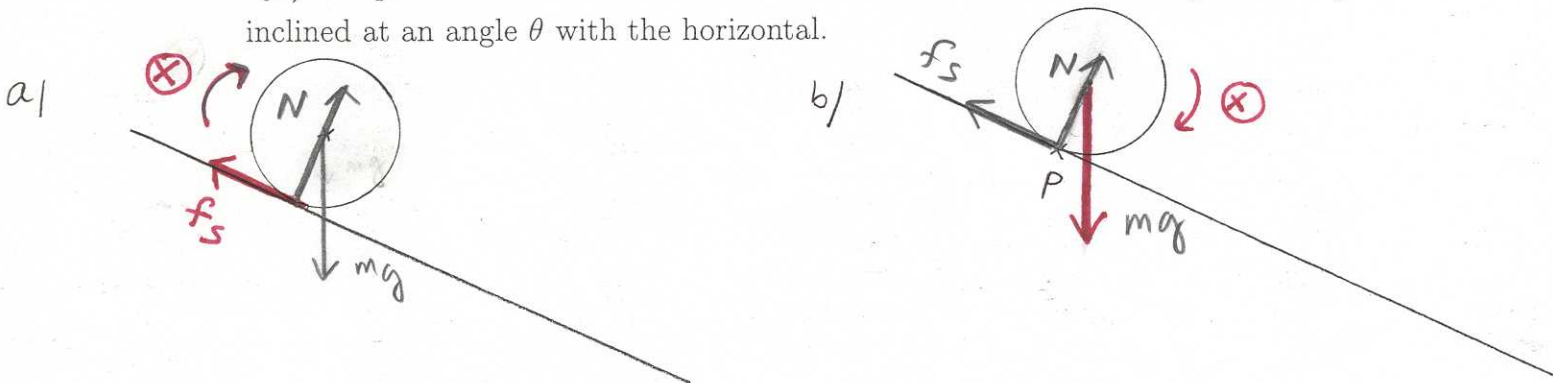


Solution:

PHYSICS 161, Spring 2003
Discussion Quiz, Tuesday, May 13

Q1). A sphere of radius R and mass M is released at rest at the top of a ramp inclined at an angle θ with the horizontal.



- a). List the force(s) that exert a torque on the sphere about the center of mass. State also the direction (into the page or out of the page) of each of those torques.

only f_s applies a torque - Its into the page \otimes .
 mg doesn't apply a torque because $\vec{r} = 0$ - \vec{N} doesn't apply a torque because \vec{r} & \vec{N} make a 180° angle -

- b). List the force(s) that exert a torque about P, the instantaneous point of contact together with the direction of each torque.

Only mg applies a torque. Its into the page \otimes .
 f_s doesn't apply a torque because $\vec{r} = 0$. \vec{N} also doesn't apply a torque because $\vec{r} = 0$.

- c). The moment of inertia of the sphere about its center of mass is $I_{c.m.} = \frac{2}{5}MR^2$. What is the moment of inertia about P?

$$I_P = I_{c.m.} + Mh^2$$
$$= \frac{2}{5}MR^2 + MR^2$$

$$I_P = \frac{7}{5}MR^2$$