PHYS 172: Modern Mechanics

Spring 2012

EXAM 1 results

Multiple choice: AVERAGE is 60%

Handgraded part: being graded (at least 1 more week)

Misregistered iClickers

If you see <u>no scores at all</u> on CHIP, take your iClicker to **Prof. Saxena (Rm 176)** ASAP. You must have correct iClicker registered by Friday afternoon (hard deadline).

Scores for Lectures 1-9 will be finalized by Tuesday next week.

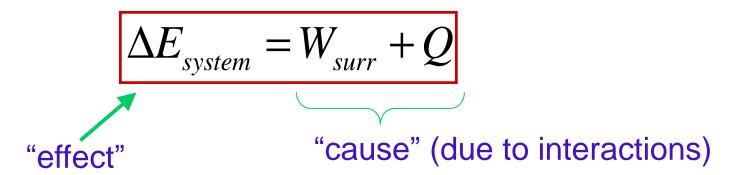


Lecture 10: The Energy Principle

TODAY

- The Energy Principle
- Energy is Conserved
- Rest Energy and Kinetic Energy
- Work = $\vec{F} \cdot \Delta \vec{r}$

The Energy Principle



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Energy is A Conserved Quantity

Energy is a useful thing to consider because energy can't be destroyed: it can only change forms.

$$\Delta E_{system} + \Delta E_{surroundings} = 0$$

Energy of a Single Particle System

$$E_{\text{single particle system}} = \gamma mc^2 = \frac{mc^2}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}}$$

Experimentally, this is the expression that works in a conservation law

**Rest energy =
$$mc^2$$** $(v = 0 \rightarrow \gamma = 1)$

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Kinetic energy
$$K \equiv \gamma mc^2 - mc^2$$

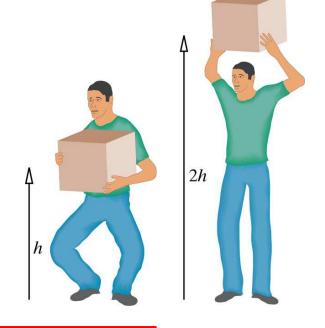
$$K \approx \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$
 for $v/c \ll 1$

$$E^2 - (pc)^2 = m^2c^4$$
 ALWAYS TRUE.

EVERY REFERENCE FRAME.

Energy and Force

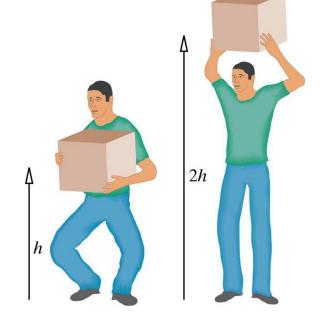
It takes twice as much energy to raise a heavy box a distance *2h*, compared to lifting it only *h*. Thus, it is <u>distance</u> that seems to matter, not time.



Does this match your real-world experience?

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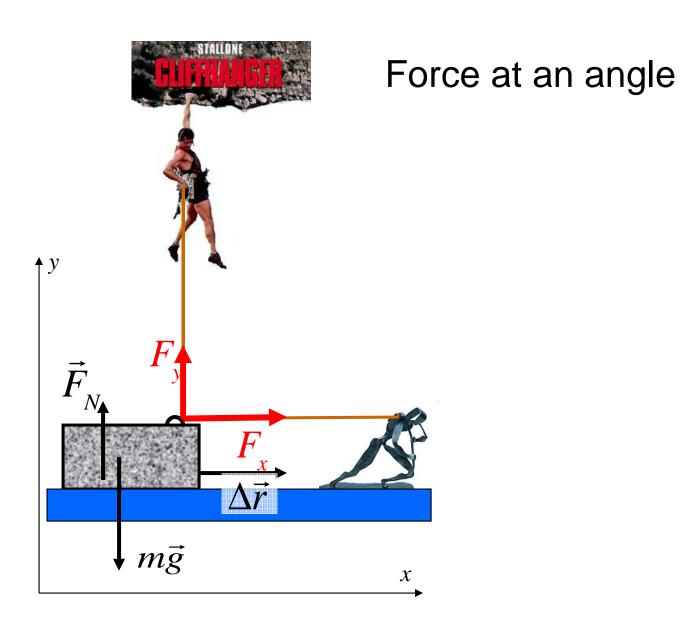
WORK due to mechanical energy transfer:

