Potential energy

Grade 11S – Physics

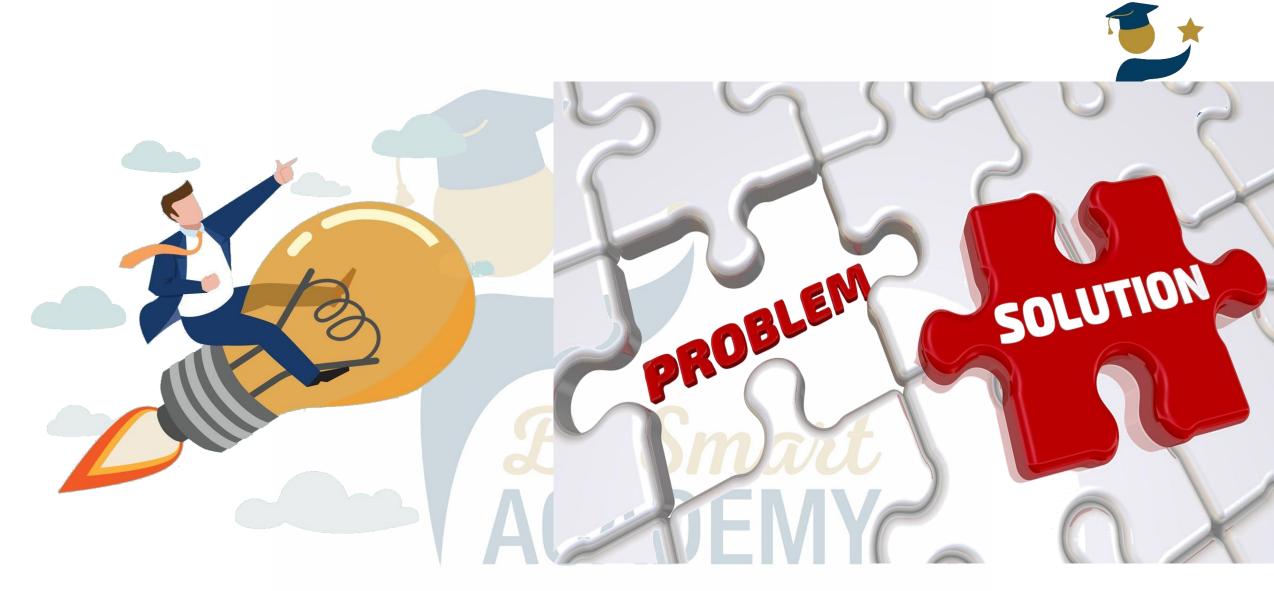
Unit Two: Mechanics

Energy in

Energy out

Chapter 11: Work & Energy

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A stone of mass m = 1.5kg, falls without initial velocity in air from a point A at a height h = 3m from the ground.

During its downward motion, the stone reaches the ground at B with V = 6m/s

 $B ext{ PE}_{g} = 0$

The ground taken as a reference level; for gravitational potential energy. Given $g = 10m / s^2$.

1. Calculate mechanical energy of the system (stone-earth) at point A.

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- 2.Calculate the mechanical energy of t system(stone-earth) at point B at ground.
- 3. Is the mechanical energy of the system conserved or not?
- 4.Determine the variation in the mechanical energy of the system between A and B.
- 5.Deduce that a non-conservative force exist. Calculate its value.

ACADEMY



$$m = 1.5kg; V_A = 0; h = 3m; V_B = 6m/s$$

1. Calculate mechanical energy of the system (stone-earth) at point A.

$$ME_A = KE_A + PE_A$$



$$ME_A = \frac{1}{2}mV_A^2 + mgh_A$$

$$B ext{ PE}_{g} = 0$$

$$ME_A = 0.5 \times 1.5 \times (0)^2 + 1.5 \times 10 \times 3$$

$$ME_A = 45J$$



$$m = 1.5kg; V_A = 0; h = 3m; V_B = 6m/s$$

2.Calculate the mechanical energy of the system(stone-earth) at point B at ground.

$$ME_B = KE_B + PE_B$$

$$ME_B = \frac{1}{2}mV_B^2 + mgh_B$$

$$B \quad PE_g = 0$$

$$ME_B = 0.5 \times 1.5 \times (6)^2 + 1.5 \times 10 \times (0)$$

$$ME_B = 27J$$



3.Is the mechanical energy of the system conserved or not?

