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<https://openstax.org/books/physics/pages/8-multiple-choice>
3000 solved problems in physics, chapters 9, 12.3

9.1 A mass m undergoes free fall. What is its linear momentum after it has fallen a distance h ?

$$F = mg$$

$$\Delta P = F \Delta t = m \Delta v$$

time to fall distance h ?

$$P = F t = mg t$$

$$h = \frac{1}{2} g t^2$$

$$P = mg \sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}} = m \sqrt{2gh}$$

$$\sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}} = t$$

9.4 While waiting in his car at a stoplight, an 80-kg man and his car are suddenly accelerated to a speed of 5 m/s as the result of a rear-end collision. Assuming the time taken to be 0.3 s, find (a) the impulse on the man and (b) the average force exerted on him by the back of the seat of his car.

$$a) F \Delta t = m \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} \Delta t = m \Delta v = (80 \text{ kg})(5.0 \text{ m/s}) = 400 \text{ N}\cdot\text{s}$$

$$b) \bar{F} = \frac{\Delta(mv)}{\Delta t} = \frac{400 \text{ N}\cdot\text{s}}{0.3} = 1330 \text{ N}$$

9.18 A ball of 0.4-kg mass and a speed of 3 m/s has a head-on, completely elastic collision with a 0.6-kg mass initially at rest. Find the speeds of both bodies after the collision.

→ KE is conserved

$$m_1 = 0.4 \text{ kg}$$

$$v_{1i} = 3 \text{ m/s}$$

$$m_2 = 0.6 \text{ kg}$$

$$v_{2i} = 0 \text{ m/s}$$

$$m_1 v_{1i} + m_2 v_{2i} = m_1 v_{1f} + m_2 v_{2f}$$

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

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

$$m_1 (v_{1i}^2 - v_{1f}^2) = m_2 v_{2f}^2$$

$$v_{1f} = \frac{m_2}{m_1} v_{2f} - v_{1i}$$

$$m_1 (v_{1i}^2 - (\frac{m_2}{m_1} v_{2f} - v_{1i})^2) = m_2 v_{2f}^2$$

$$m_1 (v_{1i}^2 - [\frac{m_2^2}{m_1^2} v_{2f}^2 - 2 \frac{m_2}{m_1} v_{2f} v_{1i} + v_{1i}^2]) = m_2 v_{2f}^2$$

$$m_1 [-\frac{m_2^2}{m_1^2} v_{2f}^2 + 2 \frac{m_2}{m_1} v_{2f} v_{1i}] = m_2 v_{2f}^2$$

$$-\frac{m_2^3}{m_1^2} v_{2f}^2 + 2 \frac{m_2^2}{m_1} v_{2f} v_{1i} = m_2 v_{2f}^2$$

Note:
units work

$$-\frac{m_2^3}{m_1^2} v_{2f}^2 + 2 \frac{m_2^2}{m_1} v_{2f} v_{1i} - m_2 v_{2f}^2 = 0$$

$$v_{2f} = \frac{-2.6 \pm \sqrt{2.6^2 - 4(-0.18)(-0.6)}}{2(-0.18)} = 0.23, 14.21$$

$$a = -\frac{m_1^3}{m_2^2} = -0.18$$

$$b = 2 \frac{m_1^2}{m_2} v_{1i} = 2.6$$

$$c = -0.6$$

using velocity of separation = velocity of approach:

$$-v_{1f} + v_{2f} = 3 \rightarrow v_{2f} = 3 + v_{1f}$$

$$0.4 \times 3 + 0 = 0.4 v_{1f} + 0.6 v_{2f}$$

$$v_{2f} = 3 + (-0.6) = 2.4 \text{ m/s}$$

$$1.2 = 0.4 v_{1f} + 0.6(3 + v_{1f})$$

$$1.2 = 0.4 v_{1f} + 1.8 + 0.6 v_{1f} = 1.1 v_{1f} + 1.8$$

$$v_{1f} = -0.6 \text{ m/s}$$

- 9.19 A proton of mass 1.66×10^{-27} kg collides head-on with a helium atom at rest. The helium atom has a mass of 6.64×10^{-27} kg and recoils with a speed of 5×10^5 m/s. If the collision is elastic, what are the initial and final speeds of the proton and the fraction of its initial energy transferred to the helium atom?

