

Chapter Review

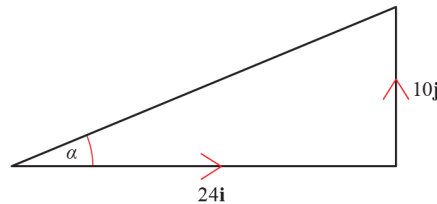
$$\begin{aligned}
 1 \quad \text{Impulse} &= \text{change in momentum} \\
 &= 0.5(23\mathbf{i} + 20\mathbf{j}) - 0.5(-25\mathbf{i}) \\
 &= (24\mathbf{i} + 10\mathbf{j}) \text{ N s}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \therefore \text{Magnitude of the impulse} &= \sqrt{24^2 + 10^2} \text{ N s} \\
 &= 26 \text{ N s}
 \end{aligned}$$

Angle between the impulse and the direction \mathbf{i} is α where

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{10}{24}$$

$$\therefore \alpha = 23^\circ \text{ (nearest degree)}$$



$$2 \quad \text{Let velocity before being hit be } \mathbf{u} \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

impulse = change in momentum

$$\begin{aligned}
 2.4\mathbf{i} + 3.6\mathbf{j} &= 0.2(12\mathbf{i} + 5\mathbf{j}) - 0.2\mathbf{u} \\
 0.2\mathbf{u} &= 2.4\mathbf{i} + \mathbf{j} - 2.4\mathbf{i} - 3.6\mathbf{j} \\
 &= -2.6\mathbf{j}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \mathbf{u} = -13\mathbf{j}$$

The velocity of the ball immediately before it is hit is $-13\mathbf{j} \text{ m s}^{-1}$

$$3 \quad \text{Using conservation of linear momentum:}$$

momentum before = momentum after

$$4(2\mathbf{i} + 16\mathbf{j}) + 3(-\mathbf{i} - 8\mathbf{j}) = 4(-4\mathbf{i} - 32\mathbf{j}) + 3\mathbf{v}_Q$$

$$8\mathbf{i} + 64\mathbf{j} - 3\mathbf{i} - 24\mathbf{j} = -16\mathbf{i} - 128\mathbf{j} + 3\mathbf{v}_Q$$

$$3\mathbf{v}_Q = 21\mathbf{i} + 168\mathbf{j}$$

$$\mathbf{v}_Q = (7\mathbf{i} + 56\mathbf{j}) \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

$$4 \quad \mathbf{a} \quad \mathbf{r} = (t^3 + t^2 + 4t)\mathbf{i} + 11t\mathbf{j}, t \leq 4$$

$$\mathbf{v} = \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} = (3t^2 + 2t + 4)\mathbf{i} + 11\mathbf{j}$$

When $t = 4$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} &= (3(4)^2 + 2(4) + 4)\mathbf{i} + 11\mathbf{j} \\
 &= 60\mathbf{i} + 11\mathbf{j}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| \frac{d\mathbf{r}}{dt} \right| &= \sqrt{60^2 + 11^2} \\
 &= 61 \text{ m s}^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

4 b Impulse = $m\mathbf{v} - m\mathbf{u}$

$$2.4\mathbf{i} + 3.6\mathbf{j} = 0.3(\mathbf{v} - (60\mathbf{i} + 11\mathbf{j}))$$

$$8\mathbf{i} + 12\mathbf{j} = \mathbf{v} - (60\mathbf{i} + 11\mathbf{j})$$

$$\mathbf{v} = (68\mathbf{i} + 23\mathbf{j}) \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

5 Using conservation of linear momentum gives:

$$mu_1 - mu_2 = mv$$

$$u_1 - u_2 = v \quad (1)$$

Newton's law of restitution gives:

$$e = \frac{\text{speed of approach}}{\text{speed of separation}}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{v}{u_1 + v_1} \Rightarrow u_1 + v_1 = 3v \quad (2)$$

Solving (1) and (2) gives:

$$u_1 = 2v \text{ and } u_2 = v$$

So the ratio of speeds is 2:1

6 Using conservation of linear momentum:

momentum before = momentum after

$$m \times \frac{1}{4}u = \lambda mv$$

$$v = \frac{u}{4\lambda} \quad (1)$$

Newton's law of restitution gives:

$$e = \frac{\text{speed of approach}}{\text{speed of separation}}$$

$$\frac{1}{4} = \frac{v}{\frac{1}{4}u}$$

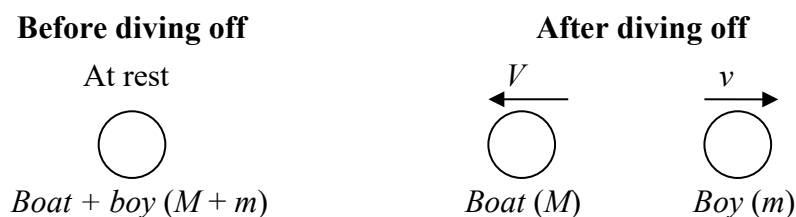
$$v = \frac{u}{16} \quad (2)$$

Solving (1) and (2) gives:

$$\frac{u}{4\lambda} = \frac{u}{16}$$

$$\lambda = 4$$

- 7 a Note that the boat moves in the opposite direction to the boy after the boy dives off.



