

# MIDTERM

- **Date:** November 16, 2013 (this saturday)
- **Time:** 13:30
- **Duration:** 3 Hours
- **Place:** U1, U2 and U3
- **Topics:** Everything we have covered until the midterm
- Formulas will be provided in the exam
- You will use two points for any misplaced vector sign, units, etc., e.g. You solve a problem of 10 points “correctly”. You misplace 5 vector sign and one unit. You will get “-2” points.

## Definition

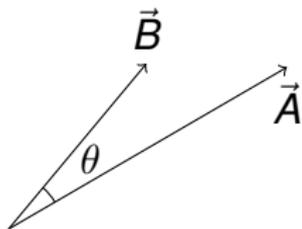
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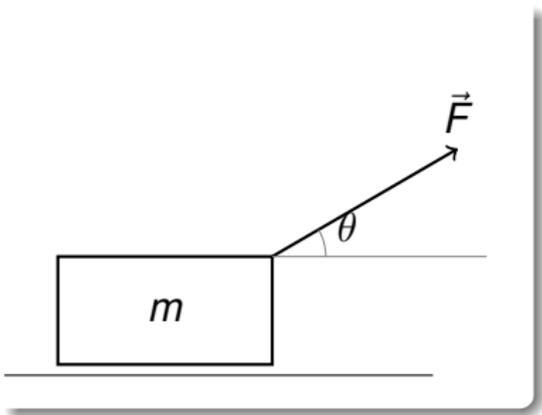
- In terms of their components, if

$$\vec{A} = A_x\hat{x} + A_y\hat{y} + A_z\hat{z} \quad (90)$$

$$\vec{B} = B_x\hat{x} + B_y\hat{y} + B_z\hat{z} \quad (91)$$

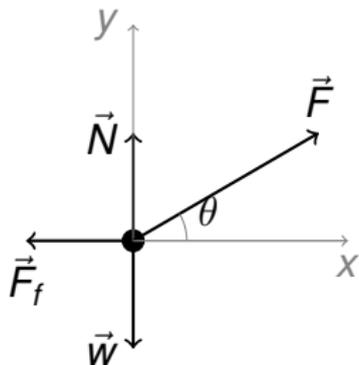
$$\text{then } \vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} = A_xB_x + A_yB_y + A_zB_z (\equiv AB \cos \theta)$$

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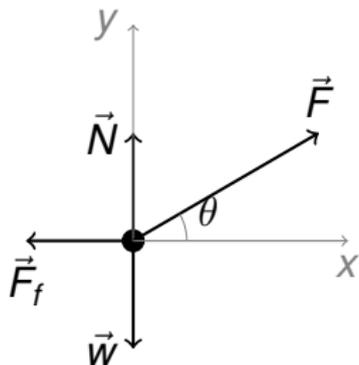


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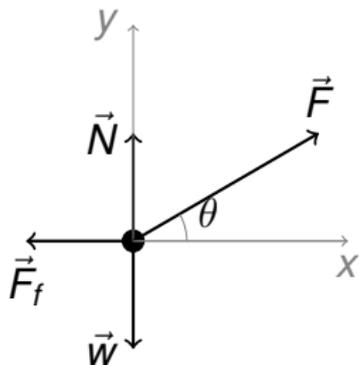


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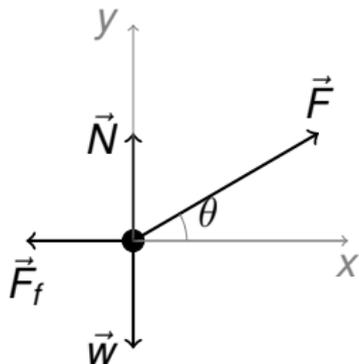


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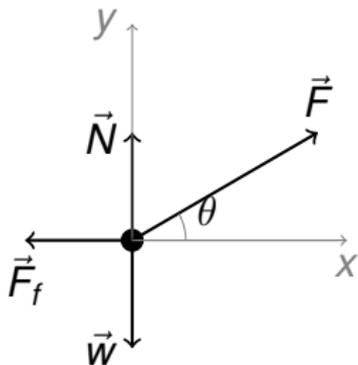


