

## Energy and power



### Lecture 10:

GPE  
Work done by friction  
What is a watt?  
- Human power  
Kinetic Energy

### Reminders:

HW4 due Monday at midnight  
Lectures can be rewatched online  
Reading for Tuesday: Section 5.2

## Reading quiz

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## Summary of data : Work done raising cart by $h = 11.5\text{cm}$

Method	Picture	$F_{\text{hand}}$ (N)	$d$ (m)	Work (J)
Shallow ramp		1N	2m	2J
Medium ramp		2N	1m	2J
Steep ramp		3N	0.66m	2J
Lift vertically		15.5N	0.115m	2J

Very different experiments but always get same answer for work done.....why is that?  
Probably some important physics discovered here.....

## General formula for work done when lifting stuff

In general, the work done raising any object of mass  $m$  by height  $h$  is always the same, however we do it.  
Can we find a formula for the work done?

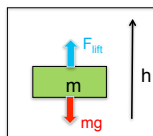
Consider lifting vertically:

$$F_{\text{lift}} = mg$$

$$\text{Work done on object} = F_{\text{lift}} \times d_{\parallel}$$

$$= mg \times h$$

$$= mgh$$



Mass of object      Acceleration due to gravity      Vertical height raised  
Really the change in  $h$

But the work done is independent of the lifting method

$\Rightarrow W = mgh$  is true for a vertical lift

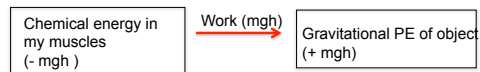
OR if you use a frictionless ramp of any steepness

OR any other frictionless lifting method

## Introducing Gravitational Potential Energy (GPE)

Work done raising an object by height  $h = mgh$

But work done = amount of energy changed



GPE is the stored energy that an object has due to its vertical position (height)

$\Rightarrow$  Raising an object by height  $h$  raises its GPE by  $mgh$


$$\text{GPE} = mgh \quad (\text{relative to } h=0)$$

**BIG CAVEAT:**

$h$  is the amount of distance it changes, not its beginning / final value!

To transfer energy to other objects requires work  
Confusing Terminology: "WORK"

In "Everyday life language" :  
we are doing work if it takes effort to do it!







In "Physics":  
Work done by a force = Force × distance moved in direction of force  
"Work" transfers energy to or from the object the force is acting on

Outline

What we know about energy and work so far.....

1. Energy is always conserved
2. Gravitational PE = mgh
3. Work is the transfer of energy from one form to another
4.  $W = F \times d_{||}$

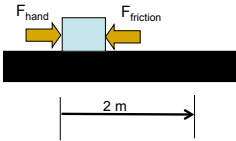
Last time we looked at work and energy in a FRICTIONLESS system  
This is not realistic most of the time, so today we will include the work done by frictional forces

Work done by friction force

Pull 15N weight (wood block) across board at a steady velocity  
Measure force needed.

Constant velocity  
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 (~ 0.3 x weight)

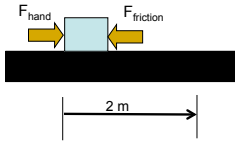


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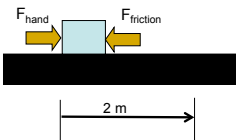
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 -  $F_{\text{hand}}$  GIVES energy to the block

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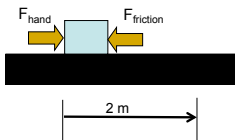


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Work = Force × distance  
Work done by friction on the block is negative because  
 -  $F_{\text{friction}}$  and distance are anti-parallel  
 -  $F_{\text{friction}}$  TAKES energy from the block

## Friction and energy



- Work done by friction is always negative
  - $F_{\text{friction}}$  always opposite to direction of motion
  - Friction always takes energy away from moving object as heat
- Friction takes useful energy (motional) and turns it into heat energy (less useful) but energy is still conserved.
- Friction can be annoying
  - Wastes motional energy of cars, bikes etc so that engines have to work harder
- But is essential in our world
  - Enables cars to brake: turns motional energy to heat

## Energy problems

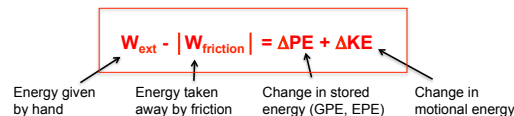
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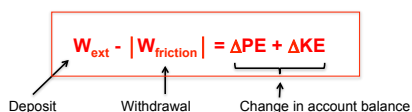
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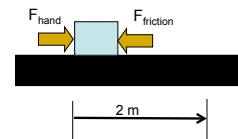
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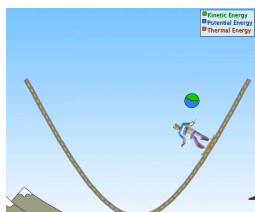
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Work done by me on block = **10 J**  
Work done by friction on block = **-10 J**

## Real Life?



<http://phet.colorado.edu/en/simulation/energy-skate-park-basics>

## Homework – a some calculations

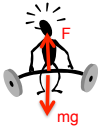
- “Expert” approach:
  - Understand and apply (few) basic concepts.
  - Realize doing same problems over and over again.
  - Different form but applying same concepts ⇒ easy.
  - Can handle unseen problems in tests.
- “Novice” approach
  - New problem, start from scratch each time ⇒ hard.
  - Try to memorize problems for test – impossible
- “Expert” approach outside of physics
  - Many aspects of life (employment) governed by a few basic concepts
  - Understand and apply these to solve new and unexpected problems
  - VERY valuable skill in the workplace
  - Start developing this skill now!!

