

# Physics-Based Animation (SET09119)

## Tutorial 07 - Momentum & Impulses

### 1 Question

A 3kg mass has a velocity of  $5ms^{-1}$ . What is its momentum?

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$$\text{Momentum} = (3)(5) = 15Ns$$


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### 2 Question

A hockey ball of mass 0.2kg received an impulse of 1.2N at a free hit. With what speed does it begin to travel?

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$$(0.2)(v) - (0.2)(0) = 1.2$$

therefore

$$v = 6$$

$\therefore$  Speed  $6ms^{-1}$

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### 3 Question

In what time will a force of 8N reduce the speed of a particle of mass 3kg from  $21ms^{-1}$  to  $6ms^{-1}$

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$$(3)(21) - (3)(6) = 8t$$

$\therefore t = 5.626 \text{ seconds}$

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### 4 Question

A dart of mass 0.12kg, flying at a speed of  $20ms^{-1}$  hits the dartboard and comes to a rest in 0.1 seconds. What is the average force exerted by the dartboard on the dart?

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$$(0.12)(20) = (F)(0.1)$$
$$\therefore F = 24\text{N}$$

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## 5 Question

A cup of 90 grammes is dropped from a height of 1.25m. What impulse force does it receive on striking the floor if it does not rebound?

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$$v^2 = u^2 + 2as$$
$$v^2 = (0)^2 + (2)(9.8)(1.25)$$
$$v = \sqrt{(0)^2 + (2)(9.8)(1.25)}$$
(1)

$$\therefore v = 4.95 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

90g is 0.09kg

impulse = momentum after - momentum before

$$\text{Impulse} = (0.09)(4.95) = 0.45\text{N}$$

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## 6 Question

A bullet is fired with a speed of  $550\text{ms}^{-1}$  into a block of wood of mass 0.49kg, and becomes embedded in it. If it gives the block a speed of  $11\text{ms}^{-1}$ , find the mass of the bullet.

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$$(m)(550) = (0.49 + m)(11)$$
$$\therefore m = 0.01 \text{ kg}$$

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## 7 Question

A body of mass 8kg increases its speed from  $4\text{ms}^{-1}$  to  $6\text{ms}^{-1}$ . What is the gain in kinetic energy?

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$$\text{Gain in KE} = \frac{1}{2}(8)(6^2) - \frac{1}{2}(8)(4^2) = 80\text{J}$$

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## 8 Question

A body of mass 225kg with a velocity of  $4ms^{-1}$  strikes a body of mass 75 kg initially at rest. If the bodies move away together find:

(a) their common velocity,

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$$(225)(4) + (75)(0) = 300u$$

$$\therefore u = \frac{(225)(4) + (75)(0)}{300} = 3ms^{-1}$$


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(b) the total loss of kinetic energy during the impact.

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$$K.E. = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

$$KE \text{ before} = (0.5)(225)(4^2) = 1800J$$

$$KE \text{ after} = (0.5)(300)(3^2) = 1350J$$

$$\therefore \text{Loss of KE} = 450J$$


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## 9 Question

A 4kg mass has a velocity vector (in  $ms^{-1}$ ) of  $3i + 4j$ .

(a) What is the kinetic energy?

(b) What is the momentum?

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$$(a) K.E. = (0.5)(4)(3^2 + 4^2) = 50J$$

$$(b) \text{Momentum} = 4(3i + 4j) = 12i + 16j \text{ Ns}$$


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## 10 Question

An impulse has a magnitude of 20 Ns with direction vector  $3i-4j$ . Express this impulse as a vector.

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$$||3 + 4|| = \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} = 5$$

We need to make the magnitude 20 - hence, we scale the direction vector by 4.

$$4(3i-4j) = (12i-16j) \text{ Ns}$$

$$\text{Note } ||12i - 16j|| = 20$$

Answer:

$$(12i-16j) \text{ Ns}$$


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## 11 Question

A 2kg mass with velocity vector  $(1.5\mathbf{i} + 8\mathbf{j}) \text{ ms}^{-1}$  hits a 5kg mass with velocity vector  $(-2\mathbf{i} + 8\mathbf{j}) \text{ ms}^{-1}$ .

They coalesce and move off 'together'.

Find:

(a) their common velocity after the impact

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momentum = (mass)(velocity)

The sum of momentums before collision should equal the sum of momentums after collision. After the collision both objects combine into a single mass (i.e.,  $2+5 = 7\text{kg}$ ).

$$\begin{aligned} 2(1.5\mathbf{i} + 8\mathbf{j}) + 5(-2\mathbf{i} + 8\mathbf{j}) &= 7V \\ V &= (-\mathbf{i} + 8\mathbf{j})\text{ms}^{-1} \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

i.e., after velocity =  $(-\mathbf{i} + 8\mathbf{j}) \text{ ms}^{-1}$

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(b) the total loss of kinetic energy

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Loss of K.E. - sum of the kinetic energy before and after the collisions (i.e.,  $\frac{1}{2}mv^2$ )

$$\begin{aligned} ((0.5)(7)(1^2 + 8^2)) - ((0.5)(2)(1.5^2 + 8^2) + (0.5)(5)(-2^2 + 8^2)) \\ 227.5 - (236.25) = 8.75J \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$


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## 12 Question

A force has a magnitude 12.5N and acts in the 'direction'  $(7\mathbf{i} + 24\mathbf{j})$ . Express this as a vector.

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$$||7\mathbf{i} + 24\mathbf{j}|| = 25$$

$$12.5 = (s)(25)$$

$$s = (12.5)/(25) = 0.5$$

$$(0.5)(7\mathbf{i} + 24\mathbf{j}) = (3.5\mathbf{i} + 12\mathbf{j}) \text{ N}$$


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