



# 2D Collisions



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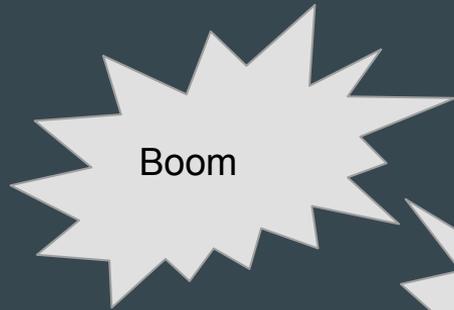
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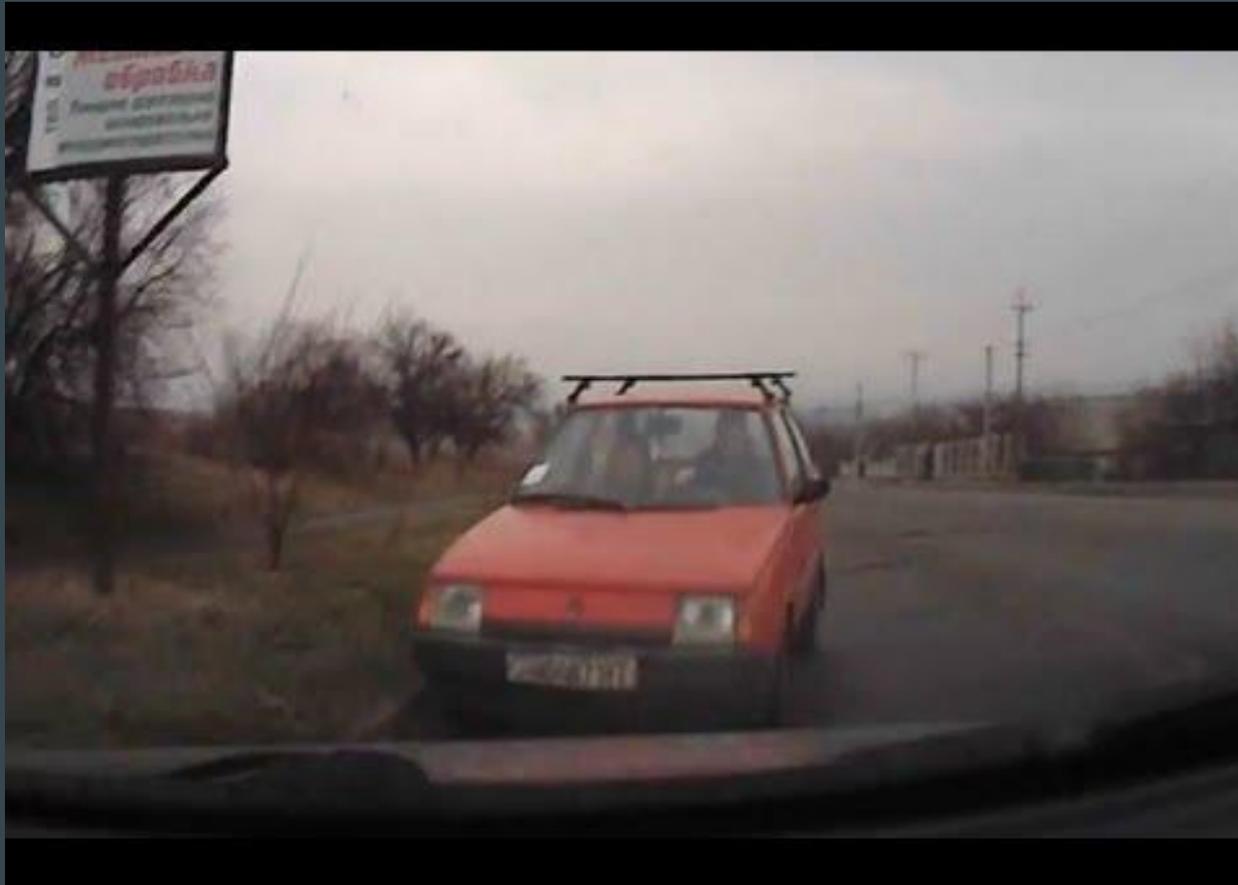
Point

