

Conservation of Energy

CHAPTER

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In Chapter 7, we introduced three methods for storing energy in a system: kinetic energy, associated with movement of members of the system; potential energy, determined by the configuration of the system; and internal energy, which is related to the temperature of the system.

We now consider analyzing physical situations using the energy approach for two types of systems: *nonisolated* and *isolated* systems. For nonisolated systems, we shall investigate ways that energy can cross the boundary of the system, resulting in a change in the system's total energy. This analysis leads to a critically important principle called *conservation of energy*. The conservation of energy principle extends well beyond physics and can be applied to biological organisms, technological systems, and engineering situations.

In isolated systems, energy does not cross the boundary of the system. For these systems, the total energy of the system is constant. If no nonconservative forces act within the system, we can use *conservation of mechanical energy* to solve a variety of problems.

Three youngsters enjoy the transformation of potential energy to kinetic energy on a waterslide. We can analyze processes such as these with the techniques developed in this chapter.

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Situations involving the transformation of mechanical energy to internal energy due to nonconservative forces require special handling. We investigate the procedures for these types of problems.

Finally, we recognize that energy can cross the boundary of a system at different rates. We describe the rate of energy transfer with the quantity *power*.

8.1 Analysis Model: Nonisolated System (Energy)

As we have seen, an object, modeled as a particle, can be acted on by various forces, resulting in a change in its kinetic energy according to the work–kinetic energy theorem from Chapter 7. If we choose the object as the system, this very simple situation is the first example of a *nonisolated system*, for which energy crosses the boundary of the system during some time interval due to an interaction with the environment. This scenario is common in physics problems. If a system does not interact with its environment, it is an *isolated system*, which we will study in Section 8.2.

The work–kinetic energy theorem is our first example of an energy equation appropriate for a nonisolated system. In the case of that theorem, the interaction of the system with its environment is the work done by the external force, and the quantity in the system that changes is the kinetic energy.

So far, we have seen only one way to transfer energy into a system: work. We mention below a few other ways to transfer energy into or out of a system. The details of these processes will be studied in other sections of the book. We illustrate mechanisms to transfer energy in Figure 8.1 and summarize them as follows.

Work, as we have learned in Chapter 7, is a method of transferring energy to a system by applying a force to the system such that the point of application of the force undergoes a displacement (Fig. 8.1a).

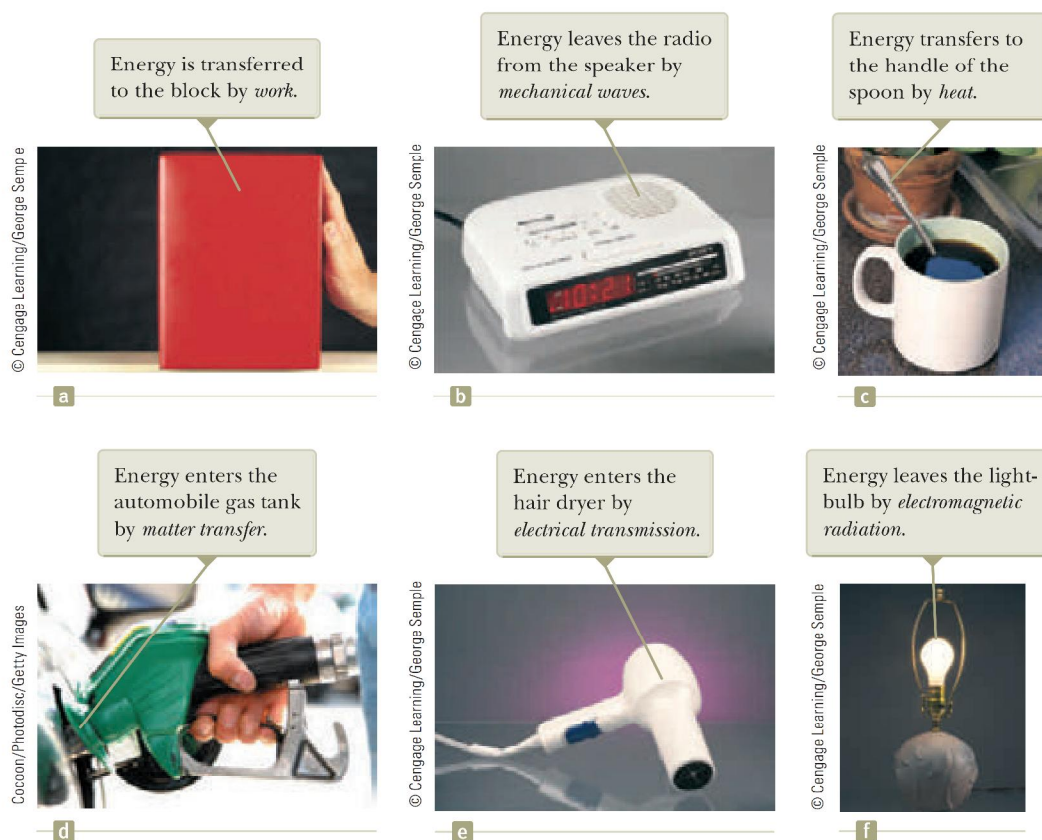


Figure 8.1 Energy transfer mechanisms. In each case, the system into which or from which energy is transferred is indicated.

Mechanical waves (Chapters 16–18) are a means of transferring energy by allowing a disturbance to propagate through air or another medium. It is the method by which energy (which you detect as sound) leaves the system of your clock radio through the loudspeaker and enters your ears to stimulate the hearing process (Fig. 8.1b). Other examples of mechanical waves are seismic waves and ocean waves.

Heat (Chapter 20) is a mechanism of energy transfer that is driven by a temperature difference between a system and its environment. For example, imagine dividing a metal spoon into two parts: the handle, which we identify as the system, and the portion submerged in a cup of coffee, which is part of the environment (Fig. 8.1c). The handle of the spoon becomes hot because fast-moving electrons and atoms in the submerged portion bump into slower ones in the nearby part of the handle. These particles move faster because of the collisions and bump into the next group of slow particles. Therefore, the internal energy of the spoon handle rises from energy transfer due to this collision process.

Matter transfer (Chapter 20) involves situations in which matter physically crosses the boundary of a system, carrying energy with it. Examples include filling your automobile tank with gasoline (Fig. 8.1d) and carrying energy to the rooms of your home by circulating warm air from the furnace, a process called *convection*.

Electrical transmission (Chapters 27 and 28) involves energy transfer into or out of a system by means of electric currents. It is how energy transfers into your hair dryer (Fig. 8.1e), home theater system, or any other electrical device.

Electromagnetic radiation (Chapter 34) refers to electromagnetic waves such as light (Fig. 8.1f), microwaves, and radio waves crossing the boundary of a system. Examples of this method of transfer include cooking a baked potato in your microwave oven and energy traveling from the Sun to the Earth by light through space.¹

A central feature of the energy approach is the notion that we can neither create nor destroy energy, that energy is always *conserved*. This feature has been tested in countless experiments, and no experiment has ever shown this statement to be incorrect. Therefore, **if the total amount of energy in a system changes, it can only be because energy has crossed the boundary of the system by a transfer mechanism such as one of the methods listed above.**

Energy is one of several quantities in physics that are conserved. We will see other conserved quantities in subsequent chapters. There are many physical quantities that do not obey a conservation principle. For example, there is no conservation of force principle or conservation of velocity principle. Similarly, in areas other than physical quantities, such as in everyday life, some quantities are conserved and some are not. For example, the money in the system of your bank account is a conserved quantity. The only way the account balance changes is if money crosses the boundary of the system by deposits or withdrawals. On the other hand, the number of people in the system of a country is not conserved. Although people indeed cross the boundary of the system, which changes the total population, the population can also change by people dying and by giving birth to new babies. Even if no people cross the system boundary, the births and deaths will change the number of people in the system. There is no equivalent in the concept of energy to dying or giving birth. The general statement of the principle of **conservation of energy** can be described mathematically with the **conservation of energy equation** as follows:

$$\Delta E_{\text{system}} = \sum T \quad (8.1)$$

where E_{system} is the total energy of the system, including all methods of energy storage (kinetic, potential, and internal), and T (for *transfer*) is the amount of energy transferred across the system boundary by some mechanism. Two of our transfer mechanisms have well-established symbolic notations. For work, $T_{\text{work}} = W$ as discussed in Chapter 7, and for heat, $T_{\text{heat}} = Q$ as defined in Chapter 20. (Now that we

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Heat Is Not a Form of Energy

The word *heat* is one of the most misused words in our popular language. Heat is a method of *transferring* energy, *not* a form of storing energy. Therefore, phrases such as “heat content,” “the heat of the summer,” and “the heat escaped” all represent uses of this word that are inconsistent with our physics definition. See Chapter 20.

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¹Electromagnetic radiation and work done by field forces are the only energy transfer mechanisms that do not require molecules of the environment to be available at the system boundary. Therefore, systems surrounded by a vacuum (such as planets) can only exchange energy with the environment by means of these two possibilities.

are familiar with work, we can simplify the appearance of equations by letting the simple symbol W represent the external work W_{ext} on a system. For internal work, we will *always* use W_{int} to differentiate it from W .) The other four members of our list do not have established symbols, so we will call them T_{MW} (mechanical waves), T_{MT} (matter transfer), T_{ET} (electrical transmission), and T_{ER} (electromagnetic radiation).

The full expansion of Equation 8.1 is

$$\Delta K + \Delta U + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = W + Q + T_{\text{MW}} + T_{\text{MT}} + T_{\text{ET}} + T_{\text{ER}} \quad (8.2)$$

which is the primary mathematical representation of the energy version of the analysis model of the **nonisolated system**. (We will see other versions of the nonisolated system model, involving linear momentum and angular momentum, in later chapters.) In most cases, Equation 8.2 reduces to a much simpler one because some of the terms are zero for the specific situation. If, for a given system, all terms on the right side of the conservation of energy equation are zero, the system is an *isolated system*, which we study in the next section.

The conservation of energy equation is no more complicated in theory than the process of balancing your checking account statement. If your account is the system, the change in the account balance for a given month is the sum of all the transfers: deposits, withdrawals, fees, interest, and checks written. You may find it useful to think of energy as the *currency of nature!*

Suppose a force is applied to a nonisolated system and the point of application of the force moves through a displacement. Then suppose the only effect on the system is to change its speed. In this case, the only transfer mechanism is work (so that the right side of Eq. 8.2 reduces to just W) and the only kind of energy in the system that changes is the kinetic energy (so that the left side of Eq. 8.2 reduces to just ΔK). Equation 8.2 then becomes

$$\Delta K = W$$

which is the work–kinetic energy theorem. This theorem is a special case of the more general principle of conservation of energy. We shall see several more special cases in future chapters.

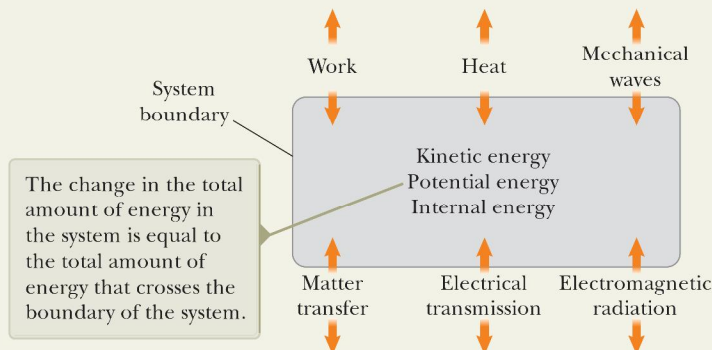
Quick Quiz 8.1 By what transfer mechanisms does energy enter and leave (a) your television set? (b) Your gasoline-powered lawn mower? (c) Your hand-cranked pencil sharpener?

Quick Quiz 8.2 Consider a block sliding over a horizontal surface with friction. Ignore any sound the sliding might make. (i) If the system is the *block*, this system is (a) isolated (b) nonisolated (c) impossible to determine (ii) If the system is the *surface*, describe the system from the same set of choices. (iii) If the system is the *block and the surface*, describe the system from the same set of choices.

Analysis Model Nonisolated System (Energy)

Imagine you have identified a system to be analyzed and have defined a system boundary. Energy can exist in the system in three forms: kinetic, potential, and internal. The total of that energy can be changed when energy crosses the system boundary by any of six transfer methods shown in the diagram here. The total change in the energy in the system is equal to the total amount of energy that has crossed the system boundary. The mathematical statement of that concept is expressed in the **conservation of energy equation**:

$$\Delta E_{\text{system}} = \Sigma T \quad (8.1)$$



Analysis Model Nonisolated System (Energy) (continued)

The full expansion of Equation 8.1 shows the specific types of energy storage and transfer:

$$\Delta K + \Delta U + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = W + Q + T_{\text{MW}} + T_{\text{MT}} + T_{\text{ET}} + T_{\text{ER}} \quad (8.2)$$

For a specific problem, this equation is generally reduced to a smaller number of terms by eliminating the terms that are equal to zero because they are not appropriate to the situation.

Examples:

- a force does work on a system of a single object, changing its speed: the work–kinetic energy theorem, $W = \Delta K$
- a gas contained in a vessel has work done on it and experiences a transfer of energy by heat, resulting in a change in its temperature: the first law of thermodynamics, $\Delta E_{\text{int}} = W + Q$ (Chapter 20)
- an incandescent light bulb is turned on, with energy entering the filament by electricity, causing its temperature to increase, and leaving by light: $\Delta E_{\text{int}} = T_{\text{ET}} + T_{\text{ER}}$ (Chapter 27)
- a photon enters a metal, causing an electron to be ejected from the metal: the photoelectric effect, $\Delta K + \Delta U = T_{\text{ER}}$ (Chapter 40)

8.2 Analysis Model: Isolated System (Energy)

In this section, we study another very common scenario in physics problems: a system is chosen such that no energy crosses the system boundary by any method. We begin by considering a gravitational situation. Think about the book–Earth system in Figure 7.15 in the preceding chapter. After we have lifted the book, there is gravitational potential energy stored in the system, which can be calculated from the work done by the external agent on the system, using $W = \Delta U_g$. (Check to see that this equation, which we’ve seen before, is contained within Eq. 8.2 above.)

Let us now shift our focus to the work done *on the book alone* by the gravitational force (Fig. 8.2) as the book falls back to its original height. As the book falls from y_i to y_f , the work done by the gravitational force on the book is

$$W_{\text{on book}} = (m\vec{g}) \cdot \Delta\vec{r} = (-mg\hat{j}) \cdot [(y_f - y_i)\hat{j}] = mgy_i - mgy_f \quad (8.3)$$

From the work–kinetic energy theorem of Chapter 7, the work done on the book is equal to the change in the kinetic energy of the book:

$$W_{\text{on book}} = \Delta K_{\text{book}}$$

We can equate these two expressions for the work done on the book:

$$\Delta K_{\text{book}} = mgy_i - mgy_f \quad (8.4)$$

Let us now relate each side of this equation to the *system* of the book and the Earth. For the right-hand side,

$$mgy_i - mgy_f = -(mgy_f - mgy_i) = -\Delta U_g$$

where $U_g = mgy$ is the gravitational potential energy of the system. For the left-hand side of Equation 8.4, because the book is the only part of the system that is moving, we see that $\Delta K_{\text{book}} = \Delta K$, where K is the kinetic energy of the system. Therefore, with each side of Equation 8.4 replaced with its system equivalent, the equation becomes

$$\Delta K = -\Delta U_g \quad (8.5)$$

This equation can be manipulated to provide a very important general result for solving problems. First, we move the change in potential energy to the left side of the equation:

$$\Delta K + \Delta U_g = 0$$

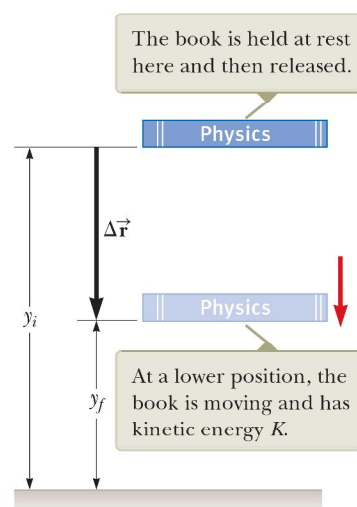


Figure 8.2 A book is released from rest and falls due to work done by the gravitational force on the book.

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Conditions on Equation 8.6 Equation 8.6 is only true for a system in which conservative forces act. We will see how to handle nonconservative forces in Sections 8.3 and 8.4.

Mechanical energy of a system

The mechanical energy of an isolated system with no nonconservative forces acting is conserved.

The left side represents a sum of changes of the energy stored in the system. The right-hand side is zero because there are no transfers of energy across the boundary of the system; the book–Earth system is *isolated* from the environment. We developed this equation for a gravitational system, but it can be shown to be valid for a system with any type of potential energy. Therefore, for an isolated system,

$$\Delta K + \Delta U = 0 \quad (8.6)$$

(Check to see that this equation is contained within Eq. 8.2.)

We defined in Chapter 7 the sum of the kinetic and potential energies of a system as its mechanical energy:

$$E_{\text{mech}} \equiv K + U \quad (8.7)$$

where U represents the total of *all* types of potential energy. Because the system under consideration is isolated, Equations 8.6 and 8.7 tell us that the mechanical energy of the system is conserved:

$$\Delta E_{\text{mech}} = 0 \quad (8.8)$$

Equation 8.8 is a statement of **conservation of mechanical energy** for an isolated system with no nonconservative forces acting. The mechanical energy in such a system is conserved: the sum of the kinetic and potential energies remains constant:

Let us now write the changes in energy in Equation 8.6 explicitly:

$$\begin{aligned} (K_f - K_i) + (U_f - U_i) &= 0 \\ K_f + U_f &= K_i + U_i \end{aligned} \quad (8.9)$$

For the gravitational situation of the falling book, Equation 8.9 can be written as

$$\frac{1}{2}mv_f^2 + mgy_f = \frac{1}{2}mv_i^2 + mgy_i$$

As the book falls to the Earth, the book–Earth system loses potential energy and gains kinetic energy such that the total of the two types of energy always remains constant: $E_{\text{total},i} = E_{\text{total},f}$.

