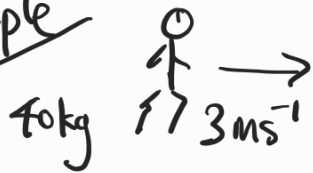


Physics 2.4 - Momentum

Definition of Momentum 動量 p (unit kgms^{-1})

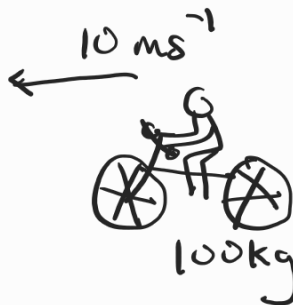
$$p = mv \text{ (vector)}$$

Example



Boy jogging

$$p = 40 \times 3 \\ = \underline{120 \text{ kgms}^{-1}}$$



Man Cycling

$$p = 100 \times (-10) \\ = \underline{-1000 \text{ kgms}^{-1}}$$

Momentum and Newton's 2nd law

$$F_{\text{net}} = ma = m \frac{(v-u)}{t} = \frac{mv - mu}{t}$$

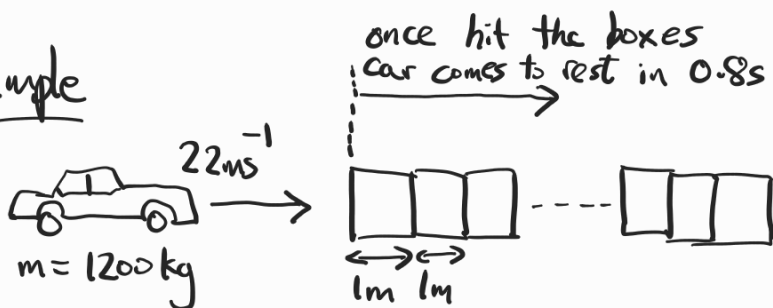
final momentum ←
initial momentum ←

$$\therefore F_{\text{net}} = \frac{\text{change in momentum}}{\text{time}}$$

$\therefore$ The net force acting on an object = rate of change of momentum

Also: Impulse (衝力) = $F_{\text{net}} \times \text{time} = \text{change of momentum}$

Example



Question

a) Find the force exerted on the car, by the boxes

b) Find the number of boxes crushed

Solution

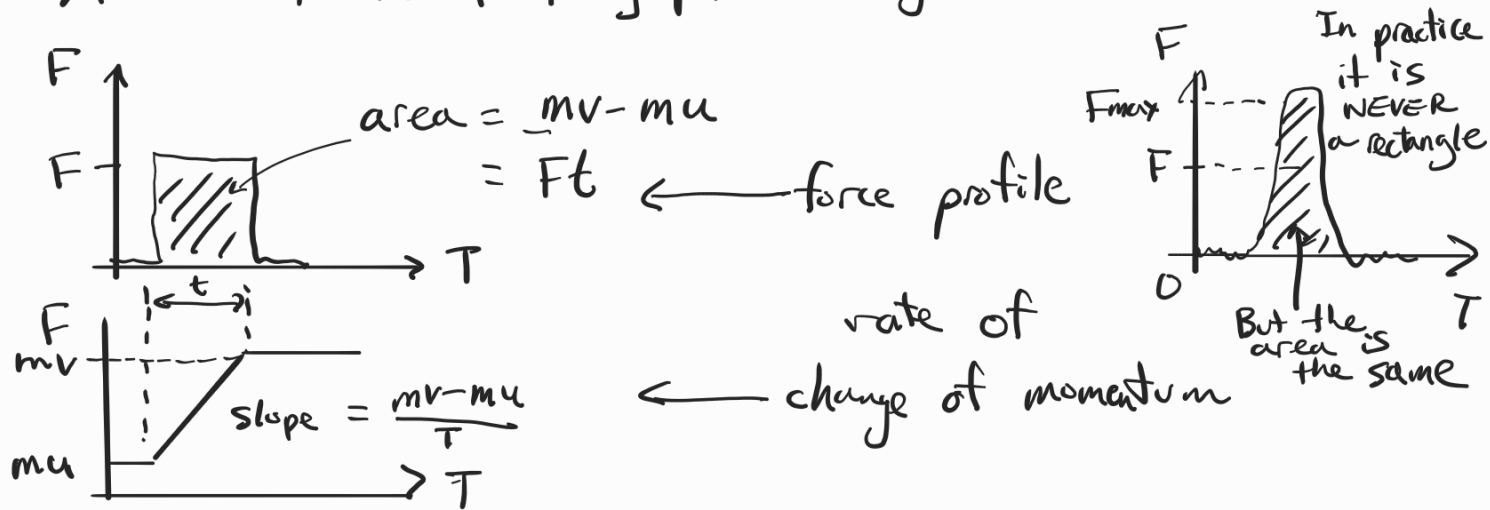
$$a) F_{\text{net}} = \frac{mv - mu}{t} = \frac{0 - (1200)(22)}{0.8} = -33000 \text{ N} //$$

$$b) s = \frac{1}{2}(v+u)t = \frac{1}{2}(0+22)(0.8) = 8.8 \text{ m} // \quad 9 \text{ boxes crushed}$$

