

Linear Momentum and collisions

Phys109

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1. A 0.14 kg baseball is dropped and reaches a speed of 1.2 m/s just before it hits the ground. It rebounds with a speed of 1 m/s. What is the change of the ball's momentum? If the contacting time is 0.1 second, what is the average force? (Answer: 0.308, 0.031)
2. An 1 kg object travelling east at 1 m/s collides head on with a 2 kg object travelling west at 2 m/s. Find the velocity of two objects just after collision if the collision is perfectly inelastic. (Answer: $-\hat{i}$ m/s)
3. A 900 kg car travelling east at 15 m/s collides with a 750 kg car travelling north at 20 m/s. The cars stick together.
 - (a) What is the speed of the wreckage just after the collision? (12 m/s)
 - (b) In what direction does the wreckage move just after the collision? (48°)
 - (c) What is the energy lost?(132,450 J)
4. In the overhead view, a 300 g ball with a speed v of 6 m/s strikes a wall at an angle θ of 30° and then rebounds with the same speed and angle. It is in contact with the wall for 10 ms. In unit vector notation, what are
 - (a) the impulse on the ball from the wall? ($1.8\hat{j}$ kgm/s)
 - (b) the average force on the wall from the ball? (180 N)

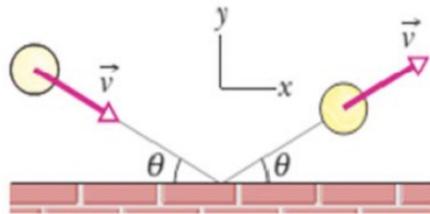


Figure 1: Problem no.4

5. The ballistic pendulum is an apparatus used to measure the speed of a fast-moving projectile, such as a bullet. A bullet of mass 20 g with 200 m/s is fired into a large block of wood of mass 480 g suspended from some light wires. The bullet embeds in the block, and the entire system swings through a height h . Find the max height? (3.26 m)

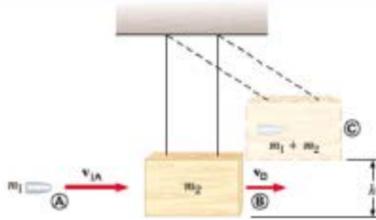


Figure 2: Problem no.5

6. A truck of mass 6000kg is traveling at a velocity of $\vec{v}_{1i} = 25\hat{i}$ collides with a car of mass 1200kg traveling at a velocity $\vec{v}_{2i} = 20\hat{i}$. The velocity of the truck after the collision is $\vec{v}_1 = 22\hat{i}$.
- Calculate the velocity of the car after collision.
 - If the collision lasted for 0.4 s what is the average force exerted by the car on the truck?
(answer: -45kN)
 - Calculate the lost kinetic energy. (answer: -72kJ)
7. Two chunks of ices sliding on a frictionless frozen pond. Chunk A with mass 5 kg moves with initial velocity 2 m/s parallel to the x-axis. It collides with chunk B, which has mass 3kg and is initially at rest. After the collision, the velocity of chunk A is 1 m/s in a direction making an angle 30 with the initial direction. What is the final velocity of chunk B?
(Answer: $\vec{v} = 3.06\hat{i} - 0.16\hat{j}$ m/s)
8. A tennis player strikes the tennis ball with her racket while the ball is still rising. The ball speed before impact with the racket is $v_1 = 15$ m/s and after the impact its speed is $v_2 = 22$ m/s, with directions as shown in the figure. If the mass 60 g ball is in contact with the racket for 0.05 s.
- Determine the momentum of the ball just before it is stroke by the racket. (answer: $-0.89\hat{i} + 0.16\hat{j}$ kgm/s²)
 - Determine the momentum of the ball just after it is stroke by the racket. (answer: $1.24\hat{i} + 0.45\hat{j}$ kgm/s²)
 - Determine the magnitude of the average force exerted by the racket on the ball. (answer: $42.534\hat{i} + 5.9\hat{j}$ kgm/s²)

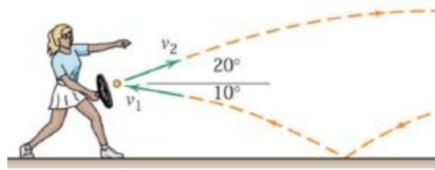


Figure 3: Problem no.8

9. A large block of wood of mass 5.4 kg hanging from two long cords. A bullet of mass 9.5 gr is fired into the block, coming quickly to rest. The block +bullet then swing upward, their center of mass rising a vertical 6.3 cm before the pendulum comes momentarily to rest at the end of its arc. What is the speed of the bullet just prior of the collision. (answer: 632.75m/s)

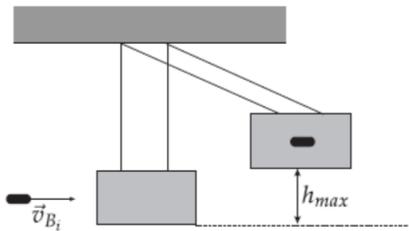


Figure 4: Problem no.9

10. A bullet of mass $m = 5.2g$ and velocity $v_{B0} = 500m/s$ hits a block of wood of mass $M = 700g$ at rest on a frictionless surface. The bullet emerges from the block at a velocity of $v_B = 300m/s$.



Figure 5: Problem no.10

- Calculate the velocity of the block after the collision. (answer: $1.49\hat{i} \text{ m/s}^2$)
- Calculate the impulse on the block. (answer: $1.043\hat{i} \text{ m/s}^2$)
- Calculate the impulse on the bullet. (answer: $-1.043\hat{i} \text{ m/s}^2$)
- Calculate the change of the total kinetic energy of the system, and state whether the collision was elastic or inelastic. (answer: -415.2J)