If there are nonconservative forces acting within the system, mechanical energy is transformed to internal energy as discussed in Section 7.7. If nonconservative forces act in an isolated system, the total energy of the system is conserved although the mechanical energy is not. In that case, we can express the conservation of energy of the system as

$$\Delta E_{\text{system}} = 0 \quad (8.10)$$

where E_{system} includes all kinetic, potential, and internal energies. This equation is the most general statement of the energy version of the **isolated system** model. It is equivalent to Equation 8.2 with all terms on the right-hand side equal to zero.

Quick Quiz 8.3 A rock of mass m is dropped to the ground from a height h . A second rock, with mass $2m$, is dropped from the same height. When the second rock strikes the ground, what is its kinetic energy? (a) twice that of the first rock (b) four times that of the first rock (c) the same as that of the first rock (d) half as much as that of the first rock (e) impossible to determine

Quick Quiz 8.4 Three identical balls are thrown from the top of a building, all with the same initial speed. As shown in Figure 8.3, the first is thrown horizontally, the second at some angle above the horizontal, and the third at some angle below the horizontal. Neglecting air resistance, rank the speeds of the balls at the instant each hits the ground.

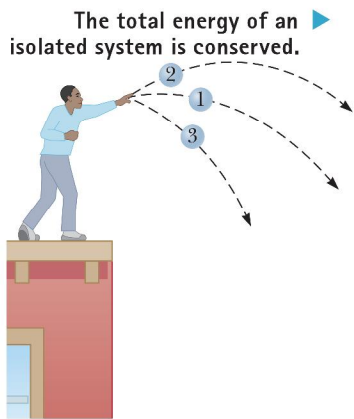


Figure 8.3 (Quick Quiz 8.4) Three identical balls are thrown with the same initial speed from the top of a building.

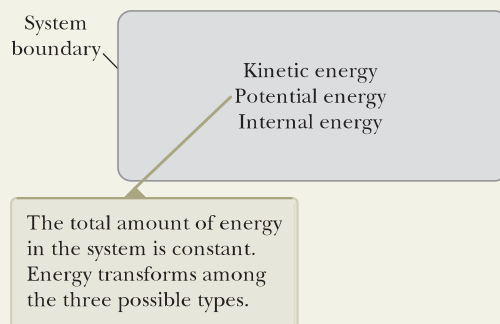
Analysis Model Isolated System (Energy)

Imagine you have identified a system to be analyzed and have defined a system boundary. Energy can exist in the system in three forms: kinetic, potential, and internal. Imagine also a situation in which no energy crosses the boundary of the system by any method. Then, the system is isolated; energy transforms from one form to another and Equation 8.2 becomes

$$\Delta E_{\text{system}} = 0 \quad (8.10)$$

If no nonconservative forces act within the isolated system, the mechanical energy of the system is conserved, so

$$\Delta E_{\text{mech}} = 0 \quad (8.8)$$



Examples:

- an object is in free-fall; gravitational potential energy transforms to kinetic energy: $\Delta K + \Delta U = 0$
- a basketball rolling across a gym floor comes to rest; kinetic energy transforms to internal energy: $\Delta K + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = 0$
- a pendulum is raised and released with an initial speed; its motion eventually stops due to air resistance; gravitational potential energy and kinetic energy transform to internal energy, $\Delta K + \Delta U + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = 0$ (Chapter 15)
- a battery is connected to a resistor; chemical potential energy in the battery transforms to internal energy in the resistor: $\Delta U + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = 0$ (Chapter 27)

Problem-Solving Strategy Isolated and Nonisolated Systems with No Nonconservative Forces: Conservation of Energy

Many problems in physics can be solved using the principle of conservation of energy. The following procedure should be used when you apply this principle:

1. Conceptualize. Study the physical situation carefully and form a mental representation of what is happening. As you become more proficient working energy problems, you will begin to be comfortable imagining the types of energy that are changing in the system and the types of energy transfers occurring across the system boundary.

2. Categorize. Define your system, which may consist of more than one object and may or may not include springs or other possibilities for storing potential energy. Identify the time interval over which you will analyze the energy changes in the problem. Determine if any energy transfers occur across the boundary of your system during this time interval. If so, use the nonisolated system model, $\Delta E_{\text{system}} = \Sigma T$, from Section 8.1. If not, use the isolated system model, $\Delta E_{\text{system}} = 0$.

Determine whether any nonconservative forces are present within the system. If so, use the techniques of Sections 8.3 and 8.4. If not, use the principle of conservation of energy as outlined below.

3. Analyze. Choose configurations to represent the initial and final conditions of the system based on your choice of time interval. For each object that changes elevation, select a reference position for the object that defines the zero configuration of gravitational potential energy for the system. For an object on a spring, the zero configuration for elastic potential energy is when the object is at its equilibrium position. If there is more than one conservative force, write an expression for the potential energy associated with each force.

Begin with Equation 8.2 and retain only those terms in the equation that are appropriate for the situation in the problem. Express each change of energy stored in the system as the final value minus the initial value. Substitute appropriate expressions for each initial and final value of energy storage on the left side of the equation and for the energy transfers on the right side of the equation. Solve for the unknown quantity.

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► **Problem-Solving Strategy** continued

4. Finalize. Make sure your results are consistent with your mental representation. Also make sure the values of your results are reasonable and consistent with connections to everyday experience.

Example 8.1

Ball in Free Fall

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A ball of mass m is dropped from a height h above the ground as shown in Figure 8.4.

(A) Neglecting air resistance, determine the speed of the ball when it is at a height y above the ground. Choose the system as the ball and the Earth.

SOLUTION

Conceptualize Figure 8.4 and our everyday experience with falling objects allow us to conceptualize the situation. Although we can readily solve this problem with the techniques of Chapter 2, let us practice an energy approach.

Categorize As suggested in the problem, we identify the system as the ball and the Earth. Because there is neither air resistance nor any other interaction between the system and the environment, the system is isolated and we use the *isolated system* model. The only force between members of the system is the gravitational force, which is conservative.

Analyze Because the system is isolated and there are no nonconservative forces acting within the system, we apply the principle of conservation of mechanical energy to the ball–Earth system. At the instant the ball is released, its kinetic energy is $K_i = 0$ and the gravitational potential energy of the system is $U_{g_i} = mgh$. When the ball is at a position y above the ground, its kinetic energy is $K_f = \frac{1}{2}mv_f^2$ and the potential energy relative to the ground is $U_{g_f} = mgy$.

Write the appropriate reduction of Equation 8.2, noting that the only types of energy in the system that change are kinetic energy and gravitational potential energy:

$$\Delta K + \Delta U_g = 0$$

Substitute for the energies:

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}mv_f^2 - 0\right) + (mgy - mgh) = 0$$

Solve for v_f :

$$v_f^2 = 2g(h - y) \quad \rightarrow \quad v_f = \sqrt{2g(h - y)}$$

The speed is always positive. If you had been asked to find the ball's velocity, you would use the negative value of the square root as the y component to indicate the downward motion.

(B) Find the speed of the ball again at height y by choosing the ball as the system.

SOLUTION

Categorize In this case, the only type of energy in the system that changes is kinetic energy. A single object that can be modeled as a particle cannot possess potential energy. The effect of gravity is to do work on the ball across the boundary of the system. We use the *nonisolated system* model.

Analyze Write the appropriate reduction of Equation 8.2:

$$\Delta K = W$$

Substitute for the initial and final kinetic energies and the work:

$$\begin{aligned} \left(\frac{1}{2}mv_f^2 - 0\right) &= \vec{\mathbf{F}}_g \cdot \Delta \vec{\mathbf{r}} = -mg\hat{\mathbf{j}} \cdot \Delta y\hat{\mathbf{j}} \\ &= -mg\Delta y = -mg(y - h) = mg(h - y) \end{aligned}$$

Solve for v_f :

$$v_f^2 = 2g(h - y) \quad \rightarrow \quad v_f = \sqrt{2g(h - y)}$$

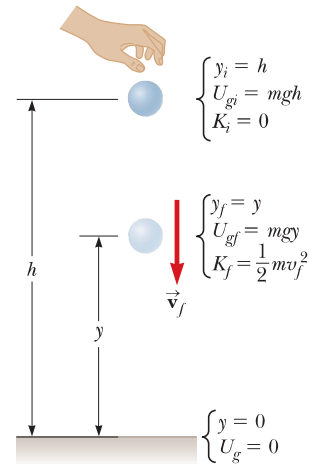


Figure 8.4 (Example 8.1) A ball is dropped from a height h above the ground. Initially, the total energy of the ball–Earth system is gravitational potential energy, equal to mgh relative to the ground. At the position y , the total energy is the sum of the kinetic and potential energies.

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Finalize The final result is the same, regardless of the choice of system. In your future problem solving, keep in mind that the choice of system is yours to make. Sometimes the problem is much easier to solve if a judicious choice is made as to the system to analyze.

WHAT IF? What if the ball were thrown downward from its highest position with a speed v_i ? What would its speed be at height y ?

Answer If the ball is thrown downward initially, we would expect its speed at height y to be larger than if simply dropped. Make your choice of system, either the ball alone or the ball and the Earth. You should find that either choice gives you the following result:

$$v_f = \sqrt{v_i^2 + 2g(h - y)}$$

Example 8.2 A Grand Entrance AM

You are designing an apparatus to support an actor of mass 65.0 kg who is to “fly” down to the stage during the performance of a play. You attach the actor’s harness to a 130-kg sandbag by means of a lightweight steel cable running smoothly over two frictionless pulleys as in Figure 8.5a. You need 3.00 m of cable between the harness and the nearest pulley so that the pulley can be hidden behind a curtain. For the apparatus to work successfully, the sandbag must never lift above the floor as the actor swings from above the stage to the floor. Let us call the initial angle that the actor’s cable makes with the vertical θ . What is the maximum value θ can have before the sandbag lifts off the floor?

SOLUTION

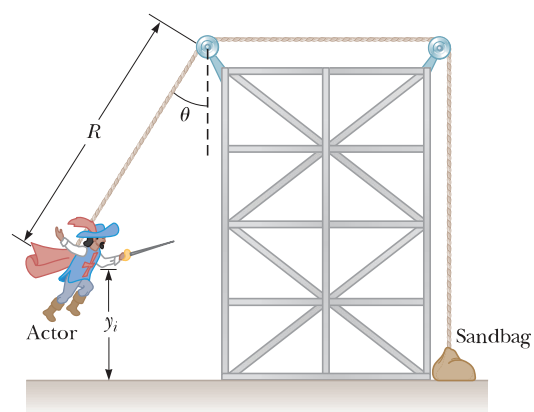
Conceptualize We must use several concepts to solve this problem. Imagine what happens as the actor approaches the bottom of the swing. At the bottom, the cable is vertical and must support his weight as well as provide centripetal acceleration of his body in the upward direction. At this point in his swing, the tension in the cable is the highest and the sandbag is most likely to lift off the floor.

Categorize Looking first at the swinging of the actor from the initial point to the lowest point, we model the actor and the Earth as an *isolated system*. We ignore air resistance, so there are no non-conservative forces acting. You might initially be tempted to model the system as nonisolated because of the interaction of the system with the cable, which is in the environment. The force applied to the actor by the cable, however, is always perpendicular to each element of the displacement of the actor and hence does no work. Therefore, in terms of energy transfers across the boundary, the system is isolated.

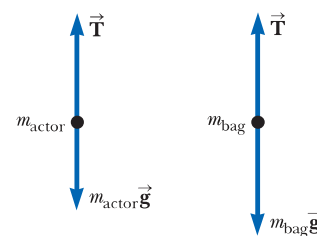
Analyze We first find the actor’s speed as he arrives at the floor as a function of the initial angle θ and the radius R of the circular path through which he swings.

From the isolated system model, make the appropriate reduction of Equation 8.2 for the actor–Earth system:

$$\Delta K + \Delta U_g = 0$$



a



b

c

Figure 8.5 (Example 8.2) (a) An actor uses some clever staging to make his entrance. (b) The free-body diagram for the actor at the bottom of the circular path. (c) The free-body diagram for the sandbag if the normal force from the floor goes to zero.

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Let y_i be the initial height of the actor above the floor and v_f be his speed at the instant before he lands. (Notice that $K_i = 0$ because the actor starts from rest and that $U_f = 0$ because we define the configuration of the actor at the floor as having a gravitational potential energy of zero.)

$$(1) \quad \left(\frac{1}{2}m_{\text{actor}}v_f^2 - 0\right) + (0 - m_{\text{actor}}gy_i) = 0$$

From the geometry in Figure 8.5a, notice that $y_f = 0$, so $y_i = R - R \cos \theta = R(1 - \cos \theta)$. Use this relationship in Equation (1) and solve for v_f^2 :

$$(2) \quad v_f^2 = 2gR(1 - \cos \theta)$$

Categorize Next, focus on the instant the actor is at the lowest point. Because the tension in the cable is transferred as a force applied to the sandbag, we model the actor at this instant as a *particle under a net force*. Because the actor moves along a circular arc, he experiences at the bottom of the swing a centripetal acceleration of v_f^2/r directed upward.

Analyze Apply Newton's second law from the particle under a net force model to the actor at the bottom of his path, using the free-body diagram in Figure 8.5b as a guide, and recognizing the acceleration as centripetal:

$$\sum F_y = T - m_{\text{actor}}g = m_{\text{actor}} \frac{v_f^2}{R}$$

$$(3) \quad T = m_{\text{actor}}g + m_{\text{actor}} \frac{v_f^2}{R}$$

Categorize Finally, notice that the sandbag lifts off the floor when the upward force exerted on it by the cable exceeds the gravitational force acting on it; the normal force from the floor is zero when that happens. We do *not*, however, want the sandbag to lift off the floor. The sandbag must remain at rest, so we model it as a *particle in equilibrium*.

Analyze A force T of the magnitude given by Equation (3) is transmitted by the cable to the sandbag. If the sandbag remains at rest but is just ready to be lifted off the floor if any more force were applied by the cable, the normal force on it becomes zero and the particle in equilibrium model tells us that $T = m_{\text{bag}}g$ as in Figure 8.5c.

Substitute this condition and Equation (2) into Equation (3):

$$m_{\text{bag}}g = m_{\text{actor}}g + m_{\text{actor}} \frac{2gR(1 - \cos \theta)}{R}$$

Solve for $\cos \theta$ and substitute the given parameters:

$$\cos \theta = \frac{3m_{\text{actor}} - m_{\text{bag}}}{2m_{\text{actor}}} = \frac{3(65.0 \text{ kg}) - 130 \text{ kg}}{2(65.0 \text{ kg})} = 0.500$$

$$\theta = 60.0^\circ$$

Finalize Here we had to combine several analysis models from different areas of our study. Notice that the length R of the cable from the actor's harness to the leftmost pulley did not appear in the final algebraic equation for $\cos \theta$. Therefore, the final answer is independent of R .

Example 8.3 The Spring-Loaded Popgun AM

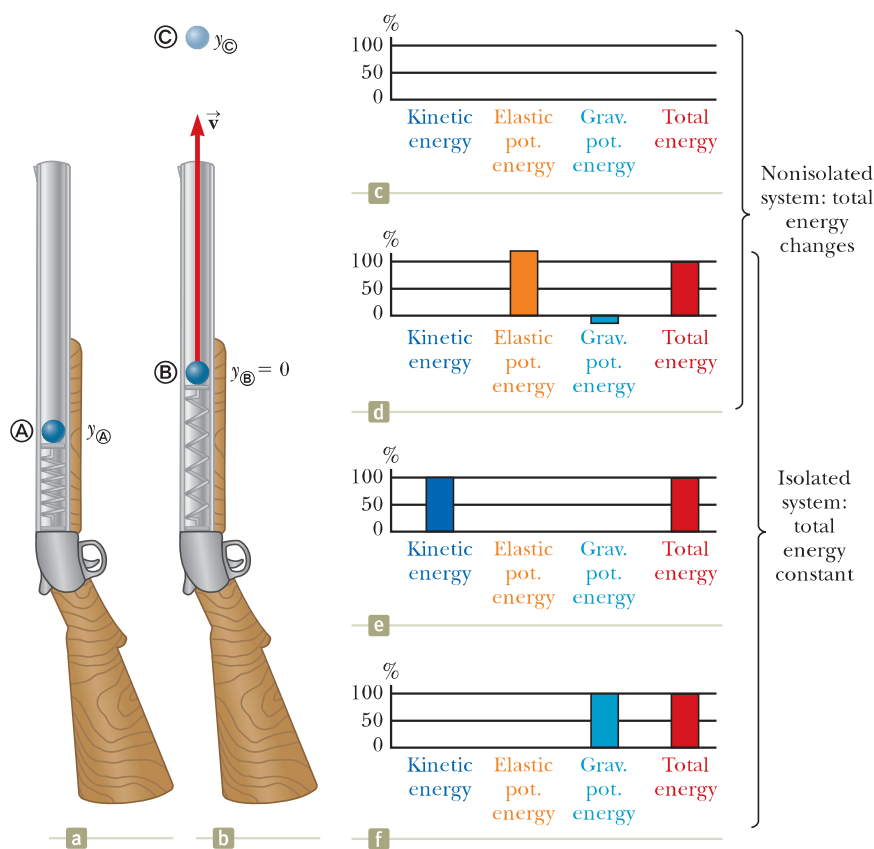
The launching mechanism of a popgun consists of a trigger-released spring (Fig. 8.6a). The spring is compressed to a position $y_{\text{Ⓐ}}$, and the trigger is fired. The projectile of mass m rises to a position $y_{\text{Ⓑ}}$ above the position at which it leaves the spring, indicated in Figure 8.6b as position $y_{\text{Ⓑ}} = 0$. Consider a firing of the gun for which $m = 35.0 \text{ g}$, $y_{\text{Ⓐ}} = -0.120 \text{ m}$, and $y_{\text{Ⓑ}} = 20.0 \text{ m}$.

