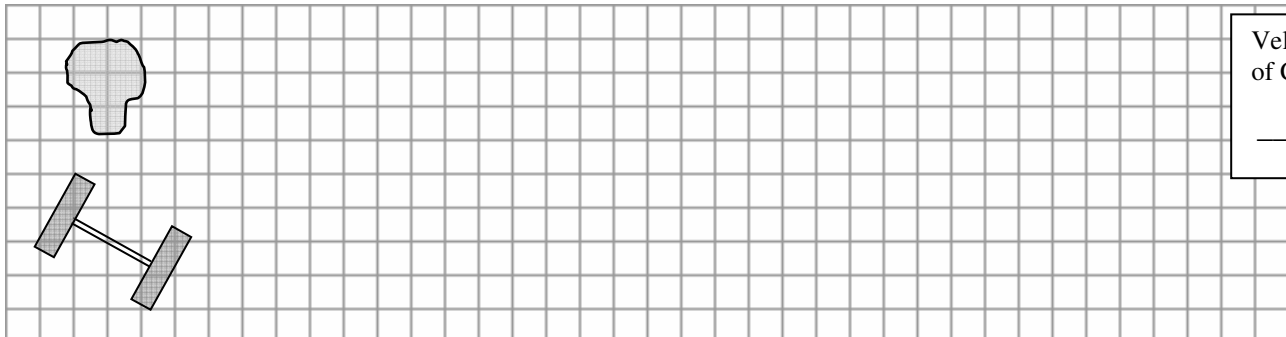


**Center of Mass, Worksheet 2**  
**2008**

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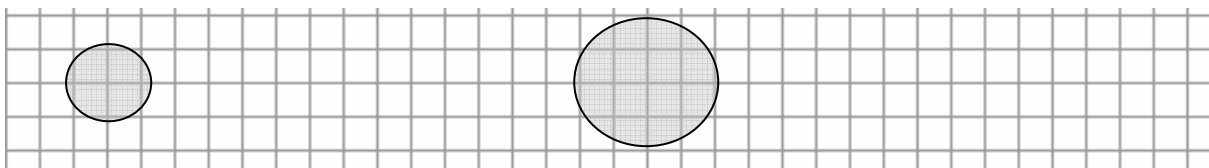
**Period:** \_\_\_\_\_

- 1(a) In the grid below, each box represents 1 meter and each object is moving to the right at 3 meters per second. Draw a dot on each object where you think the approximate center of mass is (assume uniform density).
- 1(b) If the clock starts at time = 0, show the location of the center of mass at each second for the next four seconds.
- 1(c) Compute the velocity of the center of mass and fill in the box.



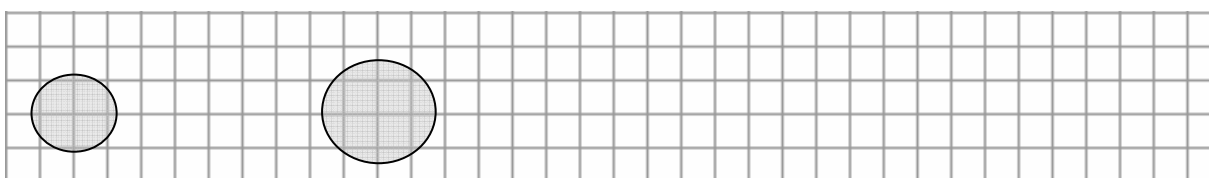
Velocity of CM = _____ $\frac{m}{s}$
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- 2(a). Think of these two objects below as one **system**. One object has 3 times more mass than the other one. Draw a dot where you think the center of mass of this system is.
- 2(b). Each object in this system remains **at rest**. Show the location of the center of mass of the system at each second for the next 4 seconds. Compute the velocity of the center of mass.



