

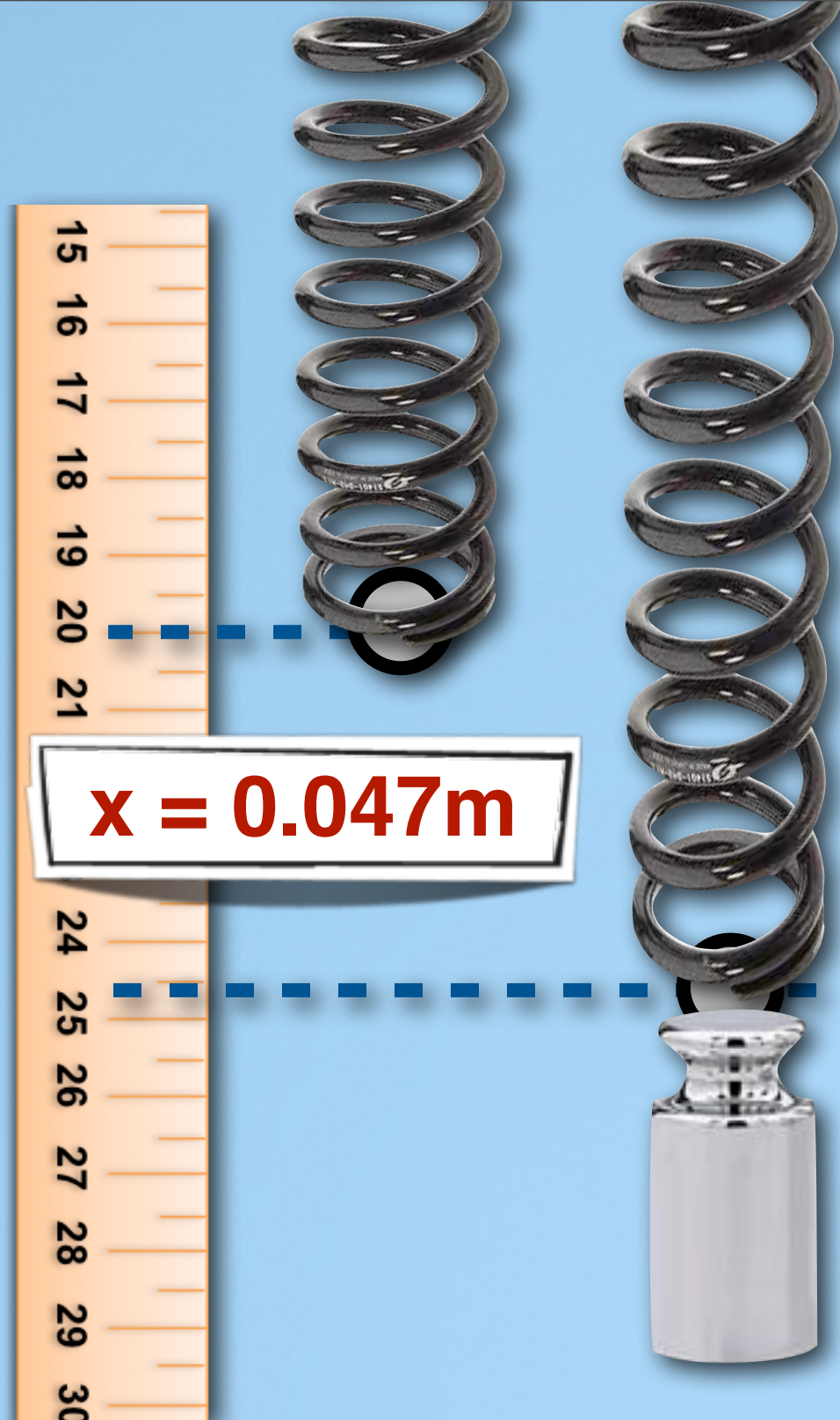
# HOOKE'S LAW



$$\mathbf{F} = (-) \mathbf{k} \mathbf{x}$$



- Force - required to stretch the spring, or restoring force. Often the weight (N)
- $k$  - Spring Constant - How “tight” the spring is. (N/m)
- $x$  - Stretch - a change in length (m)



$$x = 0.047\text{m}$$

$$\begin{aligned} w &= 0.35(9.8) \\ &= 3.43\text{N} \end{aligned}$$

## DIRECT CALCULATION

A 350g mass is placed on a 20cm spring causing it to stretch out to 24.7cm.

