

# Work-Energy for Particle Systems

## Lecture 37

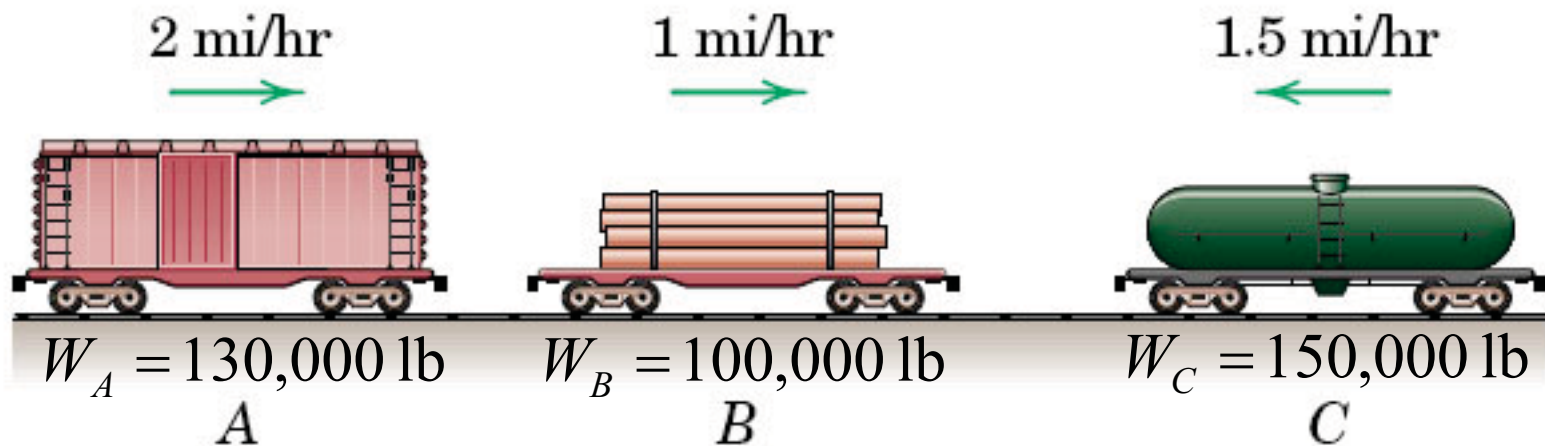
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**ME 231: Dynamics**

## Question of the Day

Three freight cars with **weights** and **velocities** shown impact each other and become coupled together with a common **velocity**  $v = 0.355 \text{ mph}$ .

Determine the percentage loss of **energy** due to coupling.



## Outline for Today

- Question of the day
- Work-energy relation for systems
- Kinetic energy expression for systems
- Conservation of energy
- Answer your questions!

## Recall: Principle of Work and Kinetic Energy

- The **kinetic energy**  $T$  of a particle is  $T = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$
- **Work** done to bring a particle from **velocity**  $v_1$  to a **velocity**  $v_2$

$$U_{1-2} = \frac{1}{2}m(v_2^2 - v_1^2)$$

$$U_{1-2} = T_2 - T_1 = \Delta T \quad (\text{work-energy eq.})$$

$$T_1 + U_{1-2} = T_2$$

## Work-Energy Relation for Particle Systems: $\Sigma i$

All gravitational and elastic forces are doing work!

- The **kinetic energy**  $T$  of a particle system is

$$\Sigma T_i = \Sigma \frac{1}{2} m_i v_i^2$$

- Work** done to bring a particle system from **kinetic energy**  $T_1$  to a **kinetic energy**  $T_2$

$$\Sigma(U_{1-2})_i = \Sigma \Delta T_i$$

$$\Sigma(T_1)_i + \Sigma(U_{1-2})_i = \Sigma(T_2)_i$$

## Recall: Work-Energy Equation

- The **work** of all external forces *other than* gravitational and spring forces is  $U'_{1-2}$

$$U'_{1-2} = \Delta T + \Delta V \quad (\text{work-energy eq.})$$

$$T_1 + V_1 + U'_{1-2} = T_2 + V_2$$

## Work-Energy Relation for Particle Systems: $\Sigma i$ System includes gravitational and elastic members!

- The **work** of all external forces *other than* gravitational and spring forces is  $\Sigma(U'_{1-2})_i$

$$\Sigma(U'_{1-2})_i = \Sigma\Delta T_i + \Sigma\Delta V_i$$

$$\Sigma(T_1)_i + \Sigma(V_1)_i + \Sigma(U'_{1-2})_i = \Sigma(T_2)_i + \Sigma(V_2)_i$$

# Kinetic Energy Expression for Systems

$$\Sigma T_i = \Sigma \frac{1}{2} m_i v_i^2$$

$$\mathbf{v}_i = \bar{\mathbf{v}} + \dot{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_i$$

$$\Sigma T_i = \Sigma \frac{1}{2} m_i \mathbf{v}_i \cdot \mathbf{v}_i = \Sigma \frac{1}{2} m_i (\bar{\mathbf{v}} + \dot{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_i) \cdot (\bar{\mathbf{v}} + \dot{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_i)$$

$$\Sigma T_i = \Sigma \frac{1}{2} m_i \bar{v}^2 + \Sigma \frac{1}{2} m_i |\dot{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_i|^2 + \Sigma m_i \bar{\mathbf{v}} \cdot \dot{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_i$$

$$\Sigma T_i = \frac{1}{2} m \bar{v}^2 + \Sigma \frac{1}{2} m_i |\dot{\boldsymbol{\rho}}_i|^2$$