Using conservation of linear momentum for the system (\rightarrow):

$$0 = mv - MV$$

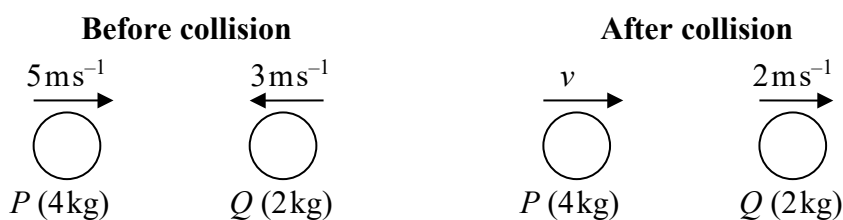
$$\Rightarrow V = \frac{mv}{M}$$

- b Let total kinetic energy of boy and boat after the dive be KE

$$\begin{aligned}
 KE &= \frac{1}{2}MV^2 + \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}M\left(\frac{mv}{M}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \\
 &= \frac{m^2v^2 + mMv^2}{2M} \\
 &= \frac{m(m+M)v^2}{2M} \quad \text{as required}
 \end{aligned}$$

- c The boat is large and heavy, so there will be additional tilting/rolling motion. The boat is also on water, so given waves, tides and currents it is unlikely to be at rest initially.

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Using conservation of linear momentum for the system (\rightarrow):

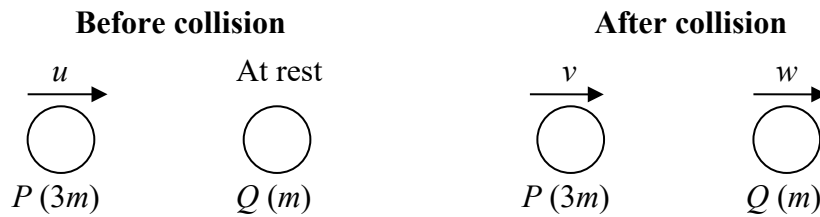
$$4 \times 5 + 2 \times (-3) = 4v + 2 \times 2$$

$$4v = 10 \Rightarrow v = 2.5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

Loss of kinetic energy = initial kinetic energy – final kinetic energy

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 5^2 + \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times 3^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 2.5^2 + \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times 2^2 \right) \\
 &= 50 + 9 - 12.5 - 4 = 42.5 \text{ J}
 \end{aligned}$$

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Using conservation of linear momentum for the system (\rightarrow):

$$3mu = 3mv + mw$$

$$\Rightarrow 3v + w = 3u \quad (1)$$

Using Newton's law of restitution:

$$e = \frac{w - v}{u}$$

$$\Rightarrow w - v = eu \quad (2)$$

Subtracting equation (2) from equation (1) gives:

$$4v = 3u - eu \Rightarrow v = \frac{u(3 - e)}{4}$$

b Substituting for v in equation (2) gives:

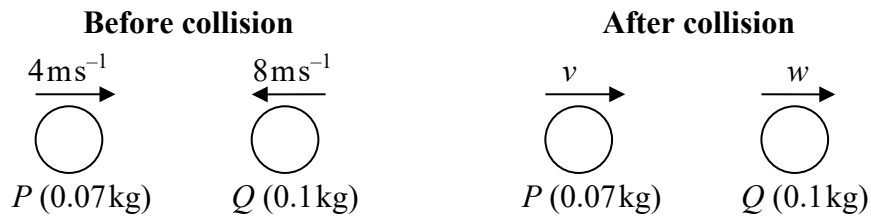
$$w = eu + \frac{u(3 - e)}{4} = \frac{4eu + 3u - eu}{4} = \frac{3u(e + 1)}{4}$$

Loss of kinetic energy = initial kinetic energy – final kinetic energy

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{2} \times 3mu^2 - \frac{1}{2} \times 3mv^2 - \frac{1}{2} mw^2 \\
 &= \frac{m}{2} \left(3u^2 - 3 \frac{u^2(3 - e)^2}{16} - 9 \frac{u^2(1 + e)^2}{16} \right) \\
 &= \frac{3mu^2}{32} (16 - (9 - 6e + e^2) - (3 + 6e + 3e^2)) \\
 &= \frac{3mu^2}{32} (4 - 4e^2) \\
 &= \frac{3mu^2(1 - e^2)}{8}
 \end{aligned}$$

c Impulse exerted on Q is change of momentum of $Q = mw = \frac{3mu(1 + e)}{4} \text{ N s}$

