# PHYSICS



FOR SCIENTISTS AND ENGINEERS A STRATEGIC APPROACH 4/E

Chapter 10
QuickCheck Questions





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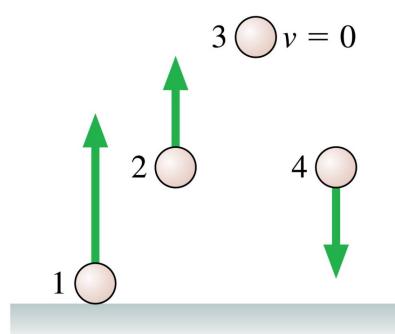
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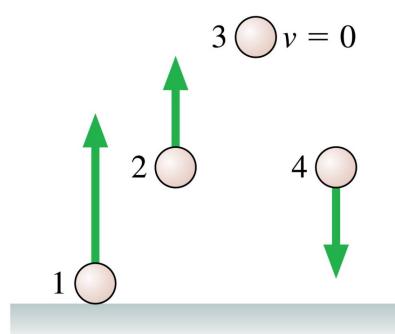
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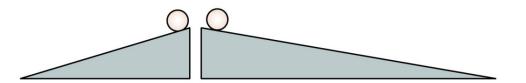
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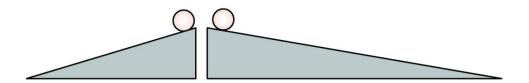
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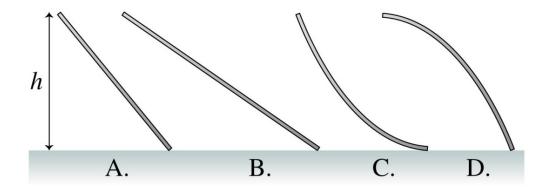
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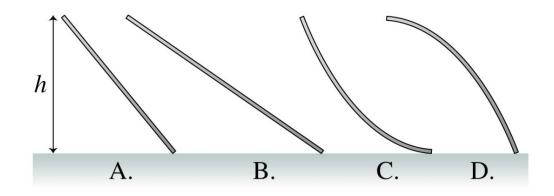
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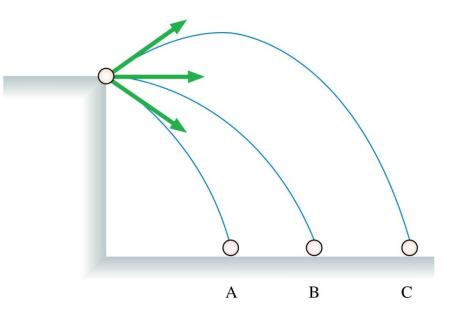
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- B. Ball B
- C. Ball C
- D. All balls have the same speed.

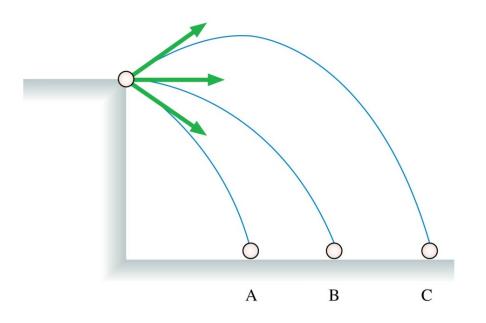


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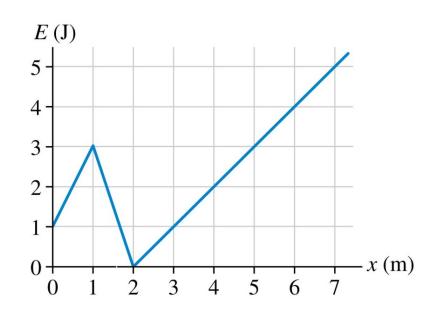


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$$\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = mgy \text{ requires } v^2 = 2gy \approx 20 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2$$

