7. HOOKE'S LAW

- 1. State **Hooke's** law
- 2. Define the term elastic limit, as used in stretching of materials
- 3. State the **SI** units of elastic constant of a spring
- 4. State the features that govern the strength of a spiral spring of a given material.
- 5. State two factors on which the extension of a wire depends on assuming it obeys Hooke's Law.
- 6. Apart from the diameter and length, name another factor that determine the spring constant of a spiral spring.
- 7. A heavy load is suspended on a wire. Give any one factor that will determine extension in the wire.
- 8. Distinguish between ductile end and brittle material
- 9. It is easier to bend an iron rod than a glass rod of the same dimensions at room temperature. Give a reason for this
- 10. A spiral spring stretches by **0.6 cm** when a mass of **300 g** is suspended on it. What is the spring constant? *ANS 500 N/m*
- 11. An unloaded spring has a length of **15cm** and when under a load of **24 N** it has a length of **12 cm**. What will be the load on the spring when length is **10 cm**? *ANS 40 N*
- 12. An object of weight **20 N** attached at the end of a spring causes an extension of **0.5 cm** on the spring.
 - (a) Determine the spring constant. *ANS* 4000 N/m
 - (b) Determine the weight of an object that would cause an extension of 0.86 cm on the same spring. ANS 34.4 N
- 13. A copper wire is **2 m** long. A force of **4 N** suspended on the wire while other end is fixed increases its length to **2.001 m**. **What** force would make the length of the wire **2.032 m**? **ANS 128 N**
- 14. The pointer of an unloaded spring reads **32 cm**. when a mass of **120 g** is applied to the spring, the pointer reads **38 cm**. a pan in which a mass of **210 g** is placed is now hang from the spring and the pointer reads **48 cm**. determine the mass of the pan.

 ANS 0.11 kg
- 15. Two identical helical springs are connected in series. When a **50g** mass is hang at the end of the springs, it produces an extension of **2.5 cm**. Determine the extension produced by the same mass when the springs arc connected in parallel. *ANS 0.625 cm*
- 16. Two springs of negligible weights and spring constants 50 N/m and 75 N/m respectively are connected in series and suspended from a fixed point. Determine the total extension when a mass of 7.5 kg is hung from the lower end. *ANS 2.5 m*
- 17. Two springs of negligible weight and of spring constants **100 Nm** ⁻¹ respectively are connected end to end and suspended from a fixed point. Determine;
 - (i) The total extension when a mass of **7.5 kg** is hung from the lower end. **ANS 1.5 m**
 - (ii) The elastic constant of the combined of springs. **ANS 50 N/m**
- 18. A spring extends by 6 cm when supporting a mass of 0.06 kg on earth. When the spring is used to support the same mass on the moon, it extends by 1 cm. determine the moons gravitational strength. (take the gravitational field strength on earth as 10 N/kg)

 ANS 1.667 N/kg

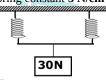
SPRINGS

1. The figure below shows a spring balance. Its spring constant is 125 Nm⁻¹. The scale spreads over a distance of 20cm.



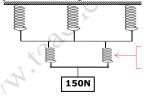
Determine the maximum weight that can be measured using this spring. ANS 25 N

2. The identical springs of spring constant **3 N/cm** are used to support a load of **30 N** as shown.

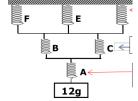


Determine the extension on each spring ANS 5 cm or 0.05 m

3. The spiral springs shows in the figure below are identical. Each spring has a spring Constant **K=100** N/m Determine the total extension caused by the **150N** weight. *ANS 0.8333 m*



4. Figure shows a mass of **12** g suspended on a set of **6** identical springs. When the mass was hanged on spring **A**, it extended by 5cm.

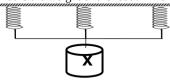


Determine the extension of the combination shown if each spring and rod has negligible weight. ANS 0.09167 m or 9.167 cm

5. Three identical springs each of spring constant 10 N/m and weight 0.5 N are used to support a load as shown. Determine the total extension of the system



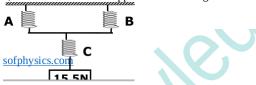
- **6.** A light spring fixed at one end extends by 2.0 cm when a weight of 120 g is suspended from the free end .
 - (i) Find its spring constant. ANS 60 N/m
 - (ii) Three such springs are arranged in a manner shown in figure below and used to support a load If each extends by 2.0 cm, what is the weight of the load? *ANS* 3.6 *N*



7. Two springs of negligible weight and elastic constants of **800 N/m** and **400 N/m** are arranged as shown below with a load of **160 N** supported at the bottom. Calculate the total extension of the springs. *ANS 0.6 m*



8. Three identical springs **A**, **B** and **C** are used to support a **15.5 N** weight as shown in the figure below. **ANS**

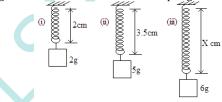


- If the weight of the horizontal beam is **0.5** N, determine the extension of each spring given that **4** N causes an extension of **1 cm**.

 Three identical springs, each of mass 20 g, are joined together as shown below and support a mass of 100 g.
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- If the spring constant of each spring is **500 N/m**, calculate the combined spring constant of the set-up.
- **10.** The diagram below shows three identical springs which obey Hooke's law.