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- The total work done on the mass is:

$$W_T = F\Delta x \cos \theta - \mu_k mg\Delta x = (F \cos \theta - \mu_k mg)\Delta x$$

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None. The force you apply to the book,  $\vec{F}$ , is vertical, the displacement of the book,  $\Delta\vec{r}$  is horizontal. Hence  $W = \vec{F} \cdot \Delta\vec{r} = F\Delta r \cos \frac{\pi}{2} = 0$

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Since the book is accelerating, You should be applying an additional horizontal force with magnitude  $F = (1 \text{ kg})(0.1 \text{ m/sec}^2) = 0.1 \text{ N}$ . The horizontal distance covered in the  $x$  direction during 5 sec is  $\Delta x = \frac{1}{2}at^2 = \frac{1}{2}(0.1 \text{ m/s}^2)(5 \text{ s})^2 = 2.5 \text{ m}$ . The force and the displacement are in the same direction, hence the work done on the book by you is  $W = (0.1 \text{ N})(2.5 \text{ m}) = 0.25 \text{ J}$

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If the upward direction is taken as the positive  $z$  direction, then the forces acting on the book are: The force of the hand:  $\vec{F}_h = mg\hat{z}$ ; the weight of the book:  $\vec{w} = -mg\hat{z}$ ; the displacement of the book:  $\Delta\vec{r} = \Delta x\hat{z}$  where  $\Delta x = 3$  m. The work done by these forces are:

$$W_h = \vec{F}_h \cdot \Delta\vec{r} = mh\Delta x \quad (92)$$

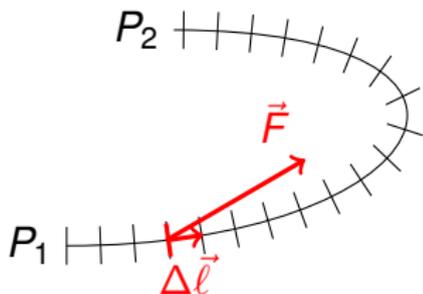
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If you are just holding your book, but not doing anything else, you are not doing any work. Why do you get tired if you are not doing any work?

# Work Done By a Variable Force



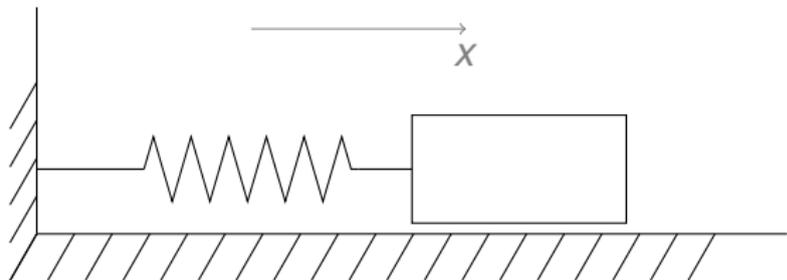
- Divide the path of the object into infinitesimal segments  $\Delta \vec{\ell}$
- Within each segment, the force is (almost) constant

$$\Delta W = \vec{F}(\vec{r}) \cdot \Delta \vec{\ell}$$

- The total work is the sum of all  $\Delta W$  in the limit  $|\Delta \vec{\ell}| \rightarrow 0$

$$W = \int_{P_i}^{P_f} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{\ell}$$

