

# School Arithmetic through Physics and Chemistry

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**Abstract**—This book provides applications of arithmetic using problems from Physics and Chemistry from class 9-12. Links to sample Python codes are available in the text.

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## 1 EXAMPLES

1. An object travels 16m in 4s and then another 16 m in 2 s. What is the average speed of the object?
2. The odometer of a car reads 2000 km at the start of a tri and 2400 km at the end of the trip. If the trip took 8 h, calculat the average speed of the car in km/h and m/s.
3. Usha swims in a 90m long pool. She covers 180m in one minute by swimming from one end to the other and back along the same straight path. Find the average speed and average velocity of Usha.
4. Starting from a stationary position, Rahul paddles his bicycle to attain a velocity of  $6ms^{-1}$  in 30s. Then he applies brakes such that the velocity of the bicycle comes down to  $4ms^{-1}$  the next 5s. Calculate the acceleration of the bicycle in both the cases
5. A train starting from rest attains a velocity of  $72kmh^{-1}$  in 5 minutes. Assuming that the

acceleration is uniform, find (i) the acceleration and (ii) the distance travelled by the train for attaining this velocity.

6. A car accelerates uniformly from  $18kmh^{-1}$  to  $36kmh^{-1}$  in 5s. Calculate
  - a) the acceleration and
  - b) the distance covered by the car in that time.
7. The brakes applied to a car produce an acceleration of  $6ms^{-2}$  in the opposite direction to the motion. If the car takes 2s to stop after the application of brakes, calculate the distance it travels during this time.
8. A constant force acts on an object of mass 5 kg for a duration of 2 s. It increases the object's velocity from  $3 ms^{-1}$  to  $7 ms^{-1}$ . Find the magnitude of the applied force. Now, if the force was applied for a duration of 5 s, what would be the final velocity of the object?
9. Which would require a greater force – accelerating a 2 kg mass at  $5 ms^{-2}$  or a 4 kg mass at  $2 ms^{-2}$ ?
10. A motorcar is moving with a velocity of 108 km/h and it takes 4 s to stop after the brakes are applied. Calculate the force exerted by the brakes on the motorcar if its mass along with the passengers is 1000 kg.
11. A force of 5 N gives a mass  $m_1$ , an acceleration of  $10 ms^{-2}$  mass  $m_2$ , an acceleration of  $20 ms^{-2}$  and a . What acceleration would it give if both the masses were tied together?
12. A bullet of mass 20 g is horizontally fired with a velocity  $150 ms^{-1}$  What is the recoil velocity of the pistol?
13. A girl of mass 40 kg jumps with a horizontal velocity of  $5 ms^{-1}$  onto a stationary cart with frictionless wheels. The mass of the cart is 3 kg. What is her velocity as the cart starts moving? Assume that there is no external unbalanced force working in the horizontal

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direction.

14. Two hockey players of opposite teams, while trying to hit a hockey ball on the ground collide and immediately become entangled. One has a mass of 60 kg and was moving with a velocity  $5.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  while the other has a mass of 55 kg and was moving faster with a velocity  $6.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  towards the first player. In which direction and with what velocity will they move after they become entangled? Assume that the frictional force acting between the feet of the two players and ground is negligible.
15. The mass of the earth is  $6 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$ . If the distance between the earth and the moon is  $3.84 \times 10^5 \text{ km}$  calculate the force exerted by the earth on the moon. (Take  $G = 6.7 \times 10^{-11} \text{ Nm}^2$ )
16. A car falls off a ledge and drops to the ground in 0.5 s.
  - a) What is its speed on striking the ground?
  - b) What is its average speed during the 0.5 s?
  - c) How high is the ledge from the ground?
 Let  $g = 10 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ .
17. An object is thrown vertically upwards and rises to a height of 10 m. Calculate (i) the velocity with which the object was thrown upwards and (ii) the time taken by the object to reach the highest point. Let  $g = 9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ .
18. Mass of an object is 10 kg. What is its weight on the earth?
19. An object weighs 10 N when measured on the surface of the earth. What would be its weight when measured on the surface of the moon?
20. A block of wood is kept on a tabletop. The mass of wooden block is 5 kg and its dimensions are  $40 \text{ cm} \times 20 \text{ cm} \times 10 \text{ cm}$ . Find the pressure exerted by the wooden block on the table top if it is made to lie on the table top with its sides of dimensions (a)  $20 \text{ cm} \times 10 \text{ cm}$  and (b)  $40 \text{ cm} \times 20 \text{ cm}$ .
21. Relative density of silver is 10.8. The density of water is  $103 \text{ kgm}^{-3}$ . What is the density of silver in SI unit?
22. A force of 7 N acts on an object. The displacement is, say 8 m, in the direction of the force. Let us take it that the force acts on the object through the displacement. What is the work done in this case?
23. A porter lifts a luggage of 15 kg from the ground and puts it on his head 1.5 m above the ground. Calculate the work done by him on the luggage.
24. An object of mass 15 kg is moving with a uniform velocity of  $4 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . What is the kinetic energy possessed by the object?
25. What is the work to be done to increase the velocity of a car from  $30 \text{ kmh}^{-1}$  to  $60 \text{ kmh}^{-1}$  the car is 1500 kg?
26. The kinetic energy of an object of mass, m moving with a velocity of  $5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  is 25 J. What will be its kinetic energy when its velocity is doubled? What will be its kinetic energy when its velocity is increased three times?
27. Find the energy possessed by an object of mass 10 kg when it is at a height of 6 m above the ground. Given,  $g = 9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ .
28. An object of mass 12 kg is at a certain height above the ground. If the potential energy of the object is 480 J, find the height at which the object is with respect to the ground. Given,  $g = 10 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ .
29. Two girls, each of weight 400 N climb up a rope through a height of 8 m. We name one of the girls A and the other B. Girl A takes 20 s while B takes 50 s to accomplish this task. What is the power expended by each girl?
30. A boy of mass 50 kg runs up a staircase of 45 steps in 9 s. If the height of each step is 15 cm, find his power. Take  $g = 10 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ .
31. An electric bulb of 60 W is used for 6 h per day. Calculate the 'units' of energy consumed in one day by the bulb.
32. A sound wave has a frequency of 2 kHz and wave length 35 cm. How long will it take to travel 1.5 km?
33. A person clapped his hands near a cliff and heard the echo after 2 s. What is the distance of the cliff from the person if the speed of the sound, v is taken as  $346 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ ?
34. A ship sends out ultrasound that returns from the seabed and is detected after 3.42 s. If the speed of ultrasound through seawater is 1531 m/s, what is the distance of the seabed from the ship?
35. A convex mirror used for rear-view on an automobile has a radius of curvature of 3.00 m. If a bus is located at 5.00 m from this mirror, find the position, nature and size of the image.
36. An object, 4.0 cm in size, is placed at 25.0 cm

in front of a concave mirror of focal length 15.0 cm. At what distance from the mirror should a screen be placed in order to obtain a sharp image? Find the nature and the size of the image.

