

Hi Physics 211! <3

Power; reviewing work and energy

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- A new idea, in more depth: *power*
- An example of that idea

What would you all like to talk about? (Homework, recitation problems, big ideas...)

While you're thinking: how useful are the recordings of recitation and homework solutions?

- **A:** Not useful
- **B:** Moderately useful
- **C:** Quite useful
- **D:** I've not watched any of them yet

Please give me feedback on them (what can I do better?) if you've watched any.

$$\vec{F}_{AB} = -\vec{F}_{BA}$$

→ assumed only forces
were the ones exerted
on each other

$$m_A \vec{a}_A = -m_B \vec{a}_B$$

$$m_A \Delta \vec{v}_A = -m_B \Delta \vec{v}_B$$

$$\Delta \vec{p}_A = -\Delta \vec{p}_B$$

→ Conservation of momentum

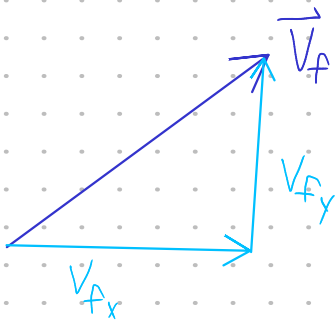
Collisions / explosions → use Conservation of \vec{p} !

$$m_1 \vec{V}_{1i} + m_2 \vec{V}_{2i} + m_3 \vec{V}_{3i} + \dots = m_1 \vec{V}_{1f} + m_2 \vec{V}_{2f} + m_3 \vec{V}_{3f}$$

Vector equation: applies separately and independently in X and Y.

$$\rightarrow X: m_1 V_{1xi} + m_2 V_{2xi} + \dots = m_1 V_{1xf} + m_2 V_{2xf} + \dots$$

$$Y: m_1 V_{1yi} + m_2 V_{2yi} + \dots = m_1 V_{1yf} + m_2 V_{2yf} + \dots$$



"Plain" work-energy

$$KE_i + W_{\text{all}} = KE_f$$

With potential energy:

$$KE_i + PE_i + W_{\text{other}} = KE_f + PE_f$$

Use energy methods when

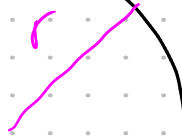
- You don't care about time
- You have clear "before" and "after" states
- You can account for the work done by all forces.



A

- a) what is v_B ?
- b) what is F_N at B?

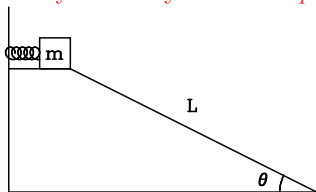
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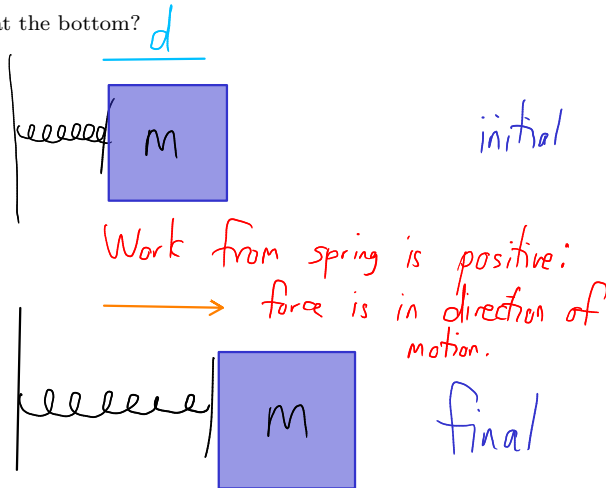
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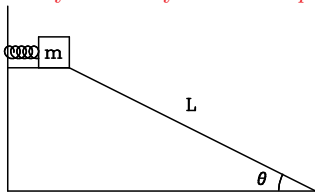
• Spring converts its elastic potential energy into kinetic energy: $U_e = \frac{1}{2}kd^2$

$$W = \Delta KE, W_{\text{elas}} = \frac{1}{2}kd^2.$$

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$$W_{\text{elas}} = \int_{-d}^0 F dx$$

Compressed by d at start

going to equilibrium

need integral since F is not constant.

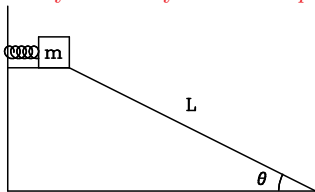
$$F_{\text{elas}} = -k(\Delta x) \quad ; \quad k = \text{"spring constant"} - \text{measured in newtons/meter}$$

"how many newtons of restoring force does a spring produce per meter of stretch/compression?"

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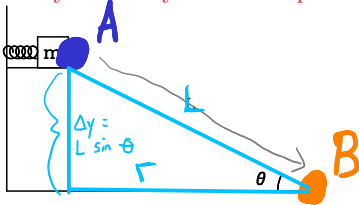
$$W = \int F dx = \int kx dx = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$$

Ah! $U_e = \frac{1}{2}k(\Delta x)^2$

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$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \Delta \vec{s}$$

= "force, times component of displacement parallel to that force"

force is downward, so

$$\begin{aligned} W_{\text{grav}} &= (mg)(\text{distance moved downward}) \\ &= mg(L \sin \theta) = mg \Delta y \end{aligned}$$

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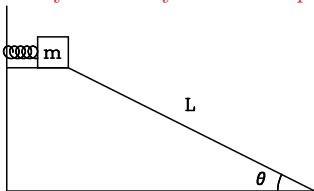
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What's the work done by **the normal force**?

