

MECHANICS |

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* new syllabus

① Kinematics

- motion of particle in straight line
- with constant a
- with variable a

② Statics

- Resultant Force of System, in disequilibrium
- equilibrium system \rightarrow limiting friction/equilibrium

③ Dynamics

- $F = ma$ \rightarrow $W = mg$
 - \rightarrow motion of particle
 - \rightarrow motion of chain of particles

def. of coeff. of friction
 $F = \mu R$ or $F \leq \mu R$

④ Work Done, Energy and Power

$$W = Fd \cos \theta$$
$$P = \frac{W}{t} = Fv$$

⑤ Momentum and Impulse

* particle physics (treat as 0-d point)
(translational)

- linear \vec{s}
- linear v ($\frac{d\vec{s}}{dt}$)
- linear a ($\frac{d^2\vec{s}}{dt^2}$)

* Calculator Used

at least

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old

middle

latest

Chapter 1: Kinematics

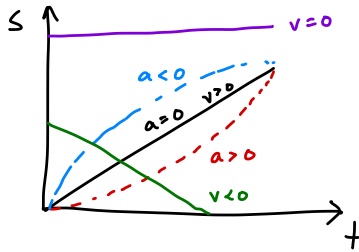
(motion on a straight line)

- DISPLACEMENT / DISTANCE
- VELOCITY
- ACCELERATION

- EQUATIONS OF MOTION
(assuming constant acceleration)

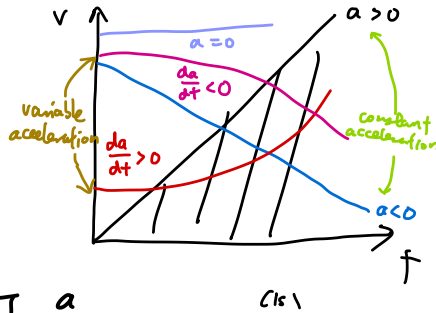
$$\begin{aligned} ① \quad s &= \frac{1}{2}(u+v)t \\ ② \quad v &= u + at \\ ③ \quad v^2 &= u^2 + 2as \\ ④ \quad s &= ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2 \end{aligned}$$

- s-t GRAPH



$$\frac{ds}{dt} = v$$

- v-t GRAPH



$$\frac{dv}{dt} = a$$

Area under graph
= s.

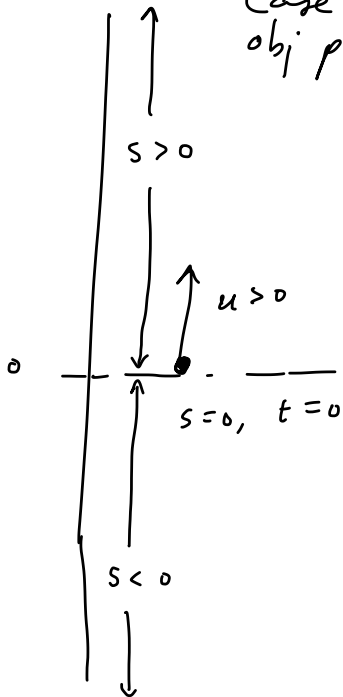
- SOLVING PROBS w/ CONSTANT a

- ① Use the constant acceleration formulae
- ② Use the v-t graphs.

$$v = u + at$$

$$\Rightarrow v = u - gt$$

Case I:
obj projected upwards
 $a = -10$ (constant)



$$s = ut - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

$$2s = 2ut - gt^2 \Rightarrow \text{quadratic in } t$$

$$gt^2 - 2ut + 2s = 0$$

$$t = \frac{2u \pm \sqrt{4u^2 - 4(g)(2s)}}{2g}$$

$$t = \frac{2u \pm \sqrt{4u^2 - 8gs}}{2g}$$

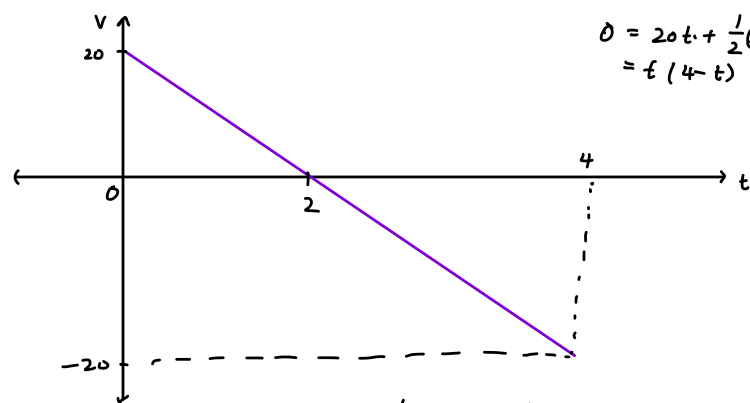
If $s > 0$, t can take 2 true values.