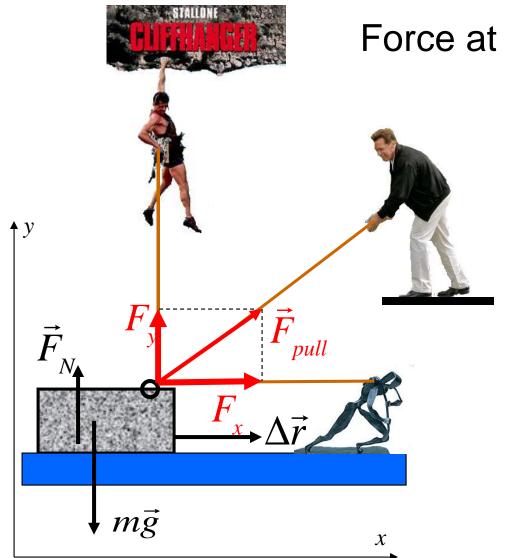
$$W = F_x \Delta x + F_y \Delta y + F_z \Delta z$$

In more general vector notation, this is:

$$W_F = \vec{F} \cdot \Delta \vec{r} = F \Delta r \cos \theta = F_x \Delta r_x + F_y \Delta r_y + F_z \Delta r_z$$

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Force at an angle

$$\Delta \vec{p} = \vec{F}_{net} \Delta t$$

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$$\Delta p_{y} = F_{net,y} \Delta t = 0$$

Only *x*-component of force "works"!

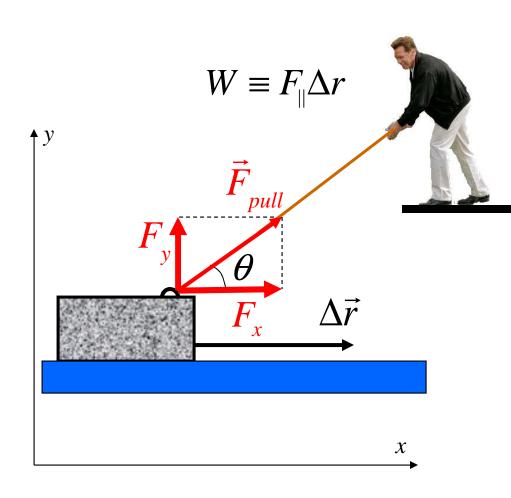
$$work \sim F_x \Delta r_x$$

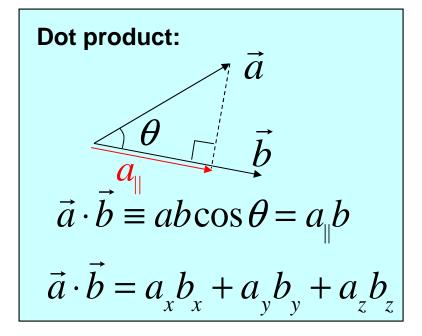
Definition of work

$$W \equiv F_{\parallel} \Delta r$$

Force component along the path of motion

Work as a dot product





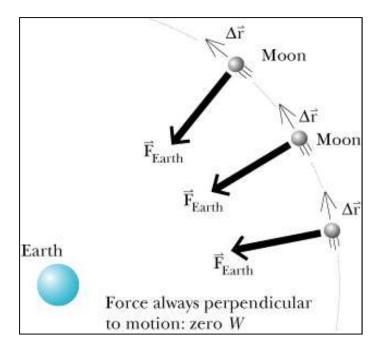
$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \Delta \vec{r}$$
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$$W = F_x \Delta r_x + F_y \Delta r_y + F_z \Delta r_z$$

