## Impulse \& Momentum - 1 - Practice

1. A tennis ball of mass 0.060 kg is moving horizontally to the right, with a speed of $20 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$. A player hits it straight back, so that it leaves the racket with a speed of $25 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ to the left.
(a) Calculate the size of the change of momentum of the ball? ( $2.7 \mathrm{kgm} / \mathrm{s}$ ) Hint: take care with directions
(b) What is the direction of the change of momentum of the ball? (left)
2. Snooker ball A, of mass 0.15 kg , travelling at speed $0.50 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$, hits an identical stationary ball B head-on. After the collision B moves off at a speed $0.45 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$. Calculate the velocity of $\mathbf{A}$ after the impact. ( $0.05 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ )
3. A snooker ball, mass 0.15 kg , travelling at speed $0.30 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ hits the cushion headon and receives an impulse of 0.075 Ns . Hint: take care with directions Calculate the speed at which it bounces back. ( $0.20 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ )
4. A free-running trolley, mass 0.60 kg , travelling at $0.20 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$, collides and sticks to a stationary trolley, mass 0.15 kg .
Calculate:
(a) the momentum of the 0.60 kg trolley before the collision ( $0.12 \mathrm{kgm} / \mathrm{s}$ )
(b) the velocity of the two trolleys when they have stuck together after the collision ( $0.16 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ )
(c) the kinetic energy of the 0.60 kg trolley before the collision (kinetic energy is given by $1 / 2 m v^{2}$ ) ( 0.012 J )
(d) the kinetic energy of the two trolleys together after the collision $\left(9.6 \times 10^{-3} \mathrm{~J}\right)$
(e) the impulse of the collision ( $0.024 \mathrm{kgm} / \mathrm{s}$ )
5. An air rifle pellet of mass 10 g is fired into a block of wood of mass 200 g and becomes embedded in it. The speed of the bullet was $500 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ Calculate the speed of the block immediately after the impact. ( $24 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ )
6. A football of mass 0.45 kg falls vertically to hit the floor at a speed of $5.0 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$, and rebounds with a speed of $3.0 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$.
Calculate the impulse exerted on the ball by the floor. (3.6 Ns)
7. An air rifle pellet of mass 12 g is fired into a block of wood, mass 200 g . The block with the pellet embedded in it moves off with a speed of $25 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$.
Calculate the speed of the bullet. ( $440 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$ )
8. Two vehicles, $X$ and $Y$, travel in the same direction along the same straight line. After a time of 5.0 s the vehicles collide and stick together.
The velocity-time graphs for the motion are shown.


The mass of vehicle X is 2.0 kg . Calculate the mass of vehicle Y . ( 6.0 kg )