Find the spring constant of this spring.

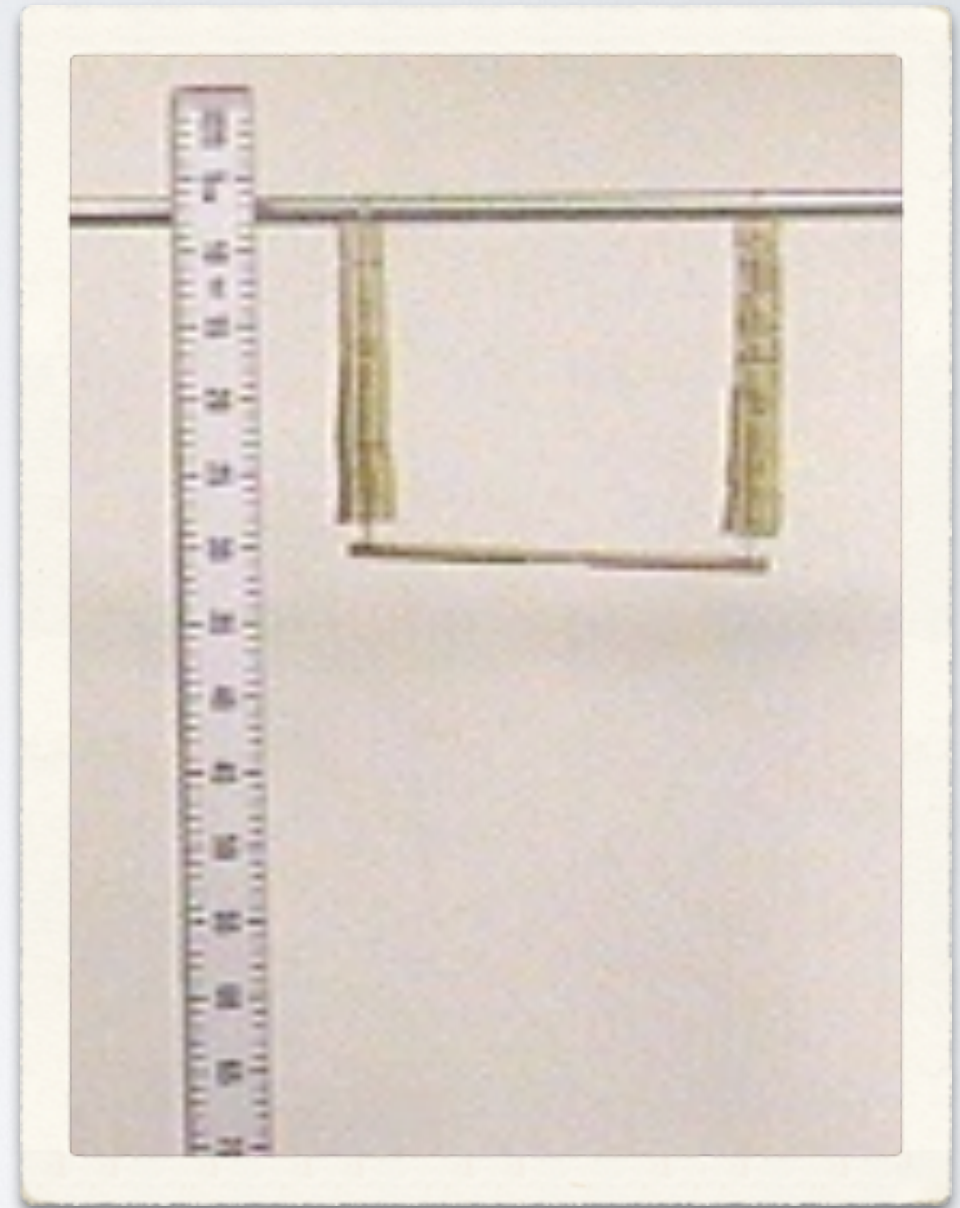
$$F = kx$$

$$3.43\text{N} = k (0.047\text{m})$$

$$k = 72.97 \text{ N/m}$$

# SPRINGS IN PARALLEL

- The same force is supported by two springs so neither has to stretch as far...
- ...or, it is harder to stretch two springs so the constant is increased
- $k = k_1 + k_2$



**$k_1=20$**  N/m



**$k_2=60$**  N/m



**$k_3=90$**  N/m



WHAT WOULD THE TOTAL  
CONSTANT BE IF....



$$60 + 20 = 80$$

# SPRINGS IN SERIES

- Both springs support the same amount of weight (not split in two like before)...
- or... it is easier to stretch
- $1/k = 1/k_1 + 1/k_2$



WHAT WOULD THE TOTAL  
CONSTANT BE IF....

**$k_1 = 20$**  N/m



**$k_2 = 60$**  N/m



**$k_3 = 90$**  N/m



$$\frac{1}{60} + \frac{1}{90} = \frac{1}{k_{\text{tot}}}$$

$$\text{type: } 60 (x^{-1}) + 90 (x^{-1}) =$$

$$\text{then: } (x^{-1}) =$$

$$k_{\text{tot}} = 36 \text{ N/m}$$

# HOOKE'S LAW LAB

**Which Spring:**

| # | Mass | Weight | Length |
|---|------|--------|--------|
| 1 |      |        |        |
| 2 |      |        |        |
| 3 |      |        |        |
| 4 |      |        |        |
| 5 |      |        |        |
| 6 |      |        |        |