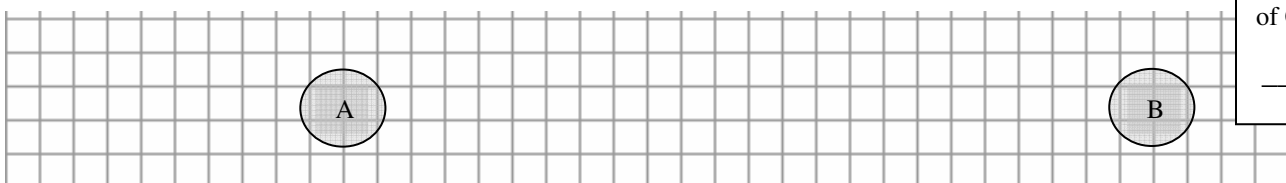
Velocity of CM = _____ $\frac{m}{s}$
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- 3(a). Think of these two objects below as one **system**. One object has twice the mass of the other object. Draw a dot where you think the center of mass of this system is.
- 3(b). Each object in this system is moving to the **right at 4 m/s**. Show the location of the center of mass of the system at each second for the next 4 seconds.
- 3(c) Compute the  $v_{cm}$ .



Velocity of CM = _____ $\frac{m}{s}$
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- 4(a) Think of these two objects below as one **system**. The objects have equal mass. Draw a dot where you think the center of mass of this system is.
- 4(b) Object B is at rest. Object A is moving to the **right at 4 m/s**. Show the location of the center of mass of the system at each second for the next 4 seconds.
- 4(c) Compute the  $v_{cm}$ .

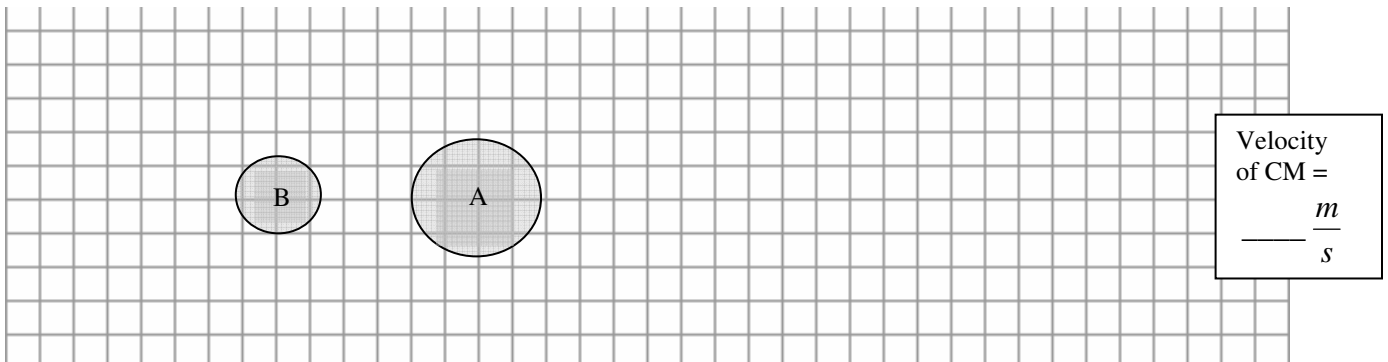


Velocity of CM = _____ $\frac{m}{s}$
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- 5(a). Think of these two objects below as one **system**. The objects have equal mass. Draw a dot where you think the center of mass of this system is.
- 5(b). **Object A is moving right at 5 m/s. Object B is moving left at 1 m/s.** Show the location of the center of mass of the system at each second for the next 4 seconds. Compute the  $v_{cm}$ .



- 6(a). Think of these two objects below as one **system**. One object has twice the mass of the other object. Draw a dot where you think the center of mass of this system is.
- 6(b). **Object A is moving right at 5 m/s. Object B is moving left at 1 m/s.** Show the location of the center of mass of the system at each second for the next 4 seconds.
- 6(c). Compute the  $v_{cm}$ .



- 7(a). Think of these two objects below as one **system**. Object A is 2 kg and object B is 3 kg. Draw a dot where you think the center of mass of this system is.
- 7(b). **Object A is moving right at 3 m/s. Object B is moving left at 2 m/s.** Show the location of the center of mass of the system at each second for the next 4 seconds.
- 7(c). Compute the  $v_{cm}$ .

