

Exercise 2C

1 Work done = $\frac{\lambda x^2}{2l} = \frac{8 \times 0.4^2}{2 \times 0.6} = 1.07 \text{ J}$ (3 s.f.)

2 Work done = $\frac{\lambda x^2}{2l} = \frac{4 \times 0.2^2}{2 \times 0.8} = 0.1 \text{ J}$

3 Work done = $\frac{10 \times 0.6^2}{2 \times 1.2} - \frac{10 \times 0.3^2}{2 \times 1.2} = \frac{10}{2.4}(0.6^2 - 0.3^2) = \frac{10}{2.4} \times 0.9 \times 0.3 = 1.125 \text{ J}$

4 a $\frac{20}{2 \times 0.7}(0.2^2 - 0^2) = 0.571 \text{ J}$ (3 s.f.)

b $\frac{20}{2 \times 0.7}(0.3^2 - 0.1^2) = \frac{20}{1.4} \times 0.4 \times 0.2 = 1.14 \text{ J}$ (3 s.f.)

c $\frac{20}{2 \times 0.7}(0.7^2 - 0.5^2) = \frac{20}{1.4} \times 1.2 \times 0.2 = 3.43 \text{ J}$ (3 s.f.)

5 (\uparrow) $T = 2g$

$$\frac{10x}{1.2} = 2g$$

$$x = \frac{2.4g}{10} = 0.24g$$

$$\text{Energy stored} = \frac{10 \times (0.24g)^2}{2 \times 1.2} = 23.04\dots$$

Energy stored in the spring is 23 J (2 s.f.)

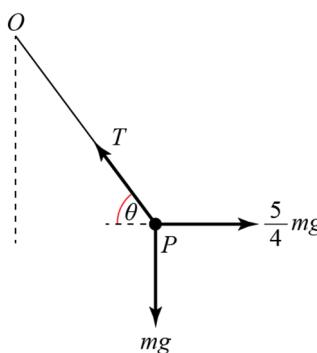
6 (\uparrow) $T = 2mg$

$$\frac{\lambda \times 2a}{a} = 2mg \Rightarrow \lambda = mg$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Energy stored} &= \frac{\lambda x^2}{2l} \\ &= \frac{mg(2a)^2}{2a} \\ &= 2mga \end{aligned}$$



7 a

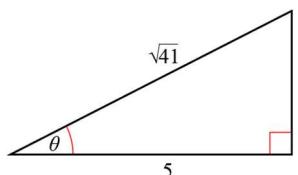


$$(\rightarrow) T \cos \theta = \frac{5mg}{4}$$

$$(\uparrow) T \sin \theta = mg$$

$$\text{So, } \frac{T \sin \theta}{T \cos \theta} = \tan \theta = \frac{mg}{5mg/4} = \frac{4}{5}$$

So, from the right-angled triangle:



$$\sin \theta = \frac{4}{\sqrt{41}} \text{ and } \cos \theta = \frac{5}{\sqrt{41}}$$

$$\text{So, } T = \frac{mg}{\sin \theta} = \frac{mg}{4/\sqrt{41}} = \frac{\sqrt{41}mg}{4}$$

The tension in the string is $\frac{\sqrt{41}mg}{4}$ N

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7 b Using Hooke's law, $T = \frac{2mgx}{a}$

$$\text{So } \frac{\sqrt{41}mg}{4} = \frac{2mgx}{a}$$

$$\text{and } x = \frac{\sqrt{41}}{8}a$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Elastic energy stored} &= \frac{\lambda x^2}{2l} \\ &= \frac{2mg}{2a} \left(\frac{41a^2}{64} \right) \\ &= \frac{41mga}{64}\end{aligned}$$

The elastic energy stored is $\frac{41mga}{64}$ J