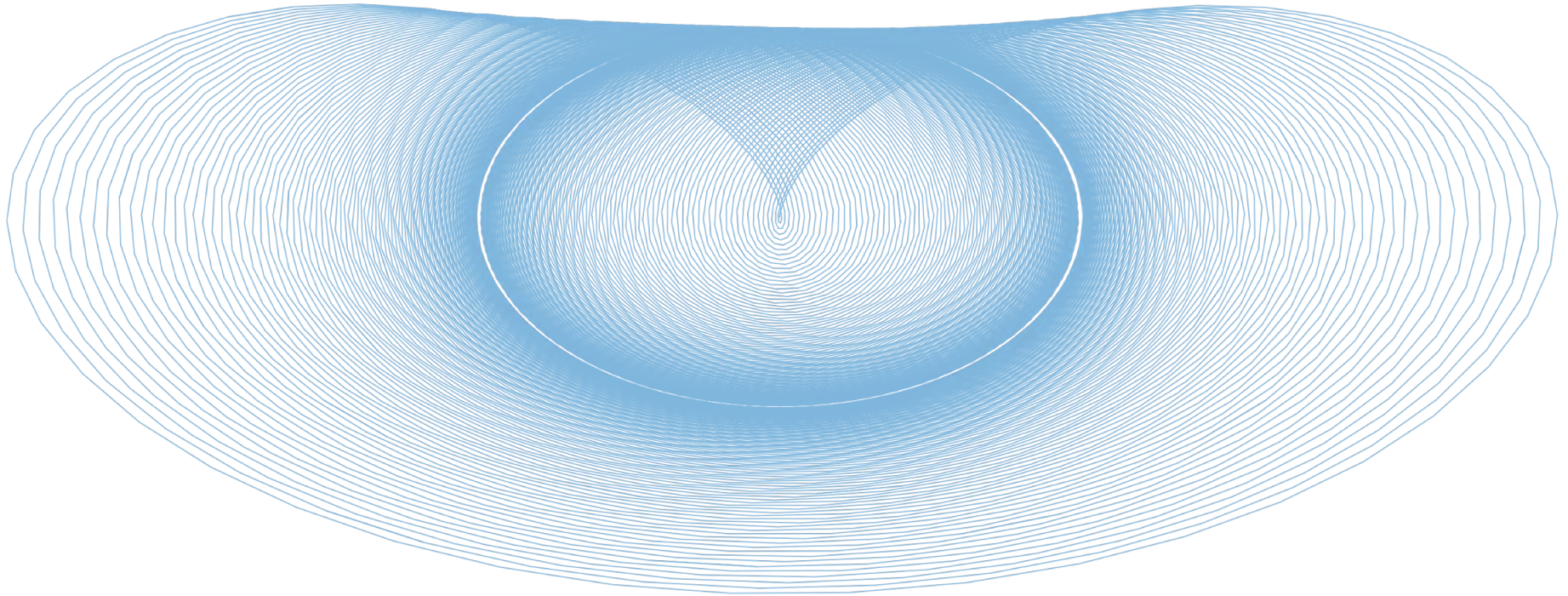


PHYS 1420 (F19)

Physics with Applications to Life Sciences



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Relevant reading:

Kesten & Tauck ch. 6.8

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Ref. (re images):

Wolfson (2007), Knight (2017)

Four sisters left a slice of pizza in the kitchen and went to watch a movie in the other room. Two hours later they went back into the kitchen – and the slice was gone!

Katy said "Holly ate it!"

Holly said "Amy ate it!"

Amy said "Holly's lying!"

Poppy said "Well, it wasn't me!"

If just ONE of the sisters' statements is true – who ate the pizza?



## Announcements & Key Concepts (re Today)

→ Online HW #5: Posted and due next Monday (10/14)

→ No class next week (10/14-10/18): **READING WEEK**

→ Midterm exam coming up on Monday 10/21

Some relevant underlying concepts of the day...

- Conservation of energy
- Interdisciplinary connections
- Connection point to *momentum*...

# Conservation of Energy

- Perhaps one of the most important concepts in all of science....

*“Energy can neither be created nor destroyed; rather, it transforms from one form to another”*

Note: Such is consistent w/ our foundation at the heart of mechanics, that change is a key consideration

Physics: Context for, well, just about everything

e.g.,  $E = mc^2$

Chemistry: Foundation of the “laws of thermodynamics”

