## Momentum Investigations

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# $F\Delta t = m\Delta V$

Even while on a slope! (plus gravity)

| "Mike" M <sub>1</sub> kg | "Sully" M <sub>2</sub> kg |
|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| 0.29869                  | 0.29827                   |

### **Problem 2e Inelastic Collision**

| Problem 2E | From<br>Vernier            | From<br>Vernier          | 12m <sub>1</sub> v <sub>1</sub> <sup>2</sup> | 1/2(m <sub>1</sub> +m <sub>2</sub> )v <sub>F</sub> <sup>2</sup> | KE <sub>F</sub> - KE <sub>I</sub> | $m_1v_1$ | (m <sub>1</sub> +m <sub>2</sub> )v <sub>F</sub> | Momentum <sub>F</sub> -<br>Momentum <sub>I</sub> |
|------------|----------------------------|--------------------------|--|---|-----------------------------------|----------|---|--|
|            |                            |                          |  |   |                                   | Initial  | Final   |  |
| Trial      | v <sub>initial</sub> m/s^2 | v <sub>final</sub> m/s^2 | KE <sub>initial</sub> J                      | KE <sub>final</sub> J   | ΔKE J                             | Momentum | Momentum  | Δ Momentum                                       |
| 1          | -0.641                     | -0.319                   | 0.061  | 0.030   | -0.031                            | -0.191   | -0.190  | 0.001  |
| 2          | -0.375                     | -0.181                   | 0.021  | 0.010   | -0.011                            | -0.112   | -0.108  | 0.004  |
| 3          | -0.482                     | -0.237                   | 0.035  | 0.017   | -0.018                            | -0.144   | -0.141  | 0.002  |
| 4          | -0.532                     | -0.261                   | 0.042  | 0.020   | -0.022                            | -0.159   | -0.156  | 0.003  |
| 5          | -0.560                     | -0.273                   | 0.047  | 0.022   | -0.025                            | -0.167   | -0.163  | 0.004  |
| Average    | -0.518                     | -0.2542                  | 0.040  | 0.019   | -0.021                            | -0.155   | -0.152  | 0.003  |

#### Goal:

- Prove KE<sub>final</sub> is lower than KE<sub>initial</sub>
- Prove that momentum is conserved (momentum before and after the collision are equal)







## Time for cool tip!

