac{\Delta P}{\Delta V/V_0}.$$

The minus sign is included to indicate that the volume *decreases* with an

FIGURE 9-25 The fatter book (a) shifts more than the thinner book (b) with the same applied shear force.



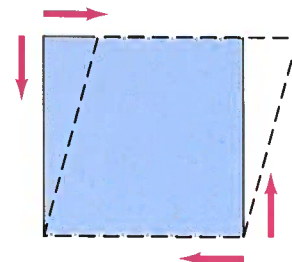
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Shear modulus

FIGURE 9-26 Balance of forces and torques for shear stress.



increase in pressure. Values for the bulk modulus are given in Table 9-1. Since liquids and gases do not have a fixed shape, only the bulk modulus applies to them.

9-7 Fracture

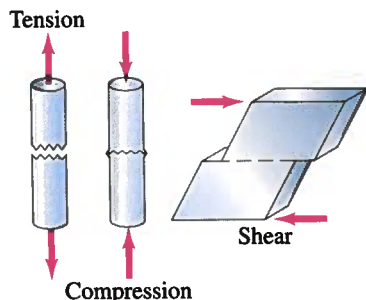


FIGURE 9-27 Fracture as a result of the three types of stress.

If the stress on a solid object is too great, the object fractures or breaks (Fig. 9-27). Table 9-2 lists the ultimate tensile strength, compressive strength, and shear strength for a variety of materials. These values give the maximum force per unit area that an object can withstand under each of these three types of stress. They are, however, representative values only, and the actual value for a given specimen can differ considerably. It is therefore necessary to maintain a “safety factor” of from 3 to perhaps 10 or more—that is, the actual stresses on a structure should not exceed one tenth to one third of the values given in the table. You may encounter tables of the “allowable stresses” in which appropriate safety factors have already been included.

TABLE 9-2 Ultimate Strengths of Materials (force/area)

Material	Tensile Strength (N/m ²)	Compressive Strength (N/m ²)	Shear Strength (N/m ²)
Iron, cast	170×10^6	550×10^6	170×10^6
Steel	500×10^6	500×10^6	250×10^6
Brass	250×10^6	250×10^6	200×10^6
Aluminum	200×10^6	200×10^6	200×10^6
Concrete	2×10^6	20×10^6	2×10^6
Brick		35×10^6	
Marble		80×10^6	
Granite		170×10^6	
Wood (pine)			
(parallel to grain)	40×10^6	35×10^6	5×10^6
(perpendicular to grain)		10×10^6	
Nylon	500×10^6		
Bone (limb)	130×10^6	170×10^6	

EXAMPLE 9-13 Size and compression of support columns. (a) What minimum cross-sectional area should the two columns have to support the beam of Example 9-7 (Fig. 9-10) assuming the columns are made of concrete and a safety factor of 6 is required? We saw in Example 9-7 that the column on the left supports 4.4×10^4 N and that on the right supports 1.2×10^5 N. (b) How much will the chosen supports compress under the given load?

SOLUTION (a) The right-hand column receives the larger force, $1.2 \times 10^5 \text{ N}$. It is clearly under compression, and from Table 9-2, we see that the ultimate compressive strength of concrete is $2.0 \times 10^7 \text{ N/m}^2$. Using a safety factor of 6, the maximum allowable stress is $\frac{1}{6}(2.0 \times 10^7 \text{ N/m}^2) = 3.3 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2$, which equals F/A . Since $F = 1.2 \times 10^5 \text{ N}$, we can solve for A , and we find:

$$A = \frac{1.2 \times 10^5 \text{ N}}{3.3 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2} = 3.6 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m}^2, \text{ or } 360 \text{ cm}^2.$$

A support $18 \text{ cm} \times 20 \text{ cm}$ will be adequate.

(b) We solve for

$$\frac{\Delta L}{L_0} = \frac{1}{E} \frac{F}{A} = \left(\frac{1}{2.0 \times 10^{10} \text{ N/m}^2} \right) (3.3 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2) = 1.7 \times 10^{-4}.$$

Thus, if the support has a length $L_0 = 5.0 \text{ m}$, $\Delta L = 0.85 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}$, or about 1 mm. This calculation was for the right-hand support. If the left-hand support is made of the same cross-sectional area, it will compress the same and this should be taken into account.

As can be seen in Table 9-2, concrete (like stone and brick) is reasonably strong under compression but extremely weak under tension. Thus concrete can be used as vertical columns placed under compression but is of little value as a beam since it cannot withstand the tensile forces that arise (see Fig. 9-28). *Reinforced concrete*, in which iron rods are embedded in the concrete, is much stronger (Fig. 9-29). But the concrete on the lower edge of a loaded beam still tends to crack because of its weakness under tension. This problem is solved with **prestressed concrete**, which also contains iron rods or a wire mesh, but during the pouring of the concrete, the rods or wire are held under tension. After the concrete dries, the tension on the iron is released, putting the concrete under compression. The amount of compressive stress is carefully predetermined so that when the design loads are applied to the beam, they reduce the compression on the lower edge but never put the concrete into tension.

FIGURE 9-28 A beam sags, at least a little (but is exaggerated here), even under its own weight. The beam thus changes shape so that the upper portion is compressed, and the lower portion is under tension (elongated). Shearing stress also occurs within the beam.

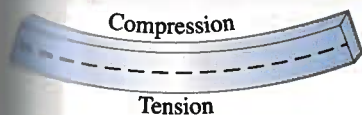


FIGURE 9-29 Steel rods waiting for concrete to be poured around them to form a new highway.

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Reinforced concrete and prestressed concrete

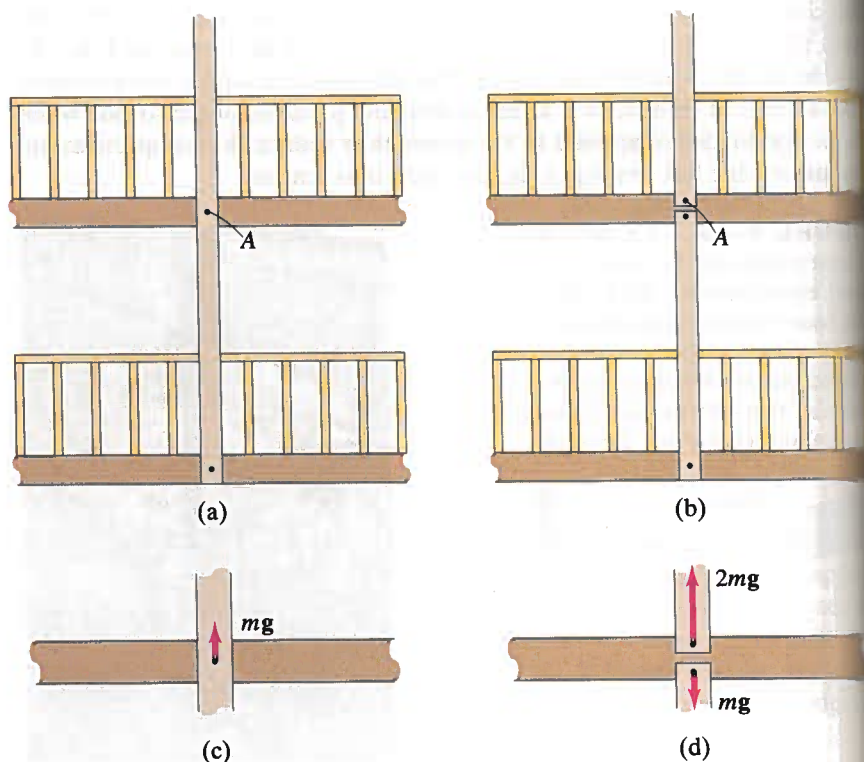
Let's consider one more instructive Example.

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A tragic collapse

CONCEPTUAL EXAMPLE 9-14 **A tragic substitution.** Two walkways, one above the other, are suspended from vertical rods attached to the ceiling of a high hotel lobby, Fig. 9-30a (only one rod is shown). The original design called for single rods 14 m long, but when such long rods proved to be unwieldy to install, it was decided to replace each long rod with two shorter ones as shown in Fig. 9-30b. Determine the net force exerted by the rods on the supporting pin A (assumed the same size) for each design. Assume each vertical rod supports a mass m of each bridge.

