

→ Cadillac, $m_1 = 1800\text{kg}$
 ↓ Toyota, $m_2 = 1300\text{kg}$

Just before collision, Cadillac has velocity $\vec{v}_c = v_i \hat{e}_x$ and Toyota has velocity $\vec{v}_t = v_2 \hat{e}_y$. According to momentum conservation,

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} m_1 v_i = (m_1 + m_2) v'_1 \\ m_2 v_2 = (m_1 + m_2) v'_2 \end{array} \right.$$

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here v'_1, v'_2 are components of the velocity of the combined wreck.

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} v'_1 = \frac{m_1}{m_1 + m_2} v_i \\ v'_2 = \frac{m_2}{m_1 + m_2} v_2 \end{array} \right. \Rightarrow \vec{v}' = v'_1 \hat{e}_x + v'_2 \hat{e}_y \Rightarrow v' = \sqrt{v'_1^2 + v'_2^2}$$

$$v' = \frac{1}{m_1 + m_2} \sqrt{m_1^2 v_i^2 + m_2^2 v_2^2} \quad \textcircled{1}$$

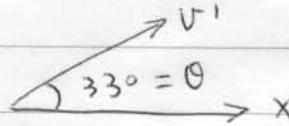
After collision.

$$F = \mu (m_1 + m_2) g = (m_1 + m_2) a \Rightarrow a = \mu g \quad \mu = 0.38$$

$$\text{then the skid marks: } l = \frac{1}{2} a t^2 = \frac{1}{2} a \left(\frac{v'}{a} \right)^2 = \frac{v'^2}{2a} \Rightarrow v' = \sqrt{2a l}$$

$$v' = \sqrt{2 M g l} \quad \textcircled{2}$$

And we know the skid marks make an angle of 33° from the initial tan direction of the Cadillac



$$\frac{v'_1}{v'_2} = \cot \theta = \frac{\frac{m_1}{m_1 + m_2} v_i}{\frac{m_2}{m_1 + m_2} v_2} = \frac{m_1 v_i}{m_2 v_2} \quad \textcircled{3}$$

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$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} v_i = \frac{m_1 + m_2}{m_1 \sec \theta} \sqrt{2 M g l} = \frac{m_1 + m_2}{m_1} \sqrt{2 M g l} \cos \theta = 7.27 \text{ m/s} \\ v_2 = \frac{m_1 + m_2}{m_2 \csc \theta} \sqrt{2 M g l} = \frac{m_1 + m_2}{m_2} \sqrt{2 M g l} \sin \theta = 4.72 \text{ m/s} \end{array} \right.$$

$$= 6.54 \text{ m/s}$$