(A) Neglecting all resistive forces, determine the spring constant.

SOLUTION

Conceptualize Imagine the process illustrated in parts (a) and (b) of Figure 8.6. The projectile starts from rest at Ⓐ , speeds up as the spring pushes upward on it, leaves the spring at Ⓑ , and then slows down as the gravitational force pulls downward on it, eventually coming to rest at point Ⓒ .

8.3 continued

**Figure 8.6** (Example 8.3)

A spring-loaded popgun (a) before firing and (b) when the spring extends to its relaxed length. (c) An energy bar chart for the popgun–projectile–Earth system before the popgun is loaded. The energy in the system is zero. (d) The popgun is loaded by means of an external agent doing work on the system to push the spring downward. Therefore the system is nonisolated during this process. After the popgun is loaded, elastic potential energy is stored in the spring and the gravitational potential energy of the system is lower because the projectile is below point B. (e) as the projectile passes through point B, all of the energy of the isolated system is kinetic. (f) When the projectile reaches point C, all of the energy of the isolated system is gravitational potential.

Categorize We identify the system as the projectile, the spring, and the Earth. We ignore both air resistance on the projectile and friction in the gun, so we model the system as isolated with no nonconservative forces acting.

Analyze Because the projectile starts from rest, its initial kinetic energy is zero. We choose the zero configuration for the gravitational potential energy of the system to be when the projectile leaves the spring at B. For this configuration, the elastic potential energy is also zero.

After the gun is fired, the projectile rises to a maximum height y_C . The final kinetic energy of the projectile is zero.

From the isolated system model, write a conservation of mechanical energy equation for the system between configurations when the projectile is at points A and C:

$$(1) \quad \Delta K + \Delta U_g + \Delta U_s = 0$$

Substitute for the initial and final energies:

$$(0 - 0) + (mgy_C - mgy_A) + (0 - \frac{1}{2}kx^2) = 0$$

Solve for k :

$$k = \frac{2mg(y_C - y_A)}{x^2}$$

Substitute numerical values:

$$k = \frac{2(0.0350 \text{ kg})(9.80 \text{ m/s}^2)[20.0 \text{ m} - (-0.120 \text{ m})]}{(0.120 \text{ m})^2} = 958 \text{ N/m}$$

(B) Find the speed of the projectile as it moves through the equilibrium position B of the spring as shown in Figure 8.6b.

SOLUTION

Analyze The energy of the system as the projectile moves through the equilibrium position of the spring includes only the kinetic energy of the projectile $\frac{1}{2}mv_B^2$. Both types of potential energy are equal to zero for this configuration of the system.

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8.3 continued

Write Equation (1) again for the system between points Ⓐ and Ⓑ:

$$\Delta K + \Delta U_g + \Delta U_s = 0$$

Substitute for the initial and final energies:

$$\left(\frac{1}{2}mv_{\text{B}}^2 - 0\right) + (0 - mgy_{\text{A}}) + \left(0 - \frac{1}{2}kx^2\right) = 0$$

Solve for v_{B} :

$$v_{\text{B}} = \sqrt{\frac{kx^2}{m} + 2gy_{\text{A}}}$$

Substitute numerical values:

$$v_{\text{B}} = \sqrt{\frac{(958 \text{ N/m})(0.120 \text{ m})^2}{(0.0350 \text{ kg})} + 2(9.80 \text{ m/s}^2)(-0.120 \text{ m})} = 19.8 \text{ m/s}$$

Finalize This example is the first one we have seen in which we must include two different types of potential energy. Notice in part (A) that we never needed to consider anything about the speed of the ball between points Ⓐ and Ⓑ, which is part of the power of the energy approach: changes in kinetic and potential energy depend only on the initial and final values, not on what happens between the configurations corresponding to these values.

8.3 Situations Involving Kinetic Friction

Consider again the book in Figure 7.18a sliding to the right on the surface of a heavy table and slowing down due to the friction force. Work is done by the friction force on the book because there is a force and a displacement. Keep in mind, however, that our equations for work involve the displacement of the point of application of the force. A simple model of the friction force between the book and the surface is shown in Figure 8.7a. We have represented the entire friction force between the book and surface as being due to two identical teeth that have been spot-welded together.² One tooth projects upward from the surface, the other downward from the book, and they are welded at the points where they touch. The friction force acts at the junction of the two teeth. Imagine that the book slides a small distance d to the right as in Figure 8.7b. Because the teeth are modeled as identical, the junction of the teeth moves to the right by a distance $d/2$. Therefore, the displacement of the point of application of the friction force is $d/2$, but the displacement of the book is d !

In reality, the friction force is spread out over the entire contact area of an object sliding on a surface, so the force is not localized at a point. In addition, because the magnitudes of the friction forces at various points are constantly changing as individual spot welds occur, the surface and the book deform locally, and so on, the displacement of the point of application of the friction force is not at all the same as the displacement of the book. In fact, the displacement of the point of application of the friction force is not calculable and so neither is the work done by the friction force.

The work–kinetic energy theorem is valid for a particle or an object that can be modeled as a particle. When a friction force acts, however, we cannot calculate the work done by friction. For such situations, Newton’s second law is still valid for the system even though the work–kinetic energy theorem is not. The case of a nondeformable object like our book sliding on the surface³ can be handled in a relatively straightforward way.

Starting from a situation in which forces, including friction, are applied to the book, we can follow a similar procedure to that done in developing Equation 7.17. Let us start by writing Equation 7.8 for all forces on an object other than friction:

$$\sum W_{\text{other forces}} = \int (\sum \vec{F}_{\text{other forces}}) \cdot d\vec{r} \quad (8.11)$$

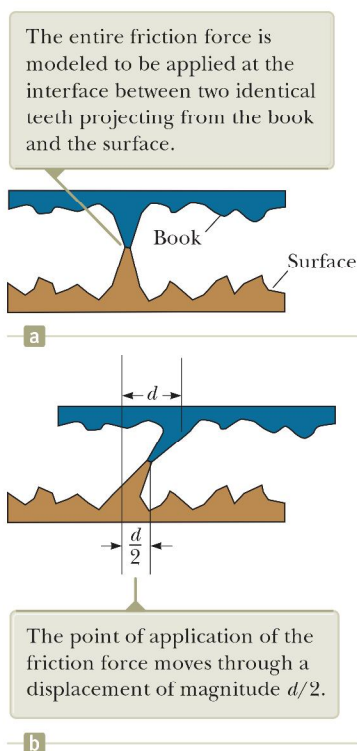


Figure 8.7 (a) A simplified model of friction between a book and a surface. (b) The book is moved to the right by a distance d .

²Figure 8.7 and its discussion are inspired by a classic article on friction: B. A. Sherwood and W. H. Bernard, “Work and heat transfer in the presence of sliding friction,” *American Journal of Physics*, 52:1001, 1984.

³The overall shape of the book remains the same, which is why we say it is nondeformable. On a microscopic level, however, there is deformation of the book’s face as it slides over the surface.

The $d\vec{r}$ in this equation is the displacement of the object because for forces other than friction, under the assumption that these forces do not deform the object, this displacement is the same as the displacement of the point of application of the forces. To each side of Equation 8.11 let us add the integral of the scalar product of the force of kinetic friction and $d\vec{r}$. In doing so, we are not defining this quantity as work! We are simply saying that it is a quantity that can be calculated mathematically and will turn out to be useful to us in what follows.

$$\begin{aligned}\sum W_{\text{other forces}} + \int \vec{f}_k \cdot d\vec{r} &= \int (\sum \vec{F}_{\text{other forces}}) \cdot d\vec{r} + \int \vec{f}_k \cdot d\vec{r} \\ &= \int (\sum \vec{F}_{\text{other forces}} + \vec{f}_k) \cdot d\vec{r}\end{aligned}$$

The integrand on the right side of this equation is the net force $\sum \vec{F}$ on the object, so

$$\sum W_{\text{other forces}} + \int \vec{f}_k \cdot d\vec{r} = \int \sum \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$$

Incorporating Newton's second law $\sum \vec{F} = m\vec{a}$ gives

$$\sum W_{\text{other forces}} + \int \vec{f}_k \cdot d\vec{r} = \int m\vec{a} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int m \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} m \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \cdot \vec{v} dt \quad (8.12)$$

where we have used Equation 4.3 to rewrite $d\vec{r}$ as $\vec{v} dt$. The scalar product obeys the product rule for differentiation (See Eq. B.30 in Appendix B.6), so the derivative of the scalar product of \vec{v} with itself can be written

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}) = \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \cdot \vec{v} + \vec{v} \cdot \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} = 2 \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \cdot \vec{v}$$

We used the commutative property of the scalar product to justify the final expression in this equation. Consequently,

$$\frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \cdot \vec{v} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{d}{dt}(\vec{v} \cdot \vec{v}) = \frac{1}{2} \frac{dv^2}{dt}$$

Substituting this result into Equation 8.12 gives

$$\sum W_{\text{other forces}} + \int \vec{f}_k \cdot d\vec{r} = \int_{t_i}^{t_f} m \left(\frac{1}{2} \frac{dv^2}{dt} \right) dt = \frac{1}{2} m \int_{v_i}^{v_f} d(v^2) = \frac{1}{2} m v_f^2 - \frac{1}{2} m v_i^2 = \Delta K$$

Looking at the left side of this equation, notice that in the inertial frame of the surface, \vec{f}_k and $d\vec{r}$ will be in opposite directions for every increment $d\vec{r}$ of the path followed by the object. Therefore, $\vec{f}_k \cdot d\vec{r} = -f_k dr$. The previous expression now becomes

$$\sum W_{\text{other forces}} - \int f_k dr = \Delta K$$

In our model for friction, the magnitude of the kinetic friction force is constant, so f_k can be brought out of the integral. The remaining integral $\int dr$ is simply the sum of increments of length along the path, which is the total path length d . Therefore,

$$\sum W_{\text{other forces}} - f_k d = \Delta K \quad (8.13)$$

Equation 8.13 can be used when a friction force acts on an object. The change in kinetic energy is equal to the work done by all forces other than friction minus a term $f_k d$ associated with the friction force.

Considering the sliding book situation again, let's identify the larger system of the book *and* the surface as the book slows down under the influence of a friction force alone. There is no work done across the boundary of this system by other forces because the system does not interact with the environment. There are no other types of energy transfer occurring across the boundary of the system, assuming we ignore the inevitable sound the sliding book makes! In this case, Equation 8.2 becomes

$$\Delta E_{\text{system}} = \Delta K + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = 0$$

The change in kinetic energy of this book–surface system is the same as the change in kinetic energy of the book alone because the book is the only part of the system that is moving. Therefore, incorporating Equation 8.13 with no work done by other forces gives

$$-f_k d + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = 0$$

$$\Delta E_{\text{int}} = f_k d \tag{8.14}$$

Change in internal energy due to a constant friction force within the system

Equation 8.14 tells us that the increase in internal energy of the system is equal to the product of the friction force and the path length through which the block moves. In summary, a friction force transforms kinetic energy in a system to internal energy. If work is done on the system by forces other than friction, Equation 8.13, with the help of Equation 8.14, can be written as

$$\sum W_{\text{other forces}} = W = \Delta K + \Delta E_{\text{int}} \tag{8.15}$$

which is a reduced form of Equation 8.2 and represents the nonisolated system model for a system within which a nonconservative force acts.

Quick Quiz 8.5 You are traveling along a freeway at 65 mi/h. Your car has kinetic energy. You suddenly skid to a stop because of congestion in traffic. Where is the kinetic energy your car once had? **(a)** It is all in internal energy in the road. **(b)** It is all in internal energy in the tires. **(c)** Some of it has transformed to internal energy and some of it transferred away by mechanical waves. **(d)** It is all transferred away from your car by various mechanisms.

Example 8.4 A Block Pulled on a Rough Surface **AM**

A 6.0-kg block initially at rest is pulled to the right along a horizontal surface by a constant horizontal force of 12 N.

(A) Find the speed of the block after it has moved 3.0 m if the surfaces in contact have a coefficient of kinetic friction of 0.15.

SOLUTION

Conceptualize This example is similar to Example 7.6 (page 190), but modified so that the surface is no longer frictionless. The rough surface applies a friction force on the block opposite to the applied force. As a result, we expect the speed to be lower than that found in Example 7.6.

Categorize The block is pulled by a force and the surface is rough, so the block and the surface are modeled as a *nonisolated system* with a nonconservative force acting.

Analyze Figure 8.8a illustrates this situation. Neither the normal force nor the gravitational force does work on the system because their points of application are displaced horizontally.

Find the work done on the system by the applied force just as in Example 7.6:

$$\sum W_{\text{other forces}} = W_F = F \Delta x$$

Apply the *particle in equilibrium* model to the block in the vertical direction:

$$\sum F_y = 0 \rightarrow n - mg = 0 \rightarrow n = mg$$

Find the magnitude of the friction force:

$$f_k = \mu_k n = \mu_k mg = (0.15)(6.0 \text{ kg})(9.80 \text{ m/s}^2) = 8.82 \text{ N}$$

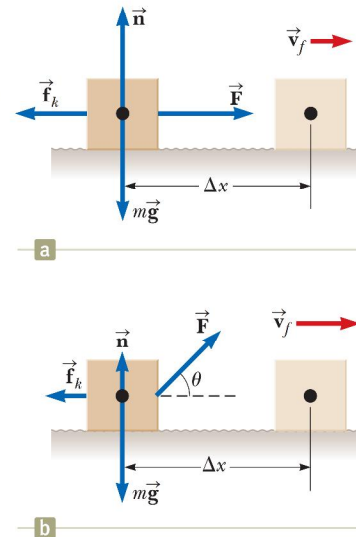


Figure 8.8 (Example 8.4) (a) A block pulled to the right on a rough surface by a constant horizontal force. (b) The applied force is at an angle θ to the horizontal.

8.4 continued

Substitute the energies into Equation 8.15 and solve for the final speed of the block:

$$F\Delta x = \Delta K + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = \left(\frac{1}{2}mv_f^2 - 0\right) + f_k d$$

$$v_f = \sqrt{\frac{2}{m}(-f_k d + F\Delta x)}$$

Substitute numerical values:

$$v_f = \sqrt{\frac{2}{6.0 \text{ kg}}[-(8.82 \text{ N})(3.0 \text{ m}) + (12 \text{ N})(3.0 \text{ m})]} = 1.8 \text{ m/s}$$

Finalize As expected, this value is less than the 3.5 m/s found in the case of the block sliding on a frictionless surface (see Example 7.6). The difference in kinetic energies between the block in Example 7.6 and the block in this example is equal to the increase in internal energy of the block–surface system in this example.

(B) Suppose the force \vec{F} is applied at an angle θ as shown in Figure 8.8b. At what angle should the force be applied to achieve the largest possible speed after the block has moved 3.0 m to the right?

SOLUTION

Conceptualize You might guess that $\theta = 0$ would give the largest speed because the force would have the largest component possible in the direction parallel to the surface. Think about \vec{F} applied at an arbitrary nonzero angle, however. Although the horizontal component of the force would be reduced, the vertical component of the force would reduce the normal force, in turn reducing the force of friction, which suggests that the speed could be maximized by pulling at an angle other than $\theta = 0$.

Categorize As in part (A), we model the block and the surface as a *nonisolated system* with a nonconservative force acting.

Analyze Find the work done by the applied force, noting that $\Delta x = d$ because the path followed by the block is a straight line:

$$(1) \quad \sum W_{\text{other forces}} = W_F = F\Delta x \cos \theta = Fd \cos \theta$$

Apply the particle in equilibrium model to the block in the vertical direction:

$$\sum F_y = n + F \sin \theta - mg = 0$$

Solve for n :

$$(2) \quad n = mg - F \sin \theta$$

Use Equation 8.15 to find the final kinetic energy for this situation:

$$W_F = \Delta K + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = (K_f - 0) + f_k d \rightarrow K_f = W_F - f_k d$$

Substitute the results in Equations (1) and (2):

$$K_f = Fd \cos \theta - \mu_k n d = Fd \cos \theta - \mu_k (mg - F \sin \theta) d$$

Maximizing the speed is equivalent to maximizing the final kinetic energy. Consequently, differentiate K_f with respect to θ and set the result equal to zero:

$$\frac{dK_f}{d\theta} = -Fd \sin \theta - \mu_k (0 - F \cos \theta) d = 0$$

$$-\sin \theta + \mu_k \cos \theta = 0$$

$$\tan \theta = \mu_k$$

Evaluate θ for $\mu_k = 0.15$:

$$\theta = \tan^{-1}(\mu_k) = \tan^{-1}(0.15) = 8.5^\circ$$

Finalize Notice that the angle at which the speed of the block is a maximum is indeed not $\theta = 0$. When the angle exceeds 8.5° , the horizontal component of the applied force is too small to be compensated by the reduced friction force and the speed of the block begins to decrease from its maximum value.

Conceptual Example 8.5

Useful Physics for Safer Driving

A car traveling at an initial speed v slides a distance d to a halt after its brakes lock. If the car's initial speed is instead $2v$ at the moment the brakes lock, estimate the distance it slides.