RESPONSE The single long vertical rod in Fig. 9-30a exerts an upward force equal to mg on pin A to support the mass m of the upper bridge. Why? Because the pin is in equilibrium, and the other force that balances this is the downward force mg exerted on it by the upper bridge. (There is thus a shear stress on the pin.) See Fig. 9-30c. The situation when two shorter rods support the bridges (Fig. 9-30b) is shown in Fig. 9-30d, in which only the connections at the upper bridge are shown. The lower rod exerts a force of mg downward on the lower of the two pins because it supports the lower bridge. The upper rod exerts a force of $2mg$ on the upper pin (pin A) because the upper rod supports both bridges. Thus we see that when the builders substituted two shorter rods for each single long one, the stress in the supporting pin A was *doubled*. What perhaps seemed like a simple substitution did, in fact, lead to a tragic collapse in 1981 with a loss of life of over 100 people (see Fig. 9-2). Having a feel for physics, and being able to make simple calculations based on physics, can have a great effect, literally, on people's lives.

FIGURE 9-30 Example 9-14.



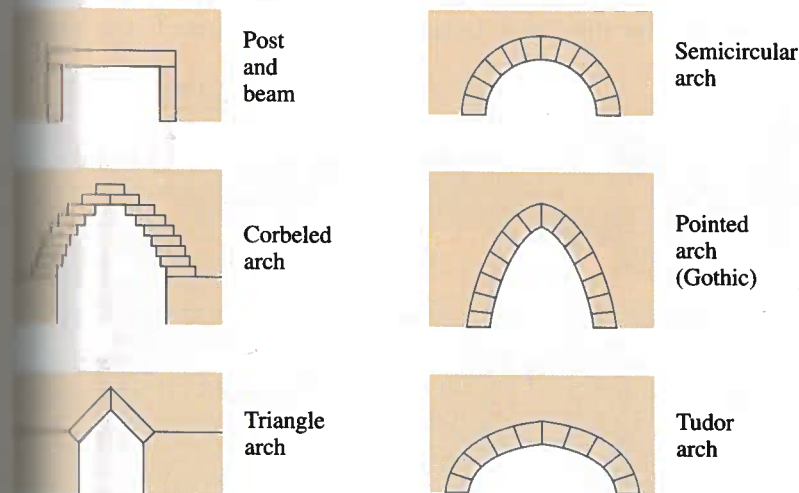
9-8 Spanning a Space: Arches and Domes

There are a great many areas where the arts and humanities overlap the sciences, and this is especially clear in architecture, where the forces in the materials that make up a structure need to be understood to avoid excessive deformation and collapse. Many of the features we admire in the architecture of the past were introduced not simply for their decorative effect, but often for technical reasons. One example is the development of methods to span a space, from the simple beam to arches and domes.

It might be said that the first important architectural invention was the post-and-beam (or post-and-lintel) construction, in which two upright posts support a horizontal beam. Before steel was introduced in the nineteenth century, the length of a beam was quite limited because the strongest building materials were then stone and brick. Hence the width of a span was limited by the size of available stones. Equally important, stone and brick, though strong under compression—are very weak under tension and shear; all three types of stress occur in a beam, as shown in Fig. 9-28. The minimal space that could be spanned using stone is shown by the closely spaced columns of the great Greek temples (Fig. 9-23).

The introduction of the semicircular **arch** by the Romans (Fig. 9-31), aside from its aesthetic appeal, was a tremendous technological innovation. It had been preceded by the so-called “triangle arch” and the “corbeled arch,” but these were relatively small improvements over the post-and-beam (see Fig. 9-32). The advantage of the “true” or semicircular arch is that, if well designed, its wedge-shaped stones experience stress which is mainly compressive even when supporting a large load such as the wall and roof of a cathedral. Because the stones are forced to squeeze against one another, they are mainly under compression (see Fig. 9-33). Note, however, that the arch transfers horizontal as well as vertical forces to the supports. A round arch consisting of many well-shaped stones could span a very wide space. However, considerable buttressing on the sides was needed to support the horizontal components of the forces.

FIGURE 9-32 Various means to span a space.



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Architecture: Beams, arches and domes



FIGURE 9-31 Round arches in the Roman Forum. The one in the background is the Arch of Titus.

FIGURE 9-33 Stones in a round (or “true”) arch are mainly under compression.

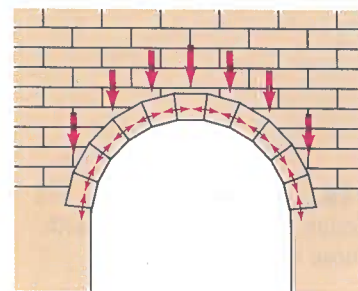




FIGURE 9-34 Flying buttresses (on the cathedral of Notre Dame, in Paris).

The pointed arch came into use about A.D. 1100 and became the mark of the great Gothic cathedrals. It too was an important technical innovation, and was first used to support heavy loads such as the tower of a cathedral, and as the central arch. Apparently the builders realized that because of the steepness of the pointed arch, the forces due to the weight above could be brought down more nearly vertically, so less horizontal buttressing would be needed. The pointed arch reduced the load on the walls, so there could be more openness and light. The smaller buttressing needed was provided on the outside by graceful flying buttresses (Fig. 9-34).

The technical innovation of the pointed arch was achieved not through calculation but through experience and intuition, for it was not until much later that detailed calculations, such as those presented earlier in this chapter, came into use. To make an accurate analysis of a stone arch is quite difficult in practice. But if we make some simplifying assumptions, we can show why the horizontal component of the force at the base is less for a pointed arch than for a round one. Figure 9-35 shows a round arch and a pointed arch, each with an 8.0-m span. The height of the round arch is 4.0 m, whereas that of the pointed arch is larger and has been chosen to be 8.0 m. Each arch supports a weight of $12.0 \times 10^4 \text{ N}$ ($= 12,000 \text{ kg} \times g$), which, for simplicity, we have divided into two parts (each $6.0 \times 10^4 \text{ N}$) acting on the two halves of each arch as shown. To be in equilibrium, each support must exert an upward force of $6.0 \times 10^4 \text{ N}$. Each support also exerts a horizontal force, F_H , at the base of the arch, and it is this we want to calculate. We focus only on the right half of each arch. We set equal to zero the total torque calculated about the apex of the arch due to the forces exerted on that half arch, as if there were a hinge at the apex. For the round arch, the torque equation is

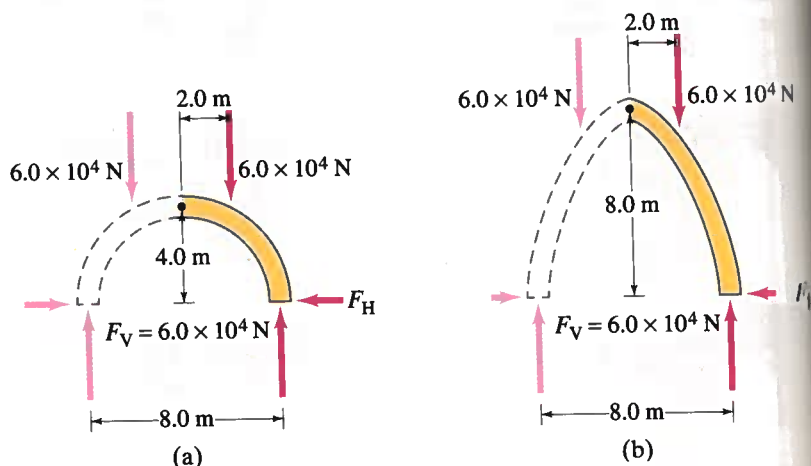
$$(4.0 \text{ m})(6.0 \times 10^4 \text{ N}) - (2.0 \text{ m})(6.0 \times 10^4 \text{ N}) - (4.0 \text{ m})(F_H) = 0$$

Thus $F_H = 3.0 \times 10^4 \text{ N}$. For the pointed arch, the torque equation is

$$(4.0 \text{ m})(6.0 \times 10^4 \text{ N}) - (2.0 \text{ m})(6.0 \times 10^4 \text{ N}) - (8.0 \text{ m})(F_H) = 0$$

Solving, we find that $F_H = 1.5 \times 10^4 \text{ N}$ —only half as much! From this calculation we can see that the horizontal buttressing force required for a pointed arch is less because the arch is higher, and there is therefore a longer lever arm for this force. Indeed, the steeper the arch, the less the

FIGURE 9-35 Forces in a round arch (a), compared with those in a pointed arch (b).



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horizontal component of the force needs to be, and hence the more nearly vertical is the force exerted at the base of the arch.

The further development of the arch was one of decline. For the subsequent flattened arches, such as the Tudor arch (Fig. 9-32), were structurally weaker than the simple pointed arch. However, with the coming of advanced methods of calculation in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, it became possible to calculate the best shape of arch for a given load condition. For example, if the load is uniform across the span, it can be shown that the stresses within the arch will be purely compressive if the arch has a parabolic shape.

