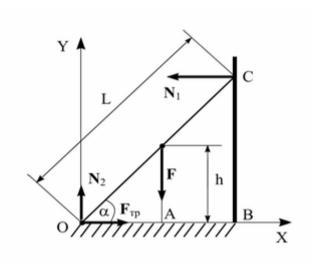
Task:

There is a ladder 4 m high which is placed against a wall with its foot at an angle of 30 degrees to the horizontal. Calculate the force exerted by the wall on the ladder?

Solution:



$$\begin{split} \mathbf{N}_2 + \mathbf{F}_{\tau p} + \mathbf{F} + \mathbf{N}_1 &= 0. \\ \mathbf{N}_{2x} + \mathbf{F}_{\tau px} + \mathbf{F}_x + \mathbf{N}_{1x} &= 0, \\ \mathbf{N}_{2y} + \mathbf{F}_{\tau py} + \mathbf{F}_y + \mathbf{N}_{1y} &= 0. \\ \mathbf{N}_{2x} &= 0, \, \mathbf{F}_{\tau px} = \mathbf{F}_{\tau p}, \, \mathbf{F}_x &= 0, \, \mathbf{N}_{1x} = - \, \mathbf{N}_1, \\ \mathbf{N}_{2y} &= \mathbf{N}_2, \, \mathbf{F}_{\tau py} &= 0, \, \mathbf{F}_v &= - \, \mathbf{F}, \, \mathbf{N}_{1y} &= 0. \\ \mathbf{F}_{\tau p} - \mathbf{N}_1 &= 0, \, \mathbf{F}_{\tau p} &= k \, \mathbf{N}_2 \\ \mathbf{N}_2 - \mathbf{F} &= 0. \\ k \, \mathbf{N}_2 - \mathbf{N}_1 &= 0, \, \mathbf{N}_2 &= \frac{\mathbf{N}_1}{k} \\ \frac{\mathbf{N}_1}{k} - \mathbf{F} &= 0, \mathbf{N}_1 &= k \, \mathbf{F} \end{split}$$

 N_1, N_2 – reactive forces,

 $F_{\rm rp}$ – force of friction, F – weight of the ladder,

k – coefficient of friction between the ladder and the floor

Answer:

$$N_1 = kF$$