

AP Physics 1 Collisions Practice

1. A 3.00 kg mud ball has a perfectly inelastic collision with a second mud ball that is initially at rest. The composite system moves with a speed equal to one-third the original speed of the 3.00 kg mud ball. What is the mass of the second mud ball? **6.00 kg**
2. A 15.0 g toy car moving to the right at 20.0 cm/s has an elastic head-on collision with a 20.0 g toy car moving in the opposite direction at 30.0 cm/s. After colliding, the 15.0 g car moves with a velocity of 37.1 cm/s to the left. Find the velocity of the 20.0 g car after the collision. **12.8 cm/s to the right**
3. An 82-kg male and a 48-kg female pair figure skating team are gliding across the ice at 7.4 m/s, preparing for a throw jump maneuver. The male skater tosses the female skater forward with a speed of 8.6 m/s. Determine the speed of the male skater immediately after the throw. **6.7 m/s**
4. A 70.9-kg boy and a 43.2-kg girl, both wearing skates face each other at rest on a skating rink. The boy pushes the girl, sending her eastward with a speed of 4.64 m/s. Neglecting friction, determine the subsequent velocity of the boy. **2.83 m/s west**
5. A 1550 kg car moving south at 10.0 m/s collides with a 2250 kg car moving north. The cars stick together and move as a unit after the collision at a velocity of 5.22 m/s to the north. Find the velocity of the 2250 kg car before the collision. **15.7 m/s north**
6. Anna Litical and Noah Formula are doing a cart and brick lab. They drop a brick on a 2.6 kg cart moving at 28.2 cm/s. After the collision, the dropped brick and cart are moving together with a velocity of 15.7 cm/s. Determine the mass of the dropped brick. **2.1 kg**
7. A 75 kg student stands in the middle of a frozen pond having a radius of 5.0 m. He is unable to get to the other side because of a lack of friction between his shoes and the ice. To overcome this difficulty, he throws his 2.6 kg physics book horizontally toward the north shore at a speed of 5.0 m/s. How long does it take him to reach the south shore? **29 s**
8. Rex ($m=86$ kg) and Tex (92 kg) board the bumper cars at the local carnival. Rex is moving at a full speed of 2.05 m/s when he rear-ends Tex who is at rest in his path. Tex and his 125-kg car lunge forward at 1.40 m/s. Determine the post-collision speed of Rex and his 125-kg car. **0.61 m/s**
9. A 200 g arrow moving horizontally collides inelastically with a 500 g apple, initially at rest on top of a 1.2 m tall post. If the arrow and apple move together a horizontal distance of 2.6 m from the base of the post as it falls, what is the initial velocity of the arrow before it strikes the apple? **18.4 m/s**
10. A 125 g arrow moving horizontally at a speed of 12 m/s collides inelastically with a 375 g pendulum bob initially at rest. What will be the peak height of the arrow and pendulum after the collision? **0.46 m**

COLLISIONS PRACTICE

① $P_o = P_f$ $V_f = \frac{V_o}{3}$

$$m_1 v_{1o} + m_2 v_{2o} = (m_1 + m_2) v_f$$

$$3 \cdot (3 \text{ kg}) v_{1o} = (3 \text{ kg} + m_2) \left(\frac{v_{1o}}{3} \right) \cdot 3$$

$$9 \text{ kg} = (3 \text{ kg}) + m_2$$

$$m_2 = 6 \text{ kg}$$

② $P_o = P_f$

$$m_1 v_{1o} + m_2 v_{2o} = m_1 v_{1f} + m_2 v_{2f}$$

$$(15 \text{ g})(20 \text{ cm/s}) + (20 \text{ g})(-30 \text{ cm/s}) = (15 \text{ g})(-37.1 \text{ cm/s}) + (20 \text{ g}) v_{2f}$$

$$-300 \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm/s} = -556.5 \text{ g} \cdot \text{cm/s} + (20 \text{ g}) v_{2f}$$

