

Phys141 – Fri 9/29

• Today: Chapter 7+8 end

Next week: Lab # 6!!

Extra office hours: Tuesday 10/3 9am-11am

HW solutions available before/after class

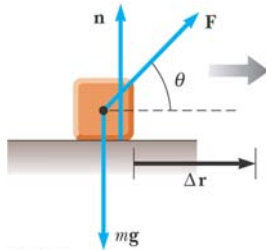
Work

Chapter 7

$$W = F \cdot \Delta r$$

The normal force, n , and the gravitational force, mg , do no work for horizontal motion

The horizontal component of the force F does work on the object for horizontal motion



Work that has to be done on a moving car until it comes to rest

$$F = ma \rightarrow a = \frac{F}{m} \quad \text{Newton 2nd}$$

$$v = at \rightarrow t = \frac{v}{a} \quad \text{Kinematic}$$

$$W = Fx = F \frac{1}{2} at^2 = \frac{F}{2} a \frac{v^2}{a^2} = \frac{F v^2}{2a} = m \frac{v^2}{2}$$

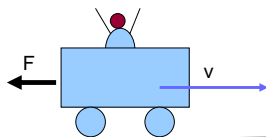


Work needed to stop from speed v
 $W = 1/2 m v^2$

Same Work needed to stop car is the same magnitude but opposite sign as work needed to lift it to starting position

$$v = \sqrt{2g\Delta r}$$

$$W = \frac{m}{2} 2g\Delta r = mg\Delta r$$



Work Done by a Varying Force

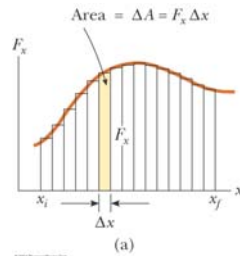
Assume: F is constant during a very small displacement Δx

For that displacement,
 $W = F \Delta x$

For all displacements,

$$W \approx \sum_{x_i}^{x_f} F_x \Delta x$$

$$\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \sum_{x_i}^{x_f} F_x \Delta x = \int_{x_i}^{x_f} F_x dx$$

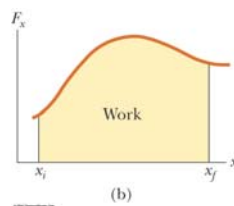


Work Done by a Varying Force

$$\lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \sum_{x_i}^{x_f} F_x \Delta x = \int_{x_i}^{x_f} F_x dx$$

Therefore, $W = \int_{x_i}^{x_f} F_x dx$

The work done is equal to the area under the F vs x curve



More general: $W = \int_{\vec{r}_i}^{\vec{r}_f} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r}$

Mechanical Energy

Without friction:

$$\Delta E_{\text{mech}} = \Delta K + \Delta U = W$$

ΔU is the change in all forms of potential energy

Elastic Potential Energy

Work done by an external applied force on a spring-block system:
(define spring at rest: $x=0$)

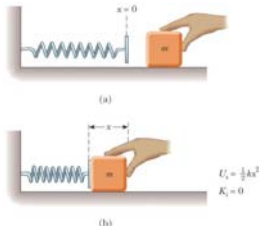
$F=kx$ (Hooke's law for spring)

$$W = \int F \cdot dr = \int (kx) dx$$

$$W = \frac{1}{2} kx^2$$

-> elastic potential energy:

$$U_s = \frac{1}{2} kx^2$$



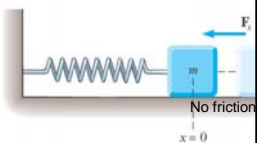
NOTE: Stored potential energy can be converted into kinetic energy

Force: Spatial Derivative of Potential Energy

$$F_x = -\frac{dU}{dx}$$

Spring potential Energy: $U_s = \frac{1}{2} kx^2$

$$F_s = -\frac{dU_s}{dx} = -\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{1}{2} kx^2 \right) = -kx$$



Kinetic Energy: $K = \frac{1}{2} mv^2 \rightarrow F = ??$

Gravitational potential Energy: $U=mg y \rightarrow F = \frac{dU}{dy} = mg$

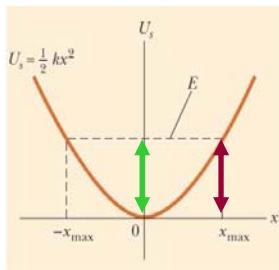
Interpreting Energy U(x)

At the point where U(x) is a minimum

-> **stable equilibrium**

i.e. no force exerted on object at $x=0$. Just above/below $x=0$ forces will push object back to $x=0$

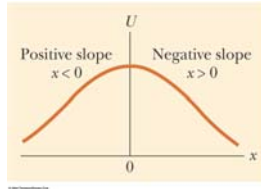
Object of energy E: two points x_{min} and x_{max} where all energy is potential energy, i.e. object does not move -> object moves between those two points



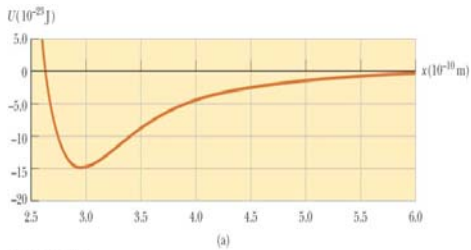
Another Energy Diagram

$U(x)$ is a maximum

-> **unstable equilibrium**



Potential Energy Curve of a neutral atom



- “Lennard-Jones function”

Potential Energy

There are many forms of potential energy, including:

- Gravitational $U=mg \Delta r$
- Elastic
- Electromagnetic
- Chemical
- Nuclear

- All associated with **conservative forces**:

“You always need the same work to get from A to B, no matter what path you take”

Conservative vs non-conservative forces

For **conservative** forces, the work done is independent of the actual trajectory that leads to a displacement Δr

(conservative because they conserve energy)

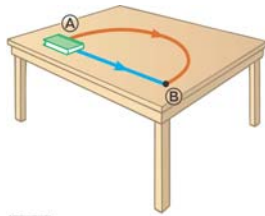
Examples of **conservative** forces: Gravitational force, electromagnetic force

Example of **non-conservative** force: Friction, drag

Nonconservative Forces

The work done against friction is greater along the red path than along the blue path

Because the work done depends on the path, friction is a nonconservative force

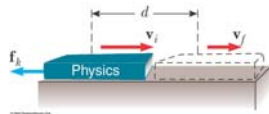


Internal Energy

Energy associated with an object's temperature: *internal energy*, E_{int}

Friction does work and increases the internal energy of the **object and surface**

(NOTE: Drag does work and increases the internal energy of the **object and surrounding fluid**)



Internal energy generally will **not** get converted back into useful work!

Mechanical Energy with nonconservative Forces

if friction is acting in a system:

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

ΔU is the change in all forms of potential energy

If friction is zero, this equation becomes the
same as Conservation of Mechanical Energy
