



Motion & Forces

Set 4: Momentum and Impulse

4.1		$p = m \text{ v} = (64 \text{ kg}) (9.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}) = 608 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} \text{ North (or 608 N s North)}$
4.2		$36 \text{ km h}^{-1} = \frac{(36)(1000)}{3600} = 10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
		$p = m \text{ v} = (2100 \text{ kg} + 55 \text{ kg} + 45 \text{ kg})(10 \text{ m s}^{-1}) = 22\ 000 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} \text{ West (or } 22,000 \text{ N s West)}$
4.3	(a)	$v = \frac{p}{m} = \frac{8 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} \text{ south}}{75 \text{ kg}} = 0.107 \text{ m s}^{-1} \text{ south}$
	(b)	$v = \frac{p}{m} = \frac{8 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} \text{ south}}{0.5 \text{ kg}} = 16 \text{ m s}^{-1} \text{ south}$
4.4	(a)	Impulse = F t = $(63 \text{ N})(0.1 \text{ s}) = 6.3 \text{ N}$ s in the direction of the bat's velocity
	(b)	Let "toward the cushion" be positive
		Then $p_{initial} = mu = (0.2 \text{ kg})(1.25 \text{ m s}^{-1}) = 0.25 \text{ kg m s}^{-1}$
		$P_{\text{final}} = \text{mv} = (0.2 \text{ kg})(-1.25 \text{ m s}^{-1}) = -0.25 \text{ kg m s}^{-1}$
		Impulse = $\Delta p = -0.25 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} - 0.25 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} = -0.50 \text{ kg m s}^{-1}$ (away from the cushion)
	(c)	$80 \text{ km h}^{-1} = \frac{(80)(1000)}{3600} = 22.2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
		$p_{initial} = m u = (18 500 + 4250) kg x 22.2 m s^{-1} = 5.05 x 10^5 kg m s^{-1}$
		$p_{\text{final}} = 0$
		Impulse = $\Delta p = -0 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} - 5.05 \text{ x } 10^5 \text{ kg m s}^{-1}$
		= -5.05 x 10 ⁵ kg m s ⁻¹ (negative means opposite to original direction of travel)
	(d)	Impulse = F t = $(150 \text{ N})(4 \text{ s}) = 600 \text{ N s east}$
4.5		$F = \frac{\text{impulse}}{\text{time}} = \frac{195 \text{ N s}}{13 \text{ s}} = 15.0 \text{ N}$
4.6		$\Delta v = \frac{Ft}{m} = \frac{(-810 \text{ N})(2.5 \text{ s})}{250 \text{ kg}} = -8.1 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
		$\Delta v = v - u$
		so $v = \Delta v + u = -8.1 \text{ m s}^{-1} + 16.5 \text{ m s}^{-1} = 8.4 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ (positive means in the original direction)
4.7	(a)	$p_{initial} = m \text{ v} = (0.15 \text{ kg})(7 \text{ m s}^{-1}) = 1.05 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} \text{ towards Sam}$
	(b)	$p_{final} = 0$
		Impulse = $\Delta p = -0 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} - 1.05 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} = -1.05 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} \text{ towards Max}$
4.8	(a)	$m_1u_1 + m_2u_2 = (m_1 + m_2)v$
		since $u_2 = 0$, then
		$v = {m_1 u_1 \over (m_1 + m_2)} = {(0.12 \text{ kg})(30 \text{ m s}^{-1}) \over (0.12 \text{ kg} + 0.1 \text{ kg})} = 16.4 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ (in the original direction)

	(b)	$\begin{aligned} m_1 u_1 + m_2 u_2 &= m_1 v_1 + m_2 v_2 \\ \text{since } u_2 &= 0, \text{ then} \\ v_2 &= \frac{(m_1 u_1) - (m_1 v_1)}{m_2} = \frac{(0.12 \text{ kg})(30 \text{ m s}^{-1}) - (0.12 \text{ kg})(15 \text{ m s}^{-1})}{0.1 \text{ kg}} = 18 \text{ m s}^{-1} \text{ (in the original direction)} \end{aligned}$
4.9	(a)	Impulse – momentum equation states that $F = \frac{m(v-u)}{t}$
		So, if the time taken to stop is short, the force is larger, hence a greater impact on joints and muscles.
	(b)	$m_{club}u_{club} + m_{ball}u_{ball} = m_{club}vclub_1 + m_{ball}v_{ball}$
		since $u_{ball} = 0$ and you cannot control speed of golf club after impact, then the following can be used to influence the ball speed:
		•Speed of golf club head (length of club), u _{club}
		•Mass of golf club head, m _{club}
		Increasing both factors will increase the final speed of the golf ball.
		Also, since $F = \frac{m(v-u)}{t}$, then following through with your swing lengthens the time, t with which
		the ball is in contact with club which will also produce a greater change in velocity.
	(c)	Same explanation as part (b).
	(d)	Tightly strung racquets have less elasticity than others so on impact with the tennis ball, the stopping time for the ball (before it is sent in the opposite direction) will be reduced. Since $F = \frac{m(v-u)}{t}$, then the racquet itself will impose a greater force on the ball, making the ball move faster.
	(e)	Since $F = \frac{m(v-u)}{t}$, then if the time is longer (gradual stop) the force on his hands will be reduced.
	(f)	As part (e); however, now time is important so extending the "catching" time may mean missing an opportunity. Also, all the catchers have special gloves, and a baseball is softer than a cricket ball.
4.10	(a)	Newton's first law states that a moving body will keep moving unless an external force accelerates it. A person in a car needs a restraining force, such as that provided by a seatbelt, in the event that a vehicle suddenly stops. Otherwise, the person would continue moving in the original direction of the vehicle, then suffer injury when accelerated rapidly by the windscreen or some other very solid object.
	(b)	Since $F = \frac{m(v-u)}{t}$, then if the time is longer (gradual stop) the force on a human torso will be reduced – a collapsible steering wheel provides such a gradual stop.
	(c)	Same explanation as part (b).
	(d)	Same explanation as part (a).
	(e)	Same explanation as part (b).

