

Answer on Question #73904, Physics / Mechanics | Relativity

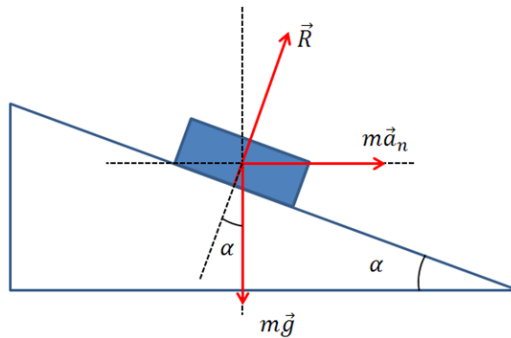
Question. A racing car of 1000 kg moves round a banked track at a constant speed of 108 km/h . Assuming the total reaction at the wheels is normal to the track, and the horizontal radius of the track is 100 m , calculate the angle of inclination of the track to the horizontal and the reaction of the wheels.

Solution.

Given. $m = 1000 \text{ kg}$; $v = 108 \text{ km/h} = 30 \text{ m/s}$; $r = 100 \text{ m}$.

Find. α, R —?

Solution.



Applying Newton's second law, we write

$$+\uparrow \sum F_y = 0: R \cos \alpha - mg = 0 \rightarrow R = \frac{mg}{\cos \alpha}$$

$$\rightarrow \sum F_x = ma_n: R \sin \alpha = m \frac{v^2}{r} \rightarrow \frac{mg}{\cos \alpha} \sin \alpha = m \frac{v^2}{r} \rightarrow \text{tg } \alpha = \frac{v^2}{gr}$$

$$\alpha = \text{arctg } \alpha = \text{arctg } \frac{v^2}{gr} = \text{arctg } \frac{30^2}{9.81 \cdot 100} = 42.53^\circ$$

$$R = \frac{mg}{\cos \alpha} = \frac{1000 \cdot 9.81}{\cos 42.53^\circ} = 13312 \text{ N}$$

Answer. $\alpha = 42.53^\circ$; $R = 13312 \text{ N}$.

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