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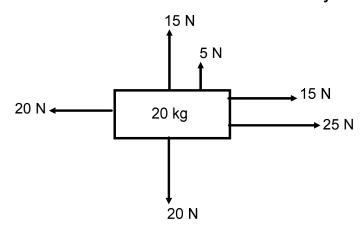
Calculating Acceleration Using Force

Formula:

$$F_{NET} = ma$$

Ex: Using the 20 kg block example. Calculate the wood's acceleration.

Calculate the acceleration of this object.





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SUMMARY

- Net force is the vector summation of all the forces acting on an object.
- The result of the summation is called the unbalanced force.
- If the Net Force is equal to ZERO, then the object is moving at constant speed and is not accelerating (also could be stationary).
- If an unbalanced force exists, then the object will accelerate in the direction of the unbalanced force as per the formula:





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Ex: A 25 kg object is accelerating at a rate of 5 m/s² [R]. If the friction coefficient between the object and the ground is 0.35, what is the applie force pulling the object?



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