# Work Done By a Spring

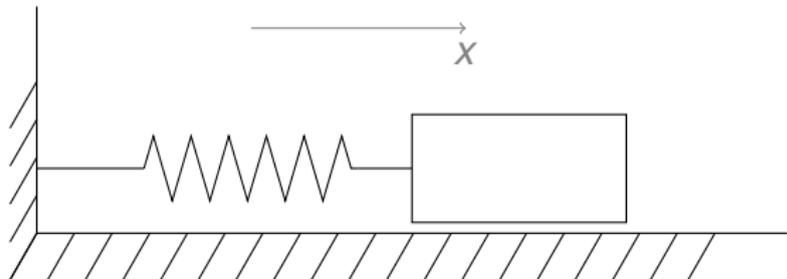


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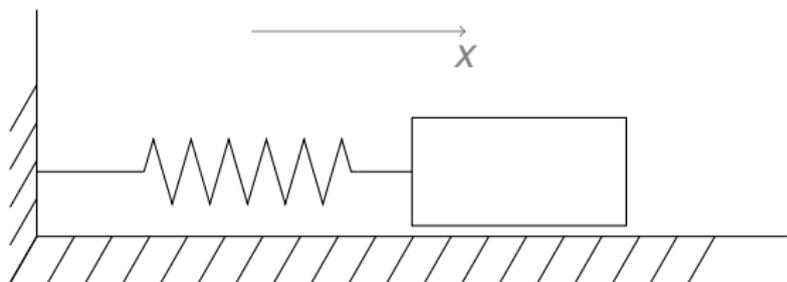
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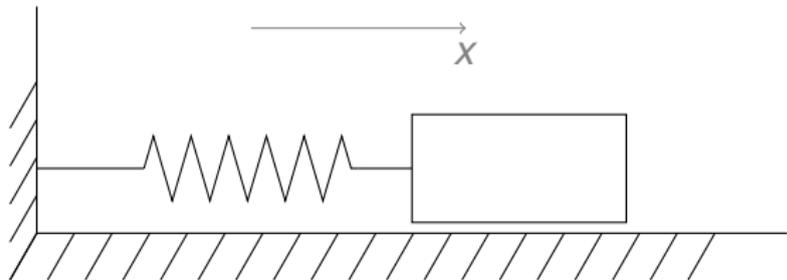
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- If a force  $\vec{F}_{ext}$  is applied to displace the mass with zero acceleration, then  $\vec{F}_{ext} = -\vec{F}$  and hence

$$W_{ext} = -W_s = \frac{1}{2}kL^2$$

# Kinetic Energy and Work-Energy Principle

- In the previous exercise, assume that at time  $t$ , the mass is at position  $x$ , with velocity  $\vec{v}_i = v_i \hat{x}$ . Its acceleration is  $-kx/m$ .
- In time  $dt$ , it will be displaced by  $\delta x = \frac{v_i + v_f}{2} dt$ . Its new speed will be  $v_f = v_i - kx/mdt$
- The work done on the mass is

$$dW = -kx dx = -kx \frac{v_i + v_f}{2} dt = kx \frac{v_i + v_f}{2} \frac{m}{kx} (v_f - v_i) \quad (92)$$

$$= \frac{m}{2} v_f^2 - \frac{m}{2} v_i^2 = d \left( \frac{1}{2} m v^2 \right) \implies W = \Delta \left( \frac{1}{2} m v^2 \right) \quad (93)$$

- $\frac{1}{2} m v^2$  is defined as the kinetic energy of the particle
- The work done on a mass is equal to the change in its kinetic energy.

# General Derivation of Work-Energy Principle

- Definition of Work, and Newton's second Law (note that  $\vec{F}$  is the total force):

$$W = \int \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{\ell} = \int m\vec{a} \cdot d\vec{\ell} \quad (94)$$

- $d\vec{\ell}$  is the displacement of object (in a time  $dt$ ), hence  $d\vec{\ell} = \vec{v}dt$ :

$$= \int m \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \cdot \frac{d\vec{\ell}}{dt} dt = \int m \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt} \cdot \vec{v} dt \quad (95)$$

- Simplifying:

$$= \int \frac{d}{dt} \left( \frac{1}{2} m \vec{v}^2 \right) dt = \int d \left( \frac{1}{2} m \vec{v}^2 \right) = \Delta \left( \frac{1}{2} m \vec{v}^2 \right) \quad (96)$$