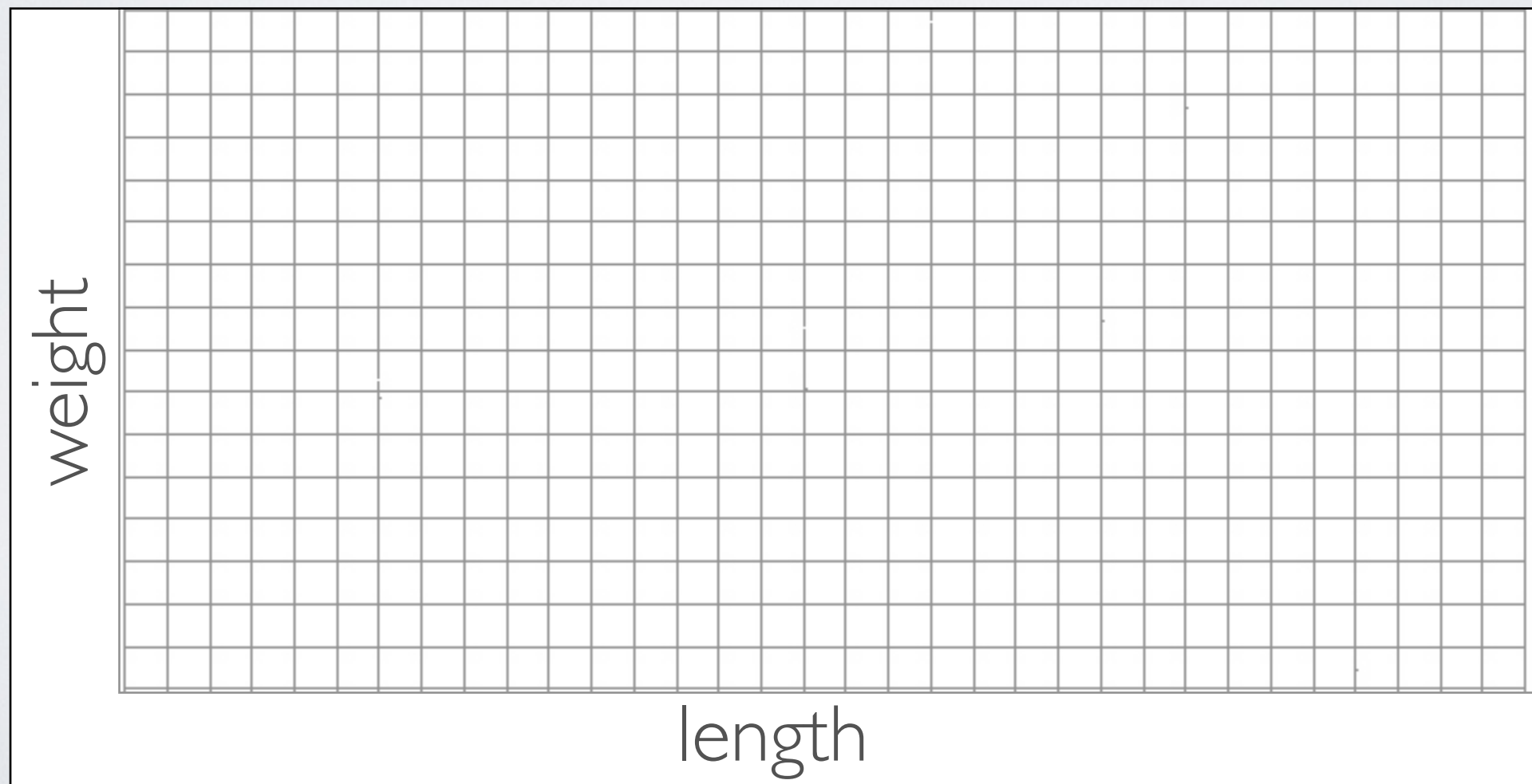


4 TRIALS; 2 SPRINGS,  
& SERIAL, & PARALLEL

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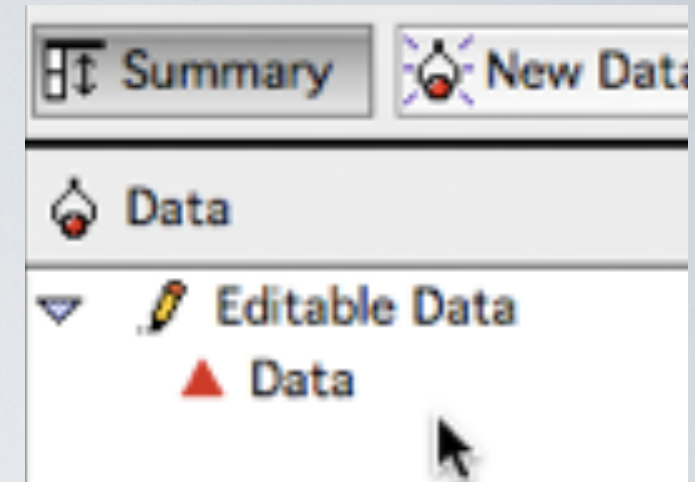
Pick 2 of your springs and graph your results. Place the weight on the y axis and the length on the x axis. Find the slope of each graph to find the spring constant.

$$k = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$



# SUBMIT YOUR WORK

- make your graph using **data studio**
- click on the **summary** button, then double click the **red triangle- Data** to edit your graph.
- under the **general** tab- replace **x** and **y** with *your* axis labels
- replace “**Data**” with *your* title
- press the **print screen** button on your keyboard
- Create a word doc with your names, tables & graphs, and k value results.
- Submit at hainepages.com under the **main** tab



