

Answer on Question#39776 – Physics – Other

a 5kg block is pulled across a table by a horizontal force 40N with frictional force of 8N opposing the motion. Calculate the acceleration of the object..."

Solution:

$F_1 = 40\text{N}$ – horizontal force;

$F_{\text{frict}} = 8\text{N}$ – frictional force;

$m = 5\text{kg}$ – mass of the block;

Newton's second law for the block (initial position):

$$x: F_1 - F_{\text{frict}} = ma \quad (1)$$
$$a = \frac{F_1 - F_{\text{frict}}}{m} = \frac{40\text{N} - 8\text{N}}{5\text{kg}} = 6.4 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$$

Answer: acceleration of the object is equal to $6.4 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$.

