

Fundamental Concepts and Principles

$$\begin{aligned}
\vec{p} &= m\vec{v} & \sum \vec{F} &= \frac{d}{dt} \vec{p}(t) = m\vec{a} & \vec{a} &= \frac{d}{dt} \vec{v}(t) & \vec{v} &= \frac{d}{dt} \vec{r}(t) & \vec{a}_c &= -\frac{v^2}{r} \hat{r} & \omega &= 2\pi f & \frac{1}{T} &= f \\
\vec{L} &= \vec{r} \times \vec{p} = I\omega & \sum \vec{\tau} &= \frac{d}{dt} \vec{L}(t) = I\alpha & \vec{\tau} &= \vec{r} \times \vec{F} & \alpha &= \frac{d\omega}{dt} & \omega &= \frac{d\theta}{dt} & I &= \sum_i m_i r_i^2 = \int_{object} r^2 dm \\
\vec{p}_f - \vec{p}_i &= \int \vec{F} dt & \vec{L}_f - \vec{L}_i &= \int \vec{\tau} dt & r_{cm} &= \frac{\sum_i m_i r_i}{\sum_i m_i} = \frac{\int r dm}{\int dm} & KE &= \frac{1}{2} mv^2 & E_f - E_i &= \Delta E_{transfer} \\
\vec{F}_e &= q\vec{E} & C &= \frac{Q}{\Delta V} & P &= I\Delta V & I &= \frac{d}{dt} q(t) & k_e &= \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} & K &= \frac{\epsilon}{\epsilon_0} & \oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} &= \frac{\Sigma q}{\epsilon_0} & \oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A} &= 0 \\
\iint_{surface} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} &= \Phi_E & \iint_{surface} \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{A} &= \Phi_B & \Delta V &= - \int_{s_i}^{s_f} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{s} & N\Phi_B &= LI
\end{aligned}$$

Under Certain Conditions

$$\begin{aligned}
x &= x_o + v_{xo}t + \frac{1}{2}a_x t^2 & \vec{F} &= \mu_k \vec{F}_N & \vec{F} &\leq \mu_s \vec{F}_N & PE_G &= mg y & v &= r\omega & a &= r\alpha \\
\theta &= \theta_o + \omega_o t + \frac{1}{2}(\alpha)t^2 & I &= I_{cm} + md^2 & n_1 \sin\theta_1 &= n_2 \sin\theta_2 & \left(\frac{1}{R_1} - \frac{1}{R_2} \right)(n_l - 1) &= \frac{1}{f} & \frac{1}{i} + \frac{1}{o} &= \frac{1}{f} \\
E_{transfer} &= \int \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} & KE &= \frac{1}{2} I\omega^2 & PE_G &= -\frac{Gm_1 m_2}{r} & \vec{F} &= \frac{d(PE_G)}{dr} & PE_s &= \frac{1}{2} kx^2 & F &= -kx \\
\omega^2 &= A \quad \text{if } \frac{d^2}{dt^2} [\vec{x}(t)] = -A[\vec{x}(t)] & \nu &= \sqrt{\frac{F_T}{\mu}} & \nu &= \lambda f & R &= \rho \frac{L}{A} & \Delta V &= IR & PE_{cap} &= \frac{1}{2} C(\Delta V)^2 \\
\vec{F}_e &= \frac{k_e q_1 q_2}{r^2} \hat{r} & \vec{E} &= \frac{k_e q}{r^2} \hat{r} & V &= \frac{k_e q}{r} & PE_e &= \frac{k_e q_1 q_2}{r} & \Delta PE_e &= q\Delta V & \vec{F} &= q\vec{v} \times \vec{B} \\
\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{s} &= \mu_o I & \vec{\tau} &= \vec{\mu} \times \vec{B} & V_{enf} &= -\frac{d}{dt} (\Phi_B) & N \frac{d}{dt} (\Phi_B) &= -L \frac{d}{dt} I(t) & m &= \frac{y_i}{y_o} = \frac{-i}{o}
\end{aligned}$$

