

Physics 12 Unit 4 – Momentum Worksheet #2
2-D Problems including Gov Problems

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Momentum is a vector quantity

1. A 1200 kg car traveling north at 120 km/r collides with and sticks to a 1600 kg truck travelling west at 100 km/hr. Find the velocity (magnitude and direction) of the wreck.

use Pythagoras to find

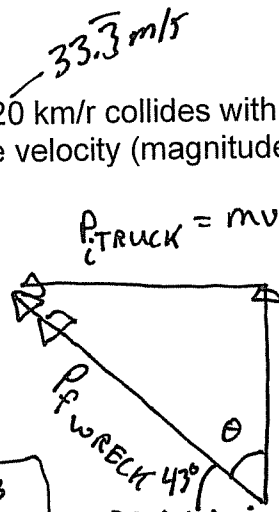
$$p_f^2 = p_i^2 + p_i^2$$

$$p_f = 59,793 \text{ N}\cdot\text{s}$$

$$p = mv \Rightarrow v = \frac{p}{m} = \frac{59,793}{2800}$$

$$v = 21.35 \text{ m/s}$$

of wreck



$$p_{CAR} = mv = 39,999 \text{ N}\cdot\text{s}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{44,444}{39,999}$$

$$\theta = 48^\circ \text{ W of N}$$

OR 43° N of W

2. A 1200 kg car traveling north at 120 km/r collides with and sticks to a 1600 kg truck travelling 20 degrees south of west at 100 km/hr. Find the velocity (magnitude only) of the wreck.

use cosine law

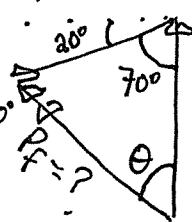
$$p_f^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos \theta$$

$$= (44,444)^2 + (39,999)^2 - 2(44,444)(39,999) \cos 70^\circ$$

$$p_f = 48571 \text{ N}\cdot\text{s}$$

$$v = \frac{p}{m} = \frac{48571}{2800} = 17.3 \text{ m/s}$$

$$p_{TRUCK} = 44,444 \text{ N}\cdot\text{s}$$



$$p_{CAR} = 39,999 \text{ N}\cdot\text{s}$$

$$\frac{\sin \theta}{44,444} = \frac{\sin 70^\circ}{48,571}$$

$$\sin \theta = 0.85985$$

$$\theta = \sin^{-1}(0.85985)$$

$$\theta = 59.3^\circ$$

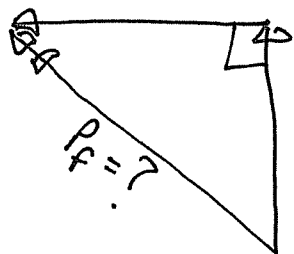
$$= 31^\circ \text{ N of W}$$

3. You can use Pythagoras.

A 1.5 kg physics block is sliding at 8.0 m/s north when it is hit by a 0.40 kg ball of putty going 20 m/s west. The putty sticks to the block. What is the magnitude of their combined momentum after the collision?