Since $ME_A > ME_B$; then the mechanical energy is not conserved

4. Determine the variation in the mechanical energy of the system between A and B.

$$\Delta ME = ME_B - ME_A$$

$$\Delta D E^{\Delta ME} \neq 27J - 45J$$

$$\Delta ME = -18J$$



5.Deduce that a non-conservative force exist. Calculate its value.

Since $ME_B > ME_A$ or $\Delta ME \neq 0$;

Therfore, the non-conservative force (friction) exist.

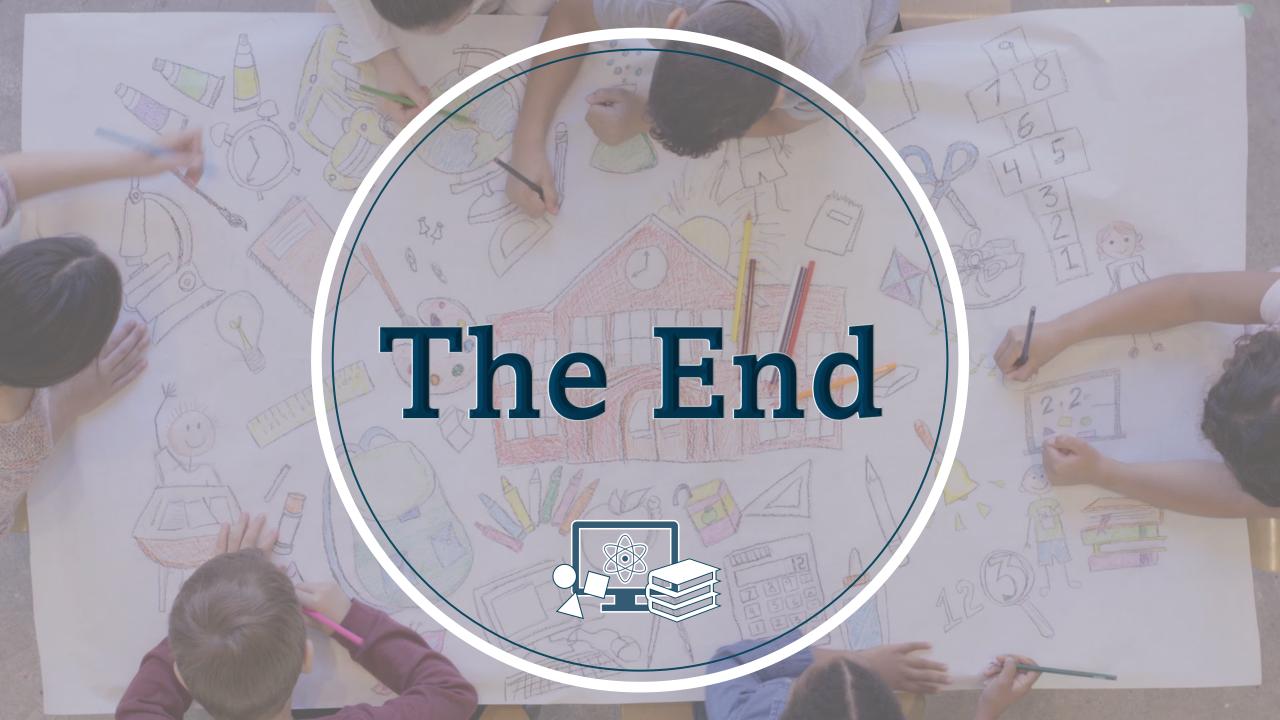
$$\Delta ME = \sum W_{non-cons}$$

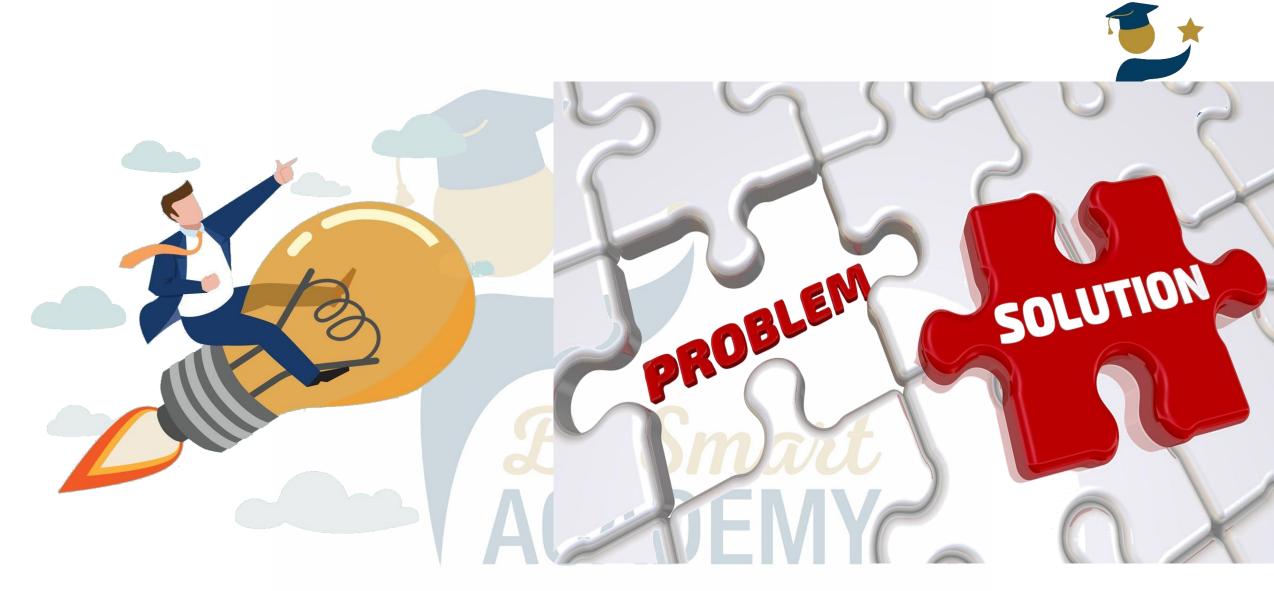
$$\Delta ME = W_{fr}$$

$$\Delta ME = -f_r \times d$$

$$\Delta ME = -f_r \times (3)$$

$$f_r = 6N$$





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Mechanical Energy

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A small particle (S) of mass m = 300g is released without initial speed from the top O of an inclined plane making an angle $\alpha = 30^{\circ}$ with the horizontal.

Neglect the friction along the track OA, where OA = 40cm.

The particle (S) continues its motion along AB and stops at point C under the $\frac{B}{B}$ action of fictional force of magnitude $f_r = 3N$.

Take the horizontal line passing through A as a reference for the gravitational potential energy. $g = 10m / s^2$.

Exercise 2: Mechanical Energy

- Be Smart ACADEMY
- 1.Calculate the mechanical energy of the system[(S), earth] at point O.