37. A concave lens has focal length of 15 cm. At what distance should the object from the lens be placed so that it forms an image at 10 cm from the lens? Also, find the magnification produced by the lens.
38. A 2.0 cm tall object is placed perpendicular to the principal axis of a convex lens of focal length 10 cm. The distance of the object from the lens is 15 cm. Find the nature, position and size of the image. Also find its magnification.
39. A current of 0.5 A is drawn by a filament of an electric bulb for 10 minutes. Find the amount of electric charge that flows through the circuit.
40. How much work is done in moving a charge of 2 C across two points having a potential difference 12 V?
41. a) How much current will an electric bulb draw from a 220 V source, if the resistance of the bulb filament is 1200  $\Omega$ ?  
b) How much current will an electric heater coil draw from a 220 V source, if the resistance of the heater coil is 100  $\Omega$ ?
42. The potential difference between the terminals of an electric heater is 60 V when it draws a current of 4 A from the source. What current will the heater draw if the potential difference is increased to 120 V?
43. Resistance of a metal wire of length 1 m is 26  $\Omega$  at 20°C. If the diameter of the wire is 0.3 mm, what will be the resistivity of the metal at that temperature? Predict the material of the wire.
44. A wire of given material having length  $l$  and area of cross-section  $A$  has a resistance of 4  $\Omega$ . What would be the resistance of another wire of the same material having length  $l/2$  and area of cross-section  $2A$ ?
45. An electric lamp, whose resistance is 20  $\Omega$ , and a conductor of 4  $\Omega$  resistance are connected in series to a 6 V battery. Calculate (a) the total resistance of the circuit, (b) the current through the circuit, and (c) the potential difference across the electric lamp and conductor.
46. Resistors  $R_1$ ,  $R_2$  and  $R_3$  connected in parallel, have the values 5  $\Omega$ , 10  $\Omega$ , 30  $\Omega$ , respectively,

which have been connected to a battery of 12 V. Calculate

- a) the current through each resistor,
  - b) the total current in the circuit, and
  - c) the total circuit resistance.
47. If in Fig. 1.47,  $R_1 = 10 \Omega$ ,  $R_2 = 40 \Omega$ ,  $R_3 = 30 \Omega$ ,  $R_4 = 20 \Omega$ ,  $R_5 = 60 \Omega$ , and a 12 V battery is connected to the arrangement. Calculate
- a) the total resistance in the circuit, and
  - b) the total current flowing in the circuit.

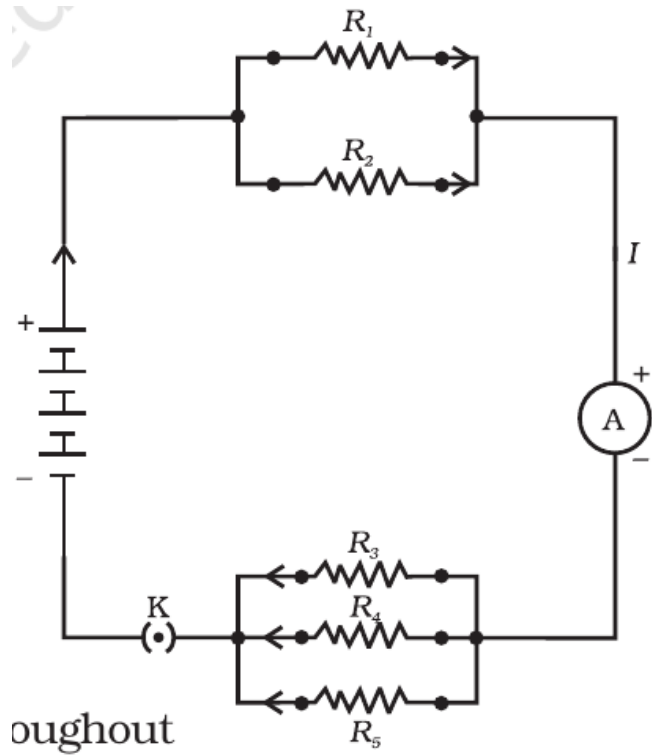


Fig. 1.47

48. An electric iron consumes energy at a rate of 840 W when heating is at the maximum rate and 360 W when the heating is at the minimum. The voltage is 220 V. What are the current and the resistance in each case?
49. 100 J of heat is produced each second in a 4  $\Omega$  resistance. Find the potential difference across the resistor.
50. An electric bulb is connected to a 220 V generator. The current is 0.50 A. What is the power of the bulb?
51. An electric refrigerator rated 400 W operates 8 hour/day. What is the cost of the energy to operate it for 30 days at Rs 3.00 per kW h?
52. A car is moving along a straight line, say OP. It moves from O to P in 18 s and returns from

P to Q in 6.0 s. What are the average velocity and average speed of the car in going

- from O to P ? and
- from O to P and back to Q ?

- The position of an object moving along x-axis is given by  $x = a + bt^2$  where  $a = 8.5\text{m}$ ,  $b = 2.5\text{ms}^{-2}$  and  $t$  is measured in seconds. What is the average velocity between  $t = 2.0\text{ s}$  and  $t = 4.0\text{ s}$  ?
- A ball is thrown vertically upwards with a velocity of  $20\text{ ms}^{-1}$  from the top of a multistorey building. The height of the point from where the ball is thrown is 25.0 m from the ground.
  - How high will the ball rise ? and
  - how long will it be before the ball hits the ground?

Take  $g = 10\text{ ms}^{-2}$ .

- Two parallel rail tracks run north-south. Train A moves north with a speed of  $54\text{ kmh}^{-1}$  with a speed of  $90\text{ kmh}^{-1}$ , and train B moves south. What is the
  - velocity of B with respect to A ?
  - velocity of ground with respect to B ?
  - velocity of a monkey running on the roof of the train A against its motion (with a velocity of  $18\text{ kmh}^{-1}$  with respect to the train A) as observed by a man standing on the ground ?
- An insect trapped in a circular groove of radius 12 cm moves along the groove steadily and completes 7 revolutions in 100 s.
  - What is the angular speed, and the linear speed of the motion?
  - Is the acceleration vector a constant vector ? What is its magnitude
- A cyclist starts from the centre O of a circular park of radius 1 km, reaches the edge P of the park, then cycles along the circumference, and returns to the centre along QO as shown in Fig. 1.57. If the round trip takes 10 min, what is the
  - net displacement,
  - average velocity, and
  - average speed of the cyclist ?
- A bullet of mass 0.04 kg moving with a speed of  $90\text{ ms}^{-1}$  enters a heavy wooden block and is stopped after a distance of 60 cm. What is the average resistive force exerted by the block on the bullet?

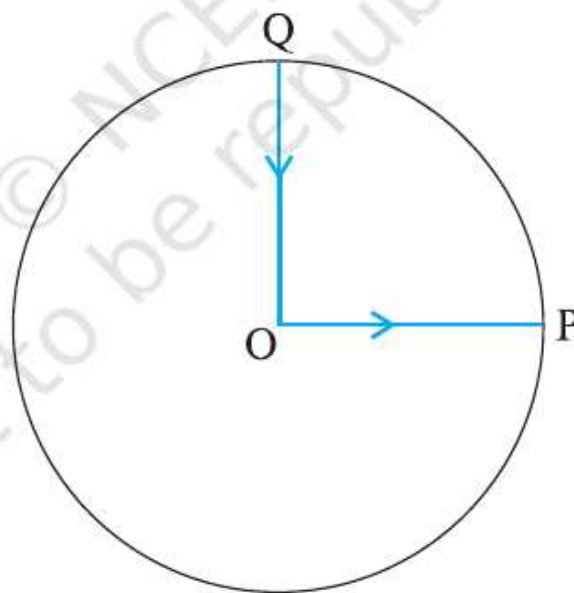


Fig. 1.57

- A batsman hits back a ball straight in the direction of the bowler without changing its initial speed of  $12\text{ ms}^{-1}$ . If the mass of the ball is 0.15 kg, determine the impulse imparted to the ball. (Assume linear motion of the ball)
- Determine the maximum acceleration of the train in which a box lying on its floor will remain stationary, given that the co-efficient of static friction between the box and the train's floor is 0.15.
- What is the acceleration of the block and trolley system shown in a Fig. 1.61, if the co-efficient of kinetic friction between the trolley and the surface is 0.04? What is the tension in the string? (Take  $g = 10\text{ms}^{-2}$ ). Neglect the mass of the string.
- See Fig. 1.62. A wooden block of mass 2 kg rests on a soft horizontal floor. When an iron cylinder of mass 25 kg is placed on top of the block, the floor yields steadily and the block and the cylinder together go down with an acceleration of  $0.1\text{ ms}^{-2}$ . What is the action of the block on the floor?
  - before and
  - after the floor yields ?
 Take  $g = 10\text{ms}^{-2}$ . Identify the action-reaction pairs in the problem.
- It is well known that a raindrop falls under the influence of the downward gravitational force