- A. 4.0 kg m/s
- B. 8.9 kg m/s
- C. 14 kg m/s
- D. 20 kg m/s

$$p_i = mv = (.4)(20) = 8 \text{ N}\cdot\text{s}$$



$$p_i = mv = (1.5)(8) = 12 \text{ N}\cdot\text{s}$$

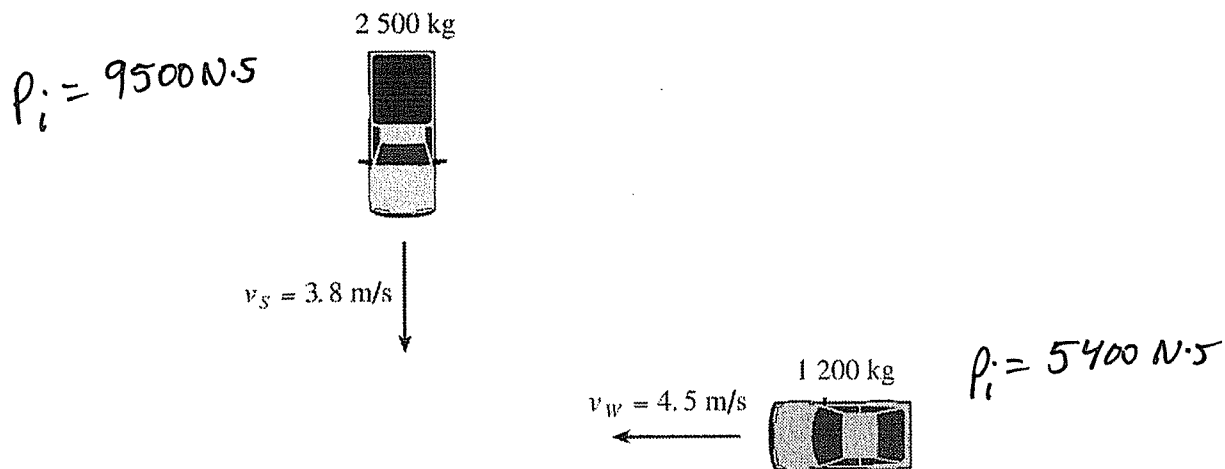
$$p_f^2 = p_i^2 + p_i^2$$

$$p_f^2 = 8^2 + 12^2$$

$$p_f = 14.4 \text{ N}\cdot\text{s}$$

4. You can use Pythagoras.

Sally is driving south in her 2 500 kg pickup truck at 3.8 m/s when she collides with Willy driving west in his 1 200 kg car at 4.5 m/s.



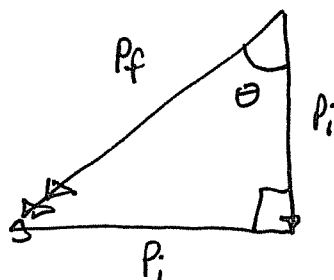
The two vehicles lock together and slide over the wet parking lot. Find the speed and direction of the damaged vehicles immediately after the collision. (7 marks)