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Using conservation of linear momentum for the system (\rightarrow):

$$0.07 \times 4 + 0.1 \times (-8) = 0.07v + 0.1w$$

$$\Rightarrow 7v + 10w = -52 \quad (1)$$

Using Newton's law of restitution:

$$e = \frac{5}{12} = \frac{w - v}{4 - (-8)}$$

$$\Rightarrow w - v = 5 \quad (2)$$

Adding equation (1) and $7 \times$ equation (2) gives:

$$17w = -52 + 35 = -17 \Rightarrow w = -1$$

Substituting in equation (2) gives:

$$-1 - v = 5 \Rightarrow v = -6$$

So the velocities after impact are 6ms^{-1} and 1ms^{-1} in the direction of the 100 g mass prior to the impact.

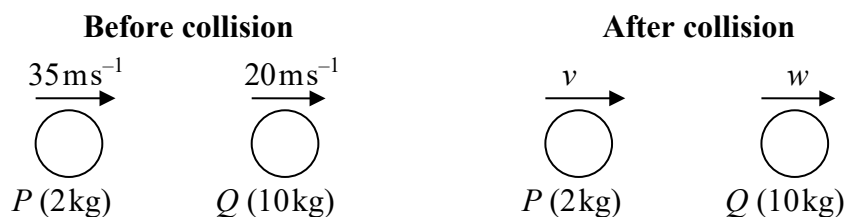
b Let loss of kinetic energy in the collision be KE

$KE =$ initial kinetic energy $-$ final kinetic energy

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 0.07 \times 4^2 + \frac{1}{2} \times 0.1 \times (-8)^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 0.07 \times (-6)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \times 0.1 \times (-1)^2 \right)$$

$$= (0.56 + 3.2) - (1.26 + 0.05) = 2.45 \text{ J}$$

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Using conservation of linear momentum for the system (\rightarrow):

$$2 \times 35 + 10 \times 20 = 2v + 10w$$

$$\Rightarrow 2v + 10w = 270 \quad (1)$$

Using Newton's law of restitution:

$$e = \frac{3}{5} = \frac{w - v}{35 - 20}$$

$$\Rightarrow w - v = 9 \quad (2)$$

Adding equation (1) and $2 \times$ equation (2) gives:

$$12w = 270 + 18 = 288 \Rightarrow w = 24$$

Substituting in equation (2) gives:

$$24 - v = 9 \Rightarrow v = 15$$

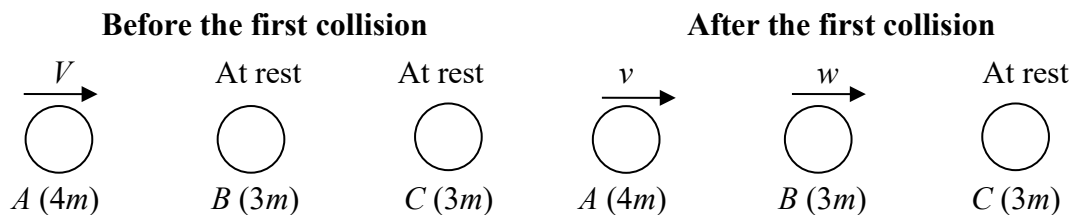
After the impact, assume that the particles move at constant speed and use speed \times time = distance.

Five seconds after the impact the 10kg mass moved a distance $24 \times 5 = 120$ m

It takes the 2kg mass a time of $\frac{120}{15}$ to travel 120 m, i.e. 8 seconds.

The time that elapses between the 10kg sphere resting on the barrier and it being struck by the 2 kg sphere therefore = $8 \text{ s} - 5 \text{ s} = 3$ seconds.

- 12 First consider impact of A with B , then of B with C , then of A with B again.



Using conservation of linear momentum for the system (\rightarrow)::

$$4V = 4v + 3w \Rightarrow 4v + 3w = 4V \quad (1)$$

Using Newton's law of restitution:

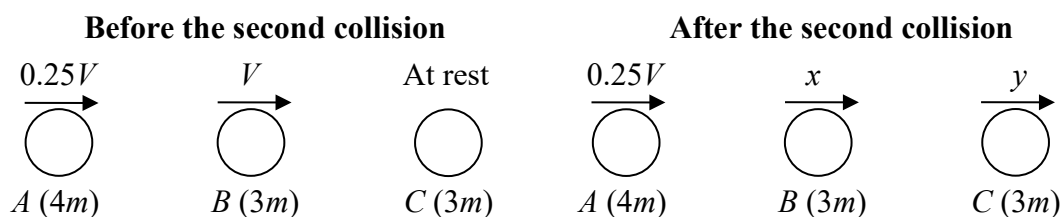
$$e = \frac{3}{4} = \frac{w - v}{V} \Rightarrow 4w - 4v = 3V \quad (2)$$

