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Examples

1. Find the angle between force $F = (3\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} - 5\hat{k})$ unit and displacement $d = (5\hat{i} + 4\hat{j} + 3\hat{k})$ unit. Also find the projection of F and d.

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6. In a ballistics demonstration a police officer fires a bullet of mass 50.0g with speed 200m s^{-1} (see Table 6.2) on soft plywood of thickness 2.00 cm. The kinetic energy. What is the emergent speed of the bullet?

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7. A woman pushes a trunk on a railway platform which has a rough surface. She applies a force of 100 N over a distance of 10m. Thereafter, she gets progressively tired and her applied force reduces linearly with distance to 50 N. The total distance through which the trunk has been moved is 20m. Plot the force applied by the woman and the frictional force, which is 50 N versus displacement. Calculate the work done by the two forces over 20 m.



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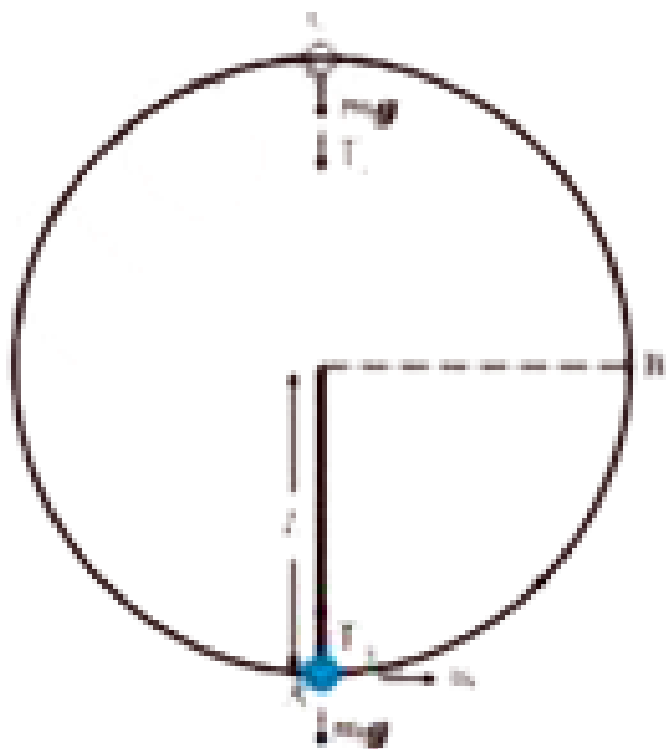
8. A block of mass $m = 1\text{kg}$, moving on a horizontal surface with speed $v_t = 2\text{ms}^{-1}$ enters a rough patch ranging from $x = 0.10\text{m}$ to $x = 2.01\text{m}$. The retarding force F_r on the block in this range is inversely proportional to x over this range,

$$F_r = \frac{-k}{x} \quad \text{for } 0.1 < x < 2.01\text{m} = 0 \quad \text{for } x < 0.1\text{m} \text{ and } x > 2.01\text{m}$$

where $k = 0.5\text{J}$. What is the final kinetic energy and speed v_f of the block as it crosses this patch?

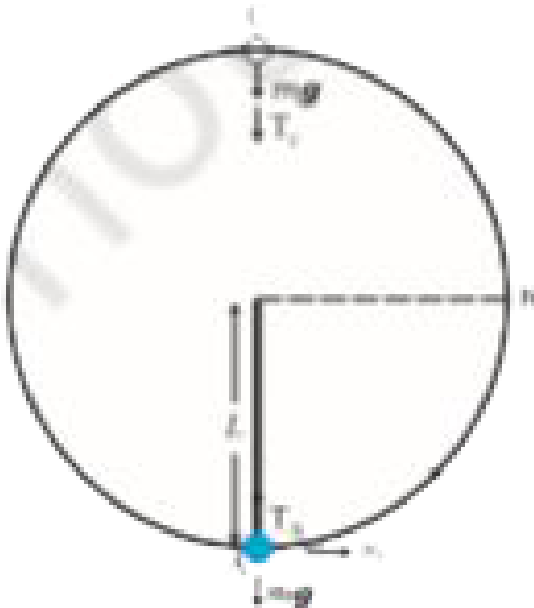
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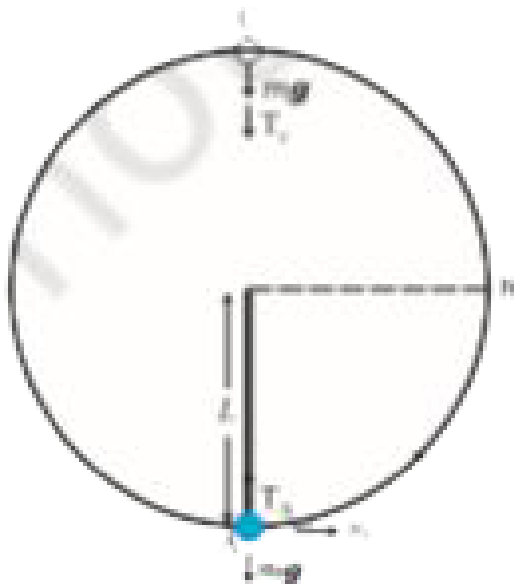
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The ratio of the kinetic energies (K_B/K_C) at B and C. Comment on the nature of the trajectory of the bob after it reaches the point C.