If $s = 0$, $t = 0$ or $t = \frac{2u}{g}$.

If $s < 0$, t takes 1 true value (accept)
& 1 -ve value (reject)

Velocity time graph (case I)

Ex. If obj is projected w/ a speed of 20 ms^{-1} vertically upwards from the ground.



$$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

$$0 = 20t + \frac{1}{2}(-10)t^2$$
$$= t(4 - t)$$

$$v = u + at$$

$$v = 20 + (-10)(4)$$

$$s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

$$0 =$$

Motion of a p w/ variable a

→ CANNOT use constant acceleration formulae!

3 cases

a) $s = f(t)$

$$\rightarrow v = \frac{ds}{dt}$$

$$\rightarrow a = \frac{dv}{dt} \text{ or } \frac{d^2s}{dt^2}$$

b) $v = f(t)$

$$\rightarrow s = \int v dt$$

$$\rightarrow a = \frac{dv}{dt}$$

c) $a = f(t)$

$$\rightarrow v = \int a dt$$

$$\rightarrow s = \int v dt$$

*remember when doing \int , add "+C"!

Chapter 2: Statics

"Static" — stationary / at rest

resultant forces

1) resultant of two F

→ Δ or \square law of addition

2) resultant of more than 2 F

→ res. of F

A Force has a magnitude & direction

→ hence F is a vector → represented by a directed line segment eg \vec{AB}

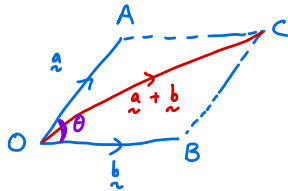
→ represented in algebraic form. $\vec{F} = (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j})\text{ N}$

* to find the resultant of 2 F acting on a p.

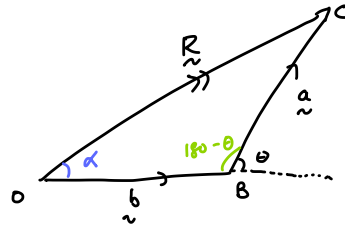
where the forces are represented by a directed line segment.

① \square law of \oplus

→ if 2 F, acting on a p at O, be represented in magnitude & dir. by 2 directed line segments \vec{OA} , \vec{OB} drawn from O.



→ to find magn. & dir. of the resultant.



- Let R = magn. of resultant force.



$$\therefore |\vec{R}| = \sqrt{|\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 - 2|\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos(180^\circ - \theta)}$$

$$|\vec{R}| = \sqrt{|\vec{a}|^2 + |\vec{b}|^2 + 2|\vec{a}||\vec{b}|\cos\theta}$$

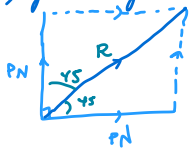
- Let α to direction of the resultant force.

sine rule: $\frac{|\vec{a}|}{\sin\alpha} = \frac{|\vec{R}|}{\sin(180^\circ - \theta)}$

SPECIAL CASES

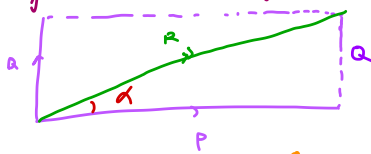
① If 2 forces \perp to each other.

a) if the 2 forces are equal in magnitude. (square)



$R = \sqrt{2}P$
The resultant F makes an angle of 45° with one of the PN forces in the system

b) if the 2 F are not equal (rect)



$$R = \sqrt{P^2 + Q^2}$$

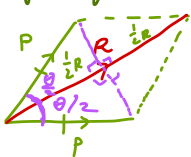
$$\alpha = \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{Q}{P}\right)$$

* must be in words!

The resultant F makes an angle α with the force P

② If forces $\times \perp$ to each other.

a) if 2 forces are equal (rhombus)



$$\cos \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{(\frac{R}{2})}{P}$$

$$R = 2P \cos \frac{\theta}{2}$$

→ Resultant force makes an angle of $\frac{1}{2}\theta$ w/ the direction of one of the PN forces.

