UNIT 9 PRACTICE PROBLEMS

9.1 IMPULSE AND MOMENTUM

- 1. Your brother's mass is 35.6 kg, and he has a 1.3-kg skateboard. What is the combined momentum of your brother and his skateboard if they are moving at 9.50 m/s?
- 2. A compact car, with mass 725 kg, is moving at 115 km/h toward the east.
 - a. Sketch the moving car and draw an arrow on your sketch showing the momentum vector.
 - b. Find the magnitude and direction of its momentum.
 - c. A second car, with a mass of 2175 kg, has the same momentum. What is its velocity?
- 3. Matt strikes a 0.058-kg golf ball with a force of 272 N and gives it a velocity of 62.0 m/s. How long was Matt's club in contact with the ball?
- 4. A 0.145-kg baseball is pitched at 42 m/s. The batter hits it horizontally to the pitcher at 58 m/s.
 - a. Find the change in momentum of the ball.
 - b. If the ball and bat are in contact for 4.6104 s, what is the average force during contact?
- 5. A force of 186 N acts on a 7.3-kg bowling ball for 0.40 s. What is the bowling ball's change in momentum? What is its change in velocity?
- 6. In a ballistics test at the police department, Officer Rios fires a 6.0-g bullet at 350 m/s into a container that stops it in 1.8 ms. What is the average force that stops the bullet?
- 7. A car moving at 10.0 m/s crashes into a barrier and stops in 0.050 s. There is a 20.0-kg child in the car. Assume that the child's velocity is changed by the same amount as that of the car, and in the same time period.
 - a. What is the impulse needed to stop the child?
 - b. What is the average force on the child?
 - c. What is the approximate mass of an object whose weight equals the force in part b?
 - d. Could you lift such a weight with your arm?
 - e. Why is it advisable to use a proper restraining seat rather than hold a child on your lap?
- A 0.150-kg ball, moving in the positive direction at 12 m/s, is acted on by the impulse shown in the graph in Figure 9-16. What is the ball's speed at 4.0 s?



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9.2 CONSERVATION OF MOMENTUM

- 9. A 4.00-kg model rocket is launched, expelling 50.0 g of burned fuel from its exhaust at a speed of 625 m/s. What is the velocity of the rocket after the fuel has burned? Hint: Ignore the external forces of gravity and air resistance.
- 10. Two lab carts are pushed together with a spring mechanism compressed between them. Upon release, the 5.0-kg cart repels one way with a velocity of 0.12 m/s, while the 2.0-kg cart goes in the opposite direction. What is the velocity of the 2.0-kg cart?
- 11. Carmen and Judi dock a canoe. 80.0-kg Carmen moves forward at 4.0 m/s as she leaves the canoe. At what speed and in what direction do the canoe and Judi move if their combined mass is 115 kg?
- 12.A 50.0-g projectile is launched with a horizontal velocity of 647 m/s from a 4.65-kg launcher moving in the same direction at 2.00 m/s. What is the launcher's velocity after the launch?

9.3 COLLISIONS

- 13. Two freight cars, each with a mass of 3.0105 kg, collide and stick together. One was initially moving at 2.2 m/s, and the other was at rest. What is their final speed?
- 14. A 0.105-kg hockey puck moving at 24 m/s is caught and held by a 75-kg goalie at rest. With what speed does the goalie slide on the ice?
- 15.A 35.0-g bullet strikes a 5.0-kg stationary piece of lumber and embeds itself in the wood. The piece of lumber and bullet fly off together at 8.6 m/s. What was the original speed of the bullet?
- 16.A 2575-kg van runs into the back of an 825-kg compact car at rest. They move off together at 8.5 m/s. Assuming that the friction with the road is negligible, calculate the initial speed of the van.
- 17. A 35.0-g bullet moving at 475 m/s strikes a 2.5-kg bag of flour that is on ice, at rest. The bullet passes through the bag, as shown in **Figure 9-7**, and exits it at 275 m/s. How fast is the bag moving when the bullet exits?



18. The bullet in the previous problem strikes a 2.5-kg steel ball that is at rest. The bullet bounces backward after its collision at a speed of 5.0 m/s. How fast is the ball moving when the bullet bounces backward?

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- 19.A 0.50-kg ball that is traveling at 6.0 m/s collides head-on with a 1.00-kg ball moving in the opposite direction at a speed of 12.0 m/s. The 0.50-kg ball bounces backward at 14 m/s after the collision. Find the speed of the second ball after the collision.
- 20. A 0.200-kg plastic ball moves with a velocity of 0.30 m/s. It collides with a second plastic ball of mass 0.100 kg, which is moving along the same line at a speed of 0.10 m/s. After the collision, both balls continue moving in the same, original direction. The speed of the 0.100-kg ball is 0.26 m/s. What is the new velocity of the 0.200-kg ball?
- 21. Your friend was driving her 1265-kg car north on Oak Street when she was hit by a 925-kg compact car going west on Maple Street. The cars stuck together and slid 23.1 m at 42° north of west. The speed limit on both streets is 22 m/s (50 mph). Assume that momentum was conserved during the collision and that acceleration was constant during the skid. The coefficient of kinetic friction between the tires and the pavement is 0.65.
 - a. Your friend claims that she wasn't speeding, but that the driver of other car was. How fast was your friend driving before the crash?



- b. How fast was the other car moving before the crash? Can you support your friend's case in court?
- 22. A cue ball, with mass 0.16 kg, rolling at 4.0 m/s, hits a stationary eight ball of similar mass. If the cue ball travels 45° above its original path and the eight ball travels 45° below the horizontal, as shown in **Figure 9-20**, what is the velocity of each ball after the collision?



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