Masses

in Two Dimensions



# Video Example of a Collision



## 8.6 objectives

- Discuss 2D collisions as an extension of 1D analysis
- Define point masses
- Derive an expression for conservation of momentum along the x+y axis
- Describe elastic collisions of 2 objects with equal mass
- Determine the magnitude and direction of final velocity, given initial velocity and scattering angle

# Make a Match!

Change in  
Momentum

A collision that  
also  
conserves  
kinetic energy

Inelastic  
Collision

A collision in  
which internal  
kinetic energy  
is not  
conserved

Elastic  
Collision

The difference  
between the  
final and initial  
momentum  
(mass x  $\Delta V$ )

Internal  
Kinetic  
Energy

Structureless  
particles with  
no rotation or  
spin

Point  
Masses

The sum of  
the kinetic  
energies of the  
objects in a  
system

Conserv. of  
Momentum  
Principle

When the net  
force is zero,  
the total  
momentum of  
the system is  
constant

- Two-dimensional collisions of point masses where mass 2 is initially at rest conserve momentum along:

- The initial direction of mass 1 (the x-axis)

$$M_1 V_1 = M_1 V_1 \cos\theta_1 + M_2 V_2 \cos\theta_2$$

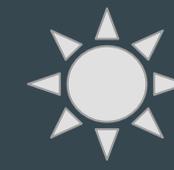
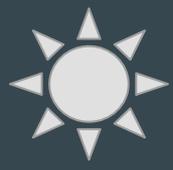
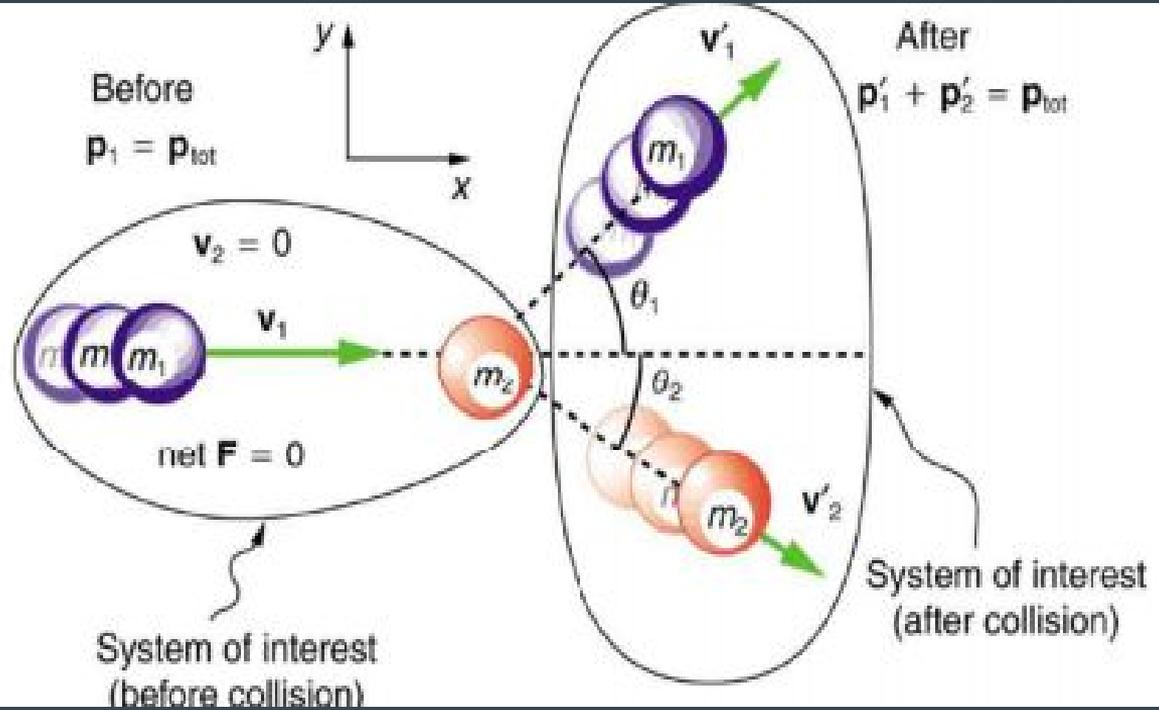
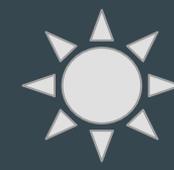
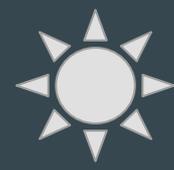
- The initial direction perpendicular to the initial direction (the y-axis)

$$0 = M_1 V_{1y} + M_2 V_{2y}$$

- The internal kinetic force before and after the collision of two objects with equal masses