Adding equations (1) and (2) gives:

$$7w = 7V \Rightarrow w = V$$

Substituting in equation (2) gives:

$$4V - 4v = 3V \Rightarrow v = 0.25V$$



Using conservation of linear momentum for the system (\rightarrow)::

$$3V = 3x + 3y \Rightarrow x + y = V \quad (3)$$

Using Newton's law of restitution:

$$e = \frac{3}{4} = \frac{y - x}{V} \Rightarrow y - x = 0.75V \quad (4)$$

Adding equations (3) and (4) gives:

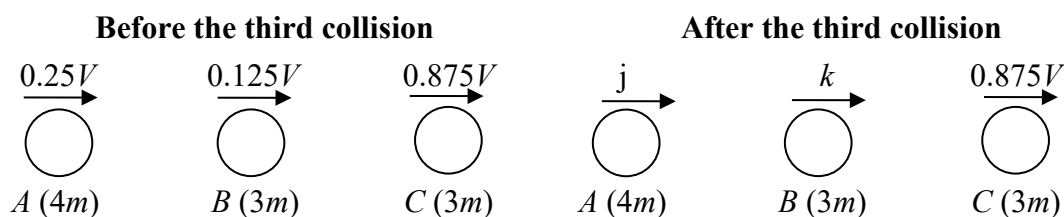
$$2y = 1.75V \Rightarrow y = 0.875V$$

Substituting in equation (4) gives:

$$0.875V - x = 0.75V \Rightarrow x = 0.125V$$

12 (cont.)

Ball A is now moving at $0.25V$ and ball B is moving at $0.125V$ so ball A will strike ball B for a second time.



Using conservation of linear momentum for the system (\rightarrow):

$$(4 \times 0.25)V + (3 \times 0.125)V = 4j + 3k$$

$$\Rightarrow 4j + 3k = 1.375V \quad (5)$$

Using Newton's law of restitution:

$$e = \frac{3}{4} = \frac{k - j}{0.125V}$$

$$\Rightarrow 4k - 4j = 0.375V \quad (6)$$

Adding equations (5) and (6) gives:

$$7k = 1.75V \Rightarrow k = 0.25V$$

Substituting in equation (6) gives:

$$V - 4j = 0.375V \Rightarrow j = 0.15625V$$

After three collisions the velocities are $0.15625V$, $0.25V$ and $0.875V$ for balls A , B and C respectively. In fractions, the respective velocities are $\frac{5}{32}V$, $\frac{1}{4}V$ and $\frac{7}{8}V$.

As $\frac{5}{32}V < \frac{1}{4}V < \frac{7}{8}V$ there are no further collisions.

13 a Newton's law of restitution gives:

$$e = \frac{\text{speed of rebound}}{\text{speed of approach}}$$

$$0.4 = \frac{v}{30}$$

$$v = 12$$

Kinetic energy before collision:

$$\text{KE}_{\text{before}} = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.2 \times 30^2$$

$$= 90 \text{ J}$$

Kinetic energy after collision:

$$\text{KE}_{\text{after}} = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.2 \times 12^2$$

$$= 14.4 \text{ J}$$

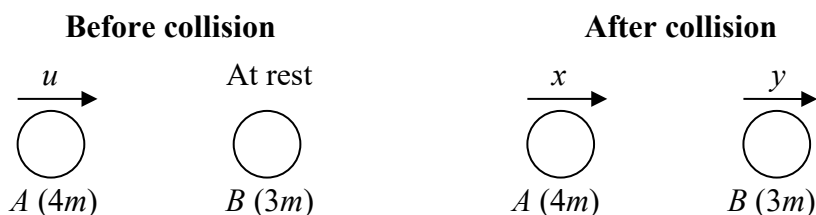
Therefore loss in kinetic energy:

$$\text{KE}_{\text{loss}} = 90 - 14.4$$

$$= 75.6 \text{ J}$$

13 b heat/sound

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Using conservation of linear momentum for the system (\rightarrow):

$$4u = 3y + 4x$$

$$\Rightarrow 3y + 4x = 4u \quad (1)$$

Using Newton's law of restitution:

$$e = \frac{y - x}{u}$$

$$\Rightarrow y - x = eu \quad (2)$$

Adding equation (1) and $4 \times$ equation (2) gives:

$$7y = 4u + 4eu \Rightarrow y = \frac{4}{7}u(1 + e)$$

Substituting in equation (2) gives:

$$\frac{4}{7}u(1 + e) - x = eu$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{4u + 4eu - 7eu}{7} = \frac{u}{7}(4 - 3e)$$

