

## Announcements 6 Apr 09

- **Exam 2**
  - **Tomorrow from 7 to 9 pm**
  - **TONIGHT:**
    - **Help session from 5 to 7 pm in HAS 20**
    - **SI session from 7:15 to 8:30 pm (as usual)**
- **Homework #9**
  - **Will be due on Friday**

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## Chapter 9 Momentum

### Topics:

- Interactions from the viewpoint of impulse and momentum
- Isolated systems
- Conservation of momentum
- Applications to inelastic collisions, explosions and recoil



### Sample question:

Male rams butt heads at high speeds in a ritual to assert their dominance. How can the force of this collision be minimized so as to avoid damage to their brains?

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## Impulse

- Consider a collision between two objects, e.g.,
  - bat and baseball
  - racket and tennis ball
- Ball is compressed during the short duration of the contact (1 to 10 ms)
- Other example: soccer ball kick

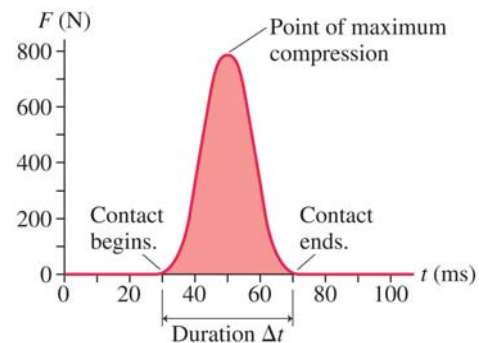


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## Impulse



- The foot exerts a force on the ball during a well-defined duration  $\Delta t$  (time extent of the contact)
- A greater force and/or longer duration will have a greater effect  $\rightarrow$  greater *impulse*

