## **MOMENTUM**

## Impulse / Elastic Collisions-problems

- 1. A bullet with a mass of .008-kg (8.0-gram) is fired horizontally into a stationary 9.0-kg block of wood on a frictionless horizontal surface. The bullet sticks into the block of wood and after the impact, the block has a speed of 0.4 m/s.
  - a. What was the initial velocity of the bullet?
  - b. If the bullet came to rest inside the block in 3.0 milliseconds (3.0 x 10<sup>-6</sup> sec), what force did the block of wood applied on the bullet?
  - c. What is the change in mechanical energy (KE) of the bullet-block system?
  - d. What is the change in momentum of the bullet-block system?

2. A 2.0-kilogram brick is moving at a speed of 6 meters per second. How large a force is needed to bring the brick to rest in  $7.0 \times 10^{-4}$  seconds?

3. A 40,000-kg freight car is coasting at a speed of 5.0 m/s along a straight track when it strikes a 30,000 kg stationary freight car and couples to it. What will be the speed after impact?

- 4. Two balls of equal mass, moving with a speed of 3.0 m/s, collide head on. Find the <u>velocity</u> of each after impact for each of the following situations.
  - a. They have an inelastic (stick) collision.
  - b. They have a <u>perfectly</u> elastic collision (KE conserved).

- 5. Four 50-kg girls are sitting in a boat at rest. They simultaneously dive horizontally in the same direction at 2.5 m/s from the same side of the boat. The empty boat has a speed of 0.1 m/s afterwards.
  - a. What is the mass of the boat?
  - b. What is the change in mechanical energy of the system?

- 6. A 4,000-kg truck is moving <u>eastward</u> through a frictionless intersection at 3.0 m/s. A second truck, with a mass of 8,000 kg, is moving <u>northward</u> through the same intersection at 2.0 m/s. They collide and stick together.
  - a. What is their speed immediately after impact?
  - b. What is the change in mechanical energy of the system?
  - c. Name at least two places the energy went.