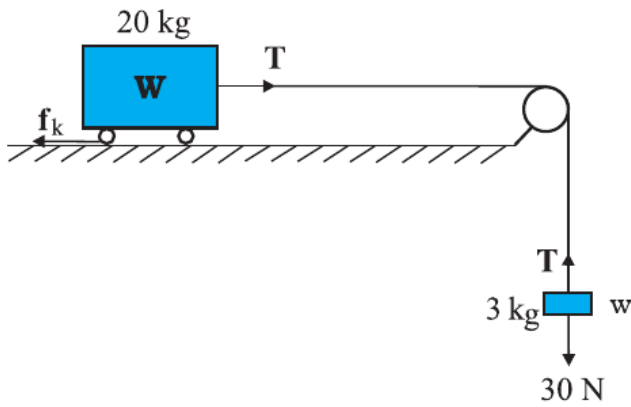


Fig. 1.61

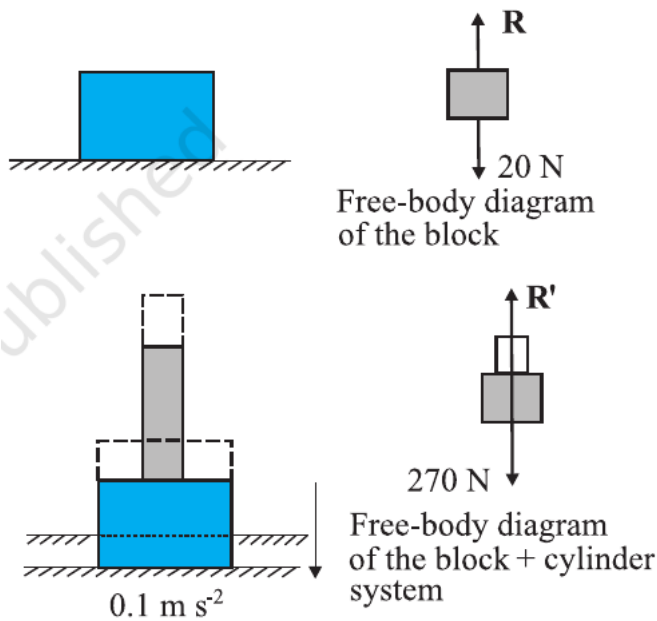


Fig. 1.62

and the opposing resistive force. The latter is known to be proportional to the speed of the drop but is otherwise undetermined. Consider a drop of mass  $1.00 \text{ g}$  falling from a height  $1.00 \text{ km}$ . It hits the ground with a speed of  $50.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .

- What is the work done by the gravitational force?
  - What is the work done by the unknown resistive force?
64. A cyclist comes to a skidding stop in  $10 \text{ m}$ . During this process, the force on the cycle due to the road is  $200 \text{ N}$  and is directly opposed to the motion.
- How much work does the road do on the

cycle?

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65. In a ballistics demonstration a police officer fires a bullet of mass  $50.0 \text{ g}$  with speed  $200 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  on soft plywood of thickness  $2.00 \text{ cm}$ . The bullet emerges with only 10% of its initial kinetic energy. What is the emergent speed of the bullet?
66. To simulate car accidents, auto manufacturers study the collisions of moving cars with mounted springs of different spring constants. Consider a typical simulation with a car of mass  $1000 \text{ kg}$  moving with a speed  $18.0 \text{ km/h}$  on a smooth road and colliding with a horizontally mounted spring of spring constant  $6.25 \times 10^3 \text{ Nm}^{-1}$ .
- What is the maximum compression of the spring?
  - If the coefficient of friction,  $\mu = 0.5$ , calculate the maximum compression of the spring.

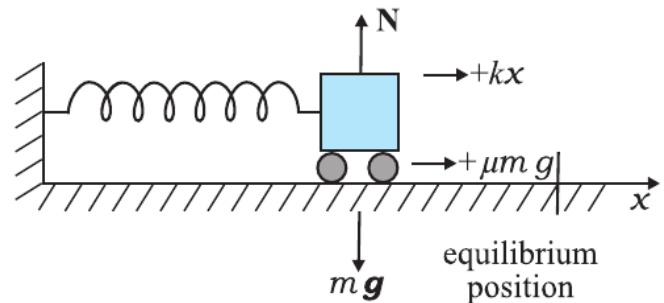


Fig. 1.66

67. An elevator can carry a maximum load of  $1800 \text{ kg}$  (elevator + passengers) is moving up with a constant speed of  $2 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . The frictional force opposing the motion is  $4000 \text{ N}$ . Determine the minimum power delivered by the motor to the elevator in watts as well as in horse power.
68. In a nuclear reactor a neutron of high speed (typically  $10^7 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ ) must be slowed to  $10^3 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  so that it can have a high probability of interacting with isotope  $^{235}_{92}\text{U}$  and causing it to fission. Show that a neutron can lose most of its kinetic energy in an elastic collision with a light nuclei like deuterium or carbon which has a mass of only a few times the neutron mass. The material making up the light nuclei, usually heavy water ( $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ) or graphite, is called a moderator.

69. A body of mass 2 kg initially at rest moves under the action of an applied horizontal force of 7 N on a table with coefficient of kinetic friction = 0.1. Compute the
- work done by the applied force in 10 s,
  - work done by friction in 10 s,
  - work done by the net force on the body in 10 s,
  - change in kinetic energy of the body in 10 s,
- and interpret your results.

## 2 EXERCISES

- A bus starting from rest moves with a uniform acceleration of  $0.1\text{ms}^{-2}$  for 2 minutes. Find
  - the speed acquired,
  - the distance travelled.
- A train is travelling at a speed of  $90\text{kmh}^{-1}$ . Brakes are applied. Find so as to produce a uniform acceleration of  $-0.5\text{ms}^{-2}$  how far the train will go before it is brought to rest.
- A trolley, while going down an inclined plane, has an acceleration of  $2\text{cms}^{-2}$ . What will be its velocity 3s after the start? . What
- A racing car has a uniform acceleration of  $4\text{ms}^{-2}$  distance will it cover in 10s after start?
- A stone is thrown in a vertically upward direction with a velocity of  $5\text{ms}^{-1}$ . If the acceleration of the stone during its motion is  $10\text{ms}^{-2}$  in the downward direction, what will be the height attained by the stone and how much time will it take to reach there?
- An athlete completes one round of a circular track of diameter 200 m in 40 s. What will be the distance covered and the displacement at the end of 2 minutes 20 s?
- Joseph jogs from one end A to the other end B of a straight 300 m road in 2 minutes 30 seconds and then turns around and jogs 100 m back to point C in another 1 minute. What are Joseph's average speeds and velocities in jogging
  - from A to B and
  - from A to C?
- Abdul, while driving to school, computes the average speed for his trip to be  $20\text{kmh}^{-1}$ . On his return trip along the same route, there is less traffic and the average speed is  $30\text{kmh}^{-1}$ . What is the average speed for Abdul's trip?
- A motorboat starting from rest on a lake accelerates in a straight line at a constant rate of  $3.0\text{ms}^{-2}$  for 8.0 s. How far does the boat travel during this time?
- A driver of a car travelling at  $52\text{kmh}^{-1}$  applies the brakes and in another car applies accelerates uniformly in the opposite direction. The car stops in 5 s. Another driver going at  $3\text{kmh}^{-1}$  his brakes slowly and stops in 10 s. On the same graph paper, plot the speed versus time graphs for the two cars. Which of the two cars travelled farther after the brakes were applied?
- A ball is gently dropped from a height of 20 m. If its velocity increases uniformly at the rate of  $10\text{ms}^{-2}$ , with what velocity will it strike the ground? After what time will it strike the ground?
- An artificial satellite is moving in a circular orbit of radius 42250 km. Calculate its speed if it takes 24 hours to revolve around the earth.
- From a rifle of mass 4 kg, a bullet of mass 50 g is fired with an initial velocity of  $35\text{ms}^{-1}$ . Calculate the initial recoil velocity of the rifle.
- Two objects of masses 100 g and 200 g are moving along the same line and direction with velocities of  $2\text{ms}^{-1}$  and  $1\text{ms}^{-1}$ , respectively. They collide and after the collision, the first object moves at a velocity of  $1.67\text{ms}^{-1}$ . Determine the velocity of the second object.
- A truck starts from rest and rolls down a hill with a constant acceleration. It travels a distance of 400 m in 20 s. Find its acceleration. Find the force acting on it if its mass is 7 tonnes (Hint: 1 tonne = 1000 kg.)
- A stone of 1 kg is thrown with a velocity of  $20\text{ms}^{-1}$  across the frozen surface of a lake and comes to rest after travelling a distance of 50 m. What is the force of friction between the stone and the ice?
- A 8000 kg engine pulls a train of 5 wagons, each of 2000 kg, along a horizontal track. If the engine exerts a force of 40000 N and the track offers a friction force of 5000 N, then calculate:
  - the net accelerating force and
  - the acceleration of the train.
- An automobile vehicle has a mass of 1500 kg. What must be the force between the vehicle



