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## Another important fact. November 16 is "Dutch-American Heritage Day"

On November 16, 1776, a small American warship, the ANDREW DORIA, sailed into the harbor of the tiny Dutch island of St. Eustatius in the West Indies. Only 4 months before, the United States had declared its independence from Great Britain. The American crew was delighted when the Governor of the island, Johannes de Graaf, ordered that his fort's cannons be fired in a friendly salute. The first ever given by a foreign power to the flag of the United States, it was a risky and courageous act. Indeed, angered by Dutch trading of contraband with the rebellious colonies, the British seized the island a few years later. De Graaf's welcoming salute was also a sign of respect, and today it continues to symbolize the deep ties of friendship that exist between the United States and The Netherlands.





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## Physics 141. Lab # 5.

- The analysis of this experiment is complex: Information about the collisions will be available on the web (names, can deformations, etc.). The two colliding students who look at the same collision need to compare their values for the velocities before and after the collision in compare their values for the velocities before and after the collision in order to determine the errors in their values (and catch any mistakes in the analysis of the video clips).
  For each collision I expect you to submit a web form with all velocities and their errors for that collision.
  I will convert the measured velocities to momenta and kinetic energies and publish the data on the web.
  Each student will look at the entire data set and compare losses in kinetic energy with the deformation of the cans.
  The lab report covering this experiment will receive the same weight as lab report # 4. You should know now what makes a lab report great!
  - great! Let's look at the various steps in a bit more detail.



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Lab # 5. Combining two analyses.
<ul> <li>The results of two independent analyses need to be combined.</li> <li>The two results can also be used to catch mistakes in one of the analyses.</li> <li>Example 1: <ul> <li>v<sub>left,1</sub> = -5.2 ± 0.4 m/s</li> <li>v<sub>left,2</sub> = 0.2 ± 0.1 m/s</li> </ul> </li> <li>Calibration problems or reversal of cars?</li> <li>Example 2: <ul> <li>v<sub>left,12</sub> = -2.2 ± 0.4 m/s</li> <li>v<sub>left,12</sub> = -2.2 ± 0.4 m/s</li> <li>These two results look consistent and can be combined to obtain the following estimate for the final velocity of the left cart:</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
* $v_{left,f}$ = -2.7 $\pm$ 0.3 m/s Frank L. H. Wolfs Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Rochester, Lecture 20, Page 13





## Analysis of experiment # 5. Timeline (more details during next lectures).

- ✓ 11/11: collisions in Spurrier Gym
- 11/18: analysis files available.

analysis and conclusions.

- 11/25: each student has determined his/her best estimate of the velocities before and after the collisions (analysis during regular lab periods).
- 11/25: complete discussion and comparison of results with colliding partners and submit the
- final results (velocities and errors). • 11/27: we will compile the results, determine momenta and kinetic energies, and distribute the results.



 12/6: students submit lab report # 5. Frank L. H. Wolfs Department of Physics and Astronomy, University of Rochester, Lecture 20, Page





















































