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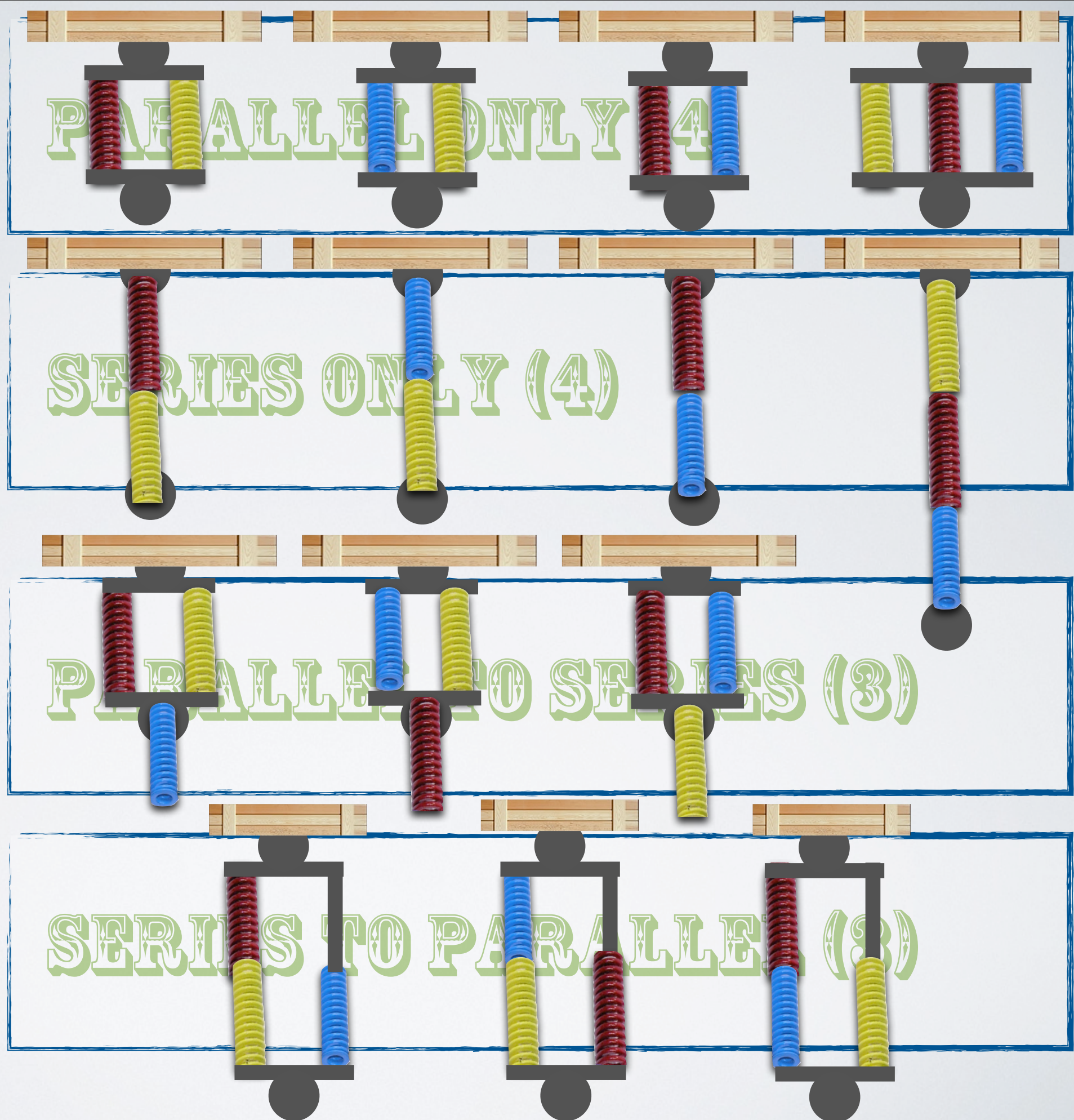
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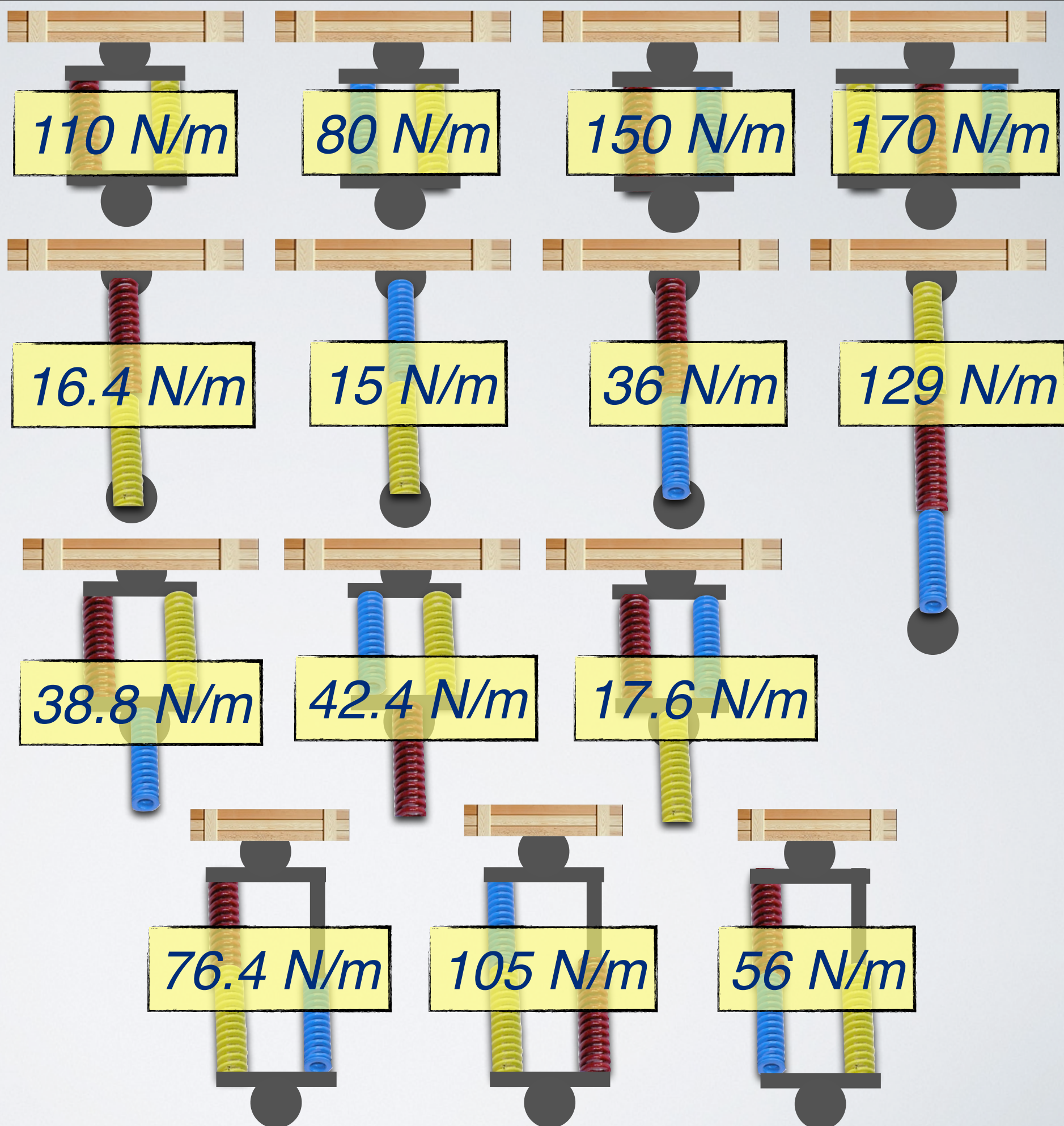
