
Formula Sheet

Percent uncertainty

$$\% \text{Unc} = \frac{SA}{A} \times 100\%$$

SA = measured value

A = Expected Value

Kinematic Equations → Horizontal

$$x = x_0 + \bar{v}t$$

$$\bar{v} = \frac{v_0 + v}{2}$$

$$v = v_0 + at$$

$$x = x_0 + v_0t + \frac{1}{2}at^2$$

$$v^2 = v_0^2 + 2a(x - x_0)$$

Kinematic Equations → Free fall

$$y = y_0 + \bar{v}t$$

$$y = y_0 + v_0t + \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$

$$v^2 = v_0^2 - 2g(y - y_0)$$

Gravity

- Whether the acceleration a should be taken as $+g$ or $-g$ is determined by your choice of coordinate system.
 - If you choose the upward direction as positive, $a = -g = -9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$ is negative.
 - In the opposite case, $a = +g = 9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$ is positive.
- Since acceleration is constant, the kinematic equations above can be applied with the appropriate $+g$ or $-g$ substituted for a .

Maximum height

$$\bullet h = \frac{v_{0y}^2}{g}$$

Maximum horizontal distance

$$\bullet R = \frac{v_0^2 \sin 2\theta_0}{g}$$

Force:

$$F_{\text{net}} = ma$$

Units: Newtons (N)

Weight

$$\bar{w} = mg$$

$$g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Tension

$$T = \bar{w} = mg$$

Uniform Circular Motion: motion in a circular path at a constant speed

$$\circ \theta = \frac{\Delta s}{r}$$

Angular Velocity

$$\circ \omega = \frac{\Delta \theta}{t}$$

$$\blacksquare \text{ Units: } \frac{\text{rads}}{\text{s}}$$

The relationship between linear and angular velocity

$$\circ v = \frac{\Delta s}{t} = \frac{r \cdot \Delta \theta}{r} = r\omega$$

Centripetal acceleration: Center seeking

$$\circ a_c = \frac{v^2}{r} = r \cdot \omega^2$$

Centripetal Force: any net force causing uniform circular motion

$$\circ F_c = m \cdot a_c = m \frac{v^2}{r} = m \cdot r \cdot \omega^2$$

Magnitude of the gravitational constant

$$\circ F = G \frac{mM}{r^2}$$

$$\blacksquare G = 6.674 \times 10^{-11} \frac{N \cdot m^2}{kg^2}$$

Acceleration due to gravity

$$\circ g = G \frac{M}{r^2}$$

$$\blacksquare \text{Unit: } \frac{m}{s^2}$$

Kinetic Energy

$$\circ K = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

$$\blacksquare \text{Unit: Joules (J)}$$

Potential Energy

$$\circ PE_g = mgh$$

$$\circ PE_{\text{Spring}} = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$$

Conservation of Energy

$$\star KE_i + PE_i = KE_f + PE_f$$

$$\circ \frac{1}{2}mv_i^2 + mgh_i = \frac{1}{2}mv_f^2 + mgh_f$$

Work

$$\circ w = Fd \cos \theta$$

Friction

$$\circ f = F_f = \mu_k N = \mu_k mg$$

Momentum

$$\star p = mv$$

Conservation of momentum

$$\circ P_{\text{tot}} = \text{constant}$$

$$\circ P_{\text{tot}} = P'_{\text{tot}}$$

$$\circ p_1 + p_2 = p'_1 + p'_2 \quad (F_{\text{net}} = 0)$$

Impulse

Change in momentum

$$\star \Delta p = F_{\text{net}} \cdot \Delta t$$

Torque

$$\circ \tau = rF \sin \theta = r_{\perp} F$$