

Aspire International Science Department	School Year 7 2023/2024	
	3.1 Forces and Mo	tion
<ul> <li>Force is push o</li> <li>Measured in N</li> <li>The force diagr</li> <li>The forces act</li> </ul>	r pull ewton Th ram is represented by arrows on any objects may be:	rust Veight
		$\downarrow$
	Balanced force	Unbalanced force
Description	Equal in size – opposite in direction	Not equal in size and/or not in the opposite direction
Cause	No change in movement	Change in movement
Signs or types of change	<ol> <li>The object is <b>not</b> moving</li> <li>The object is moving at a constant speed in a straight line</li> </ol>	<ol> <li>Change speed (faster or slower)</li> <li>Change direction (moving in</li> </ol>
Examples	the forces acting on the rock when the wind is blowing.	a curved or circular pain)

## Aspire International School Science Department

Year 7 2023/2024



#### Other examples:



Why is the Earth not pulled by the Sun or floating in space?



To keep orbiting around the Sun, two forces have to be balanced:

- 1- Gravitational force of the Sun
- 2- The centrifugal force that is created due to the spinning of the Earth on its axis



### Summary

- When forces are equal in size and opposite in direction, the forces are balanced.
- Balanced forces cause no change in movement.
- When forces are not equal in size and/or act in directions that are not opposite, the forces are unbalanced.
- Unbalanced forces cause change in movement: speeding up, slowing down or changing direction.

Size of forces	Direction of forces	Balanced or unbalanced	Change in movement
Equal	Opposite	Balanced	None
Equal	Not opposite	Unbalanced	Change of direction
Not equal	Opposite	Unbalanced	Increase or speed
Not equal	Not opposite	Unbalanced	Increase or decrease speed and change of direction

# **ASPIRE** NTERNATIONAL SCHOOL









Note:

To describe the movement of an object (or its speed), you have to figure out how the distance changes with time.





## Distance-Time Graph:



This is a distance-time graph. It shows the journey of a car from a starting position A to a destination, C. The car then returns to its starting position.

#### Area 1: (From A-B)

- The distance increases with time.
- The car was moving at a constant speed, so the graph has an *upward slope*.

#### Area 2:

- The distance is constant while the time is passing.
- The car is at rest or stationery, so the speed is zero and the graph is leaner.

#### Area3:

- The distance is increasing with time but faster than (A-B).
- The car travels a greater distance each second. So, the distance-time graph shows this as a *steeper* straight, *upward-sloping* line.

#### Area 4: (C-A)

- The distance decreases with time.
- The car travels at a constant speed back to the starting position, A. The distance-time graph shows this as a straight, *downward*-sloping line.



#### Worked example

#### Question

This distance-time graph shows a short train journey between two stations, P and R, that are 2000 m apart.

- The train leaves station P at time 0.
- The train takes 200s to travel from P to R.
- The train stops at station R for 140s.
- The train then travels back to station P in a time of 100s.



- e At what speed does the train travel from station P to station R?
- f What is the speed of the train on the way back from station R to station P?

#### Answer

**a** The distance is 2000 m and the time taken is 200 s.

speed =  $\frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}}$ 

$$=\frac{2000}{200}$$

$$= 10 \, \text{m/s}$$

**b** The distance is 2000 m and the time taken is 100 s.

speed =  $\frac{\text{distance}}{\text{time}}$ =  $\frac{2000}{100}$ 

 $= 20 \, \text{m/s}$ 

Aspire International School	
Science Department	



## 3.4 Turning forces

One of the effects of the force is changing the direction of an object.

The object that turns is called a lever.

The point around which the lever turns is called the **pivot**.

The moment is the turning effect of a force.

The moment of a force depends on the following:

- The size of the force (the bigger the force, the bigger the moment)
- The distance between the position where the force acts and the pivot

(the greater the distance, the greater the moment).

You can calculate a moment from this equation:

 $moment = force \times distance$ 

The unit of force is the Newton and the unit of distance is the metre.

Therefore, the unit of moment is Newton × metre, which is written as Newton metre or N m. \*Remember to use an upper-case N and a lower-case m when writing N m.



Aspire International School Science Department

Year 7 2023/2024



#### Balancing

A seesaw is a **type of lever** that people sit on either side of the pivot of a seesaw. A seesaw will be balanced when the moments on both sides of the pivot are equal and opposite.



Aspire International School Science Department

Year 7 2023/2024



3.5 Pressure between solids

Pressure shows how the force is concentrated on a certain area.

Pressure is affected by 2 factors:

- 1- Force
- 2- Surface area
- Force is directly proportional to the pressure (increasing the force, increases the pressure).
- Surface area is inversely proportional to the pressure (increasing the surface area, decreases the pressure)

How to calculate pressure?



 Pressure is force divided by area. The unit of force is the Newton and the unit of area is the metre squared. That means the unit of pressure is Newtons per metre squared or N/m2.

	To find pressure	To find force	To find area
INTI	ERNAI	IONAL	SGHO
	F	F	F
	<b>P</b> × A	P×A	<b>P</b> × A
	$P=rac{F}{A}$	F=P imes A	$A = rac{F}{P}$



#### Worked example

#### Question

Imagine an elephant standing on four feet, as shown in the picture.



The weight of the elephant is  $50\,000$  N. The total area of all four feet is  $0.4 \text{ m}^2$ .

What is the total pressure that the elephant exerts on the ground?

Answer

pressure =  $\frac{\text{force}}{\text{area}}$ 

 $=\frac{50\,000}{0.4}$ 

 $= 125000 \text{ N/m}^2$ 

The unit of pressure here is  $N/m^2$  because the area is given in  $m^2$ .

#### Question

The total weight of a bicycle and rider is 1000 N.

The bicycle has two tyres in contact with the ground and the weight is supported equally on both tyres.

The area of each tyre in contact with the ground is  $5 \text{ cm}^2$ 

What is the pressure that each tyre exerts on the ground?

#### Answer

weight on each tyre = 
$$\frac{1000}{2}$$
  
= 500 N

pressure = 
$$\frac{\text{force}}{\text{area}}$$

$$=\frac{500}{5}$$
  
= 100 N/cm<sup>2</sup>

Notice how the unit of pressure here is N/cm<sup>2</sup> because the area of the tyres is given in cm<sup>2</sup>.



## **Recapping Diffusion**

Diffusion is the movement of particles from an area of high concentration to an area of low concentration.

- Diffission happens in liquids and gases

