Answer on Question#39127 - Physics - Mechanics | Kinematics | Dynamics

An object of mass 3 kg is moving on a rough surface with a velocity of 16m/s .It covers a distance of a of 20m before coming to rest. find the the opposing force.

Solution:

m = 3kg is mass of the object;

$$V_0 = 16 \frac{m}{s}$$
 is initial speed of the object;

S = 20m is covered distance;

Rate equation for the object:

$$0 = V_0 - at$$

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$$t = \frac{V_0}{a}$$
 (1)

Equations of motion for the object:

$$S = V_0 t - \frac{at^2}{2} \qquad (2)$$

$$S = \frac{V_0^2}{a} - \frac{V_0^2}{2a} = \frac{V_0^2}{2a}$$

$$2aS = V_0^2$$

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$$a = \frac{V_0^2}{2S}$$
 (3)

Second Newton's law along the X-axis for the object (F - opposing force):

$$F = ma$$
 (4)

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$$F = \frac{mV_0^2}{2S} = \frac{3kg \cdot \left(16\frac{m}{s}\right)^2}{2 \cdot 20m} = 58N$$

Answer: opposing force is equal to 58N.