(a)	Impulse = $F t = (48 \text{ N})(0.002 \text{ s}) = 0.096 \text{ N s}$
	$F = \frac{\text{impulse}}{\text{time}} = \frac{0.096 \text{ N s}}{0.080 \text{ s}} = 1.2 \text{ N}$
(b)	Since $F = \frac{m(v-u)}{t}$, then if the time is longer (gradual stop) the force on a human torso and head
	will be reduced – an air bag provides such a gradual stop.
(a)	$v = \sqrt{2gs} = \sqrt{(2)(9.8 \text{ m s}^{-2})(20 \text{ m})} = 19.8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
(b)	$a = \frac{v^2 - u^2}{2s} = \frac{0 - (19.8 \text{ m s}^{-1})^2}{(2)(0.03 \text{ m})} = -6530 \text{ m s}^{-2}$
(c)	$F = ma = (1.5 \text{ kg}) (-6530 \text{ m s}^{-2}) = -9800 \text{ N}$
(d)	$t = {v - u \over a} = {0 - 19.8 \text{ m s}^{-1} \over -6530 \text{ m s}^{-2}} = 3.03 \text{ x } 10^3 \text{ s (or } 3.30 \text{ ms)}$
(e)	Impulse = F t = (9800 N) (0.00303 s) = 29.7 N s
(f)	Impulse = Δp , so the change in momentum = 29.7 kg m s ⁻¹ (or 29.7 N s)
	Since $F = \frac{m(v-u)}{t}$, then in an accident when a car and driver may be instantly brought to rest
	(hence a very short time, t) the force of impact on the belt could be huge. It does not just depend on the person's mass (or their weight).
	initially, $p_x = m_x u_x \sin \theta = (0.02 \text{ kg})(500 \text{ m s}^{-1})(\sin 45^\circ) = 7.07 \text{ kg m s}^{-1}$
	and $p_y = m u \cos \theta = (0.02 \text{ kg})(500 \text{ m s}^{-1})(\cos 45^\circ) = 7.07 \text{ kg m s}^{-1}$
	finally, $p_x = m v \sin \theta = (0.02 \text{ kg})(500 \text{ m s}^{-1})(\sin 45^\circ) = 7.07 \text{ kg m s}^{-1}$
	and $p_y = m u \cos \theta = (0.02 \text{ kg})(-500 \text{ m s}^{-1})(\cos 45^\circ) = -7.07 \text{ kg m s}^{-1}$
	$\Delta p_x = 7.07 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} - 7.07 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} = 0$
	$\Delta p_y = -7.07 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} - 7.07 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} = -14.14 \text{ kg m s}^{-1}$
	$105 \text{ km h}^{-1} = \frac{(105 \text{ km h}^{-1})(1000 \text{ m km}^{-1})}{3600 \text{ s h}^{-1}} = 29.2 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
	$85 \text{ km h}^{-1} = \frac{(85 \text{ km h}^{-1})(1000 \text{ m km}^{-1})}{3600 \text{ s h}^{-1}} = 23.6 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
	$p_{initial} = m u = (0.145 \text{ kg})(29.2 \text{ m s}^{-1}) = 4.23 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} \text{ (South)}$
	$p_{final} = m \text{ v} = (0.145 \text{ kg})(23.6 \text{ m s}^{-1}) = 3.42 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} \text{ (West)}$
	$\Delta P = \sqrt{(P_{\text{final}}^2 + P_{\text{initial}}^2)} = \sqrt{(4.23 \text{ kg m s}^{-1})^2 + (3.42 \text{ kg m s}^{-1})^2} = 5.44 \text{ kg m s}^{-1}$
	direction, θ will be given by $\tan \theta = P_{\text{finall}} \div P_{\text{initial}}$
	so $\theta = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{3.42 \text{ m s}^{-1}}{4.23 \text{ m s}^{-1}} \right) = \text{North } 39^{\circ} \text{ West}$
	(b) (a) (b) (c) (d)

