

Formula Sheet for Physics 132

$$\text{nano} = n = 10^{-9}$$

$$K = 8.99 \cdot 10^9 \frac{Nm^2}{C^2}$$

$$\text{elementary charge } e = 1.6 \times 10^{-19} C$$

$$\text{mass of an electron } m_e = 9.1 \times 10^{-31} kg,$$

$$q_{\text{electron}} = -e,$$

$$\text{mass of a proton } m_p = 1.67 \times 10^{-27} kg,$$

$$q_{\text{proton}} = e$$

$$\text{mass of a neutron } m_n = 1.68 \times 10^{-27} kg$$

$$\text{permittivity constant } \epsilon_0 = 8.85 \cdot 10^{-12} \frac{C^2}{Nm^2} =$$

$$8.85 \cdot 10^{-12} \frac{F}{m}, \text{ pronounced 'epsilon-naught'}$$

acceleration due to gravity on Earth's surface:

$$g = 9.8 \frac{m}{s^2}$$

Coulomb's

Law:

$$F_{1on2} = F_{2on1} = \frac{K|q_1||q_2|}{r^2}; \text{ the force is}$$

repulsive for like charges, attractive for unlike

charges

$$\text{Electric field } \vec{E} = \vec{F}_{onq}/q$$

$$\text{Electric field of a point charge: } \vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q}{r^2} \hat{r}$$

with the unit vector \hat{r} in the direction pointing

from the point charge to the location where

the electric field is calculated.

electric flux through a flat area A with constant

$$\text{electric field: } \Phi_e = \vec{E} \cdot \vec{A}$$

electric flux through a Gaussian surface:

$$\Phi_e = \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A}$$

$$\text{Gauss' Law: } \Phi_e = \frac{Q_{in}}{\epsilon_0}$$

electron current: i = rate of electron flow,

$$N_e = i\Delta t$$

conventional current I = rate of charge flow

$$= ei, Q = I\Delta t$$

current density $J = I/A = \sigma E = nev_d$ with

σ = conductivity

drift speed $v_d = \frac{e\tau}{m} E$, with τ mean time between collisions, m mass of charge carriers

$i = nAv_d$ where n is the electron density

conductivity $\sigma = \frac{ne^2\tau}{m}$

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electric potential energy of two point

$$\text{charges: } U = k \frac{q_1 q_2}{r}$$

change in electric potential energy of a point

charge inside a parallel plate capacitor: $\Delta U =$

$$-qE\Delta s$$

electric potential $V = U/q$

electric potential of a point charge q , a distance

$$r \text{ away: } V = k \frac{q}{r}$$

electric potential of a charge Q on a sphere of

radius R : same as the potential for a point

charge if $r \geq R$

$$\Delta V = V(s_f) - V(s_i) = - \int_{s_i}^{s_f} E_s ds$$

$$E_s = - \frac{dV}{ds}$$

loop rule $\Sigma(\Delta V)_i = 0$ for a closed path

$$\text{wires: } E_{\text{wire}} = \frac{\Delta V_{\text{wire}}}{L}$$

$$\text{current in a wire } I = \frac{\Delta V}{R} \text{ where } R = \frac{\rho L}{A} \text{ is}$$

the wire's resistance

$$\text{capacitors: capacitance } C = \frac{Q}{\Delta V}$$

$$\text{energy stored in a capacitor } U_C = \frac{1}{2} C (\Delta V_C)^2$$

$$\text{series capacitors: } \frac{1}{C_{eq}} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3} + \dots$$

$$\text{parallel capacitors } C_{eq} = C_1 + C_2 + C_3 + \dots$$

parallel plate capacitor: $C = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d}$

resistors:

current through a resistor with potential difference ΔV across the resistor: $I = \frac{\Delta V}{R}$

power dissipated $P = I\Delta V$

series connection: $R_{eq} = R_1 + R_2 + R_3 + \dots$

parallel connection:

$$\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3} + \dots$$

junction rule: the sum of the currents entering any junction must be equal to the sum of the currents leaving that junction.

loop rule: the algebraic sum of the changes in potential encountered in a complete traversal of any loop of a circuit must be zero.

