## Momentum and Impulse Problems

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a. What is the total momentum of the child and the bike together?
b. What is the momentum of the child?
c. What is the momentum of the bike?
3. A 0.50 kg football is thrown with a velocity of $15 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the right. A stationary receiver catches the ball and brings it to rest in .020 s . What is the force exerted on the receiver?
4. An 82 kg man drops from rest on a diving board 3 m above the surface of the water and comes to rest .55 s after reaching the water. What force does the water exert on him?
5. A 0.40 kg soccer ball approaches a player horizontally with a velocity of $18 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the north. The player strikes the ball and causes it to move in the opposite direction with a velocity of $22 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$. What impulse was delivered to the ball by the player?
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b. At the end of this interval, a constant force of 4 N to the left is applied for 3 s . What is the velocity at the end of the 3s.
7. A 2500 kg car traveling to the north is slowed down uniformly from an initial velocity of $20 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ by a 6250 N braking force acting opposite the car's motion. Use the impulse-momentum theorem to answer the following questions.
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a. What is the change in the ball's momentum?

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a. Given:
i. $\quad m=146 \mathrm{~kg}, \mathrm{v}=17 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the right, $\mathrm{p}=$ ????
b. Formula to use
i. $p=m v$
c. $\mathrm{p}=(146 \mathrm{~kg})(17 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})$
i. $\quad \mathrm{p}=2500 \mathrm{~kg} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the right
2. A 21 kg child is riding a 5.9 kg bike with a velocity of $4.5 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the northwest.

Given: $m_{1}=21 \mathrm{~kg}, \mathrm{~m}_{2}=5.9 \mathrm{~kg}, \mathrm{v}=4.5 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the northwest
a. What is the total momentum of the child and the bike together?
i. Formulas to use

1. $\mathrm{p}_{\mathrm{tot}}=\mathrm{m}_{\mathrm{tot}} \mathrm{v}=\left(\mathrm{m}_{1}+\mathrm{m}_{2}\right) \mathrm{v}$
ii. $\quad \mathrm{t}_{\mathrm{tot}}=(21 \mathrm{~kg}+5.9 \mathrm{~kg})(4.5 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})$
iii. $\quad p_{\text {tot }}=(27 \mathrm{~kg})(4.5 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})$
iv. $\quad p_{\text {tot }}=120 \mathrm{~kg} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the northwest
b. What is the momentum of the child?
i. Formulas to use
2. $p_{1}=m_{1} v$
ii. $\quad \mathrm{p}_{1}=21(\mathrm{~kg})(4.5 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})$
iii. $\quad p_{1}=94 \mathrm{~kg} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the northwest
c. What is the momentum of the bike?
i. Formulas to use
3. $p_{2}=m_{2} v$
ii. $\quad p_{2}=(5.9 \mathrm{~kg})(4.5 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})$
iii. $\quad p_{2}=27 \mathrm{~kg} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the northwest
4. A 0.50 kg football is thrown with a velocity of $15 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the right. A stationary receiver catches the ball and brings it to rest in .020 s . What is the force exerted on the receiver?
a. Given
i. $m=.50 \mathrm{~kg}, \mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{i}}=15 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the right, $\Delta \mathrm{t}=.020 \mathrm{~s}, \mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{f}}=0 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$
b. Formulas to use

