Work = force × distance

Force must be in the direction of motion

If perpendicular, no work!



If opposite, "negative work"





Amount of work an object can do

<u>Units</u>

Joules (J)

1 J = 1Nm

(also ft-lbs, Calories, kWh, BTU, etc.)

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- Electric and magnetic energy
- Chemical energy
- Gravitational potential energy
- Kinetic energy
- Elastic energy
- Nuclear energy
- Radiant energy (light, etc.)
- Thermal energy

Kinetic energy

The kinetic energy of an object in motion can be derived from Newton's laws:



Work = (distance fallen) × (force of gravity) = $(\frac{1}{2} g t^2) \times (m g)$ = $\frac{1}{2} m (g t)^2$

speed after *t* seconds = *g t*

KinE = $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{mass} \times \text{the square of the speed}$

Thermal energy

Thermal energy is a kind of "kinetic energy at the atomic scale."

However, when we can't see the atoms jiggling around, we call it "thermal energy," not "kinetic energy."

Example: I am sitting still. Do I have any kinetic energy?

Let's demonstrate thermal energy...

Phet Simulation

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Elastic energy



Hooke's law: Force ∞ distance stretched or compressed Let's demonstrate this

Phet simulation

Chemical Energy: Combustion









Chemical Energy w/o combustion









If you drop a book, its gravitational energy when you let it drop is the same as its kinetic energy just before it hits the floor.

Law of Conservation of Energy

- The total energy of all the participants in a process remains unchanged throughout the process.
- Energy cannot be created or destroyed, only transferred from one object to another, or changed from one form into another.

Energy can be transformed from one kind into another...





Wrecking ball pendulum





Infrared imaging of hammer impact

Work-Energy Principle

- Work is a form of energy transfer.
- Work reduces the energy of the object doing the work, while increasing the energy of the object on which the work is done, by an equal amount.















Estimations and magnitudes

- 1 Calorie = 1 kcal = 4200 J
- 1 Boston Creme Donut = about 250 Calories
- 1 Boston Creme Donut = about 10⁶ J
- 1 lb of TNT = about 10^6 J, too!



- 10⁶ J can lift 500 N person about 2 km
- 10⁶ J allows 110 lb person to climb ~ 6000 ft



Estimations and magnitudes

1 speck of ²³⁵U the size of a grain of sand

- = 10⁹ J of nuclear energy
- = 1000 lbs of TNT
- = allows you to climb 1000 mountains

Other forms of energy transfer

Question: Is work the only kind of energy transfer? No, there are forms of heating that also accomplish energy transfer.



convection



radiation











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