

KEY Momentum

Recap

Momentum

- ★ $p = mv$
- ★ Conservation of momentum
 - $P_{\text{tot}} = \text{constant}$
 - $P_{\text{tot}} = P'_{\text{tot}}$
 - $p_1 + p_2 = p'_1 + p'_2 \quad (F_{\text{net}} = 0)$

Impulse

- ★ Change in momentum
- ★ $\Delta p = F_{\text{net}} \cdot \Delta t$
- ★ Force acts on an object
- ★ If you are looking at the impulse between 2 objects, they are experiencing the same impulse

Types of collision

- ★ Totally Elastic
 - Conserves kinetic energy and momentum
- ★ Partially inelastic
 - Particles don't stick together
 - Momentum is conserved
 - Kinetic energy is not conserved
 - Example
 - Air hockey
- ★ Totally Inelastic
 - Particles stick together
 - Momentum is conserved
 - Kinetic energy is not conserved
 - Example:
 - A ball caught in a glove

Practice

A runaway train car that has a mass of 15,000 kg travels at a speed of 5.4 m/s down a track. Compute the time required for a force of 1500 N to bring the car to rest. [Link to the Video on solving](#)

$$\begin{aligned} m &= 15,000 \text{ kg} \\ v_i &= 5.4 \text{ m/s} \\ F &= 1500 \text{ N} \\ t &= ? \\ v_f &= 0 \text{ m/s} \end{aligned}$$

$$p = mv$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta P &= F_{\text{net}} \cdot t \\ \frac{p_f - p_i}{F} &= \frac{F \cdot t}{F} \\ \frac{mv_f - mv_i}{F} &= t \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} t &= \frac{m(v_f - v_i)}{F} \\ t &= \frac{15000 \cdot (0 - 5.4)}{-1500} \\ t &= 54 \text{ s} \end{aligned}$$

Suppose a child drives a bumper car head-on into the side rail, which exerts a force of 4000 N on the car for 0.200 s. (a) What impulse is imparted by this force? (b) Find the final velocity of the bumper car if its initial velocity was 2.80 m/s and the car plus driver has a mass of 200 kg. You may neglect the friction between the car and the floor. [Link to the Video on solving](#)

$$F = -4000 \text{ N} \quad t = 0.200 \text{ s}$$

$$\textcircled{a} \Delta P = F_{\text{net}} \cdot \Delta t = -4000 \text{ N} \cdot 0.200 \text{ s} = -800 \text{ N} \cdot \text{s} \quad \text{the force}$$

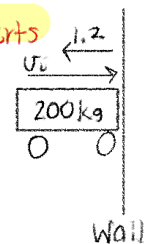
$$\textcircled{b} \Delta P = 800 \text{ N} \cdot \text{s} \quad v_f = ? \quad v_i = 2.8 \text{ m/s} \quad m = 200 \text{ kg}$$

$$\Delta P = F_{\text{net}} \cdot t$$

$$p_f - p_i = F_{\text{net}} \cdot t$$

$$m(v_f - v_i) = F_{\text{net}} \cdot t$$

$$v_f = \frac{F_{\text{net}} \cdot t}{m} + v_i = \frac{-4000 \cdot 0.20}{200} + 2.8 \text{ m/s} = 1.2 \text{ m/s}$$



A 0.450-kg hammer is moving horizontally at 7.00 m/s when it strikes a nail and comes to rest after driving the nail 1.00 cm into a board. (a) Calculate the duration of the impact. (b) What was the average force exerted on the nail? [Link to the Video on solving](#)

$$\begin{aligned}
 m &= .450 \text{ kg} & v_i &= 7.00 \text{ m/s} & x &= 1.00 \text{ cm} \rightarrow .01 \text{ m} & v_f &= 0 \text{ m/s} \\
 \textcircled{a} \quad x &= \frac{1}{2} (v_f + v_i) t & \textcircled{b} \quad \Delta p &= F \cdot t \\
 .01 &= \frac{1}{2} (0 + 7) t & F &= \frac{\Delta p}{t} = \frac{m(v_f - v_i)}{t} = \frac{.45 \cdot (0 - 7)}{2.86 \times 10^{-3}} \\
 .01 &= 3.5t & F &= -1.10 \times 10^3 \text{ N} \\
 2.86 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s} &\approx t
 \end{aligned}$$

When serving a tennis ball, a player hits the ball when its velocity is zero (at the highest point of a vertical toss). The racquet exerts a force of 540 N on the ball for 5.00 ms, giving it a final velocity of 45.0 m/s. Using these data, find the mass of the ball. [Link to the Video on solving](#)

$$\begin{aligned}
 v_o &= 0 \text{ m/s} & F &= 540 \text{ N} & v_f &= 45.0 \text{ m/s} & t &= 5.00 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s} & m &=? \\
 \Delta p &= F \cdot t & m &= \frac{F \cdot t}{(v_f - v_o)} = \frac{540 \cdot 5 \times 10^{-3}}{(45 - 0)} = .06 \\
 m(v_f - v_o) &= F \cdot t
 \end{aligned}$$

Consider the following question: A car moving at 10 m/s crashes into a tree and stops in 0.26 s. Calculate the force the seatbelt exerts on a passenger in the car to bring him to a halt. The mass of the passenger is 70 kg. Would the answer to this question be different if the car with the 70-kg passenger had collided with a car that has a mass equal to and is traveling in the opposite direction and at the same speed? [Link to the Video on solving](#)

$$\begin{aligned}
 U_i &= 10 \text{ m/s} & U_f &= 0 \text{ m/s} & t &= 0.26 \text{ s} & F &= ? & m &= 70 \text{ kg} \\
 \Delta P &= F \cdot t \\
 m(U_f - U_i) &= F \cdot t & F &= \frac{m(U_f - U_i)}{t} = \frac{70(-10)}{0.26} = -2692 \text{ N} \\
 p_i &= p_f \\
 p_1 + p_2 &= p_f \\
 m_1 U_1 + m_2 U_2 &= p_f \\
 (70 \cdot 10) + (70 \cdot -10) &= p_f \\
 700 + -700 &= p_f \\
 0 &= p_f
 \end{aligned}$$

A 1.80-kg falcon catches a 0.650-kg dove from behind in midair. What is their velocity after impact if the falcon's velocity is initially 28.0 m/s and the dove's velocity is 7.00 m/s in the same direction? Is this an elastic collision or an inelastic collision? [Link to the Video on solving](#)

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{falcon: } m_f &= 1.80 \text{ kg} & U_{if} &= 28.0 \text{ m/s} & m_T &= 1.80 + 0.650 = 2.45 \text{ kg} \\
 \text{dove: } m_d &= 0.650 \text{ kg} & U_{id} &= 7.00 \text{ m/s} & U_{fT} &= ?
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_{\text{before}} &= p_{\text{after}} \\
 p_f + p_d &= p_T \\
 m_f U_{if} + m_d U_{id} &= m_T U_f \\
 U_f &= \frac{m_f U_{if} + m_d U_{id}}{m_T} = \frac{(1.8 \cdot 28) + (0.65 \cdot 7)}{2.45} = 22.4 \text{ m/s}
 \end{aligned}$$