Whereas an arch spans a two-dimensional space, a **dome**—which is basically an arch rotated about a vertical axis—spans a three-dimensional space. The Romans built the first large domes. Their shape was hemispherical and some still stand, such as that of the Pantheon in Rome (Fig. 9-36). By the time of the Renaissance, the technique for constructing large domes seems to have been lost. Indeed, the dome of the Pantheon was a source of wonder to Renaissance architects. The problem came to the fore in fifteenth-century Florence with the designing of a new cathedral that was to have a dome 43 m in diameter to rival that of the Pantheon. In 1418, after the cathedral was finished except for the dome, a competition for the design of the dome was held and was won by Filippo Brunelleschi (1377–1446). One problem that had to be dealt with was that the dome was to rest on a “drum” that had been completed with no external abutments; and there was no place to put any. Hence the dome needed to exert a minimum of horizontal force. Brunelleschi solved this by designing a pointed dome (Fig. 9-37), since a pointed dome, like a pointed arch, exerts a smaller side thrust against its base.

The other major problem was how to support the dome during construction. A dome, like an arch, is not stable until all the stones are in place. It had been the custom to support a dome during construction with a wooden framework. But no trees big enough or strong enough could be found to span the 43-m space required for the cathedral in Florence. Instead of using a wooden framework, Brunelleschi built the dome in horizontal layers. Each



FIGURE 9-36 Interior of the Pantheon in Rome, built in the first century. This view, showing the great dome and its central opening for light, was painted about 1740 by Panini. Photographs do not capture its grandeur as well as this painting does.

FIGURE 9-37 The skyline of Florence, showing Brunelleschi's famous dome on the cathedral.



FIGURE 9-38 The dome of the Small Sports Palace in Rome, built for the 1960 Olympics.

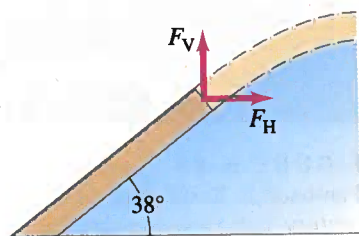


FIGURE 9-39 Example 9-15.

layer was bonded to the previous one, which held it in place until the stone of the circle was placed, and then that circle was stable just as a completed arch is stable. Each closed ring was then strong enough to support the next layer. It was an amazing feat.

To end this Section we will consider the forces necessary to support a modern dome, that of the Small Sports Palace in Rome (Fig. 9-38). The dome, like an arch, is statically most stable when under compression. The 36 buttresses which support the 1.2×10^6 -kg dome are positioned at a 38° angle and connect smoothly with the dome.

EXAMPLE 9-15 A modern dome. Calculate the components of the force, F_V and F_H , that each buttress exerts on the dome so that the force acts compressively—that is, at a 38° angle (Fig. 9-39).

SOLUTION The vertical load on *each* buttress is $\frac{1}{36}$ of the total weight. Thus

$$F_V = \frac{(1.2 \times 10^6 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)}{36} = 3.4 \times 10^5 \text{ N}.$$

The force must act at a 38° angle at the base of the dome in order to be purely compressive. Thus

$$\tan 38^\circ = \frac{F_V}{F_H} = \frac{340,000 \text{ N}}{F_H}$$

$$F_H = \frac{340,000 \text{ N}}{\tan 38^\circ} = 430,000 \text{ N}.$$

In order that each of the buttresses be able to exert this 430,000-N horizontal force, a prestressed-concrete tension ring surrounds the base of the buttresses beneath the ground (see Problem 63 and Fig. 9-71).

SUMMARY

A body at rest [or one in uniform motion at constant velocity] is said to be in **equilibrium**. The subject concerned with the determination of the forces within a structure at rest is called **statics**.

The two necessary conditions for a body to be in equilibrium are (1) the vector sum of all the forces on it must be zero, and (2) the sum of all the torques (calculated about any arbitrary axis) must also be zero:

$$\Sigma F_x = 0 \quad \Sigma F_y = 0 \quad \Sigma \tau = 0.$$

It is important when doing statics problems to apply the equilibrium conditions to only one body at a time.

A body in static equilibrium is said to be in (a) **stable**, (b) **unstable**, or (c) **neutral equilibrium**, depending on whether a slight displacement leads to (a) a return to the original position, (b) further movement away from the original position, or

(c) rest in the new position. An object in static equilibrium is also said to be in **balance**.

Hooke's law applies to many elastic solids, and states that the change in length of an object is proportional to the applied force:

$$F = k \Delta L.$$

If the force is too great, the object will exceed its **elastic limit**, which means it will no longer return to its original shape when the distorting force is removed. If the force is even greater, the **ultimate strength** of the material can be exceeded and the object fractures.

The force per unit area acting on a body is called the **stress**, and the resulting fractional change in length is called the **strain**.

The stress on a body is present within the body and can be of three types: **compression**, **tension**, and **shear**.

The ratio of stress to strain is called the **elastic modulus** of the material. **Young's modulus** applies for compression and tension, and the **shear modulus** for shear; **bulk modulus** applies to an object whose

volume changes as a result of pressure on all sides. All three moduli are constants for a given material when distorted within the elastic region.

QUESTIONS

- Describe several situations where a body is not in equilibrium, even though the net force on it is zero.
- A bungee jumper momentarily comes to rest at the bottom of the dive before he springs back upward. At that moment, is the bungee jumper in equilibrium? Explain.
- You can find the center of gravity of a meter stick by resting it horizontally on your index fingers, and then slowly drawing your fingers together. First the meter stick will slip on one finger, and then on the other, but eventually the fingers meet at the CG. Why does this work?
- Your doctor's scale has arms on which weights slide to counter your weight, Fig. 9-40. These weights are obviously much lighter than you are. How does this work?

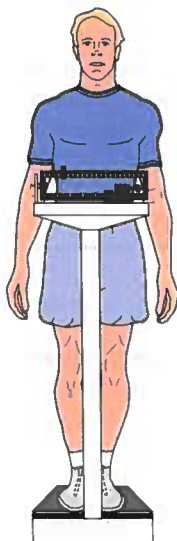


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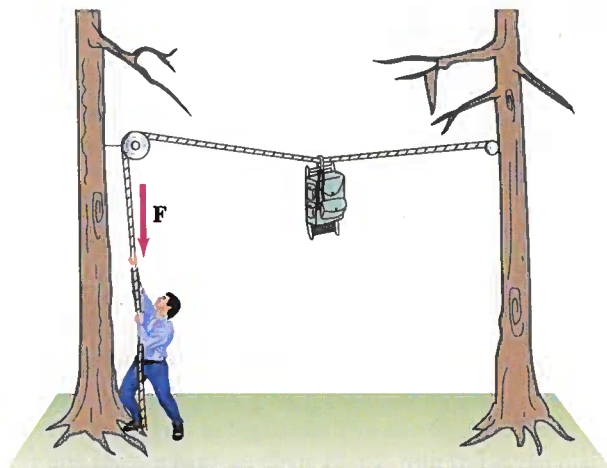


FIGURE 9-41 Question 5, Problems 24 and 29.

- An earthen retaining wall is shown in Fig. 9-42a. The earth, particularly when wet, can exert a significant force F on the wall. (a) What force produces the torque to keep the wall upright? (b) Explain why the retaining wall in Fig. 9-42b would be much less likely to overturn.

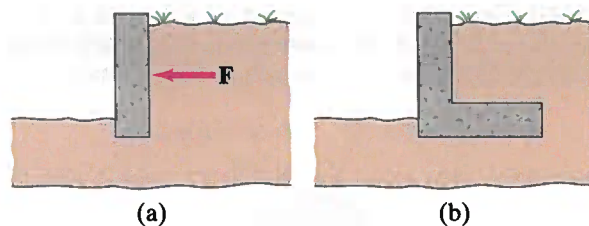


FIGURE 9-42 Question 8.

- A bear sling, Fig. 9-41, is used in some national parks for placing backpackers' food out of the reach of bears. Explain why the force needed to pull the backpack up increases as the backpack gets higher and higher. Is it possible to pull the rope hard enough so that it doesn't sag at all?
- A ladder, leaning against a wall, makes a 60° angle with the ground. When is it more likely to slip: when a person stands near the top or near the bottom? Explain.
- Explain why touching the toes while seated on the floor with outstretched legs produces less stress on the lower spinal column than when touching the toes from a standing position. Use a diagram.

- Figure 9-43 shows a cone. Draw how to lay it on a flat table so that it is in (a) stable equilibrium, (b) unstable equilibrium, (c) neutral equilibrium.