- 2.Deduce the speed at point A.
- 3.Calculate the mechanical energy of the system[(S), earth] at point C.
- 4. Find the variation of the mechanical energy of the system between A and C. Deduce the distance AC.

Mechanical Energy



$$m = 0.3 \text{Kg}; V_0 = 0; \alpha = 30^\circ; f_{0A} = 0; OA = 0.4m; f_{AB} = 3N g = 10m / s^2$$

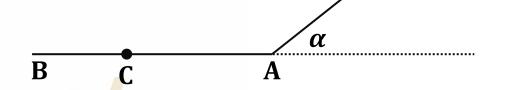
1.Calculate the mechanical energy of the system[(S), earth, support] at point O

$$ME_0 = KE_0 + PE_0$$

$$ME_O = 1/2mV_O^2 + mgh_O$$

$$sin\alpha = \frac{opp}{hyp} = \frac{h}{OA}$$

$$h = OAsin\alpha$$



$$ME_0 = 1/2mV_0^2 + mgOAsin\alpha$$

$$ME_0 = 0 + 0.3 \times 10 \times 0.4 \times \sin 30$$

$$ME_0 = 0.6J$$

Mechanical Energy

$$m = 0.3 \text{Kg}; V_0 = 0; \alpha = 30^\circ; f_{0A} = 0; OA = 0.4m; f_{AB} = 3N g = 10m / s^2$$



2.Deduce the speed at point A

Since friction is neglected (f = 0); then ME is conserved.

$$ME_0 = ME_A$$

$$\mathbf{0.6J} = \mathbf{KE_A} + \mathbf{PE_A}$$

$$0.6J = 1/2mV_A^2 + mgh_A$$

$$0.6J = 0.5 \times 0.3 \times V_A^2 + 0$$

 $0.6J = 0.15 \times V_A^2$

$$\frac{\alpha}{B}$$
 $\frac{\alpha}{C}$

$$V_A^2 = \frac{0.6}{0.15} = 4$$

$$V_A = \sqrt{4}$$

$$V_A = 2m/s$$

Mechanical Energy



$$m = 0.3 \text{Kg}; V_0 = 0; \alpha = 30^\circ; f_{0A} = 0; OA = 0.4m; f_{AB} = 3N g = 10m / s^2$$