$$\Delta U = q + w$$

Biology: Much of evolution is geared around minimizing wasted energy



Engineering: Efficiency (of energy conversion) as a fundamental design principle



## Interdisciplinary Connection (Biology)

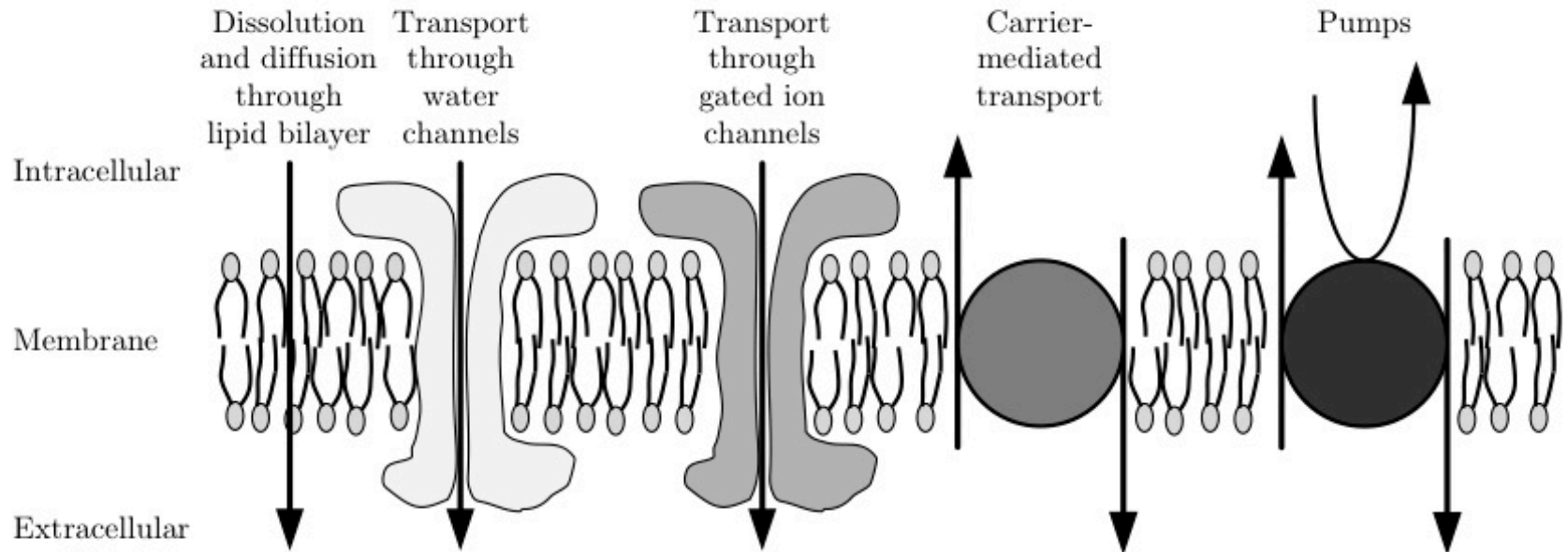


Figure 2.19

→ Mechanisms tied to membrane transport are well-approached through the lens of *energy*

**Nernst-Planck Equation**

$$J_n(x, t) = -z_n F D_n \frac{\partial c_n(x, t)}{\partial x} - u_n z_n^2 F^2 c_n(x, t) \frac{\partial \psi(x, t)}{\partial x}$$

**NOTE:** This is beyond the scope of PHYS 1420!

## SUMMARY, LECT 4 ON CONSERVATION OF ENERGY.

TOTAL ENERGY OF WORLD NEVER CHANGES

ENERGY IS SUM OF SEVERAL "FORMS" (OR WAYS OF CALCULATING)

POTENTIAL ENERGY OF POSITION IN GRAVITY OF EARTH =  $Wt \cdot \text{Height}$   
(Approx, Height  $\ll$  Radius of Earth)

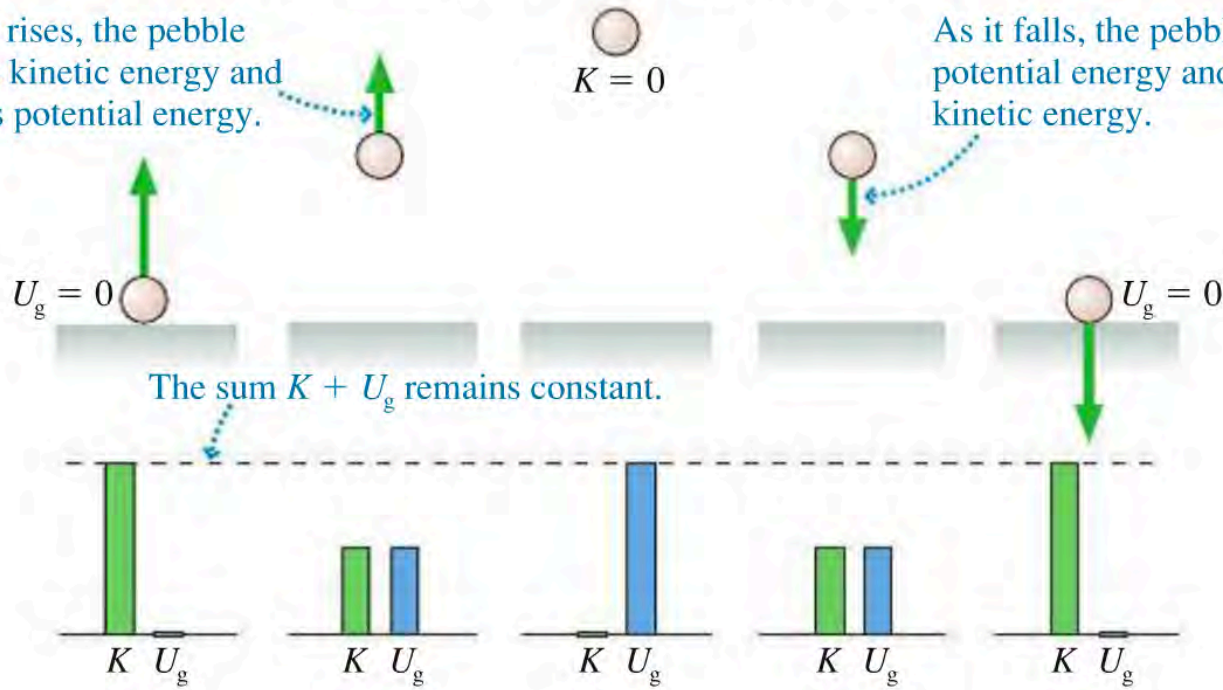
KINETIC ENERGY OF MOTION =  $\frac{Wt}{g} \frac{v^2}{2} = \text{MASS} \cdot v^2/2$   
(approx.  $v \ll$  speed of light)

# Kinetic vs Potential Energy

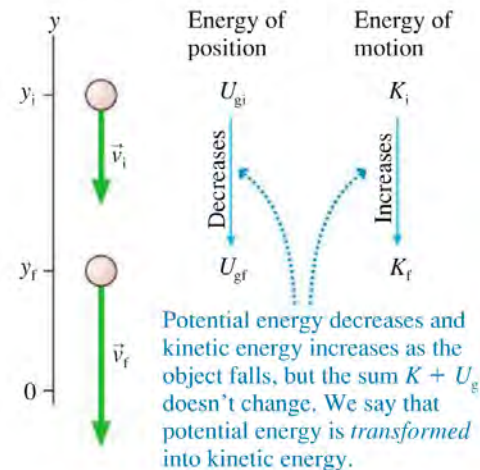
Simple energy bar chart for a pebble tossed into the air.

As it rises, the pebble loses kinetic energy and gains potential energy.

As it falls, the pebble loses potential energy and gains kinetic energy.



→ Remember, ignoring air resistance and whatnot, the ball's total energy remains constant



## Kinetic vs Potential Energy

Note: We'll derive these later...