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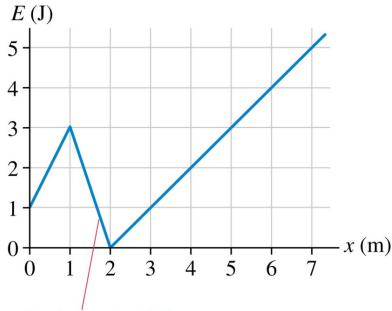


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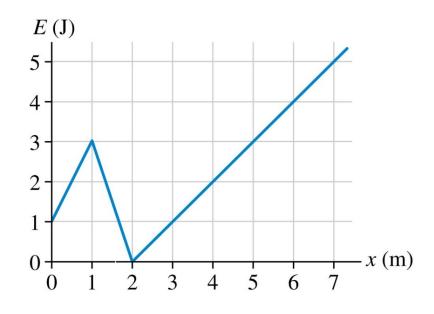


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Losing potential energy, thus gaining kinetic energy.

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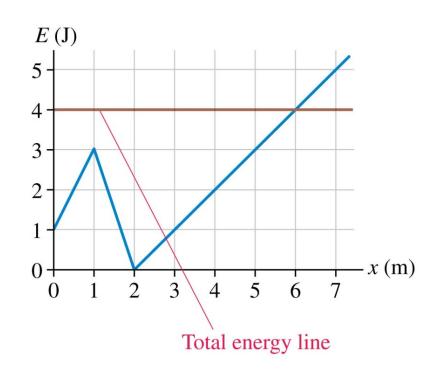


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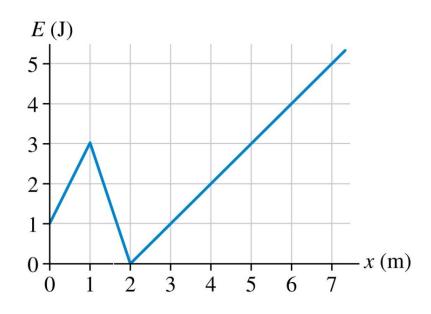
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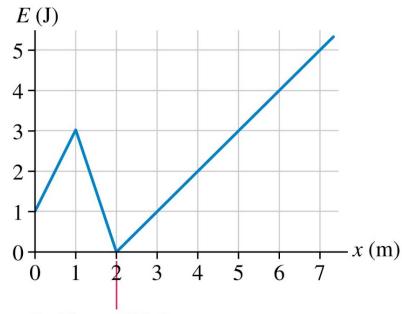
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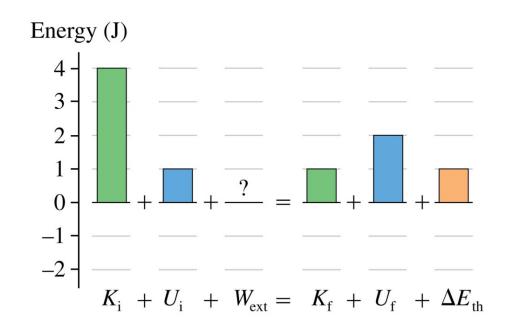


Stable equilibrium where PE is a minimum

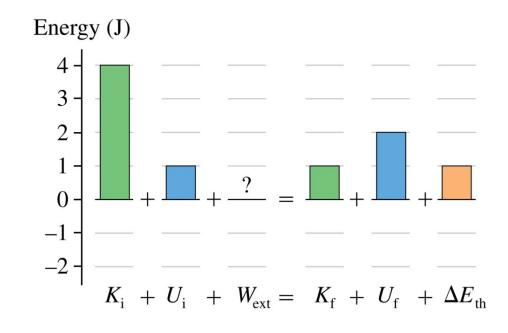
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B. 
$$-1 J$$



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**✓** B.

**B.** –1 J

**C**. 0 J

D. 1 J

E. 2 J

The system started with 5 J but ends with 4 J.

1 J must have been transferred from the system to the environment as work.