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12. To simulate car accidents, auto manufacturers study the collisions of moving cars with mounted springs of different spring constants. Consider a typical simulation with a car of mass 1000 kg moving with a speed $18.0k\frac{m}{h}$ on a smooth road and colliding with a horizontally mounted spring of spring constant $6.25 \times 10^3 Nm^{-1}$. What is the maximum compression of the spring?

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13. Consider Example 6.8 taking the coefficient of friction, μ , to be 0.5 and calculate the maximum compression of the spring.

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14. Examine Tables 6.1-6.3 and express

The energy required to break on bond in DNA in eV.

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15. Examine Tables 6.1-6.3 and express

The kinetic energy of an air molecule ($10^{-21} J$) in eV.



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16. Examine Tables 6.1-6.3 and express

The daily intake of human adult in kilocalories.



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17. An elevator can carry a maximum load of 1800 kg (elevator + passengers) is moving up with a constant speed of $2ms^{-1}$. The frictional force opposing the motion is 4000 N. Determine the minimum power delivered by the motor to the elevator in watts as well as in horse power.



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18. In a nuclear reactor a neutron of high speed (typically 10^7ms^{-1}) must be slowed to 10^3ms^{-1} so that it can have a high probability of interacting with isotope ${}_{92}^{235}\text{U}$ and causing it to fission. Show that a neutron can lose most of its kinetic energy in an elastic collision with a light nucleon like deuterium or carbon which has a mass of only a few times the neutron mass. The material making up the light nucleon, usually heavy water (D_2O) or graphite, is called a moderator.

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19. Consider the collision depicted in Fig. 6.10. to be between two billiard balls with equal masses $m_1 = m_2$. The first ball is called the cue while the second ball is called the target. The billiard player wants to 'sink' the target ball in a corner pocket, which is at an angle $\theta_2 = 37^\circ$. Assume that the collision is elastic and that friction and rotational motion are not important. Obtain θ_1 .



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Exercises

1. The sign of work done by a force on a body is important to understand. State carefully if the following quantities are positive or negative :

Work done by a man in lifting a bucket out of a well by means of a rope tied to the bucket.



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2. The sign of work done by a force on a body is important to understand. State carefully if the following quantities are positive or negative :

Work done by gravitational force in the above case



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3. The sign of work done by a force on a body is important to understand. State carefully if the following quantities are positive or negative :

Work done by friction on a body sliding down an inclined plane.



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4. The sign of work done by a force on a body is important to understand. State carefully if the following quantities are positive or negative :

Work done by an applied force on a body moving on a rough horizontal plane with uniform velocity.



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5. The sign of work done by a force on a body is important to understand. State carefully if the following quantities are positive or negative :

Work done by the resistive force of air on a vibrating pendulum in bringing it to rest.

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6. A body of mass 2 kg initially at rest moves under the action of an applied horizontal force of 7N on a table with coefficient of kinetic friction = 0.1. Compute the

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Work done by the net force on the body in 10s.