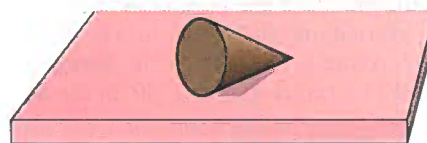


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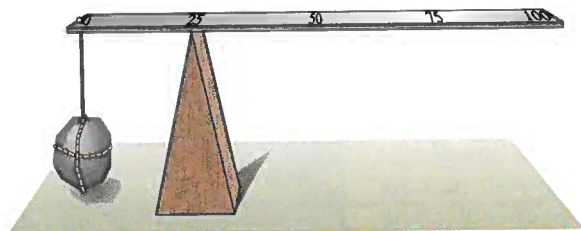


FIGURE 9-44 Question 10.

10. A uniform meter stick supported at the 25-cm mark is in equilibrium when a 1-kg rock is suspended at the 0-cm end (as shown in Fig. 9-44). Is the mass of the meter stick greater than, equal to, or less than the mass of the rock? Explain your reasoning.
11. Which of the configurations of brick, (a) or (b) of Fig. 9-45, is the more likely to be stable? Why?

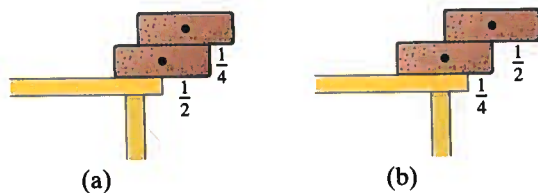


FIGURE 9-45 The dots indicate the CG of each brick. The fractions $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$ indicate what portion of each brick is hanging beyond its support. Question 11.

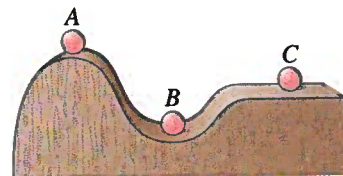


FIGURE 9-46 Question 12.

12. Name the type of equilibrium for each position of the ball in Fig. 9-46.
13. Why do you tend to lean backward when carrying a heavy load in your arms?
14. Place yourself facing the edge of an open door. Position your feet astride the door with your nose and abdomen touching the door's edge. Try to rise on your tiptoes. Why can't this be done?
15. Why is it not possible to sit upright in a chair and rise to one's feet without first leaning forward?
16. Why is it more difficult to do sit-ups when your knees are bent than when your legs are stretched out?
17. Examine how a pair of scissors or shears cuts through a piece of cardboard. Is the name "shears" justified?
18. Materials such as ordinary concrete and stone are very weak under tension or shear. Would it be wise to use such a material for either of the supports of the cantilever shown in Fig. 9-11? If so, which one(s)?

PROBLEMS

SECTIONS 9-1 TO 9-3

1. (I) Three forces are applied to a tree sapling, as shown in Fig. 9-47, to stabilize it. If $F_1 = 282 \text{ N}$ and $F_2 = 355 \text{ N}$, find F_3 in magnitude and direction.

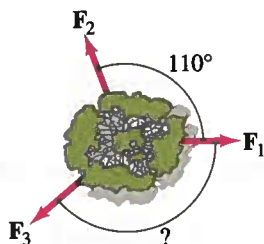


FIGURE 9-47 Problem 1.

2. (I) What should be the tension in the wire if the net force exerted on the tooth in Fig. 9-3 is to be 0.75 N ? Assume that the angle between the two forces is 155° rather than the 140° in the figure.
3. (I) Calculate the torque about the front support of a diving board, on the right in Fig. 9-48, exerted by a 60-kg person 3.0 m from that support.

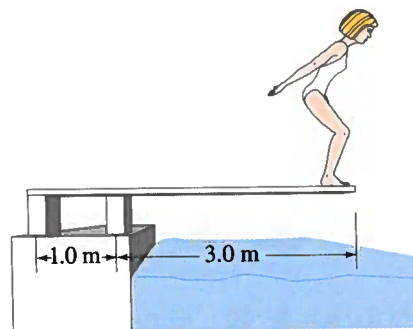


FIGURE 9-48 Problems 3, 4, 19, and 20.

4. (I) How far out on the diving board (Fig. 9-48) would a 60-kg diver have to be to exert a torque of $1000 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}$ on the board, relative to the left support post?
5. (I) Two cords support a chandelier in the manner shown in Fig. 9-6 except that the upper wire makes an angle of 45° with the ceiling. If the cords can sustain a force of 1300 N without breaking, what is the maximum chandelier weight that can be supported?

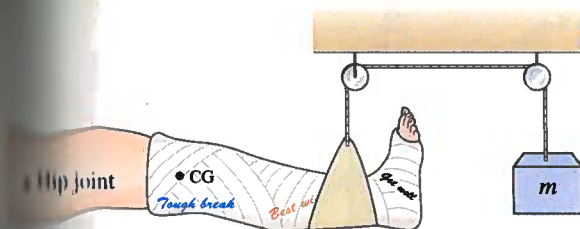


FIGURE 9-49 Problems 6 and 21.

- (I) Calculate the mass m needed in order to suspend the leg shown in Fig. 9-49. Assume the leg (with cast) has a mass of 15.0 kg, and its CG is 35.0 cm from the hip joint; the sling is 80.5 cm from the hip joint.
- (II) A 160-kg horizontal beam is supported at each end. A 300-kg piano rests a quarter of the way from one end. What is the vertical force on each of the supports?
- (II) A uniform steel beam has a mass of 1000 kg. On it is resting half of an identical beam, as shown in Fig. 9-50. What is the vertical support force at each end?

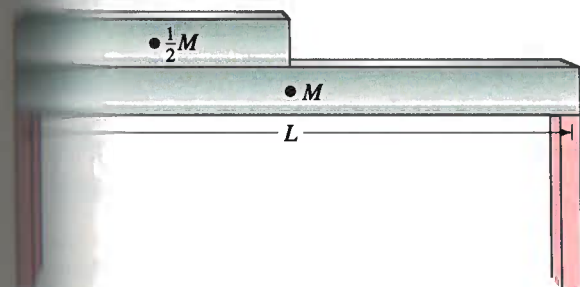


FIGURE 9-50 Problem 8.

- (II) Suppose that the net force as calculated in Example 9-1 is 10° to the left of where it should point if the tooth is to move correctly. If the tension to the left is 2.0 N, what should the tension to the right be to make the net force act in the correct direction?
- (II) A 70-kg adult sits at one end of a 10-m board, on the other end of which sits his 30-kg child. Where should the pivot be placed so the board (ignore its mass) is balanced?
- (II) Repeat Problem 10 taking into account the board's 15-kg mass.
- (II) Find the tension in the two cords shown in Fig. 9-51. Neglect the mass of the cords, and assume that the angle θ is 30° and the mass m is 200 kg.

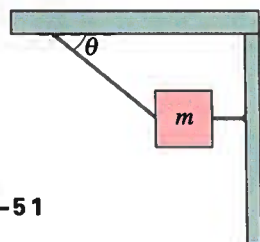


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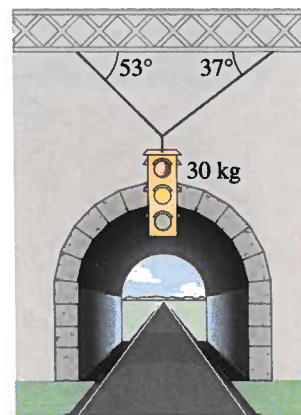


FIGURE 9-52
Problems 13 and 48.

13. (II) Find the tension in the two wires supporting the traffic light shown in Fig. 9-52.
14. (II) Determine the force F_N that the pivot exerts on the seesaw board in Fig. 9-9.
15. (II) Calculate F_1 and F_2 for the uniform cantilever shown in Fig. 9-11 whose mass is 1200 kg.
16. (II) A 0.60 kg sheet hangs from a massless clothesline as shown in Fig. 9-53. The line on either side of the sheet makes an angle of 3.5° with the horizontal. Calculate the tension in the clothesline on either side of the sheet. Why is the tension so much greater than the weight of the sheet?

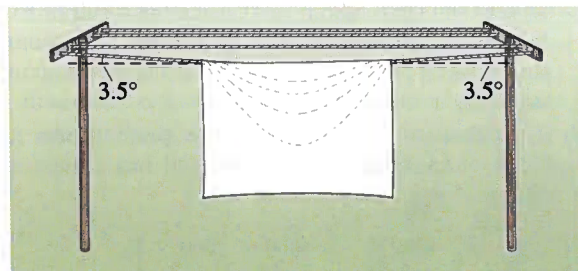


FIGURE 9-53 Problem 16.

