

□ There is some maximum *static* frictional force, f_s^{max} . Once the applied force exceeds it, the book moves $f_s^{max} = \mu_s n$ Magnitudes not vectors

μ_s is the coefficient of *static* friction, it is a dimensionless number, different for each surface-object pair (wood-wood, wood-metal); also depends on surface preparation

- $\mu_{\text{s}}\,$ does not depend on the mass or surface area of the object

 $F_{c}^{max} = \mu_{s} mg$

• Has value: $0 < \mu_s < 1.5$

• If no applied vertical force



When an Object is Moving?

- □ f_s^{max} is exceeded so the object can move, but friction force is still being applied.
- □ However, less force is needed to keep an object moving (against friction) than to get it started
- We define *kinetic* friction $f_k = \mu_k F_N$
- \Box μ_k is the coefficient of *kinetic* friction, similar to μ_S but always less than μ_S (Table 6.1)
- Now, let's consider incline plane problem, but with friction (but first do a simpler example)

Example Problem

When you push a 1.80-kg book on a tabletop, it takes 2.25 N to start the book sliding. Once it is sliding, however, it takes 1.50 N to keep the book moving with constant speed. What are the coefficients of static and kinetic friction between the book and the table top?



□ Book can move (slide) if mgsin $\theta \ge f_s^{max}$ \Box What is f_s^{max} ? $f_S^{\text{max}} = \mu_S F_N = (0.200)(9.65 \text{ N})$ = $1.93 \text{ N} > f_{\text{S}}$ Book does not move. □ What angle is needed to cause book to slide? $\theta \geq \tan^{-1}(\mu_s)$ $mg\sin\theta \ge f_S^{\max}$ ≥11.3° $mg\sin\theta \ge \mu_S F_N$ $mg\sin\theta \ge \mu_s mg\cos\theta$ \Box As θ is increased, F_{N} decreases, therefore $\tan \theta \ge \mu_s$ f^{max} decreases



Example Problem

A skier is pulled up a slope at a constant velocity by a tow bar. The slope is inclined at 25.0° with respect to the horizontal. The force applied to the skier by the tow bar is parallel to the slope. The skier's mass is 55.0 kg , and the coefficient of kinetic friction between the skis and the snow is 0.120. Find the magnitude of the force that the tow bar exerts on the skier.