③ F are \parallel .

a) $P \parallel Q$ $R = \vec{P} + \vec{Q}$

b) $P \nparallel Q$ $R = 0$

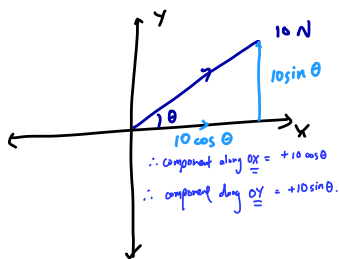
c) $P \nparallel Q$ $R = \vec{P} - \vec{Q}$

b) if 2 forces not equal (parallelogram)
- general parallelogram
- solve using cosine & sine rules

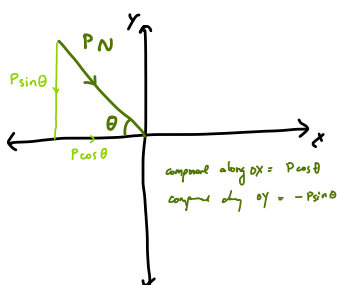
Resolution of a force.

→ every F can be resolved into 2 \perp components by trig.

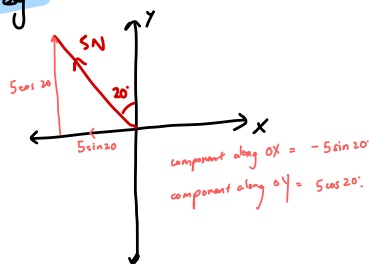
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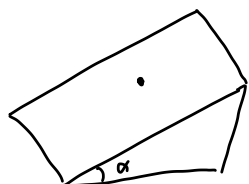
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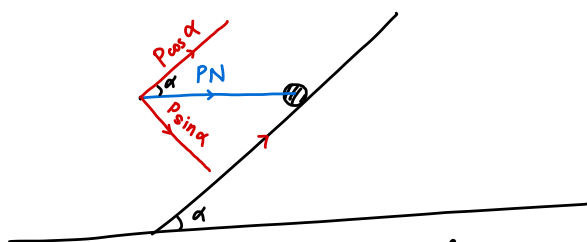
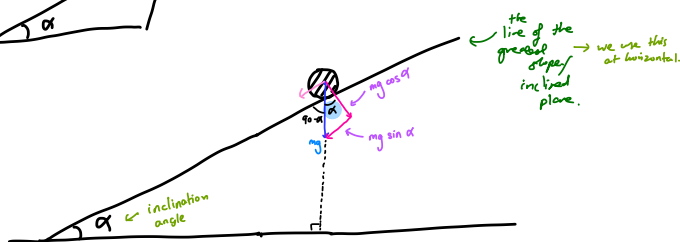
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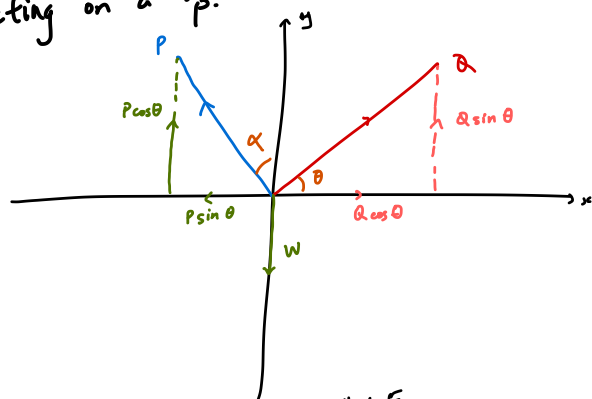
inclined plane



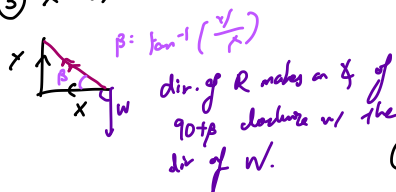
→ to resolve the weight \parallel & \perp to a line of the greatest slope of the plane.



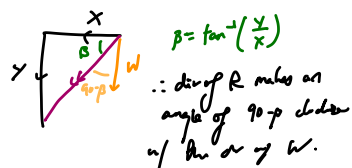
To find the resultant of a system of coplanar \perp acting on a 'p'.



③ $X < 0, Y > 0$



④ $X < 0, Y < 0$



Q: Find the magn & dir. of the resultant F .

method:

① Resolve all the F into 2 \perp components.