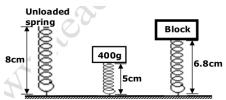
Determine the length X. ANS 0.04 m or 4 cm

11. Figure shows a spiral spring fixed on a bench vertically. A mass of **0.5** kg is placed on top as shown in the figure below.

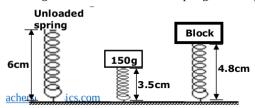


In (a) the height of the spring is 6 cm while in (b) the height is 4 cm. find the energy stored in the spring in figure (b) ANS 0.05 J

12. The diagram below shows the same spring in three different situations; when unloaded, when supporting a load of **400 g** and when supporting a wooden block. Find the mass of the wooden block. *ANS 0.16 kg*



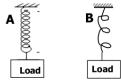
13. The diagram in figure below shows unloaded spring, when supporting a load of **150** g and a wooden block.



Find the mass of the wooden block *ANS 0.072 kg*

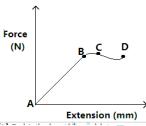
GRAPH SKETCHES

 The figure below shows two springs A and B made of same material, same diameter and same length but with different number of turns.

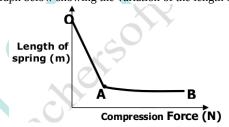


Sketch a graph of load against extension for each. (Hooke's law is obeyed)

2. The graph in the figure below was obtained when suitable weights were suspended from a spiral spring and extensions measured



- (a) Explain the shape of the graph between
- (i) AB
- (ii) CI
- **(b)** Two identical spiral springs are then arranged in parallel and the weights suspended. on the same axes above, sketch the graph that would now be obtained
- 3. Use the graph below showing the variation of the length of a spring and the compressional force applied on it to answer questions



- (i) State the significance of the point labelled A.
- (ii) Explain the nature of the graph between A and B.

TABLES

1. The table below shows the value of extensions of a spiral spring when various forces are applied.

Force F(N)	0	1.0	2.0	3.0	4.0	5.0	6.0
Extension e(cm)	0	0.8	1.6	2.4	3.2	4.0	4.8

- a) Plot a graph of force (y axis) against the extension.
- b) Determine the work done in stretching the spring by **2.7 cm**; using the graph. *ANS 0.046 J*
- c) Determine the spring constant of the spring. Give your answer in **SI** units. **ANS 125 N/m**

2. The table below shows the values of extensions of a spiral spring when various forces were applied on it.

Force, F (N)	0.0	1.2	2.0	3.6	4.0	4.8	6.0
Extension, e (cm)	0.0	0.8	1.3	2.5	2.7	3.2	4.0
Extension (e) (m)							

- i) Plot a graph of extension in metres (y-axis) against force (x-axis).
- ii) Use the graph to determine the spring constant of the spring. ANS 150N/m
- (iii) Determine the work done in stretching the spring by **4.5 cm**. **ANS 0.1519 J**
- 3. The following results were obtained in an experiment to verify Hooke's law when a spring was extended by hanging various loads on it.

Load, L(N)	0.00	1.00	2.00	3.00	4.00	5.00	6.00
Length of spring (cm)	10.00	11.50	13.00	14.50	16.00	18.50	24.00
Extension, e (cm)	0.00						

- i) Complete the table for extension, e, above
- ii) Plot a graph of Load (y-axis) against extension.
- ii) From the graph, determine the spring constant, k. *ANS 88.89 N/m*
- 4. A student carried out an experiment to investigate the relationship between the force and extension produced on a spiral spring. He tabulated his results as shown below.

Force (N)	0	0.8	1.5	3.0	4.5	6.0	7.5
Extension (cm)	0	0.50	1.0	2.0	3.0	4.0	5.0

- (i) Plot a graph of extension in cm in the y-axis against force in N
- (ii) Determine the spring constant. ANS 1.5 N/cm
- (iii) What force would be required to produce an extension of 2.5 cm ANS 3.7 N
- (iv) What extension is produced by:
 - (a) A force of 5.5 N ANS 3.8 cm
 - (b) A mass of 700 g
- 5. The table below has a data recorded for a compressional force on a spring balance.

Force F (N)	0	5.0	10	15	17.5	22.5	35.0	40	4	50
Length of spring L (cm)	16.5	15.0	13.5	12	11.6	9.75	8.25	8	8	8
Compression of spring e (cm)										

- i) Complete the table for the values of compression (e)
- ii) Plot a graph of extension (vertical axis) versus force applied on the spring (horizontal axis). From your graph determine.
- iii) The spring constant K. ANS 3.333 N/cm or 333.3 N/m
- iv) Work done in compressing the spring until the coils just come into contact. ANS 0.7481 J
- 6. a) A spring with its upper end fixed, hang vertically and several masses are suspended from its lower end one at a time. The readings were recorded as shown.

Mass in kg	0	0.02	0.04	0.06	0.08	0.10
Extension (mm)	110	121	129	139	151	161
Force N						
Extension in m						

- i) Fill in the table
- ii) Plot a graph of extension in (m) against force in N.
- b) (i) From the graph determine the extension of a mass 0.045 kg. Give your answer in *mm ANS*
 - (ii) Determine the spring constant of the spring *ANS*
- c) If two such springs were connected in series what extension would they show when a mass of 1.5 kg hangs from one end?