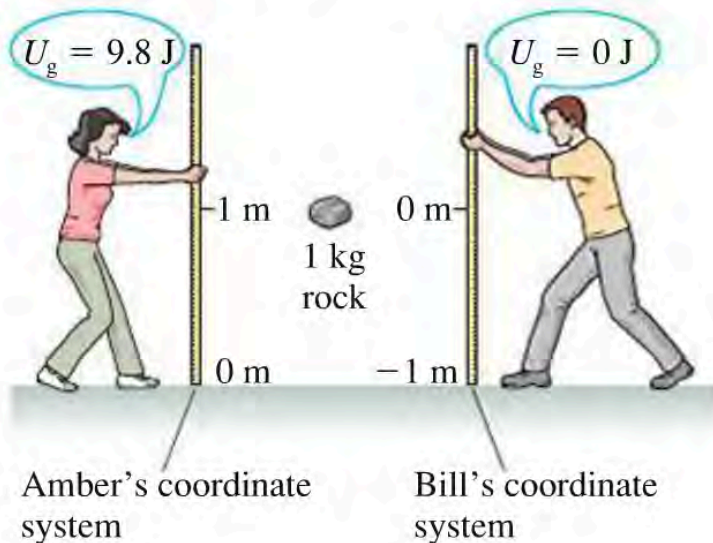
$$K = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \quad (\text{kinetic energy})$$

$$U_g = mgy \quad (\text{gravitational potential energy})$$

→ If energy remains constant, then:

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

Amber and Bill use coordinate systems with different origins to determine the potential energy of a rock.



Or more generally: 
$$K_f + U_f = K_i + U_i$$

Wait a second, isn't there a degree of ambiguity here?

**ANS:** No. Because a constant offset doesn't affect what change in energy would arise if the rock moved

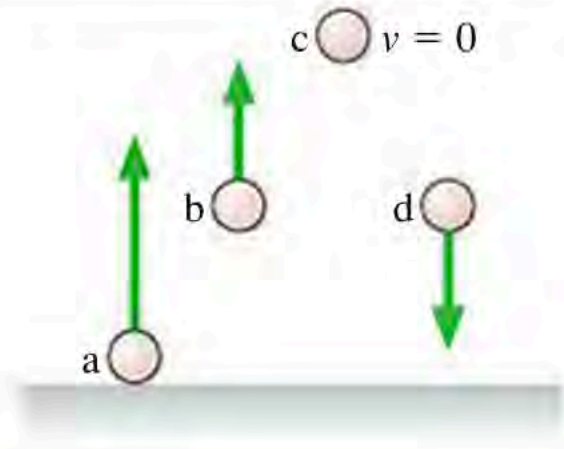
$$\Delta U = -mg(y_f - y_i)$$



Ex.

**STOP TO THINK 10.1**

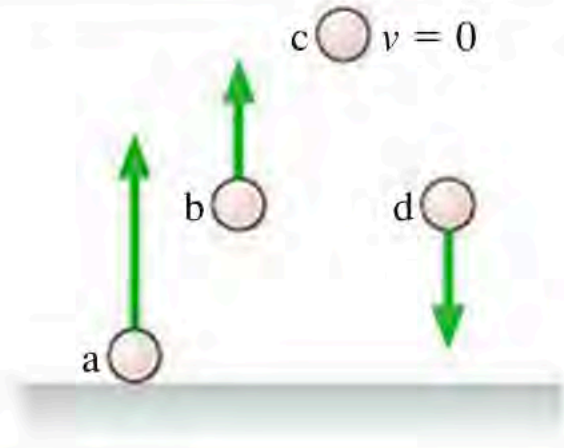
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Ex. (SOL)

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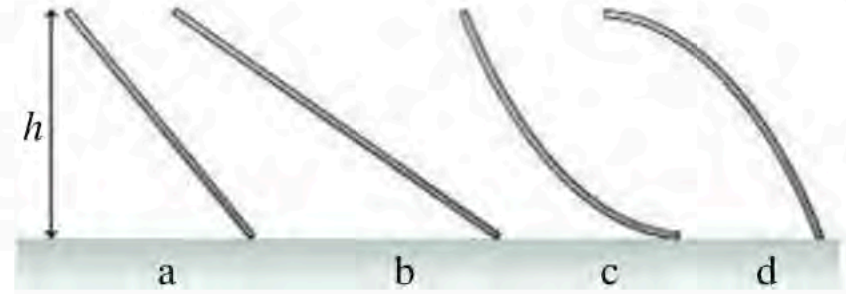


$$c > b = d > a$$

Ex.

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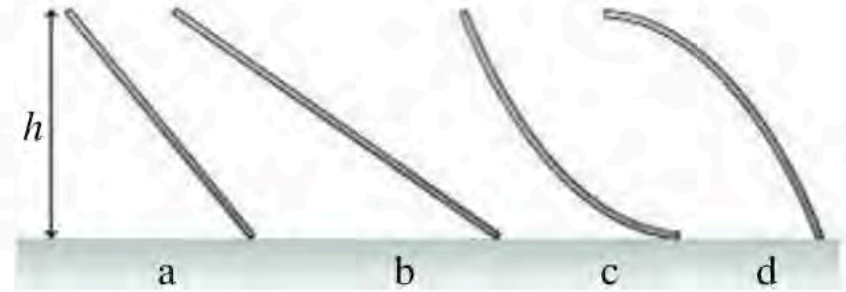
A small child slides down the four frictionless slides a–d. Each has the same height. Rank in order, from largest to smallest, her speeds  $v_a$  to  $v_d$  at the bottom.



Ex. (SOL)

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All the same

Ex.

**STOP TO THINK 10.3**

A box slides along the frictionless surface shown in the figure. It is released from rest at the position shown. Is the highest point the box reaches on the other side at level a, level b, or level c?



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b



<http://wonders.physics.wisc.edu/bowling-ball-pendulum.htm>

## “Deriving” Kinetic Energy

- “Force is a vector, work and energy are scalars. Thus, it is often easier to solve problems using energy considerations instead of using Newton's laws (i.e. it is easier to work with scalars than vectors).”
- “The **work-energy theorem states that the work done by all forces acting on a particle equals the change in the particle's kinetic energy.**”
- Here we will simply define work and kinetic energy, and derive the relationship between them via Newton's 2<sup>nd</sup> Law:

Consider a constant force  $F$  acting on an object.

$$a = \frac{v - v_0}{t} \qquad x = \frac{v + v_0}{2} \cdot t$$

→ What work is done by this force moving the object a distance  $x$ ?