and road if the vehicle is to be stopped with a negative acceleration of  $1.7 \text{ ms}^{-2}$

19. Using a horizontal force of 200 N, we intend to move a wooden cabinet across a floor at a constant velocity. What is the friction force that will be exerted on the cabinet?
20. Two objects, each of mass 1.5 kg, are moving in the same straight line but in opposite directions. The velocity of each object is  $2.5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  before the collision during which they stick together. What will be the velocity of the combined object after collision?
21. A hockey ball of mass 200 g travelling at  $10 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  is struck by a hockey stick so as to return it along its original path with a velocity at  $5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  momentum occurred in the motion of the hockey ball by the force applied by the hockey stick.
22. A bullet of mass 10 g travelling horizontally with a velocity of  $150 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  strikes a stationary wooden block and comes to rest in 0.03 s. Calculate the distance of penetration of the bullet into the block. Also calculate the magnitude of the force exerted by the wooden block on the bullet.
23. An object of mass 1 kg travelling in a straight line with a velocity of  $10 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  collides with, and sticks to, a stationary wooden block of mass 5 kg. Then they both move off together in the same straight line. Calculate the total momentum just before the impact and just after the impact. Also, calculate the velocity of the combined object.
24. An object of mass 100 kg is accelerated uniformly from a velocity of  $5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  to  $8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  in 6 s. Calculate the initial and final momentum of the object. Also, find the magnitude of the force exerted on the object.
25. How much momentum will a dumb-bell of mass 10 kg transfer to the floor if it falls from a height of 80 cm? Take its downward acceleration to be  $10 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ . Calculate the magnitude of change of
26. Two persons manage to push a motorcar of mass 1200 kg at a uniform velocity along a level road. The same motorcar can be pushed by three persons to produce an acceleration of  $0.2 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ . With what force does each person push the motorcar? (Assume that all persons push the motorcar with the same muscular effort.)
27. A hammer of mass 500 g, moving at  $50 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ , strikes a nail. The nail stops the hammer in a very short time of 0.01 s. What is the force of the nail on the hammer?
28. A motorcar of mass 1200 kg is moving along a straight line with a uniform velocity of 90 km/h. Its velocity is slowed down to 18 km/h in 4 s by an unbalanced external force. Calculate the acceleration and change in momentum. Also calculate the magnitude of the force required.
29. What is the magnitude of the gravitational force between the earth and a 1 kg object on its surface? (Mass of the earth is  $6 \times 10^{24}$  kg and radius of the earth is  $6.4 \times 10^6$  m.)
30. A ball is thrown vertically upwards with a velocity of 49 m/s. Calculate
  - a) the maximum height to which it rises,
  - b) the total time it takes to return to the surface of the earth.
31. A stone is released from the top of a tower of height 19.6 m. Calculate its final velocity just before touching the ground.
32. A stone is thrown vertically upward with an initial velocity of 40 m/s. Taking  $g = 10 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ , find the maximum height reached by the stone. What is the net displacement and the total distance covered by the stone?
33. Calculate the force of gravitation between the earth and the Sun, given that the mass of the earth =  $6 \times 10^{24}$  kg and of the Sun =  $2 \times 10^{30}$  kg. The average distance between the two is  $1.5 \times 10^{11}$  m.
34. A stone is allowed to fall from the top of a tower 100 m high and at the same time another stone is projected vertically upwards from the ground with a velocity of 25 m/s. Calculate when and where the two stones will meet.
35. A ball thrown up vertically returns to the thrower after 6 s. Find
  - a) the velocity with which it was thrown up,
  - b) the maximum height it reaches, and
  - c) its position after 4 s.
36. The volume of 50 g of a substance is  $20 \text{ cm}^3$ . If the density of water is  $1 \text{ gcm}^{-3}$ , will the substance float or sink?
37. The volume of a 500 g sealed packet is  $350 \text{ cm}^3$ . Will the packet float or sink in water if

- the density of water is  $1 \text{ gcm}^{-3}$  ? What will be the mass of the water displaced by this packet?
38. Certain force acting on a 20 kg mass changes its velocity from  $5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  to  $2 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . Calculate the work done by the force.
  39. A certain household has consumed 250 units of energy during a month. How much energy is this in joules?
  40. An object of mass 40 kg is raised to a height of 5 m above the ground. What is its potential energy? If the object is allowed to fall, find its kinetic energy when it is half-way down.
  41. An electric heater is rated 1500 W. How much energy does it use in 10 hours?
  42. Calculate the work required to be done to stop a car of 1500 kg moving at a velocity of 60 km/h?
  43. Find the energy in kW h consumed in 10 hours by four devices of power 500 W each.
  44. An echo is heard in 3 s. What is the distance of the reflecting surface from the source, given that the speed of sound is  $342 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  ?
  45. A submarine emits a sonar pulse, which returns from an underwater cliff in 1.02 s. If the speed of sound in salt water is 1531 m/s, how far away is the cliff?
  46. A person has a hearing range from 20 Hz to 20 kHz. What are the typical wavelengths of sound waves in air corresponding to these two frequencies? Take the speed of sound in air as  $344 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  .
  47. Two children are at opposite ends of an aluminium rod. One strikes the end of the rod with a stone. Find the ratio of times taken by the sound wave in air and in aluminium to reach the second child.
  48. The frequency of a source of sound is 100 Hz. How many times does it vibrate in a minute?
  49. A stone is dropped from the top of a tower 500 m high into a pond of water at the base of the tower. When is the splash heard at the top? Given,  $g = 10 \text{ ms}^{-2}$  and speed of sound  $= 340 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  .
  50. A sound wave travels at a speed of  $339 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  174 . If its wavelength is 1.5 cm, what is the frequency of the wave? Will it be audible?
  51. A sonar device on a submarine sends out a signal and receives an echo 5 s later. Calculate the speed of sound in water if the distance of the object from the submarine is 3625 m.
  52. An object 5 cm in length is held 25 cm away from a converging lens of focal length 10 cm. Draw the ray diagram and find the position, size and the nature of the image formed.
  53. A concave lens of focal length 15 cm forms an image 10 cm from the lens. How far is the object placed from the lens? Draw the ray diagram.
  54. An object is placed at a distance of 10 cm from a convex mirror of focal length 15 cm. Find the position and nature of the image.
  55. The magnification produced by a plane mirror is +1. What does this mean?
  56. An object 5.0 cm in length is placed at a distance of 20 cm in front of a convex mirror of radius of curvature 30 cm. Find the position of the image, its nature and size.
  57. An object of size 7.0 cm is placed at 27 cm in front of a concave mirror of focal length 18 cm. At what distance from the mirror should a screen be placed, so that a sharp focussed image can be obtained? Find the size and the nature of the image.
  58. Find the focal length of a lens of power - 2.0 D. What type of lens is this?
  59. A doctor has prescribed a corrective lens of power +1.5 D. Find the focal length of the lens. Is the prescribed lens diverging or converging?
  60. Judge the equivalent resistance when the following are connected in parallel -
    - a)  $1 \Omega$  and  $10^6 \Omega$ ,
    - b)  $1 \Omega$  and  $10^3 \Omega$ , and  $10^6 \Omega$ .
  61. An electric lamp of 100  $\Omega$ , a toaster of resistance 50  $\Omega$ , and a water filter of resistance 500  $\Omega$  are connected in parallel to a 220 V source. What is the resistance of an electric iron connected to the same source that takes as much current as all three appliances, and what is the current through it?
  62. How can three resistors of resistances 2  $\Omega$ , 3  $\Omega$ , and 6  $\Omega$  be connected to give a total resistance of
    - a) 4  $\Omega$ ,
    - b) 1  $\Omega$
    - ?
  63. What is
    - a) the highest,
    - b) the lowest total resistance
 that can be secured by combinations of four



