

Answer **all** the questions in the spaces provided.

- 1 (a) State the principle of conservation of linear momentum.

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- (b) Along a horizontal frictionless surface, ball A moves with speed v towards a stationary ball B as shown in Fig. 1.1. Ball A has mass 4.0 kg and ball B has mass 12 kg.

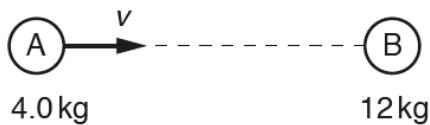


Fig. 1.1

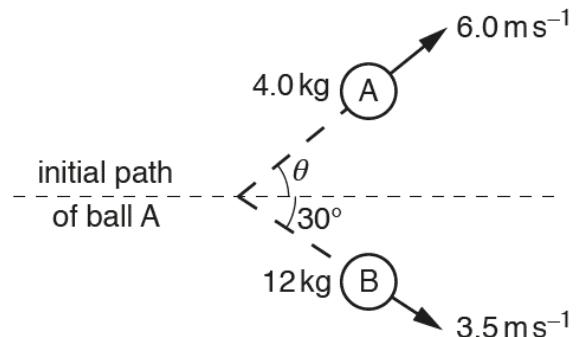


Fig. 1.2

The balls collide and then move apart as shown in Fig. 1.2.

Ball A has velocity 6.0 m s^{-1} at an angle of θ to the direction of its initial path.

Ball B has velocity 3.5 m s^{-1} at an angle of 30° to the direction of the initial path of ball A.

- (i) By considering the components of momentum at right-angles to the direction of the initial path of ball A, determine θ .

$$\theta = \dots \text{ }^\circ [2]$$

- (ii) Hence, determine the initial speed v of ball A.

$$v = \dots \text{ } \text{m s}^{-1} [2]$$

(iii) State and explain whether the collision is elastic or inelastic.

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