

(d) When the block loses contact with the platform, its acceleration is g . So the condition for the platform is $a=g$. This simply means when the spring comes back to the its original length.

Energy conservation:

$$\frac{1}{2}kx_0^2 + \frac{1}{2}(m+m')v'^2 = (m+m')gx_0 + \frac{1}{2}(m+m')v''^2$$

Kinetic energy of block: $E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv''^2 = 1.23 \text{ J}$

(e) Energy conservation:

$$E_k + mgx_0 = mgh' \Rightarrow h' = 0.549 \text{ m}$$

(f) Thermal energy:

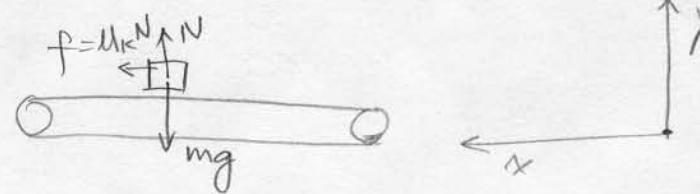
$$\frac{1}{2}mv^2 - \frac{1}{2}(m+m')v'^2 = 0.876 \text{ J}$$

The rest of the initial potential energy will change to kinetic energy of the platform periodically.

The platform will oscillating up and down.

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(a)

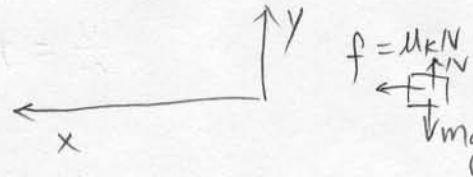


$$\begin{cases} N = mg \\ f = \mu_k N \end{cases} \Rightarrow f = \mu_k mg \quad a = \frac{f}{m} = \mu_k g$$

$$W = \int \vec{f} \cdot d\vec{s} = f \cdot s = f \cdot \frac{1}{2}at^2 = f \cdot \frac{1}{2}a(\frac{v}{a})^2 = f \cdot \frac{v^2}{2a} = \frac{mv^2}{2} = \frac{3.5 \times 10.75}{2} = 0.98 \text{ J}$$

The work done by friction is positive.

(b)



In this coordinate, the package has initial velocity v in the $-x$ direction.

$$W = \int \vec{f} \cdot d\vec{s} = -f \cdot s = -\frac{mv^2}{2} = -0.98 \text{ J}$$

The work done by friction is negative.

(c) Part (a). The energy will transfer to thermal energy through friction