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8.5 continued

SOLUTION

Let us assume the force of kinetic friction between the car and the road surface is constant and the same for both speeds. According to Equation 8.13, the friction force multiplied by the distance d is equal to the initial kinetic energy of the car (because $K_f = 0$ and there is no work done by other forces). If the speed is doubled, as it is in this example, the kinetic energy is quadrupled. For a given friction force, the distance traveled is four times as great when the initial speed is doubled, and so the estimated distance the car slides is $4d$.

Example 8.6 A Block–Spring System AM

A block of mass 1.6 kg is attached to a horizontal spring that has a force constant of 1 000 N/m as shown in Figure 8.9a. The spring is compressed 2.0 cm and is then released from rest as in Figure 8.9b.

(A) Calculate the speed of the block as it passes through the equilibrium position $x = 0$ if the surface is frictionless.

SOLUTION

Conceptualize This situation has been discussed before, and it is easy to visualize the block being pushed to the right by the spring and moving with some speed at $x = 0$.

Categorize We identify the system as the block and model the block as a *nonisolated system*.

Analyze In this situation, the block starts with $v_i = 0$ at $x_i = -2.0$ cm, and we want to find v_f at $x_f = 0$.

Use Equation 7.11 to find the work done by the spring on the system with $x_{\text{max}} = x_i$:

Work is done on the block, and its speed changes. The conservation of energy equation, Equation 8.2, reduces to the work–kinetic energy theorem. Use that theorem to find the speed at $x = 0$:

Substitute numerical values:

$$W_s = \frac{1}{2}kx_{\text{max}}^2$$

$$W_s = \frac{1}{2}mv_f^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv_i^2$$

$$v_f = \sqrt{v_i^2 + \frac{2}{m}W_s} = \sqrt{v_i^2 + \frac{2}{m}\left(\frac{1}{2}kx_{\text{max}}^2\right)}$$

$$v_f = \sqrt{0 + \frac{2}{1.6 \text{ kg}} \left[\frac{1}{2}(1\,000 \text{ N/m})(0.020 \text{ m})^2 \right]} = 0.50 \text{ m/s}$$

Finalize Although this problem could have been solved in Chapter 7, it is presented here to provide contrast with the following part (B), which requires the techniques of this chapter.

(B) Calculate the speed of the block as it passes through the equilibrium position if a constant friction force of 4.0 N retards its motion from the moment it is released.

SOLUTION

Conceptualize The correct answer must be less than that found in part (A) because the friction force retards the motion.

Categorize We identify the system as the block and the surface, a *nonisolated system* because of the work done by the spring. There is a nonconservative force acting within the system: the friction between the block and the surface.

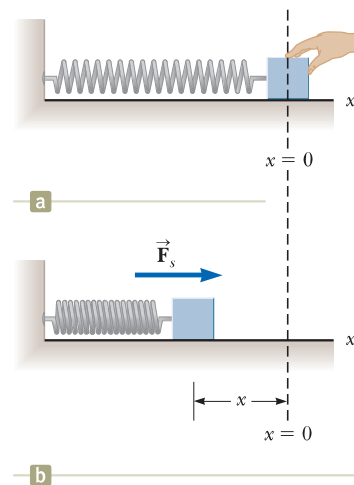


Figure 8.9 (Example 8.6) (a) A block attached to a spring is pushed inward from an initial position $x = 0$ by an external agent. (b) At position x , the block is released from rest and the spring pushes it to the right.

8.6 continued

Analyze Write Equation 8.15:

$$W_s = \Delta K + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = \left(\frac{1}{2}mv_f^2 - 0\right) + f_k d$$

Solve for v_f :

$$v_f = \sqrt{\frac{2}{m}(W_s - f_k d)}$$

Substitute for the work done by the spring:

$$v_f = \sqrt{\frac{2}{m}\left(\frac{1}{2}kx_{\text{max}}^2 - f_k d\right)}$$

Substitute numerical values:

$$v_f = \sqrt{\frac{2}{1.6 \text{ kg}} \left[\frac{1}{2}(1000 \text{ N/m})(0.020 \text{ m})^2 - (4.0 \text{ N})(0.020 \text{ m}) \right]} = 0.39 \text{ m/s}$$

Finalize As expected, this value is less than the 0.50 m/s found in part (A).

WHAT IF? What if the friction force were increased to 10.0 N? What is the block's speed at $x = 0$?

Answer In this case, the value of $f_k d$ as the block moves to $x = 0$ is

$$f_k d = (10.0 \text{ N})(0.020 \text{ m}) = 0.20 \text{ J}$$

which is equal in magnitude to the kinetic energy at $x = 0$ for the frictionless case. (Verify it!). Therefore, all the

kinetic energy has been transformed to internal energy by friction when the block arrives at $x = 0$, and its speed at this point is $v = 0$.

In this situation as well as that in part (B), the speed of the block reaches a maximum at some position other than $x = 0$. Problem 53 asks you to locate these positions.

8.4 Changes in Mechanical Energy for Nonconservative Forces

Consider the book sliding across the surface in the preceding section. As the book moves through a distance d , the only force in the horizontal direction is the force of kinetic friction. This force causes a change $-f_k d$ in the kinetic energy of the book as described by Equation 8.13.

Now, however, suppose the book is part of a system that also exhibits a change in potential energy. In this case, $-f_k d$ is the amount by which the *mechanical* energy of the system changes because of the force of kinetic friction. For example, if the book moves on an incline that is not frictionless, there is a change in both the kinetic energy and the gravitational potential energy of the book–Earth system. Consequently,

$$\Delta E_{\text{mech}} = \Delta K + \Delta U_g = -f_k d = -\Delta E_{\text{int}}$$

In general, if a nonconservative force acts within an isolated system,

$$\Delta K + \Delta U + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = 0 \quad (8.16)$$

where ΔU is the change in all forms of potential energy. We recognize Equation 8.16 as Equation 8.2 with no transfers of energy across the boundary of the system.

If the system in which nonconservative forces act is nonisolated and the external influence on the system is by means of work, the generalization of Equation 8.13 is

$$\sum W_{\text{other forces}} - f_k d = \Delta E_{\text{mech}}$$

This equation, with the help of Equations 8.7 and 8.14, can be written as

$$\sum W_{\text{other forces}} = W = \Delta K + \Delta U + \Delta E_{\text{int}} \quad (8.17)$$

This reduced form of Equation 8.2 represents the nonisolated system model for a system that possesses potential energy and within which a nonconservative force acts.

Example 8.7 **Crate Sliding Down a Ramp** **AM**

A 3.00-kg crate slides down a ramp. The ramp is 1.00 m in length and inclined at an angle of 30.0° as shown in Figure 8.10. The crate starts from rest at the top, experiences a constant friction force of magnitude 5.00 N, and continues to move a short distance on the horizontal floor after it leaves the ramp.

(A) Use energy methods to determine the speed of the crate at the bottom of the ramp.

SOLUTION

Conceptualize Imagine the crate sliding down the ramp in Figure 8.10. The larger the friction force, the more slowly the crate will slide.

Categorize We identify the crate, the surface, and the Earth as an *isolated system* with a nonconservative force acting.

Analyze Because $v_i = 0$, the initial kinetic energy of the system when the crate is at the top of the ramp is zero. If the y coordinate is measured from the bottom of the ramp (the final position of the crate, for which we choose the gravitational potential energy of the system to be zero) with the upward direction being positive, then $y_i = 0.500$ m.

Write the conservation of energy equation (Eq. 8.2) for this system: $\Delta K + \Delta U + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = 0$

Substitute for the energies: $(\frac{1}{2}mv_f^2 - 0) + (0 - mgy_i) + f_k d = 0$

Solve for v_f : $(1) \quad v_f = \sqrt{\frac{2}{m}(mgy_i - f_k d)}$

Substitute numerical values: $v_f = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3.00 \text{ kg}} [(3.00 \text{ kg})(9.80 \text{ m/s}^2)(0.500 \text{ m}) - (5.00 \text{ N})(1.00 \text{ m})]} = 2.54 \text{ m/s}$

(B) How far does the crate slide on the horizontal floor if it continues to experience a friction force of magnitude 5.00 N?

SOLUTION

Analyze This part of the problem is handled in exactly the same way as part (A), but in this case we can consider the mechanical energy of the system to consist only of kinetic energy because the potential energy of the system remains fixed.

Write the conservation of energy equation for this situation: $\Delta K + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = 0$

Substitute for the energies: $(0 - \frac{1}{2}mv_i^2) + f_k d = 0$

Solve for the distance d and substitute numerical values: $d = \frac{mv_i^2}{2f_k} = \frac{(3.00 \text{ kg})(2.54 \text{ m/s})^2}{2(5.00 \text{ N})} = 1.94 \text{ m}$

Finalize For comparison, you may want to calculate the speed of the crate at the bottom of the ramp in the case in which the ramp is frictionless. Also notice that the increase in internal energy of the system as the crate slides down the ramp is $f_k d = (5.00 \text{ N})(1.00 \text{ m}) = 5.00 \text{ J}$. This energy is shared between the crate and the surface, each of which is a bit warmer than before.

Also notice that the distance d the object slides on the horizontal surface is infinite if the surface is frictionless. Is that consistent with your conceptualization of the situation?

WHAT IF? A cautious worker decides that the speed of the crate when it arrives at the bottom of the ramp may be so large that its contents may be damaged. Therefore, he replaces the ramp with a longer one such that the new

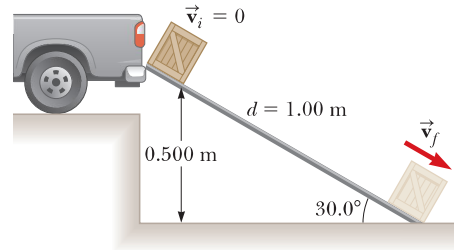


Figure 8.10 (Example 8.7) A crate slides down a ramp under the influence of gravity. The potential energy of the system decreases, whereas the kinetic energy increases.

8.7 continued

ramp makes an angle of 25.0° with the ground. Does this new ramp reduce the speed of the crate as it reaches the ground?

Answer Because the ramp is longer, the friction force acts over a longer distance and transforms more of the mechanical energy into internal energy. The result is a reduction in the kinetic energy of the crate, and we expect a lower speed as it reaches the ground.

Find the length d of the new ramp:

$$\sin 25.0^\circ = \frac{0.500 \text{ m}}{d} \rightarrow d = \frac{0.500 \text{ m}}{\sin 25.0^\circ} = 1.18 \text{ m}$$

Find v_f from Equation (1) in part (A):

$$v_f = \sqrt{\frac{2}{3.00 \text{ kg}} [(3.00 \text{ kg})(9.80 \text{ m/s}^2)(0.500 \text{ m}) - (5.00 \text{ N})(1.18 \text{ m})]} = 2.42 \text{ m/s}$$

The final speed is indeed lower than in the higher-angle case.

Example 8.8 Block–Spring Collision **AM**

A block having a mass of 0.80 kg is given an initial velocity $v_{\text{A}} = 1.2 \text{ m/s}$ to the right and collides with a spring whose mass is negligible and whose force constant is $k = 50 \text{ N/m}$ as shown in Figure 8.11.

(A) Assuming the surface to be frictionless, calculate the maximum compression of the spring after the collision.

SOLUTION

Conceptualize The various parts of Figure 8.11 help us imagine what the block will do in this situation. All motion takes place in a horizontal plane, so we do not need to consider changes in gravitational potential energy.

Categorize We identify the system to be the block and the spring and model it as an *isolated system* with no nonconservative forces acting.

Analyze Before the collision, when the block is at **A**, it has kinetic energy and the spring is uncompressed, so the elastic potential energy stored in the system is zero. Therefore, the total mechanical energy of the system before the collision is just $\frac{1}{2}mv_{\text{A}}^2$.

After the collision, when the block is at **C**, the spring is fully compressed; now the block is at rest and so has zero kinetic energy. The elastic potential energy stored in the system, however, has its maximum value $\frac{1}{2}kx^2 = \frac{1}{2}kx_{\text{max}}^2$, where the origin of coordinates $x = 0$ is chosen to be the equilibrium position of the spring and x_{max} is the maximum compression of the spring, which in this case happens to be x_{C} . The total mechanical energy of the system is conserved because no nonconservative forces act on objects within the isolated system.

Write the conservation of energy equation for this situation:

$$\Delta K + \Delta U = 0$$

Substitute for the energies:

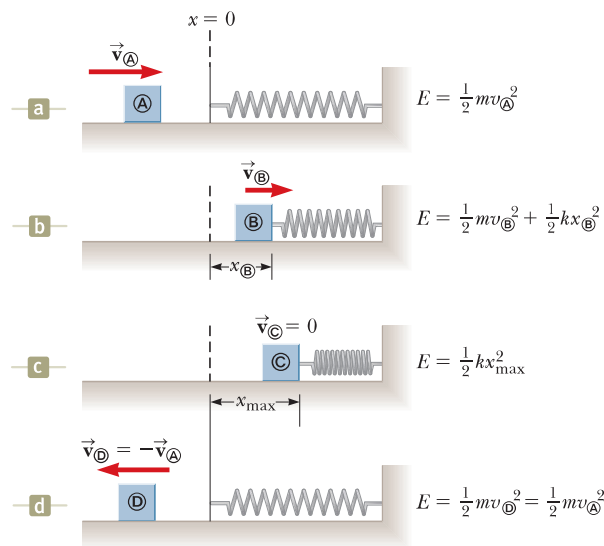
$$(0 - \frac{1}{2}mv_{\text{A}}^2) + (\frac{1}{2}kx_{\text{max}}^2 - 0) = 0$$

Solve for x_{max} and evaluate:

$$x_{\text{max}} = \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}} v_{\text{A}} = \sqrt{\frac{0.80 \text{ kg}}{50 \text{ N/m}}} (1.2 \text{ m/s}) = 0.15 \text{ m}$$

continued

Figure 8.11 (Example 8.8) A block sliding on a frictionless, horizontal surface collides with a light spring. (a) Initially, the mechanical energy is all kinetic energy. (b) The mechanical energy is the sum of the kinetic energy of the block and the elastic potential energy in the spring. (c) The energy is entirely potential energy. (d) The energy is transformed back to the kinetic energy of the block. The total energy of the system remains constant throughout the motion.



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(B) Suppose a constant force of kinetic friction acts between the block and the surface, with $\mu_k = 0.50$. If the speed of the block at the moment it collides with the spring is $v_{\text{Ⓢ}} = 1.2$ m/s, what is the maximum compression $x_{\text{Ⓢ}}$ in the spring?

SOLUTION

Conceptualize Because of the friction force, we expect the compression of the spring to be smaller than in part (A) because some of the block's kinetic energy is transformed to internal energy in the block and the surface.

Categorize We identify the system as the block, the surface, and the spring. This is an *isolated system* but now involves a nonconservative force.

Analyze In this case, the mechanical energy $E_{\text{mech}} = K + U_s$ of the system is *not* conserved because a friction force acts on the block. From the *particle in equilibrium* model in the vertical direction, we see that $n = mg$.

Evaluate the magnitude of the friction force:

$$f_k = \mu_k n = \mu_k mg$$

Write the conservation of energy equation for this situation:

$$\Delta K + \Delta U + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = 0$$

Substitute the initial and final energies:

$$(0 - \frac{1}{2}mv_{\text{Ⓢ}}^2) + (\frac{1}{2}kx_{\text{Ⓢ}}^2 - 0) + \mu_k mgx_{\text{Ⓢ}} = 0$$

Rearrange the terms into a quadratic equation:

$$kx_{\text{Ⓢ}}^2 + 2\mu_k mgx_{\text{Ⓢ}} - mv_{\text{Ⓢ}}^2 = 0$$

Substitute numerical values:

$$50x_{\text{Ⓢ}}^2 + 2(0.50)(0.80)(9.80)x_{\text{Ⓢ}} - (0.80)(1.2)^2 = 0$$

$$50x_{\text{Ⓢ}}^2 + 7.84x_{\text{Ⓢ}} - 1.15 = 0$$

Solving the quadratic equation for $x_{\text{Ⓢ}}$ gives $x_{\text{Ⓢ}} = 0.092$ m and $x_{\text{Ⓢ}} = -0.25$ m. The physically meaningful root is $x_{\text{Ⓢ}} = 0.092$ m.

Finalize The negative root does not apply to this situation because the block must be to the right of the origin (positive value of x) when it comes to rest. Notice that the value of 0.092 m is less than the distance obtained in the frictionless case of part (A) as we expected.

Example 8.9

Connected Blocks in Motion **AM**

Two blocks are connected by a light string that passes over a frictionless pulley as shown in Figure 8.12. The block of mass m_1 lies on a horizontal surface and is connected to a spring of force constant k . The system is released from rest when the spring is unstretched. If the hanging block of mass m_2 falls a distance h before coming to rest, calculate the coefficient of kinetic friction between the block of mass m_1 and the surface.

SOLUTION

Conceptualize The key word *rest* appears twice in the problem statement. This word suggests that the configurations of the system associated with rest are good candidates for the initial and final configurations because the kinetic energy of the system is zero for these configurations.

Categorize In this situation, the system consists of the two blocks, the spring, the surface, and the Earth. This is an *isolated system* with a nonconservative force acting. We also model the sliding block as a *particle in equilibrium* in the vertical direction, leading to $n = m_1g$.

Analyze We need to consider two forms of potential energy for the system, gravitational and elastic: $\Delta U_g = U_{gf} - U_{gi}$ is the change in the system's gravitational potential energy, and $\Delta U_s = U_{sf} - U_{si}$ is the change in the system's elastic potential energy. The change in the gravitational potential energy of the system is associated with only the falling block

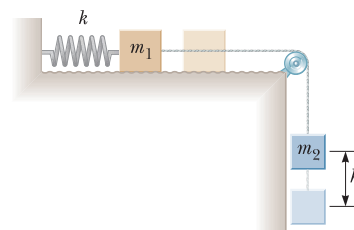


Figure 8.12 (Example 8.9) As the hanging block moves from its highest elevation to its lowest, the system loses gravitational potential energy but gains elastic potential energy in the spring. Some mechanical energy is transformed to internal energy because of friction between the sliding block and the surface.