3. Calculate the mechanical energy of the system[(S), earth, support] at point C

$$ME_C = KE_C + PE_C$$

$$ME_C = \frac{1}{2}mV_C^2 + mgh_C$$

$$ME_C = 1/2 \times 0.3 \times (0)^2 + 0.3 \times 10 \times (0)$$

$$ME_C = 0J$$

Mechanical Energy



4. Find the variation of the mechanical energy of the system between A and C. Deduce the distance AC.

$$\Delta ME = ME_C - ME_A$$

$$\Delta ME = 0J - 0.6J$$

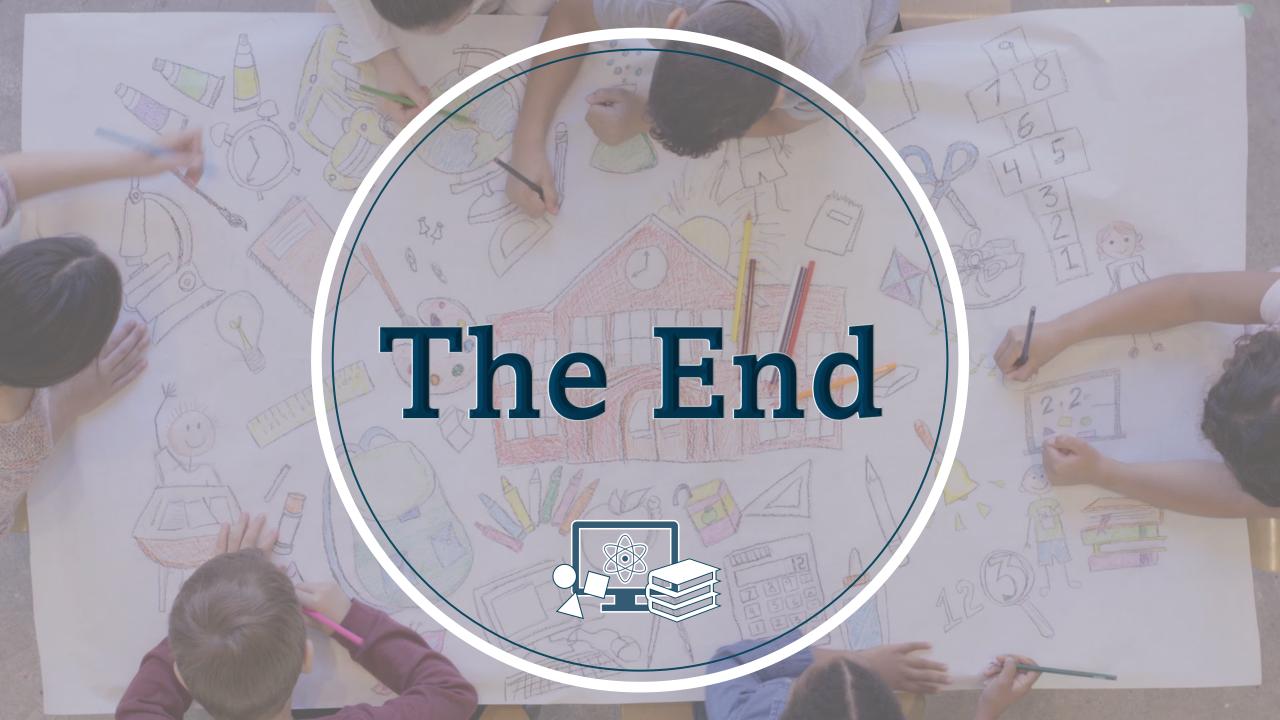
$$\Delta ME = -0.6J$$

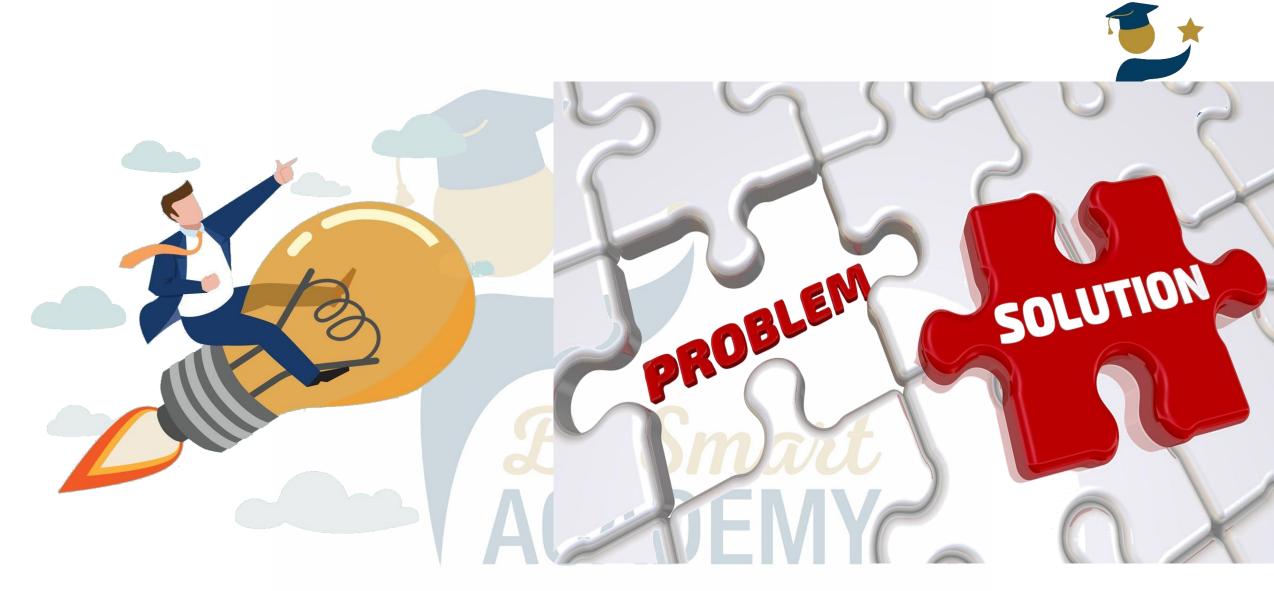
$$\Delta ME = \sum W_{non-cons}$$

$$\Delta ME = W_{fr}$$

$$\Delta ME = -f_r \times d$$

$$AC = 0.2m$$





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Mechanical Energy

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A particle (S) of mass 200g, can slides without friction on an inclined plane making an angle $\alpha=30^{\circ}$ with respect to the horizontal.

(S) is launched, at instant $t_0 = 0$, from O with a velocity of $V_0 = 5$ m/s.

At any instant t, the position of (S) is given of

by its abscissa x = OA.

The horizontal plane passing through O is the reference level for the gravitational potential energy

Mechanical Energy