Here  $v_0$  is the velocity at  $t=0$  and  $v$  is the velocity at  $t$ . Then:

$$\begin{aligned} W &= Fx = max \\ &= m \left( \frac{v - v_0}{t} \right) \left( \frac{v + v_0}{2} \right) t = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv_0^2 \end{aligned}$$

## “Deriving” Kinetic Energy

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Kinetic energy

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

→ The work done by the force acting on the object is equal to the change in kinetic energy of the object

So, what if the force is not constant?

$$W = \int \mathbf{F} \cdot d\mathbf{r} = \int_{x_0}^x F dx$$

$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \frac{dv}{dx} \cdot \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{dv}{dx} v = v \frac{dv}{dx}$$

We end up w/ the same answer!

$$W = \int_{x_0}^x F dx = \int_{x_0}^x mv \frac{dv}{dx} dx = \int_{v_0}^v mv dv = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv_0^2$$

$$W \text{ (of the resultant force)} = K - K_0 = \Delta K.$$

Work-energy theorem



## Conservation of Momentum

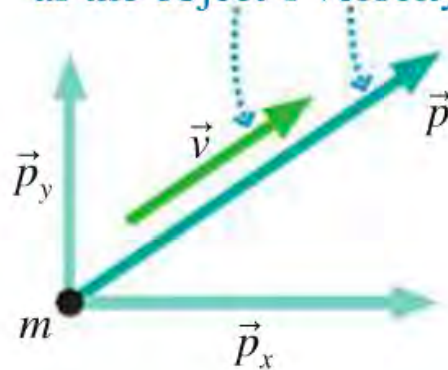
- Tied to conservation of energy is notion that *momentum is conserved*
- Unlike energy, momentum is a vector

$$\text{momentum} = \vec{p} \equiv m\vec{v}$$

Kinetic energy

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

Momentum is a vector pointing in the same direction as the object's velocity.



**Law of conservation of momentum** The total momentum  $\vec{P}$  of an isolated system is a constant. Interactions within the system do not change the system's total momentum.



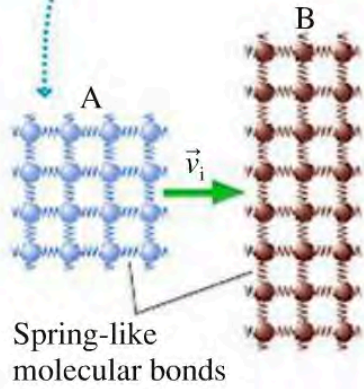
The total momentum of the rocket + gases system is conserved, so the rocket accelerates forward as the gases are expelled backward.

Note: We'll deal more w/ momentum soon (e.g. rocket-themed tangents)

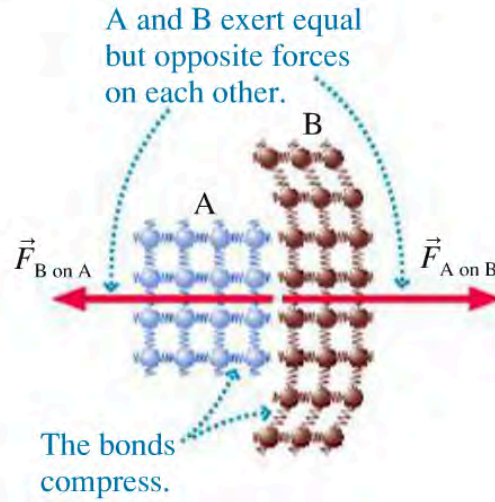
## Aside: Molecular Underpinnings of Momentum (e.g., collisions)

Atomic model of a collision.

Object A approaches.



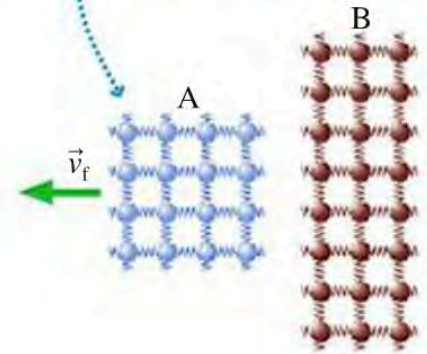
Before



During



Object A bounces back as the bonds re-expand.



After

## Pulling it together....



“Warmth” represents (in part)  
a means to do work...

... though we are also  
tempered by the First Law of  
Thermodynamics

$$\Delta U = q + w$$

# Additional Problems

(some w/ solutions, some w/o)

Ex.

Hooke's Law says that the force,  $F$ , required to compress the spring in Figure 8.59 by a distance  $x$ , in meters, is given by  $F = kx$ , for some constant  $k$ . Find the work done in compressing the spring by 0.1 m if  $k = 8$  nt/m.

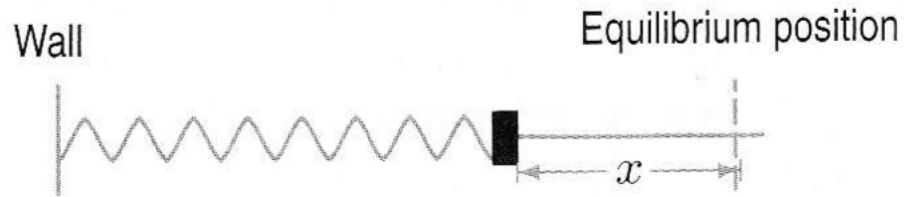


Figure 8.59: Compression of spring: Force is  $kx$

Ex. (SOL)

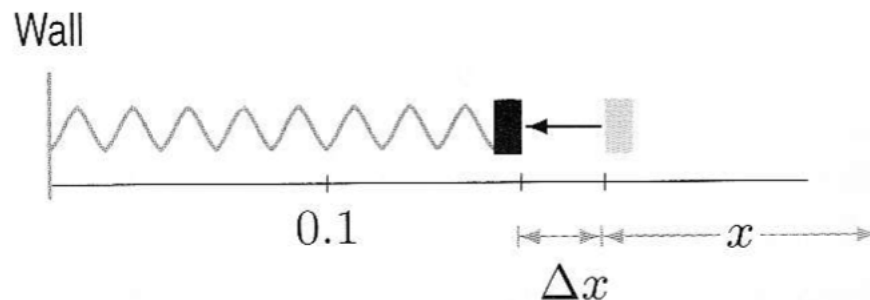


Figure 8.60: Work done in compressing spring a small distance  $\Delta x$  is  $kx\Delta x$

Since  $k$  is in newtons/meter and  $x$  is in meters, we have  $F = 8x$  newtons. Since the force varies with  $x$ , we divide the distance moved into small increments,  $\Delta x$ , as in Figure 8.60. Then

Work done in moving through an increment  $\approx F\Delta x = 8x\Delta x$  joules.

So, summing over all increments gives the Riemann sum approximation

$$\text{Total work done} \approx \sum 8x\Delta x.$$

Taking the limit as  $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$  gives

$$\text{Total work done} = \int_0^{0.1} 8x \, dx = 4x^2 \Big|_0^{0.1} = 0.04 \text{ joules.}$$

Ex.

