Speed, acceleration, friction, inertia, force, gravity

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• Which car has a greater acceleration?



C. Not enough information





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Newton's First Law

If an object has no force acting on it,

If it is at rest, it will remain at rest;

If it is moving, it will continue to move in a straight line at a constant speed.

The natural state of an object - its behavior if free of external influences - is *uniform motion* with constant speed! If it is moving, it will continue to move in a straight line at a constant speed.

Then, why do things slow down?

- A. Natural motion
- **B.** Friction
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- Harder to get heavier objects going.
 - Takes more force





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In motion stays in motion!

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