

Conservation of Energy

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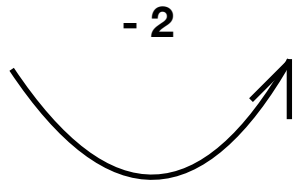
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Any object at a certain **height (h)** has a potential energy (PE). It does not matter if it is moving or not.

$$PE = m \times g \times h$$

Any object **moving** at a speed **V** has a kinetic energy (KE). It does not matter how height or low it is.

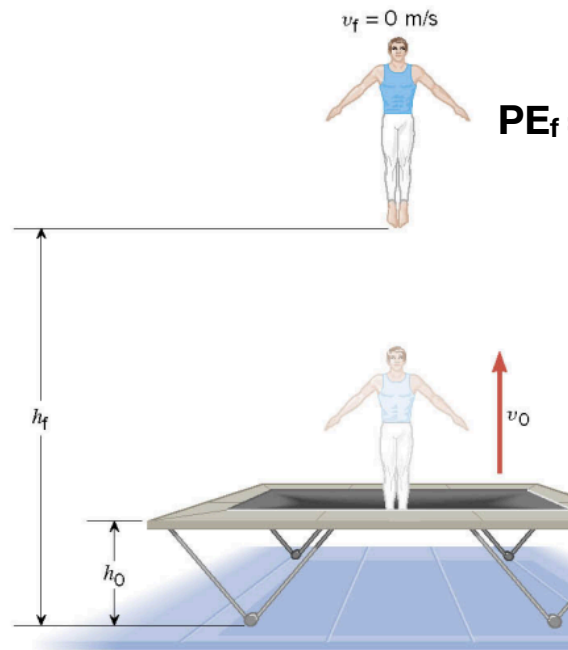
$$KE = 1/2 m V^2$$

Principle of conservation of energy:

Energy can neither be created nor destroyed, but can only be converted from one form to another.

$$E = KE + PE = \text{constant}$$

KE can be converted to PE. PE can be converted to KE.



$$PE_f = m \times g \times h_f \quad KE_f = \frac{1}{2} m V_f^2 = 0$$

$$\text{total } E_t = KE_f + PE_f$$

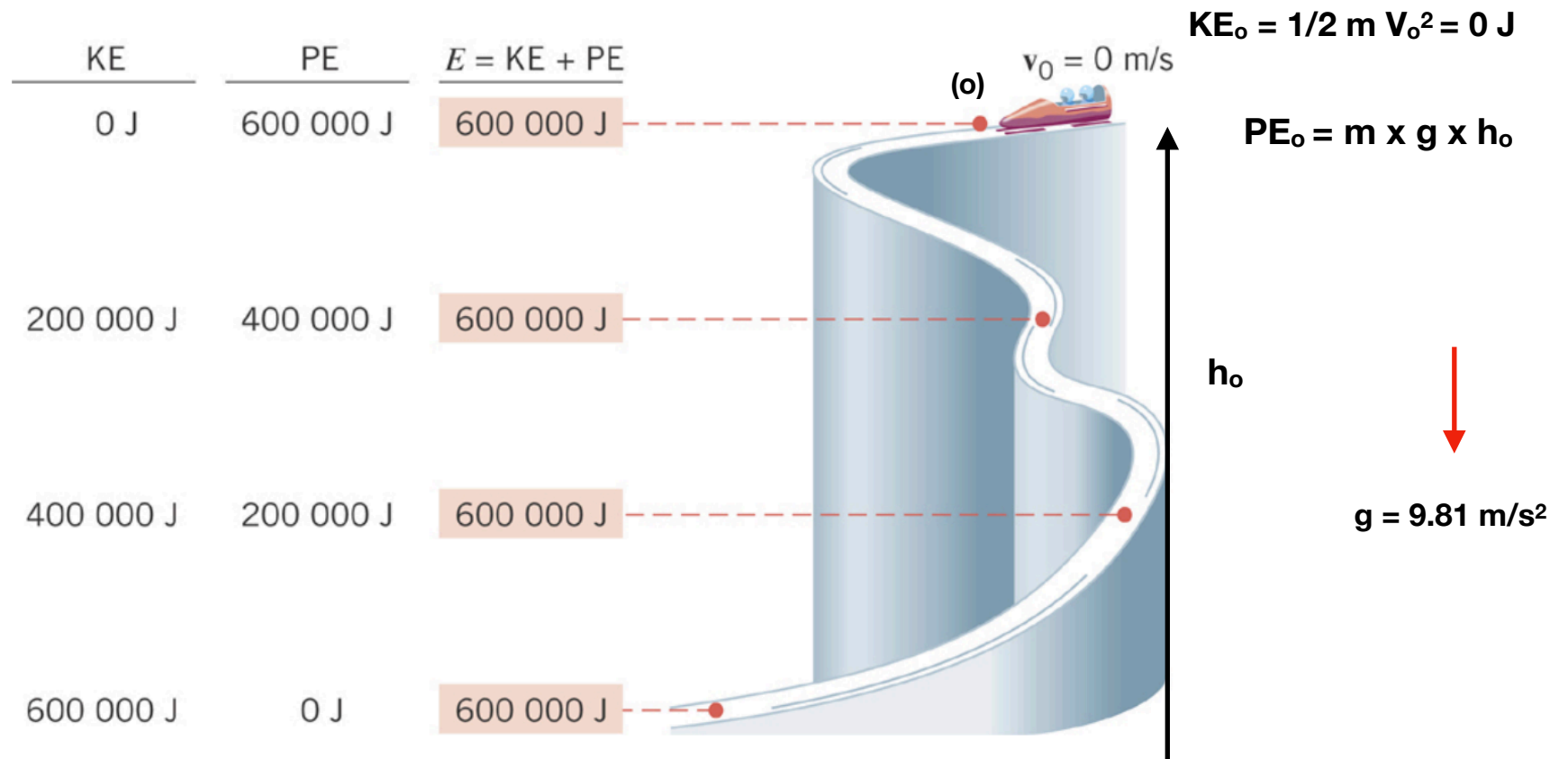
$$PE_o = m \times g \times h_o \quad KE_o = \frac{1}{2} m V_o^2$$

