

WORK ENERGY AND POWER

WORK

- Definition: work is the product of the displacement and the component of the force applied parallel to the motion of the object

- $$W = F \Delta x \cos \theta$$

- W = work measured in joule(J)
- F = force parallel to direction of motion in Newton
- Δx = displacement in meters(only magnitude)
- $\cos \theta$ = angle between the applied force and motion of object

Conditions for work done

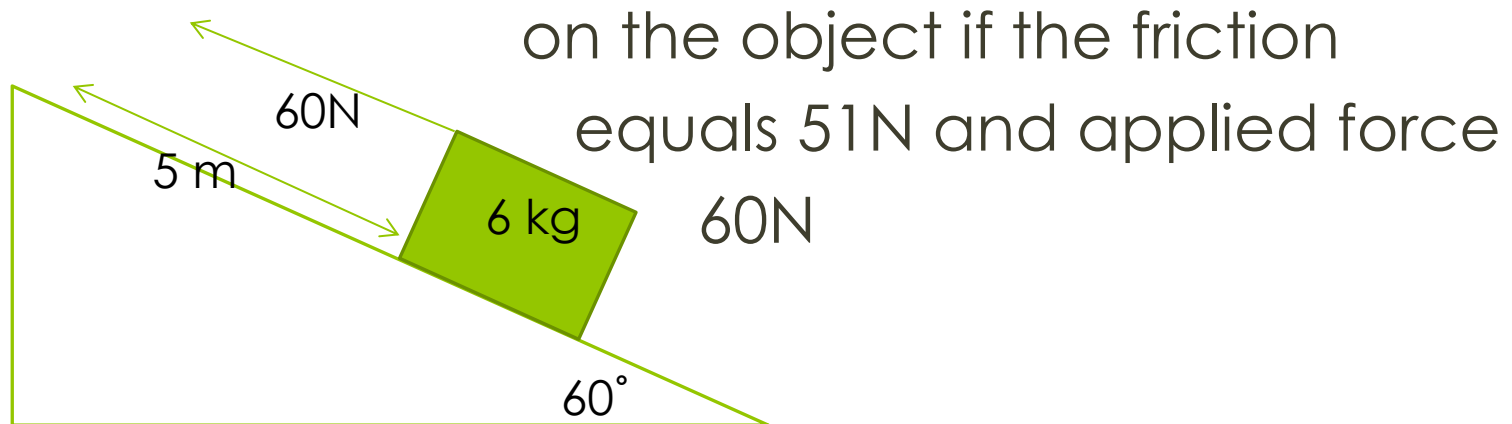
- 1. there must be an applied force
- 2. the objects displacement must be in the direction of the component of the applied force

WORK

- POSITIVE WORK: the motion is in the same direction as the applied force. Kinetic energy increases. Velocity increase $\cos 0$
- NEGATIVE WORK: work done by an opposing force. Decrease in kinetic energy. Velocity decrease $\cos 180$

CALCULATING WORK DONE

- Calculate the **work** done by the
- 1. applied force
- 2. Friction force
- 3. Nett force



WORK/ENERGY THEOREM

- WORK done increase / decrease the kinetic energy

- $W_{\text{net}} = \Delta E_k$ **Work/energy theorem**

- $W_{\text{net}} = E_{kf} - E_{ki}$

- **Def: The net work done on an object is equal to the change in kinetic energy of the object.**

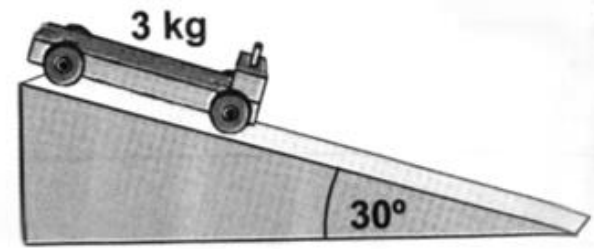
A 2 000 kg car moving at $50 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$ on a horizontal road is brought to a halt over a distance of 100 m when the brakes are applied.

- (1) Calculate the average frictional force applied by the brakes to bring the car to a halt.
- (2) If the same car has travelled at twice the velocity, thus $100 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$, what will the distance then be? Give an answer without doing a complete calculation.



4. A trolley with a mass of 3 kg slides down an incline. The incline is 1 m in length and forms an angle of 30° to the horizontal, as shown. The trolley begins to move from rest at the top of the incline and undergoes a constant frictional force with a magnitude of 5 N.

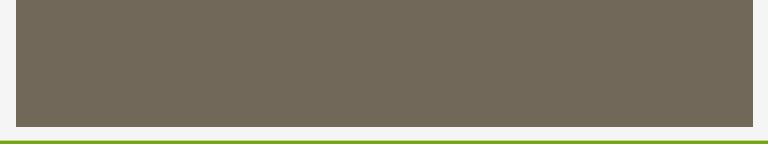
4.1 Calculate the magnitude of the net force that is acting on the trolley parallel to the incline.