$$p_f^2 = (5400)^2 + (9500)^2$$

$$p_f = 10,927 \text{ N}\cdot\text{s}$$

$$V = \frac{p}{m} = \frac{10927}{3700}$$

$$V = 2.95 \text{ m/s}$$



$$\tan \theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}}$$

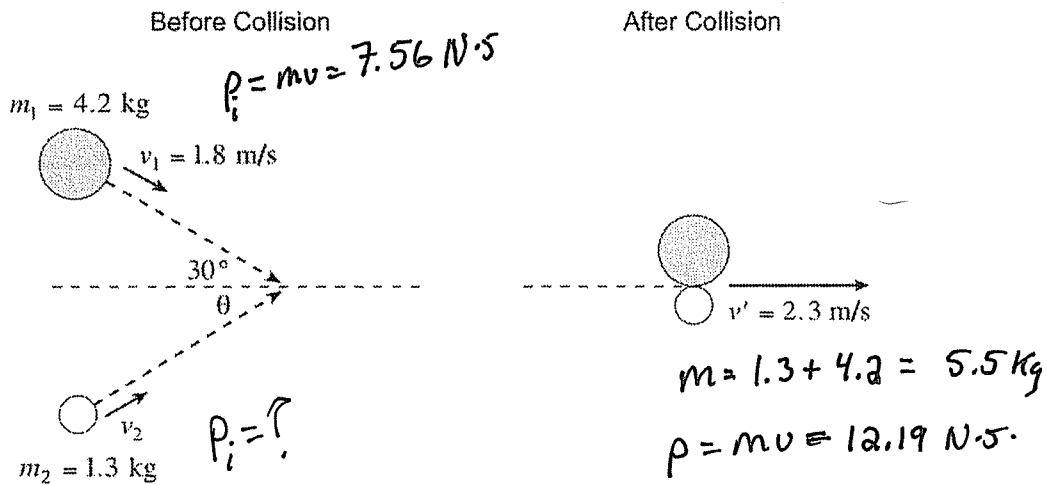
$$\tan \theta = \frac{5400}{9500}$$

$$\theta = 29.6^\circ$$

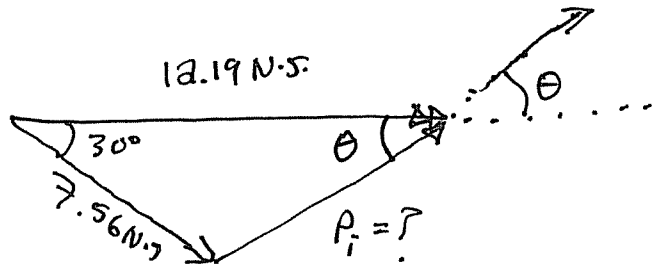
$$29.6^\circ \text{ W of S}$$

5. Add the two before vectors tip to tail.

Two steel pucks are moving as shown in the diagram. They collide inelastically.



Determine the speed and direction (angle θ) of the 1.3 kg puck before the collision. (7 marks)



Use cosine law

$$p_i^2 = (7.56)^2 + (12.19)^2 - 2(7.56)(12.19) \cos 30^\circ$$

$$p_i = 6.7919 \text{ N}\cdot\text{s}$$

$$v = \frac{p_i}{m} = \frac{6.7919}{1.3} = 5.2 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\frac{\sin \theta}{7.56} = \frac{\sin 30^\circ}{6.7919}$$

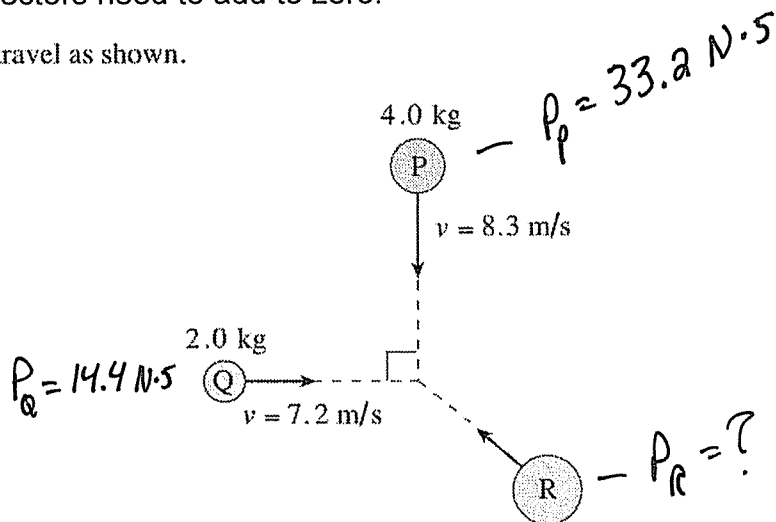
$$\sin \theta = 0.5565$$

$$\theta = 33.8^\circ$$

$$33.8^\circ \text{ N of E}$$

6. All three vectors need to add to zero.

Three objects travel as shown.



What is the magnitude of the momentum of object R so that the combined masses remain stationary after they collide?

A. $19 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m/s}$

B. $30 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m/s}$

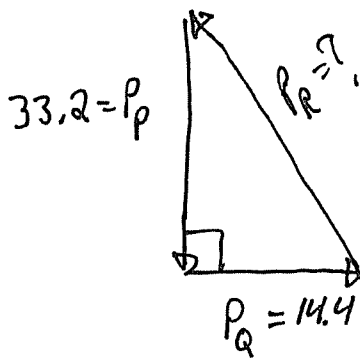
C. $36 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m/s}$

D. $48 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m/s}$

$P_f = 0$

so

$$\vec{P}_p + \vec{P}_q + \vec{P}_R = 0$$



$$P_R^2 = 33.2^2 + 14.4^2$$

$$P_R = 36.2 \text{ N}\cdot\text{s}$$