$$\text{total } E_t = KE_o + PE_o$$

The total mechanical energy of an object remains constant

Total energy in the initial position = Total energy in the final position

$$KE_o + PE_o = KE_f + PE_f$$

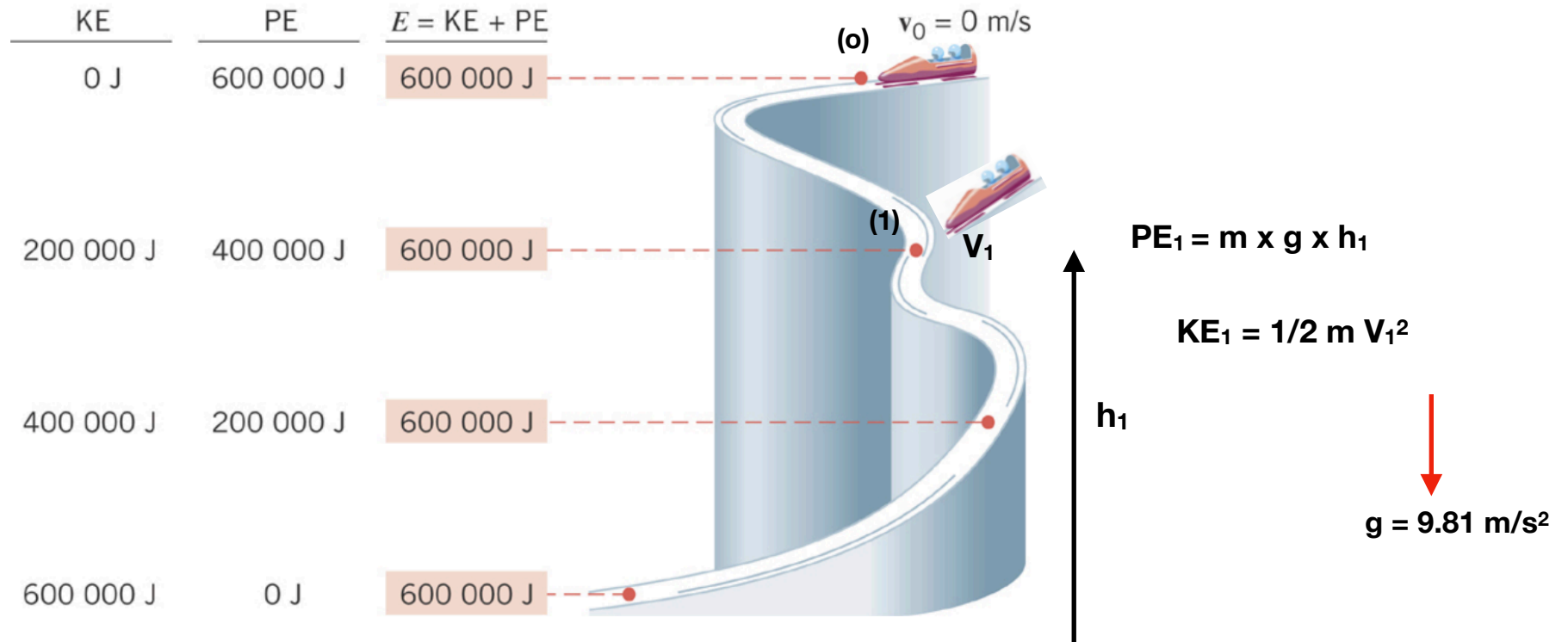


Point (o):

