

Spring-2018 Phys101
Assignment 8

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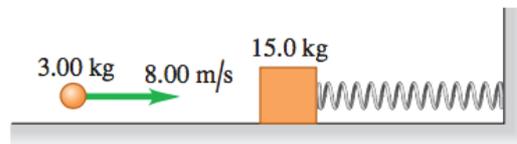
Due date: 5 April 2018.

Discussion questions

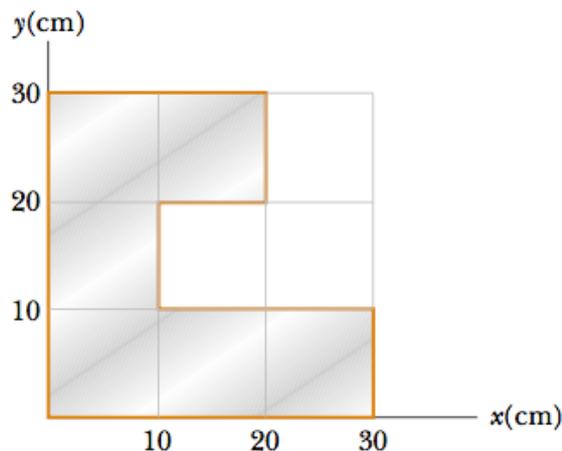
- 1- A machine gun is fired at a steel plate. Is the average force on the plate from the bullet impact greater if the bullets bounce off or if they are squashed and stick to the plate? Explain.
- 2- A woman stands in the middle of a perfectly smooth, frictionless, frozen lake. She can set herself in motion by throwing things, but suppose she has nothing to throw. Can she propel herself to shore *without* throwing anything?
- 3- Explain how linear momentum is conserved when a ball bounces from a floor.

Problems

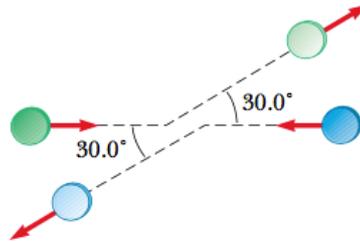
- 4- A 15.0-kg block is attached to a very light horizontal spring of force constant 500.0 N/m and is resting on a frictionless horizontal table. Suddenly it is struck by a 3.00-kg stone traveling horizontally at 8.00 m/s to the right, whereupon the stone rebounds at 2.00 m/s horizontally to the left. Find the maximum distance that the block will compress the spring after the collision.



- 5- A uniform piece of sheet steel is shaped as shown below. Compute the x and y coordinates of the center of mass of the piece.



6- The mass of the blue puck in the figure below is 20.0% greater than the mass of the green one. Before colliding, the pucks approach each other with equal and opposite momenta, and the green puck has an initial speed of 10.0 m/s. Find the speeds of the pucks after the collision if half the kinetic energy is lost during the collision.



7- A large rocket with an exhaust speed of $v_e = 3000$ m/s develops a thrust of 24.0 million Newtons.

- How much mass is being blasted out of the rocket exhaust per second?
- What is the maximum speed the rocket can attain if it starts from rest in a force-free environment with $v_e = 3.00$ km/s and if 90.0% of its initial mass is fuel and oxidizer?