## **Newton's Laws**

• Newton's 1<sup>st</sup> Law : No force => no acceleration

•(almost the same as Galileo's law of inertia)

"An object at rest stays at rest and an object in motion stays in motion with the same speed and in the same direction unless acted upon by a force."

$$\vec{F} = 0 \implies \vec{v} = const$$

• Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> Law:

"Force equals mass times acceleration"

$$\vec{F} = m\vec{a}$$

• Newton's 3<sup>rd</sup> Law:

"Any Force of action has an equal and opposite Force of reaction"



Unit of force is called Newton (N)

$$1N = 1\frac{kg \cdot m}{s^2}$$

## **Examples of Forces**



(Gravitational force. g=9.8 m/s<sup>2</sup> is gravitational acceleration)

Forces are vectors! The total force is the *vector sum* of all applied forces:

$$\vec{F}_{total} = \vec{N} + \vec{T} + m\vec{g}$$

## Homework

When solving the problem below follow these steps:

- Make picture with all forces acting on a rocket shown.
- Use 2<sup>nd</sup> Newton's Law to find acceleration.

The Apollo mission to Moon was lunched by a very powerful rocket called Saturn V. The total mass of the rocket right before launch was  $M=2.8\times10^6$  kg. Total thrust (propulsion force) of 5 engines of the first stage is  $F=34\times10^6$  N (Newtons). The rocket is launched vertically upward.

- a) Find the **total force** acting on the rocket and acceleration of the rocket right after the launch. Neglect air resistance.
- b) Similarly to part (a), find acceleration right before the fuel of the first stage is fully burned. The mass of the fuel is *m=2.1x10<sup>6</sup> kg*