4.16		$m u = m_1 v_1 + m_2 v_2$
		so $v_2 = \frac{(m)(u) - (m_1 v_2)}{m_2} = \frac{(800 \text{ kg})(500 \text{ m s}^{-1}) - (240)(-120 \text{ m s}^{-1})}{560 \text{ kg}} = 766 \text{ m s}^{-1} \text{ (in the)}$
		spacecraft's original direction)
4.17	(a)	$p_{\text{shell}} = m \text{ v} = (10 \text{ kg})(75 \text{ ms}^{-1}) = 750 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} \text{ forward}$
	(b)	zero
	(c)	zero
	(d)	$p_{\text{shell}} + p_{\text{cannon}} = 0$
		so $750 \text{ kg m s}^{-1} = -(\text{m v})$
		$v = \frac{-750 \text{ kg m s}^{-1}}{5000 \text{ kg}} = -0.15 \text{ m s}^{-1} \text{ (backwards)}$
4.18		$m_1 u_1 + m_2 u_2 = (m_1 + m_2) v$
		since $u_2 = \text{zero, then}$ $u_1 = \frac{(m_1 + m_2)(v) - (m_1 v_2)}{m_1}$
		She can determine m ₁ and m ₂ using a balance and she can calculate v by timing how long it takes (t)
		a block of wood with the embedded bullet to travel a specified distance (s) after impact, then $v = \frac{s}{t}$
4.19		$m_1 u_1 + m_2 u_2 = m_1 v_1 + m_2 v_2$
		since $u_2 = zero$, then $(2.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}) (4.1co)(1.4 \text{ m s}^{-1})$
		$v_2 = \frac{(m_1 u_1) - (m_1 v_1)}{m_2} = \frac{(4 \text{ kg})(2.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}) - (4 \text{ kg})(1.4 \text{ m s}^{-1})}{0.5 \text{ kg}} = 8.8 \text{ m s}^{-1} \text{ (in the original)}$
		direction)
4.20		$(m_1 + m_2) u_1 + (m_3 u_2) = (m_1 + m_2 + m_3) v$
		then (m + m)(n) + (m + n) (40 kg + 50 kg)(2.0 m s ⁻¹) + (45 kg)(5.0 m s ⁻¹)
		$v = \frac{(m_1 + m_2)(u_1) + (m_3 v_2)}{(m_1 + m_2 + m_3)} = \frac{(40 \text{ kg} + 50 \text{ kg})(2.0 \text{ m s}^{-1}) + (45 \text{ kg})(5.0 \text{ m s}^{-1})}{(40 + 50 + 45) \text{ kg}} = 3.0 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
		West
4.21		$m_1 u_1 + m_2 u_2 = m_1 v_1 + m_2 v_2$
		$(4200 \text{ kg})(2 \text{ m s}^{-1}) + (2500 \text{ kg})(1.5 \text{ m s}^{-1}) = (4200 \text{ kg})(v_1) + (2500 \text{ kg})(3 \text{ m s}^{-1})$ gives $v_1 = 1.11 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ in the original direction
4.22	(a)	$m_1 u_1 + m_2 u_2 = m_1 v + m_2 (2v)$
		$(0.08 \text{ kg})(12 \text{ m s}^{-1}) - (0.06 \text{ kg})(14 \text{ m s}^{-1}) = (0.08 \text{ kg})(v) + (0.06 \text{ kg})(2 \text{ v})$
		gives $v = 0.60 \text{ m s}^{-1}$ in the original direction of Walter's ball (ball 1)
		so Walter's ball moves at 0.60 m s ⁻¹ in its original direction and Linda's ball moves at 1.20 m s ⁻¹ in the opposite direction to its original motion
		and Linua's ban moves at 1.20 m/s. In the opposite direction to its original motion

(b)	$m_1 u_1 + m_2 u_2 = m_1 v + m_2 (2v)$ $(0.08 kg)(12 m s^{-1}) - (0.06 kg)(14 m s^{-1}) = -(0.08 kg)(v) + (0.06 kg)(2 v)$ gives $v = 3.0 m s^{-1}$ in the original direction of Walter's ball (ball 1) so Walter's ball moves at 3.0 m s ⁻¹ in the opposite direction to its original motion and Linda's ball moves at 6.0 m s ⁻¹ in the opposite direction to its original motion
4.23	F t = m Δv for first carriage, m_1 : F t = (m_1) (4 m s ⁻¹) and for second carriage, m_2 : F t = (m_2) (6 m s ⁻¹) so 4 m_1 = 6 m_2 (i.e. m_1 is 1.5 times heavier than m_2) or m_1 = 1.5 m_2 Now, m_1 u_1 + m_2 u_2 = $(m_1$ + $m_2)$ v so $(4 m_1)$ + $(6 m_2)$ = $(m_1$ + $m_2)$ v and incorporating the relationship that m_1 = 1.5 m_2 then $(4)(1.5)(m_2)$ + $(6 m_2)$ = $(1.5)(m_2$ + $m_2)$ v $(m_2$ will now cancel), leaving $v = \frac{12}{2.5} = 4.8$ m s ⁻¹