$$V = 0 \text{ m/s}, \quad KE_o = \frac{1}{2} m V^2 = \frac{1}{2} m \times 0 = 0 \text{ J}$$

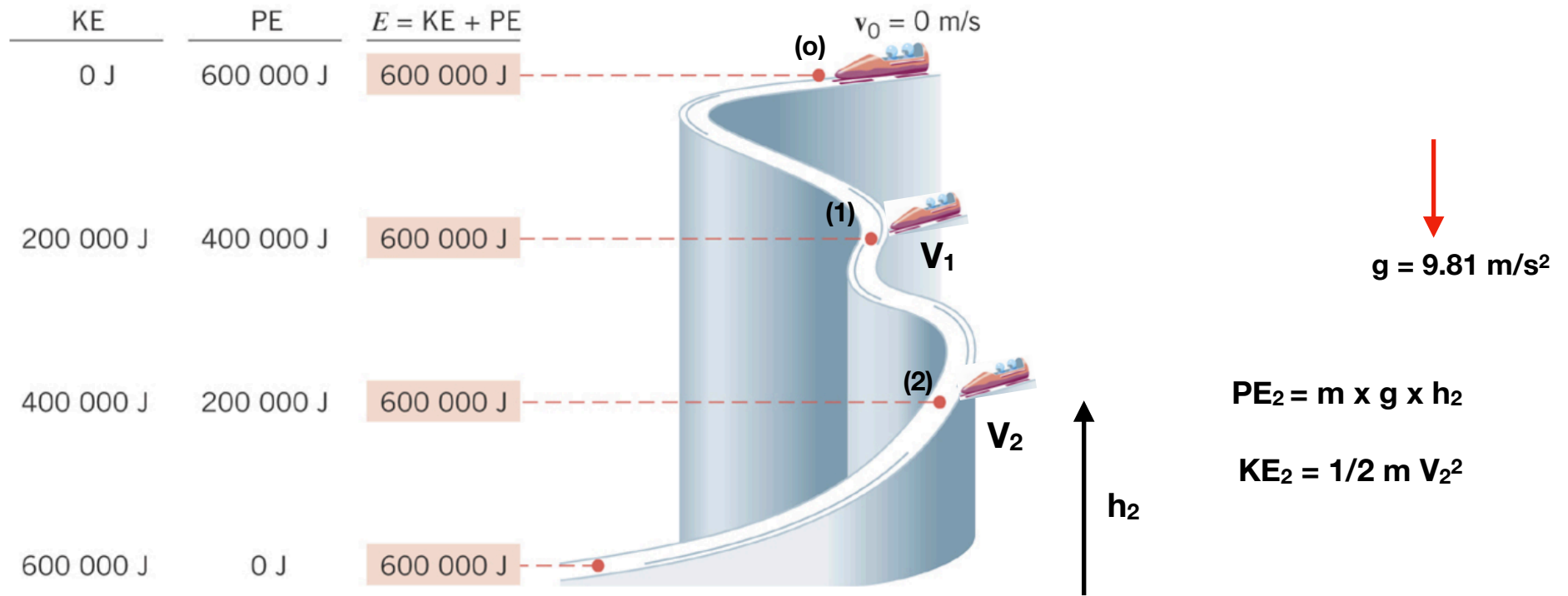
$$h_o \quad PE_o = m \times g \times h_o$$

