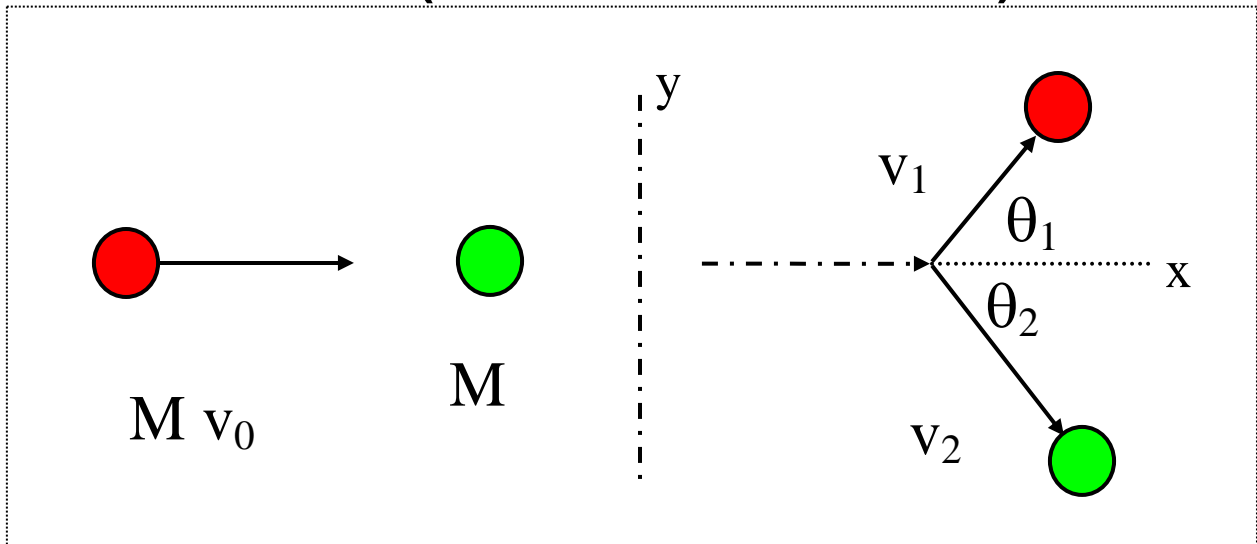


**Next hour exam is Friday Nov 9 (next Fri)**

**Homework is due Wed Nov 7, and is posted on Tycho.**

**Comet**

**Billiard Balls** (ignore rotation for now)  
**elastic** collision (means  $K$  is conserved):



$\theta_1$  can be a range of angles. What about  $\theta_2$ ?  
 What about  $v_1$  and  $v_2$ ?

**Conservation of momentum: 2 equations**

**Conservation of energy: 1 equation.**

3 equations  $\rightarrow$  three unknowns,  $v_1$ ,  $v_2$  and  $\theta_2$

**Challenging algebra.**

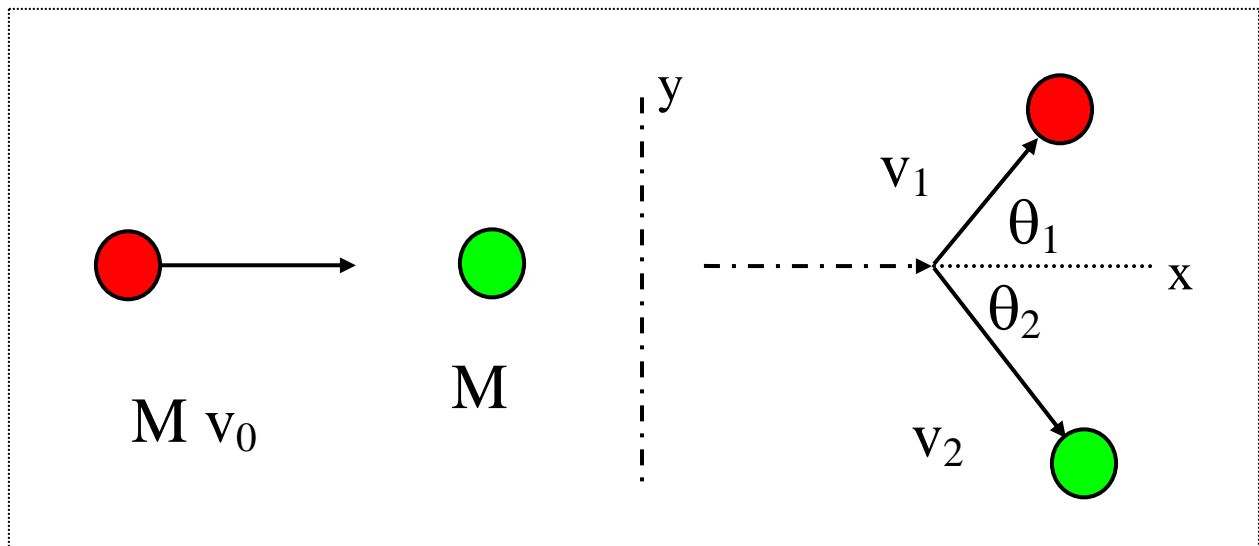
(special trick when both have same  $M$ .)