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because the vertical coordinate of the horizontally sliding block does not change. The initial and final kinetic energies of the system are zero, so $\Delta K = 0$.

Write the appropriate reduction of Equation 8.2:

$$(1) \quad \Delta U_g + \Delta U_s + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = 0$$

Substitute for the energies, noting that as the hanging block falls a distance h , the horizontally moving block moves the same distance h to the right, and the spring stretches by a distance h :

$$(0 - m_2gh) + (\frac{1}{2}kh^2 - 0) + f_k h = 0$$

Substitute for the friction force:

$$-m_2gh + \frac{1}{2}kh^2 + \mu_k m_1gh = 0$$

Solve for μ_k :

$$\mu_k = \frac{m_2g - \frac{1}{2}kh}{m_1g}$$

Finalize This setup represents a method of measuring the coefficient of kinetic friction between an object and some surface. Notice how we have solved the examples in this chapter using the energy approach. We begin with Equation 8.2 and then tailor it to the physical situation. This process may include deleting terms, such as the kinetic energy term and all terms on the right-hand side of Equation 8.2 in this example. It can also include expanding terms, such as rewriting ΔU due to two types of potential energy in this example.

Conceptual Example 8.10 Interpreting the Energy Bars

The energy bar charts in Figure 8.13 show three instants in the motion of the system in Figure 8.12 and described in Example 8.9. For each bar chart, identify the configuration of the system that corresponds to the chart.

SOLUTION

In Figure 8.13a, there is no kinetic energy in the system. Therefore, nothing in the system is moving. The bar chart shows that the system contains only gravitational potential energy and no internal energy yet, which corresponds to the configuration with the darker blocks in Figure 8.12 and represents the instant just after the system is released.

In Figure 8.13b, the system contains four types of energy. The height of the gravitational potential energy bar is at 50%, which tells us that the hanging block has moved halfway between its position corresponding to Figure 8.13a and the position defined as $y = 0$. Therefore, in this configuration, the hanging block is between the dark and light images of the hanging block in Figure 8.12. The system has gained kinetic energy because the blocks are moving, elastic potential energy because the spring is stretching, and internal energy because of friction between the block of mass m_1 and the surface.

In Figure 8.13c, the height of the gravitational potential energy bar is zero, telling us that the hanging block is at $y = 0$. In addition, the height of the kinetic energy bar is zero, indicating that the blocks have stopped moving momentarily. Therefore, the configuration of the system is that shown by the light images of the blocks in Figure 8.12. The height of the elastic potential energy bar is high because the spring is stretched its maximum amount. The height of the internal energy bar is higher than in Figure 8.13b because the block of mass m_1 has continued to slide over the surface after the configuration shown in Figure 8.13b.

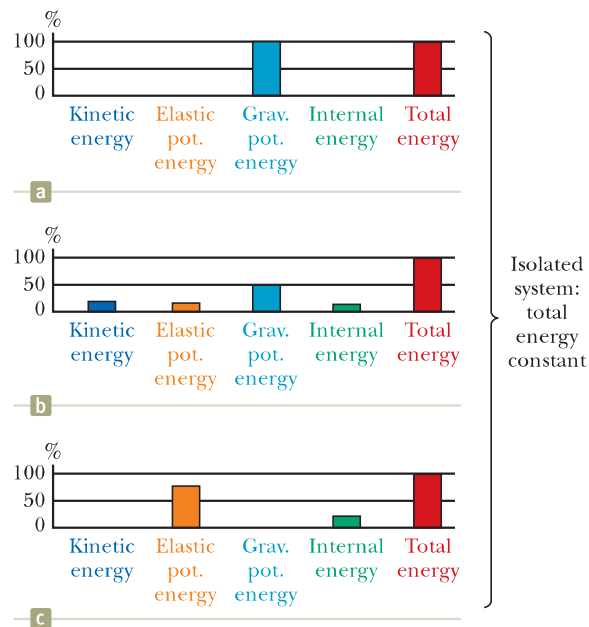


Figure 8.13 (Conceptual Example 8.10) Three energy bar charts are shown for the system in Figure 8.12.

8.5 Power

Consider Conceptual Example 7.7 again, which involved rolling a refrigerator up a ramp into a truck. Suppose the man is not convinced the work is the same regardless of the ramp's length and sets up a long ramp with a gentle rise. Although he does the same amount of work as someone using a shorter ramp, he takes longer to do the work because he has to move the refrigerator over a greater distance. Although the work done on both ramps is the same, there is *something* different about the tasks: the *time interval* during which the work is done.

The time rate of energy transfer is called the **instantaneous power** P and is defined as

Definition of power ▶

$$P \equiv \frac{dE}{dt} \quad (8.18)$$

We will focus on work as the energy transfer method in this discussion, but keep in mind that the notion of power is valid for *any* means of energy transfer discussed in Section 8.1. If an external force is applied to an object (which we model as a particle) and if the work done by this force on the object in the time interval Δt is W , the **average power** during this interval is

$$P_{\text{avg}} = \frac{W}{\Delta t}$$

Therefore, in Conceptual Example 7.7, although the same work is done in rolling the refrigerator up both ramps, less power is required for the longer ramp.

In a manner similar to the way we approached the definition of velocity and acceleration, the instantaneous power is the limiting value of the average power as Δt approaches zero:

$$P = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{W}{\Delta t} = \frac{dW}{dt}$$

where we have represented the infinitesimal value of the work done by dW . We find from Equation 7.3 that $dW = \vec{\mathbf{F}} \cdot d\vec{\mathbf{r}}$. Therefore, the instantaneous power can be written

$$P = \frac{dW}{dt} = \vec{\mathbf{F}} \cdot \frac{d\vec{\mathbf{r}}}{dt} = \vec{\mathbf{F}} \cdot \vec{\mathbf{v}} \quad (8.19)$$

where $\vec{\mathbf{v}} = d\vec{\mathbf{r}}/dt$.

The SI unit of power is joules per second (J/s), also called the **watt** (W) after James Watt:

The watt ▶

$$1 \text{ W} = 1 \text{ J/s} = 1 \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m}^2/\text{s}^3$$

A unit of power in the U.S. customary system is the **horsepower** (hp):

$$1 \text{ hp} = 746 \text{ W}$$

A unit of energy (or work) can now be defined in terms of the unit of power. One **kilowatt-hour** (kWh) is the energy transferred in 1 h at the constant rate of 1 kW = 1 000 J/s. The amount of energy represented by 1 kWh is

$$1 \text{ kWh} = (10^3 \text{ W})(3\,600 \text{ s}) = 3.60 \times 10^6 \text{ J}$$

A kilowatt-hour is a unit of energy, not power. When you pay your electric bill, you are buying energy, and the amount of energy transferred by electrical transmission into a home during the period represented by the electric bill is usually expressed in kilowatt-hours. For example, your bill may state that you used 900 kWh of energy during a month and that you are being charged at the rate of 10¢ per kilowatt-hour. Your obligation is then \$90 for this amount of energy. As another example, suppose an electric bulb is rated at 100 W. In 1.00 h of operation, it would have energy transferred to it by electrical transmission in the amount of $(0.100 \text{ kW})(1.00 \text{ h}) = 0.100 \text{ kWh} = 3.60 \times 10^5 \text{ J}$.

Pitfall Prevention 8.3

W, \mathcal{W} , and watts Do not confuse the symbol W for the watt with the italic symbol \mathcal{W} for work. Also, remember that the watt already represents a rate of energy transfer, so “watts per second” does not make sense. The watt is *the same as* a joule per second.

Example 8.11 Power Delivered by an Elevator Motor AM

An elevator car (Fig. 8.14a) has a mass of 1 600 kg and is carrying passengers having a combined mass of 200 kg. A constant friction force of 4 000 N retards its motion.

(A) How much power must a motor deliver to lift the elevator car and its passengers at a constant speed of 3.00 m/s?

SOLUTION

Conceptualize The motor must supply the force of magnitude T that pulls the elevator car upward.

Categorize The friction force increases the power necessary to lift the elevator. The problem states that the speed of the elevator is constant, which tells us that $a = 0$. We model the elevator as a *particle in equilibrium*.

Analyze The free-body diagram in Figure 8.14b specifies the upward direction as positive. The *total* mass M of the system (car plus passengers) is equal to 1 800 kg.

Using the particle in equilibrium model, apply Newton's second law to the car:

$$\sum F_y = T - f - Mg = 0$$

Solve for T :

$$T = Mg + f$$

Use Equation 8.19 and that \vec{T} is in the same direction as \vec{v} to find the power:

$$P = \vec{T} \cdot \vec{v} = Tv = (Mg + f)v$$

Substitute numerical values:

$$P = [(1\,800\text{ kg})(9.80\text{ m/s}^2) + (4\,000\text{ N})](3.00\text{ m/s}) = 6.49 \times 10^4\text{ W}$$

(B) What power must the motor deliver at the instant the speed of the elevator is v if the motor is designed to provide the elevator car with an upward acceleration of 1.00 m/s²?

SOLUTION

Conceptualize In this case, the motor must supply the force of magnitude T that pulls the elevator car upward with an increasing speed. We expect that more power will be required to do that than in part (A) because the motor must now perform the additional task of accelerating the car.

Categorize In this case, we model the elevator car as a *particle under a net force* because it is accelerating.

Analyze Using the particle under a net force model, apply Newton's second law to the car:

$$\sum F_y = T - f - Mg = Ma$$

Solve for T :

$$T = M(a + g) + f$$

Use Equation 8.19 to obtain the required power:

$$P = Tv = [M(a + g) + f]v$$

Substitute numerical values:

$$\begin{aligned} P &= [(1\,800\text{ kg})(1.00\text{ m/s}^2 + 9.80\text{ m/s}^2) + 4\,000\text{ N}]v \\ &= (2.34 \times 10^4)v \end{aligned}$$

where v is the instantaneous speed of the car in meters per second and P is in watts.

Finalize To compare with part (A), let $v = 3.00$ m/s, giving a power of

$$P = (2.34 \times 10^4\text{ N})(3.00\text{ m/s}) = 7.02 \times 10^4\text{ W}$$

which is larger than the power found in part (A), as expected.

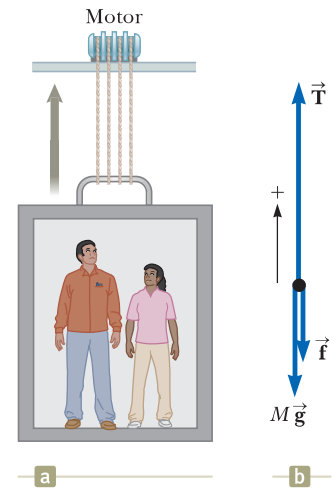


Figure 8.14 (Example 8.11) (a) The motor exerts an upward force \vec{T} on the elevator car. The magnitude of this force is the total tension T in the cables connecting the car and motor. The downward forces acting on the car are a friction force \vec{f} and the gravitational force $\vec{F}_g = M\vec{g}$. (b) The free-body diagram for the elevator car.

Summary

Definitions

■ A **nonisolated system** is one for which energy crosses the boundary of the system. An **isolated system** is one for which no energy crosses the boundary of the system.

■ The **instantaneous power** P is defined as the time rate of energy transfer:

$$P \equiv \frac{dE}{dt} \quad (8.18)$$

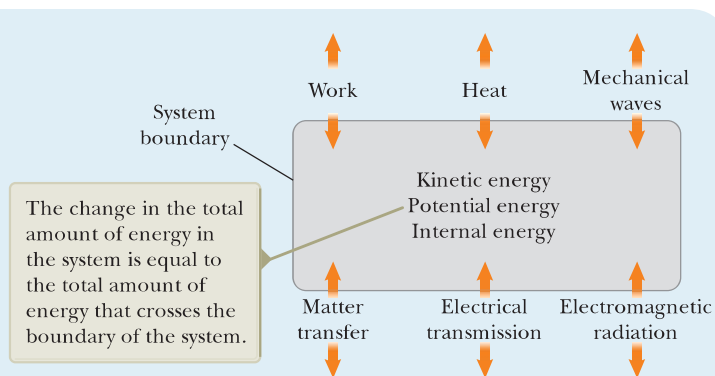
Concepts and Principles

■ For a nonisolated system, we can equate the change in the total energy stored in the system to the sum of all the transfers of energy across the system boundary, which is a statement of **conservation of energy**. For an isolated system, the total energy is constant.

■ If a friction force of magnitude f_k acts over a distance d within a system, the change in internal energy of the system is

$$\Delta E_{\text{int}} = f_k d \quad (8.14)$$

Analysis Models for Problem Solving



■ **Nonisolated System (Energy).** The most general statement describing the behavior of a nonisolated system is the **conservation of energy equation**:

$$\Delta E_{\text{system}} = \Sigma T \quad (8.1)$$

Including the types of energy storage and energy transfer that we have discussed gives

$$\Delta K + \Delta U + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = W + Q + T_{\text{MW}} + T_{\text{MT}} + T_{\text{ET}} + T_{\text{ER}} \quad (8.2)$$

For a specific problem, this equation is generally reduced to a smaller number of terms by eliminating the terms that are not appropriate to the situation.



The total amount of energy in the system is constant. Energy transforms among the three possible types.

■ **Isolated System (Energy).** The total energy of an isolated system is conserved, so

$$\Delta E_{\text{system}} = 0 \quad (8.10)$$

which can be written as

$$\Delta K + \Delta U + \Delta E_{\text{int}} = 0 \quad (8.16)$$

If no nonconservative forces act within the isolated system, the mechanical energy of the system is conserved, so

$$\Delta E_{\text{mech}} = 0 \quad (8.8)$$

which can be written as

$$\Delta K + \Delta U = 0 \quad (8.6)$$

Objective Questions

1. denotes answer available in *Student Solutions Manual/Study Guide*

- You hold a slingshot at arm's length, pull the light elastic band back to your chin, and release it to launch a pebble horizontally with speed 200 cm/s. With the same procedure, you fire a bean with speed 600 cm/s. What is the ratio of the mass of the bean to the mass of the pebble? (a) $\frac{1}{9}$ (b) $\frac{1}{3}$ (c) 1 (d) 3 (e) 9
- Two children stand on a platform at the top of a curving slide next to a backyard swimming pool. At the same moment the smaller child hops off to jump straight down into the pool, the bigger child releases herself at the top of the frictionless slide. (i) Upon reaching the water, the kinetic energy of the smaller child compared with that of the larger child is (a) greater (b) less (c) equal. (ii) Upon reaching the water, the speed of the smaller child compared with that of the larger child is (a) greater (b) less (c) equal. (iii) During their motions from the platform to the water, the average acceleration of the smaller child compared with that of the larger child is (a) greater (b) less (c) equal.
- At the bottom of an air track tilted at angle θ , a glider of mass m is given a push to make it coast a distance d up the slope as it slows down and stops. Then the glider comes back down the track to its starting point. Now the experiment is repeated with the same original speed but with a second identical glider set on top of the first. The airflow from the track is strong enough to support the stacked pair of gliders so that the combination moves over the track with negligible friction. Static friction holds the second glider stationary relative to the first glider throughout the motion. The coefficient of static friction between the two gliders is μ_s . What is the change in mechanical energy of the two-glider–Earth system in the up- and down-slope motion after the pair of gliders is released? Choose one. (a) $-2\mu_s mgd$ (b) $-2mgd \cos \theta$ (c) $-2\mu_s mgd \cos \theta$ (d) 0 (e) $+2\mu_s mgd \cos \theta$
- An athlete jumping vertically on a trampoline leaves the surface with a velocity of 8.5 m/s upward. What maximum height does she reach? (a) 13 m (b) 2.3 m (c) 3.7 m (d) 0.27 m (e) The answer can't be determined because the mass of the athlete isn't given.
- Answer yes or no to each of the following questions. (a) Can an object–Earth system have kinetic energy and not gravitational potential energy? (b) Can it have gravitational potential energy and not kinetic energy? (c) Can it have both types of energy at the same moment? (d) Can it have neither?
- In a laboratory model of cars skidding to a stop, data are measured for four trials using two blocks. The blocks have identical masses but different coefficients of kinetic friction with a table: $\mu_k = 0.2$ and 0.8. Each block is launched with speed $v_i = 1$ m/s and slides across the level table as the block comes to rest. This process represents the first two trials. For the next two trials, the procedure is repeated but the blocks are launched with speed $v_i = 2$ m/s. Rank the four trials (a) through (d) according to the stopping distance from largest to smallest. If the stopping distance is the same in two cases, give them equal rank. (a) $v_i = 1$ m/s, $\mu_k = 0.2$ (b) $v_i = 1$ m/s, $\mu_k = 0.8$ (c) $v_i = 2$ m/s, $\mu_k = 0.2$ (d) $v_i = 2$ m/s, $\mu_k = 0.8$
- What average power is generated by a 70.0-kg mountain climber who climbs a summit of height 325 m in 95.0 min? (a) 39.1 W (b) 54.6 W (c) 25.5 W (d) 67.0 W (e) 88.4 W
- A ball of clay falls freely to the hard floor. It does not bounce noticeably, and it very quickly comes to rest. What, then, has happened to the energy the ball had while it was falling? (a) It has been used up in producing the downward motion. (b) It has been transformed back into potential energy. (c) It has been transferred into the ball by heat. (d) It is in the ball and floor (and walls) as energy of invisible molecular motion. (e) Most of it went into sound.
- A pile driver drives posts into the ground by repeatedly dropping a heavy object on them. Assume the object is dropped from the same height each time. By what factor does the energy of the pile driver–Earth system change when the mass of the object being dropped is doubled? (a) $\frac{1}{2}$ (b) 1; the energy is the same (c) 2 (d) 4

Conceptual Questions

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- One person drops a ball from the top of a building while another person at the bottom observes its motion. Will these two people agree (a) on the value of the gravitational potential energy of the ball–Earth system? (b) On the change in potential energy? (c) On the kinetic energy of the ball at some point in its motion?
- A car salesperson claims that a 300-hp engine is a necessary option in a compact car, in place of the conventional 130-hp engine. Suppose you intend to drive the car within speed limits (≤ 65 mi/h) on flat terrain. How would you counter this sales pitch?
- Does everything have energy? Give the reasoning for your answer.
- You ride a bicycle. In what sense is your bicycle solar-powered?
- A bowling ball is suspended from the ceiling of a lecture hall by a strong cord. The ball is drawn away from its equilibrium position and released from rest at the

tip of the demonstrator's nose as shown in Figure CQ8.5. The demonstrator remains stationary. (a) Explain why the ball does not strike her on its return swing. (b) Would this demonstrator be safe if the ball were given a push from its starting position at her nose?