$$E = KE_o + PE_o = 0 + PE_o = PE_o$$

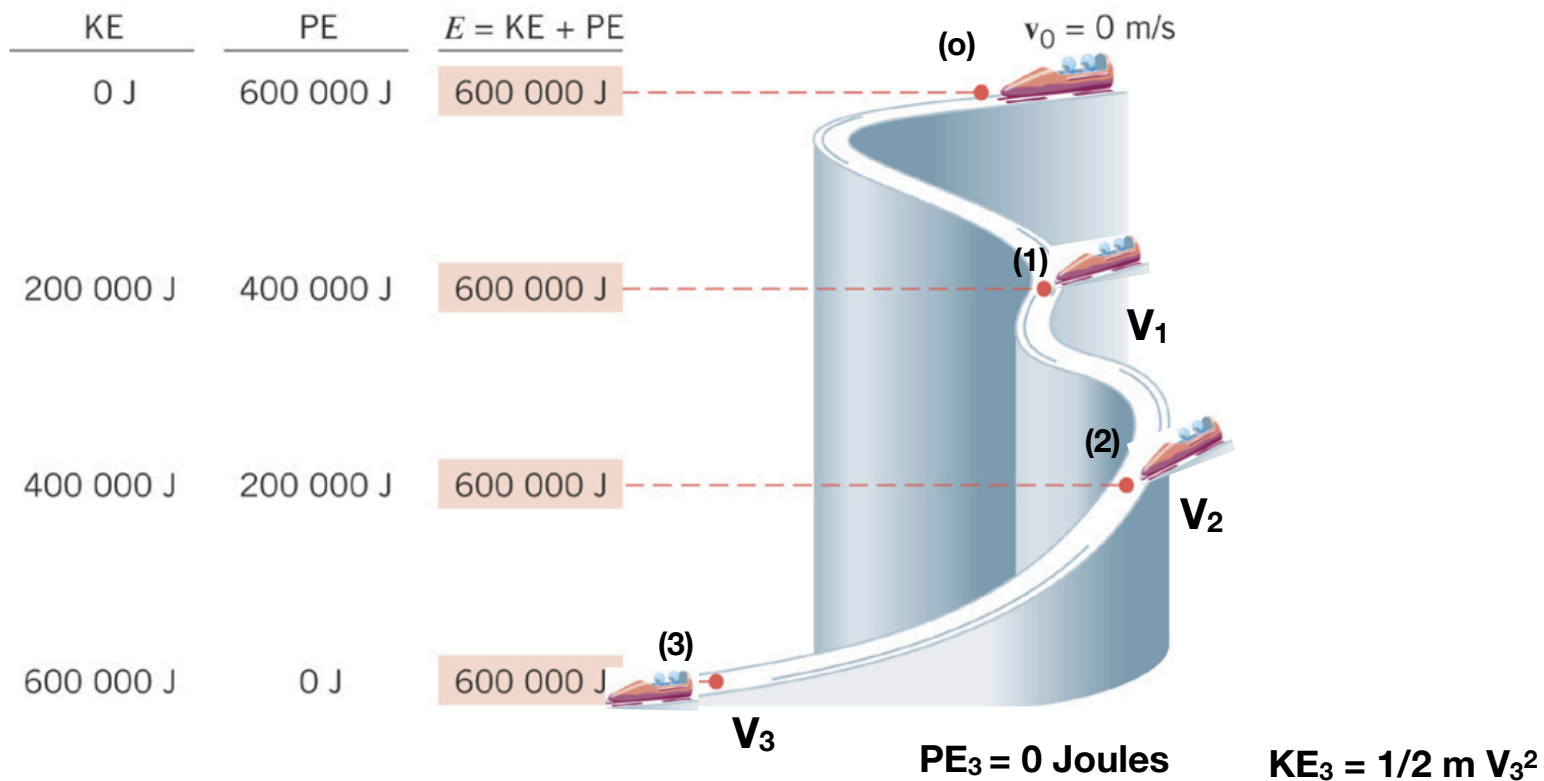


Position (1) : 200 J of PE is converted to KE;

Total E is the same: 600.000 Joules.

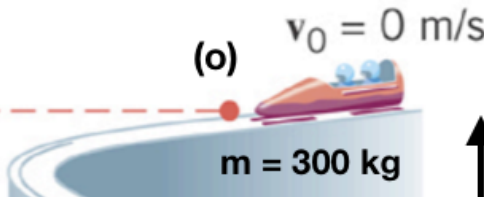


Position (2) : PE is converted to KE; Total E is the same: 600.000 Joules.



It is at the surface of the Earth. So, $PE = 0 \text{ Joules}$
 It is still moving. So there is KE.

KE	PE	$E = KE + PE$
0 J	600 000 J	600 000 J



Position (o):

KE = 0 Joules because $V_0 = 0$ m/s

PE = 600000 Joules

Mass of sled and people: $m = 300$ kg.

$g = 9.81$ m/s²

How high the sled is above the surface of earth: h_0 ?

