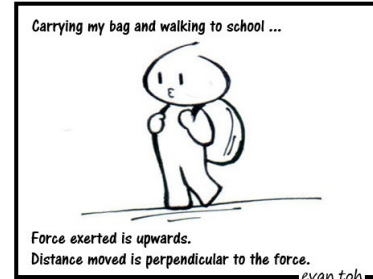
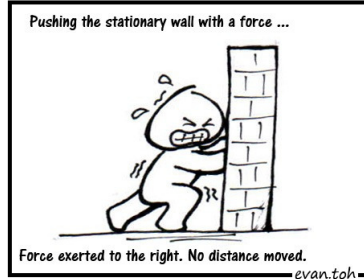
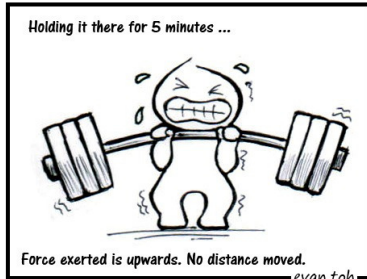


# PHYS 210 - General Physics I



- Base Groups
- Work
- Work – energy theorem

## FAIR REPRESENTATION

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How a Mathematical Mistake  
Changed a Presidential Election



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4:00 – 5:00 PM

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EVERYONE is welcome!  
ALL MAJORS, ALL YEARS  
Snack Provided



# Base Groups!

- BGDG – What is your favorite thing to do over long holiday breaks? What's the most exciting thing you will do before the year is over?
- BGWS
- Last RQ!



- ✕ The **Work** done by a conservative force is independent of the path taken; it depends only on the beginning & end points. So, the work done on a closed path is zero.
- ✕ Such forces can be written in terms of a potential energy function, **U**, such that

$$\Delta U = -W = -\int_{x_o}^x F(x)dx$$

## IN GENERAL, WORK IS PATH DEPENDENT

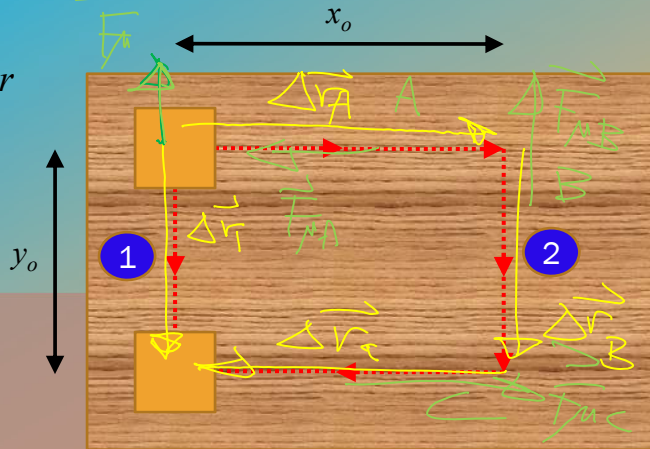
E.g., the force of friction is non-conservative

Bird's-eye view of sliding a block on a table along two different paths:

$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \Delta \vec{r} = -\mu_k N \Delta r = -\mu_k mg \Delta r$$

$$W_1 \neq W_2$$

(work done by frictional force)



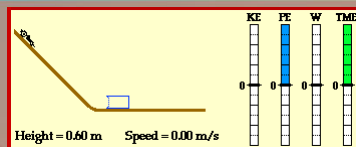
## Work – Kinetic Energy Theorem

The work done by the NET FORCE on an object equals the change in kinetic energy

$$W_{net} = \Delta K = K_f - K_i$$

where

$$\Delta K = K_f - K_i \quad \text{and} \quad W_{net} = \sum_i W_i$$



### Example:

A cave rescue team lifts an injured spelunker directly upward and out of a sinkhole by means of a motor-driven cable. The lift is performed in three stages, each requiring a vertical distance of 10.0 meters:

- (a) the initially stationary spelunker is accelerated to a speed of 5.00 m/s,
- (b) she is then lifted at the constant speed of 5.00 m/s,
- (c) finally, she is decelerated to zero speed.

How much work is done on the 80.0 kg rescuee by the force lifting her during each stage?

Last seminar of the year! Go!