$$\vec{M}\vec{v}_0 = \vec{M}\vec{v}_1 + \vec{M}\vec{v}_2$$

Conserve  $\vec{P}$  (divide out  $M$ )  
 don't know top angle (yet)

$v_0^2 = v_1^2 + v_2^2$  for  $K$  conservation.  
 (divide out  $M/2$ ) – apply Pythagoras  
 see top angle is a right angle

Congruent triangles. So  
 all 3 angles known, and  
 $\theta_1 + \theta_2 = 90^\circ$



Elastic, so  $\theta_1 + \theta_2 = 90^\circ$  and then

$\sin(\theta_2) = \cos(\theta_1)$  and conservation of  $P_y$  gives

$$0 = Mv_1 \sin(\theta_1) - Mv_2 \cos(\theta_1) \quad \text{so } v_2/v_1 = \tan(\theta_1)$$

cons of  $P_x$  gives

$$Mv_0 = Mv_1 \cos(\theta_1) + Mv_2 \sin(\theta_1) \quad \text{subst for } v_2$$

$$v_0 = v_1 \cos(\theta_1) + v_1 \tan(\theta_1) \sin(\theta_1) = v_1 / \cos(\theta_1)$$

Given  $\theta_1$  (must be  $< 90^\circ$ ) get other 3 variables.

This depends on both masses being equal and collision must be elastic.

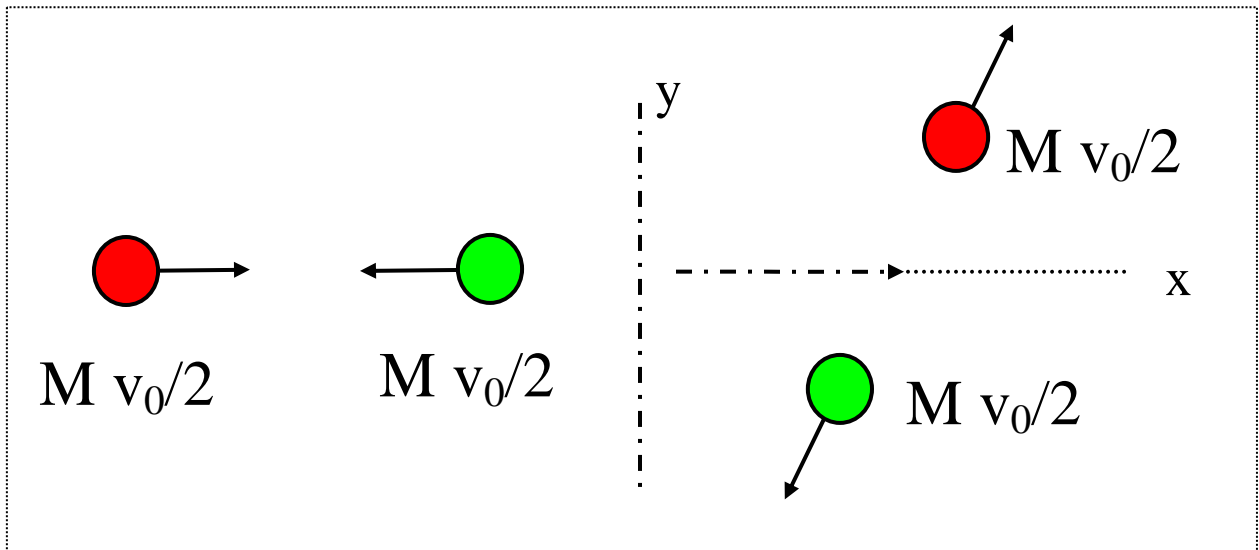
## Section 8.4 collisions in CM

Moving with CM,

see  $P_{\text{syst}} = Mv_{\text{cm}} = 0$  and  $P_1 = -P_2$

Example for equal masses, where

$$V_{\text{cm}} = \frac{V_0}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad u_{\text{red}} = -u_{\text{green}} = \frac{V_0}{2} :$$



Opposite momenta before and after collision.

