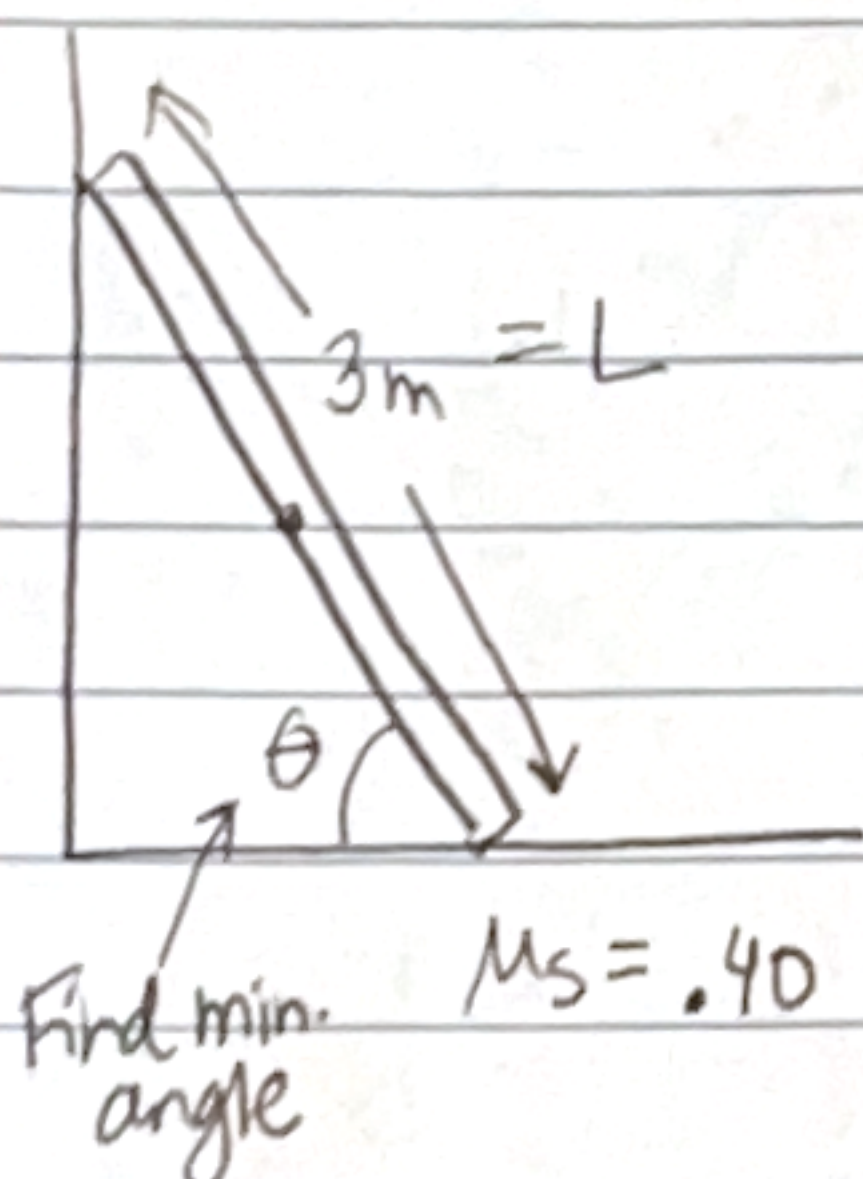
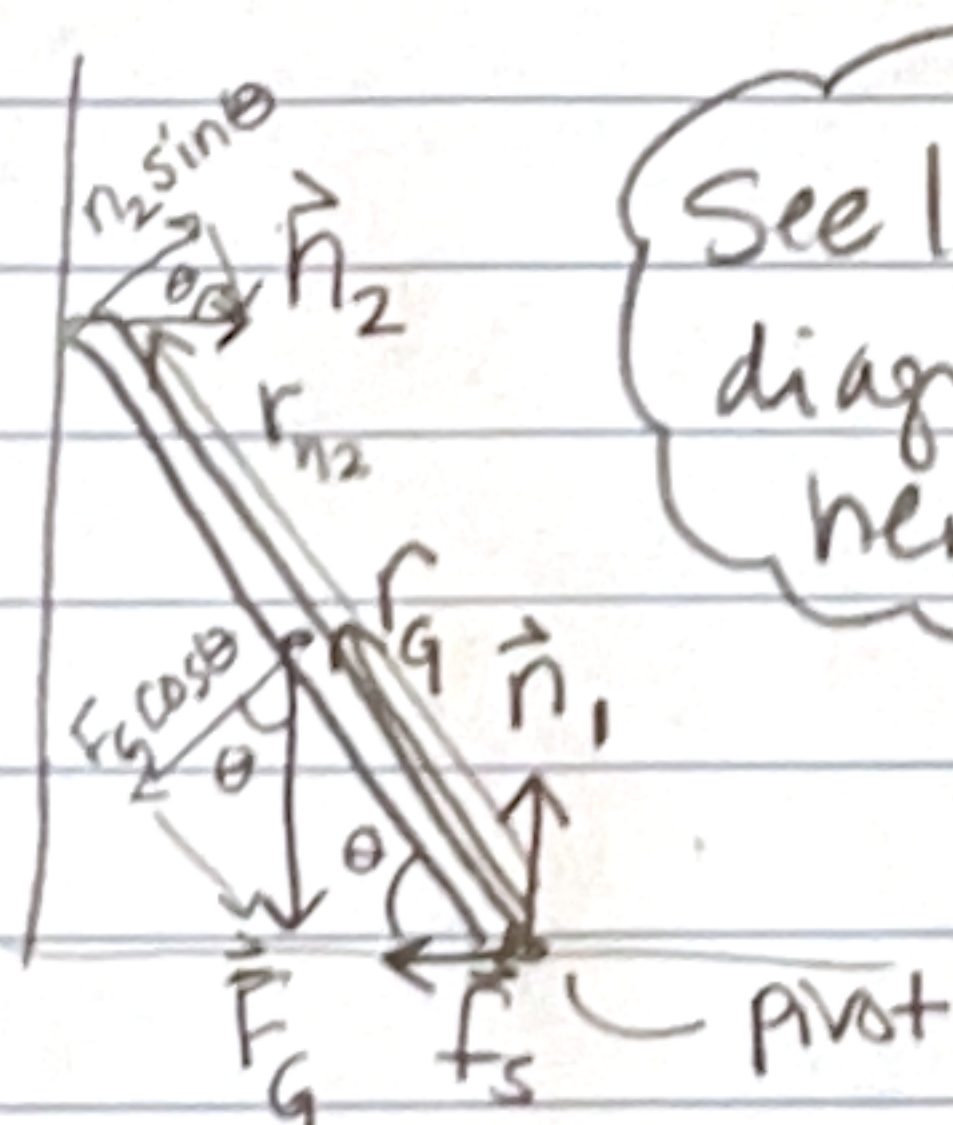