Calculate the work done in pumping oil from the cone-shaped tank in Figure 8.62 to the rim. The oil has density  $800 \text{ kg/m}^3$  and its vertical depth is  $10 \text{ m}$ .

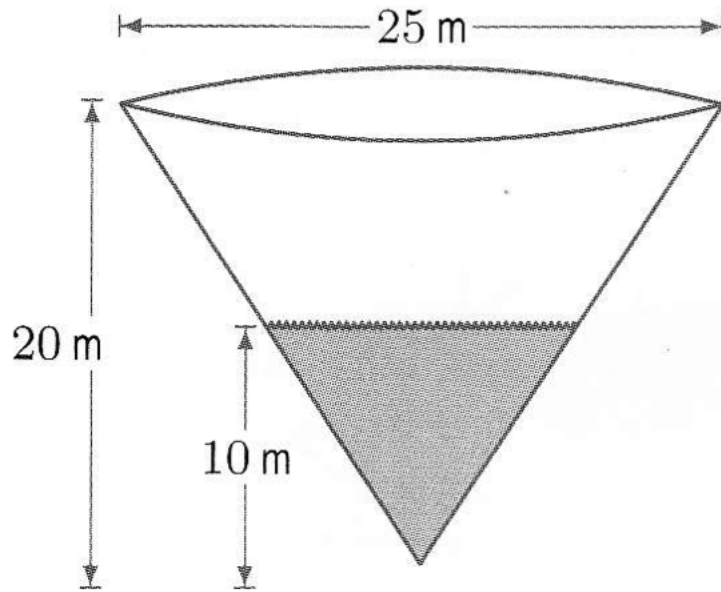


Figure 8.62: Cone-shaped tank containing oil

### Ex. (SOL)

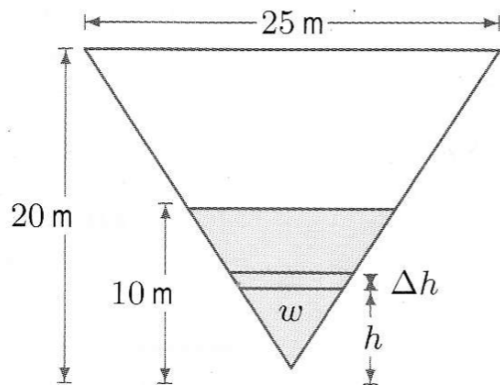


Figure 8.63: Slicing the oil horizontally to compute work

We slice the oil horizontally because each part of such a slice moves the same vertical distance. Each slice is approximately a circular disk with radius  $w/2$  m, so

$$\text{Volume of slice} \approx \pi \left(\frac{w}{2}\right)^2 \Delta h = \frac{\pi}{4} w^2 \Delta h \text{ m}^3.$$

$$\text{Force of gravity on slice} = \text{Density} \cdot g \cdot \text{Volume} = 800g \frac{\pi}{4} w^2 \Delta h = 200\pi g w^2 \Delta h \text{ nt.}$$

Since each part of the slice has to move a vertical distance of  $(20 - h)$  m, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Work done on slice} &\approx \text{Force} \cdot \text{Distance} = 200\pi g w^2 \Delta h \text{ nt} \cdot (20 - h) \text{ m} \\ &= 200\pi g w^2 (20 - h) \Delta h \text{ joules.} \end{aligned}$$

To find  $w$  in terms of  $h$ , we use the similar triangles in Figure 8.63:

$$\frac{w}{h} = \frac{25}{20} \quad \text{so} \quad w = \frac{5}{4}h = 1.25h.$$

Thus,

$$\text{Work done on strip} \approx 200\pi g (1.25h)^2 (20 - h) \Delta h = 312.5\pi g h^2 (20 - h) \Delta h \text{ joules.}$$

Summing and taking the limit as  $\Delta h \rightarrow 0$  gives an integral with upper limit  $h = 10$ , the depth of the oil.

$$\text{Total work} = \lim_{\Delta h \rightarrow 0} \sum 312.5\pi g h^2 (20 - h) \Delta h = \int_0^{10} 312.5\pi g h^2 (20 - h) dh \text{ joules.}$$

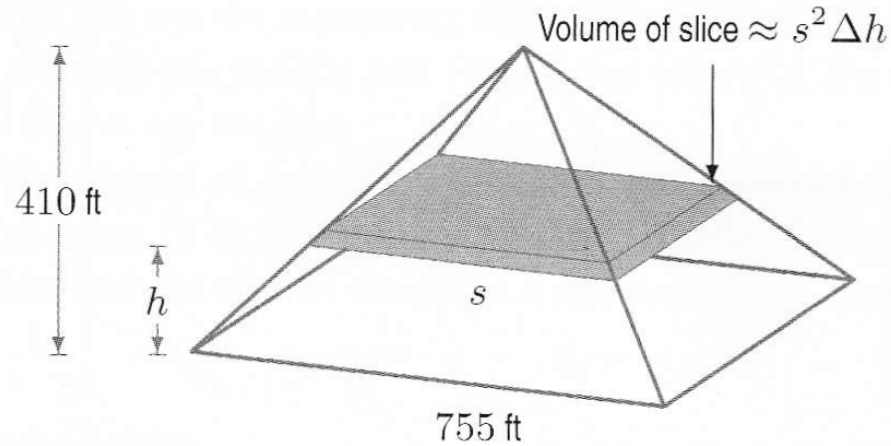
Evaluating the integral using  $g = 9.8 \text{ m/sec}^2$  gives

$$\text{Total work} = 312.5\pi g \left(20\frac{h^3}{3} - \frac{h^4}{4}\right) \Big|_0^{10} = 1,302,083\pi g \approx 4.0 \cdot 10^7 \text{ joules.}$$



Ex.

It is reported that the Great Pyramid of Egypt was built in 20 years. If the stone making up the pyramid has density 200 pounds per cubic foot, find the total amount of work done in building the pyramid. The pyramid is 410 feet high and has a square base 755 feet by 755 feet. Estimate how many workers were needed to build the pyramid.