$P_{\text{syst}} = 0$  before and remains so after collision.

Same speeds, to conserve K.

See textbook for examples with different masses

Clicker

Demo

A particle of mass  $2m$  is moving to the right in projectile motion. At the top of its trajectory, an explosion breaks the particle into two equal parts. After the explosion, one part falls straight down with no horizontal motion. What is the direction of the motion of the other part just after the explosion?

- A. up and to the left
- B. stops moving
- C. up and to the right
- D. straight up
- E. down and to the right

## Section 8.5 – Rockets.

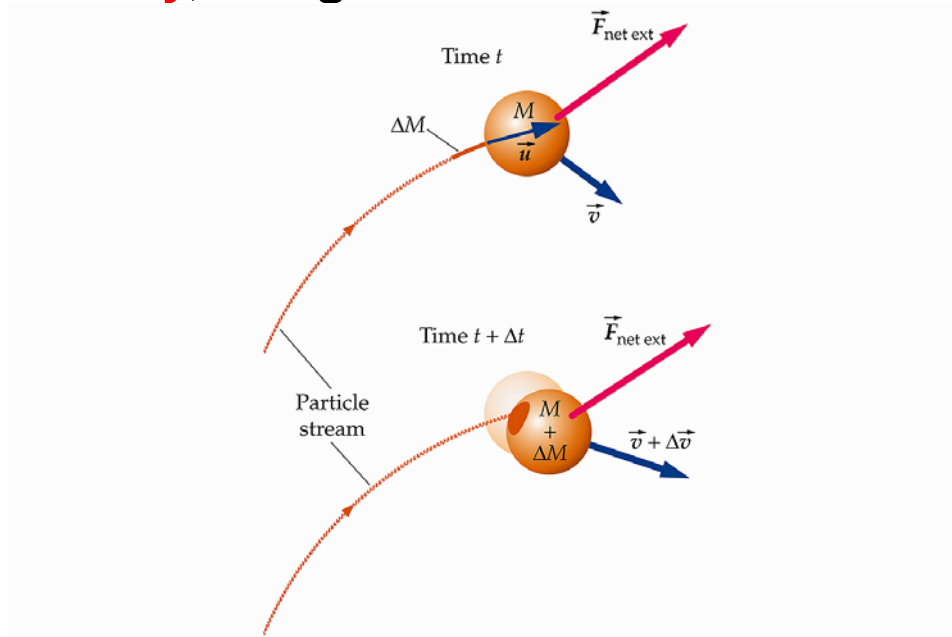
Since rockets squirt exhaust out and decrease in mass, to keep signs straight we start with a model of a **thing getting stuff shot into it** and sticking. A rocket reverses this process.

Have to consider change in mass and impulse:

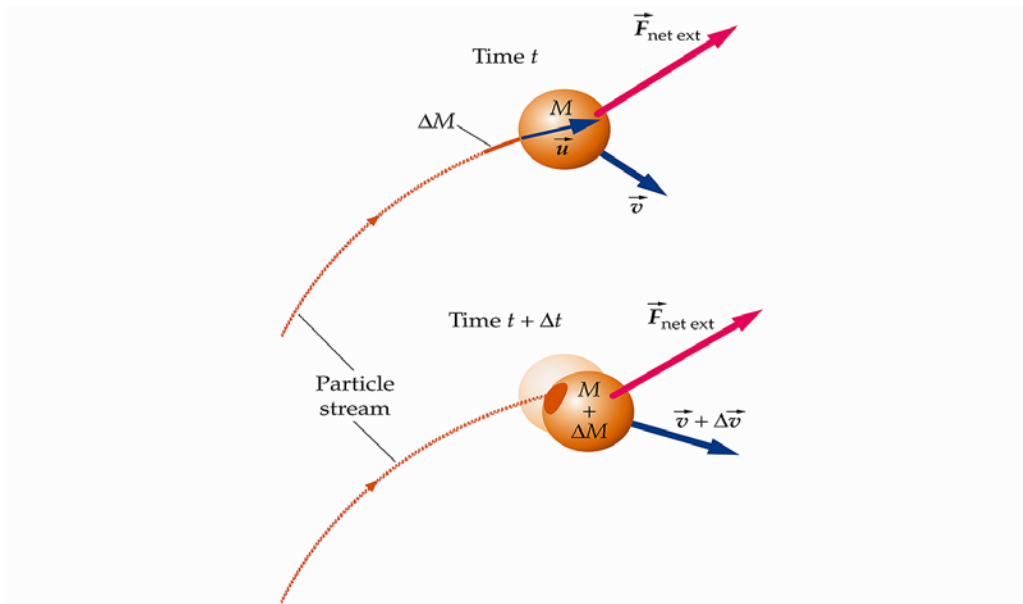
Interval  $\Delta t$  - thing's mass increases by  $\Delta M$