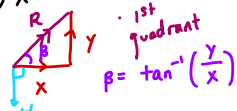
	(\rightarrow)	(\uparrow)
Q	$+Q \cos \theta$	$+Q \sin \theta$
P	$-P \sin \alpha$	$+P \cos \alpha$
W	0	$-W$
Σ	X	Y

$$X = Q \cos \theta - P \sin \alpha$$

$$Y = Q \sin \theta + P \cos \alpha - W$$

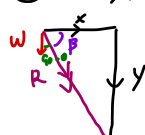
4 cases

① X +ve, Y +ve



→ dir. of R makes an \angle of $(90^\circ + \beta)$ anticlockwise w/ the dir. of the W force in the system.

② $X < 0, Y < 0$



\therefore dir. of R makes an \angle of $(90^\circ + \beta)$ anticlockwise w/ the dir. of the W force in the system.

Statics of a particle.

equilibrium conditions:

→ the resultant $F = 0$.

recall: resolve → = the sum of components in the horizontal

resolve ↑ = the sum of components in the vertical, or ⊥ to (→).

To find the resultant of the whole system: $R = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}$.

* if system is in eq, $F_R = 0$.

i.e. $R = 0 \Rightarrow \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} = 0$

$\therefore x^2 + y^2 = 0$.

$x^2 \geq 0, y^2 \geq 0$ for $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$

$\therefore x^2 = 0, y^2 = 0$.

$\therefore x = 0, y = 0$.

* we can equate the components of the forces in 2 ⊥ directions.

types of forces

① Weight

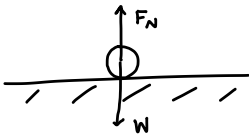
$W = mg, g = 10$

R or N

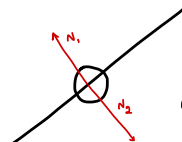
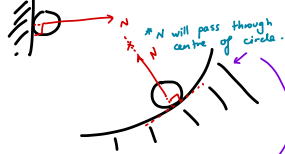
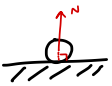
F

② Contact Forces (normal reaction & friction)

⇒ Newton's 3rd Law: every action has an equal and opp. reaction.



i) normal reaction.



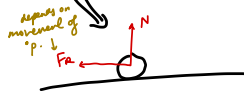
(thredded onto a wire).

could be either N_1 or N_2 . it depends on the system.

ii) Smooth vs Rough Contact.



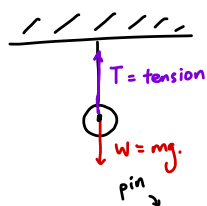
• no frictional force.
• \therefore only contact F is NCF.



• contact $F = N + F_R$.

• $|R| = \sqrt{N^2 + F_R^2}$

③ Forces of Attachment.

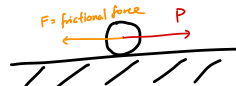


- taut: there is tension
- slack: there is no tension.
- break: tension exceeds breaking strength.

* all strings in M1 are INEXTENSIBLE / INELASTIC.



④ Friction



⇒ friction acts to oppose relative motion.

⇒ if body is at rest, $P = F$.

if $P \uparrow$, body will be on the point of moving. → "limiting equilibrium"
eventually, P will reach a crit pt. where the body will start sliding.

⇒ F has reached its limiting value:

$F = \mu R$
 μ = coeff. of friction
 R = normal contact force

$\mu \uparrow$, roughness \uparrow
 $\mu \downarrow$, roughness \downarrow .

① op in eq.
 $F_R \leq \mu R$.

② op in limiting eq.
 $F_R = \mu R$

③ particles slides sliding.
 $F_R = \mu R$
= (limit!)

Chapter 3:

Dynamics

→ straight line motion of a p under the action of a syst. of coplanar F.

★ Newton's 2nd Law:

the force F applied to a p is proportional to the mass, m of the p & the acceleration produced. $F = ma$. → translational motion

m : mass ⇒ linear inertia

a : linear acceleration ⇒ \ddot{x} or \dot{v}

F : resultant of the forces acting on the p, in the direction of motion.

Steps to solving problems involving dynamics.

① Draw a diagram showing the forces acting on a p.

② Resolve forces into 2 \perp directions.

- one \parallel to direction of motion
- one \perp to direction of motion

③ Since there is no a \perp to direction of motion, we can equate components of F \perp to the direction of motion.