$$v_{2f} = 12.83 \text{ cm/s}$$

③ $P_o = P_f$

$$(m_1 + m_2) v_o = m_1 v_{1f} + m_2 v_{2f}$$

$$(82 \text{ kg} + 48 \text{ kg})(7.4 \text{ m/s}) = (48 \text{ kg})(8.6 \text{ m/s}) + (82 \text{ kg}) v_{2f}$$

$$962 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m/s} = 412.8 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m/s} + (82 \text{ kg}) v_{2f}$$

$$v_{2f} = 6.7 \text{ m/s}$$

④ $P_o = P_f$

$$0 = m_1 v_{1f} + m_2 v_{2f}$$

$$0 = (70.9 \text{ kg}) v_{1f} + (43.2 \text{ kg})(4.64 \text{ m/s})$$

$$v_{1f} = -2.83 \text{ m/s}$$

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$$P_o = P_f$$

$$m_1 v_{1o} + m_2 v_{2o} = (m_1 + m_2) v_f$$

$$(1550 \text{ kg})(-10 \text{ m/s}) + (2250 \text{ kg}) v_{2o} = (1550 \text{ kg} + 2250 \text{ kg})(5.22 \text{ m/s})$$

$$v_{2o} = 15.7 \text{ m/s}$$

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$$P_{ox} = P_{fx}$$

$$m_1 v_{1ox} + m_2 v_{2ox} = (m_1 + m_2) v_{fx}$$

$$(2.6 \text{ kg})(28.2 \text{ m/s}) + 0 = (2.6 \text{ kg} + m_2)(15.7 \text{ m/s})$$

$$m_2 = 2.07 \text{ kg}$$

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$$P_o = P_f$$

$$0 = m_1 v_{1o} + m_2 v_{2o}$$

$$0 = (2.6 \text{ kg})(5 \text{ m/s}) + (75 \text{ kg}) v_{2o}$$

$$v_{2o} = -0.173 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v = \frac{\Delta x}{t}$$

$$0.173 \text{ m/s} = \frac{5.0 \text{ m}}{t}$$

$$t = 28.9 \text{ s}$$

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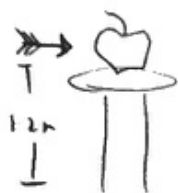
$$P_o = P_f$$

$$m_1 v_{1o} + m_2 v_{2o} = m_1 v_{1f} + m_2 v_{2f}$$

$$^{125} (86 \text{ kg})(2.05 \text{ m/s}) + 0 = (131 \text{ kg})(1.4 \text{ m/s}) + (125 \text{ kg}) v_{2f}$$

$$v_{2f} = 0.58 \text{ m/s}$$

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$$P_0 = P_f$$

$$m_1 v_{10} + m_2 v_{20} = (m_1 + m_2) v_f$$

$$(200 \text{ g}) v_{10} + 0 = (200 \text{ g} + 500 \text{ g}) \left(\frac{5.31}{4.85} \right)$$

$$v_{10} = 18.57 \text{ m/s}$$

x	y
$\Delta x = 2.6 \text{ m}$	$\Delta y = 1.2 \text{ m}$
$v_x = \frac{\Delta x}{t}$	$v_{y0} = 0$
$v_x = \frac{2.6}{.49}$	$a = g$
$v_x = \frac{5.31}{.49}$	$t = ?$
	$\Delta y = v_{y0} t + \frac{1}{2} g t^2$
	$1.2 = \frac{1}{2} g t^2$
	$t = 0.49 \text{ s}$

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$$P_0 = P_f$$

$$m_1 v_{10} + m_2 v_{20} = (m_1 + m_2) v_f$$

$$(125 \text{ g})(12 \text{ m/s}) + 0 = (125 \text{ g} + 375 \text{ g}) v_f$$

$$v_f = 3 \text{ m/s}$$

$$K_0 = U_{51}$$

$$\frac{1}{2} m v_0^2 = m g h$$

$$\frac{1}{2} (3 \text{ m/s})^2 = g h$$

$$h = 0.46 \text{ m}$$