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F_{\text {onball }}=\frac{m v_{f}-m v_{i}}{\Delta t}=\frac{(0.50 \mathrm{~kg})(0 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})-(0.50 \mathrm{~kg})(15 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})}{0.020 \mathrm{~s}}
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ii. $\quad F_{\text {on ball }}=-380 \mathrm{~N}$ or 380 N to the left
iii. $\quad F_{\text {on receiver }}=-F_{\text {on ball }}=-(-380 \mathrm{~N})=380 \mathrm{~N}$ to the right
4. An 82 kg man drops from rest on a diving board 3 m above the surface of the water and comes to rest 0.55 s after reaching the water. What force does the water exert on him?
a. Given
i. $\quad \mathrm{m}=82 \mathrm{~kg}, \Delta \mathrm{y}=-3.0 \mathrm{~m}, \Delta \mathrm{t}=0.55 \mathrm{~s}, \mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{i}}=0 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}, \mathrm{a}=-9.81 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}^{2}$
b. Formulas to use
i. $\quad v_{f}= \pm \sqrt{2 a \Delta y}= \pm \sqrt{(2)\left(-9.81 m / s^{2}\right)(-3.0 m)}= \pm 7.7 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}=-7.7 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$
c. Now let's calculate the force during the time the man is in the water.
i. Given

1. $v_{i}=7.7 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ downward $=-7.7 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}, \quad v_{f}=0 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$
ii. Formulas to use
2. $F=\frac{m v_{f}-m v_{i}}{\Delta t}$
iii. $\quad F=\frac{(82 \mathrm{~kg})(0 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})-(82 \mathrm{~kg})(-7.7 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}}{0.55 \mathrm{~s}}$
iv. $\mathrm{F}=1100 \mathrm{~N}$ upward
3. A 0.40 kg soccer ball approaches a player horizontally with a velocity of $18 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the north. The player strikes the ball and causes it to move in the opposite direction with a velocity of $22 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$. What impulse was delivered to the ball by the player?
a. Given
i. $m=0.40 \mathrm{~kg}, \mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{i}}=18 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the north (positive), $\mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{f}}=22 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the south (negative)
b. Formulas to use
i. $\quad \Delta p=m v_{f}-m v_{i}$
ii. $\quad \Delta \mathrm{p}=(0.40 \mathrm{~kg})(-22 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})-(0.40 \mathrm{~g})(18 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})$
iii. $\quad \Delta p=-8.8 \mathrm{~kg} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}-7.2 \mathrm{~kg} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$
iv. $\Delta p=16 \mathrm{~kg} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the south
4. A 0.50 kg object is at rest. A 3 N force to the right acts on the object during a time interval of 1.5 s .

Given: $\mathrm{m}=0.50 \mathrm{~kg}, \mathrm{~F}_{1}=3 \mathrm{~N}$ to the right, $\Delta \mathrm{t}_{1}=1.50 \mathrm{~s}, \mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{i}, 1}=0 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}, \mathrm{F}_{2}=4 \mathrm{~N}$ to the left (negative), $\Delta \mathrm{t}_{2}=3 \mathrm{~s}, \mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{i}, 2}=9 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the right (positive)
a. What is the velocity of the object at the end of this interval?
i. Formulas to use

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v_{f, 1}=\frac{F_{1} \Delta t_{1}+m v_{i, 1}}{m}=\frac{(3 N)(1.5 \mathrm{~s})+(0.50 \mathrm{~kg})(0 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})}{.50 \mathrm{~kg}}
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2. $\mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{f}, 1}=9 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the right
b. At the end of this interval, a constant force of 4 N to the left is applied for 3 s . What is the velocity at the end of the 3 s ?
i. Formulas to use
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v_{f, 2}=\frac{F_{2} \Delta t_{2}+m v_{i, 2}}{m}=\frac{(-4 N)(3 \mathrm{~s})+(0.50 \mathrm{~kg})(9 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})}{.50 \mathrm{~kg}}
$$