17. (II) A door, 2.30 m high and 1.30 m wide, has a mass of 13.0 kg. A hinge 0.40 m from the top and another hinge 0.40 m from the bottom each support half the door's weight (Fig. 9-54). Assume that the center of gravity is at the geometrical center of the door, and determine the horizontal and vertical force components exerted by each hinge on the door.

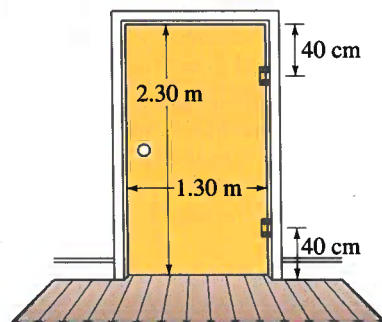


FIGURE 9-54
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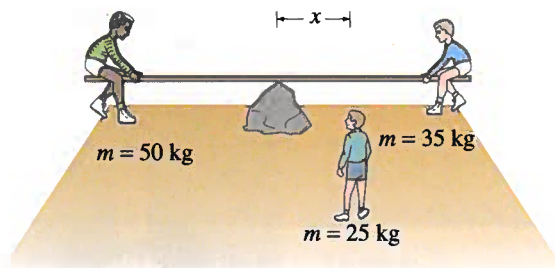


FIGURE 9-55 Problem 18.

18. (II) Three boys are trying to balance on a seesaw, which consists of a fulcrum rock, acting as a pivot at the center, and a very light board 3.6 m long (Fig. 9-55). Two boys are already on either end. One has a mass of 50 kg, and the other a mass of 35 kg. Where should the third boy, whose mass is 25 kg, place himself so as to balance the seesaw?
19. (II) Calculate the forces F_1 and F_2 that the supports exert on the diving board of Fig. 9-48 when a 60-kg person stands at its tip. Ignore the weight of the board.
20. (II) Repeat the last problem, taking into account the board's mass of 35 kg. Assume the board's CG is at its center.
21. (II) Calculate the mass m required in Fig. 9-49 to support the leg (without cast), using the result of Example 7-12 and the values given in Table 7-1, assuming a 60.0-kg person 160 cm tall. The leg pivots about the hip joint and the support acts at the ankle joint.
22. (II) Calculate F_1 and F_2 for the beam shown in Fig. 9-56. Assume it is uniform and has a mass of 250 kg.

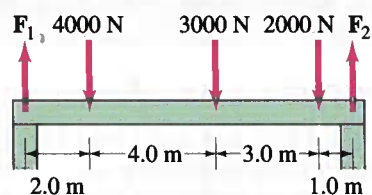


FIGURE 9-56 Problem 22.

23. (II) Calculate the tension F_T in the wire that supports the 30-kg beam shown in Fig. 9-57, and the force F_W exerted by the wall on the beam (give magnitude and direction).
24. (II) The two trees in Fig. 9-41 are 7.6 m apart. Calculate the magnitude of the force F a backpacker must exert to hold a 16-kg backpack so that the rope sags at its midpoint by (a) 1.5 m, (b) 0.15 m.

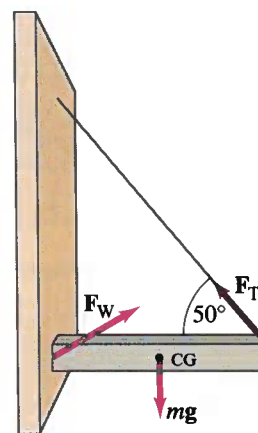


FIGURE 9-57 Problem 23.

25. (II) A 170-cm-tall person lies on a light (massless) board which is supported by two scales, one under the feet and one beneath the top of the head (Fig. 9-58). The two scales read, respectively, 31.6 and 35.1 kg. Where is the center of gravity of this person?

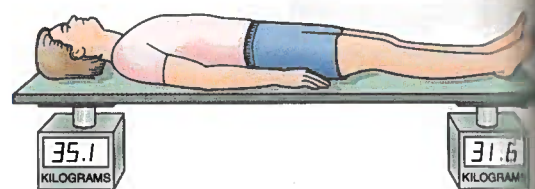


FIGURE 9-58 Problem 25.

26. (II) A shop sign weighing 215 N is supported by a uniform 135-N beam as shown in Fig. 9-59. Find the tension in the guy wire and the horizontal and vertical forces exerted by the hinge on the beam.

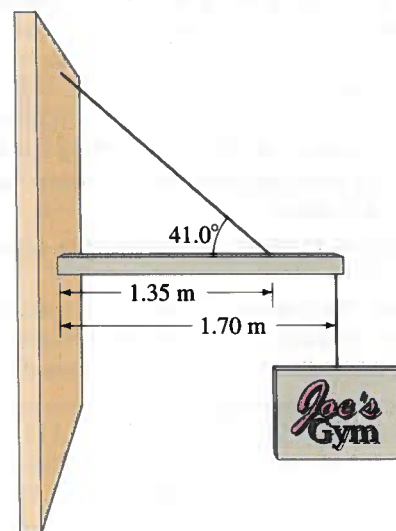


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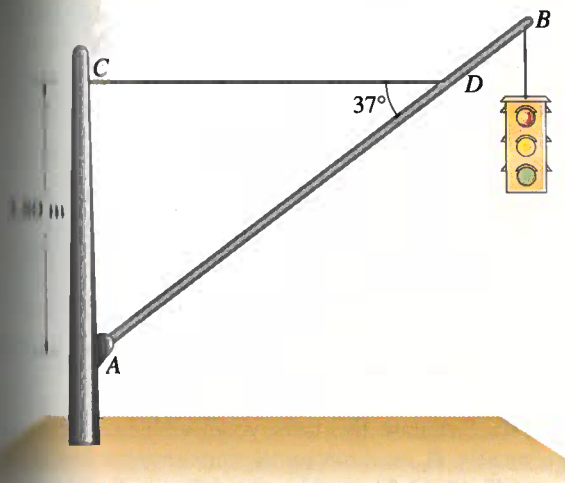


FIGURE 9-60 Problem 27.

- (II) A traffic light hangs from a structure as shown in Fig. 9-60. The uniform aluminum pole AB is 7.5 m long and has a mass of 8.0 kg. The mass of the traffic light is 12.0 kg. Determine the tension in the horizontal massless cable CD , and the vertical and horizontal components of the force exerted by the pivot A on the aluminum pole.
- (II) A uniform ladder of mass m and length L leans at an angle θ against a frictionless wall, Fig. 9-61. If the coefficient of static friction between the ladder and the ground is μ , what is the minimum angle at which the ladder will not slip?

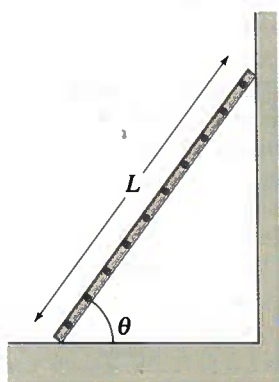


FIGURE 9-61 Problems 28, 76, and 77.

- (III) A 23.0 kg backpack is suspended midway between two trees by a light cord as in Fig. 9-41. A bear grabs the backpack and pulls vertically downward with a constant force, so that each section of cord makes an angle of 30° below the horizontal. Initially, without the bear pulling, the angle was 15° ; the tension in the cord with the bear pulling is double what it was when he was not. Calculate the force the bear is exerting on the backpack.

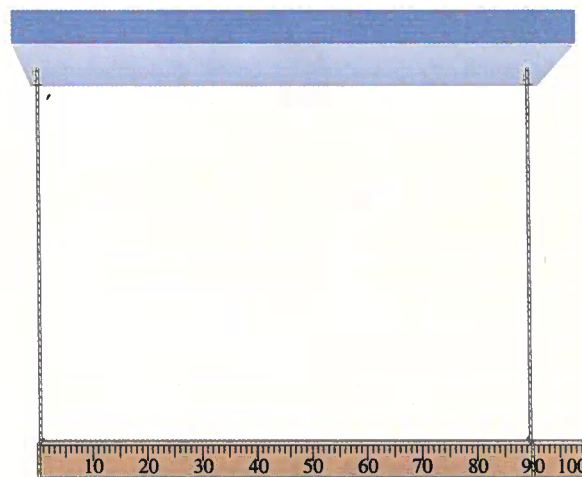


FIGURE 9-62 Problem 30.

