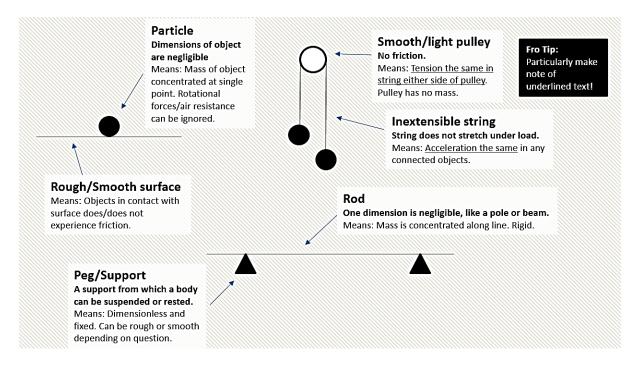
Modelling Assumptions

We make modelling assumptions to simplify a problem and solve it using known mathematical techniques. You must be able to understand how these assumptions will affect calculations versus the real-life situation.

A full list of modelling assumptions is on p121 of the textbook. The most common are shown below.



Example (Exercise 8B Question 2)

An ice puck is hit and slides across the ice.

State the effect of the following assumptions on any calculations made using this model:

a The ice puck is modelled as a particle.b The ice is smooth.