- $\frac{1}{2} M V_1^2 = \frac{1}{2} M V_1'^2 + \frac{1}{2} M V_2'^2$

- Point masses are structureless particles that cannot spin



# 47.

3000 kg cannon is mounted so it can recoil only in the positive horizontal direction

- a. calculate the recoil velocity when it fires a 15 kg shell at 480 m/s at an angle of 20 degrees.
- b. what is the kinetic energy of the cannon? This energy is dissipated as a heat transfer in shock absorbers that stop its recoil.
- c. what happens to the vertical component to linear kinetic energy in the collision?

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givens: 3000 kg

15 kg shell @ 480 m/s  $20^\circ$

initial horizontal speed:  $v = v \cos \theta$

a. initial momentum of shell:  $m \cdot v_i = p$

$$\text{horiz. speed} = 480(\cos 20) = 451 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\text{initial momentum} = (15)(451) = 6766 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m/s}$$

$$\text{horizontal recoil velocity of cannon} = p_i / m$$

$$6766 / 3000 = -2.26 \text{ m/s} \quad \text{b/c its recoiling}$$

initial KE

$$\text{b. } KE = \frac{1}{2} m_1 v_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_2 v_2^2 = J$$

$$\frac{1}{2} m v^2 = (15)(451)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (3000)(2.26)^2 = 7630 J$$

c. ground will exert normal force in vertical direction opposite recoil. Momentum is transferred to Earth, making a dent where cannon is.

# 50.

Two cars collide at an icy intersection and stick together afterward. The first car has a mass of 1200 kg and is approaching at 8.00 m/s due south. The second car has a mass of 850 kg and is approaching at 17.0 m/s due west.

- a. Calculate the final velocity (magnitude and direction) of the cars.
- b. How much kinetic energy is lost in the collision? (This energy goes into deformation of the cars.)
  - i. Note that because both cars have an initial velocity, you cannot use the equations for conservation of momentum along the x-axis and y-axis; instead, you must look for other simplifying aspects.

Ⓐ In the west direction:

$$M_1 v_1 = M_1 v_1 \cos \theta_1 + M_2 v_2 \cos \theta_2$$

$$v_x (1200 + 850) = 1200(0) + 850(17.0)$$

$$v_x = 7.05 \text{ m/s}$$

In the south direction:

$$M_1 v_1 = M_1 v_1 \cos \theta_1 + M_2 v_2 \cos \theta_2$$

$$v_y (1200 + 850) = 1200(8.0) + 850(0)$$

$$v_y = 4.68 \text{ m/s}$$

$$v = \sqrt{(7.05^2 + 4.68^2)} \rightarrow \boxed{\text{velocity} = 8.46 \text{ m/s}}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{v_y}{v_x} \rightarrow \theta = \frac{4.68}{7.05} \rightarrow \theta = 54^\circ \text{ south of west}$$

Ⓑ original equation  $\rightarrow \frac{1}{2} M_1 v_1^2 = \frac{1}{2} M v_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} M v_2^2$

$$\begin{aligned} KE_{\text{lost}} &= \frac{1}{2} M_1 v_1^2 + \frac{1}{2} M_2 v_2^2 - \frac{1}{2} (M_1 + M_2) (v)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (1200)(8)^2 + \frac{1}{2} (850)(17)^2 - \frac{1}{2} (2050)(8.46)^2 \\ &= 87,864 \end{aligned}$$

Mega Joules

$$\rightarrow = \boxed{88 \text{ J}}$$

lab

2. Collision with  
both on the  
ramp

Thank you :)

