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I would like to thank my family for their continuous love and support.  
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I would like to thank my parents, George and Elissa, for their constant support and encouragement.  
—Shane Stadler

Dear Students and Instructors:

Welcome to college physics! To the students: We know there is a negative stigma associated with physics, and you yourself may harbor some trepidation as you begin this course. But fear not! We're here to help. Whether you're worried about your math proficiency, understanding the concepts, or developing your problem-solving skills, the resources available to you are designed to address all of these areas and more. Research has shown that learning styles vary greatly among students. Maybe some of you have a more visual preference, or auditory preference, or some other preferred learning modality. In any case, the resources available to you in this course will satisfy all of these preferences and improve your chance of success. Take a moment to explore below what the textbook and online course have to offer. We suspect that, as you continue to improve throughout the course, some of that initial trepidation will be replaced with excitement.

To start, we have created a new learning medium specific to this book in the form of a comprehensive set of *LECTURE VIDEOS* – one for every section (259 in all). These animated lectures (created and narrated by the authors) are 2–10 minutes in length, and explain the basic concepts and learning objectives of each section. They are assignable within WileyPLUS and can be paired with follow-up questions that are gradable. In addition to supplementing traditional lecturing, the videos can be used in a variety of ways, including flipping the classroom, a complete set of lectures for online courses, and reviewing for exams. Next, we have enhanced “The Physics of ...” examples by increasing the bio-inspired examples by 40%. Although they are of general instructional value, they are also similar to what premed students will encounter in the *Chemical and Physical Foundations of Biological Systems Passages* section of the MCAT. Finally, we have introduced new “team problems” in the end-of-chapter problems that are designed for group problem-solving exercises. These are context-rich problems of medium difficulty designed for group cooperation, but may also be tackled by the individual student.

One of the great strengths of this text is the synergistic relationship it develops between problem solving and conceptual understanding. For instance, available in WileyPLUS are animated *Chalkboard Videos*, which consist of short (2–3 min) videos demonstrating step-by-step practical solutions to typical homework problems. Also available are numerous *Guided Online (GO) Tutorials* that implement a step-by-step pedagogical approach, which provides students a low-stakes environment for refining their problem solving skills. One of the most important techniques developed in the text for solving problems involving multiple forces is the *free-body diagram* (FBD). Many problems in the force-intensive chapters, such as chapters 4 and 18, take advantage of the new FBD capabilities now available online in WileyPLUS, where students can construct the FBD's for a select number of problems and be graded on them. Finally, *ORION*, an online adaptive learning environment, is seamlessly integrated into WileyPLUS for Cutnell & Johnson.

The content and functionality of WileyPLUS, and the adaptive learning environment of *ORION* (see below), will provide students with all the resources they need to be successful in the course.

- The *Lecture Videos* created by the authors for each section include questions with intelligent feedback when a student enters the wrong answer.
- The multi-step *GO Tutorial* problems created in WileyPLUS are designed to provide targeted, intelligent feedback.
- The *Free-body Diagram* vector drawing tools provide students an easy way to enter answers requiring vector drawing, and also provide enhanced feedback.
- *Chalkboard Video Solutions* take the students step-by-step through the solution and the thought process of the authors. Problem-solving strategies are discussed, and common misconceptions and potential pitfalls are addressed. The students can then apply these techniques to solve similar, but different problems.

All of these features are designed to encourage students to remain within the WileyPLUS environment, as opposed to pursuing the “pay-for solutions” websites that short circuit the learning process. To the students – We strongly recommend that you take this honest approach to the course. Take full advantage of the many features and learning resources that accompany the text and the online content. Be engaged with the material and push yourself to work through the exercises. Physics may not be the easiest subject to understand, but with the Wiley resources at your disposal and your hard work, you CAN be successful.

We are immensely grateful to all of you who have provided feedback as we've worked on this new edition, and to our students who have taught us how to teach. Thank you for your guidance, and keep the feedback coming. Best wishes for success in this course and wherever your major may take you!

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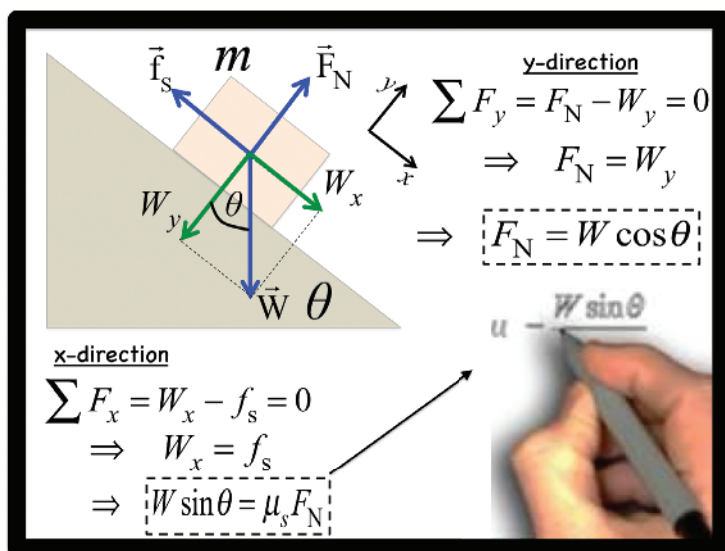
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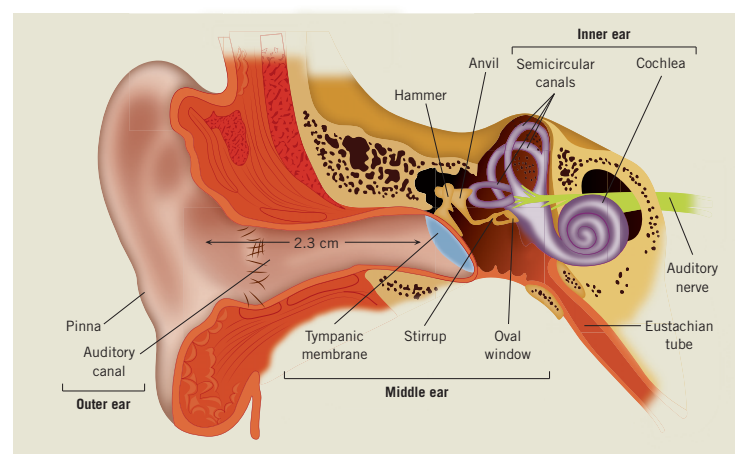
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Chapter 04, Problem 003 GO

