

### CONSERVATION OF MOMENTUM FOR A PERFECTLY INELASTIC COLLISION

This is a simplified version of the conservation of momentum equation valid only for perfectly inelastic collisions between two bodies.

$$m_1 \mathbf{v}_{1,i} + m_2 \mathbf{v}_{2,i} = (m_1 + m_2) \mathbf{v}_f$$

### CONSERVATION OF KINETIC ENERGY FOR AN ELASTIC COLLISION

No collision is perfectly elastic; some kinetic energy is always converted to other forms of energy. But if these losses are minimal, this equation can provide a good approximation.

$$\frac{1}{2}m_1 v_{1,i}^2 + \frac{1}{2}m_2 v_{2,i}^2 = \frac{1}{2}m_1 v_{1,f}^2 + \frac{1}{2}m_2 v_{2,f}^2$$

## Chapter 7 Circular Motion and Gravitation

### CENTRIPETAL ACCELERATION

$$a_c = \frac{v_t^2}{r}$$

### CENTRIPETAL FORCE

$$F_c = \frac{mv_t^2}{r}$$

### NEWTON'S LAW OF UNIVERSAL GRAVITATION

The constant of universal gravitation ( $G$ ) equals  $6.673 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}^2/\text{kg}^2$ .

$$F_g = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2}$$

### KEPLER'S LAWS OF PLANETARY MOTION

**First Law:** Each planet travels in an elliptical orbit around the sun, and the sun is at one of the focal points.

**Second Law:** An imaginary line drawn from the sun to any planet sweeps out equal areas in equal time intervals.

**Third Law:** The square of a planet's orbital period ( $T^2$ ) is proportional to the cube of the average distance ( $r^3$ ) between the planet and the sun, or  $T^2 \propto r^3$ .

### PERIOD AND SPEED OF AN OBJECT IN CIRCULAR ORBIT

The constant of universal gravitation ( $G$ ) equals  $6.673 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}^2/\text{kg}^2$ .

$$T = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{r^3}{Gm}}$$

$$v_t = \sqrt{G \frac{m}{r}}$$

### TORQUE

$$\tau = Fd \sin \theta$$