→ p moving (↔) vv for vertical motion.
⇒ equate (↑)

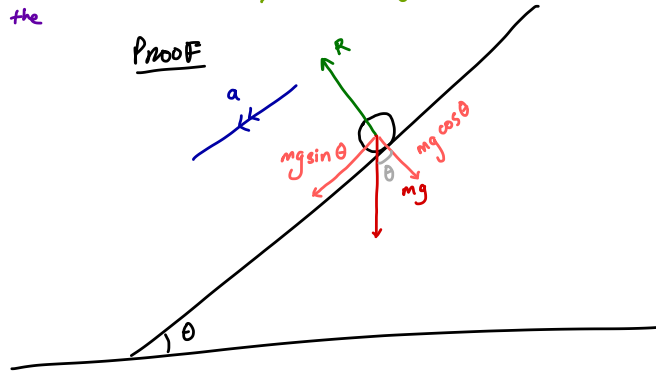
④ Apply $F = ma$ in the dir. of motion.

★ When a p is sliding down a smooth inclined plane,
 $\Rightarrow a = +g \sin \theta$ $\theta = \angle$ of inclination of plane w/ horizontal

★ When a p is projected up a smooth inclined plane.

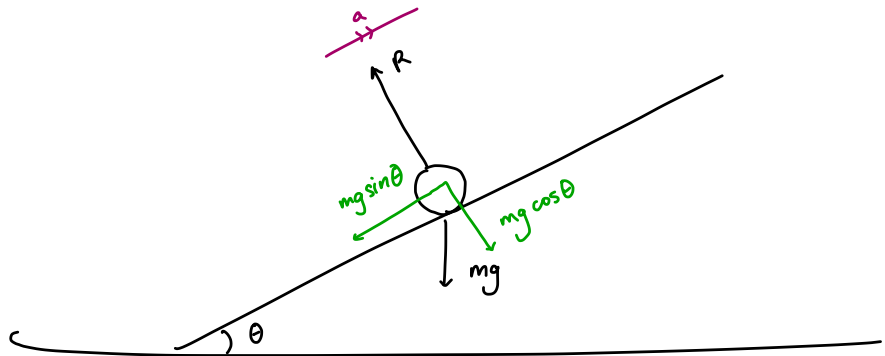
$$\Rightarrow a = -g \sin \theta$$

Proof



$$(\downarrow) R = mg \cos \theta$$

$$(\uparrow) mg \sin \theta = ma \quad \therefore a = g \sin \theta \Rightarrow \text{constant} \Rightarrow \text{can use constant acceleration formulae}$$



$$\rightarrow 0 - mg \sin \theta = ma \quad \therefore a = -g \sin \theta$$

Motion of 2 connected p

Consider 2 p att. to the ends of a light inext. str:



$v_1 > v_2 \Rightarrow$ string is slack
 $v_1 < v_2 \Rightarrow$ string breaks
 $v_1 = v_2 \Rightarrow$ string is taut.

same speed & accel.

By N3L, forces acting on the p will have the same magn. but opp. dir.



Problems involving pulleys

\rightarrow heavier p will move \downarrow

\rightarrow lighter p will move \uparrow

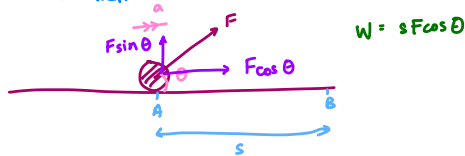
* motions of the 2 p are not independent bc they are connected by the string.

Chapter 4:

Work, Energy and Power

WORK DONE

→ defined as the component of the F in the direction of the motion times the distance travelled.



* special cases:

- ①
$$W.D. = F \cos 0 \times s = Fs$$
- ②
$$W.D. = F \cos 90 \times s = 0$$

→ force \perp to the dir. of motion do not do work.
- ③
$$W.D. = F \cos 180 \times s = -Fs$$

"-ve" indicates work is done against F .

MECHANICAL

KE

→ o.p is moving \Rightarrow KE

$$K.E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

→ consider:



W.D by the FN force on the o.p = $F \times s$

By N2L: $F = ma$ — ①

We know $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$

$$\therefore a = \frac{v^2 - u^2}{2s} \text{ — ②}$$

③ \Rightarrow ① $F = m \left(\frac{v^2 - u^2}{2s} \right)$

$$Fs = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}mv^2}_{KE_{\text{final}}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{2}mu^2}_{KE_{\text{initial}}}$$

work done by the force

* $\uparrow KE = E_{kf} - E_{ki} = \frac{1}{2}m(v^2 - u^2)$
 $\downarrow KE = E_{ki} - E_{kf} = \frac{1}{2}m(u^2 - v^2)$

GPE

→ the \hookrightarrow a body possesses by virtue of its pos in a gravitational field.

