

Physics Formula Sheet

Kinematics

1. $v = v_o + at$
(Final velocity = initial velocity + acceleration × time)
2. $x = v_o t + \frac{1}{2}at^2$
(Displacement = initial velocity × time + $\frac{1}{2}$ × acceleration × time²)
3. $v^2 = v_o^2 + 2ax$
(Final velocity² = initial velocity² + 2 × acceleration × displacement)

Free Fall Motion

1. $v = v_o - gt$
(Final velocity = initial velocity – acceleration × time)
2. $y = v_o t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$
(Displacement = initial velocity × time – $\frac{1}{2}$ × acceleration × time²)
3. $v^2 = v_o^2 - 2gy$
(Final velocity² = initial velocity² – 2 × acceleration × displacement)

Projectile Motion

Horizontal Motion

1. $v_{ox} = v_o \cos \theta$
(Initial horizontal velocity = initial velocity × cos of launch angle)
2. $v_x = v_{ox} = \text{constant}$
(Final hor. velocity = initial hor. velocity = constant)
3. $x = v_{ox} t$
(Horizontal velocity = initial hor. velocity × time)
4. $a_x = 0$
(Horizontal Acceleration = 0)
5. $R = \frac{v_o^2 \sin 2\theta}{g}$
(Range = (Initial velocity² × sin of twice launch angle ÷ gravitational accel)

Vertical Motion

1. $v_{oy} = v_o \sin \theta$
(Initial vertical velocity = initial velocity × sin of launch angle)

2. $v_y = v_{oy} - gt$
(Final vertical velocity = Initial vertical velocity – gravitational accel x time)
3. $y = v_{oy}t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$
(Final vertical displacement = initial velocity x time – $\frac{1}{2}$ x acceleration x time²)
4. $v_y^2 = v_{oy}^2 - 2gy$
(Final vertical velocity² = initial vertical velocity² – 2 x grav. acceleration x displ)

Dynamics (Newton's Laws)

1. Force: $F = ma$
(Force = mass x acceleration)
2. Weight: $W = mg$
(Weight = mass x gravitational acceleration)
3. For Incline surface: $W_x = W \sin \theta$
(Component of weight down incline = weight x sin of angle of incline)
 $W_y = W \cos \theta$
(Component of weight perp. to incline = weight x cos of angle of incline)
4. $f_{s \max} = \mu_s n$
(Maximum static friction = coefficient of static friction x normal force)
5. $f_{k \max} = \mu_k n$
(Maximum kinetic friction = coefficient of kinetic friction x normal force)

6. Centripetal force: $F = \frac{mv^2}{r}$
(Force = mass $\times$ velocity² / radius)

Work, Energy & Power

1. Work: $W = Fd$
(Work = force $\times$ displacement, assuming parallel)
2. Work: $W = Fd\cos\theta$
(Work = force $\times$ displacement $\times$ cos of angle between force and displacement)
3. Kinetic energy: $KE = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$
(KE = $\frac{1}{2}$ $\times$ mass $\times$ velocity²)
4. Work-Kinetic energy equation: $W = \Delta KE = KE_f - KE_i$
(Work = change in kinetic energy = final KE – initial KE)
5. Potential energy: $PE = mgy$
(PE = mass $\times$ gravity $\times$ height)
6. Power: $P = \frac{W}{t}$
(Power = work / time)

Momentum

1. $p = mv$
(Momentum = mass $\times$ velocity)
2. Impulse: Impulse: $J = F \times t$
(Impulse = force $\times$ time)
3. Impulse $J = \Delta p = p_f - p_i$
(Impulse = change in momentum = Final momentum – Initial momentum)
4. Conservation of momentum:
Total momentum before = total momentum after (for collisions or explosions)
5. Force: $F = \frac{\Delta p}{\Delta t}$
(Force = rate of change of momentum / time)