

Newton's first law of motion (contains mistakes)

Every body continues in its state of rest , or of uniform motion in a straight line , unless it is compelled to change that state by forces impressed upon it . - Newton's First Law of Motion , translated from the Principia's Latin This is sometimes called the Law of Inertia , or just inertia . Essentially , it makes the following two points:

- An object that is not moving will not move until a force acts upon it .
- An object that is in motion will not change velocity (including stopping) until a force acts upon it . The first point seems relatively obvious to most people , but the second may take some thinking through , because everyone knows that things don't keep moving forever . If I slide a hockey puck along a table , it doesn't move forever , it slows and eventually comes to a stop . But according to Newton's laws , this is because a force is acting on the hockey puck and , sure enough , there is frictional force between the table and the puck , and that frictional force is in the direction opposite the movement . It's this force which causes the object to slow to a stop . In the absence (or virtual absence) of such a force , as on an air hockey table or ice rink , the puck's motion isn't hindered .

Here is another way of stating Newton's First Law: A body that is acted on by no net force moves at a constant velocity (which may be zero) and zero acceleration . So with no net force , the object just keeps doing what it is doing . It is important to note the words net force . This means the total forces upon the object must add up to zero . An object sitting on my floor has a gravitational force pulling it downward , but there is also a normal force pushing upward from the floor , so the net force is zero - therefore it doesn't move . To return to the hockey puck example , consider two people hitting the hockey puck on exactly opposite sides at exactly the same time and with exactly identical force . In this rare case , the puck would not move . Since both velocity and force are vector quantities , the directions are important to this process . If a force (such as gravity) acts downward on an object , and there's no upward force , the object will gain a vertical acceleration downward . The horizontal velocity will not change , however . If I throw a ball off my balcony at a horizontal speed of 3m/s , it will hit the ground with a horizontal speed of 3 m/s (ignoring the force of air resistance) , even though gravity exerted a force (and therefore

acceleration) in the vertical direction . If it weren't for gravity , though , the ball would have kept going in a straight line at least until it hit my neighbor's house .

Newton's second law of motion The acceleration produced by a particular force acting on a body is directly proportional to the magnitude of the force and inversely proportional to the mass of the body . - Newton's Second Law of Motion , translated from the Principia's Latin The mathematical formulation of the second law is shown to the right , with F representing the force , m representing the object's mass and a representing the object's acceleration . This formula is extremely useful in classical mechanics , as it provides a means of translating directly between the acceleration of and force acting upon a given mass . A large portion of classical mechanics ultimately breaks down to applying this formula in different contexts . The sigma symbol to the left of the force indicates that it is the net force , or the sum of all the forces , that we are interested in . As vector quantities , the direction of the net force will also be the same direction as the acceleration . You can also break the equation down into x & y (and even z) coordinates , which can make many elaborate problems more manageable , especially if you orient your coordinate system properly .

You'll note that when the net forces on an object sum up to zero , we achieve the state defined in Newton's First Law - the net acceleration must be zero . We know this because all object have mass (in classical mechanics , at least) . If the object is already moving it will continue to move at a constant velocity , but that velocity will not change until a net force is introduced . Obviously , an object at rest will not move at all without a net force . The Second Law in Action A box with a mass of 40 kg sits at rest on a frictionless tile floor . With your foot , you apply a 20 N force in a horizontal direction . What is the acceleration of the box? The object is at rest , so there is no net force except for the force your foot is applying . Friction is eliminated . Also , there's only one direction of force to worry about . So this problem is very straightforward . You begin the problem by defining your coordinate system . In this case , that's easy - the +x direction will be the direction of the force

(and, therefore, the direction of the acceleration). The mathematics is similarly straightforward: $F = m \cdot a$ $F / m = a$ $20 \text{ N} / 40 \text{ kg} = a = 0.5 \text{ m} / \text{s}^2$ The problems based on this law are literally endless, using the formula to determine any of the three values when you are given the other two. As systems become more complex, you will learn to apply frictional forces, gravity, electromagnetic forces, and other applicable forces to the same basic formula.