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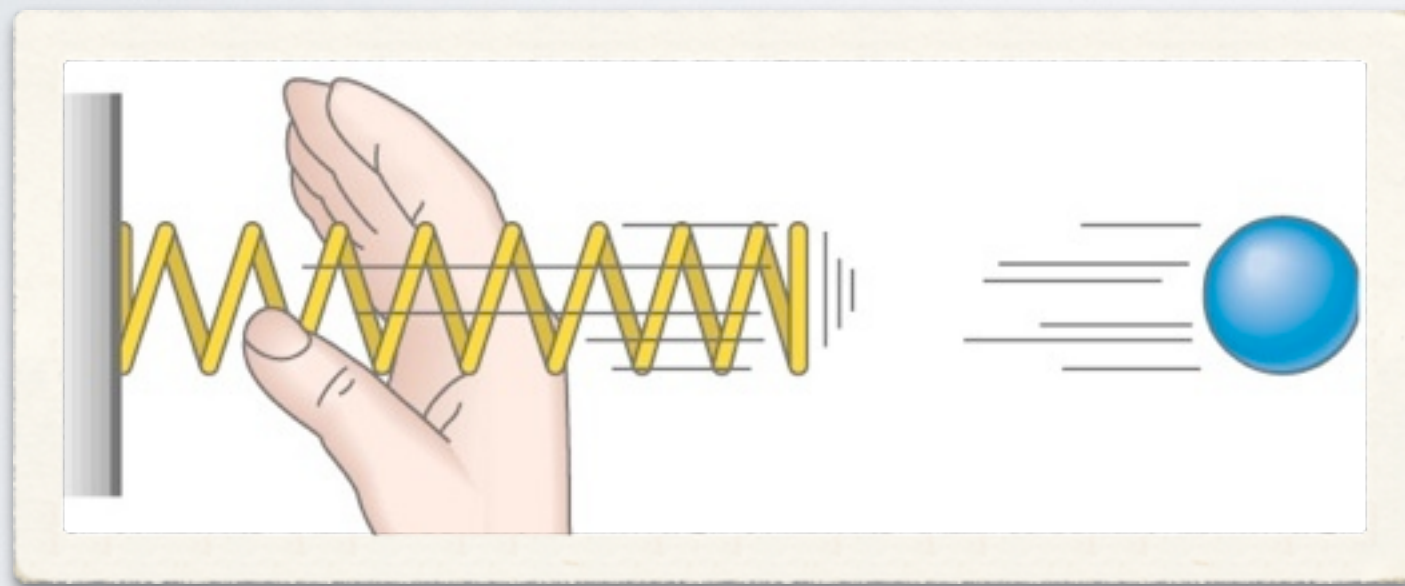
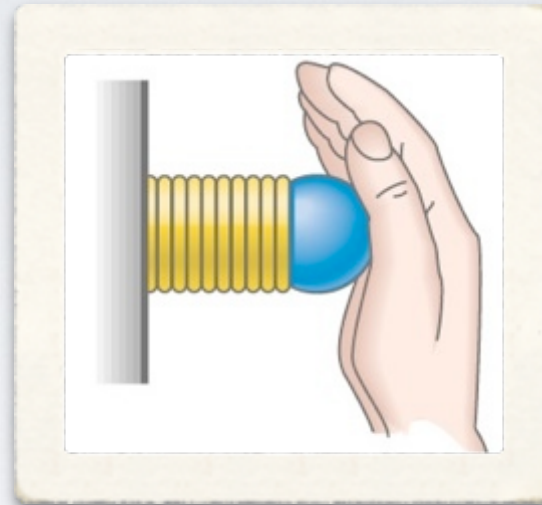
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**$k_3=90$**  N/m



# ELASTIC POTENTIAL ENERGY



- $W = FD$
- $F_{\text{avg}} = \frac{1}{2}kx$
- $W = (\frac{1}{2}kx)(x)$
- $W = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$
- $PE = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$