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- 1. Calculate the mechanical energy of the system [(S), earth] at point O.
- 2. Express, in terms of x, the gravitational potential energy of the system [(S), earth] at point A.
- 3. Sketch the graph of the mechanical energy and that of the gravitational potential energy. Use the following scales:
- At x-axis: 1cm \rightarrow 0.5m and at y-axis: 1cm \rightarrow 0.5J
- 4. Determine, the expression of KE in terms of x then draw its curve on the same graph

Mechanical Energy



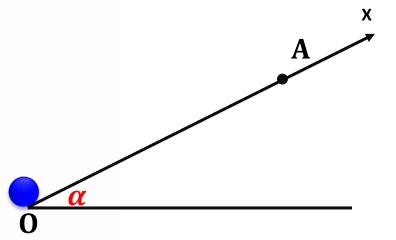
$$m = 0.2$$
kg; $f_r = 0$; $\alpha = 30^{\circ}$; $V_0 = 5$ m/s

1. Calculate the mechanical energy of the system [(S), earth] at point O.

$$ME_o = KE_o + PE_o$$

$$ME_o = \frac{1}{2}mV_o^2 + mgh$$

$$ME_0 = \frac{1}{2} \times 0.2 \times (5)^2 + 0.2 \times 10(0)$$



 $ME_0 = 2.5J$

Mechanical Energy



$$m = 0.2$$
kg; $f_r = 0$; $\alpha = 30^{\circ}$; $V_0 = 5$ m/s

2. Express, in terms of x, the gravitational potential energy of the system [(S), earth] at point A.

$$PE_A = mgh$$

$$sin\alpha = \frac{opp}{hyp}$$
 \Rightarrow $sin\alpha = \frac{h}{x}$ \Rightarrow $h = x. sin\alpha$