- A: $W_{\text{norm}} = mgh$
- B: $W_{\text{norm}} = mg \cos \theta$
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- D: $W_{\text{norm}} = 0$ ✓

since F_N is
perpendicular
to displacement

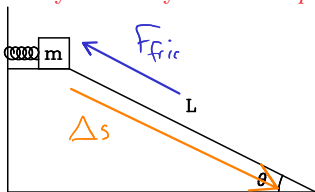
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$$= F_{\text{fric}} (\text{displacement along slope})$$

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$$= \mu F_N (-L)$$

$$= \underbrace{\mu(mg \cos \theta)}_{F_N} (-L)$$

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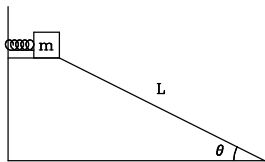
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"Plain" work-energy theorem (without PE)

$$KE_i + W_{all} = KE_f$$

$$KE_i + W_{grav} + W_{spring} + W_{fric} = KE_f$$

$$\frac{1}{2}mv_i^2 + mgL \sin \theta + \frac{1}{2}kd^2 - \mu mgL \cos \theta = \frac{1}{2}mv_f^2$$

Solve for v_f :

$$v_f = \sqrt{2gL \sin \theta + \frac{k}{m}d^2 - 2\mu gL \cos \theta}$$

same terms!

Using potential energy

$$KE_i + PE_i + W_{other} = KE_f + PE_f$$

• Conservative forces, associated with PE:
gravity, spring

• Nonconservative forces : friction

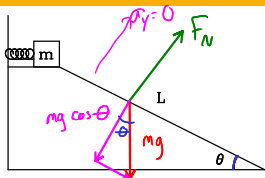
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You encountered *power* before as the rate of doing work or transforming energy:

$$P = \frac{E}{\Delta t} \quad : \text{Units} = \frac{\text{joules}}{\text{sec}} = \text{watts.}$$

This is important in engineering, since many of our machines are constrained by the rate at which they can manipulate energy, or that they require energy:

- My laptop: 4W (minimum to run) - 25W (maximum cooling system can handle)
- A duck: 25-60W (sustained power from flight muscles)
- Human on a bike: 100-300W (sustained over an hour), five times that (peak)
- Horse: 750W (sustained), 10 kW (peak)
- Automobile engine: 75 kW (my car) - 400 kW (high-end sports car)
- Diesel-electric locomotive: 2500 kW
- Nuclear submarine: 30 MW
- Nuclear reactor: 1500 MW (electric), 3000 MW (heat)

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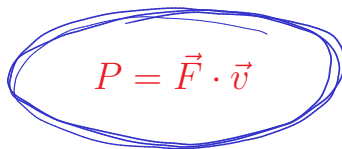
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Biking with air resistance

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She can sustain a speed of 12 m/s. At this speed, the main friction force on her is the wind.

How big is that frictional force?

- A:** 700 N
B: 10 N

- C:** 1200 N
D: 100 N

$$P = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{v}$$

$$P_{\text{total}} = \underbrace{P_{\text{pedals}}}_{\text{positive}} + \underbrace{P_{\text{drag}}}_{\text{negative}} = 0$$

$$P_{\text{pedals}} = -P_{\text{drag}} = -(\vec{F}_{\text{drag}} \cdot \vec{v})$$

$$P_{\text{pedals}} = F_{\text{drag}} v \longrightarrow F_{\text{drag}} = \frac{P_{\text{pedals}}}{v}$$

comes from dot product:
 \vec{F}_{drag} is opposite \vec{v}

Biking up a hill

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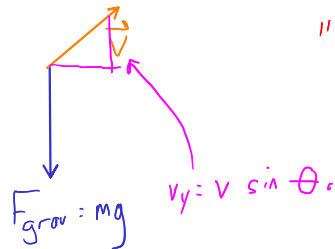
She then wants to ride up a hill, sloped at an angle of about $\theta = 6^\circ = 0.1$ radian.

How fast can she go up the hill? (This is a lot slower, so you can ignore air drag here.)

Compare:
 $v_{\max, \text{flat}} = 12 \text{ m/s}.$

$$P_{\text{pedals}} + P_{\text{gravity}} = 0$$

$$P_{\text{gravity}} : \vec{F}_{\text{grav}} \cdot \vec{V} = (mg)(-v_y) = -mg v \sin \theta$$



"force, times component of velocity in direction of force"

$$P_{\text{pedals}} = -P_{\text{gravity}}$$

$$P_{\text{pedals}} = mg v \sin \theta$$

$$\rightarrow v_{\max} \approx 2 \text{ m/s}$$

Going down a steep hill, slowly

Suppose our $m = 70$ kg rider wants to go down a steep hill, angled at 10 degrees below the horizontal, at a safe speed of 4 m/s. (*At this speed, ignore air drag.*)

Brakes work by squeezing a rotating object with a large normal force, creating a lot of friction. This friction does negative work on the rotating wheel, converting its kinetic energy into heat.

What power will the brakes in her bicycle produce?

$$\underbrace{P_{\text{gravity}}}_{\text{positive}} + \underbrace{P_{\text{brakes}}}_{\text{negative}} = 0$$

$$V = \text{const.}$$



Brakes on a bike intended for off-road use. The rotor is designed to maximize airflow – to give the material a fighting chance of dissipating this much heat!

Another sample problem: work and energy

A basketball of mass m hangs from a cable of length L ; it is pulled to the left at an angle θ and released.

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