



# Announcements

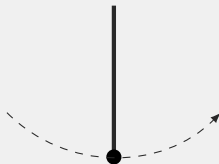
- Video Homework 5 due tonight
  - I'm planning to score and get feedback to you on them tomorrow morning.
- Test on Wednesday (Ch 3–5)
  - Study materials available online!
  - You get a new notecard
  - I'll have my box of calculators, but email me beforehand if you know you'll want to use one, just so I'm aware please.
- No new assignment is due until a week from Wednesday. Enjoy your midsemester break (once you finish studying and taking the test)!



## Review Question

Jill of the Jungle swings across a ravine on a vine. At the bottom of the swing, how does the magnitude of the force by the vine on Jill compare to the force of the Earth on Jill?

- A)  $F_{\text{vine}} > F_{\text{Earth}}$
- B)  $F_{\text{vine}} = F_{\text{Earth}}$
- C)  $F_{\text{vine}} < F_{\text{Earth}}$
- D) Not enough information to tell





# Energy Basics

- Energy is really tough to specifically define
- "Discovered" years and years after Newton's time
- Comprised of many different forms
  - Rest
  - Kinetic
  - Potential
  - Thermal
  - Chemical
  - Nuclear, etc
- Can be transformed back and forth between types
- Unit: Joules (J)



# The Energy Principle

- Unlike momentum, energy is a scalar
- Can not be destroyed, only transformed (Energy Conservation)
- Want to keep track of how much energy is entering or leaving system
- Time for our new fundamental principle!

## The Energy Principle

$$\Delta E_{system} = \text{Energy inputs from surroundings}$$



# Why Energy?

## Pros

- Only a number! No vectors
- Can encompass many different types of reactions
- Simple conservation principle

## Cons

- More abstract than momentum
- Can be difficult or impossible to do the accounting in some instances
- Doesn't give information on directionality



# A Single Particle

- Everything initially will be looking at point masses
  - More complicated objects will introduce their own forms of energy
- A single particle has energy of

$$E = \gamma mc^2$$

where  $m$  is the mass and  $c$  is the speed of light

- Here,

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{v^2}{c^2}}}$$

where  $v$  is the particle velocity and  $c$  still the speed of light

- Units:  $\text{kg}(\text{m/s})^2 = \text{Nm} = \text{J}$



# Break it Down

- Oftentimes useful to break up into the non-moving and moving portions of energy
- Rest Energy is when the object is at . . . rest
  - Here  $\vec{v} = 0$  and so  $\gamma = 1$
  - Thus

$$E_{rest} = mc^2$$

- Look at that (probably) familiar equation!
- Kinetic Energy is the energy of the objects motion
  - Can get via subtraction:

$$E_{kinetic} = K = \gamma mc^2 - mc^2$$

- Can always combine the two to write

$$E = mc^2 + K$$



## Energy Example

An bumblebee is moving at  $2 \text{ m/s}$  in the positive  $x$ -direction. If this bumblebee has a mass of  $5 \text{ g}$ , determine its total energy. Approximately what fraction of this energy comes from its movement?





# Low Speed Approximations

- Low speed was easy with momentum, because if  $\vec{v}$  was 0 then the entire thing was zero
- A little trickier with kinetic energy because we don't want to include the rest energy
- Need to be more precise in our approximation:

$$E = \frac{mc^2}{\sqrt{1 - (v/c)^2}} = mc^2 \left[ 1 + \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{v}{c} \right)^2 + \frac{3}{8} \left( \frac{v}{c} \right)^4 + \frac{5}{16} \left( \frac{v}{c} \right)^6 + \dots \right]$$

- We don't want all those terms, so we only keep the first two

$$E = mc^2 + \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

- The kinetic bit is thus just

$$K \approx \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = \frac{p^2}{2m}$$



Suppose we want a rocket in deep space to accelerate from rest to 500 km/s. The rocket has a mass of 10 000 kg.

- What is the rockets rest energy?
- How much energy needs to be added to get the rocket to the desired speed? Use the low speed approximation.
- If you used the full energy expression, how close would the needed energy be to your above calculation?



# Understanding Check

What is the total energy of a proton ( $m = 1.67 \times 10^{-27}$  kg) moving at 98% the speed of light ( $c = 3 \times 10^8$  m/s)?

- A)  $72 \times 10^{-12}$  J
- B)  $150 \times 10^{-12}$  J
- C)  $222 \times 10^{-12}$  J
- D)  $755 \times 10^{-12}$  J



# High Speed Momentum

- Technically,  $\vec{p} = m\vec{v}$  only holds true for slower moving objects
- At high speeds,  $\Delta\vec{p}$  was no longer proportional to the strength of interaction
- Required a revamp in the model:
  - Any remake still needs to simplify to  $\vec{p} = m\vec{v}$  at low speeds
  - Needs to keep  $\Delta\vec{p}$  proportional to the interaction strength at *all* speeds
- Ended up with

$$\vec{p} = \gamma m\vec{v} \quad \text{where} \quad \gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{|\vec{v}|}{c}\right)^2}}$$

- $c$  is the speed of light ( $\approx 3 \times 10^8$  m/s)



# Total Energy to Momentum

- Since the full forms of both momentum and energy involve  $\gamma$ , we can combine them to get

$$E^2 - (pc)^2 = (mc^2)^2$$

which is true in all reference frames at all speeds!

- Also gives us a neat way to find the momentum of massless objects (like photons for light!)



What is the magnitude of the momentum of an electron ( $m = 9.1 \times 10^{-31}$  kg) which has a total energy of 10 times its rest energy?



## Practice Time!

A large box is at rest when 100 J of energy is added to the system. All of it goes to kinetic energy, and afterwards the box is moving with velocity  $\langle 10, 0, 5 \rangle$  m/s.

- What is the mass of the box?
- What is the rest energy of the box?