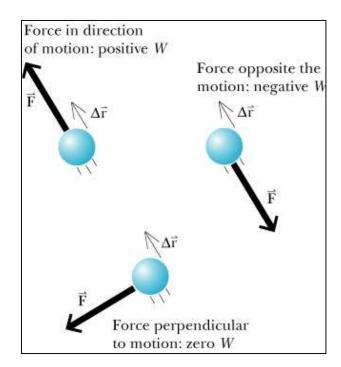
Sign of Work

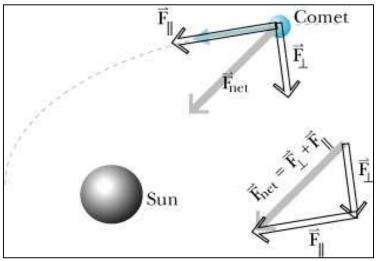
$$W_F = \overrightarrow{F} \cdot \Delta \overrightarrow{r} = F \Delta r \cos \theta$$
$$= F_x \Delta r_x + F_y \Delta r_y + F_z \Delta r_z$$

Circular orbit



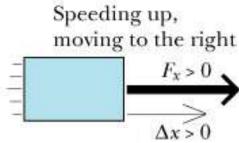
Earth does no work on the Moon.

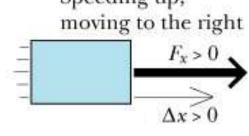


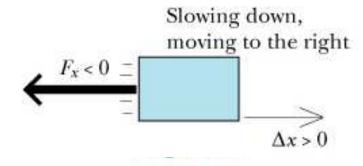


Sun does work on comet, speeding it up.

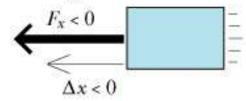
Game: What's the Sign of the Work?

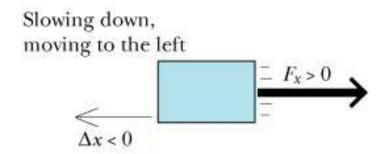






Speeding up, moving to the left





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What Causes The Energy of A System to Change?

Reminder: Momentum Principle

Interactions: some P_{surroundings} transforms into P_{system}.

Forces transfer momentum from one object to another.

Energy can be transferred from the surroundings to a system in two ways:

- Energy transfer by <u>heat</u> (next chapter)
- Energy transfer by work

$$set = 0$$
 for now

$$\Delta E_{system} = W_{surr} + \cancel{Q}$$

Example

You hold a ball of mass 0.5 kg at rest in your hand and throw it forward so that it leaves your hand at speed 20 m/s. How much work did you do on the ball?



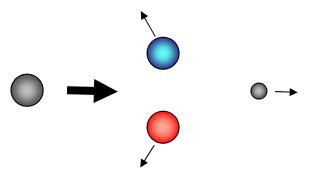
$$E_{sys,f} = E_{sys,i} + W_{surr}$$

$$\left(mc^2 + K_f\right) = \left(mc^2 + K_i\right) + W_{surr}$$
 Rest energy did not change

$$W_{surr} = K_f - K_i = \Delta K = \frac{mv_f^2}{2} - \frac{mv_i^2}{2}$$

$$W_{surr} = 100J$$

Change of identity – change of rest energy



$$n \rightarrow p^+ + e^- + \overline{\nu}$$

Neutron decay

An electron-volt (eV) unit: $1 \text{ eV} = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$ $1 \text{ MeV} = 10^6 \text{ eV}$ How much kinetic energy do the products have?

$$E_f = E_i + W$$

$$\uparrow = 0$$

$$\left(m_p c^2 + K_p\right) + \left(m_e c^2 + K_e\right) + \left(K_{\bar{v}}\right) = m_n c^2$$

$$K_p + K_e + K_{\overline{v}} = \left(m_n - m_p - m_e \right) c^2$$

Mass of products is smaller than mass of reactant!

Mass is converted into kinetic energy

$$K_p + K_e + K_{\overline{v}} = m_n c^2 - m_p c^2 - m_e c^2$$
= 939.6MeV - 938.3MeV - 0.511MeV

$$K_p + K_p + K_{\overline{\nu}} = 0.8 MeV$$

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