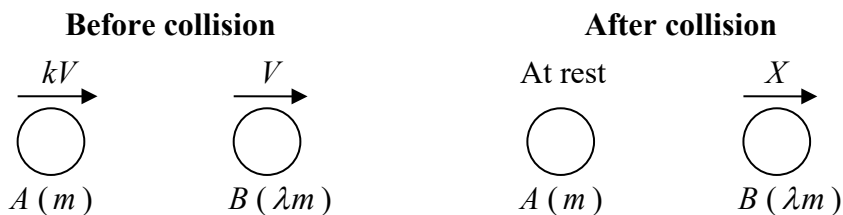
b Impulse = change in momentum of B

$$\text{So } 2mu = 3m \times \frac{4}{7}u(1 + e)$$

$$1 + e = \frac{14}{12}$$

$$\Rightarrow e = \frac{1}{6}$$

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Using conservation of linear momentum for the system (\rightarrow):

$$mkV + \lambda mV = \lambda mX$$

$$\Rightarrow X = \frac{(\lambda + k)V}{\lambda}$$

Using Newton's law of restitution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 e &= \frac{X}{kV - V} \\
 &= \frac{(\lambda + k)V}{\lambda(kV - V)} \quad (\text{substituting for } X) \\
 &= \frac{\lambda + k}{\lambda(k - 1)}
 \end{aligned}$$

b As $e < 1$, $\frac{\lambda + k}{\lambda(k - 1)} < 1$

So $\lambda + k < \lambda k - \lambda$ (as $\lambda > 0$ and $k > 1$)

$$2\lambda + k < \lambda k$$

$$\lambda k - 2\lambda > k$$

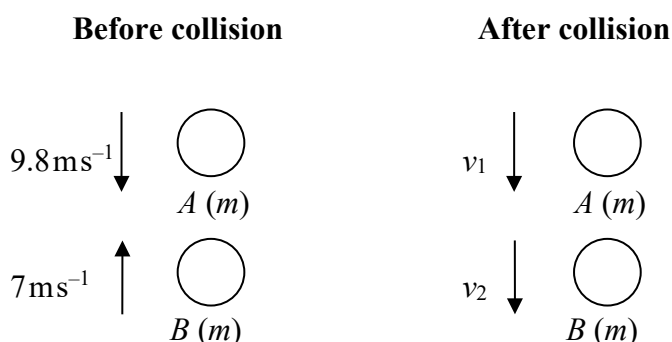
$$\lambda(k - 2) > k$$

Since $k > 0$ and $\lambda > 0$, therefore $k - 2 > 0$

So $\lambda > \frac{k}{k - 2}$ and $k > 2$

- 16 a** Use $v = u + at$ downwards with $u = 0$, $t = 1$ and $a = 9.8$ to find the velocity of the first ball before impact. This gives:

$$v = 9.8$$



Using conservation of linear momentum for the system (↓):

$$9.8m - 7m = mv_2 + mv_1$$

$$\Rightarrow v_2 + v_1 = 2.8 \quad (1)$$

Using Newton's law of restitution:

$$e = \frac{1}{4} = \frac{v_2 - v_1}{9.8 + 7}$$

$$\Rightarrow v_2 - v_1 = 4.2 \quad (2)$$

Adding equations (1) and (2) gives:

$$2v_2 = 7 \Rightarrow v_2 = 3.5 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

Substituting in equation (2) gives:

$$3.5 - v_1 = 4.2$$

$$\Rightarrow v_1 = -0.7 \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

Both balls change directions, the first moves up with speed 0.7 ms^{-1} and the second moves down with speed 3.5 ms^{-1} .

b Kinetic energy before impact $= \frac{1}{2}m \times 9.8^2 + \frac{1}{2}m \times 7^2 = 72.52m \text{ J}$

Kinetic energy after impact $= \frac{1}{2}m \times 0.7^2 + \frac{1}{2}m \times 3.5^2 = 6.37m \text{ J}$

Percentage loss of kinetic energy $= \frac{72.52 - 6.37}{72.52} = 91.2\% = 91\% \text{ (2 s.f.)}$

17 a Stage one: particle falls under gravity ↓:

Use $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$ downwards with $u = 0$, $s = 8$ and $a = g$

$$v^2 = 2g \times 8 = 16g \Rightarrow v = \sqrt{16g}$$

Stage two: first impact:

The particle rebounds with velocity $\frac{1}{4}\sqrt{16g} = \sqrt{g}$

Stage three: particle moves under gravity ↑:

Let the height to which the ball rebounds after the first bounce be h_1

Use $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$ upwards with $v = 0$, $u = \sqrt{g}$, $a = -g$ and $s = h_1$

$$0 = g - 2gh_1$$

$$\Rightarrow h_1 = 0.5 \text{ m}$$

b Use $v = u + at$ upwards with $v = 0$, $u = \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{16g}$ and $a = -g$ to find the time it takes the particle to reach the top of the bounce

$$0 = \frac{1}{4}\sqrt{16g} - gt$$

$$\Rightarrow t = \frac{\sqrt{g}}{g} = 0.319$$

So the time taken to reach the plane again = $2 \times 0.319 = 0.64 \text{ s}$ (2 s.f.) or $\frac{2}{\sqrt{g}} \text{ s}$

c Speed of approach = \sqrt{g}

The speed of the particle after the second rebound = $e\sqrt{g} = \frac{\sqrt{g}}{4} = 0.78 \text{ ms}^{-1}$ (2 s.f.)