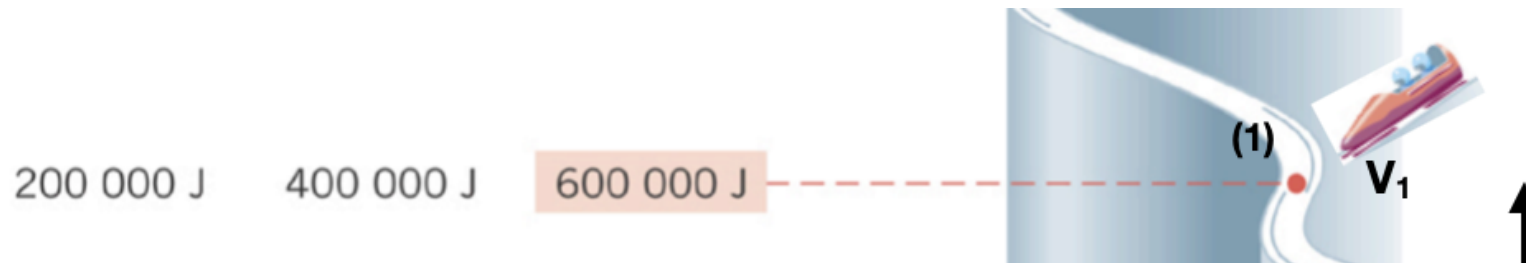
$$PE_0 = m \times g \times h_0$$

$$600000 = 300 \times 9.81 \times h_0$$

$$600000 = 2,943 \times h_o$$

$$\frac{600000}{2,943} = \frac{2,943}{2,943} \times h_o$$

$$205 \text{ m} = h_o$$



Position (1):

KE = 200000 Joules , $V_1 = ?$

PE = 400000 Joules , $h_1 = ?$

Mass of sled and people: $m = 300$ kg.

$$\mathbf{KE = 1/2 m V^2}$$

$$200000 = 1/2 \times 300 \times \mathbf{V^2}$$

$$200000 = 150 \mathbf{V^2}$$

$$\frac{200000}{150} = \frac{150}{150} V^2$$

$$1,333.33 = V^2$$

$$\sqrt{1,333.33} = \sqrt{V^2}$$

$$36.51 \text{ m/s} = V$$

$$36.51 \text{ m/s} = V_1$$

$$PE = 400000 \text{ Joules}, \quad m = 300 \text{ kg}, \quad g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$$
$$h_1 = ?$$

$$PE = m \times g \times h_1$$

$$400000 = 300 \times 9.81 \times h_1$$

$$400000 = 2,943 \times h_1$$

$$\frac{400000}{2,943} = \frac{2,943}{2,943} \times h_1$$

$$135.91 \text{ m} = h_1$$



Position (2):

KE = 400000 Joules , $V_2 = ?$

PE = 200000 Joules , $h_2 = ?$

Mass of sled and people: $m = 300$ kg.

$g = 9.81$ m/s²

$$\mathbf{KE = 1/2 m V^2}$$

$$400000 = 1/2 \times 300 \mathbf{V^2}$$

$$400000 = 150 \mathbf{V^2}$$

$$\frac{400000}{150} = \frac{150}{150} V^2$$

$$2,666.66 = V^2$$

$$\sqrt{2,666.66} = \sqrt{V^2}$$

$$51.63 \text{ m/s} = V$$

$$51.63 \text{ m/s} = V_2$$

$$\text{PE} = 200000 \text{ Joules}, \quad m = 300 \text{ kg}, \quad g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$$
$$h_2 = ?$$

$$\text{PE} = m \times g \times h_2$$

$$200000 = 300 \times 9.81 \times h_2$$

$$200000 = 2,943 \times h_2$$

$$\frac{200000}{2,943} = \frac{2,943}{2,943} \times h_2$$

$$67.9 \text{ m} = h_2$$



Position (3):

KE = 600000 Joules , $V_3 = ?$

PE = 0 Joules , $h_3 = 0$

Mass of sled and people: $m = 300$ kg.

$$\mathbf{KE = 1/2 m V^2}$$

$$600000 = 1/2 \times 300 V^2$$

$$600000 = 150 V^2$$

$$\frac{600000}{150} = \frac{150}{150} V^2$$

$$4000 = V^2$$

$$\sqrt{4000} = \sqrt{V^2}$$

$$63.24 \text{ m/s} = V$$

$$63.24 \text{ m/s} = V_3$$

$h_0 = 205 \text{ m}$

