

5. The weight of the object is found from the product of mass times the acceleration due to gravity

$$W = m g$$

$$W = (30 \text{ kg}) (9.8 \text{ m / s}^2) = 294 \text{ N}$$

The net force is the difference between the weight (directed downward) and the force due to air resistance (directed upward).

$$F = W - F_R$$

$$F = 294 \text{ N} - 50 \text{ N}$$

$$F = 244 \text{ N}$$

The acceleration is calculated from the net force using Newton's Second Law as in previous problems as

$$a = F / m$$

$$a = (244 \text{ N}) / (30 \text{ kg}) = 8.13 \text{ m / s}^2$$