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_1 &= 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} & m_2 &= 6.64 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg} \\
 v_{1i} &= ? & v_{2i} &= 0 \text{ m/s} \\
 v_{1f} &= ? & v_{2f} &= 5 \times 10^5 \text{ m/s}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$m_1 v_{1i} + m_2 v_{2i} = m_1 v_{1f} + m_2 v_{2f}$$

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

Solve for v_{1i} v_{1f}

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_1 v_{1i} &= m_1 v_{1f} + m_2 v_{2f} \\
 v_{1i} &= v_{1f} + \frac{m_2}{m_1} v_{2f} \\
 v_{1f}^2 + 2 \frac{m_2}{m_1} v_{1f} v_{2f} + \frac{m_2^2}{m_1^2} v_{2f}^2 &= v_{1f}^2 + \frac{m_2^2}{m_1^2} v_{2f}^2 \\
 2 v_{1f} v_{2f} + \frac{m_2^2}{m_1^2} v_{2f}^2 &= v_{2f}^2 \\
 2 v_{1f} v_{2f} + \frac{m_2^2}{m_1^2} v_{2f}^2 - v_{2f}^2 &= 0 \\
 2 v_{1f} v_{2f} + v_{2f}^2 \left(\frac{m_2^2}{m_1^2} - 1 \right) &= 0 \\
 2 v_{1f} + v_{2f} \left(\frac{m_2^2}{m_1^2} - 1 \right) &= 0 \\
 2 v_{1f} &= -v_{2f} \left(\frac{m_2^2}{m_1^2} - 1 \right) \\
 v_{1f} &= -\frac{1}{2} v_{2f} \left(\frac{m_2^2}{m_1^2} - 1 \right) = -\frac{1}{2} (5 \times 10^5 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}) \left(\frac{6.64 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}}{1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}} - 1 \right) = -7.5 \times 10^5 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \\
 v_{1i} &= (-7.5 \times 10^5 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}) + 4 (5 \times 10^5 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}) = 1.25 \times 10^6 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}
 \end{aligned}$$

energy fraction: $\frac{\text{KE of HE}}{\text{KE}_i} = \frac{m_2 v_{2f}^2}{m_1 v_{1i}^2} = \frac{4 m_2 v_{2f}^2}{m_1 v_{1i}^2} = 4 \frac{(5 \times 10^5 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})^2}{(1.25 \times 10^6 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})^2} = 0.64$

all of the initial KE is in here

- 9.31 An 8-g bullet is fired horizontally into a 9-kg block of wood and sticks in it. The block, which is free to move, has a velocity of 40 cm/s after impact. Find the initial velocity of the bullet.

Perfectly inelastic collision

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_1 &= 8 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg} & m_2 &= 9 \text{ kg} & \text{let } v_f &= v_{1f} = v_{2f} \\
 v_{1i} &= ? & v_{2i} &= 0 \\
 v_{2i} &= 40 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m/s} & v_{2f} &= 40 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m/s}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_1 v_{1i} + m_2 v_{2i} &= m_1 v_{1f} + m_2 v_{2f} \\
 m_1 v_{1i} &= (m_1 + m_2) v_f \\
 v_{1i} &= \frac{(m_1 + m_2)}{m_1} v_f = \frac{(8 \times 10^{-3} + 9) \text{ kg}}{8 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg}} \times 40 \times 10^{-2} \text{ m/s} \\
 &= 450 \text{ m/s}
 \end{aligned}$$

- 9.70 An object at rest explodes into three pieces of equal mass. One moves east at 20 m/s; a second moves southeast at 30 m/s. What is the velocity of the third piece?
- 9.73 A 7500-kg truck traveling at 5 m/s east collides with a 1500-kg car moving at 20 m/s in a direction 30° south of west. After collision, the two vehicles remain tangled together. With what speed and in what direction does the wreckage begin to move?
- 9.81 A particle of mass m traveling with speed v_0 along the x axis suddenly shoots out one-third its mass with speed $2v_0$ parallel to the y axis. Express the velocity of the remainder of the particle in \mathbf{i} , \mathbf{j} , \mathbf{k} notation.

Angular Momentum Problems

- 12.47 Find the rotational energy and angular momentum due to the daily rotation of the earth about its axis. Data: $M_e = 6 \times 10^{24}$ kg, $R_e = 6.4 \times 10^6$ m, $\omega = 1/86\,400$ rev/s. Assume the earth to be a uniform sphere.

$$KE = \frac{1}{2} I \omega^2, \quad I_{\text{sphere}} = \frac{2}{5} M R^2$$

$$KE = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{5} M R^2 \omega^2 = \frac{1}{5} M R^2 \omega^2 = 2.6 \times 10^{29} \text{ J}$$

$$\frac{1}{86400} \frac{\text{rev}}{\text{s}} = \frac{2\pi}{86400} \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}}$$

- 12.58 A boy stands on a freely rotating platform. With his arms extended, his rotation speed is 0.25 rev/s. But when he draws them in, his speed is 0.80 rev/s. Find the ratio of his moment of inertia in the first case to that in the second.

$$I_0 \omega_0 = I_f \omega_f$$

$$\frac{I_0}{I_f} = \frac{\omega_f}{\omega_0} = \frac{0.8 \text{ rev/s}}{0.25 \text{ rev/s}} = \boxed{3.2}$$