

# Activity 4 Names: \_\_\_\_\_

*Answers should be filled in on this sheet except where noted.*

1. Pick up an acrylic frame, 4 hooks, and 2 rubber bands from the front of the room.
2. Find an object that can be used as a mass (25 grams is about the minimum).
3. Measure the mass of the object and convert it to a force,  $W$ .

Object weight:  $W =$  \_\_\_\_\_

4. Suspend the mass from opposite sides of the frame using the two rubber bands.
5. Using a ruler, measure the  $x$  and  $y$  distances from one end of the rubber band to the other.

For the first rubber band:  $\delta_{x,1} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$\delta_{y,1} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

For the second rubber band:  $\delta_{x,2} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$\delta_{y,2} =$  \_\_\_\_\_

6. Using the weight from step 3 and the measurements from step 5, calculate the force in each applied to each rubber band assuming particle equilibrium. Show your work on a separate sheet.

For the first rubber band:  $\dot{F}_1 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

For the second rubber band:  $\dot{F}_2 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

7. Measure the length of each rubber band and use it to calculate the force in each rubber band using the provided calibration.

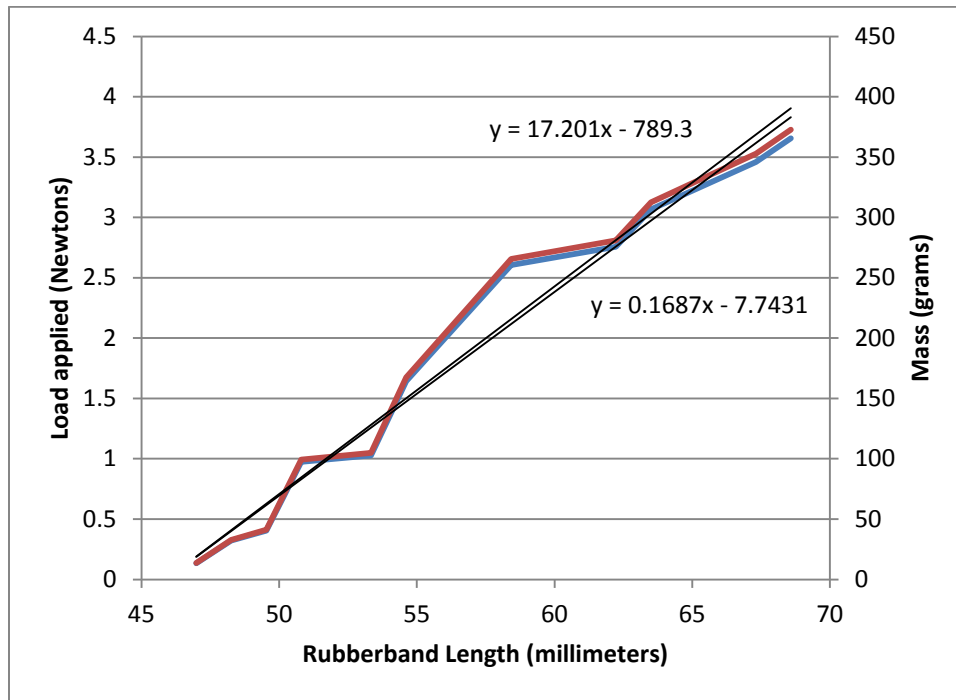
For the first rubber band:  $L_1 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$F_1 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

For the second rubber band:  $L_2 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

$F_2 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

8. Calculate the performance metric,  $m = \sqrt{(F_1 - \dot{F}_1)^2 + (F_2 - \dot{F}_2)^2} / W =$  \_\_\_\_\_



Load in Newtons:  $F = 0.1687 * \text{Length} - 7.7431$

Mass in grams:  $F = 17.201 * \text{Length} - 789.3$