Newton's Laws

• **Newton's 1ˢᵗ Law (Same as Galileo's law of inertia): No force => no acceleration.**

"An object at rest stays at rest and an object in motion stays in motion with the same speed and in the same direction unless acted upon by a force."

$$\vec{F} = 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \vec{v} = const$$

• **Newton's 2ⁿᵈ Law:**

"Force equals mass times acceleration"

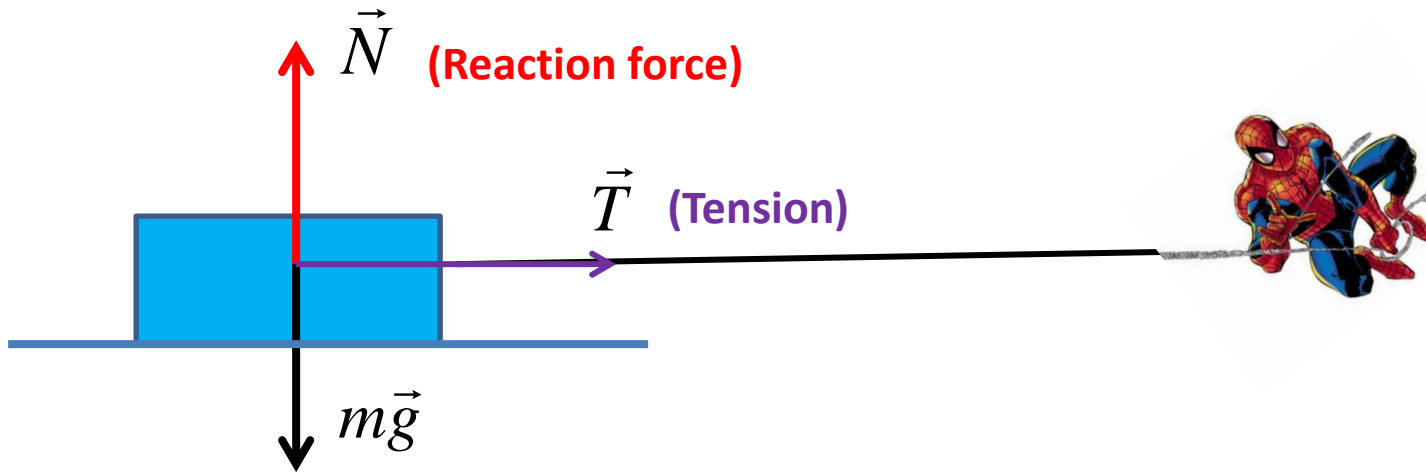$$\vec{F} = m\vec{a}$$

• **Newton's 3ʳᵈ Law:**

"Any Force of action has an equal and opposite Force of reaction "

$$\vec{F}_{B \rightarrow A} = -\vec{F}_{A \rightarrow B}$$

Unit of force is called Newton (N)

$$1N = 1\frac{kg \cdot m}{s^2}$$

Examples of Forces

$\vec{N}$ **(Reaction force)**

$\vec{T}$ **(Tension)**

$m\vec{g}$

**(Gravitational force.
g=9.8 m/s² is gravitational acceleration)**

**Forces a vectors! The total force is the *vector sum* of all applied forces:**

$$\vec{F}_{total} = \vec{N} + \vec{T} + m\vec{g}$$

Adding vectors

There are two ways of thinking about **vectors**:
• **Geometrically,** vector is a directed line segment. It has direction and magnitude.
• **Algebraically,** vectors can be written as a list of numbers: their X, Y and Z components. For instance (3,4,-5).

To add vectors A and B geometrically. you can use "triangle" or "parallelogram "rules:

$$\vec{A} + \vec{B}$$

$$\vec{A} \qquad \vec{B}$$

$$\vec{B}$$

$$\vec{A} \qquad \vec{A} + \vec{B}$$
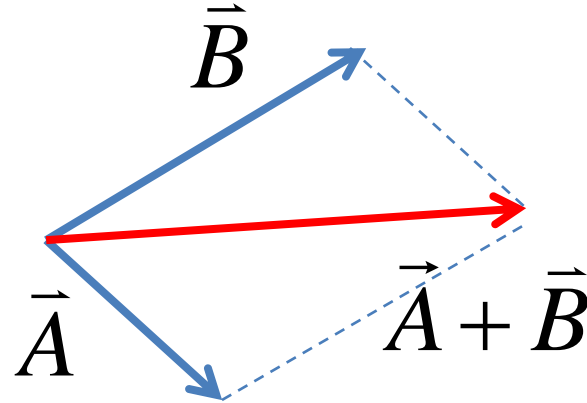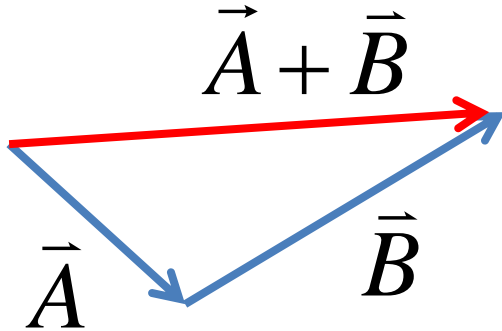
Problem 1. Think of a science-related question that you want to know an answer to. Ask it in class.

Problem 2.
When solving the problem below follow these steps:
• _Make picture with all forces acting on a rocket shown._
• _Use 2nd Newton's Law to find acceleration. DO NOT SUBSTITUTE NUMBERS! Try to get a general formula for acceleration a, in terms of F, M, and g._
• _Now substitute appropriate numbers in your formula and get result for both (a) and (b)_

The Apollo mission to Moon was lunched by a very powerful rocket called Saturn V. The total mass of the rocket right before launch was **M=2.8x10^6 kg**. Total thrust (propulsion force) of 5 engines of the first stage is **F=34x10^6 N** (Newtons). The rockets is launched vertically upward.

a) Find the **total force** acting on the rocket and acceleration of the rocket right after the launch. Neglect air resistance.

b) Similarly to part (a), find acceleration right before the fuel of the first stage is fully burned. The mass of the fuel is **m=2.1x10^6 kg**