Alternative for b) $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = Fs$ $\frac{1}{2}(1200)(22)^2 = (33,000)S$
 $\uparrow$ KE $\uparrow$ Work $S = 8.8m //$

Force - Time Graph

Area under the F-T graph = change in momentum

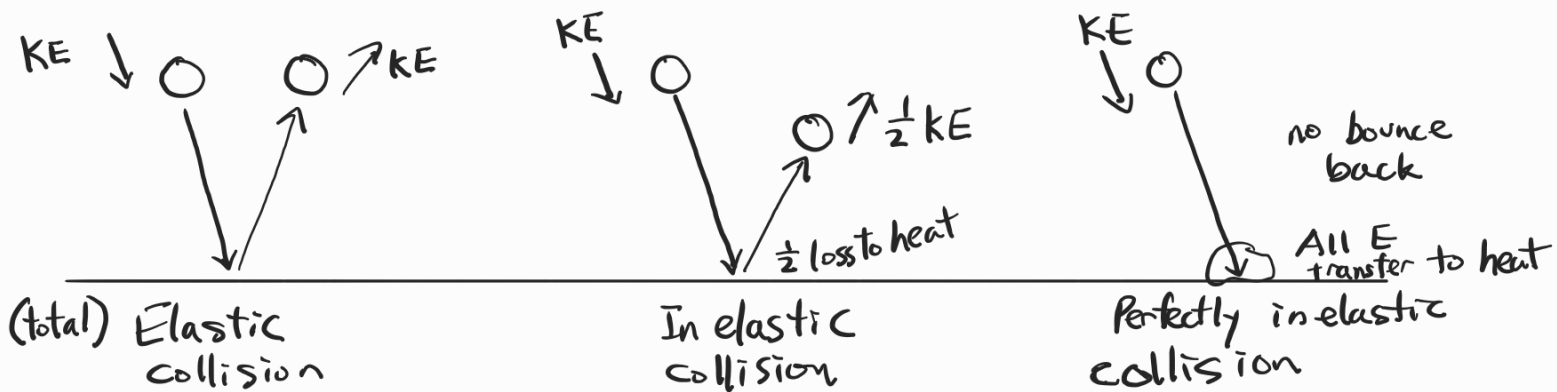


Elastic and Inelastic collisions

弹性

非弹性

碰撞



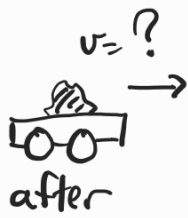
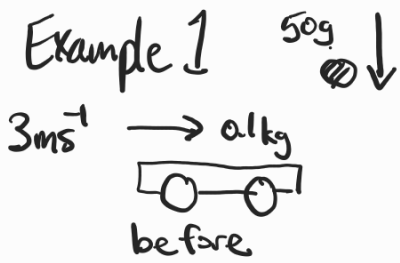
LAW OF CONSERVATION OF MOMENTUM

When no external force acting, the total momentum of a system is conserved.

$$m_A u_A + m_B u_B = m_A v_A + m_B v_B$$

	elastic collision	inelastic collision
Total momentum	Conserved	Conserved
Total KE	Conserved	KE loss (energy transfer)

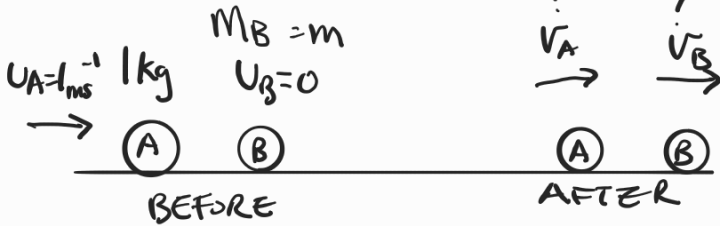
CHANGE OF MOMENTUM



Since falling object is perfectly inelastic
 $\therefore v_{\text{fall}} = 0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

Momentum change: $3 \times 0.1 = v \times (0.1 + 0.05)$
 $v = 2 \text{ ms}^{-1}$

Example 2 ELASTIC COLLISION



For total elastic collision:

✓ conservation of momentum

✓ conservation of KE

Therefore: $m_A u_A + m_B u_B = m_A v_A + m_B v_B$ } Conservation of momentum
 $1 \times 1 + m \times 0 = m_A v_A + m_B v_B$
 $1 = 1 \times v_A + m v_B \dots (1)$

~~$\frac{1}{2} m_A u_A^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_B u_B^2 = \frac{1}{2} m_A v_A^2 + \frac{1}{2} m_B v_B^2$~~
 $1 = v_A^2 + m v_B^2 \dots (2)$

Combine (1) and (2):
and solve

$$v_A = \frac{1-m}{1+m}$$

$$v_B = \frac{2}{1+m}$$

- Case 1 if $m = 1 \text{ kg}$: $v_A = 0$ $v_B = 1 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ (m_B same mass)
 Case 2 if $m = 1000 \text{ kg}$: $v_A \approx -1 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ $v_B \approx 0 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ (m_B much heavier)
 Case 3 if $m = 0.001 \text{ kg}$: $v_A \approx 1 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ $v_B \approx 2 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ (m_B much lighter)

Loss of Momentum? (not really)

