

# Our Dynamic Universe

## Impulse & Change of Momentum



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- 1) A 5 kg bowling ball at rest is given a kick. The kick gives an average force of 10 N. The duration of the kick is 0.8 s.
  - a) Calculate the impulse given to the bowling ball.
  - b) State the change of momentum of the bowling ball
  - c) Determine the speed of the bowling ball immediately after it was kicked.
  
- 2) A 0.4 kg football at rest is given a kick where the average force is 60 N over a contact time of 0.5 s.
  - a) Calculate the impulse given to the football.
  - b) State the change of momentum of the football
  - c) Determine the speed of the football just after it was kicked.
  
- 3) A space rocket of mass 1000 kg travelling at  $5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  fires its rocket which provides a constant thrust of 9000 N. The rocket is fired for 5 seconds.
  - a) Calculate the impulse given to the rocket.
  - b) State the change of momentum of the rocket
  - c) Determine the final speed of the rocket.
  
- 4) A small rocket cart is travelling at  $10 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . It fires a rocket which provides a thrust of 100 N for a time of 3 seconds. The rocket cart has a mass of 5 kg.
  - a) Calculate the impulse given to the small cart.
  - b) State the change of momentum of the rocket cart
  - c) Determine the final speed of the rocket cart.
  
- 5) State the units of momentum and impulse.

- 6) A 2,500 kg car travelling at  $15 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  is stopped by a crash barrier. The collision with the car and crash barrier lasts for 0.5 seconds.
- Calculate the change in momentum of the car
  - Calculate the size and direction of the impulse given to the car by the crash barrier.
  - Find the size and direction of the average force given to the car.
- 7) A rubber ball of mass 30 g is thrown towards a wall with speed of  $4 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  and rebounds with speed of  $2 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . The time of contact during the collision is 0.5 s.
- Calculate the change of momentum of the ball.
  - State the size and direction of the impulse given to the ball by the wall.
  - Calculate the size of the average force given to the ball by the wall.
- 8) A tennis player serves a ball from rest to a velocity of  $45 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . The tennis ball has a mass of 56 g and the bat was in contact with the ball for 0.004 s.
- Calculate the change of momentum of the ball.  $[2.52 \text{ kg ms}^{-1}]$
  - Determine the impulse given to the ball.
  - Find the average force given to the ball by the bat.  $[630 \text{ N}]$
- 9) A hockey player strikes a stationary puck of mass 0.05 kg with an average force of 600 N. The hockey stick is in contact with the puck for 0.008 seconds.
- Calculate the impulse given to the puck
  - State the change of momentum of the puck
  - Determine speed the puck would leave the hockey stick.
- 10) A space rocket of mass 10,000 kg is travelling at  $120 \text{ ms}^{-1}$  to the right. It has side thrusters which when fired can provide a constant force of 1000 N either to the left or right of the space rocket.
- Determine the size and direction of the impulse from the thrusters to bring the rocket to a stop.
  - How long should the thrusters be fired for to stop the space rocket.

- 11) A 50 kg girl lands on a trampoline at a speed of  $2 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . She is in contact with the trampoline for 0.4 s. She then rises up with a speed of  $1.8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$



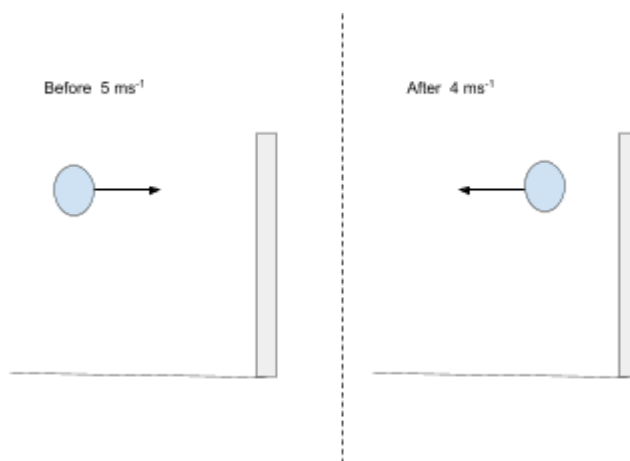
- Determine the girl's change of momentum.
- State the size of the impulse received by the girl from the trampoline.
- Calculate the size of the average force the girl received from the trampoline.

- 12) A 60 kg boy lands on a trampoline with a speed of  $8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . He receives an impulse of 900 Ns from the trampoline. He is in contact with the trampoline for 0.5 seconds.

- State the boy's change of momentum.
- Determine the upward speed he has just as he leaves the trampoline.
- Calculate the height the boy reaches after leaving the trampoline.



- 13) A 2 kg rubber ball is thrown onto a wall with a speed of  $5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ . It is in contact with the wall for 0.2 s and rebounds with a speed of  $4 \text{ ms}^{-1}$



- Find the size and direction of the change of momentum of the ball.
- State the size and direction of the impulse given to the ball.
- Determine the size and direction of the average force which acted on the ball.

## Answers

- 1) a) 8 Ns b)  $8 \text{ kg ms}^{-1}$  c)  $1.6 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
- 2) a) 30 Ns b)  $30 \text{ kg ms}^{-1}$  c)  $75 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
- 3) a) 45000 Ns b)  $45000 \text{ kg ms}^{-1}$  c)  $50 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
- 4) a) 300 Ns b)  $300 \text{ kg ms}^{-1}$  c)  $70 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
- 5) change of momentum units  $\text{kg ms}^{-1}$   
impulse units Ns
- 6) a)  $-37,500 \text{ kg ms}^{-1}$   
b) 37,500 Ns to the left.  
c) 75,000 N to the left.
- 7) a)  $-0.18 \text{ kg ms}^{-1}$   
b) 0.18 Ns to the left  
c) 0.36 N ( only asking for size of force )
- 8) a)  $2.52 \text{ kg ms}^{-1}$   
b) 2.52 Ns  
c) 630 N
- 9) a) 4.8 Ns  
b)  $4.8 \text{ kg ms}^{-1}$   
c)  $96 \text{ ms}^{-1}$
- 10) a)  $-1,200,000 \text{ kg ms}^{-1}$   
b) 1,200,000 Ns to the left.  
c) 1200 seconds = 20 minutes
- 11) a)  $190 \text{ kg ms}^{-1}$   
b) 190 Ns upwards  
c) 475 N (just size not direction asked)
- 12) a)  $900 \text{ kg ms}^{-1}$   
b)  $7 \text{ ms}^{-1}$   
c) 2.5 m
- 13) a)  $-18 \text{ kg ms}^{-1}$   
b) 18 Ns to the left, ie from the wall.  
c) 90 N to the left.