RC circuits:

discharging the capacitor: resistance R and capacitance C in series

$$q = q_0 \exp[-t/RC]$$

time constant $\tau = RC$

Magnetism

magnetic field \vec{B} , unit: $1T = \text{tesla} = \frac{N}{Am}$

Biot - Savart Law $d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_0}{4\pi} \frac{q \vec{v} \times \hat{r}}{r^2}$; permeability constant: $\mu_0 = 4\pi \cdot 10^{-7} \frac{Tm}{A}$

magnetic field due to a long straight wire with current i , a distance r away: $B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi r}$

Ampere's Law $\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} = \mu_0 I_{\text{through}}$

Dynamics

Newton's Second Law: $\sum \vec{F} = m\vec{a}$

Newton's Third Law: $\vec{F}_{A \text{ on } B} = -\vec{F}_{B \text{ on } A}$

force of **gravity** on earth's surface: $|\vec{F}_g| = mg$, $g = 9.8 \frac{m}{s^2}$, $|\vec{F}_g|$ is also called weight

uniform circular motion - centripetal acceleration: $a = \frac{v^2}{r}$

Gravitational force between two masses:

$$F = G \frac{mM}{r^2}, G = 6.67 \cdot 10^{-11} \frac{Nm^2}{kg^2}$$

Geometry: area of a circle of radius r : $A = \pi r^2$ circumference of a circle of radius r :
 $C = 2\pi r$

surface area of a sphere of radius r : $S = 4\pi r^2$ volume of a sphere of radius r : $V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$

angle in radians: $\theta = s/r$ with arclength s and radius r

Quadratic equation: $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$, $x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$

Unit vectors: \hat{i} in x -direction \hat{j} in y -direction \hat{k} in z -direction

Dot Product (or Scalar Product) of two vectors: $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = a_x b_x + a_y b_y + a_z b_z = ab \cos \theta$, θ angle between the two vectors

Cross product of two vectors: $\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = \vec{c}$, magnitude $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = ab \sin \phi$, ϕ angle between the two vectors; direction from right hand rule: point thumb in the direction of \vec{a} , index finger in the direction of \vec{b} , then your middle finger will point in the direction of \vec{c}

$$\hat{i} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k}, \quad \hat{k} \times \hat{i} = \hat{j}, \quad \hat{j} \times \hat{k} = \hat{i}$$

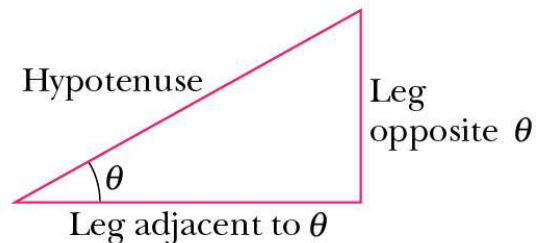
$$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = -\vec{b} \times \vec{a}$$

Trig and right triangle:

$$\sin \theta = \frac{\text{leg opposite } \theta}{\text{hypotenuse}}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{\text{leg adjacent to } \theta}{\text{hypotenuse}}$$

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\text{leg opposite } \theta}{\text{leg adjacent to } \theta}$$



Theorem of **Pythagoras**: $(\text{leg adjacent})^2 + (\text{leg opposite})^2 = (\text{hypotenuse})^2$

physical quantity	symbol	SI unit	abbreviation for unit
displacement, distance	\vec{r}, x, y, \dots	meter	m
velocity	\vec{v}, v_s	meter/second	$\frac{m}{s}$
acceleration	\vec{a}, a_s	meter/second/second	$\frac{m}{s^2}$
mass	m	kilogram	kg
force	F	Newton	$N = \frac{kgm}{s^2}$
energy, work	E, U, K, W	Joule	$J = Nm$
power	P	Watt	$W = \frac{J}{s}$
electric charge	Q	Coulomb	C
electric field	\vec{E}	Newton/Coulomb	$\frac{N}{C} = \frac{V}{m}$
electric current	I	Ampere	$A = \frac{C}{s}$
current density	\vec{J}	Ampere/meter squared	$\frac{A}{m^2}$
resistance	R	Ohm	$\Omega = \frac{V}{A}$
conductivity	σ	1/Ohm-meters	$1/(\Omega m)$
resistivity	ρ	Ohm-meters	Ωm
electric potential, voltage	V	Volt	V
capacitance	C	Farad	$F = \frac{C}{V}$
magnetic field	\vec{B}	Tesla	$1T = \frac{N}{Am}$