NEWTON'S LAWS OF MOTION | KEY POINTS

Newton's First Law:

> An object continues to move with constant velocity, or remains at rest, unless acted on by a force.

Newton's Second Law:

- > The acceleration of an object is directly proportional to the magnitude of the net force applied to the object.
 - \circ F = ma
- > A resultant force (or net force) is a single force that produces the same acceleration as several forces acting together.
- > If the resultant force acting on an object is zero, the object is said to be in 'equilibrium'.

Forces in 1 Dimension | Example-Problem Pairs

- Andy and Dave are pushing a skip of mass 300 kg along a straight road. They apply forces of 200 N and 240 N respectively in the direction of the road. Motion is resisted by a frictional force of 380 N.
- (a) Draw a diagram to show the forces acting on the skip.
- (b) Calculate the acceleration of the skip.



1P. An object of mass 3 kg is being pulled along a rough surface by a force of 12 N (acting parallel to the surface). It experiences a resistance force of 5 N directly opposing the motion.

(a) Draw a diagram to show the forces acting on the skip.

(b) Calculate the acceleration of the skip.



2E. A ball of mass 1.2 kg is rolled across the floor at a speed of 3.6 ms^{-1} . It slows down due to a constant friction force of magnitude 9 N. How far does the ball travel before coming to rest?

2P. A man pushes a car with a force of 127.5 N along a straight horizontal road. He manages to increase the speed of the car from 1 ms^{-1} to 2.8 ms^{-1} in 12 s. Calculate the mass of the car.



- (a) Calculate the magnitude of the acceleration of the lift.
- (b) State the direction in which the lift is accelerating.



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