Not only that, but while it's pushing on the tip of your finger, your finger in turn pushes back into your body, and the rest of your body pushes back against the finger, and your body in turn pushes on the chair or floor (or both), all of which keeps your body from moving and allows you to keep your finger moving to continue the force. There's nothing pushing back on the shoebox to stop it from moving. If, however, the shoebox is sitting next to a wall and you push it toward the wall, the shoebox will push on the wall - and the wall will push back. The shoebox will, at this point, stop moving. You can try to push it harder, but the box will break before it goes through the wall because it isn't strong enough to handle that much force. Tug of War: Newton's Laws in Action Most people have played tug of war at some point. A person or group of people grab the ends of a rope and try to pull the person or group at the other end, usually past some marker (sometimes into a mud pit in really fun versions), thus proving that one of the groups is stronger. All three of Newton's Laws can be seen very obviously in tug of war. There frequently comes a point in tug of war - sometimes right at the beginning but sometimes later - where neither side is moving. Both sides are pulling with the same force and therefore the rope does not accelerate in either direction. This is a classic example of Newton's First Law.

Newton's third law of motion To every action there is always opposed an equal reaction; or, the mutual actions of two bodies upon each other are always equal, and directed to contrary parts. - Newton's Third Law of Motion, translated from the Principia's Latin We represent the Third Law by looking at two bodies A and B that are interacting. We define FA as the force applied to body A by body B and FB as the force applied to body B by body A. These forces will be equal in magnitude and opposite in direction. In mathematical terms, it is expressed as: $F_B = -F_A$ or $F_A + F_B = 0$

This is not the same thing as having a net force of zero , however . If you apply a force to an empty shoebox sitting on a table , the shoebox applies an equal force back on you . This doesn't sound right at first - you're obviously pushing on the box , and it is obviously not pushing on you . But remember that , according to the Second Law , force and acceleration are related - but they aren't identical!

Because your mass is much larger than the mass of the shoebox , the force you exert causes it to accelerate away from you and the force it exerts on you wouldn't cause much acceleration at all . Once a net force is applied , such as when one group begins pulling a bit harder than the other , an acceleration begins , and this follows the Second Law . The group losing ground must then try to exert more force . When the net force begins going in their direction , the acceleration is in their direction . The movement of the rope slows down until it stops and , if they maintain a higher net force , it begins moving back in their direction . The Third Law is a lot less visible , but it's still there . When you pull on that rope , you can feel that the rope is also pulling on you , trying to move you toward the other end . You plant your feet firmly in the ground , and the ground actually pushes back on you , helping you to resist the pull of the rope . Next time you play or watch a game of tug of war - or any sport , for that matter - think about all the forces and accelerations at work . It's truly impressive to realize that you could , if you worked at it , understand the physical laws that are operating in your favorite sport .

nyutinz furst l̥r ov mōshin.

“evre bodē k̥antinyuz in ias st̥æt ov rest , ̥r ov yun̥f̥arm mōshin in æ s̥jraet l̥in , ̥nles it iz k̥ampald tu d̥aenj t̥at st̥æt b̥i f̥arsiz imprest ̥pon it” . nyutinz furst l̥r ov mōshin , d̥hranzl̥æt̥id from t̥i ̥ prins̥̥peiz latin. t̥is iz s̥amt̥imz k̥arld t̥i ̥ l̥r ov inursh̥i ̥ , ̥r j̥ast inursh̥i . ̥sench̥ol , it m̥æx t̥i ̥ foliwe̥g tu p̥æne̥as:

an objekt that iz not muveḡ wil not muv ḗntil æ færs akas ḗpon it .

an objekt that iz in mōshin wil not chænj vḗlosḗte (inkludḡ stopḡ) ḗntil æ færs akas ḗpon it . tḗa furst pærent semz relḗtivle obveis tu mōst pepḡl , bḗt tḗa sekind mæ tæek sam tḗigkeḡ tḗru , bekḡz evrewan nōz that tḗigz dōnt kep muveḡ fævḗ . if I slīd æ hoke rak ḗlog æ tæebḡl , it dḗzint muv fævḗ , it slōz and ivenchḗle kḗmz tu æ stop . bḗt ḗkædeḡ tu nyutinḡ læz , tḗis iz bekḡz æ færs iz akteḡ on tḗa hoke rak and, shæ ḗnḗf, tḗeḗ iz frikshḗnḡl færs bitwen tḗa tæebḡl and tḗa rak, and that frikshḗnḡl færs iz in tḗa dḗrekshin opḗsit tḗa muvmint . ias tḗis færs wiḗ kæziz tḗa objekt tu slō tu æ stop . in tḗa absins (æ vurchḡl absins) ov slæḗ æ færs , æz on an æ hoke tæebḡl æ Is riḡk , tḗa rak mōshin izint hindid .