a)



b) System: ladder

models: rigid body, static equilibrium



Apply the conditions of Equilibrium:

c) $\sum F_y = 0$

$$n_1 - mg = 0$$

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$\sum F_x = 0$

$$n_2 - f_s = 0$$

$$n_2 - \mu_s n_1 = 0$$

$$n_2 = \mu_s n_1$$

$$n_2 = \mu_s mg$$

$\sum \vec{\tau} = 0 \Rightarrow -r_{n_2} F_{\perp \text{ of } n_2} + r_G F_{\perp \text{ of } F_G} = 0$

$$-L(n_2 \sin \theta) + \left(\frac{L}{2}\right) F_G \cos \theta = 0$$

$$L/n_2 \sin \theta = \frac{L}{2} F_G \cos \theta$$

$$n_2 \sin \theta = \frac{mg \cos \theta}{2}$$

$$n_2 \tan \theta = \frac{mg}{2}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{mg}{2n_2}$$

When the ladder is at the minimum angle to not slip, the static friction force is a maximum, ∞ the actual value of f_s will be $f_s = \mu_s n_1$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{mg}{2\mu_s mg}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{1}{2\mu_s}$$

d) $\tan \theta = \frac{1}{2(.40)}$

$$\theta = 51^\circ$$

e) 51° seems reasonable because it is a medium angle and the μ_s value was a medium sort of value.