coils of resistance  $4\ \Omega$ ,  $8\ \Omega$ ,  $12\ \Omega$ ,  $24\ \Omega$ ?

64. A piece of wire of resistance  $R$  is cut into five equal parts. These parts are then connected in parallel. If the equivalent resistance of this combination is  $R'$ , then the ratio  $R/R'$  is -
65. An electric bulb is rated  $220\ \text{V}$  and  $100\ \text{W}$ . When it is operated on  $110\ \text{V}$ , the power consumed will be -
66. Two conducting wires of the same material and of equal lengths and equal diameters are first connected in series and then parallel in a circuit across the same potential difference. The ratio of heat produced in series and parallel combinations would be -
67. A copper wire has diameter  $0.5\ \text{mm}$  and resistivity of  $1.6 \times 10^{-8}\ \Omega\ \text{m}$ . What will be the length of this wire to make its resistance  $10\ \Omega$ ? How much does the resistance change if the diameter is doubled?
68. The values of current  $I$  (amperes) flowing in a given resistor for the corresponding values of potential difference  $V$  (volts) across the resistor are given below in Table 2.68. Plot a graph

I	0.5	1	2	3	4
V	1.6	3.4	6.7	10	13

TABLE 2.68

between  $V$  and  $I$  and calculate the resistance of that resistor.

69. When a  $12\ \text{V}$  battery is connected across an unknown resistor, there is a current of  $2.5\ \text{mA}$  in the circuit. Find the value of the resistance of the resistor.
70. A battery of  $9\ \text{V}$  is connected in series with resistors of  $0.2\ \Omega$ ,  $0.3\ \Omega$ ,  $0.4\ \Omega$ ,  $0.5\ \Omega$  and  $12\ \Omega$ , respectively. How much current would flow through the  $12\ \Omega$  resistor?
71. How many  $176\ \Omega$  resistors (in parallel) are required to carry  $5\ \text{A}$  on a  $220\ \text{V}$  line?
72. Show how you would connect three resistors, each of resistance  $6\ \Omega$ , so that the combination has a resistance of
  - a)  $9\ \Omega$ ,
  - b)  $4\ \Omega$ .
73. Several electric bulbs designed to be used on a  $220\ \text{V}$  electric supply line, are rated  $10\ \text{W}$ . How many lamps can be connected in parallel with each other across the two wires of  $220\ \text{V}$

line if the maximum allowable current is  $5\ \text{A}$ ?

74. A hot plate of an electric oven connected to a  $220\ \text{V}$  line has two resistance coils  $A$  and  $B$ , each of  $24\ \Omega$  resistance, which may be used separately, in series, or in parallel. What are the currents in the three cases?
75. Compare the power used in the  $2\ \Omega$  resistor in each of the following circuits:
  - a) a  $6\ \text{V}$  battery in series with  $1\ \Omega$  and  $2\ \Omega$  resistors, and
  - b) a  $4\ \text{V}$  battery in parallel with  $12\ \Omega$  and  $2\ \Omega$  resistors.
76. Two lamps, one rated  $100\ \text{W}$  at  $220\ \text{V}$ , and the other  $60\ \text{W}$  at  $220\ \text{V}$ , are connected in parallel to electric mains supply. What current is drawn from the line if the supply voltage is  $220\ \text{V}$ ?
77. Which uses more energy, a  $250\ \text{W}$  TV set in  $1\ \text{hr}$ , or a  $1200\ \text{W}$  toaster in  $10\ \text{minutes}$ ?
78. An electric heater of resistance  $8\ \Omega$  draws  $15\ \text{A}$  from the service mains  $2\ \text{hours}$ . Calculate the rate at which heat is developed in the heater.
79. An electric oven of  $2\ \text{kW}$  power rating is operated in a domestic electric circuit ( $220\ \text{V}$ ) that has a current rating of  $5\ \text{A}$ . What result do you expect? Explain.
80. A woman starts from her home at  $9.00\ \text{am}$ , walks with a speed of  $5\ \text{kmh}^{-1}$  on a straight road up to her office  $2.5\ \text{km}$  away, stays at the office up to  $5.00\ \text{pm}$ , and returns home by an auto with a speed of  $25\ \text{kmh}^{-1}$ . Choose suitable scales and plot the  $x$ - $t$  graph of her motion.
81. A drunkard walking in a narrow lane takes  $5$  steps forward and  $3$  steps backward, followed again by  $5$  steps forward and  $3$  steps backward, and so on. Each step is  $1\ \text{m}$  long and requires  $1\ \text{s}$ . Plot the  $x$ - $t$  graph of his motion. Determine graphically and otherwise how long the drunkard takes to fall in a pit  $13\ \text{m}$  away from the start.
82. A jet airplane travelling at the speed of  $500\ \text{kmh}^{-1}$  ejects its products of combustion at the speed of  $1500\ \text{kmh}^{-1}$  relative to the jet plane. What is the speed of the latter with respect to an observer on the ground?
83. A car moving along a straight highway with speed of  $126\ \text{kmh}^{-1}$  is brought to a stop within a distance of  $200\ \text{m}$ . What is the retardation of the car (assumed uniform), and how long does it take for the car to stop?