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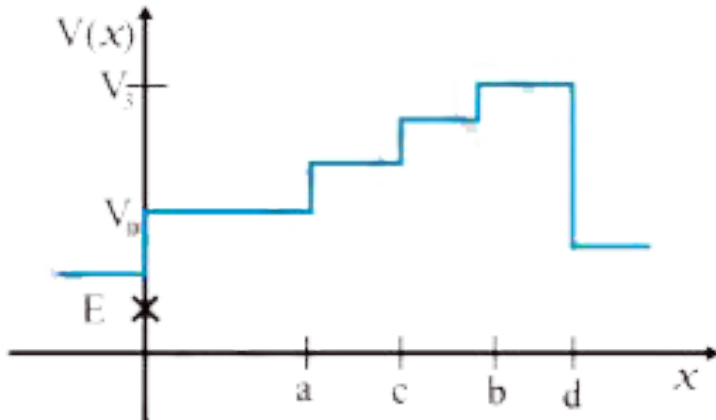
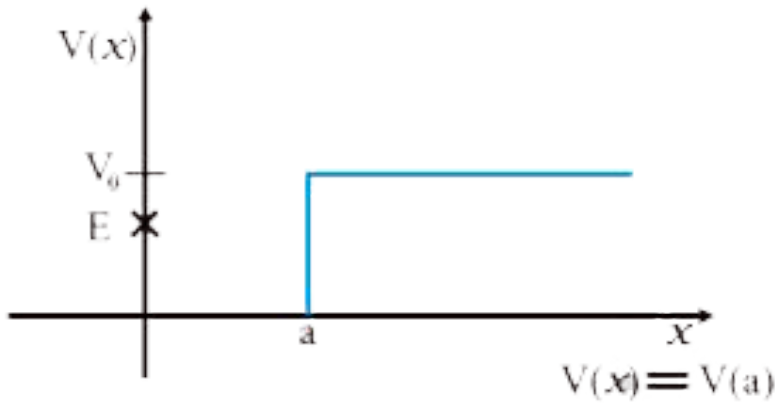
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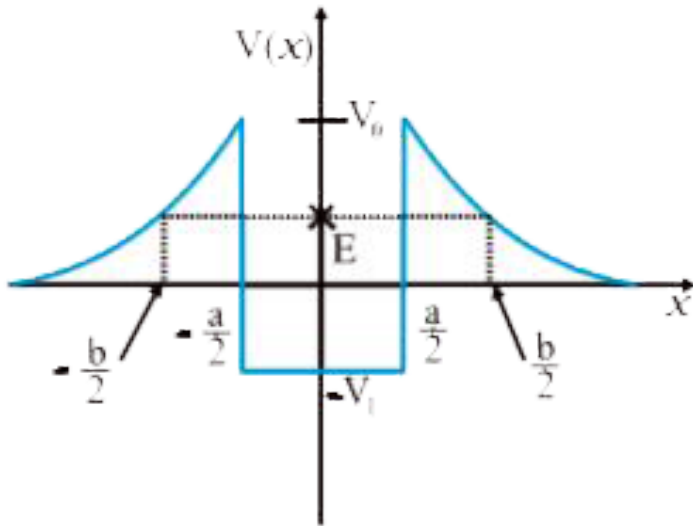
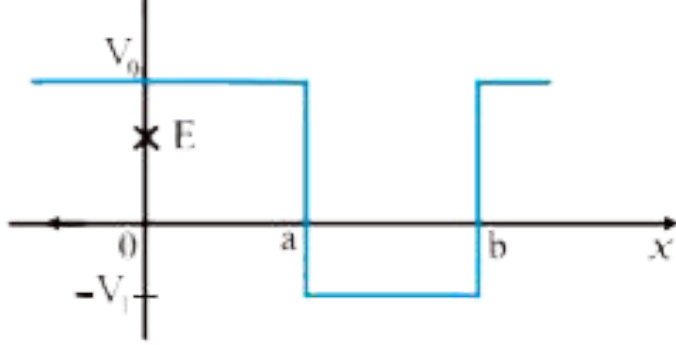
Change in kinetic energy of the body in 10s.



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10. Given in Fig. 6.11 are examples of some potential energy functions in one dimension. The total energy of the particle is indicated by a cross on the ordinate axis. In which the particle cannot be found for the given energy. Also, indicate the minimum total energy the particle must have in each case. Think of simple physical contexts for which these potential energy shapes are relevant.





