

- 4 A small ball is dropped from rest from height  $h_1$  above the ground and falls vertically downwards. The ball collides with the ground and bounces back vertically upwards, reaching a maximum height  $h_2$ . Fig. 4.1 shows the ball just before and just after hitting the ground.

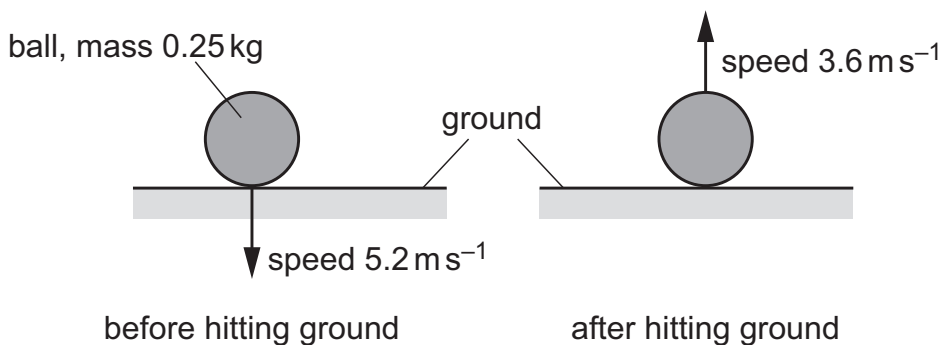


Fig. 4.1

The ball has mass 0.25 kg and is in contact with the ground for a time of 0.18 s. Just before the ball hits the ground, it has speed 5.2 m s<sup>-1</sup>. Just after it leaves the ground, it has speed 3.6 m s<sup>-1</sup>. Air resistance acting on the ball is negligible.

- (a) State and explain whether the collision is elastic or inelastic.

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- (b) (i) Calculate the change in momentum of the ball during the collision with the ground.

change in momentum = ..... kg m s<sup>-1</sup> [2]

- (ii) Determine the average force on the ball during the collision with the ground.

force = ..... N [2]

- (c) Calculate the ratio  $\frac{h_2}{h_1}$ .

ratio = ..... [3]

[Total: 8]