84. Two trains A and B of length 400 m each are moving on two parallel tracks with a uniform speed of  $72 \text{ kmh}^{-1}$  in the same direction, with A ahead of B. The driver of B decides to overtake A and accelerates by  $1 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ . If after 50 s, the guard of B just brushes past the driver of A, what was the original distance between them ?
85. On a two-lane road, car A is travelling with a speed of  $36 \text{ kmh}^{-1}$ . Two cars B and C approach car A in opposite directions with a speed of  $54 \text{ kmh}^{-1}$  each. At a certain instant, when the distance AB is equal to AC, both being 1 km, B decides to overtake A before C does. What minimum acceleration of car B is required to avoid an accident ?
86. Two towns A and B are connected by a regular bus service with a bus leaving in either direction every T minutes. A man cycling with a speed of  $20 \text{ kmh}^{-1}$  in the direction A to B notices that a bus goes past him every 18 min in the direction of his motion, and every 6 min in the opposite direction. What is the period T of the bus service and with what speed (assumed constant) do the buses ply on the road?
87. A player throws a ball upwards with an initial speed of  $29.4 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .
- What is the direction of acceleration during the upward motion of the ball ?
  - What are the velocity and acceleration of the ball at the highest point of its motion ?
  - Choose the  $x = 0 \text{ m}$  and  $t = 0 \text{ s}$  to be the location and time of the ball at its highest point, vertically downward direction to be the positive direction of x-axis, and give the signs of position, velocity and acceleration of the ball during its upward, and downward motion.
  - To what height does the ball rise and after how long does the ball return to the player's hands ? (Take  $g = 9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ . and neglect air resistance).
88. A ball is dropped from a height of 90 m on a floor. At each collision with the floor, the ball loses one tenth of its speed. Plot the speed-time graph of its motion between  $t = 0$  to 12 s.
89. A man walks on a straight road from his home to a market 2.5 km away with a speed of  $5 \text{ kmh}^{-1}$ . Finding the market closed, he instantly turns and walks back home with a speed of  $7.5 \text{ kmh}^{-1}$ . What is the
- magnitude of average velocity, and
  - average speed of the man over the interval of time
    - 0 to 30 min,
    - 0 to 50 min,
    - 0 to 40 min ?
- [Note: You will appreciate from this exercise why it is better to define average speed as total path length divided by time, and not as magnitude of average velocity. You would not like to tell the tired man on his return home that his average speed was zero !]
90. A police van moving on a highway with a speed of  $30 \text{ kmh}^{-1}$  in the same direction with a speed of  $192 \text{ kmh}^{-1}$  fires a bullet at a thief's car speeding away. If the muzzle speed of the bullet is  $150 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ , with what speed does the bullet hit the thief's car ? (Note: Obtain that speed which is relevant for damaging the thief's car).
91. A boy standing on a stationary lift (open from above) throws a ball upwards with the maximum initial speed he can, equal to  $49 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . How much time does the ball take to return to his hands? If the lift starts moving up with a uniform speed of  $5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  and the boy again throws the ball up with the maximum speed he can, how long does the ball take to return to his hands ?
92. On a long horizontally moving belt (Fig. 2.92), a child runs to and fro with a speed 9 km/h. For an observer on a stationary platform outside, what is the
- speed of the child running in the direction of motion of the belt ?
  - speed of the child running opposite to the direction of motion of the belt ?
  - time taken by the child in
  - and
  - ?
- Which of the answers alter if motion is viewed by one of the parents ?
93. A constant retarding force of 50 N is applied to a body of mass 20 kg moving initially with a speed of  $15 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . How long does the body take to stop ?
94. A constant force acting on a body of mass 3.0

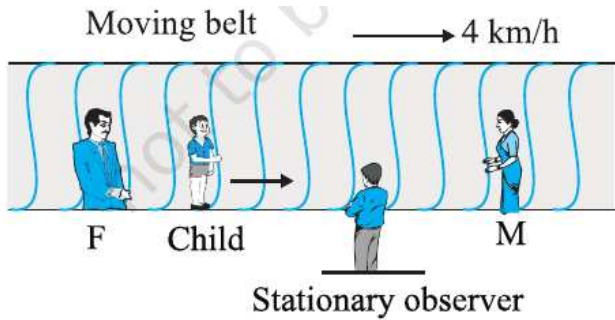


Fig. 2.92

kg changes its speed from  $2.0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  to  $3.5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  in 25 s. The direction of the motion of the body remains unchanged. What is the magnitude and direction of the force ?

95. A body of mass 5 kg is acted upon by two perpendicular forces 8 N and 6 N. Give the magnitude and direction of the acceleration of the body.
96. The driver of a three-wheeler moving with a speed of 36 km/h sees a child standing in the middle of the road and brings his vehicle to rest in 4.0 s just in time to save the child. What is the average retarding force on the vehicle ? The mass of the three-wheeler is 400 kg and the mass of the driver is 65 kg.
97. A rocket with a lift-off mass 20,000 kg is blasted upwards with an initial acceleration of  $5.0 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ . Calculate the initial thrust (force) of the blast.
98. A man of mass 70 kg stands on a weighing scale in a lift which is moving
  - a) upwards with a uniform speed of  $10 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ ,
  - b) downwards with a uniform acceleration of  $5 \text{ ms}^{-2}$
  - c) upwards with a uniform acceleration of  $5 \text{ ms}^{-2}$  What would be the readings on the scale in each case?
  - d) What would be the reading if the lift mechanism failed and it hurtled down freely under gravity ?
99. Two bodies of masses 10 kg and 20 kg respectively kept on a smooth, horizontal surface are tied to the ends of a light string. A horizontal force  $F = 600 \text{ N}$  is applied to
  - a) A,
  - b) B
 along the direction of string. What is the ten-

sion in the string in each case?

100. Two masses 8 kg and 12 kg are connected at the two ends of a light inextensible string that goes over a frictionless pulley. Find the acceleration of the masses, and the tension in the string when the masses are released.
101. Two billiard balls each of mass 0.05 kg moving in opposite directions with speed  $6 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  collide and rebound with the same speed. What is the impulse imparted to each ball due to the other ?
102. A shell of mass 0.020 kg is fired by a gun of mass 100 kg. If the muzzle speed of the shell is  $80 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ , what is the recoil speed of the gun ?
103. Figure 2.103 shows a man standing stationary with respect to a horizontal conveyor belt that is accelerating with  $1 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ . What is the net force on the man? If the coefficient of static friction between the man's shoes and the belt is 0.2, up to what acceleration of the belt can the man continue to be stationary relative to the belt ? (Mass of the man = 65 kg.)

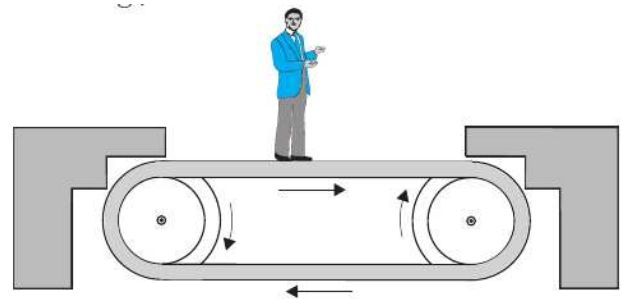


Fig. 2.103

104. A stream of water flowing horizontally with a speed of  $15 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  gushes out of a tube of cross-sectional area  $10^{-2} \text{ m}^2$ , and hits a vertical wall nearby. What is the force exerted on the wall by the impact of water, assuming it does not rebound ?
105. Ten one-rupee coins are put on top of each other on a table. Each coin has a mass  $m$ . Give the magnitude and direction of
  - a) the force on the 7th coin (counted from the bottom) due to all the coins on its top,
  - b) the force on the 7th coin by the 8th coin,
  - c) the reaction of the 6th coin on the 7th coin.
106. A block of mass 25 kg is raised by a 50 kg man in two different ways as shown in Fig.

2.106. What is the action on the floor by the man in the two cases ? If the floor yields to a normal force of 700 N, which mode should the man adopt to lift the block without the floor yielding ?