Useful Constants

Radius of the Earth $R_E = 6370$ km, mass of the Earth $M_E = 5.98 \times 10^{24}$ kg, speed of sound (STP) $v = 340$ m/s, charge on an electron $e = -1.6 \times 10^{-19}$ C, 1 mile = 5280 feet, 1 cal = 4.2 J, 1 lb = 4.45 N, gravitational constant $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11}$ Nm²/kg², speed of light in vacuum $c = 3 \times 10^8$ m/s, Coulomb force constant $k_e = 8.99 \times 10^9$ Nm²/C², permeability of free space $\mu_o = 4\pi \times 10^{-7}$ Tm/A, 1 km = 5/8 mile, gravitational acceleration on the surface of the Earth $g = 9.81$ m/s² = 32 ft/s²,

Mathematical Relationships

$$\begin{aligned}
\frac{d(z^n)}{dz} &= nz^{n-1} & \frac{d(\cos z)}{dz} &= -\sin z & \frac{d(\sin z)}{dz} &= \cos z & \frac{df(z)}{dt} &= \frac{df(z)}{dz} \frac{d(z)}{dt} & \text{For circle } C = 2\pi R \quad A = \pi R^2 \\
\int (z^n) dz &= \frac{z^{n+1}}{n+1} \text{ for } (n \neq -1) & \frac{d}{dz} \int w dz &= w & \int \frac{dw}{dz} dz &= w & & & \text{For Sphere } A = 4\pi R^2 \quad V = \frac{4}{3}\pi R^3
\end{aligned}$$

Volume Elements for: cartesian $dV = dx dy dz$; cylindrical $dV = r dr d\theta dz$; spherical $dV = r^2 \sin\theta dr d\theta d\phi$

Reminder the GOAL of problem solving:

Gather Information: What do you know?
What do you want? Draw coordinate frame. Draw a picture with labels.

Organize: Type of problem (Kinematics, Energy Conservation, Momentum Conservation, Rotation), Pick approach.

Analyze: List mathematical relationships, Simplify and solve, Plug in numbers.

Learn: Check your answer – Is it reasonable? Are units correct?

It's all Greek to me!

The table to the right contains common symbols (both greek and latin) – Watch subscripts and context (units) to determine what the symbol represents.

	Ring (thin)	$I = mr^2$
	Disk (solid)	$I = \frac{1}{2}mr^2$
	Sphere (solid)	$I = \frac{2}{3}mr^2$
	Sphere (hollow)	$I = \frac{2}{5}mr^2$
	Rod	$I = \frac{1}{12}ml^2$

x, y, z	position – cartesian or rectilinear coordinates
i, j, k	
r, θ, z	position – cylindrical coordinates
ρ, θ, φ	position – spherical coordinates
λ	wavelength; linear density (mass, charge etc.)
σ	standard deviation; surface area density (mass, charge etc.); cross section
ρ	resistivity; volume density (mass, charge, air, etc.)
ω	angular frequency, angular velocity
v	frequency; phase velocity
f	frequency; focal distance
ϵ	permittivity, electromotive force (emf)
V	voltage; volume
m	mass; magnification
q	charge
e	electron charge; exponential function
k	spring constant; coulomb force constant
K	dielectric constant
Ω	Ohm (resistance)
Σ	summation
α	angular acceleration; alpha particle (He nucleus)
β	beta particle (electron)
γ	gamma radiation (photon)
Ψ	wave function
Δ	a small quantity or “change of”
Φ	flux
i	unit direction (\hat{x}); $i^2 = -1$; small current; image distance
τ	torque, time constant
μ	permeability; coefficient of friction; mass density (eg string)
n	index of refraction; number
I	current; moment of inertia
L	angular momentum, inductance
X	reactance (inductive and capacitive)
Z	impedance
D	Diopter ($1/f$)