

Elastic Collisions

* In every collision (neglecting friction), momentum is conserved due to Newton's Third Law:

If the objects experience equal but opposite forces during a collision, they also experience equal but opposite impulses which means they have equal but opposite changes in momenta (i.e. one object's loss is the other's gain)

* Kinetic energy may or may not be conserved in a collision. If it is conserved \Rightarrow ELASTIC COLLISION

To see if a collision is elastic, you must know all the velocities \Rightarrow use conservation of momentum to find a missing velocity.

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	BEFORE		AFTER	
	B	S	B	S
m	0.250 kg	0.800 kg	0.250 kg	0.800 kg
v	+5.00 m/s	0	-2.62 m/s	v
P (mv)	+1.25 kg·m/s + 0		-0.655 kg·m/s + (0.800 kg)v	

+ the original direction of the bill. ball.

- opp. the original direction of the bill. ball

$$\vec{P}_{\text{total}} = \vec{P}'_{\text{total}}$$

$$\vec{P}_B + \vec{P}_S = \vec{P}'_B + \vec{P}'_S$$

$$+1.25 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m/s} + 0 = -0.655 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m/s} + (0.800 \text{ kg})v$$

$$1.905 \text{ kg}\cdot\text{m/s} = (0.800 \text{ kg})v$$

$$v = +2.38 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\vec{v} = 2.38 \text{ m/s} \left[\text{in the original direction of the billiard} \right]$$

To see if ELASTIC:

BEFORE:

$$\text{Bill Ball: } E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{1}{2}(0.250 \text{ kg})(5.00 \text{ m/s})^2 = 3.125 \text{ J}$$

$$\text{Steel Ball: } E_k = 0$$

AFTER

$$\text{Bill Ball: } E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{1}{2}(0.250 \text{ kg})(2.62 \text{ m/s})^2 = 0.85805 \text{ J}$$

$$\text{Steel Ball: } E_k = \frac{1}{2}(0.800 \text{ kg})(2.38 \text{ m/s})^2 = 2.26576 \text{ J}$$

$$\underline{3.124 \text{ J}}$$

Since $E_{k\text{total}} = E'_{k\text{total}}$, the collision is:
ELASTIC

To DO

① PP/322

② Review:

p 277 / 23-39 (Chapt 6)

p 320 / 20-23 (Chapt 7)

TEST - Thurs, Dec 9th

Chapter 6 - Work, Energy + Power

- $W = F_d d$
- $W = F d \cos \theta$
- $W = \text{area under a } F-d \text{ graph}$
- when no work is done
- Kinetic energy: $E_k = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$
- Gravitational Potential Energy: $E_g = mgh$
- Elastic Potential Energy: $E_e = \frac{1}{2} k x^2$ (Hooke's Law)
 $F_a = kx$
- Work-Energy Theorem: $W = \Delta E$
- Power: $P = \frac{W}{\Delta t}$
- Efficiency = $\frac{E_o}{E_I} \times 100\%$

Chapter 7 - Conservation of Energy + Momentum

- Law of Conservation of Mechanical Energy:

single object
or cart/spring
system

$$E_{\text{total}} = E'_{\text{total}}$$

$$E_g + E_k + E_e = E'_g + E'_k + E'_e$$

BEFORE = AFTER

(neglecting
friction/air
res)

- Law of Conservation of Momentum

2 objects

$$\vec{P}_{\text{total}} = \vec{P}'_{\text{total}}$$

$$\vec{P}_A + \vec{P}_B = \vec{P}'_A + \vec{P}'_B$$

(BEFORE) (AFTER)

(in an isolated system)

* use mvp chart to organize info

* momentum is a vector (dir is imp)