Two horizontal forces,  $\vec{F}_1$  and  $\vec{F}_2$ , are acting on a box, but only  $\vec{F}_1$  is shown in the drawing.  $\vec{F}_2$  can point either to the right or to the left. The box moves only along the x axis. There is no friction between the box and the surface. Suppose that  $\vec{F}_1 = +9.6$  N and the mass of the box is 4.3 kg. Find the magnitude and direction of  $\vec{F}_2$  when the acceleration of the box is (a)  $+7.8$  m/s<sup>2</sup>, (b)  $-7.8$  m/s<sup>2</sup>, and (c)  $0$  m/s<sup>2</sup>.

(a)  $\vec{F}_2 =$

(b)  $\vec{F}_2 =$

(c)  $\vec{F}_2 =$

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Step 1 : Chapter 04, Problem 3 Solution Step 1

**Incorrect.** According to Newton’s second law, the acceleration along the x axis is the vector sum of the two forces divided by the mass of the box. Thus, the vector sum of the two forces and acceleration must have the same algebraic sign. The acceleration is positive. However, if  $\vec{F}_2$  is negative and has a magnitude that is greater than the magnitude of  $\vec{F}_1$ , the vector sum of the two forces will be negative.

**Note:** Be aware that the numeric values in this stepped tutorial are different from the numeric values that appear in the question you are attempting to answer.

**Concept Questions** Two horizontal forces,  $\vec{F}_1$  and  $\vec{F}_2$ , are acting on a box, but only  $\vec{F}_1$  is shown in the drawing.  $\vec{F}_2$  can point either to the right or to the left. The box moves only along the x axis. There is no friction between the box and the surface.

(a) What is the direction of  $\vec{F}_2$  and how does its magnitude compare to the magnitude of  $\vec{F}_1$  when the acceleration of the box is positive?

- ☐  $\vec{F}_2$  may be negative, but only if its magnitude is greater than the magnitude of  $\vec{F}_1$ .
- ☐  $\vec{F}_2$  may be positive and have any magnitude.  $\vec{F}_2$  may also be negative, provided that its magnitude is greater than the magnitude of  $\vec{F}_1$ .
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- ☐  $\vec{F}_2$  may be positive or negative and have any magnitude in either case.

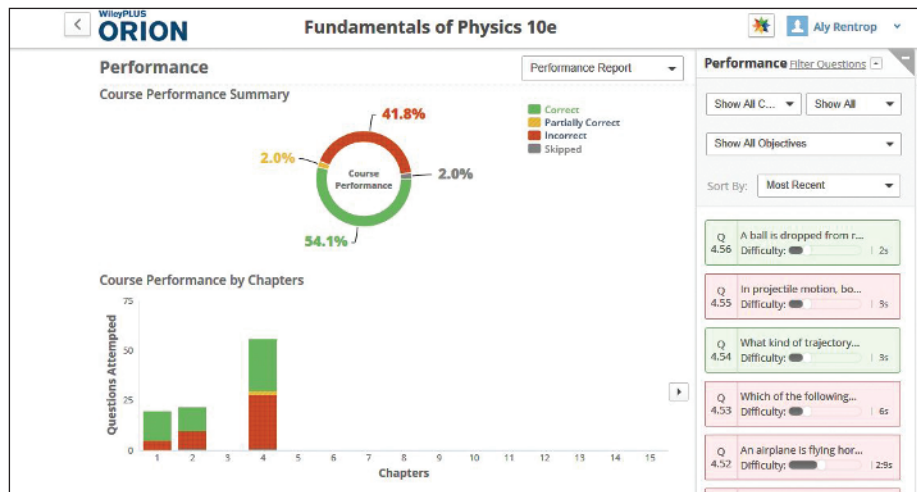
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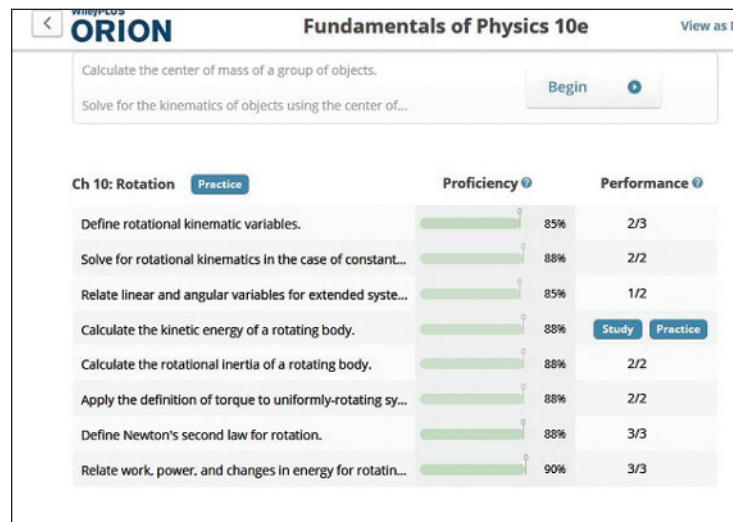
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