- (III) A meter stick with a mass of 230 g is supported horizontally by two vertical strings, one at the 0-cm mark and the other at the 90-cm mark (Fig. 9-62).
- (a) What is the tension in the string at 0 cm?
- (b) What is the tension in the string at 90 cm?
- (III) Consider again the ladder of Example 9-9 but with a painter climbing up. If the mass of the ladder is 12.0 kg, the mass of the painter is 60.0 kg, and the ladder begins to slip at its base when she is 70 percent of the way up the length of the ladder, what is the coefficient of static friction between the ladder and the floor? Again assume the wall is frictionless. A free-body diagram is shown in Fig. 9-63.

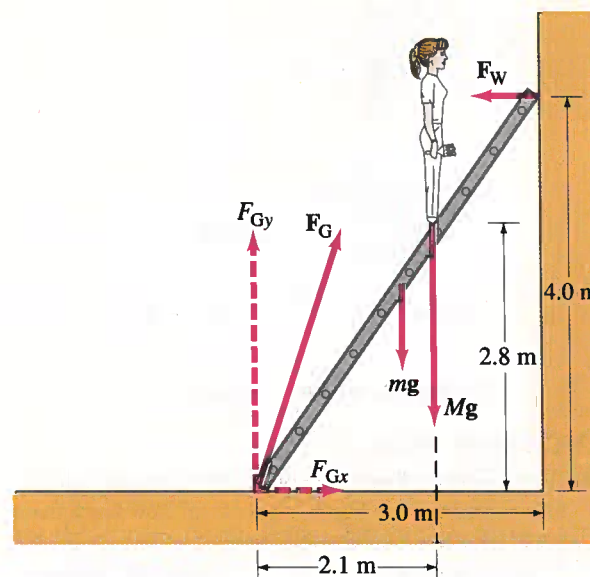


FIGURE 9-63 Problem 31.

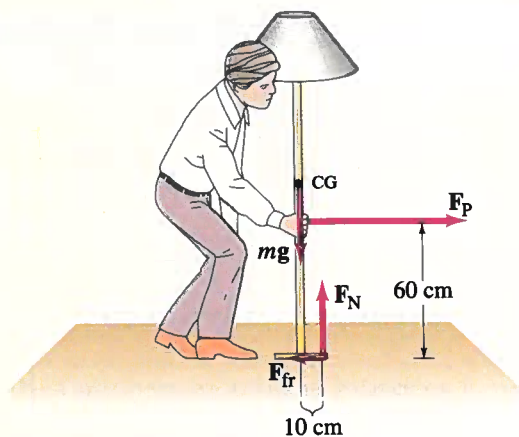


FIGURE 9-64 Problem 32.

32. (III) A person wants to push a lamp (mass 7.2 kg) across the floor. (a) Assuming the person pushes at a height of 60 cm above the ground and the coefficient of friction is 0.20, determine whether the lamp will slide or tip over (Fig. 9-64). (b) Calculate the maximum height above the floor at which the person can push the lamp so that it slides rather than tips.
33. (III) Two guy wires run from the top of a pole 2.6 m tall that supports a volleyball net. The two wires are anchored to the ground 2.0 m apart and each is 2.0 m from the pole (Fig. 9-65). The tension in each wire is 95 N. What is the tension in the net, assumed horizontal and attached at the top of the pole?

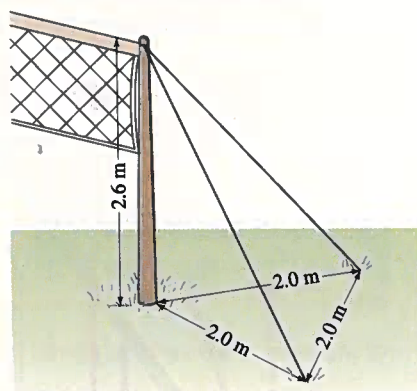


FIGURE 9-65 Problem 33.

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- *34. (I) If the point of insertion of the biceps muscle into the lower arm shown in Fig. 9-15a is 6.0 cm, how much mass could the person hold with a muscle exertion of 400 N?
- *35. (I) Approximately what force, F_M , must the extensor muscle in the upper arm exert on the lower arm to hold a 7.3-kg shot put (Fig. 9-66)? Assume the lower arm has a mass of 2.8 kg and its CG is 12 cm from the pivot point.

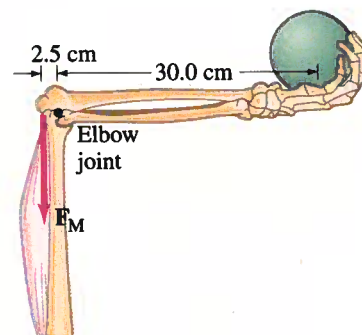


FIGURE 9-66 Problem 35.

- *36. (II) Calculate the force required of the “deltoid” muscle, F_M , to hold up the outstretched arm shown in Fig. 9-67. The total mass of the arm is 3.3 kg.

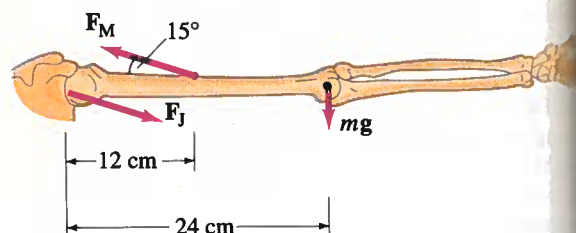


FIGURE 9-67 Problems 36, 37, and 38.

- *37. (II) Suppose the hand in the last problem holds a 1.5 kg mass. What force, F_M , is required of the deltoid muscle assuming the mass is 52 cm from the shoulder joint?
- *38. (II) Calculate the magnitude of the force F_J exerted by the shoulder on the upper arm at the joint in Problems 36 and 37.
- *39. (II) The Achilles tendon is attached to the rear of the foot as shown in Fig. 9-68. When a person elevates himself just barely off the floor on the “ball of the foot,” estimate the tension in the Achilles tendon (pulling upward), and the (downward) force exerted by the lower leg bone on the foot. Assume the person has a mass of 70 kg, and that D is twice as long as d .

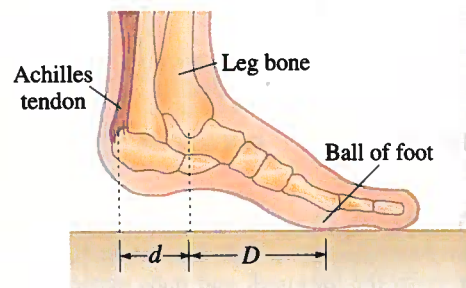


FIGURE 9-68 Problem 39.

40. (II) Redo Example 9-11 assuming now that the person is less bent over so that the 30° in Fig. 9-16b is instead 60° . What will the magnitude of F_V on the vertebra be?

49. (III) Calculate the magnitude of the force at the base of the spine, F_v in Example 9-11 (Fig. 9-16b), if a mass of 20 kg is held in the person's hands, with arms hanging vertically. Assume the person's mass is 70 kg.

SECTION 9-5

50. (II) The Leaning Tower of Pisa is 55 m tall and about 7.0 m in diameter. The top is 4.5 m off center. Is the tower in stable equilibrium? If so, how much farther can it lean before it becomes unstable? Assume the tower is of uniform composition.
51. (III) Four bricks are to be stacked at the edge of a table, each brick overhanging the one below it, so that the top brick extends as far as possible beyond the edge of the table. (a) To achieve this, show that successive bricks must extend no more than (starting at the top) $1/2$, $1/4$, $1/6$, and $1/8$ of their length beyond the one below (Fig. 9-69). (b) Is the top brick completely beyond the base? (c) Determine a general formula for the maximum total distance spanned by n bricks if they are to remain stable. (d) A builder wants to construct a corbeled arch (Fig. 9-32) based on the principle of stability discussed in (a) and (c) above. What minimum number of bricks, each 0.10 m long, is needed if the arch is to span 1.0 m?

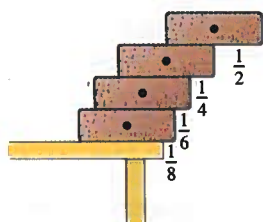


FIGURE 9-69 Problem 43.