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v_{f, 2}=\frac{-12 \mathrm{~kg} \bullet \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}+4.5 \mathrm{~kg} \bullet \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}}{0.50 \mathrm{~kg}}=\frac{-7.5 \mathrm{~kg} \bullet \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}}{0.50 \mathrm{~kg}}=-15 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}
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3. $v_{f, 2}=15 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the left
4. A 2500 kg car traveling to the north is slowed down uniformly from an initial velocity of $20 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ by a 6250 N braking force acting opposite the car's motion. Use the impulse-momentum theorem to answer the following questions.
Given: $m=2500 \mathrm{~kg}, \mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{i}}=20 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the north (positive), $\mathrm{F}=6250 \mathrm{~N}$ to the south (Negative), $\Delta \mathrm{t}=2.50 \mathrm{~s}$
a. What is the car's velocity after 2.5 s ?
i. Formulas to use
5. $v_{f}=\frac{F \Delta t+m v_{i}}{m}=\frac{(-6250 \mathrm{~N})(2.5 \mathrm{~s})+(2500 \mathrm{~kg})(20 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})}{2500 \mathrm{~kg}}$
$v_{f}=\frac{\left(-1.56 \times 10^{4} \mathrm{~kg} \bullet \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}\right)+\left(5 \times 10^{4} \mathrm{~kg} \bullet \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}\right.}{2500 \mathrm{~kg}}=\frac{3.4 \times 10^{4} \mathrm{~kg} \bullet \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}}{2500 \mathrm{~kg}}$
6. $\mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{f}}=14 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the north
b. How far does the car move during 2.5 s?
i. Formulas to use
7. $\Delta x=\frac{1}{2}\left(v_{i}+v_{f}\right)(\Delta t)=\frac{1}{2}(20 m / s+14 m / s)(2.5 s)$
8. $\Delta x=\frac{1}{2}(34 m / s)(2.5 s)$
9. $\Delta x=42 m$ to the north
c. How long does it take the car to come to a complete stop?
i. Formulas to use
10. $\Delta t=\frac{m v_{f}-m v_{i}}{F}=\frac{(2500 \mathrm{~kg})(0 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})-(2500 \mathrm{~kg})(20 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})}{-6250 \mathrm{~N}}=8 \mathrm{~s}$
11. The speed of a particle is doubled.
a. By what factor is its momentum changed?
i. Momentum increases by a factor of two
b. What happens to its kinetic energy?
i. kinetic energy increases by a factor of four
12. Tyler claims he can throw a 0.145 kg baseball with as much momentum as a speeding bullet. Assume that a 3 g bullet moves at a speed of $1500 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$.
Given: $m_{1}=0.145 \mathrm{~kg}, \mathrm{~m}_{2}=3 \mathrm{~g}, \mathrm{v}_{2}=1500 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$
a. What must the baseball's speed be if Tyler's claim is valid?
i. Formulas to use
13. $m_{1} v_{1}=m_{2} v_{2}$
ii. Solving for $\mathrm{v}_{1}$, rearrange formula
14. 

$v_{1}=\frac{m_{2} v_{2}}{m_{1}}=\frac{(0.003 \mathrm{~kg})(1500 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})}{0.145 \mathrm{~kg}}$
2. $v_{1}=31 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$
b. Which has greater kinetic energy, the ball or the bullet?
i. Formulas to use

1. $K E_{1}=\frac{1}{2} m_{1} v_{1}^{2}=\frac{1}{2}(0.145 \mathrm{~kg})(31 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})^{2}=69.7 \mathrm{~J}$
2. $K E_{2}=\frac{1}{2} m_{2} v_{2}^{2}=\frac{1}{2}(0.003 \mathrm{~kg})(1500 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})^{2}=3380 \mathrm{~J}$
ii. $K_{2}>\mathrm{KE}_{1}$ Bullet has greater kinetic energy
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a. What is the change in the ball's momentum?
i. Given:
4. $m=0.42 \mathrm{~kg}, \mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{i}}=12 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ downfield, $\mathrm{v}_{\mathrm{f}}=18 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ downfield, $\Delta \mathrm{t}=0.020 \mathrm{~s}$
ii. Formulas to use
5. $\Delta p=m v_{f}-m v_{i}$
6. $\Delta p=(0.42 \mathrm{~kg})(18 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})-(0.42 \mathrm{~kg})(12 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s})$
7. $\Delta p=7.6 \mathrm{~kg} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}-5 \mathrm{~kg} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$
8. $\Delta p=2.6 \mathrm{~kg} \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ downfield