6. Can a force of static friction do work? If not, why not? If so, give an example.

7. In the general conservation of energy equation, state which terms predominate in describing each of the following devices and processes. For a process going on continuously, you may consider what happens in a 10-s time interval. State which terms in the equation represent original and final forms of energy, which would be inputs, and which outputs. (a) a slingshot firing a pebble (b) a fire burning (c) a portable radio operating (d) a car braking to a stop (e) the surface of the Sun shining visibly (f) a person jumping up onto a chair

8. Consider the energy transfers and transformations listed below in parts (a) through (e). For each part, (i) describe human-made devices designed to produce each of the energy transfers or transformations

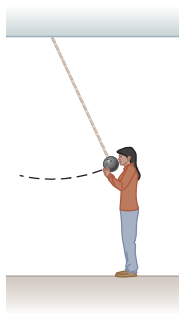


Figure CQ8.5

and, (ii) whenever possible, describe a natural process in which the energy transfer or transformation occurs. Give details to defend your choices, such as identifying the system and identifying other output energy if the device or natural process has limited efficiency. (a) Chemical potential energy transforms into internal energy. (b) Energy transferred by electrical transmission becomes gravitational potential energy. (c) Elastic potential energy transfers out of a system by heat. (d) Energy transferred by mechanical waves does work on a system. (e) Energy carried by electromagnetic waves becomes kinetic energy in a system.

9. A block is connected to a spring that is suspended from the ceiling. Assuming air resistance is ignored, describe the energy transformations that occur within the system consisting of the block, the Earth, and the spring when the block is set into vertical motion.

10. In Chapter 7, the work–kinetic energy theorem, $W = \Delta K$, was introduced. This equation states that work done on a system appears as a change in kinetic energy. It is a special-case equation, valid if there are no changes in any other type of energy such as potential or internal. Give two or three examples in which work is done on a system but the change in energy of the system is not a change in kinetic energy.

Problems

WebAssign

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1. straightforward; 2. intermediate;
3. challenging

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AMT Analysis Model tutorial available in Enhanced WebAssign

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Section 8.1 Analysis Model: Nonisolated System (Energy)

- For each of the following systems and time intervals, write the appropriate version of Equation 8.2, the conservation of energy equation. (a) the heating coils in your toaster during the first five seconds after you turn the toaster on (b) your automobile from just before you fill it with gasoline until you pull away from the gas station at speed v (c) your body while you sit quietly and eat a peanut butter and jelly sandwich for lunch (d) your home during five minutes of a sunny afternoon while the temperature in the home remains fixed
- A ball of mass m falls from a height h to the floor. (a) Write the appropriate version of Equation 8.2 for the system of the ball and the Earth and use it to calculate the speed of the ball just before it strikes the Earth. (b) Write the appropriate version of Equation 8.2 for the system of the ball and use it to calculate the speed of the ball just before it strikes the Earth.

Section 8.2 Analysis Model: Isolated System (Energy)

- A block of mass 0.250 kg is placed on top of a light, vertical spring of force constant 5 000 N/m and pushed downward so that the spring is compressed by 0.100 m. After the block is released from rest, it travels upward and then leaves the spring. To what maximum height above the point of release does it rise?
- A 20.0-kg cannonball is fired from a cannon with muzzle speed of 1 000 m/s at an angle of 37.0° with the horizontal. A second ball is fired at an angle of 90.0° . Use the isolated system model to find (a) the maximum height reached by each ball and (b) the total mechanical energy of the ball–Earth system at the maximum height for each ball. Let $y = 0$ at the cannon.

5. Review. A bead slides without friction around a loop-the-loop (Fig. P8.5). The bead is released from rest at a height $h = 3.50R$. (a) What

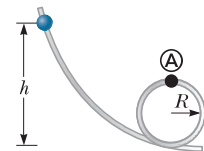


Figure P8.5

is its speed at point **A**? (b) How large is the normal force on the bead at point **A** if its mass is 5.00 g?

- 6.** A block of mass $m = 5.00$ kg is released from point **A** and slides on the frictionless track shown in Figure P8.6. Determine (a) the block's speed at points **B** and **C** and (b) the net work done by the gravitational force on the block as it moves from point **A** to point **C**.

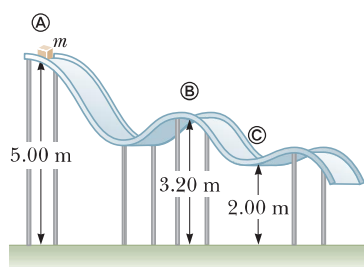


Figure P8.6

- 7.** Two objects are connected by a light string passing over a light, frictionless pulley as shown in Figure P8.7. The object of mass $m_1 = 5.00$ kg is released from rest at a height $h = 4.00$ m above the table. Using the isolated system model, (a) determine the speed of the object of mass $m_2 = 3.00$ kg just as the 5.00-kg object hits the table and (b) find the maximum height above the table to which the 3.00-kg object rises.

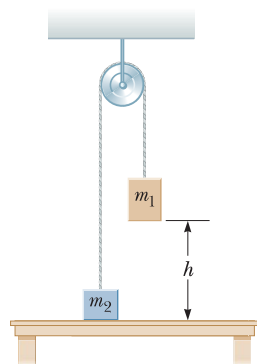


Figure P8.7

Problems 7 and 8.

- 8.** Two objects are connected by a light string passing over a light, frictionless pulley as shown in Figure P8.7. The object of mass m_1 is released from rest at height h above the table. Using the isolated system model, (a) determine the speed of m_2 just as m_1 hits the table and (b) find the maximum height above the table to which m_2 rises.
- 9.** A light, rigid rod is 77.0 cm long. Its top end is pivoted on a frictionless, horizontal axle. The rod hangs straight down at rest with a small, massive ball attached to its bottom end. You strike the ball, suddenly giving it a horizontal velocity so that it swings around in a full circle. What minimum speed at the bottom is required to make the ball go over the top of the circle?
- 10.** At 11:00 a.m. on September 7, 2001, more than one million British schoolchildren jumped up and down for one minute to simulate an earthquake. (a) Find the energy stored in the children's bodies that was converted into internal energy in the ground and their bodies and propagated into the ground by seismic waves during the experiment. Assume 1 050 000 children of average mass 36.0 kg jumped 12 times each, raising their centers of mass by 25.0 cm each time and briefly resting between one jump and the next. (b) Of the energy that propagated into the ground, most pro-

duced high-frequency "microtremor" vibrations that were rapidly damped and did not travel far. Assume 0.01% of the total energy was carried away by long-range seismic waves. The magnitude of an earthquake on the Richter scale is given by

$$M = \frac{\log E - 4.8}{1.5}$$

where E is the seismic wave energy in joules. According to this model, what was the magnitude of the demonstration quake?

- 11. Review.** The system shown in Figure P8.11 consists of a light, inextensible cord, light, frictionless pulleys, and blocks of equal mass. Notice that block B is attached to one of the pulleys. The system is initially held at rest so that the blocks are at the same height above the ground. The blocks are then released. Find the speed of block A at the moment the vertical separation of the blocks is h .

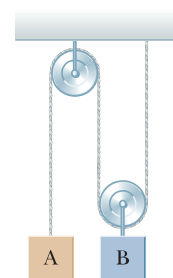


Figure P8.11

Section 8.3 Situations Involving Kinetic Friction

- 12.** A sled of mass m is given a kick on a frozen pond. The kick imparts to the sled an initial speed of 2.00 m/s. The coefficient of kinetic friction between sled and ice is 0.100. Use energy considerations to find the distance the sled moves before it stops.
- 13.** A sled of mass m is given a kick on a frozen pond. The kick imparts to the sled an initial speed of v . The coefficient of kinetic friction between sled and ice is μ_k . Use energy considerations to find the distance the sled moves before it stops.
- 14.** A crate of mass 10.0 kg is pulled up a rough incline with an initial speed of 1.50 m/s. The pulling force is 100 N parallel to the incline, which makes an angle of 20.0° with the horizontal. The coefficient of kinetic friction is 0.400, and the crate is pulled 5.00 m. (a) How much work is done by the gravitational force on the crate? (b) Determine the increase in internal energy of the crate-incline system owing to friction. (c) How much work is done by the 100-N force on the crate? (d) What is the change in kinetic energy of the crate? (e) What is the speed of the crate after being pulled 5.00 m?
- 15.** A block of mass $m = 2.00$ kg is attached to a spring of force constant $k = 500$ N/m as shown in Figure P8.15. The block is pulled to a position $x_i = 5.00$ cm to the right of equilibrium and released from rest. Find the speed the block has as it passes through equilibrium if (a) the horizontal surface is frictionless and (b) the coefficient of friction between block and surface is $\mu_k = 0.350$.
- 16.** A 40.0-kg box initially at rest is pushed 5.00 m along a rough, horizontal floor with a constant applied horizontal force of 130 N. The coefficient of friction

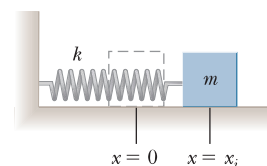


Figure P8.15

between box and floor is 0.300. Find (a) the work done by the applied force, (b) the increase in internal energy in the box–floor system as a result of friction, (c) the work done by the normal force, (d) the work done by the gravitational force, (e) the change in kinetic energy of the box, and (f) the final speed of the box.

17. A smooth circular hoop with a radius of 0.500 m is placed flat on the floor. A 0.400-kg particle slides around the inside edge of the hoop. The particle is given an initial speed of 8.00 m/s. After one revolution, its speed has dropped to 6.00 m/s because of friction with the floor. (a) Find the energy transformed from mechanical to internal in the particle–hoop–floor system as a result of friction in one revolution. (b) What is the total number of revolutions the particle makes before stopping? Assume the friction force remains constant during the entire motion.

Section 8.4 Changes in Mechanical Energy for Nonconservative Forces

18. At time t_i , the kinetic energy of a particle is 30.0 J and the potential energy of the system to which it belongs is 10.0 J. At some later time t_f , the kinetic energy of the particle is 18.0 J. (a) If only conservative forces act on the particle, what are the potential energy and the total energy of the system at time t_f ? (b) If the potential energy of the system at time t_f is 5.00 J, are any non-conservative forces acting on the particle? (c) Explain your answer to part (b).
19. A boy in a wheelchair (total mass 47.0 kg) has speed 1.40 m/s at the crest of a slope 2.60 m high and 12.4 m long. At the bottom of the slope his speed is 6.20 m/s. Assume air resistance and rolling resistance can be modeled as a constant friction force of 41.0 N. Find the work he did in pushing forward on his wheels during the downhill ride.

20. As shown in Figure P8.20, a green bead of mass 25 g slides along a straight wire. The length of the wire from point A to point B is 0.600 m, and point A is 0.200 m higher than point B. A constant friction force of magnitude 0.025 0 N acts on the bead. (a) If the bead is released from rest at point A, what is its speed at point B? (b) A red bead of mass 25 g slides along a curved wire, subject to a friction force with the same constant magnitude as that on the green bead. If the green and red beads are released simultaneously from rest at point A, which bead reaches point B with a higher speed? Explain.

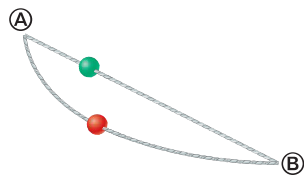


Figure P8.20

21. A toy cannon uses a spring to project a 5.30-g soft rubber ball. The spring is originally compressed by 5.00 cm and has a force constant of 8.00 N/m. When the cannon is fired, the ball moves 15.0 cm through the horizontal barrel of the cannon, and the barrel exerts a constant friction force of 0.032 0 N on the ball. (a) With what speed does the projectile leave the barrel

of the cannon? (b) At what point does the ball have maximum speed? (c) What is this maximum speed?

22. **AMT** **W** The coefficient of friction between the block of mass $m_1 = 3.00$ kg and the surface in Figure P8.22 is $\mu_k = 0.400$. The system starts from rest. What is the speed of the ball of mass $m_2 = 5.00$ kg when it has fallen a distance $h = 1.50$ m?

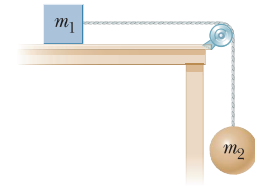


Figure P8.22

23. **M** A 5.00-kg block is set into motion up an inclined plane with an initial speed of $v_i = 8.00$ m/s (Fig. P8.23). The block comes to rest after traveling $d = 3.00$ m along the plane, which is inclined at an angle of $\theta = 30.0^\circ$ to the horizontal. For this motion, determine (a) the change in the block's kinetic energy, (b) the change in the potential energy of the block–Earth system, and (c) the friction force exerted on the block (assumed to be constant). (d) What is the coefficient of kinetic friction?

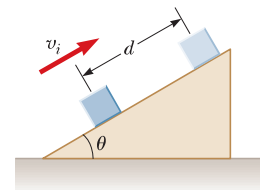


Figure P8.23

24. A 1.50-kg object is held 1.20 m above a relaxed massless, vertical spring with a force constant of 320 N/m. The object is dropped onto the spring. (a) How far does the object compress the spring? (b) **What If?** Repeat part (a), but this time assume a constant air-resistance force of 0.700 N acts on the object during its motion. (c) **What If?** How far does the object compress the spring if the same experiment is performed on the Moon, where $g = 1.63$ m/s² and air resistance is neglected?
25. **M** A 200-g block is pressed against a spring of force constant 1.40 kN/m until the block compresses the spring 10.0 cm. The spring rests at the bottom of a ramp inclined at 60.0° to the horizontal. Using energy considerations, determine how far up the incline the block moves from its initial position before it stops (a) if the ramp exerts no friction force on the block and (b) if the coefficient of kinetic friction is 0.400.
26. An 80.0-kg skydiver jumps out of a balloon at an altitude of 1 000 m and opens his parachute at an altitude of 200 m. (a) Assuming the total retarding force on the skydiver is constant at 50.0 N with the parachute closed and constant at 3 600 N with the parachute open, find the speed of the skydiver when he lands on the ground. (b) Do you think the skydiver will be injured? Explain. (c) At what height should the parachute be opened so that the final speed of the skydiver when he hits the ground is 5.00 m/s? (d) How realistic is the assumption that the total retarding force is constant? Explain.

27. **GP** A child of mass m starts from rest and slides without friction from a height h along a slide next to a pool (Fig. P8.27). She is launched from a height $h/5$ into the air over the pool. We wish to find the maximum height she reaches above the water in her projectile motion. (a) Is the child–Earth system isolated or

nonisolated? Why? (b) Is there a nonconservative force acting within the system? (c) Define the configuration of the system when the child is at the water level as having zero gravitational potential energy. Express the total energy of the system when the child is at the top of the waterslide. (d) Express the total energy of the system when the child is at the launching point. (e) Express the total energy of the system when the child is at the highest point in her projectile motion. (f) From parts (c) and (d), determine her initial speed v_i at the launch point in terms of g and h . (g) From parts (d), (e), and (f), determine her maximum airborne height y_{\max} in terms of h and the launch angle θ . (h) Would your answers be the same if the waterslide were not frictionless? Explain.