$$\sin \alpha = \frac{n}{r}$$

$$h = x. sin \alpha$$

$$PE_A = mgh = mgxsin\alpha$$

$$PE_A = 0.2 \times 10 \times x \times sin30$$



$$PE_A = x$$

Mechanical Energy

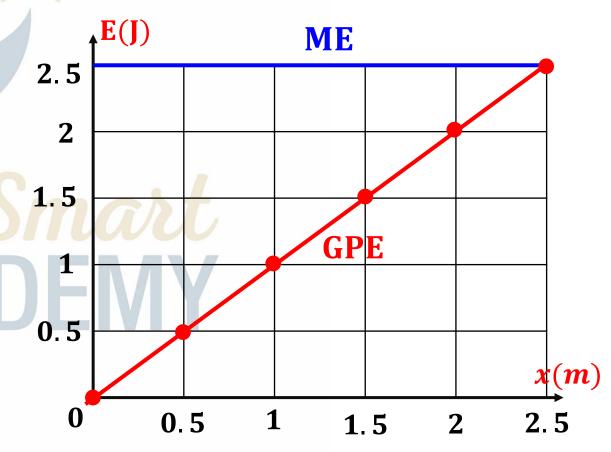


3.Sketch the graph of the mechanical energy and that of the gravitational potential energy. Use the following scales:

At x-axis: 1cm \rightarrow 0.5m and at y-axis: 1cm \rightarrow 0.5J

For ME = 2.5J: horizontal St. line For $PE_g = x$: changes as x change

x(m)	0	0.5	1	1.5	2	2.5
$PE_{g}(J)$	0	0.5	1	1.5	2	2.5



Mechanical Energy



4. Determine, the expression of KE in terms of x then draw its curve on the same graph.

Since f = 0N then ME is conserved:

$$ME_0 = ME_A$$

$$2.5J = KE + GPE$$

$$2.5J = KE + x$$

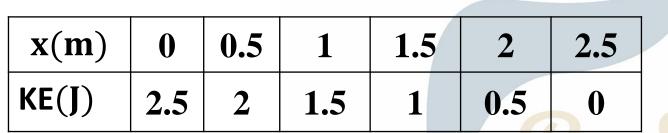
$$KE = 2.5 - x$$

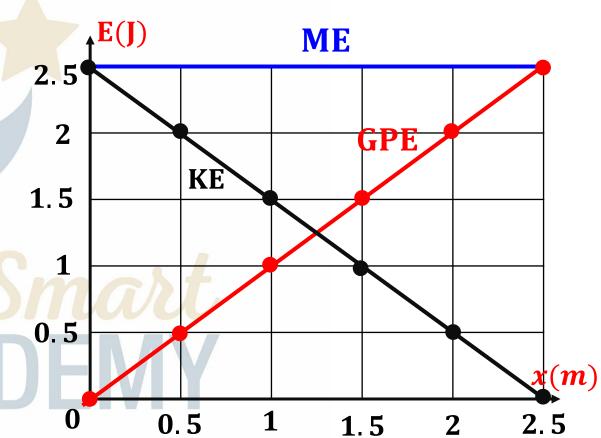
$\mathbf{x}(\mathbf{m})$	0	0.5	1	1.5	2	2.5
KE(J)	2.5	2	1.5	1	0.5	0