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11. Answer the following :

Comets move around the sun in highly elliptical orbits. The gravitational force on the comet due to the sun is not normal to the

comet's velocity in general. Yet the work done by the gravitational force over every complete orbit of the comet is zero. Why?



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12. Answer the following :

An artificial satellite orbiting the earth in very thin atmosphere loses its energy gradually due to dissipation against atmospheric resistance, however small. Why then does its speed increase progressively as it comes closer and closer to the earth?



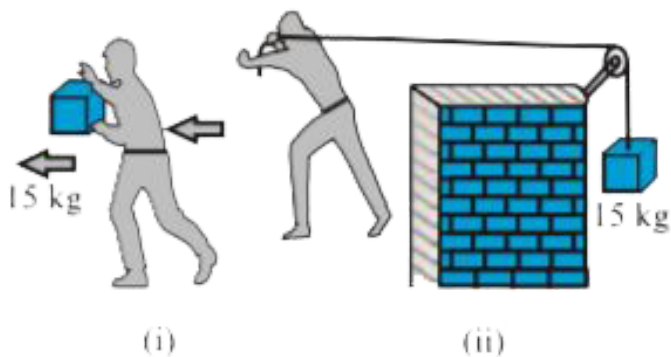
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13. Answer the following :

In Fig.6.13. (i) the man walks 2m carrying a mass of 15kg on his hands.

In Fig. 6.13. (ii), he walks the same distance pulling the rope behind him. The rope goes over a pulley, and a mass of 15 kg hangs at its

other end. In which case is the work done greater?



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14. Underline the correct alternative :

When a conservative force does positive work on a body, the potential energy of the body increases/decreases/remains unaltered.

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15. Underline the correct alternative :

Work done by a body against friction always results in a loss of its

kinetic/potential energy.



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16. Underline the correct alternative :

The rate of change of total momentum of a many-particle system is proportional to the external force/sum of the internal forces on the system.



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17. Underline the correct alternative :

In an inelastic collision of two bodies, the quantities which do not change after the collision are the total energy/total linear momentum/total energy of the system of two bodies.



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18. Answer carefully, with reasons :

What are the answers to (a) and (b) for an inelastic collision?

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19. Answer carefully, with reasons :

If the potential energy of two billard balls depends only on the separation distance between their centres, is the collision elastic or inelastic? (Note, we are talking here of potential energy corresponding to the force during collision, not gravitational potential energy).

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20. A body is initially at rest. It undergoes one-dimensional motion with constant acceleration. The power delivered to it at time t is proportional to

A. $t^{\frac{1}{2}}$

B. t

C. $t^{\frac{3}{2}}$

D. t^2

Answer: B



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21. A body is moving unidirectionally under the influence of a source of constant power. Its displacement in time t is proportional to

A. $t^{\frac{1}{2}}$

B. t

C. $t^{\frac{3}{2}}$

D. t^2

Answer: C



22. A body constrained to move along the z-axis of a coordinate system is subject to a constant force F given by

$$F = -\hat{i} + 2\hat{j} + 3\hat{k}N$$

where \hat{i} , \hat{j} , \hat{k} are unit vectors along the x-, y- and z-axis of the system respectively. What is the work done by this force in moving the body a distance of 4m along the z-axis?

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23. An electron and a proton are detected in a cosmic ray experiment, the first with kinetic energy 10 keV, and the second with 100 keV. Which is faster, the electron or the proton? Obtain the ratio of their speeds.

(electron mass = $9.11 \times 10^{-31}kg$, proton mass = $1.67 \times 10^{-27}kg$, $1eV = 1.60 \times 10^{-19}J$).

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24. A rain drop of radius 2mm falls from a height of 500 m above the ground. It falls with decreasing acceleration (due to viscous resistance of the air) until at half its original height, it attains its maximum (terminal) speed, and moves with uniform speed thereafter. What is the work done by the gravitational force on the drop in the first and second half of its speed on reaching the ground is $10ms^{-1}$?

