

Problem 4.2

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We know that:

$$F = ma$$

We also know that:

$$\begin{aligned} a &= \frac{v_2 - v_1}{t} \\ &= \frac{(10 \text{ m/s}) - 0}{(.2 \text{ s})} \\ &= 50 \text{ m/s}^2 \end{aligned}$$

So that:

$$\begin{aligned} F &= ma \\ &= (.5 \text{ kg})(50 \text{ m/s}^2) \\ &= 25 \text{ nts.} \end{aligned}$$

2.)