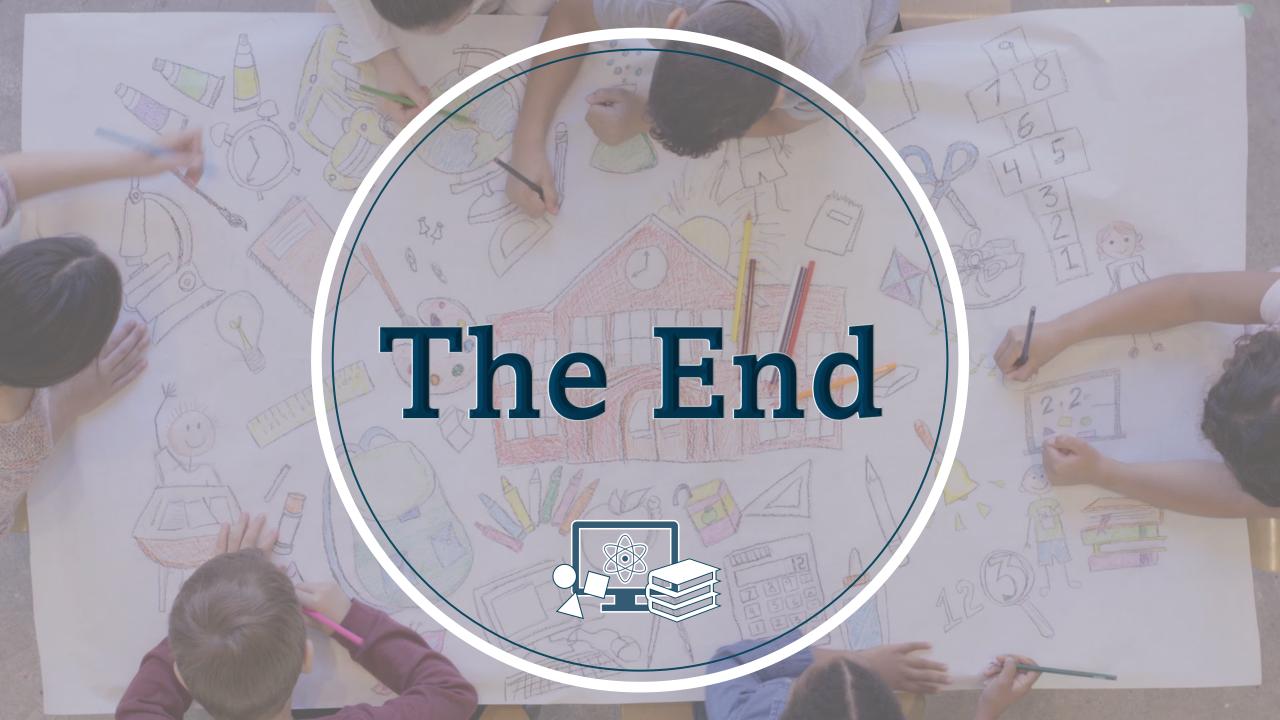


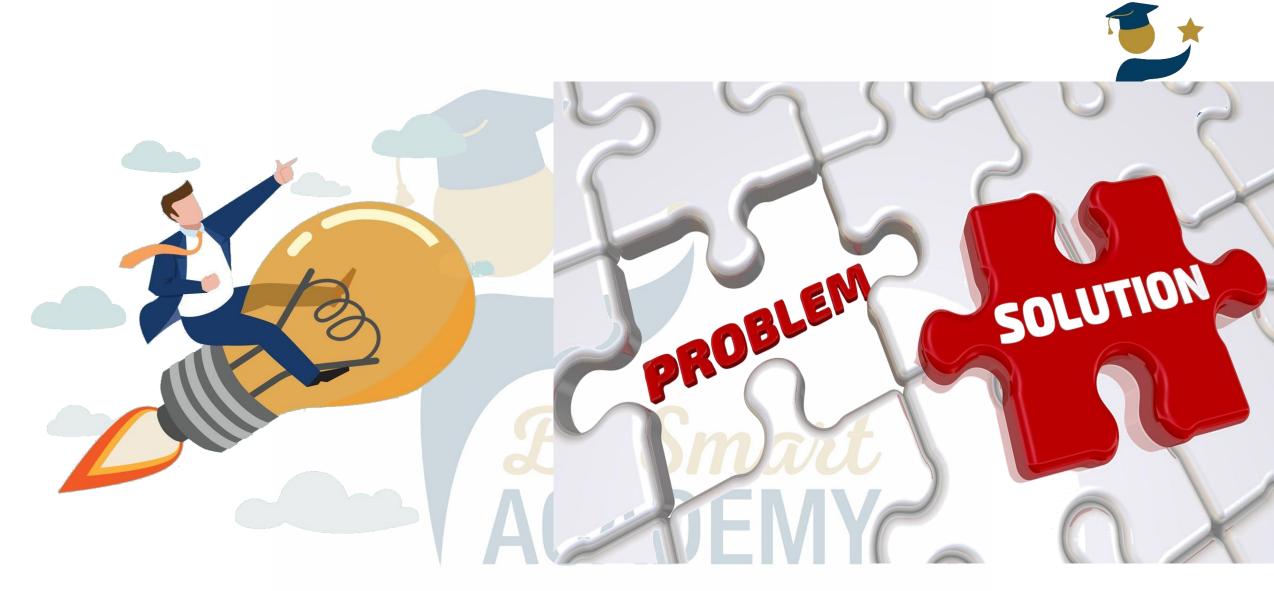
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Mechanical Energy



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A particle (S), of mass m = 2kg is released without initial velocity from the top A of an inclined plane making an angle of 30° with the horizontal and of length AB = 2.5m.

The force of friction along AB assumed constant of magnitude f = 8.4N.

(S) then moves on a horizontal frictionless plane where it compresses a massless spring of stiffness k = 400N/m.

Take the reference level of gravitational potential energy to be the horizontal plane passing through B. g=10N/Kg

Mechanical Energy



- 1. Calculate, the mechanical energy of the system at point A.
- 2. The mechanical energy on AB is not conserved. Why?
- 3. Deduce the using the velocity of (S) as it reaches point B.
- 4. On the horizontal plane, is the mechanical energy of (S) conserved? Justify your answer.
- 5. Determine the spring's maximum compression.