Ex. (SOL)

$$\text{Total work} = \int_0^{410} 200 \left( \frac{755}{410} \right)^2 (410 - h)^2 h \, dh \approx 1.6 \cdot 10^{12} \text{ foot-pounds.}$$

We have calculated the total work done in building the pyramid; now we want to estimate the total number of workers needed. Let's assume every laborer worked 10 hours a day, 300 days a year, for 20 years. Assume that a typical worker lifted ten 50 pound blocks a distance of 4 feet every hour, thus performing 2000 foot-pounds of work per hour (this is a very rough estimate). Then each laborer performed  $(10)(300)(20)(2000) = 1.2 \cdot 10^8$  foot-pounds of work over a twenty year period. Thus, the number of workers needed was about  $(1.6 \cdot 10^{12}) / (1.2 \cdot 10^8)$ , or about 13,000.

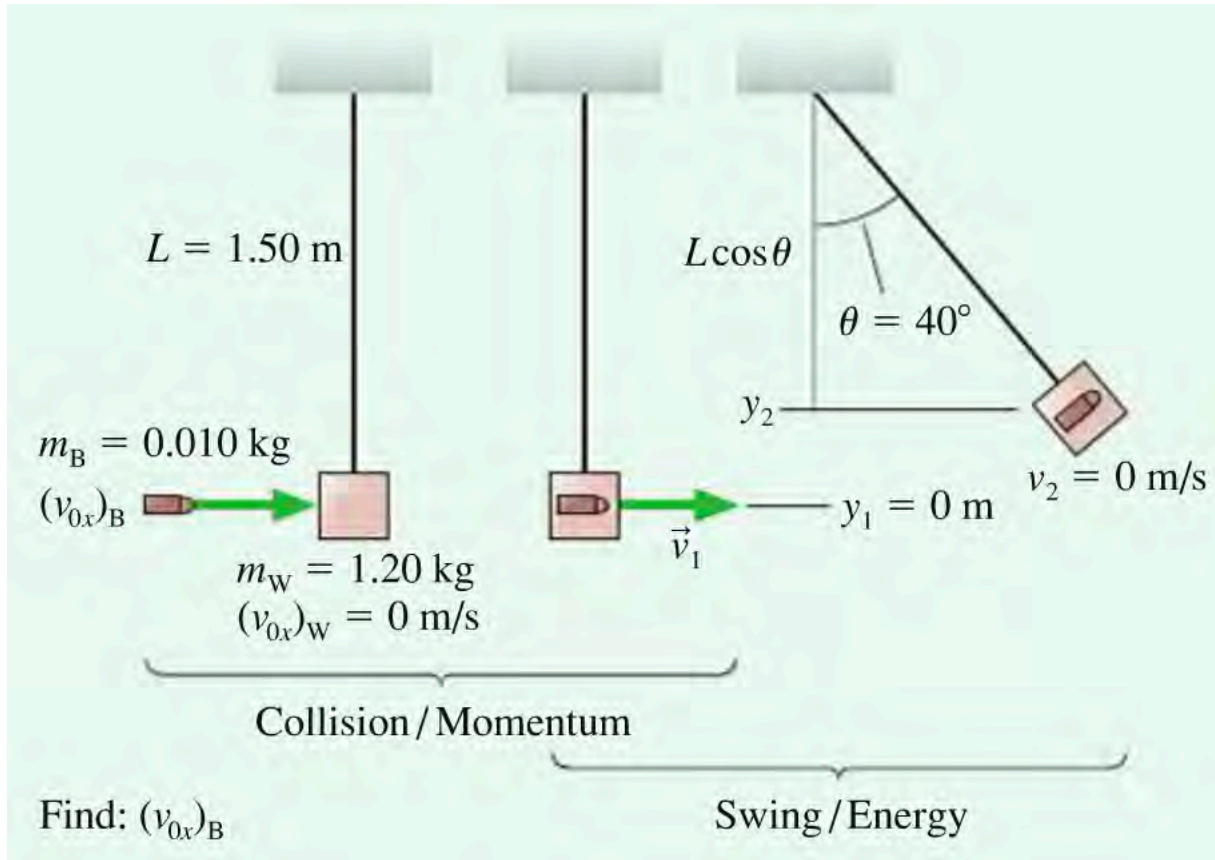
Ex.

- How does one measure the speed of a bullet?

A 10 g bullet is fired into a 1200 g wood block hanging from a 150-cm-long string. The bullet embeds itself into the block, and the block then swings out to an angle of  $40^\circ$ . What was the speed of the bullet? (This is called a *ballistic pendulum*.)

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320 m/s

→ Relatively easy problem through the lens of conservation of momentum and energy

## Force and Pressure

We can use the definite integral to compute the force exerted by a liquid on a surface, for example, the force of water on a dam. The idea is to get the force from the *pressure*. The pressure in a liquid is the force per unit area exerted by the liquid. Two things you need to know about pressure are:

- At any point, pressure is exerted equally in all directions—up, down, sideways.
- Pressure increases with depth. (That is one of the reasons why deep sea divers have to take much greater precautions than scuba divers.)

At a depth of  $h$  meters, the pressure,  $p$ , exerted by the liquid, measured in newtons per square meter, is given by computing the total weight of a column of liquid  $h$  meters high with a base of 1 square meter. The volume of such a column of liquid is just  $h$  cubic meters. If the liquid has density  $\delta$  (mass per unit volume), then its weight per unit volume is  $\delta g$ , where  $g$  is the acceleration due to gravity. The weight of the column of liquid is  $\delta gh$ , so

$$\text{Pressure} = \text{Mass density} \cdot g \cdot \text{Depth} \quad \text{or} \quad p = \delta gh.$$

Provided the pressure is constant over a given area, we also have the following relation:

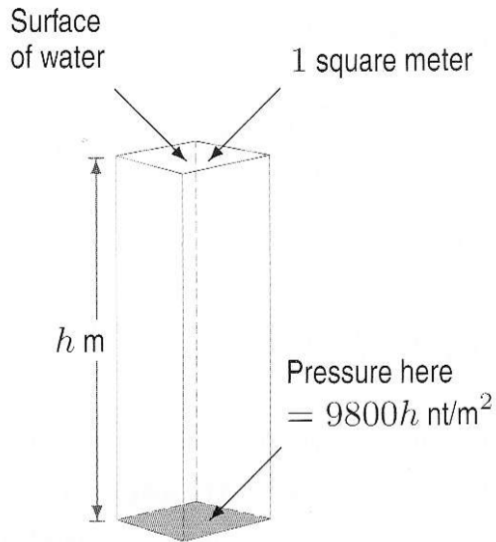
$$\text{Force} = \text{Pressure} \cdot \text{Area}.$$

The units and data we will generally use are given in the following table:

