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% Roller Coaster Computations, SU 2020

clc
clear

%Fill in Header Information
fprintf ('\n*****\n')
fprintf ('*   Group: 1                               *\n')
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fprintf ('*   ENGR1182 Columbus State Community College   *\n')
fprintf ('*   Instructor:  M. Rahimi                      *\n')
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Computations

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heights = [2.65, 2.6, 2.1, 2, 2.4, 2, 1.75, 1.65, 1.5, 1.45, 1.4, 0];
track_length = [0, 0.5, 1.41, 1.55, 2.53, 3.51, 3.86, 4.04, 4.56,
    5.19, 6.02, 7.86];
% make sure heights and track length are entered in correctly
assert(length(heights) == length(track_length));

% Constants
mass = 0.0097; % unit: kg
gravity = 9.81; % unit: m/s^2

% lists
total_energies = zeros(1, 12);
potential_energies = zeros(1, 12);
kinetic_energies = zeros(1, 12);
velocities = zeros(1, 12);

% At point 0
total_energies(1) = mass * gravity * heights(1);
potential_energies(1) = total_energies(1);
kinetic_energies(1) = 0;
velocities(1) = 0;

% all other points
fprintf("Total energy, kinetic energy, and velocity and potential\n");
fprintf("0: %f\t%.6f\t%.6f\t%.6f\n", total_energies(1), 0, 0,
    0.25216605);
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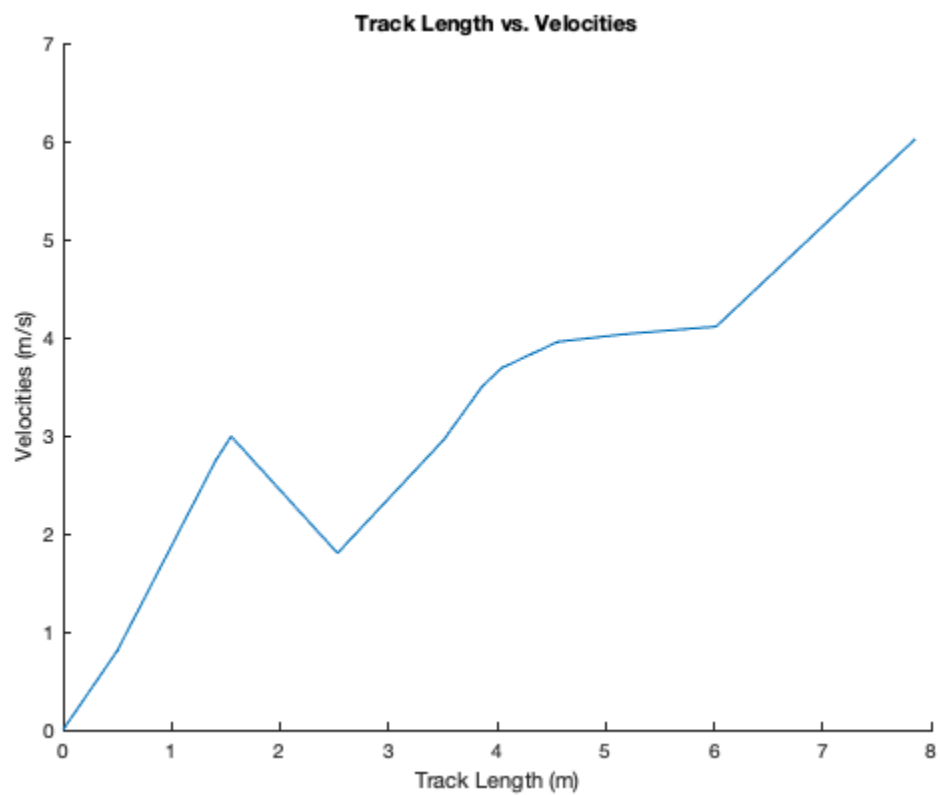
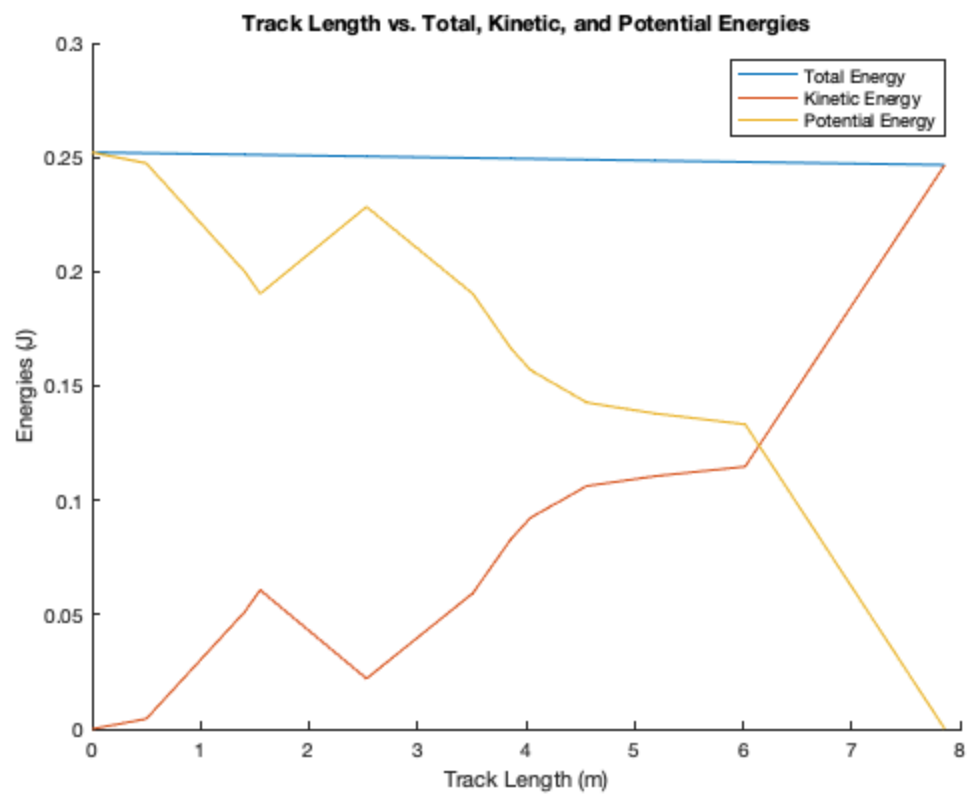
for i = 2:length(total_energies)
    total_energies(i) = total_energies(1) - 0.0007 * track_length(i);
    kinetic_energies(i) = total_energies(i) - (mass * gravity *
    heights(i));
    potential_energies(i) = mass * gravity * heights(i);
    velocities(i) = sqrt((10 * kinetic_energies(i)) / (7 * mass));
    fprintf("%d: %f\t%f\t%f\t%f\n", i - 1, total_energies(i),
    kinetic_energies(i), velocities(i), potential_energies(i));
end