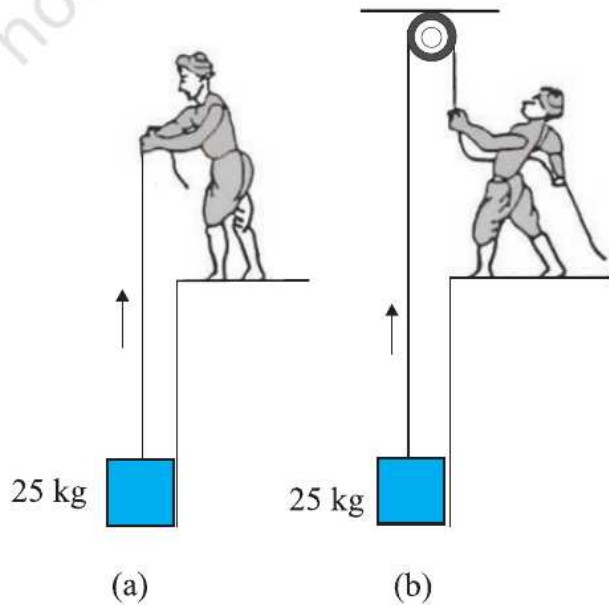


Fig. 2.106

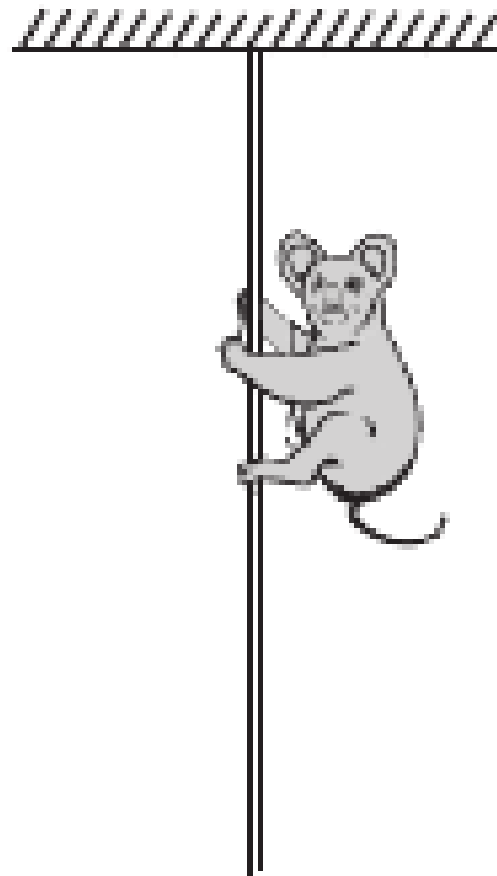


Fig. 2.107

coin (counted from the bottom) due to all the coins on its top, coin by the eighth coin,

107. A monkey of mass 40 kg climbs on a rope (Fig. 2.107) which can stand a maximum tension of 600 N. In which of the following cases will the rope break: the monkey
- climbs up with an acceleration of  $6 \text{ ms}^{-2}$
  - climbs down with an acceleration of  $4 \text{ ms}^{-2}$
  - climbs up with a uniform speed of  $5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
  - falls down the rope nearly freely under gravity?
108. Two bodies A and B of masses 5 kg and 10 kg in contact with each other rest on a table against a rigid wall (Fig. 2.108). The coefficient of friction between the bodies and the table is 0.15. A force of 200 N is applied horizontally to A. What are
- the reaction of the partition
  - the action-reaction forces between A and B ? What happens when the wall is removed?
109. A block of mass 15 kg is placed on a long trolley. The coefficient of static friction between the block and the trolley is 0.18. The trolley

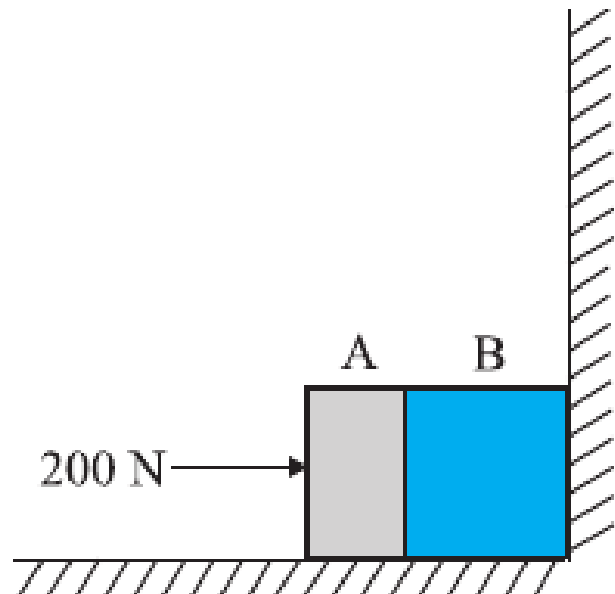


Fig. 2.108

accelerates from rest with  $0.5 \text{ ms}^{-2}$  for 20 s and then moves with uniform velocity. Discuss the motion of the block as viewed by

- a) a stationary observer on the ground,  
b) an observer moving with the trolley.

110. The rear side of a truck is open and a box of 40 kg mass is placed 5 m away from the open end as shown in Fig. 2.110. The coefficient of friction between the box and the surface below it is 0.15. On a straight road, the truck starts from rest and accelerates with  $2 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ . At what distance from the starting point Fig. 2.110 does the box fall off the truck? (Ignore the size of the box).

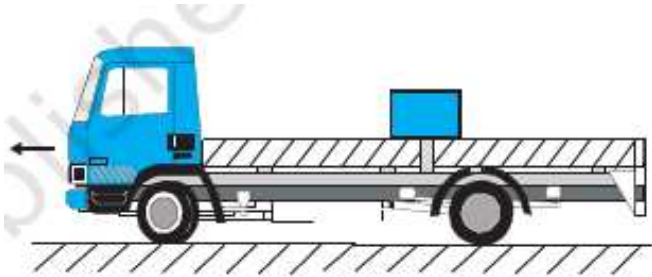


Fig. 2.110

111. A body of mass 2 kg initially at rest moves under the action of an applied horizontal force of 7 N on a table with coefficient of kinetic friction = 0.1. Compute the
- work done by the applied force in 10 s,
  - work done by friction in 10 s,
  - work done by the net force on the body in 10 s,
  - change in kinetic energy of the body in 10 s, and interpret your results.
112. An electron and a proton are detected in a cosmic ray experiment, the first with kinetic energy 10 keV, and the second with 100 keV. Which is faster, the electron or the proton? Obtain the ratio of their speeds. (electron mass =  $9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$ , proton mass =  $1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$ ,  $1 \text{ eV} = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ ).
113. A rain drop of radius 2 mm falls from a height of 500 m above the ground. It falls with decreasing acceleration (due to viscous resistance of the air) until at half its original height, it attains its maximum (terminal) speed, and moves with uniform speed thereafter. What is the work done by the gravitational force on the drop in the first and second half of its journey? What is the work done by the resistive force in the entire journey if its speed

on reaching the ground is  $10 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

114. A molecule in a gas container hits a horizontal wall with speed  $200 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  and angle  $30^\circ$  with the normal, and rebounds with the same speed. Is momentum conserved in the collision? Is the collision elastic or inelastic?
115. A pump on the ground floor of a building can pump up water to fill a tank of volume  $30 \text{ m}^3$  in 15 min. If the tank is 40 m above the ground, and the efficiency of the pump is 30%, how much electric power is consumed by the pump?
116. Two identical ball bearings in contact with each other and resting on a frictionless table are hit head-on by another ball bearing of the same mass moving initially with a speed  $V$ . If the collision is elastic, which of the following (Fig. 2.116) is a possible result after collision?