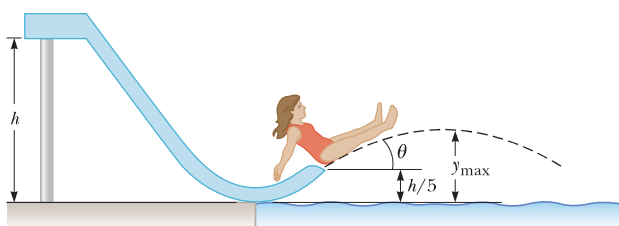


Figure P8.27

Section 8.5 Power

28. Sewage at a certain pumping station is raised vertically by 5.49 m at the rate of 1 890 000 liters each day. The sewage, of density $1\,050\text{ kg/m}^3$, enters and leaves the pump at atmospheric pressure and through pipes of equal diameter. (a) Find the output mechanical power of the lift station. (b) Assume an electric motor continuously operating with average power 5.90 kW runs the pump. Find its efficiency.
29. **W** An 820-N Marine in basic training climbs a 12.0-m vertical rope at a constant speed in 8.00 s. What is his power output?
30. The electric motor of a model train accelerates the train from rest to 0.620 m/s in 21.0 ms. The total mass of the train is 875 g. (a) Find the minimum power delivered to the train by electrical transmission from the metal rails during the acceleration. (b) Why is it the minimum power?
31. When an automobile moves with constant speed down a highway, most of the power developed by the engine is used to compensate for the energy transformations due to friction forces exerted on the car by the air and the road. If the power developed by an engine is 175 hp, estimate the total friction force acting on the car when it is moving at a speed of 29 m/s. One horsepower equals 746 W.
32. A certain rain cloud at an altitude of 1.75 km contains $3.20 \times 10^7\text{ kg}$ of water vapor. How long would it take a 2.70-kW pump to raise the same amount of water from the Earth's surface to the cloud's position?
33. An energy-efficient lightbulb, taking in 28.0 W of power, can produce the same level of brightness as a conventional lightbulb operating at power 100 W. The lifetime of the energy-efficient bulb is 10 000 h and its purchase price is \$4.50, whereas the conventional bulb has a lifetime of 750 h and costs \$0.42. Determine the total savings obtained by using one energy-efficient bulb over its lifetime as opposed to using conventional bulbs over the same time interval. Assume an energy cost of \$0.200 per kilowatt-hour.
34. An electric scooter has a battery capable of supplying 120 Wh of energy. If friction forces and other losses account for 60.0% of the energy usage, what altitude change can a rider achieve when driving in hilly terrain if the rider and scooter have a combined weight of 890 N?
35. Make an order-of-magnitude estimate of the power a car engine contributes to speeding the car up to highway speed. In your solution, state the physical quantities you take as data and the values you measure or estimate for them. The mass of a vehicle is often given in the owner's manual.
36. An older-model car accelerates from 0 to speed v in a time interval of Δt . A newer, more powerful sports car accelerates from 0 to $2v$ in the same time period. Assuming the energy coming from the engine appears only as kinetic energy of the cars, compare the power of the two cars.
37. For saving energy, bicycling and walking are far more efficient means of transportation than is travel by automobile. For example, when riding at 10.0 mi/h, a cyclist uses food energy at a rate of about 400 kcal/h above what he would use if merely sitting still. (In exercise physiology, power is often measured in kcal/h rather than in watts. Here 1 kcal = 1 nutritionist's Calorie = 4 186 J.) Walking at 3.00 mi/h requires about 220 kcal/h. It is interesting to compare these values with the energy consumption required for travel by car. Gasoline yields about $1.30 \times 10^8\text{ J/gal}$. Find the fuel economy in equivalent miles per gallon for a person (a) walking and (b) bicycling.
38. A 650-kg elevator starts from rest. It moves upward for 3.00 s with constant acceleration until it reaches its cruising speed of 1.75 m/s. (a) What is the average power of the elevator motor during this time interval? (b) How does this power compare with the motor power when the elevator moves at its cruising speed?
39. A 3.50-kN piano is lifted by three workers at constant speed to an apartment 25.0 m above the street using a pulley system fastened to the roof of the building. Each worker is able to deliver 165 W of power, and the pulley system is 75.0% efficient (so that 25.0% of the mechanical energy is transformed to other forms due to friction in the pulley). Neglecting the mass of the pulley, find the time required to lift the piano from the street to the apartment.
40. Energy is conventionally measured in Calories as well as in joules. One Calorie in nutrition is one kilocalorie, defined as 1 kcal = 4 186 J. Metabolizing 1 g of fat can release 9.00 kcal. A student decides to try to lose weight by exercising. He plans to run up and down the stairs in a football stadium as fast as he can and

as many times as necessary. To evaluate the program, suppose he runs up a flight of 80 steps, each 0.150 m high, in 65.0 s. For simplicity, ignore the energy he uses in coming down (which is small). Assume a typical efficiency for human muscles is 20.0%. This statement means that when your body converts 100 J from metabolizing fat, 20 J goes into doing mechanical work (here, climbing stairs). The remainder goes into extra internal energy. Assume the student's mass is 75.0 kg. (a) How many times must the student run the flight of stairs to lose 1.00 kg of fat? (b) What is his average power output, in watts and in horsepower, as he runs up the stairs? (c) Is this activity in itself a practical way to lose weight?

- 41.** A loaded ore car has a mass of 950 kg and rolls on rails with negligible friction. It starts from rest and is pulled up a mine shaft by a cable connected to a winch. The shaft is inclined at 30.0° above the horizontal. The car accelerates uniformly to a speed of 2.20 m/s in 12.0 s and then continues at constant speed. (a) What power must the winch motor provide when the car is moving at constant speed? (b) What maximum power must the winch motor provide? (c) What total energy has transferred out of the motor by work by the time the car moves off the end of the track, which is of length 1 250 m?

Additional Problems

- 42.** Make an order-of-magnitude estimate of your power output as you climb stairs. In your solution, state the physical quantities you take as data and the values you measure or estimate for them. Do you consider your peak power or your sustainable power?
- 43.** A small block of mass $m = 200$ g is released from rest at point **A** along the horizontal diameter on the inside of a frictionless, hemispherical bowl of radius $R = 30.0$ cm (Fig. P8.43). Calculate (a) the gravitational potential energy of the block–Earth system when the block is at point **A** relative to point **B**, (b) the kinetic energy of the block at point **B**, (c) its speed at point **B**, and (d) its kinetic energy and the potential energy when the block is at point **C**.

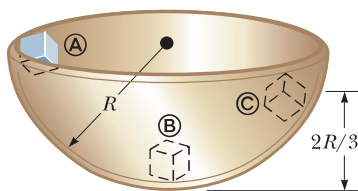


Figure P8.43 Problems 43 and 44.

- 44. What If?** The block of mass $m = 200$ g described in Problem 43 (Fig. P8.43) is released from rest at point **A**, and the surface of the bowl is rough. The block's speed at point **B** is 1.50 m/s. (a) What is its kinetic energy at point **B**? (b) How much mechanical energy is transformed into internal energy as the block moves from point **A** to point **B**? (c) Is it possible to determine the coefficient of friction from these results in any simple manner? (d) Explain your answer to part (c).

- 45. Review.** A boy starts at rest and slides down a frictionless slide as in Figure P8.45. The bottom of the track is a height h above the ground. The boy then leaves the track horizontally, striking the ground at a distance d as shown. Using energy methods, determine the initial height H of the boy above the ground in terms of h and d .

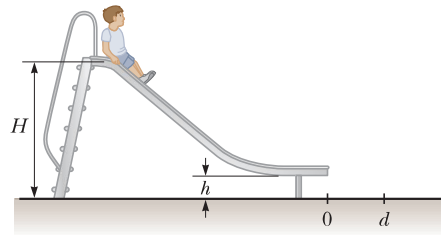


Figure P8.45

- 46. Review.** As shown in Figure P8.46, a light string that does not stretch changes from horizontal to vertical as it passes over the edge of a table. The string connects m_1 , a 3.50-kg block originally at rest on the horizontal table at a height $h = 1.20$ m above the floor, to m_2 , a hanging 1.90-kg block originally a distance $d = 0.900$ m above the floor. Neither the surface of the table nor its edge exerts a force of kinetic friction. The blocks start to move from rest. The sliding block m_1 is projected horizontally after reaching the edge of the table. The hanging block m_2 stops without bouncing when it strikes the floor. Consider the two blocks plus the Earth as the system. (a) Find the speed at which m_1 leaves the edge of the table. (b) Find the impact speed of m_1 on the floor. (c) What is the shortest length of the string so that it does not go taut while m_1 is in flight? (d) Is the energy of the system when it is released from rest equal to the energy of the system just before m_1 strikes the ground? (e) Why or why not?

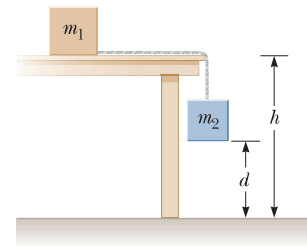


Figure P8.46

- 47.** A 4.00-kg particle moves along the x axis. Its position varies with time according to $x = t + 2.0t^3$, where x is in meters and t is in seconds. Find (a) the kinetic energy of the particle at any time t , (b) the acceleration of the particle and the force acting on it at time t , (c) the power being delivered to the particle at time t , and (d) the work done on the particle in the interval $t = 0$ to $t = 2.00$ s.

- 48. Why is the following situation impossible?** A softball pitcher has a strange technique: she begins with her hand at rest at the highest point she can reach and then quickly rotates her arm backward so that the ball moves through a half-circle path. She releases the ball when her hand reaches the bottom of the path. The pitcher maintains a component of force on the 0.180-kg ball of constant magnitude 12.0 N in the direction of motion around the complete path. As the ball arrives

at the bottom of the path, it leaves her hand with a speed of 25.0 m/s.

49. A skateboarder with his board can be modeled as a particle of mass 76.0 kg, located at his center of mass (which we will study in Chapter 9). As shown in Figure P8.49, the skateboarder starts from rest in a crouching position at one lip of a half-pipe (point A). The half-pipe is one half of a cylinder of radius 6.80 m with its axis horizontal. On his descent, the skateboarder moves without friction so that his center of mass moves through one quarter of a circle of radius 6.30 m. (a) Find his speed at the bottom of the half-pipe (point B). (b) Immediately after passing point B, he stands up and raises his arms, lifting his center of mass from 0.500 m to 0.950 m above the concrete (point C). Next, the skateboarder glides upward with his center of mass moving in a quarter circle of radius 5.85 m. His body is horizontal when he passes point D, the far lip of the half-pipe. As he passes through point D, the speed of the skateboarder is 5.14 m/s. How much chemical potential energy in the body of the skateboarder was converted to mechanical energy in the skateboarder–Earth system when he stood up at point B? (c) How high above point D does he rise? *Caution:* Do not try this stunt yourself without the required skill and protective equipment.

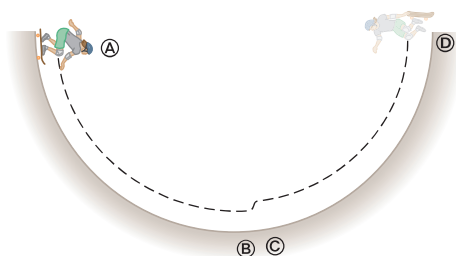


Figure P8.49

50. Heedless of danger, a child leaps onto a pile of old mattresses to use them as a trampoline. His motion between two particular points is described by the energy conservation equation

$$\frac{1}{2}(46.0 \text{ kg})(2.40 \text{ m/s})^2 + (46.0 \text{ kg})(9.80 \text{ m/s}^2)(2.80 \text{ m} + x) = \frac{1}{2}(1.94 \times 10^4 \text{ N/m})x^2$$

(a) Solve the equation for x . (b) Compose the statement of a problem, including data, for which this equation gives the solution. (c) Add the two values of x obtained in part (a) and divide by 2. (d) What is the significance of the resulting value in part (c)?

51. **AMT** Jonathan is riding a bicycle and encounters a hill of height 7.30 m. At the base of the hill, he is traveling at 6.00 m/s. When he reaches the top of the hill, he is traveling at 1.00 m/s. Jonathan and his bicycle together have a mass of 85.0 kg. Ignore friction in the bicycle mechanism and between the bicycle tires and the road. (a) What is the total external work done on the system of Jonathan and the bicycle between the time he starts up the hill and the time he reaches the top? (b) What is the change in potential energy stored in Jonathan's body during this process? (c) How much work does

Jonathan do on the bicycle pedals within the Jonathan–bicycle–Earth system during this process?

52. Jonathan is riding a bicycle and encounters a hill of height h . At the base of the hill, he is traveling at a speed v_i . When he reaches the top of the hill, he is traveling at a speed v_f . Jonathan and his bicycle together have a mass m . Ignore friction in the bicycle mechanism and between the bicycle tires and the road. (a) What is the total external work done on the system of Jonathan and the bicycle between the time he starts up the hill and the time he reaches the top? (b) What is the change in potential energy stored in Jonathan's body during this process? (c) How much work does Jonathan do on the bicycle pedals within the Jonathan–bicycle–Earth system during this process?
53. Consider the block–spring–surface system in part (B) of Example 8.6. (a) Using an energy approach, find the position x of the block at which its speed is a maximum. (b) In the **What If?** section of this example, we explored the effects of an increased friction force of 10.0 N. At what position of the block does its maximum speed occur in this situation?

54. As it plows a parking lot, a snowplow pushes an ever-growing pile of snow in front of it. Suppose a car moving through the air is similarly modeled as a cylinder of area A pushing a growing disk of air in front of it. The originally stationary air is set into motion at the constant speed v of the cylinder as shown in Figure P8.54. In a time interval Δt , a new disk of air of mass Δm must be moved a distance $v \Delta t$ and hence must be given a kinetic energy $\frac{1}{2}(\Delta m)v^2$. Using this model, show that the car's power loss owing to air resistance is $\frac{1}{2}\rho Av^3$ and that the resistive force acting on the car is $\frac{1}{2}\rho Av^2$, where ρ is the density of air. Compare this result with the empirical expression $\frac{1}{2}D\rho Av^2$ for the resistive force.

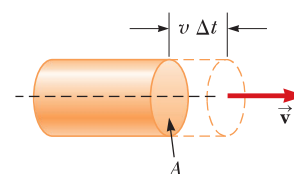


Figure P8.54

55. A wind turbine on a wind farm turns in response to a force of high-speed air resistance, $R = \frac{1}{2}D\rho Av^2$. The power available is $P = Rv = \frac{1}{2}D\rho\pi r^2 v^3$, where v is the wind speed and we have assumed a circular face for the wind turbine of radius r . Take the drag coefficient as $D = 1.00$ and the density of air from the front endpaper. For a wind turbine having $r = 1.50$ m, calculate the power available with (a) $v = 8.00$ m/s and (b) $v = 24.0$ m/s. The power delivered to the generator is limited by the efficiency of the system, about 25%. For comparison, a large American home uses about 2 kW of electric power.

56. Consider the popgun in Example 8.3. Suppose the projectile mass, compression distance, and spring constant remain the same as given or calculated in the example. Suppose, however, there is a friction force of magnitude 2.00 N acting on the projectile as it rubs against the interior of the barrel. The vertical length from point A to the end of the barrel is 0.600 m.

(a) After the spring is compressed and the popgun fired, to what height does the projectile rise above point \textcircled{B} ? (b) Draw four energy bar charts for this situation, analogous to those in Figures 8.6c–d.

57. As the driver steps on the gas pedal, a car of mass 1600 kg accelerates from rest. During the first few seconds of motion, the car's acceleration increases with time according to the expression

$$a = 1.16t - 0.210t^2 + 0.240t^3$$

where t is in seconds and a is in m/s^2 . (a) What is the change in kinetic energy of the car during the interval from $t = 0$ to $t = 2.50$ s? (b) What is the minimum average power output of the engine over this time interval? (c) Why is the value in part (b) described as the *minimum* value?

58. **Review.** Why is the following situation impossible? A new high-speed roller coaster is claimed to be so safe that the passengers do not need to wear seat belts or any other restraining device. The coaster is designed with a vertical circular section over which the coaster travels on the inside of the circle so that the passengers are upside down for a short time interval. The radius of the circular section is 12.0 m, and the coaster enters the bottom of the circular section at a speed of 22.0 m/s. Assume the coaster moves without friction on the track and model the coaster as a particle.

59. A horizontal spring attached to a wall has a force constant of $k = 850$ N/m. A block of mass $m = 1.00$ kg is attached to the spring and rests on a frictionless, horizontal surface as in Figure P8.59. (a) The block is pulled to a position $x_i = 6.00$ cm from equilibrium and released. Find the elastic potential energy stored in the spring when the block is 6.00 cm from equilibrium and when the block passes through equilibrium. (b) Find the speed of the block as it passes through the equilibrium point. (c) What is the speed of the block when it is at a position $x_f/2 = 3.00$ cm? (d) Why isn't the answer to part (c) half the answer to part (b)?

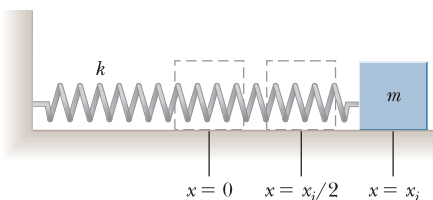


Figure P8.59

60. More than 2300 years ago, the Greek teacher Aristotle wrote the first book called *Physics*. Put into more precise terminology, this passage is from the end of its Section Eta:

Let P be the power of an agent causing motion; w , the load moved; d , the distance covered; and Δt , the time interval required. Then (1) a power equal to P will in an interval of time equal to Δt move $w/2$ a distance $2d$; or (2) it will move $w/2$ the given distance d in the time interval $\Delta t/2$. Also, if (3) the given power P moves the given

load w a distance $d/2$ in time interval $\Delta t/2$, then (4) $P/2$ will move $w/2$ the given distance d in the given time interval Δt .

- (a) Show that Aristotle's proportions are included in the equation $P\Delta t = bwd$, where b is a proportionality constant. (b) Show that our theory of motion includes this part of Aristotle's theory as one special case. In particular, describe a situation in which it is true, derive the equation representing Aristotle's proportions, and determine the proportionality constant.

61. A child's pogo stick (Fig. P8.61) stores energy in a spring with a force constant of 2.50×10^4 N/m. At position \textcircled{A} ($x_{\textcircled{A}} = -0.100$ m), the spring compression is a maximum and the child is momentarily at rest. At position \textcircled{B} ($x_{\textcircled{B}} = 0$), the spring is relaxed and the child is moving upward. At position \textcircled{C} , the child is again momentarily at rest at the top of the jump. The combined mass of child and pogo stick is 25.0 kg. Although the boy must lean forward to remain balanced, the angle is small, so let's assume the pogo stick is vertical. Also assume the boy does not bend his legs during the motion.

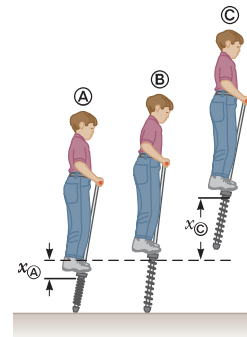


Figure P8.61

- (a) Calculate the total energy of the child–stick–Earth system, taking both gravitational and elastic potential energies as zero for $x = 0$. (b) Determine $x_{\textcircled{C}}$. (c) Calculate the speed of the child at $x = 0$. (d) Determine the value of x for which the kinetic energy of the system is a maximum. (e) Calculate the child's maximum upward speed.