**System:**

**thing** (mass  $M$ ) plus **stuff** stuck, (mass  $\Delta M$ )  
**initially**, thing has  $\vec{v}$ , stuff to be stuck has  $\vec{u}$   
**finally**, thing + stuff has  $\vec{v} + \Delta \vec{v}$



Note that  $\vec{F}_{net, ext}$  is **EXTERNAL**, not the result of accumulating  $\Delta M$ . Could be gravity, for example.



**Impulse** – completely a result of  $\Delta M$  hitting and sticking to  $M$ . Involves  $\Delta \vec{u}$  and  $\Delta \vec{v}$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net,ext}} \Delta t = \Delta \vec{P} = (M + \Delta M)(\vec{v} + \Delta \vec{v}) - (M\vec{v} + \Delta M\vec{u})$$

Note  $\Delta \vec{P}$  is not caused directly just by  $\Delta M$  and  $\Delta \vec{P}$  is the **change in system momentum**, not just  $M$ 's. do some algebra (see text) and take limit  $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net,ext}} + \frac{dM}{dt} \vec{v}_{\text{rel}} = M \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \text{ and } \vec{v}_{\text{rel}} = \vec{u} - \vec{v}$$

**positive  $v_{\text{rel}}$  has stuff hitting  $M$ .**

For a **Rocket**, both  $\frac{dM}{dt}$  and  $\vec{v}_{\text{rel}}$  are **negative**.

**Thrust** is  $\left| \vec{F}_{\text{th}} \right| = \left| \frac{dM}{dt} \right| |u_{\text{exh}}|$  where absolute value avoids confusion about signs.

### Alternate approach.

Be in CM of rocket and bit of fuel to be burned.  
Rocket expels  $\Delta M$  at exhaust speed  $u_{\text{exh}}$  with respect to rocket.

Leave external forces out until later.

In limit of small  $\Delta M$ , speed of exhaust in CM is  $u_{\text{exh}}$  and to **conserve momentum** we get

$$\Delta \mathbf{P}_{\text{rocket}} = \Delta \mathbf{M} \mathbf{u}_{\text{exh}} = \mathbf{F}_{\text{th}} \Delta t \text{ using impulse}$$

in the direction opposite to that of the exhaust

Then we get  $|\vec{F}_{\text{th}}| = \left| \frac{dM}{dt} \right| |u_{\text{exh}}|$  in the limit  $\Delta t \rightarrow 0$ .

Net force on rocket is  $\vec{F}_{\text{net,ext}} + \vec{F}_{\text{th}}$  where  $\vec{F}_{\text{th}}$  points opposite the direction the exhaust is shot.

To get motion of rocket going straight up

$$F_{\text{net}} = -Mg + F_{\text{th}} = -Mg + \left| \frac{dM}{dt} \right| |u_{\text{exh}}| = M \frac{dv_y}{dt}$$

acceleration is  $\frac{dv_y}{dt} = -g + \frac{1}{M} \left| \frac{dM}{dt} \right| |u_{\text{exh}}|$  and

$$M(t) = M_0 + \frac{dM}{dt} t = M_0 - Rt \text{ (} R \text{ is burn rate)}$$

put  $M(t)$  into the equation for acceleration

$$\frac{dv_y}{dt} = \frac{R|u_{\text{exh}}|}{M_0 - Rt} - g$$

If the rocket starts at rest at  $t=0$ , we can  
integrate this to get  $v_y = u_{\text{exh}} \ln \left( \frac{M_0}{M_0 - Rt} \right) - gt$

which is also  $v_y = u_{\text{exh}} \ln \left( \frac{1}{1 - Rt / M_0} \right) - gt$

some features:

The **bigger  $u_{\text{exh}}$  the better**

The **ratio  $R/M_0$  is what counts**

Since the final mass (payload) is  $M_0 - Rt_{\text{final}} = M_p$   
and the fuel mass is  $Rt_{\text{final}}$   
the **velocity at burn out is**

$$v_{y,\text{max}} = u_{\text{exh}} \ln \left( \frac{M_{\text{fuel}} + M_p}{M_p} \right) - gt_{\text{burn-out}}$$

so it is good to **maximize  $M_{\text{fuel}} / M_p$**

because  $\ln(x)$  increases slowly with  $x$ , it takes a lot of fuel to work a rocket.

Demo