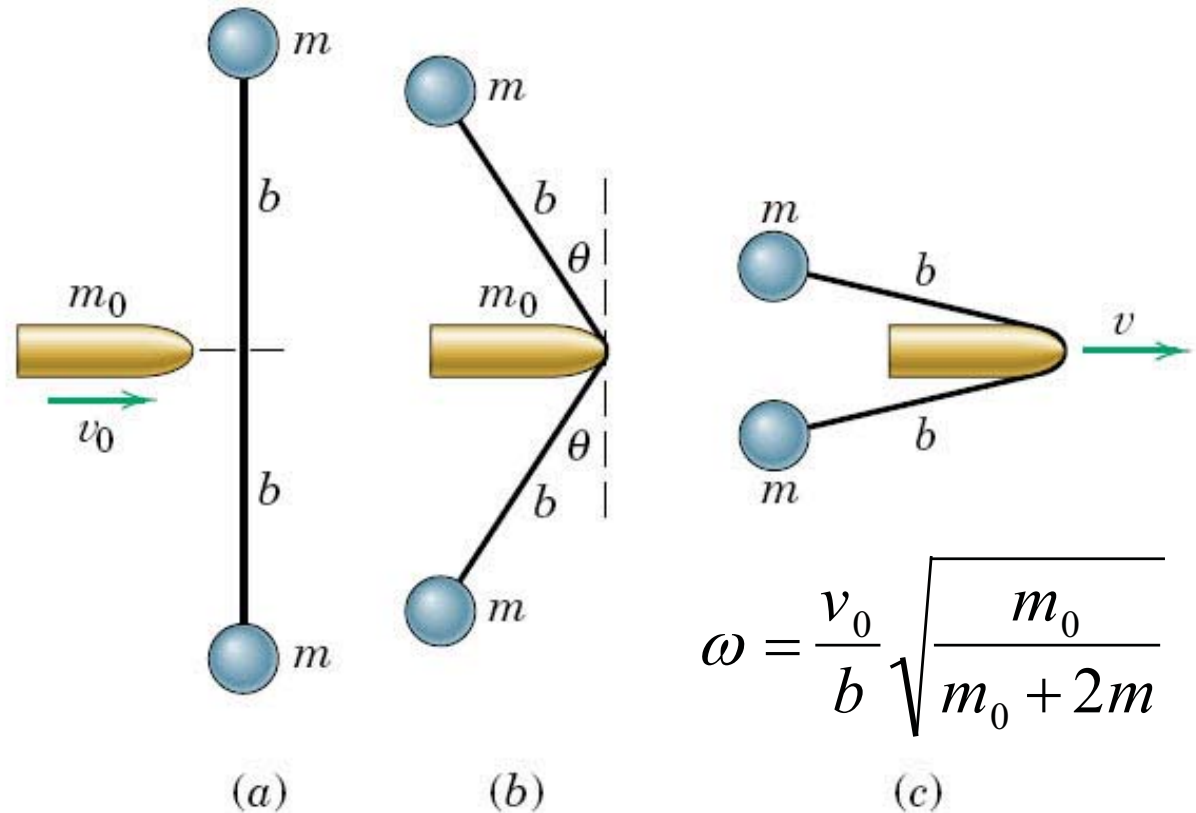
# Conservation of Energy for Particle Systems

$$\Sigma \Delta T_i + \Sigma \Delta V_i = 0$$

$$\Sigma (T_1)_i + \Sigma (V_1)_i = \Sigma (T_2)_i + \Sigma (V_2)_i$$

- A ***conservative system*** does not lose energy by virtue of ***internal friction*** or ***inelastic members*** which dissipate energy
- If ***no work*** is done on a ***conservative system***, the total ***energy*** is ***constant*** (***law of conservation of dynamical energy***)

## Work-Energy: Exercise 1



Two spheres connected by a cord are initially at rest on a horizontal surface and a projectile hits the middle of the cord.

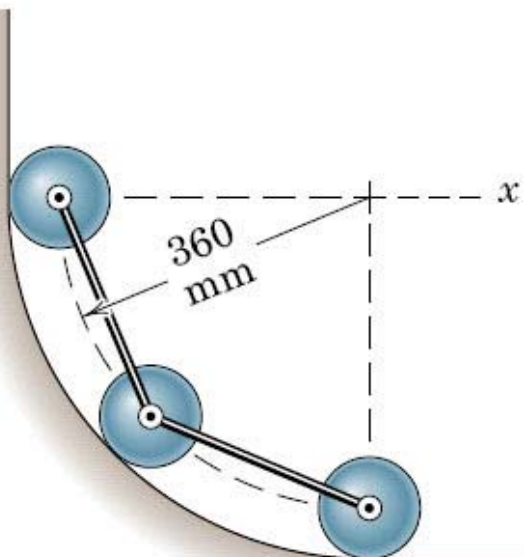
Determine the **velocity  $v$**  when  $\theta$  approaches  **$90^\circ$** .

## Work-Energy: Exercise 2

Three steel balls, each of **mass 2.75 kg**, are connected by hinged links of negligible mass. They are released from rest in the position shown and slide down the quarter-circular guide.

When all spheres reach the bottom, their **velocity** is **1.56 m/s**.

Determine the **energy loss** due to friction.



## For Next Time...

- Read Chapter 4, Section 4.3
- Read Chapter 8, Section 8.1
  
- SAIS response rate = 89% (58 of 65)