### Human energy

(or how long must I spend on the stairmaster to burn off my chocolate bar?)

What the heck is a Joule??  
 1J (work or energy) = 1N (force) x 1m (distance)

How much work do I do benchpressing a 40kg (90lb) barbell 0.5m?  
 $W = F \times d$   
 $= mgh$   
 $= (40) (9.8) (0.5)$   
 $= 196 \text{ J}$



But how does that compare to a chocolate bar?  
 Calories are just another unit for measuring energy  
 1 food calorie = 1kcal = 1Cal = 4184 J.

Decent chocolate bar has 400 kcal or 1,673,600J  
 So it has the same energy required for 8,539 Benchpresses!


### Power

Power = Energy/second.  
 $P = E / t$

Units: 1 Watt = 1J/s.  
 $\Rightarrow$  100 watt light bulb means 100 Joules electrical energy/sec.  
 $\Rightarrow$  Does that make sense? Why do we measure power of bulb instead of energy?  
 $\Rightarrow$  What do we pay the utility company for?

100+ W of heat per person by just sitting here!  
 No wonder lecture theatres, concert halls etc get hot and stuffy when full!

How much useful power (work/second) can a human sustain over a 1 minute interval?




- 5 W
- 50W
- 500W
- 5000W
- 50,000W

Humans output over 100W of heat energy just sitting still

Active human can generate 800J of useful mechanical work per second (800W of useful power) for a short period. (750W ~ 1HP)

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Sounds great, we could (partially) power the world while people get fit at the same time but what's the catch?  
 .....lets keep thinking.....

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**80% of our chemical energy intake is lost as heat energy**  
**As machines we are only 20% efficient...**  
**Similar efficiency to an internal combustion engine**




So back to our human powered gym idea.....



- Pedaling on the bike at 150W I produce 150J of useful electrical energy each second
- And  $4 \times 150 = 600J$  of heat energy
- The ac unit in the gym uses ~200J/s of electrical energy to remove the heat I generate from the room and keep the temperature constant
- So at the gym
  - I produce 150W of electrical energy by pedalling
  - I consume 200W of electrical energy keeping cool
  - I have a net power CONSUMPTION of 50W.....
  - Ignores energy used for lights, car ride there, warm shower.....
- You'd be 'greener' (consume less power) just going for a regular bike ride outside
- Or better yet ditching the car and doing your errands on a bike

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


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**Work = force x distance, only do work on weights if moving through a distance by lifting. If holding stationary then distance and work = 0.**

Hard question – putting ideas so far together

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Remember 2 new ideas:

- a) Same work to go to same height (Work = mgh)
- b)  $W = F \times d_{||}$

a) Imagine we lift straight up to height of 0.5m at constant speed

$$W = F \times d_{||} = mg \times h = 3 \times 9.8 \times 0.5 = 15\text{J}$$

This work is the same however we get the mass to height h

- b)  $d_{||} = W/F$   
 $= 15\text{J}/10\text{N} = 1.5\text{m}$

New form of energy to think about.  
Motional or kinetic energy.

$$KE = \frac{1}{2} \text{ mass} \times (\text{velocity})^2$$

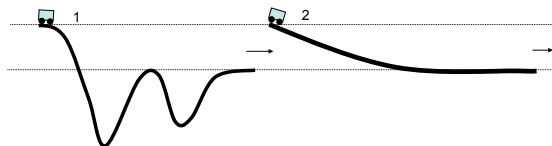
$$KE = \frac{1}{2} mv^2$$

Notice that this has the right units to be an energy:

$$KE = \text{kg} \times \text{m}^2/\text{s}^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Energy} &= \text{N} \times \text{m} \\ &= \text{kg} \times (\text{m}/\text{s}^2) \times \text{m} \\ &= \text{kg} \times \text{m}^2/\text{s}^2 \end{aligned}$$

### Conservation of energy questions



Two identical cars with really good bearings and solid tires roll on a very smooth, hard track (without friction). They start from rest and coast downhill, ending at the same height. How do their speeds compare at the end?

- a. 1 is going much faster than 2
- b. 1 is going a little faster than 2
- c. 1 is going the same speed as 2
- d. 1 is going a little slower than 2
- e. 1 is going much slower than 2