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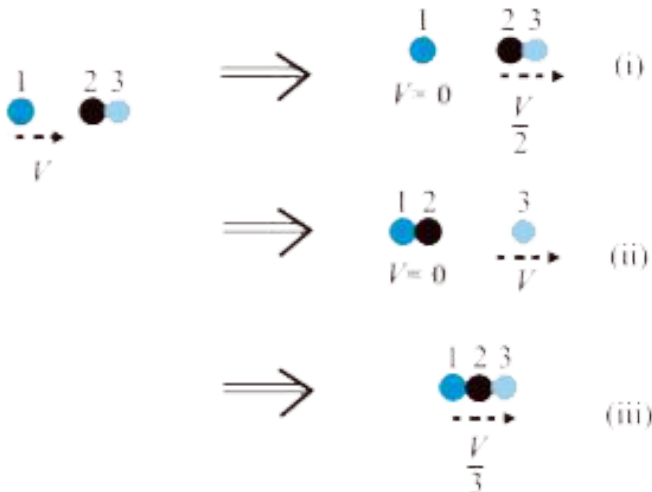
25. A molecule in a gas container hits a horizontal wall with speed $200ms^{-1}$ and angle 30° with the normal, and rebounds with the same speed. Is momentum conserved in the collision ? Is the collision elastic or inelastic ?

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26. A pump on the ground floor of a building can pump up water to fill a tank of volume $30m^3$ in 15 min. If the tank is 40 m above the ground, and the efficiency of the pump is 30%, how much electric power is consumed by the pump?

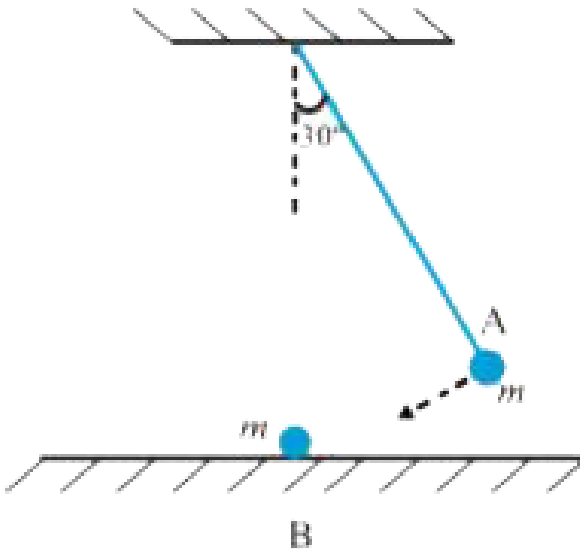
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27. Two identical ball bearings in contact with each other and resting on a frictionless table are hit head-on by another ball bearing of the same mass moving initially with a speed V . If the collision is elastic, which of the following (Fig. 6. 14) is a possible result after collision?



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28. The bob A of a pendulum released from 30° to the vertical hits another bob B of the same mass at rest on a table as shown in Fig. 6.15. How high does the bob A rise after the collision? Neglect the size of the bobs and assume the collision to be elastic.



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29. The bob of a pendulum is released from a horizontal position. If the length of the pendulum is 1.5m, what is the speed with which the bob arrives at the lowermost point, given that it dissipated 5% of its initial energy against air resistance?

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30. A trolley of mass 300 kg carrying sandbag of 25 kg is moving uniformly with a speed of 27 km/h on a frictionless track. After a while, sand starts leaking out of a hole on the floor of the trolley at the rate of 0.05kg s^{-1} . What is the speed of the trolley after the entire sand bag is empty?

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31. A body of mass 0.5 kg travels in a straight line with velocity $v = ax^{\frac{3}{2}}$ where $a = 5\text{m}^{\frac{1}{2}}\text{s}^{-1}$. What is the work done by the net

force during its displacement from $x=0$ to $x=2m$?



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32. The blades of a windmill sweep out a circle of area A .

If the wind flows at a velocity v perpendicular to the circle, what is the mass of the air passing through it in time t ?



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33. The blades of a windmill sweep out a circle of area A .

What is the kinetic energy of the air?



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34. The blades of a windmill sweep out a circle of area A .

Assume that the windmill converts 25% of the wind's energy into

electrical energy, and that $A = 30\text{m}^2$, $v = 36\text{k}\frac{\text{m}}{\text{h}}$ and the density of air is 1.2kgm^{-3} . What is the electrical power produced?



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35. A person trying to lose weight (dieter) lifts a 10 kg mass, one thousand times, to a height of 0.5m each time. Assume that the potential energy lost each time she lowers the mass is dissipated.

How much work does she against the gravitational force?