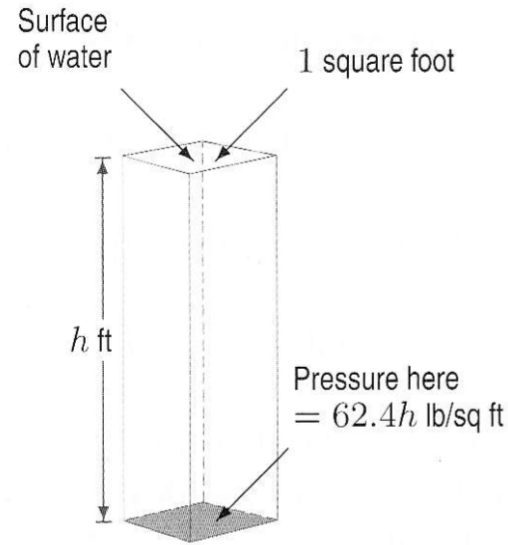
	Density of water	Force	Area	Pressure	Conversions
SI units	1000 kg/m <sup>3</sup> (mass)	newton (nt)	meter <sup>2</sup>	pascal (nt/m <sup>2</sup> )	1 lb = 4.45 nt
British units	62.4 lb/ft <sup>3</sup> (weight)	pound (lb)	foot <sup>2</sup>	lb/ft <sup>2</sup>	1ft <sup>2</sup> = 0.093 m <sup>2</sup> 1 lb/ft <sup>2</sup> = 47.9 pa

In International units, the mass density of water is  $1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$ , so the pressure at a depth of  $h$  meters is  $\delta gh = 1000 \cdot 9.8h = 9800h \text{ nt/m}^2$ . See Figure 8.65.

In British units, the density of the liquid is usually given as a weight per unit volume, rather than a mass per unit volume. In that case, we do not need to multiply by  $g$  because it has already been done. For example, water weighs  $62.4 \text{ lb/ft}^3$ , so the pressure at depth  $h$  feet is  $62.4h \text{ lb/ft}^2$ . See Figure 8.66.



**Figure 8.65:** Pressure exerted by column of water (International units)

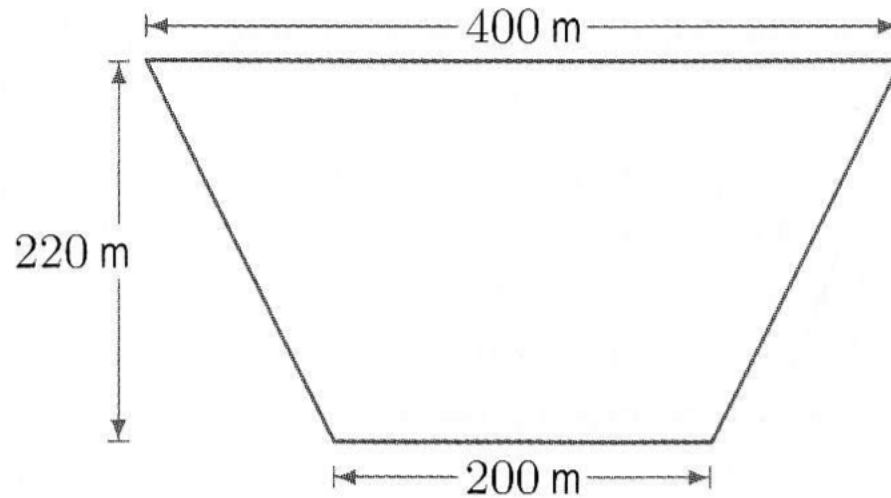


**Figure 8.66:** Pressure exerted by a column of water (British units)

If the pressure is constant over a surface, we calculate the force on the surface by multiplying the pressure by the area of the surface. If the pressure is not constant, we divide the surface into small pieces *in such a way that the pressure is nearly constant on each one* to obtain a definite integral for the force on the surface. Since the pressure varies with depth, we divide the surface into horizontal strips, each of which is at an approximately constant depth.

Ex.

Figure 8.68 shows a dam approximately the size of Hoover Dam, which stores water for California, Nevada, and Arizona. Calculate: (a) The water pressure at the base of the dam. (b) The total force of the water on the dam.



**Figure 8.68:** Trapezoid-shaped dam

## Ex. (SOL)

- (a) Since the density of water is  $\delta = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$ , at the base of the dam,

$$\text{Water pressure} = \delta gh = 1000 \cdot 9.8 \cdot 220 = 2.156 \cdot 10^6 \text{ nt/m}^2.$$

- (b) To calculate the force on the dam, we divide the dam into horizontal strips because the pressure along each strip is approximately constant. See Figure 8.69. Since each strip is approximately rectangular,

$$\text{Area of strip} \approx w \Delta h \text{ m}^2.$$

The pressure at a depth of  $h$  meters is  $\delta gh = 9800h \text{ nt/m}^2$ . Thus,

$$\text{Force on strip} \approx \text{Pressure} \cdot \text{Area} = 9800hw \Delta h \text{ nt.}$$

To find  $w$  in terms of  $h$ , we use the fact that  $w$  decreases linearly from  $w = 400$  when  $h = 0$  to  $w = 200$  when  $h = 220$ . Thus  $w$  is a linear function of  $h$ , with slope  $(200 - 400)/220 = -10/11$ , so

$$w = 400 - \frac{10}{11}h.$$

Thus

$$\text{Force on strip} \approx 9800h \left( 400 - \frac{10}{11}h \right) \Delta h \text{ nt.}$$

Summing over all strips and taking the limit as  $\Delta h \rightarrow 0$  gives

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total force on dam} &= \lim_{\Delta h \rightarrow 0} \sum 9800h \left( 400 - \frac{10}{11}h \right) \Delta h \\ &= \int_0^{220} 9800h \left( 400 - \frac{10}{11}h \right) dh \text{ newtons.} \end{aligned}$$

Evaluating the integral gives

$$\text{Total force} = 9800 \left( 200h^2 - \frac{10}{33}h^3 \right) \Big|_0^{220} = 6.32 \cdot 10^{10} \text{ newtons.}$$

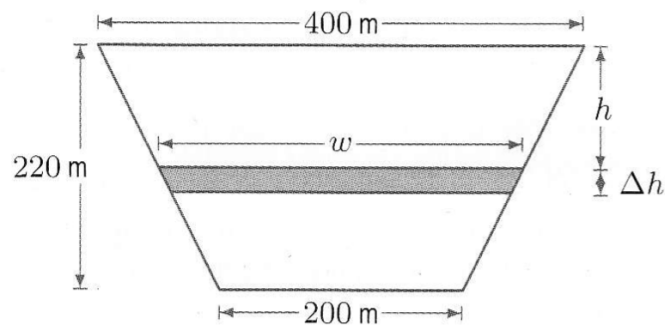


Figure 8.69: Dividing dam into horizontal strips

In fact, Hoover Dam is not flat, as the problem assumed, but arched, to better withstand the pressure.