hæḗ iz ḗnḗtḗa wæ ov stæteḡ nyutinḡ furst læ: æ bode that iz aktid on bḗ nō net færs muvz at æ konstint vḗlosḗte (wiḗ mæ be zerḡ) and zerḡ axalḗræshin . sḡ wiḗ nō net færs , tḗa objekt jḗst keps duweḡ wot it iz duweḡ . it iz impærtint tu nōt tḗa wurḡs net færs . tḗis menz tḗa tōtḡl færsiz ḗpon tḗa objekt mḗst ad ḗp tu zerḡ . an objekt siteḡ on mḗ flæ hæz æ gravḗtæeshḗnḡl færs pḡleḡ it daonwid , bḗt tḗeḗ iz ælsḡ æ nærmḡl færs pḡsheḡ ḗpward from tḗa flæ , sḡ tḗa net færs iz zerḡ tḗeḗfæ it dḗzint muv . tu rḗturn tu tḗa hoke rak exampḡl , kḗnsidḗ tu pepḡl hitḡ tḗa hoke rak on exaktle opḗsit sḗas at exaktle tḗa sæm tḗim and wiḗ exaktle Identḗkḡl færs . in tḗis reḗ kæs , tḗa rak wḡd not muv . sins bḡtḗ vḗlosḗte and færs A vektḗ qontḗtez , tḗa dḗrekshinz A impærtint tu tḗis prḡses . if æ færs (slæḗ æz gravḗte) akas daonwid on an objekt , and tḗeḗz nō ḗpward færs , tḗa objekt wil gæen æ vurtḗkḡl axalḗræshin daonwid . tḗa horḗzontḡl vḗlosḗte wil not chænj , hæevḗ . if I tḗrḡ æ bærl of mḗ balkḗne at æ horḗzontḡl sped ov tḗre metiz pur sekind, it wil hit tḗa graond wiḗ æ horḗzontḡl sped ov tḗre metiz pur sekind (ignæḡ tḗa færs ov æ rḗzisdins) , evin tḗḡ gravity exurtid æ færs (and tḗeḗfæ axalḗræshin) in tḗa vurtḗkḡl dḗrekshin . if it

wurmt f̄ar grav̄atē , t̄iō , t̄iλ b̄arl w̄oð hav kept gōwēḡ in aē
s̄jraēt l̄In at lēst āntil it hit m̄I n̄aēbiz haos .

nyutin̄z sek̄ind l̄ar ov mōsh̄in

"t̄iλ aχal̄āraēsh̄in pr̄ājust b̄I aē p̄Atikyul̄a f̄ars akteḡ on aē bode
iz direktlē pr̄āp̄arsh̄ānōl tu t̄iλ magn̄āchud ov t̄iλ f̄ars and
invurslē pr̄āp̄arsh̄ānōl tu t̄iλ mas ov t̄iλ bode ." nyutin̄z sek̄ind
l̄ar ov mōsh̄in , chranzlaēt̄id from t̄iλ prins̄āpiz latin