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Fat supplies $3.8 \times 10^7\text{J}$ of energy per kilogram which is converted to mechanical energy with a 20% efficiency rate. How much fat will the dieter use up?



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Direct solar energy is incident on the horizontal surface at an average rate of 200 W per square meter. If 20% of this energy can be converted to useful electrical energy, how large an area is needed to supply 8 kW?



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38. A family uses 8 kW of power.

Compare this area to that of the roof of a typical house.



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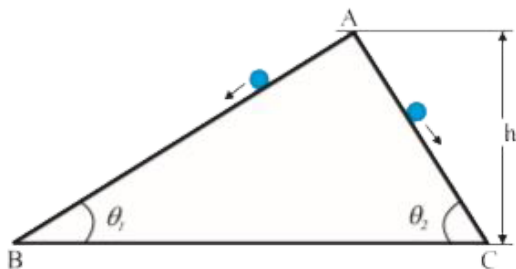
1. A bullet of mass 0.012kg and horizontal speed 70m.s^{-1} strikes a block of wood of mass 0.4kg and instantly comes to rest with respect to the block. The block is suspended from the ceiling by means of thin wires. Calculate the height to which the block rises. Also, estimate the amount of heat produced in the block.



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2. Two inclined frictionless tracks, one gradual and the other steep meet at A from where two stones are allowed to slide down from rest, one on each track (Fig. 6.16). Will the stones reach the bottom at the same time? Will they reach there with the same speed? Explain. Given $\theta_1 = 30^\circ$, $\theta_2 = 60^\circ$ and $h = 10\text{m}$, what are the speeds and times

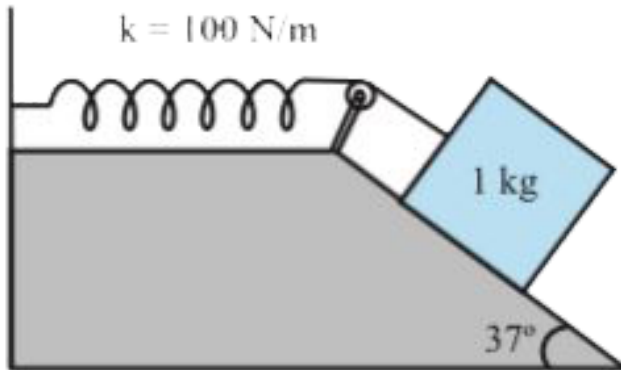
taken by the two stones?



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3. A 1 kg block situated on a rough incline is connected to a spring of spring constant $100Nm^{-1}$ as shown in Fig. 6.17. The block is released from rest with the spring in the unstretched position. The block moves 10 cm down the incline before coming to rest. Find the coefficient of friction between the block and the incline. Assume that the spring has

a negligible mass and the pulley is frictionless.



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4. A bolt of mass 0.3 kg falls from the ceiling of an elevator moving down with a uniform speed of 7 m s^{-1} . It hits the floor of the elevator (length of the elevator = 3 m) and does not rebound. What is the heat produced by the impact? Would your answer be different if the elevator were stationary?

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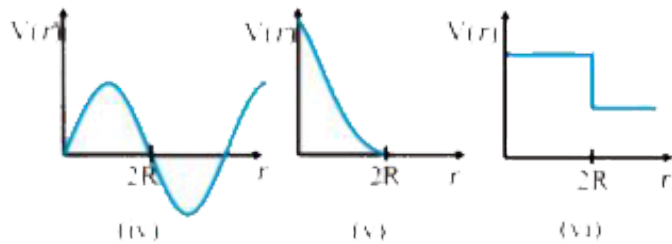
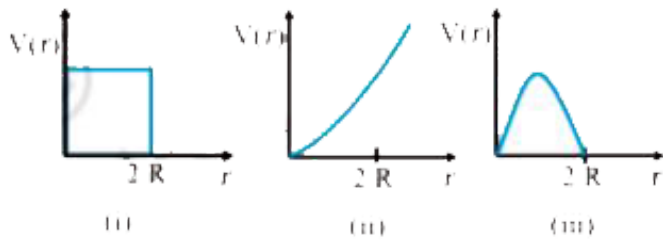
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6. Which of the following potential energy curves in Fig. 6. 18 cannot describe the elastic collision of two billiard balls? Here r is the

distance between centres of the balls.



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