* $G.P.E = mgh$

* $\uparrow GPE = mg|\Delta h|$

$\downarrow GPE = -mg|\Delta h|$

ENERGY PRINCIPLES

i) Work-Energy principle

↳ W.D by a $F = \uparrow \downarrow$

↳ W.D against $F = \downarrow \uparrow$

ii) Principle of Conservation of Energy

↳ if there is no impulse, collision, friction, resistance;
the total mechanical Σ of the system \equiv .

a) $\Sigma E_i = \Sigma E_f$ * motion may be non-linear.

b) $\uparrow GPE = \downarrow KE$

$\downarrow GPE = \uparrow KE$

c) $\Sigma E_{\text{mechanical}}$ is constant.

POWER

↳ defined as the rate of work done.

$$P = \frac{W \cdot D}{t}$$

* motion of a moving vehicle.

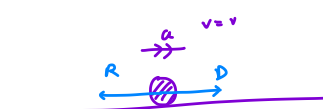
↳ if the engine of a vehicle is producing a driving force of "D", when the vehicle has speed "v", then the W.D / second is

$$P = \frac{W}{t} = \frac{D \times s}{t}$$

$$P = Dv$$

* to find the acceleration of the vehicle at a given instant:

① On level road

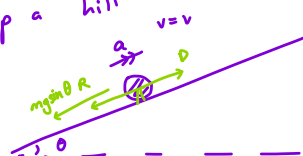


$$\Rightarrow D - R = ma$$

$$\frac{P}{v} - R = ma$$

* not constant acceleration.

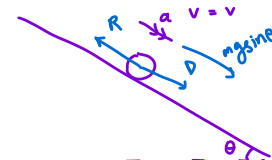
② Up a hill



$$D - mg \sin \theta - R = ma$$

$$\frac{P}{v} - mg \sin \theta - R = ma$$

③ Down a hill



$$D + mg \sin \theta - R = ma$$

$$\therefore \frac{P}{v} + mg \sin \theta - R = ma$$

iii) W.D by the driving force (= W.D by the car engine)

= gain in energy + W.D against R.

↳ defn of work done: Ds → use if D is a constant

↳ work done by D: Pt → use if P is constant

Chapter 5: Momentum

MOMENTUM

defⁿ → $p = mv$ = mass × velocity
 v vector ∴ p is a vector
 (has magn. & dir.)

IMPULSE

defⁿ → impulse for a force F that acts on a body for t_1 to t_2

$$= \int_{t_1}^{t_2} F dt.$$

$$\Rightarrow I = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} F dt.$$

IMPULSE - MOMENTUM PRINCIPLE

→ suppose a force F acting on a body of mass m for time t , w/
 initial vel. u & final vel. v .

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow I &= \int_0^t F dt \\ &= F \int_0^t 1 dt \\ &= F[t]_0^t \\ &= F(t - 0) \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{I = Ft.} \quad \text{* if } F \text{ is a constant.}$$

since F is a vector,

I is also a vector.

$$\textcircled{1} \text{ dir. of } F = \text{dir. of } I$$

$$I = \int_0^t F dt$$

$$I = \int_0^t ma dt$$

$$I = m \int_0^t \frac{dv}{dt} dt$$

$$= m \int_u^v 1 dv \quad \begin{matrix} t=0, v=u \\ t=t, v=v \end{matrix}$$

$$= m[v]_u^v$$

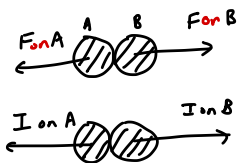
$$= mv - mu$$

$$\therefore Ft = \underline{mv - mu.}$$

momentum after - momentum before.

★ To use this principle:
 → we must know the dir. of I ; &
 → we will always take the dir. of I is +ve.

PRINCIPLE OF CONSERVATION OF LINEAR MOMENTUM.



By impulse-momentum principle,

$$\begin{aligned} \text{For A: } \left(\frac{I}{t}\right) I &= m_1(-v_1) - m_1(-u_1) \\ &= -m_1v_1 + m_1u_1 \quad \text{--- ①} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{For B: } \left(\frac{I}{t}\right) I = m_2v_2 - m_2u_2 \quad \text{--- ②}$$

$$\textcircled{1} = \textcircled{2} \Rightarrow -m_1v_1 + m_1u_1 = m_2v_2 - m_2u_2$$

$$\therefore m_1u_1 + m_2u_2 = m_1v_1 + m_2v_2$$

total initial momentum

= total final momentum.

When two sp collide,
 Before —

After —

To use PCN

→ fix one direction to be +ve.
(convention: → = +ve)

* coalesce: two p stick together
after the collision.