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52. (I) A nylon tennis string on a racket is under a tension of 250 N. If its diameter is 1.00 mm, by how much is it lengthened from its untensioned length of 30.0 cm?
53. (I) A marble column of cross-sectional area 2.0 m^2 supports a mass of 25,000 kg. (a) What is the stress within the column? (b) What is the strain?
54. (I) By how much is the column in the previous problem shortened if it is 12 m high?
55. (I) A vertical steel girder with a cross-sectional area of 0.15 m^2 has a sign (mass 2000 kg) hanging from its end. (a) What is the stress within the girder? (b) What is the strain on the girder? (c) If the girder is 9.50 m long, how much is it lengthened? (Ignore the mass of the girder itself.)
56. (II) If the two wires in Fig. 9-52 (Problem 13) are made of steel wire 1.0 mm in diameter, what is the percentage stretch of each because of the load?
57. (II) One liter of alcohol (1000 cm^3) in a flexible container is carried to the bottom of the sea, where the pressure is $2.6 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2$. What will be its volume there?

50. (II) A 15-cm-long animal tendon was found to stretch 3.7 mm by a force of 13.4 N. The tendon was approximately round with an average diameter of 8.5 mm. Calculate the elastic modulus of this tendon.
51. (II) How much pressure is needed to compress the volume of an iron block by 0.10 percent? Express answer in N/m^2 , and compare it to atmospheric pressure ($1.0 \times 10^5 \text{ N/m}^2$).
52. (II) At depths of 2000 m in the sea, the pressure is about 200 times atmospheric pressure ($1.0 \times 10^5 \text{ N/m}^2$). By what percentage does an iron bathysphere's volume change at this depth?
53. (III) A scallop forces open its shell with an elastic material called abductin, whose elastic modulus is about $2.0 \times 10^6 \text{ N/m}^2$. If this piece of abductin is 3.0 mm thick and has a cross-sectional area of 0.50 cm^2 , how much potential energy does it store when compressed 1.0 mm?
54. (III) A pole projects horizontally from the front wall of a shop. A 5.1-kg sign hangs from the pole at a point 2.2 m from the wall (Fig. 9-70). (a) What is the torque due to this sign calculated about the point where the pole meets the wall? (b) If the pole is not to fall off, there must be another torque exerted to balance it. What exerts this torque? Use a diagram to show how this torque must act. (c) Discuss whether compression, tension, and/or shear play a role in part (b).

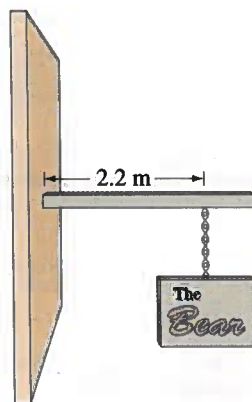


FIGURE 9-70 Problem 54.

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55. (I) The femur bone in the leg has a minimum effective cross section of about 3.0 cm^2 ($= 3.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$). How much compressive force can it withstand before breaking?
56. (II) What is the maximum tension possible in a 1.00-mm-diameter nylon tennis racket string? If you want tighter strings, what do you do to prevent breakage: go to thinner or thicker strings? Why? What causes strings to break when they are hit by the ball?

57. (II) If a compressive force of $3.6 \times 10^4 \text{ N}$ is exerted on the end of a 20-cm-long bone of cross-sectional area 3.6 cm^2 , (a) will the bone break, and (b) if not, by how much does it shorten?
58. (II) (a) What is the minimum cross-sectional area required of a vertical steel cable from which is suspended a 320-kg chandelier? Assume a safety factor of 7.0. (b) If the cable is 7.5 m long, how much does it elongate?
59. (II) Assume the supports of the cantilever shown in Fig. 9-11 (mass = 2600 kg) are made of wood. Calculate the minimum cross-sectional area required of each, assuming a safety factor of 8.5.
60. (II) An iron bolt is used to connect two iron plates together. The bolt must withstand shear forces up to about 3200 N. Calculate the minimum diameter for the bolt, based on a safety factor of 6.0.
61. (III) A steel cable is to support an elevator whose total (loaded) mass is not to exceed 3100 kg. If the maximum acceleration of the elevator is 1.2 m/s^2 , calculate the diameter of cable required. Assume a safety factor of 7.0.

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- *62. (II) How high must a pointed arch be if it is to exert a space 8.0 m wide and exert one third the horizontal force at its base that a round arch would?
- *63. (II) The subterranean tension ring that exerts a balancing horizontal force on the abutments for the dome in Fig. 9-38 is 36-sided, so each segment makes a 10° angle with the adjacent one (Fig. 9-71). Calculate the tension F that must exist in each segment so that the required force of $4.3 \times 10^5 \text{ N}$ can be exerted at each corner (Example 9-15).

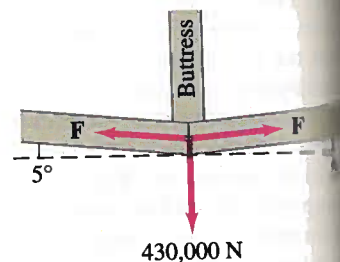


FIGURE 9-71
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64. The mobile in Fig. 9-72 is in equilibrium. The object B has mass of 0.735 kg. Determine the masses of the objects A , C , and D . (Neglect the weights of the crossbars.)

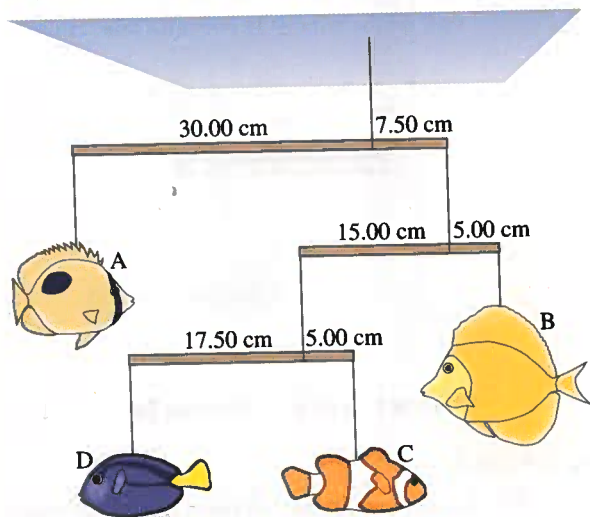


FIGURE 9-72 Problem 64.

65. A 50-story building is being planned. It is to be 200 m high with a base 40 m by 70 m. Its total mass will be about $1.8 \times 10^7 \text{ kg}$ and its weight therefore about $1.8 \times 10^8 \text{ N}$. Suppose a 200-km/h wind exerts a force of 950 N/m^2 over the 70-m-wide face (Fig. 9-73). Calculate the torque about the potential

pivot point, the rear edge of the building (where the force acts in Fig. 9-73), and determine whether the building will topple. Assume the total force of the wind acts at the midpoint of the building's face, and that the building is not anchored in bedrock. [Hint: See Fig. 9-73 represents the force that the Earth exerts on the building in the case where the building is just beginning to tip.]

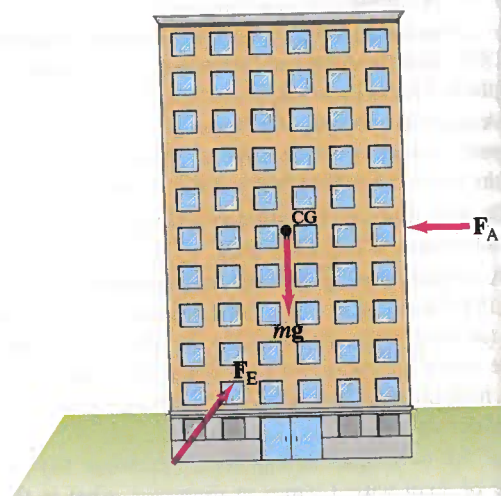


FIGURE 9-73 Force on a building subjected to wind (F_A) and gravity (mg); F_E is the force on the building due to the Earth in the situation when the building is just about to tip. Problem 65.

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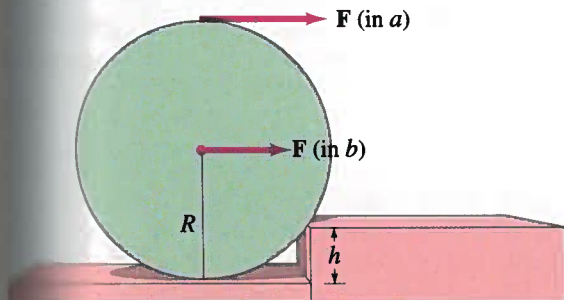


FIGURE 9-74 Problem 67.

The center of gravity of a loaded truck depends on how it is packed. If a truck is 4.0 m high and 2.4 m wide, and its CG is 2.2 m above the ground, how steep a slope can the truck be parked on without tipping over sideways (Fig. 9-75)?

