

# HW C

## HW 1

- (1) Energy Conservation:  $E_k + E_p + E_L = \text{Const}$
- $\downarrow$  kinetic     $\downarrow$  potential     $\downarrow$  loss
- This amount is determined by the initial state.  
 In the beginning, the coaster was at rest at 35 m high.  
 Therefore  $\text{Const} = mgh$  ( $h=35$ )

$$mg(35) = E_k + E_p + E_L$$

The highest  $E_p$  is achieved when  $E_k=0$  and  $E_L=0$ .  
 Therefore the highest height is 35 m.

- (2) Energy at "Start"  
 $E = E_p = mgh$  ( $h=35$ )

Energy at "Finish"  
 $E = E_p + E_k = mgh' + \frac{1}{2}mv^2$

By E. conservation.

$$mgh = mgh' + \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2}mv^2 = 2mgh - 2mgh'$$

$$\therefore v^2 = 2g(h-h') \Rightarrow \text{does not depend on the mass } m$$

- (3) They arrive at the same time!  
Without friction.

If you drop two diff masses from the same height, which one reaches the bottom first?

- (4) Energy Conservation

$$mgh = E_L + mgh'$$

$E_L$  is positive. Therefore  $mgh' = mgh - E_L \rightarrow h' = h - \frac{E_L}{mg}$ .

Therefore the finish height has to be lower than the  $h'$  above.

If the height is higher, the coaster can not reach the finish!

The properly elevated finish will make the coaster approach the finish with not too high speed!

## HW2

For (A), we do not have to worry about pot. energy.  $h=0$ .

Before and after collision the speed remains the same. Therefore, the kinetic energy before and after collision are the same  $\Rightarrow$  no loss!

## HW3

Only mechanical energy = kinetic energy =  $\frac{1}{2}mv^2$ .

$v$  should remain const. Const. speed motion forever 

## HW4

Now consider friction (loss energy).

$$E_k + E_L = \text{const.}$$

The block will slow down and eventually stop. At this point, the initial kinetic energy is totally lost through friction.

$$E_L = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

$\downarrow$  This is ~~no~~ negative work done by friction  $f$ .

Therefore,  $W = f \cdot d$

$$f \cdot d = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \quad f \cdot 10 = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 2 \cdot (0.1)^2 \Rightarrow \underline{f = 0.001 \text{ N}}$$

## HW5

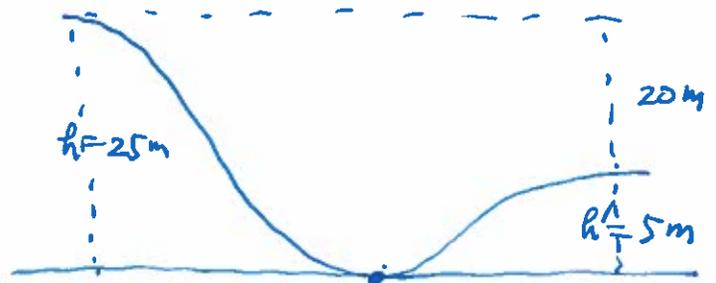
$$E_p = mgh : \text{Start}$$

$$E_p = mgh', E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 : \text{Finish}$$

$$E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2, E_p = 0 : \text{Lowest}$$

$$\therefore mgh = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

$$\therefore v^2 = \sqrt{2gh} = \sqrt{500} \approx 22.4 \text{ m/s}$$



### HW6

They should have the same speed as far as no energy is lost through friction.

$$mgh = mgh' + \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

$$\therefore v^2 = 2g(h-h') = \underline{2} \cdot \underline{10} \cdot 20 = 400$$

$$\therefore v = 20 \text{ m/s}$$

### HW7

$$mgh = mgh' + \frac{1}{2}mv^2 + E_L$$

Now we have loss.

$$E_L = mg(h-h') - \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

$$= 500 \cdot 10 \cdot (25 - 5) - \frac{1}{2} \cdot 500 \cdot 1^2$$

$$= 100,000 - 250 = 99,750 \text{ (J)}$$