Assignment 4

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and latex-tikz code from

https://github.com/ArunSiddardha/Assignment5/ Assignment5.tex

PROBLEM

(Vectors 2.17d) Give the magnitude and direction of the net force acting on a stone of mass 0.1 kg, lying on the floor of a train which is accelerating with $1ms^{-2}$, the stone being at rest relative to the train. Neglect air resistance throughout.

SOLUTION

Given m = 0.1 kg,

Let us assume train is moving with acceleration in direction of \hat{i} .

lets assume vertically down direction as \hat{j} . Force acting on stone due to train is given by

$$F_T = ma$$

$$a = 1ms^{-2}\hat{i}$$

$$F_T = (0.1kg) * (1ms^{-2}\hat{i})$$

$$= 0.1N$$

Force acting on stone due to gravity is given by

$$F = mg$$

$$g = 9.8ms^{-2}\hat{j}$$

$$F = (0.1kg) * (9.8ms^{-2}\hat{j})$$

$$= 9.8N$$

But since gravitational force is balanced by normal force of the train.

So, Therefore the magnitude of netforce acting on the train is 0.1N and the direction is \hat{i} .