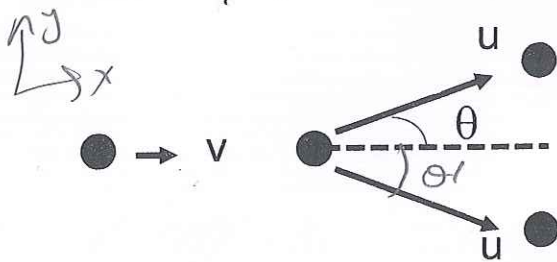


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A particle with mass  $m$  and initial velocity  $v$  hits a stationary particle of the same mass. In this process, the internal energy of the particles increases by  $E$ , so the mechanical energy of the system decreases by the same amount. If the particles move with the same speed as in the figure, find  $u$  and  $\theta$ .



Mechanical energy of the system decreases by  $E$  (inelastic collision)

Before collision,  $E_i = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$

After collision,  $E_f = \frac{1}{2}mu^2 + \frac{1}{2}mu^2$

(i)  $E_f - E_i = -E$

Conservation of momentum:

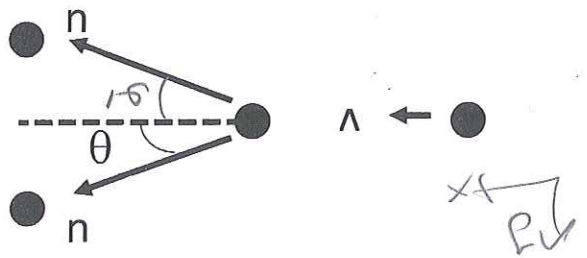
y)  $0 = mu \sin \theta - mu \sin \theta \Rightarrow \theta = \theta$

x)  $mv = mu \cos \theta + mu \cos \theta \Rightarrow \boxed{v = 2u \cos \theta}$  (ii)

Using (i):  $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 - \frac{1}{2}mu^2 - \frac{1}{2}mu^2 = E$   
 $\frac{v^2}{2} - u^2 = \frac{E}{m} \Rightarrow u = \sqrt{\frac{v^2}{2} - \frac{E}{m}}$

Using (ii)  $\cos \theta = \frac{v}{2u} = \frac{v}{2\sqrt{\frac{v^2}{2} - \frac{E}{m}}} \Rightarrow \theta = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{v}{2\sqrt{\frac{v^2}{2} - \frac{E}{m}}}\right)$

A particle with mass  $m$  and initial velocity  $v$  hits a stationary nucleus of the same mass. In this process, the internal energy of the particles decreases by  $E$ , so the mechanical energy of the system increases by the same amount. If the particles move with the same speed as in the figure, find  $u$  and  $\theta$ .



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$$(1) \quad E_f - E_i = E$$

Conservation of momentum:

$\Delta \quad 0 = mv \sin \theta - mv \sin \theta \Rightarrow \theta = \theta'$   
 $\times \quad mv = mv \cos \theta + mv \cos \theta \Rightarrow v = 2v \cos \theta \quad (2)$

Using (1):  $\frac{1}{2}mv^2 + \frac{1}{2}mv^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = E$   
 $\Rightarrow u = \sqrt{\frac{E}{\frac{m}{2} + \frac{m}{2}}}$

Using (2):  $\cos \theta = \frac{2u}{v} = \frac{2\sqrt{\frac{E}{\frac{m}{2} + \frac{m}{2}}}}{v}$   
 $\theta = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{2\sqrt{\frac{E}{\frac{m}{2} + \frac{m}{2}}}}{v} \right)$

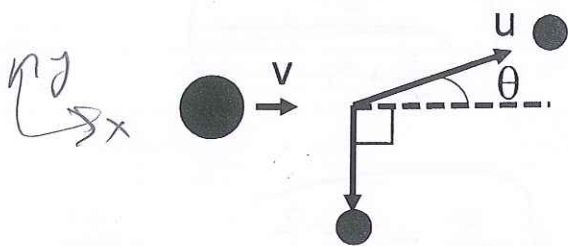
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A particle with mass  $2m$  and initial velocity  $v$  splits into two parts of equal mass  $m$ . In this process, the internal energy of the particles decreases by  $E$ , so the mechanical energy of the system increases by the same amount. Find  $u$  and  $\theta$  in the figure if the other particle moves perpendicular to the velocity of the initial particle.



Mechanical energy of the system increases by  $E$  (inelastic process)

Before splitting,

$$E_i = \frac{1}{2} (2m) v^2$$

After splitting,

$$E_f = \frac{1}{2} m u^2 + \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$

(i)  $E_f - E_i = E$

Conservation of momentum:

y |  $(2m)v = m u \cos \theta + m v$   $\Rightarrow 2v = u \cos \theta$  (ii)

x |  $0 = m u \sin \theta - m v$   $\Rightarrow u \sin \theta = v$  (iii)

Using (i):  $\frac{1}{2} m u^2 + \frac{1}{2} m v^2 - \frac{1}{2} (2m) v^2 = E$

Using (iii):  $\frac{1}{2} m u^2 + \frac{1}{2} m (u \sin \theta)^2 - m v^2 = E$

$$\frac{u^2}{2} (1 + \sin^2 \theta) = \frac{E}{m} + v^2 \Rightarrow u = \sqrt{\frac{2(\frac{E}{m} + v^2)}{1 + \sin^2 \theta}}$$

$$= \frac{2v}{\cos \theta} \text{ (from ii)}$$

$$\left( \frac{\sqrt{\frac{2(E + v^2)}{m}}}{1 + \sin^2 \theta} = \frac{2v}{\cos \theta} \right)^2 = 4^2$$

$$2 \left( \frac{E + v^2}{m} \right) \cos^2 \theta = 4v^2 \underbrace{(1 + \sin^2 \theta)}_{2 - \cos^2 \theta}$$

$$\Rightarrow \cos \theta = \sqrt{\frac{3v^2}{\frac{2E}{m} + 6v^2}}$$

$$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left( \sqrt{\frac{3v^2}{\frac{2E}{m} + 6v^2}} \right) = \cos^{-1} \left( \sqrt{\frac{2v}{\frac{E}{m} + 3v^2}} \right)$$

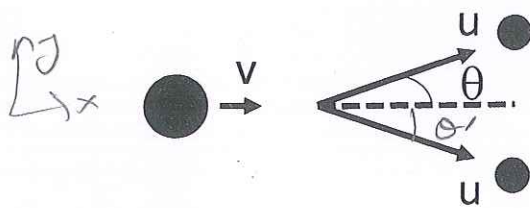
$$u = \frac{2v}{\cos \theta} = \frac{2v}{\sqrt{\frac{3v^2}{\frac{2E}{m} + 6v^2}}} = \sqrt{\frac{E}{m} + 3v^2}$$

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Conservation of momentum:

y)  $0 = m u \sin \theta - m u \sin \theta \Rightarrow \theta = \theta$  (iii)

x)  $(2m)v = m u \cos \theta + m u \cos \theta \Rightarrow \cos \theta = \frac{v}{u}$  (ii)

Using (i):  $\frac{1}{2} m u^2 + \frac{1}{2} m u^2 - \frac{1}{2} (2m) v^2 = E$

$u^2 - v^2 = \frac{E}{m} \Rightarrow u = \sqrt{\frac{E}{m} + v^2}$

Using (ii):  $\cos \theta = \frac{v}{u} = \frac{v}{\sqrt{\frac{E}{m} + v^2}}$

$\theta = \cos^{-1} \left( \frac{v}{\sqrt{\frac{E}{m} + v^2}} \right)$