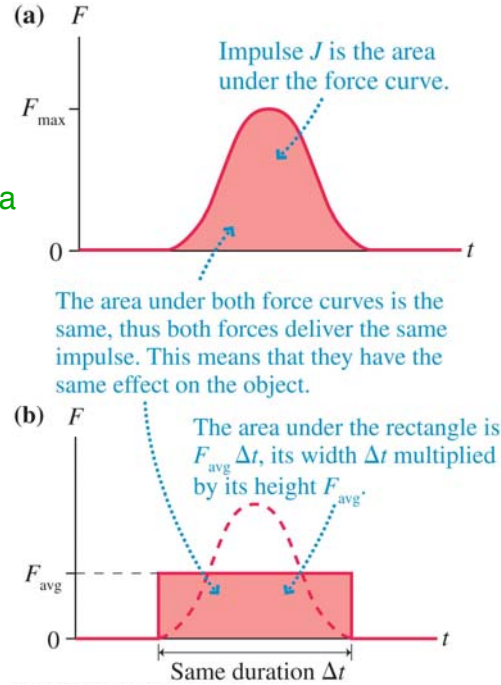


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## Impulse

Define **impulse  $J$**  as the area under the force curve

$$J = F_{avg} \Delta t$$

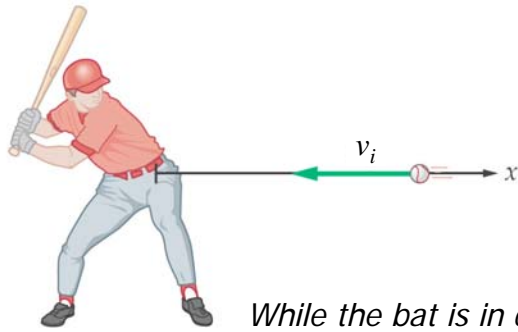


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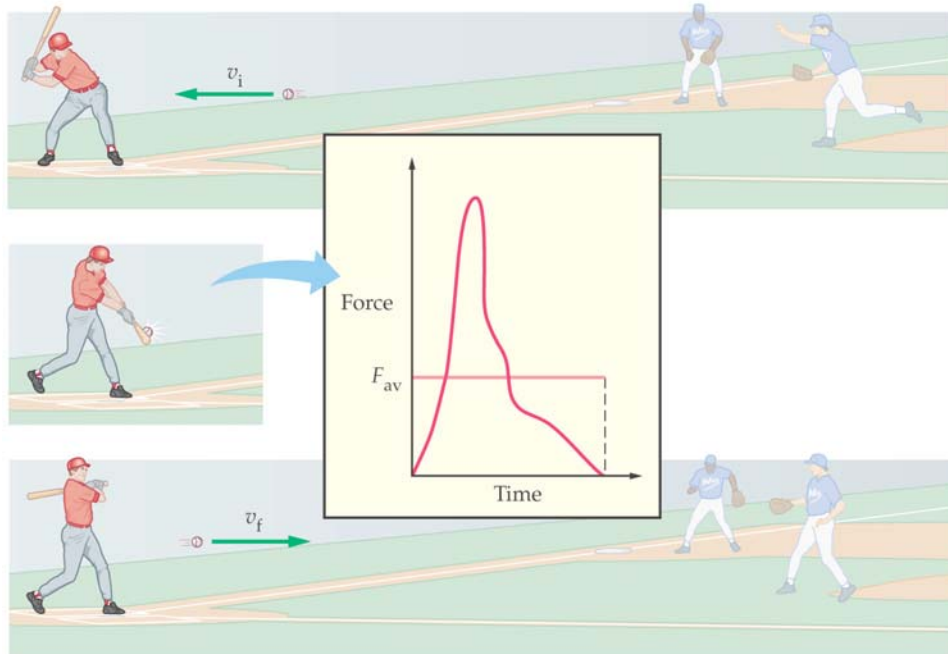
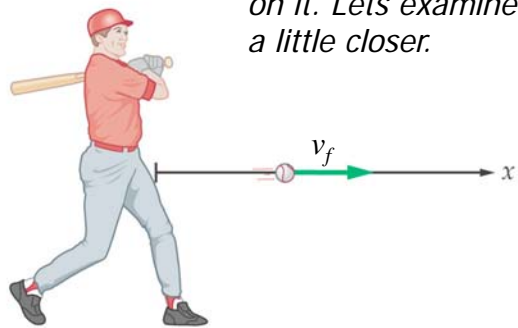
## Impulse-Momentum Theorem

What is the connection between impulse and motion?

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*While the bat is in contact with the ball it exerts a force on it. Lets examine this force a little closer.*



## Impulse-Momentum Theorem

What is the connection between impulse and motion?

- From Newton's 2nd Law, we have

$$\vec{a}_{avg} = \frac{\vec{F}_{avg}}{m}$$

- Recall that acceleration is a change in velocity

$$\vec{a}_{avg} = \frac{\Delta \vec{v}}{\Delta t} = \frac{\vec{v}_f - \vec{v}_i}{\Delta t}$$

- Combining these, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\vec{F}_{avg}}{m} &= \vec{a}_{avg} = \frac{\vec{v}_f - \vec{v}_i}{\Delta t} \\ \Rightarrow \vec{F}_{avg} \Delta t &= m\vec{v}_f - m\vec{v}_i \\ \Rightarrow \vec{J} &= \vec{p}_f - \vec{p}_i = \Delta \vec{p} \end{aligned}$$

**Momentum is defined**

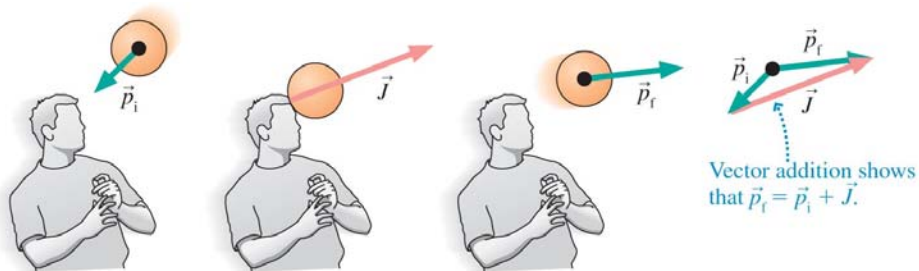
$$\vec{p} \text{ as } m\vec{v}$$

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## Effect of impulse on motion

$$\vec{J} = \vec{p}_f - \vec{p}_i = \Delta \vec{p}$$

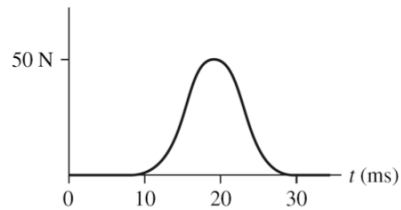
$$\vec{p} = m\vec{v}$$



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## Impulse problem

A 0.5-kg hockey puck slides to the right at 10 m/s. It is hit with a hockey stick that exerts the force shown. What is its approximate final speed?



