Problems

- **3.** At one instant, a 17.5-kg sled is moving over a horizontal surface of snow at 3.50 m/s. After 8.75 s has elapsed, the sled stops. Use a momentum approach to find the average friction force acting on the sled while it was moving.
- **4.** A 3.00-kg particle has a velocity of $(3.00\,\hat{\mathbf{i}} 4.00\,\hat{\mathbf{j}})$ m/s. (a) Find its *x* and *y* components of momentum. (b) Find the magnitude and direction of its momentum.
- 11. Two blocks of masses *m* and W 3*m* are placed on a frictionless, horizontal surface. A light spring is attached to the more massive block, and the blocks are pushed together with the spring between them (Fig. P9.11). A cord initially holding the blocks together is burned; after that happens, the block of mass 3*m* moves to the right with a speed of 2.00 m/s. (a) What is the velocity of the block of

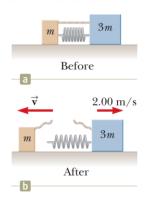


Figure P9.11

mass m? (b) Find the system's original elastic potential energy, taking m = 0.350 kg. (c) Is the original energy in the spring or in the cord? (d) Explain your answer to part (c). (e) Is the momentum of the system conserved in the bursting-apart process? Explain how that is possible considering (f) there are large forces acting and (g) there is no motion beforehand and plenty of motion afterward?

- 17. The front 1.20 m of a 1 400-kg car is designed as a more collision. If a car traveling 25.0 m/s stops uniformly in 1.20 m, (a) how long does the collision last, (b) what is the magnitude of the average force on the car, and (c) what is the acceleration of the car? Express the acceleration as a multiple of the acceleration due to gravity.
- 19. The magnitude of the net force exerted in the *x* direction on a 2.50-kg particle varies in time as shown in Figure P9.19. Find (a) the impulse of the force over the 5.00-s time interval, (b) the final velocity the particle attains if it is originally at rest, (c) its final velocity if its original velocity if its original velocity if its original velocity.

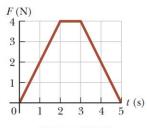
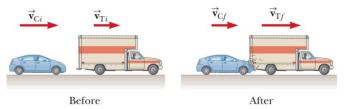


Figure P9.19

ity is $-2.00\,\hat{i}$ m/s, and (d) the average force exerted on the particle for the time interval between 0 and 5.00 s.

22. A 1 200-kg car traveling initially at $v_{Ci} = 25.0$ m/s in an easterly direction crashes into the back of a 9 000-kg truck moving in the same direction at $v_{Ti} = 20.0$ m/s (Fig. P9.22). The velocity of the car immediately after the collision is $v_{Cf} = 18.0$ m/s to the east. (a) What is the velocity of the truck immediately after the colli-



sion? (b) What is the change in mechanical energy of the car-truck system in the collision? (c) Account for this change in mechanical energy.

- **23.** A 10.0-g bullet is fired into a stationary block of wood whaving mass m = 5.00 kg. The bullet imbeds into the block. The speed of the bullet-plus-wood combination immediately after the collision is 0.600 m/s. What was the original speed of the bullet?
- 25. A railroad car of mass 2.50×10^4 kg is moving with a speed of 4.00 m/s. It collides and couples with three other coupled railroad cars, each of the same mass as the single car and moving in the same direction with an initial speed of 2.00 m/s. (a) What is the speed of the four cars after the collision? (b) How much mechanical energy is lost in the collision?