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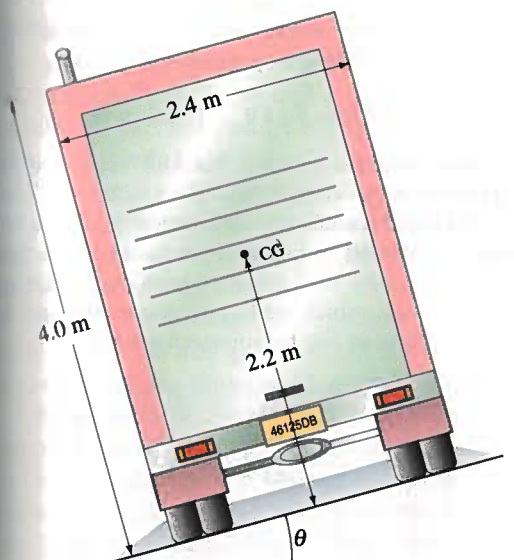


FIGURE 9-75 Problem 68.

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In Example 7-5 in Chapter 7, we calculated the impulse and average force on the leg of a person who jumps 3.0 m down to the ground. If the legs are not bent upon landing, so that the body moves a distance d of only 1.0 cm during collision, determine (a) the stress in the tibia bone (area = $3.0 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$), and (b) whether or not the bone will break. (c) Repeat for a bent-knees landing ($d = 50.0 \text{ cm}$).

70. The roof of a $9.0 \text{ m} \times 10.0 \text{ m}$ room in a school has a total mass of 12,600 kg. The roof is to be supported by " 2×4 s" (actually about $4.0 \text{ cm} \times 9.0 \text{ cm}$) along the 10.0-m sides. How many supports are required on each side and how far apart must they be? Consider only compression and assume a safety factor of 12.

71. In Fig. 9-76, consider the right-hand (northernmost) section of the Golden Gate Bridge, which has a length $d_1 = 343 \text{ m}$. Assume the CG of this span is halfway between the tower and anchor. Determine F_{T1} and F_{T2} (which act on the northernmost cable) in terms of mg , the weight of the northernmost span, and calculate the tower height h needed for equilibrium. Assume the roadway is supported only by the suspension cables and neglect the mass of the cables. [Hint: F_{T3} does not act on this section.]

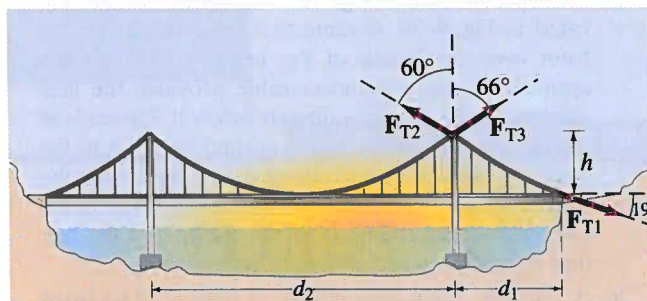


FIGURE 9-76 Problems 71 and 75.

72. A 20.0-m-long uniform beam weighing 600 N is supported on walls A and B, as shown in Fig. 9-77. (a) Find the maximum weight a person can be to walk to the extreme end D without tipping the beam. Find the forces that the walls A and B exert on the beam when the person is standing: (b) at D; (c) at a point 2.0 m to the right of B; (d) 2.0 m to the right of A.

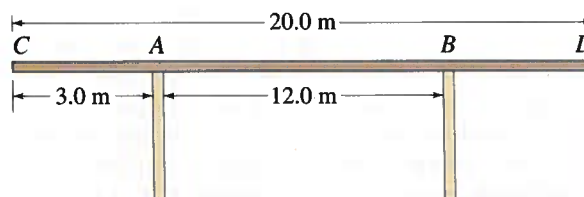


FIGURE 9-77 Problem 72.

73. A 36-kg round table is supported by three legs placed equal distances apart on the edge. What minimum mass, placed on the table's edge, will cause the table to overturn?

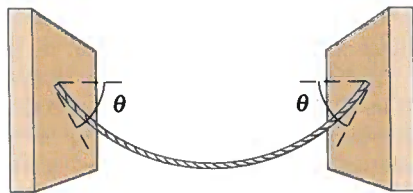


FIGURE 9-78 Problem 74.

74. A uniform flexible steel cable of weight mg is suspended between two equal elevation points as shown in Fig. 9-78, where $\theta = 60^\circ$. Determine the tension in the cable (a) at its lowest point, and (b) at the points of attachment. (c) What is the direction of the tension force in each case?
75. Assume that a single-span suspension bridge such as the Golden Gate Bridge has the configuration indicated in Fig. 9-76. Assume that the roadway is uniform over the length of the bridge and that each segment of the suspension cable provides the sole support for the roadway directly below it. The ends of the cable are anchored to the ground only, not to the roadway. What must the ratio of d_2 to d_1 be so that the suspension cable exerts no net horizontal force on the towers? Neglect the mass of the cables and the fact that the roadway isn't precisely horizontal.
76. A uniform 7.0-m-long ladder of mass 15.0 kg leans against a smooth wall (so the force exerted by the wall, F_w , is perpendicular to the wall). The ladder makes an angle $\theta = 20^\circ$ with the vertical wall (see Fig. 9-61); and the ground is rough. (a) Calculate the components of the force exerted by the ground on the ladder at its base, and (b) determine what the coefficient of friction at the base of the ladder must be if the ladder is not to slip when a 70-kg person stands three fourths of the way up the ladder.
77. If the coefficient of friction between the ladder and the ground in the situation described in the preceding problem is 0.30, how far up the ladder can the person climb before the ladder starts to slip?
78. There is a maximum height of a uniform vertical column made of any material that can support itself without buckling, and it is independent of the cross-sectional area (why?). Calculate this height for (a) steel (density $7.8 \times 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3$), and (b) granite (density $2.7 \times 10^3 \text{ kg/m}^3$).
79. From what minimum height must a 1.2-kg rectangular brick $15.0 \text{ cm} \times 6.0 \text{ cm} \times 4.0 \text{ cm}$ be dropped above a rigid steel floor in order to break the brick? Assume the brick strikes the floor directly on its largest face, and that the compression of the brick is much greater than that of the steel (that is, ignore compression of the steel). State other simplifying assumptions that may be necessary.

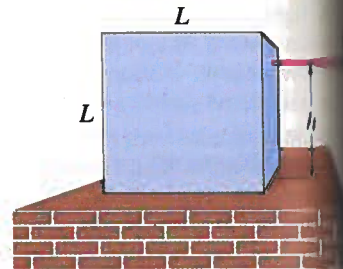


FIGURE 9-79 Problem 80.

80. A cube of side L rests on a rough floor. It is subjected to a steady horizontal pull, F , exerted at a distance h above the floor as shown in Fig. 9-79. As F is increased, the block will either begin to slide, or begin to tip over. (a) What must be the coefficient of friction μ_s so that the block begins to slide rather than tip? (b) What must be the coefficient of friction so that the block begins to tip? [Hint: What will the normal force on the block act if it tips?]
81. A man doing push-ups pauses in the position shown in Fig. 9-80. His mass $m = 70 \text{ kg}$. Determine the normal force exerted by the floor (a) on each hand and (b) on each foot.

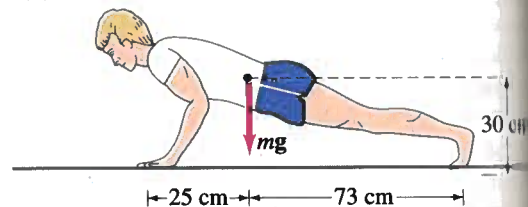


FIGURE 9-80 Problem 81.

82. A 60-kg painter is on a scaffold supported by ropes (Fig. 9-81). The scaffold has a mass of 25 kg and is uniformly constructed. There is a 4.0-kg pail of paint off to one side, as shown in the figure. Can the painter walk safely to both ends of the scaffold? If not, which end(s) is dangerous and how close to the end can he approach safely?

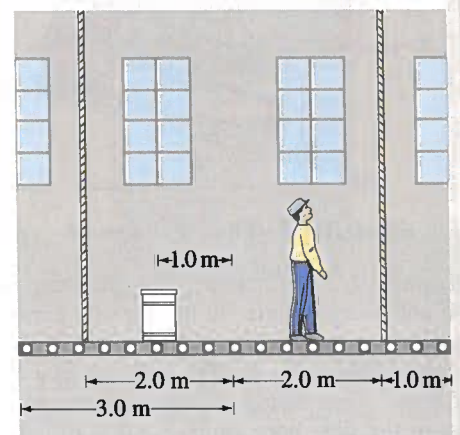


FIGURE 9-81 Problem 82.