CENTRE OF MASS

Mass Moment : $\vec{M} = m \vec{r}$ CENTRE OF MASS OF A SYSTEM OF 'N' DISCRETE PARTICLES

$$\vec{r}_{cm} = \frac{m_1 \vec{r}_1 + m_2 \vec{r}_2 + \dots + m_n \vec{r}_n}{m_1 + m_2 + \dots + m_n} \ ; \ \vec{r}_{cm}$$

$$= \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} m_{i} \vec{r}_{i}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} m_{i}} \vec{r}_{cm} = \frac{1}{M} \sum_{i=1}^{n} m_{i} \vec{r}_{i}$$

CENTRE OF MASS OF A CONTINUOUS MASS DISTRIBUTION

$$x_{cm} = \frac{\int x \, dm}{\int dm}$$
, $y_{cm} = \frac{\int y \, dm}{\int dm}$, $z_{cm} = \frac{\int z \, dm}{\int dm}$

 $\int dm = M$ (mass of the body)

CENTRE OF MASS OF SOME COMMON SYSTEMS

A system of two point masses $m_1 r_1 = m_2 r_2$



 \Rightarrow

The centre of mass lies closer to the heavier mass.

 \Rightarrow Rectangular plate (By symmetry)



A triangular plate (By qualitative argument)



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MOTION OF CENTRE OF MASS AND CONSERVATION OF MOMENTUM: Velocity of centre of mass of system

$$\vec{v}_{cm} = \frac{m_1 \frac{\vec{dr_1}}{dt} + m_2 \frac{\vec{dr_2}}{dt} + m_3 \frac{\vec{dr_3}}{dt} \dots + m_n \frac{\vec{dr_n}}{dt}}{M}$$
$$= \frac{m_1 \vec{v}_1 + m_2 \vec{v}_2 + m_3 \vec{v}_3 \dots + m_n \vec{v}_n}{M}$$

 \vec{P} System = $M \vec{v}_{cm}$

Acceleration of centre of mass of system

$$\vec{a}_{cm} = \frac{m_1 \frac{\vec{dv_1}}{dt} + m_2 \frac{\vec{dv_2}}{dt} + m_3 \frac{\vec{dv_3}}{dt} \dots + m_n \frac{\vec{dv_n}}{dt}}{M}$$

$$= \frac{m_1 \vec{a}_1 + m_2 \vec{a}_2 + m_3 \vec{a}_3 \dots + m_n \vec{a}_n}{M}$$

 $= \frac{\text{Net force on system}}{M} = \frac{\text{Net External Force + Net internal Force}}{M}$ $= \frac{\text{Net External Force}}{M}$

IMPULSE

Impulse of a force F action on a body is defined as :-

$$\vec{\mathbf{J}} = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} \mathbf{F} dt$$
 $\vec{\mathbf{J}} = \Delta \vec{\mathbf{P}}$ (impulse - momentum theorem)

Important points :

1. Gravitational force and spring force are always non-impulsive.

2. An impulsive force can only be balanced by another impulsive force.

COEFFICIENT OF RESTITUTION (e)

$$e = \frac{\text{Impulse of reformation}}{\text{Impulse of deformation}} = \frac{\int F_r \, dt}{\int F_d \, dt}$$

Velocity of separation along line of impact

= s Velocity of approach along line of impact

(a)
$$e = 1$$
 \Rightarrow Impulse of Reformation = Impulse of Deformation

$$\Rightarrow$$
 Velocity of separation = Velocity of approach

$$\Rightarrow$$
 Kinetic Energy may be conserved

$$\Rightarrow$$
 Elastic collision.

(b)
$$e = 0$$
 \Rightarrow Impulse of Reformation = 0

$$\Rightarrow$$
 Velocity of separation = 0

$$\Rightarrow$$
 Kinetic Energy is not conserved

 \Rightarrow Perfectly Inelastic collision.

(c) 0 < e < 1 \Rightarrow Impulse of Reformation < Impulse of Deformation \Rightarrow Velocity of separation < Velocity of approach

 \Rightarrow Kinetic Energy is not conserved

 \Rightarrow Inelastic collision.

VARIABLE MASS SYSTEM :

If a mass is added or ejected from a system, at rate μ kg/s and relative velocity \vec{v}_{rel} (w.r.t. the system), then the force exerted by this mass on the system has magnitude $\mu |\vec{v}_{rel}|$.

Thrust Force (\vec{F}_t)

$$\vec{F}_t = \vec{v}_{rel} \left(\frac{dm}{dt} \right)$$

Rocket propulsion : If gravity is ignored and initial velocity of the rocket u = 0;

$$\mathbf{v} = \mathbf{v}_{r} \ln \left(\frac{\mathbf{m}_{0}}{\mathbf{m}}\right).$$