18 Stage one: particle falls under gravity \downarrow :

Use $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$ downwards with $u = 0$, $s = h$ and $a = g$

$$v^2 = 2gh \Rightarrow v = \sqrt{2gh}$$

Use $s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$ to find the time to the first bounce

$$h = \frac{1}{2}gt_1^2 \Rightarrow t_1 = \sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}}$$

Stage two: particle rebounds from plane.

The particle rebounds with velocity $e\sqrt{2gh}$

Stage three: particle moves under gravity until it hits the plane again \uparrow :

Use $s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$ to find the time from the first to the second bounce, $u = e\sqrt{2gh}$, $s = 0$ and $a = -g$

$$0 = e\sqrt{2gh}t_2 - \frac{1}{2}gt_2^2$$

$$t_2 = \frac{2e\sqrt{2gh}}{g} = 2e\sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}}$$

Stage four: particle rebounds (again) from plane.

Speed of approach $= e\sqrt{2gh}$, so speed of rebound $= e^2\sqrt{2gh}$

Similar working finds that the time from the second bounce to the third bounce is $t_3 = 2e^2\sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}}$

And the time from the third bounce to the fourth bounce is $t_4 = 2e^3\sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}} \dots$

Let the total time taken by the particle be T , then

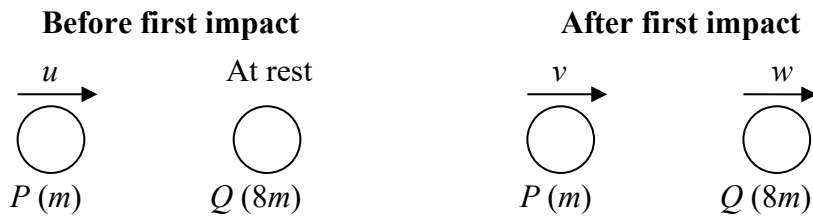
$$\begin{aligned} T &= \sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}} + 2e\sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}} + 2e^2\sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}} + 2e^3\sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}} + \dots \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}} + 2\sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}}(e + e^2 + e^3 + \dots) \end{aligned}$$

The expression in the bracket is an infinite geometric series with $a = e$ and $r = e$. Using the formula

$S_\infty = \frac{a}{1-r} = \frac{e}{1-e}$, the expression for T can be simplified as follows

$$T = \sqrt{\frac{2g}{h}} \left(1 + \frac{2e}{1-e} \right) = \left(\frac{1-e+2e}{1-e} \right) \sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}} = \frac{1+e}{1-e} \sqrt{\frac{2h}{g}}$$

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Using conservation of linear momentum for the system (\rightarrow):

$$mu = mv + 8mw \Rightarrow v + 8w = u \quad (1)$$

Using Newton's law of restitution:

$$e = \frac{7}{8} = \frac{w - v}{u} \Rightarrow 8w - 8v = 7u \quad (2)$$

Subtracting equation (2) from equation (1) gives:

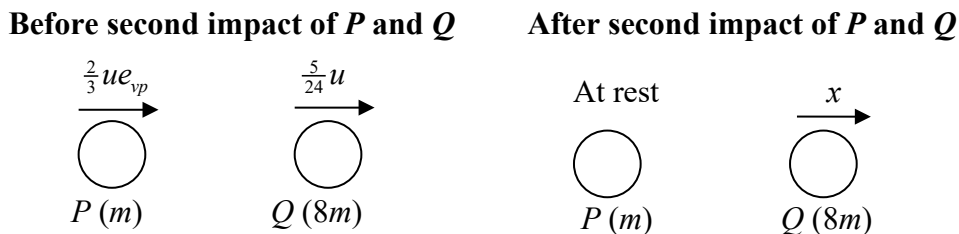
$$9v = u - 7u \Rightarrow v = -\frac{2}{3}u$$

Substituting in equation (2) gives:

$$8w + \frac{16u}{3} = 7u \Rightarrow 8w = \frac{5u}{3} \Rightarrow w = \frac{5u}{24}$$

Let e_{vp} be the coefficient of restitution between P and the vertical plane.

