

Laws, Principles, Useful Relationships, and Other Information

The Definition of Velocity: $\vec{v} \equiv \frac{d\vec{r}}{dt}$

The Definition of Acceleration: $\vec{a} \equiv \frac{d\vec{v}}{dt}$

The Kinematic Equations:

$$v = v_o + at \quad x = x_o + v_o t + \frac{1}{2}at^2 \quad v^2 = v_o^2 + 2a(x - x_o) \quad x - x_o = \frac{1}{2}(v + v_o)t$$

Centripetal Acceleration: $a_c = \frac{v^2}{r}$

Newton's Second Law $\Sigma \vec{F}_{\text{ext}} = m\vec{a}_{\text{cm}}$

The Mass/weight Rule $F_g = mg$

Definition of Coefficient of Friction $\mu \equiv \frac{F_{\text{fr}}}{F_n}$

Definition of Work $W \equiv \int \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s}$

Definition of Kinetic Energy $K \equiv \frac{1}{2}mv^2$

Work-Energy Theorem $W_{\text{net}} = \Delta K$

The Definition of Power $P \equiv \frac{dW}{dt}$

Law of Conservation of Energy $\Delta K + \Delta U = W_{\text{nc}}$

Definition of Potential Energy $\Delta U \equiv -W_c$

Gravitational Potential Energy $U_g = mgy$

Spring Potential Energy $U_s = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$

The Definition of Center of Mass $\vec{r}_{\text{cm}} \equiv \frac{\int \vec{r} dm}{M}$

The Definition of Linear Momentum $\vec{p} \equiv m\vec{v}$

The Original Second Law $\Sigma \vec{F} = \frac{d\vec{p}}{dt}$

The Definition of Impulse $\vec{J} \equiv \int_{t_o}^t \vec{F} dt$

The Impulse-Linear Momentum Theorem $\Delta \vec{p} = \vec{J}$

The Definition of Angular Velocity: $\omega \equiv \frac{d\theta}{dt}$

The Definition of Angular Acceleration: $\alpha \equiv \frac{d\omega}{dt}$

Linear/Angular Relationships $s = r\theta \quad v_t = r\omega \quad a_t = r\alpha \quad a_c = \omega^2 r$

The Definition of Torque $\vec{\tau} \equiv \vec{r} \times \vec{F}$ ($\tau = F_{\perp}r = Fr_{\perp}$) The Second Law for Rotation $\Sigma \tau = I\alpha$ or $\Sigma \vec{\tau} = \frac{d\vec{L}}{dt}$

The Definition of Rotational Inertia $I \equiv \int r^2 dm$ The Rotational Kinetic Energy $K = \frac{1}{2}I\omega^2$

The Angular Momentum of a Rigid Body $\vec{L} = I\vec{\omega}$ The Definition of Angular Momentum $\vec{L} \equiv \vec{r} \times \vec{p}$

Dot Product $\vec{A} \cdot \vec{B} \equiv AB \cos \theta = A_x B_x + A_y B_y + A_z B_z$

Cross Product $\vec{A} \times \vec{B} \equiv AB \sin \theta \hat{n} = (A_y B_z - A_z B_y)\hat{i} + (A_z B_x - A_x B_z)\hat{j} + (A_x B_y - A_y B_x)\hat{k}$

Moments of Inertia (about the cm unless noted):

hoop: mr^2 disk: $\frac{1}{2}mr^2$ solid sphere: $\frac{2}{5}mr^2$ hollow sphere: $\frac{2}{3}mr^2$

rod: $\frac{1}{12}m\ell^2$ rod (about one end): $\frac{1}{3}m\ell^2$ plate: $\frac{1}{12}m(a^2 + b^2)$

Acceleration due to gravity $g = 9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$

Earth - mass: $5.98 \times 10^{24} \text{ kg}$ radius: $6.38 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$

Moon - mass: $7.36 \times 10^{22} \text{ kg}$ radius: $1.74 \times 10^6 \text{ m}$ Earth - moon distance: $3.82 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$

Sun - mass: $1.99 \times 10^{30} \text{ kg}$ radius: $6.96 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$ Sun - Earth distance: $1.50 \times 10^{11} \text{ m}$