

Quadratic Formula

$$ax^2 + bx + c = 0,$$

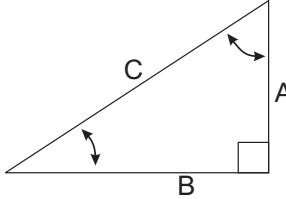
$$x = [-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}]/(2a)$$

Geometry

Circle: circumference= $2\pi R$, area= πR^2

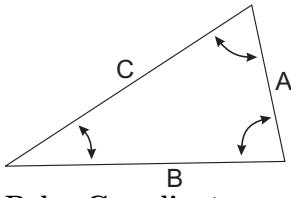
Sphere: area= $4\pi R^2$, volume= $4\pi R^3/3$

Trigonometry



$$\sin \alpha = \frac{A}{C}, \quad \cos \alpha = \frac{B}{C}$$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{A}{B}$$



$$\frac{\sin \alpha}{A} = \frac{\sin \beta}{B} = \frac{\sin \gamma}{C}$$

$$A^2 + B^2 - 2AB \cos \gamma = C^2$$

Polar Coordinates

$$x = r \cos \theta, \quad y = r \sin \theta, \quad r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2}, \quad \tan \theta = y/x$$

SI Units and Constants

quantity	unit	abbreviation
Mass m	kilograms	kg
Distance x	meters	m
Time t	seconds	s
Force F	Newtons	N=kg m/s ²
Energy E	Joules	J=N m
Power P	Watts	W=j/s
Temperature T	°C, °K or °F	$T_{\circ F} = 32 + (9/5)T_{\circ C}$
Pressure P	Pascals	Pa=N/m ²

1 cal=4.1868 J, 1 hp=745.7 W, 1 liter=10⁻³m³

$g = 9.81 \text{ m/s}^2$, $G=6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ Nm}^2/\text{kg}^2$

1 atm=1.013 × 10⁵Pa, 0°C=273.15°K, $N_A = 6.023 \times 10^{23}$

$R = 8.31 \text{ J}/(\text{mol}\text{°K})$, $k_B = R/N_A = 1.38 \times 10^{-23} \text{ J}/\text{°K}$

$\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W}/(\text{m}^2\text{K}^4)$

$v_{\text{sound}} = 331\sqrt{T/273} \text{ m/s}$

$H_2\text{O}$: $c_{\text{ice, liq., steam}} = \{0.5, 1.0, 0.48\} \text{ cal/g°C}$

$L_{F,V} = \{79.7, 540\} \text{ cal/g}$, $\rho = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$.

1-d motion, constant a

$$\Delta x = (1/2)(v_0 + v_f)t$$

$$v_f = v_0 + at$$

$$\Delta x = v_0t + (1/2)at^2$$

$$\Delta x = v_ft - (1/2)at^2$$

$$(1/2)v_f^2 - (1/2)v_0^2 = a\Delta x$$

$$\text{Range: } R = (v_0^2/g) \sin 2\theta$$

Forces, Work, Energy, Power, Momentum & Impulse

$F = ma$, Gravity: $F = mg$, $PE = mgh$

Friction: $f = \mu N$, Spring: $F = -kx$, $PE = (1/2)kx^2$

$W = Fx \cos \theta$, $KE = (1/2)mv^2$, $P = \Delta E/\Delta t = Fv$

$p = mv$, $I = F\Delta t = \Delta p$

$X_{cm} = (m_1x_1 + m_2x_2 + \dots)/(m_1 + m_2 + \dots)$

Rotational Motion

$$\Delta\theta = \omega t, \omega_f = \omega_0 + \alpha t, \Delta\theta = \omega_0 t + (1/2)\alpha t^2$$