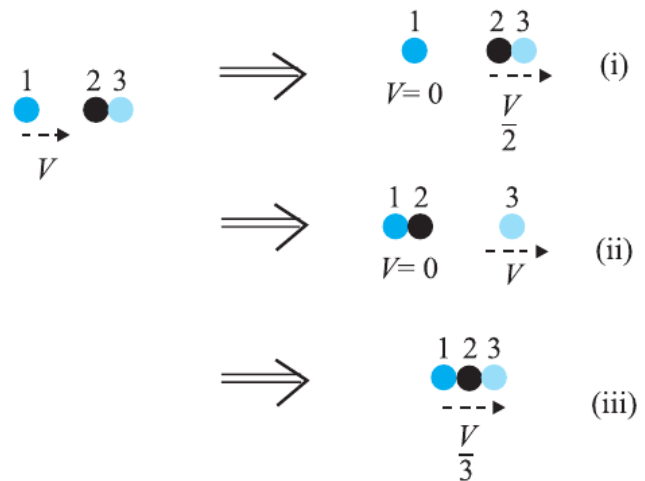


Fig. 2.116

117. A trolley of mass 300 kg carrying a sandbag of 25 kg is moving uniformly with a speed of 27 km/h on a frictionless track. After a while, sand starts leaking out of a hole on the floor of the trolley at the rate of  $0.05 \text{ kg s}^{-1}$ . What is the speed of the trolley after the entire sand bag is empty?
118. A person trying to lose weight (dieter) lifts a 10 kg mass, one thousand times, to a height of 0.5 m each time. Assume that the potential energy lost each time she lowers the mass is dissipated.
- How much work does she do against the gravitational force?
  - Fat supplies  $3.8 \times 10^7 \text{ J}$  of energy per kilo-

gram which is converted to mechanical energy with a 20% efficiency rate. How much fat will the dieter use up?

119. A family uses 8 kW of power.
  - (a) Direct solar energy is incident on the horizontal surface at an average rate of 200 W per square meter. If 20% of this energy can be converted to useful electrical energy, how large an area is needed to supply 8 kW?
  - (b) Compare this area to that of the roof of a typical house.
120. A bolt of mass 0.3 kg falls from the ceiling of an elevator moving down with a uniform speed of  $7 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . It hits the floor of the elevator (length of the elevator = 3 m) and does not rebound. What is the heat produced by the impact? Would your answer be different if the elevator were stationary?
121. A trolley of mass 200 kg moves with a uniform speed of 36 km/h on a frictionless track. A child of mass 20 kg runs on the trolley from one end to the other (10 m away) with a speed of  $4 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  relative to the trolley in a direction opposite to its motion, and jumps out of the trolley. What is the final speed of the trolley? How much has the trolley moved from the time the child begins to run?
122. The angular speed of a motor wheel is increased from 1200 rpm to 3120 rpm in 16 seconds.
  - (a) What is its angular acceleration, assuming the acceleration to be uniform?
  - (b) How many revolutions does the engine make during this time?
123. The planet Mars has two moons, phobos and delmos.
  - (a) phobos has a period 7 hours, 39 minutes and an orbital radius of  $9.4 \times 10^3 \text{ km}$ . Calculate the mass of mars.
  - (b) Assume that earth and mars move in circular orbits around the sun, with the martian orbit being 1.52 times the orbital radius of the earth. What is the length of the martian year in days?
124. Given  $k = 10^{-13} \text{ s}^2 \text{ m}^{-3}$ . The moon is at a distance of  $3.84 \times 10^5 \text{ km}$  from the earth. Obtain its time-period of revolution in days.
125. You are given the following data:  $g = 9.81 \text{ ms}^{-2}$ ,  $R_E = 6.37 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$ , the distance to the moon  $R = 3.84 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$  and the time period of the moon's revolution is 27.3 days. Calculate the mass of the earth  $M_E$  in two different ways.
126. A 400 kg satellite is in a circular orbit of radius  $2R_E$  about the Earth. How much energy is required to transfer it to a circular orbit of radius  $4R_E$ ? What are the changes in the kinetic and potential energies?
127. Io, one of the satellites of Jupiter, has an orbital period of 1.769 days and the radius of the orbit is  $4.22 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$ . Show that the mass of Jupiter is about one-thousandth that of the sun.
128. Let us assume that our galaxy consists of  $2.5 \times 10^{11}$  stars each of one solar mass. How long will a star at a distance of 50,000 ly from the galactic centre take to complete one revolution? Take the diameter of the Milky Way to be 105 ly.
129. A rocket is fired from the earth towards the sun. At what distance from the earth's centre is the gravitational force on the rocket zero? Mass of the sun =  $2 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$ , mass of the earth =  $6 \times 10^{24}$ . Neglect the effect of other planets etc. (Orbital radius =  $1.5 \times 10^{11} \text{ m}$ ). 8.13 How will you 'weigh the sun', that is estimate its mass? The mean orbital radius of the earth around the sun is  $1.5 \times 10^8 \text{ km}$ .
130. A saturn year is 29.5 times the earth year. How far is the saturn from the sun if the earth is  $1.50 \times 10^8 \text{ km}$  away from the sun?
131. A body weighs 63 N on the surface of the earth. What is the gravitational force on it due to the earth at a height equal to half the radius of the earth?
132. Assuming the earth to be a sphere of uniform mass density, how much would a body weigh half way down to the centre of the earth if it weighed 250 N on the surface?
133. A rocket is fired vertically with a speed of  $5 \text{ kms}^{-1}$ . How far from the earth does the rocket go before returning to the earth? Mass of the earth =  $6.0 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$ ; mean radius of the earth =  $6.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$ ;  $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ Nm}^2 \text{ kg}^{-2}$ .
134. The escape speed of a projectile on the earth's surface is  $11.2 \text{ kms}^{-1}$  from the earth's surface. A body is projected out with thrice this speed. What is the speed of the body far away from the earth? Ignore the presence of the sun and other planets.

135. A satellite orbits the earth at a height of 400 km above the surface. How much energy must be expended to rocket the satellite out of the earth's gravitational influence? Mass of the satellite = 200 kg; mass of the earth =  $6.0 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$  radius of the earth =  $6.4 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$ ;  $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ Nm}^2 \text{ kg}^{-2}$ .
136. Two stars each of one solar mass ( $= 2 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$ ) are approaching each other for a head on collision. When they are a distance  $10^9 \text{ km}$ , their speeds are negligible. What is the speed with which they collide ? The radius of each star is  $10^4 \text{ km}$ . Assume the stars to remain undistorted until they collide. (Use the known value of  $G$ ).
137. Two heavy spheres each of mass 100 kg and radius 0.10 m are placed 1.0 m apart on a horizontal table. What is the gravitational force and potential at the mid point of the line joining the centres of the spheres ? Is an object placed at that point in equilibrium? If so, is the equilibrium stable or unstable ?
138. As you have learnt in the text, a geostationary satellite orbits the earth at a height of nearly 36,000 km from the surface of the earth. What is the potential due to earth's gravity at the site of this satellite ? (Take the potential energy at infinity to be zero). Mass of the earth =  $6.0 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$ , radius = 6400 km.
139. A star 2.5 times the mass of the sun and collapsed to a size of 12 km rotates with a speed of 1.2 rev. per second. (Extremely compact stars of this kind are known as neutron stars. Certain stellar objects called pulsars belong to this category). Will an object placed on its equator remain stuck to its surface due to gravity ? (mass of the sun =  $2 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$ ).
140. A spaceship is stationed on Mars. How much energy must be expended on the spaceship to launch it out of the solar system ? Mass of the space ship = 1000 kg; mass of the sun =  $2 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$ ; mass of mars =  $6.4 \times 10^{23} \text{ kg}$  radius of mars = 3395 km; radius of the orbit of mars =  $2.28 \times 10^8 \text{ km}$ ;  $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ Nm}^2 \text{ kg}^{-2}$ .
141. A rocket is fired 'vertically' from the surface of mars with a speed of  $2 \text{ kms}^{-1}$ . If 20% of its initial energy is lost due to martian atmospheric resistance, how far will the rocket go from the surface of mars before returning to it ? Mass of mars =  $6.4 \times 10^{23} \text{ kg}$ ; radius of mars = 3395