So P then hits the vertical plane with speed $\frac{2u}{3}$ and rebounds with speed $\frac{2}{3}ue_{vp}$



Using conservation of linear momentum for the system (\rightarrow):

$$\frac{2}{3}mue_{vp} + \frac{5}{24}mu = 8mx \Rightarrow 24x = 2ue_{vp} + 5u \quad (3)$$

Using Newton's law of restitution:

$$e = \frac{7}{8} = \frac{x}{\frac{2}{3}ue_{vp} - \frac{5}{24}u} \Rightarrow \frac{7}{8}\left(\frac{2}{3}ue_{vp} - \frac{5}{24}u\right) = x \Rightarrow 24x = 14ue_{vp} - \frac{35}{8}u \quad (4)$$

Subtracting equation (4) from equation (3) gives:

$$12ue_{vp} = 5u + \frac{35}{8}u = \frac{75}{8}u \Rightarrow e_{vp} = \frac{75}{96} = \frac{25}{32}$$

20 The kinetic energy generated on ‘bowling’ is:

$$E = \frac{1}{2}MV^2 + \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \quad (1)$$

Where V is the speed of the machine after ‘bowling’ and v is the speed of the ball

Using conservation of linear momentum:

momentum before = momentum after

$$0 = MV + mv$$

$$V = -\frac{mv}{M} \quad (2)$$

Substituting (1) into (2) gives:

$$E = \frac{1}{2}M\left(-\frac{mv}{M}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

$$2E = \frac{m^2v^2}{M} + mv^2$$

$$2ME = m^2v^2 + mMv^2$$

$$v^2 = \frac{2ME}{m^2 + mM}$$

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{2ME}{m(m+M)}}$$

21 a Using $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$ downwards with $u = 0$, $s = H$ and $a = g$

$$v^2 = 2gH \Rightarrow v = \sqrt{2gH}$$

The ball rebounds with speed $e\sqrt{2gH}$

Using $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$ upwards with $u = e\sqrt{2gH}$, $s = h$ and $a = -g$

$$0 = 2gHe^2 - 2gh$$

$$e^2 = \frac{h}{H} \Rightarrow e = \sqrt{\frac{h}{H}}$$

b The ball rebounds the second time with speed $e^2\sqrt{2gH}$

Using $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$ upwards with $u = e^2\sqrt{2gH}$, $s = h'$ and $a = -g$

$$0 = 2gHe^4 - 2gh'$$

$$h' = He^4 = H\left(\frac{h}{H}\right)^2 = \frac{Hh^2}{H^2} = \frac{h^2}{H}$$

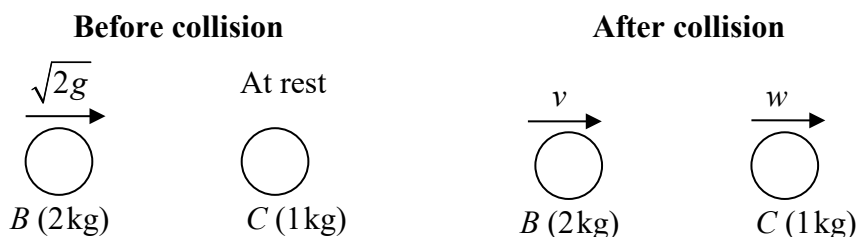
$$h' = e^4H = \left(\frac{h}{H}\right)^2 H = \frac{h^2H}{H^2} = \frac{h^2}{H}$$

c The ball continues to bounce (for an infinite amount of time) with its height decreasing by a common ratio each time.

22 a Use $F = ma$ to determine the acceleration of the sphere down the smooth slope. This gives:

$$2g \sin 30^\circ = 2a \Rightarrow a = g \sin 30^\circ = \frac{g}{2} = 0.5g$$

Use $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$ with $u = 0$, $s = 2$ and $a = 0.5g$ to find the speed of the ball when it reaches the horizontal plane: $v^2 = 2g \Rightarrow v = \sqrt{2g}$



Using conservation of linear momentum for the system (\rightarrow):

$$2\sqrt{2g} = 2v + w$$

$$\Rightarrow 2v + w = 2\sqrt{2g} \quad (1)$$

Using Newton's law of restitution:

$$e = 0.75 = \frac{w - v}{\sqrt{2g}}$$

$$\Rightarrow w - v = 0.75\sqrt{2g} \quad (2)$$

Adding equation (1) and $2 \times$ equation (2) gives:

$$3w = 2\sqrt{2g} + 1.5\sqrt{2g} = 3.5\sqrt{2g} \Rightarrow w = \frac{7}{6}\sqrt{2g} \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

Substituting in equation (2) gives:

$$\frac{7}{6}\sqrt{2g} - v = \frac{3}{4}\sqrt{2g}$$

$$\Rightarrow v = \left(\frac{14}{12} - \frac{9}{12}\right)\sqrt{2g} = \frac{5}{12}\sqrt{2g} \text{ ms}^{-1}$$

Both B and C continue in the direction B was originally moving.