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Mechanical Energy



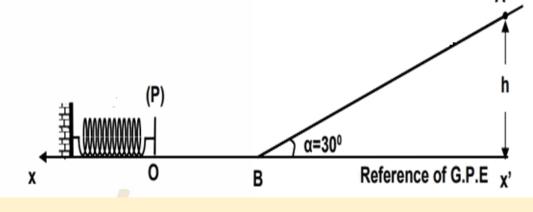
$$m = 2kg; V_A = 0; \alpha = 30^\circ; AB = 2.5m; f_{AB} = 8.4N; k = 400N/m; f_{BO} = 0N$$

1. Calculate, the mechanical energy of the system at point A.

$$ME_A = KE_A + PE_A$$

$$ME_A = 1/2mV_A^2 + mgh_A$$

$$sin\alpha = \frac{opp}{hyp}$$
 \Rightarrow $sin\alpha = \frac{h}{AB}$



$$h = ABsin\alpha$$

$$ME_A = 1/2mV_A^2 + mgABsin\alpha$$

$$ME_A = 2 \times 10 \times 2.5 \times sin30$$



$$ME_A = 25J$$

Mechanical Energy



 $m = 2kg; V_A = 0; \alpha = 30^\circ; AB = 2.5m; f_{AB} = 8.4N; k = 400N/m; f_{BO} = 0N$

2. The mechanical energy between A and B is not conserved. Why?

Because the friction force along AB is not neglected ($f_r =$

8.4N); then ME is not conserved

ACADEMY

Mechanical Energy

$$m = 2kg; V_A = 0; \alpha = 30^\circ; AB = 2.5m; f_{AB} = 8.4N; k = 400N/m; f_{BO} = 0N$$



$$\Delta ME_{A\to B}=W_f$$

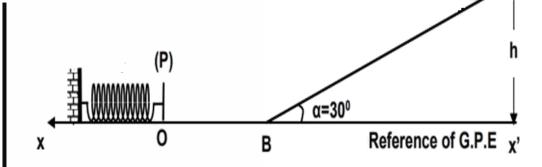
$$ME_B - ME_A = f \times AB \times cos(180)$$

$$KE_B + PE_B - 25 = -8.4 \times 2.5$$

$$1/2mV_B^2 + 2 \times 10(0) - 25 = -21$$

$$0.5 \times 2 \times V_B^2 - 25 = -21$$

$$V_B^2 = -21 + 25$$



$$4=V_B^2$$

$$V_B = \sqrt{4}$$

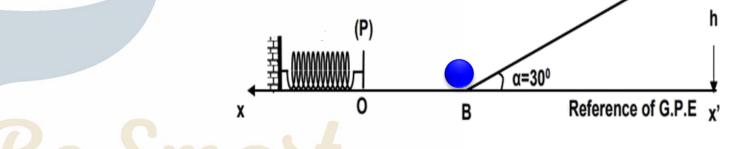
$$V_B = 2m/s$$

Mechanical Energy

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 $m = 2kg; V_A = 0; \alpha = 30^\circ; AB = 2.5m; f_{AB} = 8.4N; k = 400N/m; f_{BO} = 0N$

4.On the horizontal plane BO, is the mechanical energy of (S) conserved? Justify your answer.



Because the horizontal plane containing B is frictionless (f = 0N)

then ME is conserved.

Mechanical Energy

 $m = 2kg; V_A = 0; \alpha = 30^\circ; AB = 2.5m; f_{AB} = 8.4N; k = 400N/m; f_{BO} = 0N$



5. Determine the spring's maximum compression.

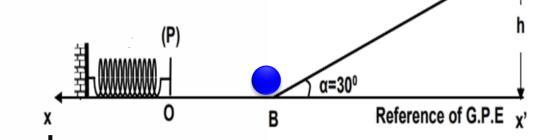
$$ME_B = ME_{max}$$

$$KE_B + PE_B = KE + PE_g + PE_e$$

$$1/2mV_B^2 + 0 = 0 + 0 + 1/2kX_m^2$$

$$0.5 \times 2 \times (2)^2 = 0.5 \times 400 \times X_m^2$$

$$X_m^2 = \frac{0.5 \times 2 \times 4}{0.5 \times 400} = 0.02$$



$$X_m = \sqrt{0.02}$$

$$X_m = 0.1414m$$

