

Problem B1

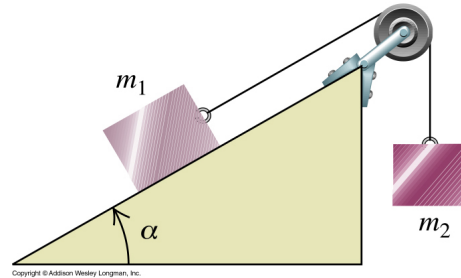


Figure 1: Setup of Problem B1

Two boxes of masses m_1 and m_2 are attached by a strong line passing through a pulley without slipping as in Figure 1. In addition to the masses of the boxes, the pulley wheel also has mass m_p , and is of an approximately cylindrical shape with radius R . The boxes are affected by the gravitational acceleration g . The mass of the line can be neglected.

- Derive an expression for the inclination angle α of the ramp (in terms of the other given quantities) such that the system is in equilibrium.
- The coefficient of kinetic friction between the box 1 and the ramp is μ . Solve for the acceleration of box 1 in the case that the system is not in equilibrium.

Problem B2

Two cars A and B (masses $m_A = 800$ kg and $m_B = 1300$ kg) collide with initial speeds $v_A = 70.0$ km/h and $v_B = 80.0$ km/h, so that the angle between their initial velocities is $\alpha = 70.0^\circ$. In the collision, the cars get stuck together, and after the collision they slide together on the road. The coefficient of kinetic friction between the wreckage and the road is $\mu = 0.800$, and the gravitational acceleration $g = 9.81$ m/s². Assume that the cars move only in the horizontal plane.

- How far from the point of collision do the cars slide?
- How long does it take (in time) for the cars to stop after the collision?