

$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{S} = (-i + 2j + 3k) \cdot (4\hat{k}) = 12J$$

**Example 5:** A cyclist comes to a skidding stop in 10m. During this process, the force on the cycle due to road is 200 N and is directly opposed to the motion. (a) How much work does the road do on the cycle? (b) How much work does the cycle do on the road? (NCERT) **Ans:** (a) -2000J (b) zero.

**Solution:** Since the direction of force is opposite to the direction of motion,  $\theta = 180^\circ$ . So,  $\cos \theta = -1$ .

So, work done by the road on the cycle is

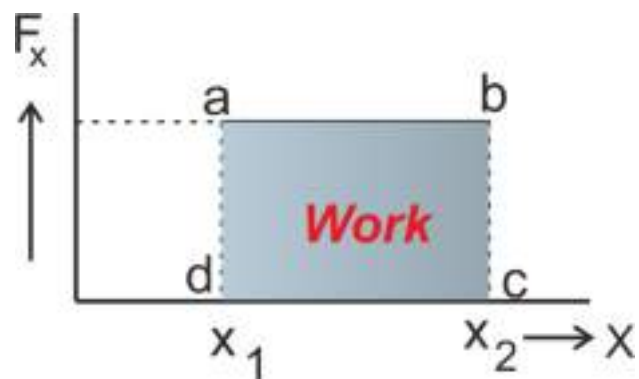
$$W = F \cdot S \cos \theta = 200 \times 10 \times (-1) = -2000J$$

(b) In this case a reaction force is applied by the cycle on the road. But, as there is no displacement of the road, work done on the road is zero.

### Determination of work using graph

**(A) For constant Force:**

In this case  $F_x$  versus  $x$  graph is a straight line parallel to the  $x$  - axis



**Area under the  $f_x - x$  graph** = area of rectangle abcd

$$= ad \times dc$$

$$= f_x \cdot [x_2 - x_1] = F_x \cdot \Delta x$$

$$= \text{Work done}$$