

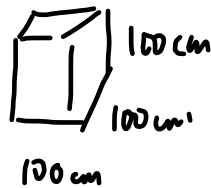
# Gravitational Potential energy

$$E_g = mgh$$

$$W = \Delta E_g \quad (\text{work-energy theorem})$$

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$$(100\text{cm})^3 \left( \frac{1\text{mL}}{1\text{cm}^3} \right) \left( \frac{1\text{g}}{1\text{mL}} \right) \left( \frac{1\text{kg}}{1000\text{g}} \right)$$

1000 kg

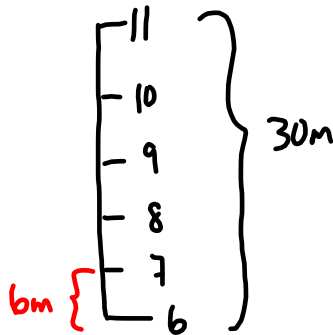
$$E_g = mgh$$

$$E_g = (1000\text{kg})(9.8\text{m/s}^2)(250\text{m})$$

$$E_g = 2.5 \times 10^6 \text{ J}$$

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a)  $E_g = mgh$

$$E_g = (1.35 \times 10^3 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)(12\text{m})$$

$$E_g = 1.6 \times 10^5 \text{ J}$$

$$m = 1.35 \times 10^3 \text{ kg}$$

# Elastic Potential Energy

## Hook's Law

The restoring force in a spring or elastic is directly proportional to the extension of the spring but in the opposite direction to the applied force.

$$F \propto x$$

$$F = -kx$$

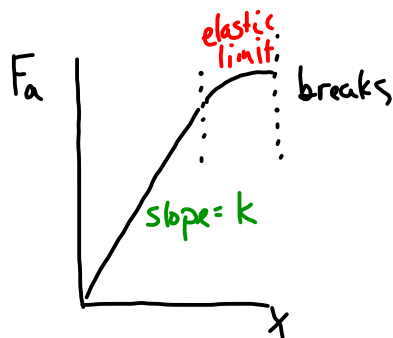
It is more practical to express Hook's Law in terms of the applied force.

$$F_a = kx$$

Where  $F_a$  is the applied force (N)

$k$  is the spring constant (N/m)

$x$  is the extension (+) | compression (-)  
(m)



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$$F_a = 133 \text{ N}$$

$$x = (+) 71 \text{ cm}$$

*← extension*

$$k = ?$$

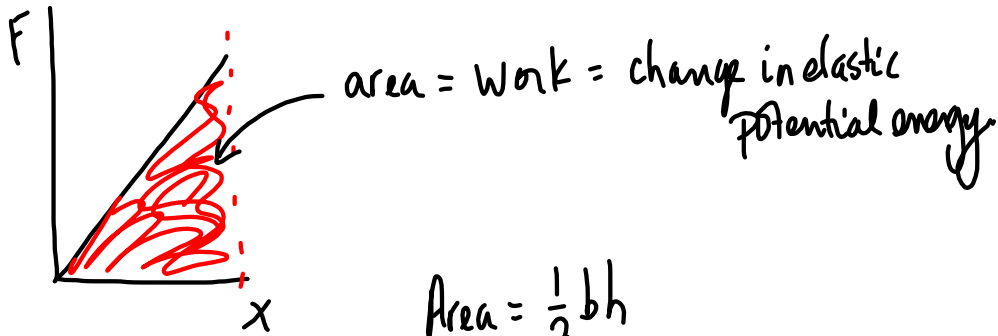
$$F_a = kx$$

$$k = \frac{F_a}{x}$$

$$k = \frac{133 \text{ N}}{(0.71 \text{ m})}$$

$$k = 1.9 \times 10^2 \text{ N/m}$$

# Elastic Potential Energy



$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}bh$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}Fx \quad \text{but } F = kx$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}(kx)x$$

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$$

Since the spring had no potential energy to begin with, this area represents the final potential energy.

$$E_e = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$$

Where  $E_e$  is the elastic potential energy (J)  
 $k$  is the spring constant (N/m)  
 $x$  is the extension or compression (m)

The work energy theorem applies:

$$W = \Delta E_e$$

More generally:

$$W = \Delta E$$

↑ any type of energy

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$$k = 75 \text{ N/m}$$

$$x = -0.28 \text{ m}$$

↑ compression

a)  $\Delta E_e = ?$

b)  $F_a = ?$

$$a) \Delta E_e = E_{e2} - E_{e1} = 0$$

$$\Delta E_e = E_{e2}$$

$$\Delta E_e = \frac{1}{2} k x^2$$

$$\Delta E_e = \frac{1}{2} (75 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{m}}) (-0.28 \text{ m})^2$$

$$\Delta E_e = 2.9 \text{ J}$$

b)  $F_a = kx$

$$F_a = (75 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{m}}) (-0.28 \text{ m})$$

$$F_a = -21 \text{ N}$$

↑ compression (pushing on the spring)

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