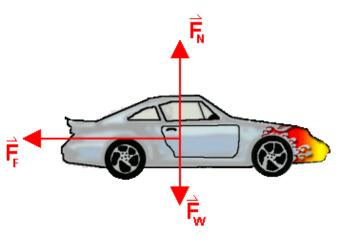
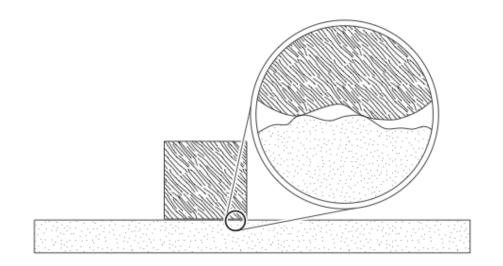
Frictional Forces



How does friction affect motion?

What Causes Friction?

- <u>Friction</u> is the force that <u>opposes</u> the <u>motion</u> between two <u>surfaces</u> that <u>touch</u>. Put another way, it is resistance to movement that is caused by two surfaces sticking together.
- The **surface** of any object is **rough**.
 - Even an object that feels <u>smooth</u> is covered with tiny <u>hills</u> and <u>valleys</u>.
 - The **contact** between the hills of valleys of two surfaces causes them to **stick**, resulting in friction.



What Causes Friction?

- The **amount of friction** depends on:
 - Roughness of the surfaces
 - The texture of a surface may be "sticky".
 - Force pushing the surfaces together.
 - Gravity is pulling the upper object downward.





Types of Friction

• Static friction occurs when force applied to an object is not strong enough to cause the object to move.



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Kinetic Friction:

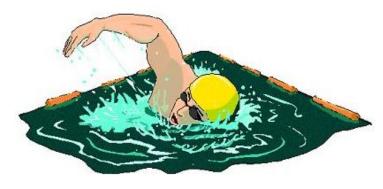
Sliding Friction: resistance of an object being **pushed or pulled across another surface**.

Rolling Friction: resistance of a <u>round object</u> <u>being rolled across another surface</u>.

Fluid Friction: opposes the motion of objects traveling through a fluid (air or water)







Factors Affecting Friction

- Friction increases as surfaces are made **rougher**.
- Friction increases when the **force** between two objects is **increased**.
 - This can be the weight of an object, or an applied force.

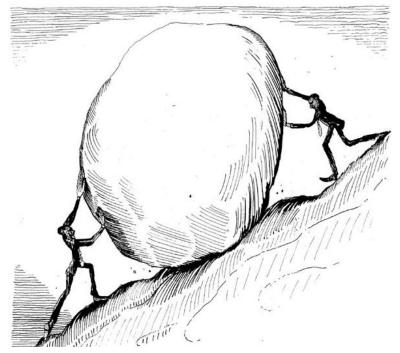


Affecting Friction

- To <u>reduce</u> the amount of friction, apply a <u>lubricant</u> between two surfaces.
 - Motor oil, water, and grease are examples.

• Friction can also be reduced by **rolling**, rather than **pushing**, an object.





Conservation of Energy

- When you <u>exert a force</u> to move an object, much of your <u>energy</u> is <u>wasted</u> pushing two *surfaces* along one another, but that energy <u>doesn't just disappear</u>.
- The <u>law of conservation of energy</u> states that it can't be created or destroyed. Friction converts useful <u>kinetic energy</u> into <u>thermal energy</u>, or heat.







Quick Review

- 1. The weight of an 100 N object is holding it still. How much force would you have to exert on it to overcome its static friction?
- 2. Which creates less friction: rolling a large bolder, or pushing it?
- 3. Which will cause more friction: dress shoes or tennis shoes?
- 4. Explain why your hands get hot when you rub them together.
- 5. Tile saws pump a jet of water over the blade while it is in motion. Why do you think that they were designed this way.