% plot track_length vs. total_energy, kinetic_energy, potential_energy
figure(1)
hold on
plot(track_length, total_energies, track_length, kinetic_energies,
    track_length, potential_energies);
xlabel("Track Length (m)");
ylabel("Energies (J)");
title("Track Length vs. Total, Kinetic, and Potential Energies");
legend("Total Energy", "Kinetic Energy", "Potential Energy");
hold off

% plot track_length vs. velocities
figure(2)
hold on
plot(track_length, velocities);
xlabel("Track Length (m)");
ylabel("Velocities (m/s)");
title("Track Length vs. Velocities");
hold off

Total energy, kinetic energy, and velocity and potential energy
0: 0.252166 0.000000 0.000000 0.252166
1: 0.251816 0.004408 0.805710 0.247408
2: 0.251179 0.051349 2.749999 0.199830
3: 0.251081 0.060767 2.991570 0.190314
4: 0.250395 0.022018 1.800763 0.228377
5: 0.249709 0.059395 2.957605 0.190314
6: 0.249464 0.082939 3.494985 0.166525
7: 0.249338 0.092329 3.687518 0.157009
8: 0.248974 0.106239 3.955544 0.142736
9: 0.248533 0.110555 4.035107 0.137978
10: 0.247952 0.114732 4.110625 0.133220
11: 0.246664 0.246664 6.027234 0.000000

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