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In[* ]:= Clear[d, t, v0, vf, a, m, g,  $\mu$ k, Fme,  $\theta$ , Fn, fk, Wme, Wg, Wn, Wfr, Wnet, Ki, Kf]
```

What is the work done by me?

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In[* ]:= Wme = Fme * d * Cos[ $\theta$ ]
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Out[* ]:= d Fme Cos[ $\theta$ ]
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We need to figure out the force. Use Newton's 2nd law $\Sigma F = ma$. First, find the acceleration, and then

break Newton's second law into components.

What is the acceleration?

```
In[*]:= d = Quantity[2.0, "Meters"]; t = Quantity[8.0, "Seconds"];
v0 = Quantity[0, "Meters"/"Seconds"];
a = a /. Solve[d == v0 t + (1/2) a t^2, a][[1]]
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Out[*]:= 0.0625 m/s^2
```

What is the Force?

X-components:

```
In[*]:= xeq = Fme Cos[θ] - fk == m a
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Out[*]:= -fk + Fme Cos[θ] == m (0.0625 m/s^2)
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In[*]:= fk = μk Fn;
```

Y - Components

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In[*]:= yeq = Fn - m g + Fme Sin[θ] == 0
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Out[*]:= Fn - m g + Fme Sin[θ] == 0
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In[*]:= m = Quantity[5.0, "Kilograms"]; g = Quantity[9.8, "Meters"/"Seconds"^2];
μk = 0.3; θ = -30°;
```

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In[*]:= Solve[{xeq, yeq}, {Fn, Fme}]
```

```
Out[*]:= {{Fn -> 59.4832 N, Fme -> 20.9664 N}}
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```
In[*]:= {Fn, Fme} = {Fn, Fme} /. %[[1]]
```

```
Out[*]:= {59.4832 N, 20.9664 N}
```

Work done by various forces:

```
In[*]:= Wme = UnitConvert[Fme d Cos[θ], "Joules"]
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```
Out[*]:= 36.3149 J
```

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In[*]:= Wg = m g d Cos[90°]
```

```
Out[*]:= 0. kg m^2/s^2
```

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In[*]:= Wn = Fn d Cos[90°]
```

```
Out[*]:= 0. m N
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In[* ]:= Wfr = UnitConvert[ $\mu$ k Fn d Cos[180 °], "Joules"]
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Out[* ]= -35.6899 J
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In[* ]:= Wnet = Wme + Wg + Wn + Wfr
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Out[* ]= 0.625 J
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Kinetic Energies

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In[* ]:= Ki = (1 / 2) m v02
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Out[* ]= 0. kg m2/s2
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In[* ]:= Clear[vf]
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vf = vf /. Solve[vf2 == v02 + 2 a d && vf > 0, vf][[1]]
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Out[* ]= 0.5 m/s
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```
In[* ]:= Kf = UnitConvert[(1 / 2) m vf2, "Joules"]
```

```
Out[* ]= 0.625 J
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