t̄iλ maT̄imat̄ākkōl f̄armyul̄aēsh̄in ov t̄iλ sek̄ind l̄ar iz shōwn tu
t̄iλ r̄It , w̄iT̄l ef repr̄āzentēḡ t̄iλ f̄ars , em repr̄āzentēḡ t̄iλ
objek̄as mas and aē repr̄āzentēḡ t̄iλ objek̄as aχal̄āraēsh̄in .
t̄is f̄armyul̄a iz exchrem̄lē yusfōl in klas̄ākkōl m̄ākanix , az it
pr̄āv̄Ias aē menz ov chranzlaētēḡ direktlē bitwēn t̄iλ
aχal̄āraēsh̄in ov and f̄ars akteḡ āpon aē givin mas . aē l̄Aj
p̄arsh̄in ov klas̄ākkōl m̄ākanix olt̄āmitlē br̄aex daon tu āpl̄Iēḡ
t̄is f̄armyul̄a in difrint kontex̄as . t̄iλ sigm̄a simbōl tu t̄iλ left
ov t̄iλ f̄ars ind̄ākaēas t̄iat it iz t̄iλ net f̄ars , σ t̄iλ s̄ām ov σl
t̄iλ f̄arsiz , t̄iat wē A inchr̄istid in . az vekt̄ā qont̄ātez , t̄iλ
d̄lreksh̄in ov t̄iλ net f̄ars wil σl̄sō bē t̄iλ s̄aem d̄lreksh̄in az t̄iλ
aχal̄āraēsh̄in . yu kan σl̄sō br̄aek t̄iλ eqaēj̄hin daon int̄u ex &
w̄I (and evin zed) kōard̄ānin̄as , w̄ich kan m̄aek mēnē ālab̄arit
problimz m̄ar manij̄ābōl , esbesh̄alē if yu oreint̄ ȳar kōard̄ānit
sistim propilē .

yōl nōt t̄iat wēn t̄iλ net f̄arsiz on an objek̄t s̄ām āp tu zerō ,
wē āchēv̄ t̄iλ st̄aēt d̄āf̄Ind in nyutin̄z f̄urst l̄ar t̄iλ net
aχal̄āraēsh̄in m̄ast bē zerō . wē nō t̄is bekōz σl̄ objek̄t hav
mas (in klas̄ākkōl m̄ākanix , at lēst) . if t̄iλ objek̄t iz σr̄ede
muvēḡ it wil kontinyu tu muv at aē konstint v̄ālos̄āte , b̄at
t̄iat v̄ālos̄āte wil not ch̄aenj̄ āntil aē net f̄ars iz inchr̄ājust .
obveislē , an objek̄t at rest wil not muv at σl̄ w̄iT̄laot aē net
f̄ars . t̄iλ sek̄ind l̄ar in aksh̄in aē box w̄iT̄l aē mas ov 40
kil̄āgram sīas at rest on aē friksh̄inlis t̄l̄eil fl̄ar . w̄iT̄l ȳar fōt ,

yu apli ae 20 nyutin fars in ae horizontol drekshin . wot iz
 til axalarasthin ov til box? til objekt iz at rest , so til iz
 no net fars exsept for til fars yar foot iz aplieg . frikshin iz
 alimnastid . alsō , tilz onle wan drekshin ov fars tu wape
 aboot . so tis problim iz vere sjraet fard . yu blgin til problim
 bi dafineg yar kōardnit sistim . in tis kaes , tiaps eze til +ex
 drekshin wil be til drekshin ov til fars (and , tilfar , til
 drekshin ov til axalarasthin) . til matematix iz simlale
 sjraet fard: $F = m \cdot a$ $F / m = a$ $20 \text{ N} / 40 \text{ kg} = a = 0.5 \text{ m} / \text{s}^2$ til
 problimz baest on tis lar A lichrale endlis , yuzeg til farmyula
 tu daturmin ene ov til tre valyuz wen yu A givin til ltil tu .
 az sistimz blkam mar komplex , yu wil lurn tu apli
 frikshinol farsiz , gravite , lektrōmagnetik farsiz , and
 ltil aplikabol farsiz tu til saem baesik farmyula .

nyutinz Turd lar ov mōshin

"tu evre akshin til iz swaez apōzd an eqol reakshin; a , til
 myuchol akshinz ov tu bodez lron ech ltil A swaez eqol ,
 and dārektid tu kondre pas " . nyutinz Turd lar ov mōshin ,
 chranzlaetid from til prinsapiz latin