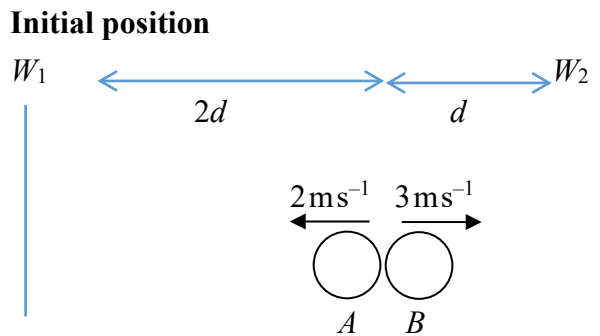
b Energy lost in the collision = initial kinetic energy – final kinetic energy

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times (\sqrt{2g})^2 - \left(\frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times \left(\frac{5\sqrt{2g}}{12}\right)^2 + \frac{1}{2} \times 1 \times \left(\frac{7\sqrt{2g}}{6}\right)^2 \right)$$

$$= 2g - \left(\frac{50g}{144} + \frac{98g}{72}\right) = 2g - \left(\frac{50g}{144} + \frac{98g}{72}\right) = \frac{42g}{144} = \frac{7g}{24} \text{ J}$$

c If $e < 0.75$ the amount of kinetic energy lost would increase as the collision would be less elastic.

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Suppose point Q is at a distance x from wall W_1

Consider the motion of sphere A :

Time taken for A to travel from point P to wall W_1 is $\frac{\text{distance}}{\text{speed}} = \frac{2d}{2} = d$

Sphere A rebounds with speed $\frac{3}{5} \times 2 = \frac{6}{5} \text{ m s}^{-1}$

Time taken for A to travel from wall W_1 to point Q is $\frac{\text{distance}}{\text{speed}} = \frac{x}{\frac{6}{5}} = \frac{5x}{6}$

Consider the motion of sphere B :

Time taken for B to travel from point P to wall W_2 is $\frac{\text{distance}}{\text{speed}} = \frac{d}{3}$

Sphere B rebounds with speed $\frac{3}{5} \times 3 = \frac{9}{5} \text{ m s}^{-1}$

Time taken for B to travel from W_2 to point Q is $\frac{\text{distance}}{\text{speed}} = \frac{3d-x}{\frac{9}{5}} = \frac{5(3d-x)}{9} = \frac{15d-5x}{9}$

When A and B meet at Q , they have been travelling for the same time, so

$$d + \frac{5x}{6} = \frac{d}{3} + \frac{15d-5x}{9}$$

$$18d + 15x = 6d + 30d - 10x$$

$$25x = 18d$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \frac{18d}{25} \text{ and } 3d - x = \frac{57d}{25}$$

$$18d + 15x = 6d + 30d - 10x$$

Therefore the distance ratio $W_1Q : W_2Q = x : 3d - x = \frac{18d}{25} : \frac{57d}{25} = 18 : 57 = 6 : 19$

Challenge

- 1 a Using conservation of linear momentum:
momentum before = momentum after

$$mu - kmu = \pm(m + km)v$$

$$mu - kmu = mv + kmv$$

$$mu - mv = kmu + kmv$$

$$k = \frac{u - v}{u + v}$$

Or

$$mu - kmu = -mv - kmv$$

$$mu + mv = kmu - kmv$$

$$k = \frac{u + v}{u - v}$$

Since k is positive $u > v$

- b If $k = \frac{u - v}{u + v}$ then Q changes direction.

If $k = \frac{u + v}{u - v}$ then P changes direction.

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Before string B–C becomes taut

At rest

 $A (m_1)$

At rest

 $B (m_2)$ u  $C (m_3)$ **After string B–C becomes taut**

At rest

 $A (m_1)$ v_1  $B (m_2)$ v_1  $C (m_3)$ Using conservation of linear momentum for the system (\rightarrow):

$$m_3 u = m_2 v_1 + m_3 v_1$$

$$m_3 u = v_1 (m_2 + m_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow v_1 = \frac{m_3 u}{(m_2 + m_3)}$$

Before string A–B becomes taut

At rest

 $A (m_1)$ v_1  $B (m_2)$ v_1  $C (m_3)$ **After string A–B becomes taut** v_2  $A (m_1)$ v_2  $B (m_2)$ v_2  $C (m_3)$ Using conservation of linear momentum for the system (\rightarrow):

$$m_2 v_1 + m_3 v_1 = m_1 v_2 + m_2 v_2 + m_3 v_2$$

$$v_1 (m_2 + m_3) = v_2 (m_1 + m_2 + m_3)$$

$$\Rightarrow v_2 = \frac{v_1 (m_2 + m_3)}{(m_1 + m_2 + m_3)} = \frac{m_3 u}{(m_1 + m_2 + m_3)}$$

$$\text{Total kinetic energy} = \frac{1}{2} (m_1 + m_2 + m_3) v_2^2$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (m_1 + m_2 + m_3) \left(\frac{m_3 u}{(m_1 + m_2 + m_3)} \right)^2$$

$$= \frac{m_3^2 u^2}{2(m_1 + m_2 + m_3)}$$