62. A 1.00-kg object slides to the right on a surface having a coefficient of kinetic friction 0.250 (Fig. P8.62a). The object has a speed of $v_i = 3.00$ m/s when it makes contact with a light spring (Fig. P8.62b) that has a force constant of 50.0 N/m.

The object comes to rest after the spring has been compressed a distance d (Fig. P8.62c). The object is then forced toward the left by the spring (Fig. P8.62d) and continues to move in that direction beyond the spring's unstretched position. Finally, the object comes to rest a distance D to the left of the unstretched spring (Fig. P8.62e). Find (a) the distance of compression d , (b) the speed v at the unstretched position when the object is moving to the left (Fig. P8.62d), and (c) the distance D where the object comes to rest.

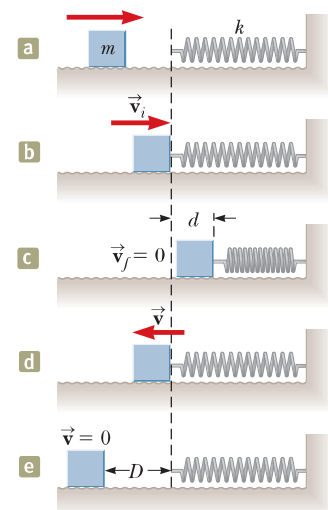


Figure P8.62

- 63.** A 10.0-kg block is released from rest at point **A** in Figure P8.63. The track is frictionless except for the portion between points **B** and **C**, which has a length of 6.00 m. The block travels down the track, hits a spring of force constant $2\,250\text{ N/m}$, and compresses the spring 0.300 m from its equilibrium position before coming to rest momentarily. Determine the coefficient of kinetic friction between the block and the rough surface between points **B** and **C**.

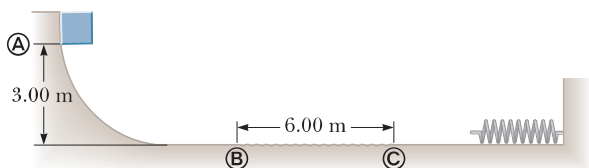


Figure P8.63

- 64.** A block of mass $m_1 = 20.0\text{ kg}$ is connected to a block of mass $m_2 = 30.0\text{ kg}$ by a massless string that passes over a light, frictionless pulley. The 30.0-kg block is connected to a spring that has negligible mass and a force constant of $k = 250\text{ N/m}$ as shown in Figure P8.64. The spring is unstretched when the system is as shown in the figure, and the incline is frictionless. The 20.0-kg block is pulled a distance $h = 20.0\text{ cm}$ down the incline of angle $\theta = 40.0^\circ$ and released from rest. Find the speed of each block when the spring is again unstretched.

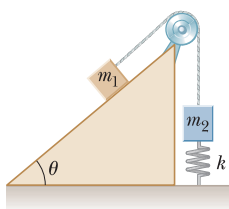


Figure P8.64

- 65.** A block of mass 0.500 kg is pushed against a horizontal spring of negligible mass until the spring is compressed a distance x (Fig. P8.65). The force constant of the spring is 450 N/m . When it is released, the block travels along a frictionless, horizontal surface to point **A**, the bottom of a vertical circular track of radius $R = 1.00\text{ m}$, and continues to move up the track. The block's speed at the bottom of the track is $v_{\text{A}} = 12.0\text{ m/s}$, and the block experiences an average friction force of 7.00 N while sliding up the track. (a) What is x ? (b) If the block were to reach the top of the track, what would be its speed at that point? (c) Does the block actually reach the top of the track, or does it fall off before reaching the top?

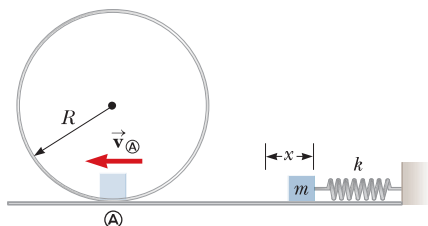


Figure P8.65

- 66. Review.** As a prank, someone has balanced a pumpkin at the highest point of a grain silo. The silo is topped with a hemispherical cap that is frictionless when wet.

The line from the center of curvature of the cap to the pumpkin makes an angle $\theta_i = 0^\circ$ with the vertical. While you happen to be standing nearby in the middle of a rainy night, a breath of wind makes the pumpkin start sliding downward from rest. It loses contact with the cap when the line from the center of the hemisphere to the pumpkin makes a certain angle with the vertical. What is this angle?

- 67. Review.** The mass of a car is $1\,500\text{ kg}$. The shape of the car's body is such that its aerodynamic drag coefficient is $D = 0.330$ and its frontal area is 2.50 m^2 . Assuming the drag force is proportional to v^2 and ignoring other sources of friction, calculate the power required to maintain a speed of 100 km/h as the car climbs a long hill sloping at 3.20° .

- 68.** A pendulum, comprising a light string of length L and a small sphere, swings in the vertical plane. The string hits a peg located a distance d below the point of suspension (Fig. P8.68). (a) Show that if the sphere is released from a height below that of the peg, it will return to this height after the string strikes the peg. (b) Show that if the pendulum is released from rest at the horizontal position ($\theta = 90^\circ$) and is to swing in a complete circle centered on the peg, the minimum value of d must be $3L/5$.

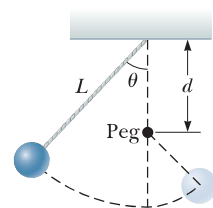


Figure P8.68

- 69.** A block of mass M rests on a table. It is fastened to the lower end of a light, vertical spring. The upper end of the spring is fastened to a block of mass m . The upper block is pushed down by an additional force $3mg$, so the spring compression is $4mg/k$. In this configuration, the upper block is released from rest. The spring lifts the lower block off the table. In terms of m , what is the greatest possible value for M ?

- 70. Review.** Why is the following situation impossible?

An athlete tests her hand strength by having an assistant hang weights from her belt as she hangs onto a horizontal bar with her hands. When the weights hanging on her belt have increased to 80% of her body weight, her hands can no longer support her

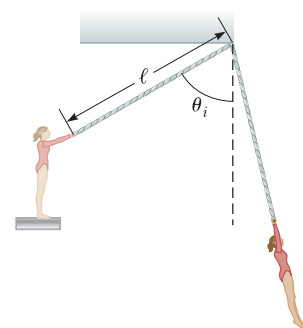


Figure P8.70

and she drops to the floor. Frustrated at not meeting her hand-strength goal, she decides to swing on a trapeze. The trapeze consists of a bar suspended by two parallel ropes, each of length ℓ , allowing performers to swing in a vertical circular arc (Fig. P8.70). The athlete holds the bar and steps off an elevated platform, starting from rest with the ropes at an angle $\theta_i = 60.0^\circ$ with respect to the vertical. As she swings several times back and forth in a circular arc, she forgets her frustration related to the hand-strength test. Assume the size of the

performer's body is small compared to the length ℓ and air resistance is negligible.

71. While running, a person transforms about 0.600 J of chemical energy to mechanical energy per step per kilogram of body mass. If a 60.0-kg runner transforms energy at a rate of 70.0 W during a race, how fast is the person running? Assume that a running step is 1.50 m long.
72. A roller-coaster car shown in Figure P8.72 is released from rest from a height h and then moves freely with negligible friction. The roller-coaster track includes a circular loop of radius R in a vertical plane. (a) First suppose the car barely makes it around the loop; at the top of the loop, the riders are upside down and feel weightless. Find the required height h of the release point above the bottom of the loop in terms of R . (b) Now assume the release point is at or above the minimum required height. Show that the normal force on the car at the bottom of the loop exceeds the normal force at the top of the loop by six times the car's weight. The normal force on each rider follows the same rule. Such a large normal force is dangerous and very uncomfortable for the riders. Roller coasters are therefore not built with circular loops in vertical planes. Figure P6.17 (page 170) shows an actual design.

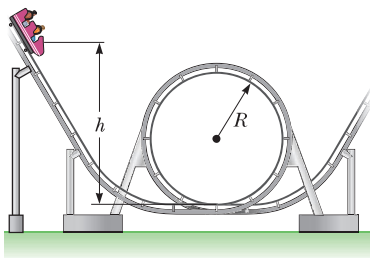


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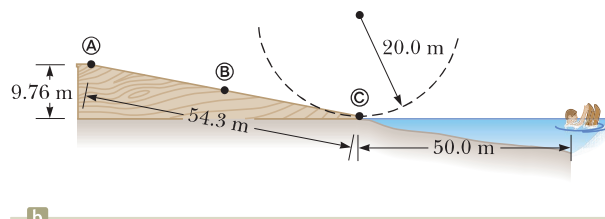
73. A ball whirls around in a *vertical* circle at the end of a string. The other end of the string is fixed at the center of the circle. Assuming the total energy of the ball-Earth system remains constant, show that the tension in the string at the bottom is greater than the tension at the top by six times the ball's weight.
74. An airplane of mass 1.50×10^4 kg is in level flight, initially moving at 60.0 m/s. The resistive force exerted by air on the airplane has a magnitude of 4.0×10^4 N. By Newton's third law, if the engines exert a force on the exhaust gases to expel them out of the back of the engine, the exhaust gases exert a force on the engines in the direction of the airplane's travel. This force is called thrust, and the value of the thrust in this situation is 7.50×10^4 N. (a) Is the work done by the exhaust gases on the airplane during some time interval equal to the change in the airplane's kinetic energy? Explain. (b) Find the speed of the airplane after it has traveled 5.0×10^2 m.
75. Consider the block-spring collision discussed in Example 8.8. (a) For the situation in part (B), in which the surface exerts a friction force on the block, show that the block never arrives back at $x = 0$. (b) What is

the maximum value of the coefficient of friction that would allow the block to return to $x = 0$?

76. In bicycling for aerobic exercise, a woman wants her heart rate to be between 136 and 166 beats per minute. Assume that her heart rate is directly proportional to her mechanical power output within the range relevant here. Ignore all forces on the woman-bicycle system except for static friction forward on the drive wheel of the bicycle and an air resistance force proportional to the square of her speed. When her speed is 22.0 km/h, her heart rate is 90.0 beats per minute. In what range should her speed be so that her heart rate will be in the range she wants?
77. **Review.** In 1887 in Bridgeport, Connecticut, C. J. Belknap built the water slide shown in Figure P8.77. A rider on a small sled, of total mass 80.0 kg, pushed off to start at the top of the slide (point A) with a speed of 2.50 m/s. The chute was 9.76 m high at the top and 54.3 m long. Along its length, 725 small wheels made friction negligible. Upon leaving the chute horizontally at its bottom end (point C), the rider skimmed across the water of Long Island Sound for as much as 50 m, "skipping along like a flat pebble," before at last coming to rest and swimming ashore, pulling his sled after him. (a) Find the speed of the sled and rider at point C. (b) Model the force of water friction as a constant retarding force acting on a particle. Find the magnitude of the friction force the water exerts on the sled. (c) Find the magnitude of the force the chute exerts on the sled at point B. (d) At point C, the chute is horizontal but curving in the vertical plane. Assume its radius of curvature is 20.0 m. Find the force the chute exerts on the sled at point C.



a



b

Figure P8.77

78. In a needle biopsy, a narrow strip of tissue is extracted from a patient using a hollow needle. Rather than being pushed by hand, to ensure a clean cut the needle can be fired into the patient's body by a spring. Assume that the needle has mass 5.60 g, the light spring has

force constant 375 N/m , and the spring is originally compressed 8.10 cm to project the needle horizontally without friction. After the needle leaves the spring, the tip of the needle moves through 2.40 cm of skin and soft tissue, which exerts on it a resistive force of 7.60 N . Next, the needle cuts 3.50 cm into an organ, which exerts on it a backward force of 9.20 N . Find (a) the maximum speed of the needle and (b) the speed at which the flange on the back end of the needle runs into a stop that is set to limit the penetration to 5.90 cm .

Challenge Problems

- 79. Review.** A uniform board of length L is sliding along a smooth, frictionless, horizontal plane as shown in Figure P8.79a. The board then slides across the boundary with a rough horizontal surface. The coefficient of kinetic friction between the board and the second surface is μ_k . (a) Find the acceleration of the board at the moment its front end has traveled a distance x beyond the boundary. (b) The board stops at the moment its back end reaches the boundary as shown in Figure P8.79b. Find the initial speed v of the board.

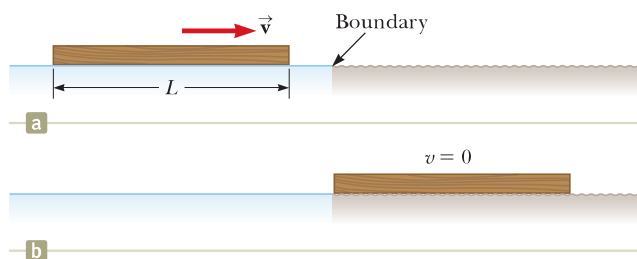


Figure P8.79

- 80.** Starting from rest, a 64.0-kg person bungee jumps from a tethered hot-air balloon 65.0 m above the ground. The bungee cord has negligible mass and unstretched length 25.8 m . One end is tied to the basket of the balloon and the other end to a harness around the person's body. The cord is modeled as a spring that obeys Hooke's law with a spring constant of 81.0 N/m , and the person's body is modeled as a particle. The hot-air balloon does not move. (a) Express the gravitational potential energy of the person–Earth system as a function of the person's variable height y above the ground. (b) Express the elastic potential energy of the cord as a function of y . (c) Express the total potential energy of the person–cord–Earth system as a function of y . (d) Plot a graph of the gravitational, elastic, and total potential energies as functions of y . (e) Assume air resistance is negligible. Determine the minimum height of the person above the ground during his plunge. (f) Does the potential energy graph show any equilibrium position or positions? If so, at what elevations? Are they stable or unstable? (g) Determine the jumper's maximum speed.
- 81.** Jane, whose mass is 50.0 kg , needs to swing across a river (having width D) filled with person-eating crocodiles to save Tarzan from danger. She must swing into

a wind exerting constant horizontal force \vec{F} , on a vine having length L and initially making an angle θ with the vertical (Fig. P8.81). Take $D = 50.0 \text{ m}$, $F = 110 \text{ N}$, $L = 40.0 \text{ m}$, and $\theta = 50.0^\circ$. (a) With what minimum speed must Jane begin her swing to just make it to the other side? (b) Once the rescue is complete, Tarzan and Jane must swing back across the river. With what minimum speed must they begin their swing? Assume Tarzan has a mass of 80.0 kg .

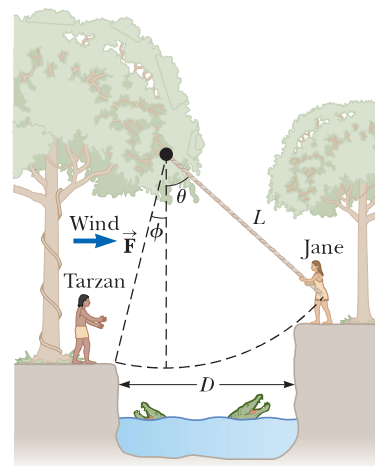


Figure P8.81

- 82.** A ball of mass $m = 300 \text{ g}$ is connected by a strong string of length $L = 80.0 \text{ cm}$ to a pivot and held in place with the string vertical. A wind exerts constant force F to the right on the ball as shown in Figure P8.82. The ball is released from rest. The wind makes it swing up to attain maximum height H above its starting point before it swings down again. (a) Find H as a function of F . Evaluate H for (b) $F = 1.00 \text{ N}$ and (c) $F = 10.0 \text{ N}$. How does H behave (d) as F approaches zero and (e) as F approaches infinity? (f) Now consider the equilibrium height of the ball with the wind blowing. Determine it as a function of F . Evaluate the equilibrium height for (g) $F = 10 \text{ N}$ and (h) F going to infinity.

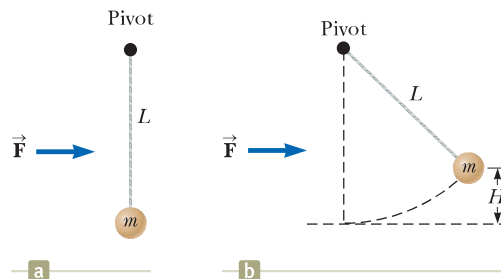


Figure P8.82

- 83. What If?** Consider the roller coaster described in Problem 58. Because of some friction between the coaster and the track, the coaster enters the circular section at a speed of 15.0 m/s rather than the 22.0 m/s in Problem 58. Is this situation *more* or *less* dangerous for the passengers than that in Problem 58? Assume the circular section is still frictionless.

84. A uniform chain of length 8.00 m initially lies stretched out on a horizontal table. (a) Assuming the coefficient of static friction between chain and table is 0.600, show that the chain will begin to slide off the table if at least 3.00 m of it hangs over the edge of the table. (b) Determine the speed of the chain as its last link leaves the table, given that the coefficient of kinetic friction between the chain and the table is 0.400.
85. A daredevil plans to bungee jump from a balloon 65.0 m above the ground. He will use a uniform elastic

cord, tied to a harness around his body, to stop his fall at a point 10.0 m above the ground. Model his body as a particle and the cord as having negligible mass and obeying Hooke's law. In a preliminary test he finds that when hanging at rest from a 5.00-m length of the cord, his body weight stretches it by 1.50 m. He will drop from rest at the point where the top end of a longer section of the cord is attached to the stationary balloon. (a) What length of cord should he use? (b) What maximum acceleration will he experience?