we reprāzent til Turd lar bi lokeg at tu bodez ae and yu tilat
 A intlakteg . we dāfin ef az til fars aplid tu bode ae bi bode
 yu and ef az til fars aplid tu bode yu bi bode ae . tilz farsiz
 wil be eqol in magnachud and opasit in drekshin . in
 matematikol turmz , it iz expressed az: $F_B = -F_A$ or $F_A + F_B = 0$
 tis iz not til saem tilg az haveg ae net fars ov zero ,
 haevn . if yu apli ae fars tu an empde shubox siteg on ae
 taebol , til shubox apliz an eqol fars bak on yu . tis dāzint
 saond rit at furst yar obveisle pōsheg on til box , and it iz
 obveisle not pōsheg on yu . bat rāmembā tilat , lkardeg tu til
 sekind lar , fars and axalarasthin A rālaetid bat tilae Ant
 Identikol! bekōz yar mas iz mālch lajl tilan til mas ov til
 shubox , til fars yu exurt kōziz it tu axalarast lwaē from yu
 and til fars it exurōs on yu wōdint kōz mālch axalarasthin at
 al .

not ðnle þat , bæt wīl ias pœshæg on þa tip ov yǽ fiġġa , yǽ fiġġa in turn pœshiz bak intu yǽ bode , and þa rest ov yǽ bode pœshis bak āgenst þa fiġġa , and yǽ bode in turn pœshis on þa dæa ǽ flǽ (ǽ bōþl) , ǽl ov wicþ keps yǽ bode from muveæg and ālaoz yu tu kep yǽ fiġġa muveæg tu kontinyu þa fǽrs . þeiz nāþeæg pœshæg bak on þa shubox tu stop it from muveæg . if , hæoenl , þa shubox iz siteæg next tu æ wǽrl and yu pœsh it tǽwǽrd þa wǽrl , þa shubox wil pœsh on þa wǽrl and þa wǽrl wil pœsh bak . þa shubox wil , at þis pǽent , stop muveæg . yu kan dhrī tu pœsh it hAdl , bæt þa box wil bræc bǽfǽ it gōz þru þa wǽrl bekœz it isn't sjroeg ānāf tu handōl þat mǽch fǽrs . tæg ov wǽ: nyutinþ lǽz in akshin mōst pepōl hav plæed tæg ov wǽ at sam pǽent . æpursin ǽ grup ov pepōl grab þa enas ov æ rōp and dhrī tu pōl þa pursin ǽ grup at þa lþa end , yuþilæ pAst sam mAkl (samtImz intu æ mud pit in reile fan vurþinz) , þas pruveæg þat wān ov þa grups iz sjroegġa . ǽl þre ov nyutinþ lǽz kan be sen vere obveisle in tæg ov wǽ . þeā freqāntle kāmz æ pǽent in tæg ov wǽ samtImz rIt at þa bāġineæg bæt samtImz lætā wēā nItā sId iz muveæg . bōþl sIdas A pōleæg wIt þa sǽm fǽrs and þeāfǽ þa rōp dāz not axalāraet in Itā dārekshin . þis iz æ klasik exAmpōl ov nyutinþ furst lǽ .

wāns æ net fǽrs iz āplId , sǽch az wen wān grup bāġinz pōleæg æ bit hAdl þān þa lþa , an axalāraeshin bāġinz , and þis folōz þa sekind lǽ . þa grup lūzeæg graond mǽst þen dhrī tu exurt mǽ fǽrs . wen þa net fǽrs bāġinz gōweæg in þeā dārekshin , þa axalāraeshin iz in þeā dārekshin . þa muvmint ov þa rōp slōz daon āntil it stops and , if þeā mǽentāen æ hItā net fǽrs , it bāġinz muveæg bak in þeā dārekshin . þa þurd lǽ iz æ lot les vizābōl , bæt ias stil þeā . wen yu pōl on þat rōp , yu kan feil þat þa rōp iz ǽlsō pōleæg on yu , dhrīeæg tu muv yu tǽwǽrd þa lþa end . yu plAnt yǽ fet fūrmle in þa graond , and þa graond akshilæ pœshis bak on yu , hālpreæg yu tu rezist þa pōl ov þa rōp . next tIm yu plæe ǽ woch æ

gæm ov tæg ov wæ æ ene spæt , fæ t̃at mat ʌ T̃iɪk ʌbaot æl
t̃i ʌ færsiz and axal ʌræshinz at wurk . ias d̃hrule impresiv tu
reiliz t̃at yu kœd , if yu wurkt at it , ʌnd ʌstand t̃i ʌ fizikœl
læz t̃at A op ʌræteɪ in yæ favrit spæt .