Physics Notes

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1 Momentum And Impulse

1.1 Definition of Momentum

- vector describing how difficult it is to stop a moving object
- Total Momentum is the sum of individual momenta

$$p = mv$$

1.2 Impulse

• Impulse is change in Momentum (J)

$$J = \Delta p$$

1.3 Relationship between Force and Δp

$$F = ma$$

$$F = m\frac{dv}{dt}$$

$$F = \frac{d}{dt}(mv)$$

$$F = \frac{dp}{dt}$$

1.4 Impulse-Momentum Theorem

$$F = \frac{dp}{dt}$$
$$\int_0^t F \cdot dt = \int_{p_i}^{p_f} dp$$
$$J = F\Delta t = \Delta p$$