

- 3 A ball is thrown against a vertical wall. The path of the ball is shown in Fig. 3.1.

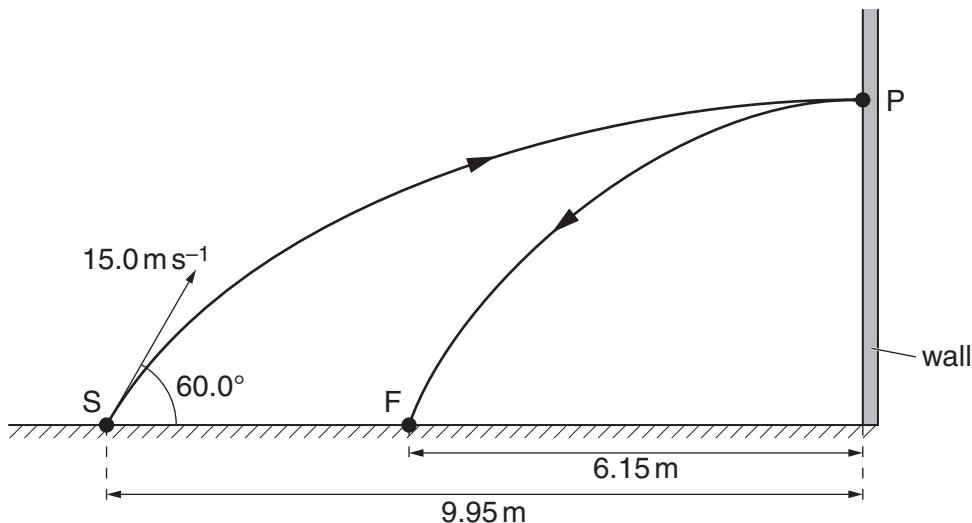


Fig. 3.1 (not to scale)

The ball is thrown from S with an initial velocity of 15.0 ms^{-1} at 60.0° to the horizontal. Assume that air resistance is negligible.

- (a) For the ball at S, calculate

- (i) its horizontal component of velocity,

$$\text{horizontal component of velocity} = \dots \text{ms}^{-1} [1]$$

- (ii) its vertical component of velocity.

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- (b) The horizontal distance from S to the wall is 9.95 m. The ball hits the wall at P with a velocity that is at right angles to the wall. The ball rebounds to a point F that is 6.15 m from the wall.

Using your answers in (a),

- (i) calculate the vertical height gained by the ball when it travels from S to P,

$$\text{height} = \dots \text{m} [1]$$

- (ii) show that the time taken for the ball to travel from S to P is 1.33 s,

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- (iii) show that the velocity of the ball immediately after rebounding from the wall is about 4.6 m s^{-1} .

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- (c) The mass of the ball is $60 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg}$.

- (i) Calculate the change in momentum of the ball as it rebounds from the wall.

change in momentum = N s [2]

- (ii) State and explain whether the collision is elastic or inelastic.

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