

Introduction to Physical Science

Work and Kinetic Energy
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Definition of Work

- What is work?
 - Product of force and the distance through which the force acts in the same direction
 - ; For this class, we consider 1 dimension so
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- If the force is not in the direction through which the object moves, no work is done. If the object does not move, no work is done
 - Units = =
 - Small amount of energy - would lift a 100 gram apple a distance of 1 meter

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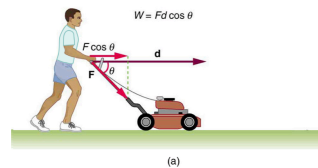
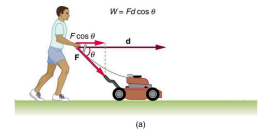


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$$F = 60.0 \text{ N}; d = 25.0 \text{ m}$$

$$W = F \cdot d$$

$$W = (60.0 \text{ N})(25.0 \text{ m})$$

$$W = 1510 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m}$$

$$W = 1510 \text{ Joules}$$

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What Happens to the Work Done?

- Suppose a lawnmower is pushed at a constant speed
 - The energy is converted to friction and then to heat
- Carrying an object up stairs
 - Converts the work into potential energy which is stored and can be released later
- Net Work: Net force causes acceleration
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 - Work-Energy Theorem
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Kinetic Energy

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- This is the translational kinetic energy of an object with mass m , moving at velocity v in a straight line
- Kinetic Energy depend on the square of the velocity
 - Object moving twice as fast will have four times the kinetic energy

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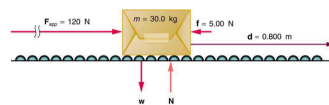


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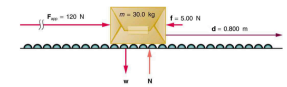


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$$m = 30.0 \text{ kg} ; v = 0.500 \text{ m/s}$$

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

$$KE = \frac{1}{2}(30.0 \text{ kg})(0.500 \text{ m/s})^2$$

$$KE = 3.75 \text{ Joules}$$

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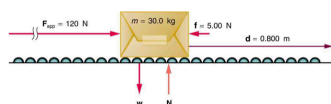


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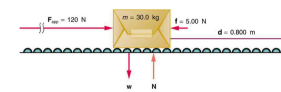


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$$m = 30.0 \text{ kg} ; F = 120. \text{ N} ; d = 0.800 \text{ m} ; f = 5.00 \text{ N}$$

$$F_{\text{net}} = 120. \text{ N} - 5.00 \text{ N} = 115 \text{ N}$$

$$W_{\text{net}} = F_{\text{net}} \cdot d$$

$$W_{\text{net}} = (115 \text{ N}) \cdot (0.800 \text{ m})$$

$$W_{\text{net}} = 92.0 \text{ N} \cdot \text{m} = 92.0 \text{ Joules}$$

No work done by the gravitational force or normal force as they operate perpendicular to the motion.

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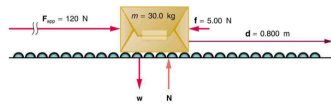


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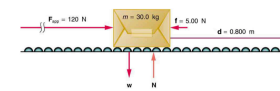


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$$KE_{\text{initial}} = 3.75 \text{ Joules} ; W_{\text{net}} = 92.0 \text{ Joules}$$

$$KE_{\text{initial}} = \frac{1}{2}mv_o^2 = 3.75 \text{ Joules}$$

$$W_{\text{net}} = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 - \frac{1}{2}mv_o^2$$

$$\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = W_{\text{net}} + \frac{1}{2}mv_o^2 = 92.0 \text{ Joules} + 3.75 \text{ Joules}$$

$$\frac{1}{2}mv^2 = 95.75 \text{ Joules}$$

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{2(95.75 \text{ Joules})}{30.0 \text{ kg}}} = 2.53 \text{ m/s}$$

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Summary

- Work is defined to be the product of the force on an object multiplied by the distance through which the force acts
- The kinetic energy is the energy an object has due to its motion
- The Work-Energy theorem relates the net work to the change in kinetic energy