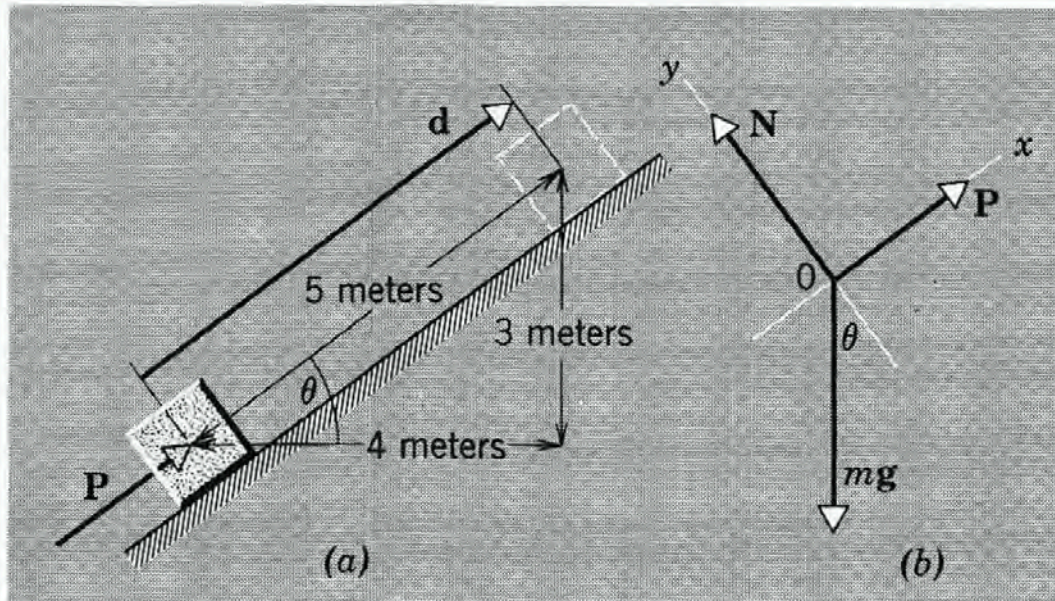


Ex.

A block of mass 10.0 kg is to be raised from the bottom to the top of an incline 5.00 meters long and 3.00 meters off the ground at the top. Assuming frictionless surfaces, how much work must be done by a force parallel to the incline pushing the block up at *constant speed* at a place where  $g = 9.80$  meters/sec<sup>2</sup>.

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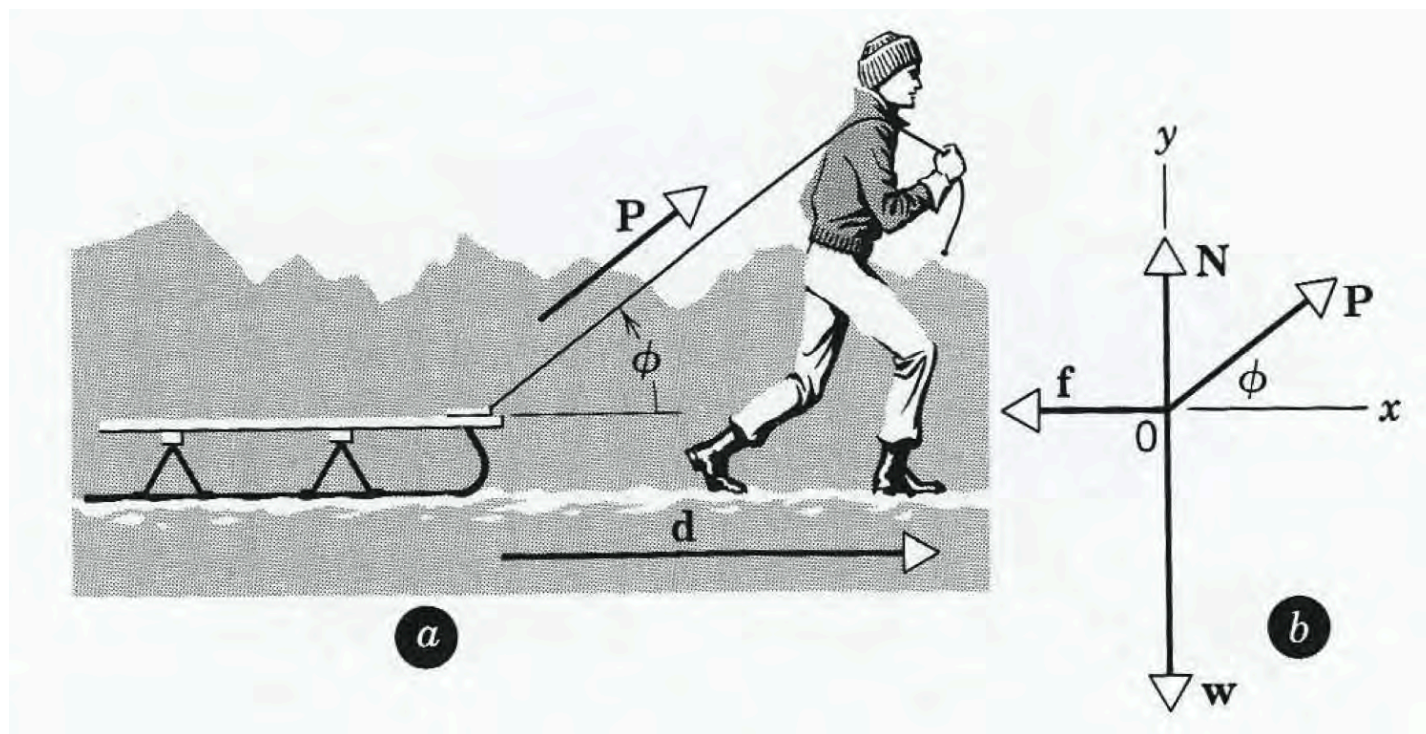
294 joules.

Ex.

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51 ft-lb