4.2 Use the work-energy theorem and calculate the speed of the trolley when it reaches the bottom of the incline.

Conservative and non-conservative forces

- Conservative: the net work done by the force to move the object that start and end at the same point = 0
- Conservative: work done is determined by starting point and end position
- Non-conservative: the net work done by the force to move the object that starts and end at the same point is not 0.
- Non- conservative: work done depends on the path taken



Conservative forces F_c non

wasteful/ internal forces

Gravitational force
Electrical power
Elastic resillience

Non- conservative forces

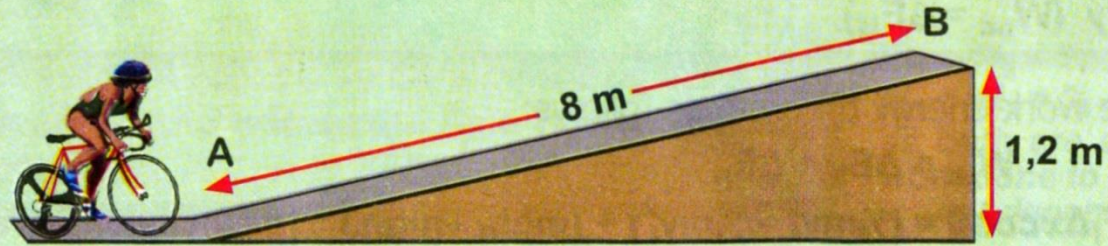
F_{nc} wasteful/ external forces

Frictional force
Air resistance
Tension in a rope
Motor propulsion
Push or pull forces

Mechanical energy and non-conservative forces

- $W_{nc} = \Delta E_k + \Delta E_p$
- $= (E_{kf} - E_{ki}) + (E_{pf} - E_{pi})$
- WORK ENERGY THEOREM: work done by non-conservative forces acting on an object is equal to the object's change in mechanical energy (**frictional force**)
- $W_{nc} = \Delta E_M$

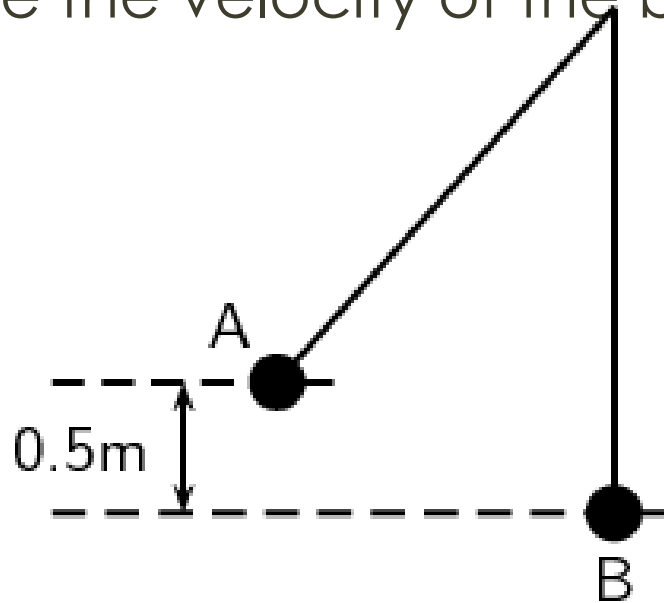
Thabita, a cyclist, free-wheels (without pedaling) at a constant speed of $10 \text{ m}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$ on a horizontal level road. She reaches the bottom of a ramp (incline position A) with a height of 1.2 m and a length of 8 m , as shown in the figure. While she free-wheels up the ramp, she experiences a frictional force of 18 N . The total mass of Thabita and her bicycle is 55 kg .



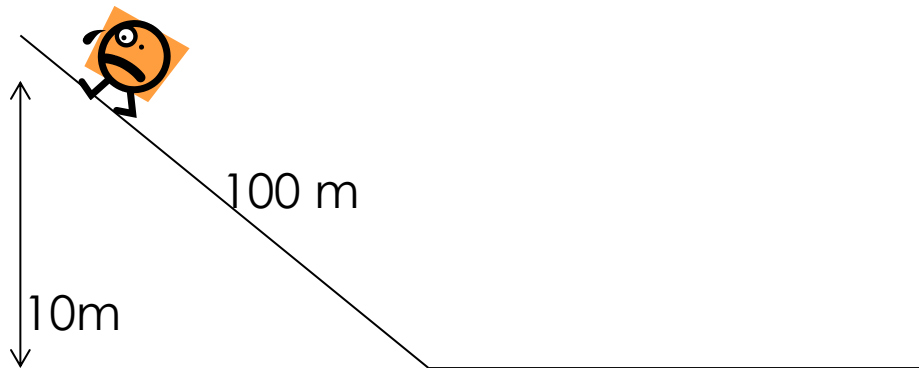
Law of conservation of mechanical energy

- Energy cannot be created or destroyed. Energy can only be converted from 1 form to another. Total energy of the isolated system is always conserved.
- If conservative forces are present = mechanical energy is conserved

- Example 2
- A 2 kg metal ball is suspended from a rope as a pendulum. If it is released from point A and swings down to the point B (the bottom of its arc):
- calculate the velocity of the ball at point B.



- Example 3
- A mountain climber who is climbing a mountain in the Drakensberg during winter, by mistake drops her water bottle which then slides 100 m down the side of a steep icy slope to a point which is 10 m lower than the climber's position. The mass of the climber is 60 kg and her water bottle has a mass of 500 g .



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- If the bottle starts from rest, how fast is it travelling by the time it reaches the bottom of the slope? (Neglect friction.)

POWER

- Power is the rate of doing work.

- $Power = \frac{work}{time}$

- $P = \frac{W}{\Delta t}$

- Power is measured in Watt or Joule per second.

- $1 W = 1 J.s^{-1}$

- AND second possible formula for constant velocity.....**P = F v**

.....unit W or N.m.s⁻¹