$$\omega = 2\pi/T = 2\pi, f = 1/T$$

Rolling: $a = \alpha r$, $v = \omega r$

$$a_c = v^2/r = \omega v = \omega^2 r$$

$$\tau = rF \sin \theta = I\alpha, I_{\text{point}} = mR^2$$

$$I_{\text{cyl.shell}} = MR^2, I_{\text{sphere}} = (2/5)MR^2$$

$$I_{\text{solid cyl.}} = (1/2)MR^2, I_{\text{sph. shell}} = (2/3)MR^2$$

$$L = I\omega = mvr \sin \theta, (\theta = \text{angle between v and r})$$

$$KE = (1/2)I\omega^2 = L^2/(2I), W = \tau\Delta\theta$$

Gravity and circular orbits

$$PE = -G \frac{Mm}{r}, \Delta PE = mgh(\text{small } h)$$

$$F = G \frac{Mm}{r^2}, \frac{GM}{4\pi^2} = \frac{R^3}{T^2}$$

Gases, liquids and solids

$$P = F/A, PV = nRT, \Delta P = \rho gh$$

$$\langle (1/2)mv^2 \rangle = (3/2)k_B T$$

$$\text{ideal monotonic gas: } U = (3/2)nRT = (3/2)PV$$

$$F_{\text{buoyant}} = \rho_{\text{displaced liq.}} V_{\text{displaced liq.}} g$$

$$\text{Stress} = F/A, \text{Strain} = \Delta L/L, Y = \text{Stress/Strain}$$

$$\frac{\Delta L}{L} = \frac{F/A}{Y}, \frac{\Delta V}{V} = \frac{-\Delta P}{B}, Y = 3B$$

$$\text{Continuity: } \rho_1 A_1 v_1 = \rho_2 A_2 v_2$$

$$\text{Bernoulli: } P_a + \frac{1}{2}\rho_a v_a^2 + \rho_a g h_a = P_b + \frac{1}{2}\rho_b v_b^2 + \rho_b g h_b$$

Heat

$$\Delta L/L = \alpha \Delta T, \Delta V/V = 3\alpha \Delta T$$

$$Q = mC_v \Delta T + mL(\text{if phase trans.})$$

Conduction and Radiation

$$P = kA(T_b - T_a)/L = A(T_b - T_a)/R, R \equiv L/k$$

$$P = e\sigma AT^4$$

Thermodynamics

$$\Delta U = Q + W, \quad W = -P\Delta V, \quad Q = T\Delta S, \quad \Delta S > 0$$

$$\text{Engines: } W = |Q_H| - |Q_L|$$

$$\epsilon = W/Q_H < (T_H - T_L)/T_H < 1$$

$$\text{Refrigerators and heat pumps: } W = |Q_H| - |Q_L|$$

$$\epsilon = Q_L/W < T_L/(T_H - T_L)$$

Simple Harmonic Motion and Waves

$$f = 1/T, \omega = 2\pi f$$

$$x(t) = A \cos(\omega t - \phi), v = -\omega A \sin(\omega t - \phi)$$

$$a = -\omega^2 A \cos(\omega t - \phi)$$

$$\text{Spring: } \omega = \sqrt{k/m}$$

$$\text{Pendulum: } T = 2\pi \sqrt{L/g}$$

$$\text{Waves: } y(x, t) = A \sin[2\pi(f t - x/\lambda + \delta)], v = f\lambda$$

$$I = \text{const} A^2 f^2, I_2/I_1 = R_1^2/R_2^2$$

$$\text{Standing waves: } \lambda_n = 2L/n$$

$$\text{Strings: } v = \sqrt{T/\mu}$$

$$\text{Solid/Liquid: } v = \sqrt{B/\rho}$$

$$\text{Sound: } I = \text{Power}/A = I_0 10^{\beta/10}, I_0 \equiv 10^{-12} \text{ W/m}^2$$

$$\text{Decibels: } \beta = 10 \log_{10}(I/I_0)$$

$$\text{Beat freq.} = |f_1 - f_2|$$

$$\text{Doppler: } f_{\text{obs}} = f_{\text{source}}(V_{\text{sound}} \pm v_{\text{obs}})/(V_{\text{sound}} \pm v_{\text{source}})$$

$$\text{Pipes: same at both ends: } L = \lambda/2, \lambda, 3\lambda/2$$

$$\text{Pipes: open at only one end: } L = \lambda/4, 3\lambda/4, 5\lambda/4 \dots$$