

### Answer on Question #56590, Physics Mechanics Relativity

A uniform rod of mass  $m$  and length  $l$  rests on a smooth horizontal surface. One of the ends of the rod is struck in a horizontal direction at right angles to the rod. As a result the rod obtains velocity  $v_0$ . Find the force with which one half of the rod will act the other in the process of motion.

#### Solution

Due to hitting of the ball the angular impulse by the rod about the  $mv_0l/2$ . If  $\omega$  is the angular velocity acquired by the rod. We have,

$$J\omega = \frac{mv_0l}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{12}ml^2\omega = \frac{mv_0l}{2} \quad (1)$$

or

$$\omega = \frac{6v_0}{l} \quad (2)$$

For the frame of C.M., the rod is rotating about an axis passing through its mid point with the angular velocity  $\omega$ . Hence the force exerted by the one half on the other = mass of half  $\cdot$  acceleration of the C.M. of that half in the C.M. frame

$$f = \frac{m}{2}\omega^2 \cdot \frac{l}{4} = \frac{m}{8}\omega^2 \cdot l = \frac{m}{8}\left(\frac{6v_0}{l}\right)^2 \cdot l = \frac{9mv_0^2}{2l}$$

**Answer:**  $f = \frac{9mv_0^2}{2l}$