### 1. compute impulse

$$J = F_{avg} \Delta t$$

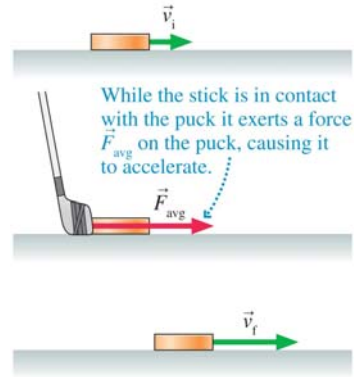
$$J = (25 N)(0.020 s) = 0.5 N \cdot s = 0.5 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m/s}$$

### 2. apply impulse-momentum theorem

$$\vec{J} = \vec{p}_f - \vec{p}_i = m(\vec{v}_f - \vec{v}_i)$$

$$\frac{\vec{J}}{m} = \vec{v}_f - \vec{v}_i \Rightarrow \frac{\vec{J}}{m} + \vec{v}_i = \vec{v}_f$$

$$\frac{0.5 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m/s}}{0.5 \text{ kg}} + 10 \text{ m/s} = (v_f)_x = 11 \text{ m/s}$$



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## Impulse DEMOS

- Table setting
- Pen and hoop

Momentum change is very small because force is applied for a very short time



- Pendulum hit by bat vs. finger push

$$\vec{F}_{avg} \Delta t = \Delta \vec{p}$$

- Egg toss

Force on the egg is minimized by stretching the length of time over which momentum drops to zero

$$\vec{F}_{avg} \Delta t = \Delta \vec{p} \Rightarrow \vec{F}_{avg} = \frac{\Delta \vec{p}}{\Delta t}$$

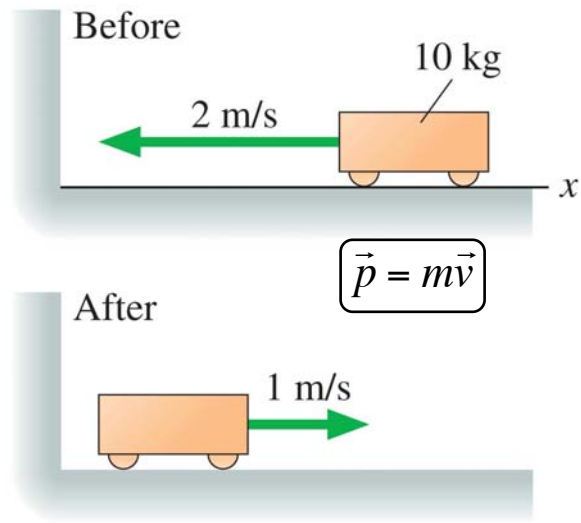
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## Impulse question

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The cart's change of momentum is

- A. -30 kg m/s
- B. -10 kg m/s
- C. 10 kg m/s
- D. 30 kg m/s



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## Momentum Recap

$$\vec{p} = m\vec{v}$$

This equation expresses the momentum of a single particle or a collection of them.

For more than one particle the total momentum is the sum of the momentum of individual particles.

$$\vec{p} = \vec{p}_1 + \vec{p}_2 + \vec{p}_3 + \dots = \sum_i \vec{p}_i$$

The SI units of momentum:      kg m/s

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## Conservation of Momentum

Consider a collision btw two balls

Impulse-momentum thm:

$$\Delta p_{1x} = J_{1x} \quad \text{and} \quad \Delta p_{2x} = J_{2x}$$

Since  $(F_{2on1})_x = -(F_{1on2})_x$ ,  
we have  $J_{1x} = -J_{2x}$ ,

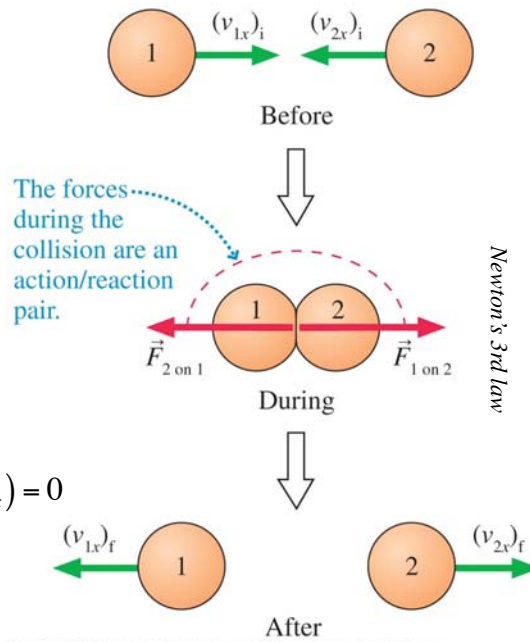
and thus

$$\Delta p_{1x} = -\Delta p_{2x}$$

$$\text{i.e., } \Delta p_{1x} + \Delta p_{2x} = \Delta(p_{1x} + p_{2x}) = 0$$

The sum of the momenta does not change

$$(p_{1x})_f + (p_{2x})_f = (p_{1x})_i + (p_{2x})_i$$



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## Conservation of Momentum

The total momentum before the collision is equal to the total momentum after the collision

This can be generalized to any *isolated* system consisting of any number of particles

→ Law of momentum conservation

*One of the most general and important Laws of Nature*

**DEMOS:**

- pull-apart carts
- rocket propulsion
- Newton's cradle



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