Answer on Question #72201-Physics-Other

A 8000-N car is traveling at 12m/s along a horizontal road when the brakes are applied. The car skids to a stop in 4.0 s. How much kinetic energy does the car lose in this time?

Solution

The weight of a car is

$$W = mg$$
.

The kinetic energy does the car lose in this time is

$$K = \frac{mv^2}{2} = \frac{Wv^2}{2g}$$

$$K = \frac{(8000)12^2}{2(9.8)} = 59 \, kJ.$$

Answer: 59 kJ.

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