Physics Formulas

Mechanics

 $\bullet F = ma$

Newton's second law of motion

 $\bullet v = u + at$

Equation for final velocity under constant accel- Buoyant force formula eration

 $\bullet a = \frac{dv}{dt}$

Definition of acceleration

 $\bullet s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2$

Equation for displacement under constant accel-

• $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$

Equation for velocity squared

Thermodynamics

 $\bullet PV = nRT$

Ideal gas law

 $\bullet Q = mc\Delta T$

Equation for heat transfer

Einstein's mass-energy equivalence

 $\bullet W \equiv P\Delta V$

Work done by a gas in an isobaric process

 $\bullet S = k_B \ln \Omega$

Boltzmann entropy formula

Electromagnetism

 $\bullet V = IR$

Ohm's law

 $\bullet F = qE$

Force on a charge in an electric field

 $\bullet B = \frac{\mu_0 I}{2\pi n}$

Magnetic field due to a current-carrying wire (Biot-Savart Law)

 $\bullet F = q(v \times B)$

Lorentz force equation

 $\bullet E = -\frac{dB}{dt}$

Faraday's law of induction

Optics

 $\bullet n = \frac{c}{n}$

Refractive index formula

• $1/f = \frac{1}{d_0} + \frac{1}{d_i}$

Lens formula

 $\bullet \theta_c = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{n_2}{n_1} \right)$

Critical angle for total internal reflection

 $\bullet I = I_0 \cos^2 \theta$

Malus's law for intensity of polarized light

• $m = \frac{h}{\lambda}$

De Broglie wavelength formula

Fluid Mechanics

 $\bullet \rho = \frac{m}{V}$

Density formula

 $\bullet F = \rho g V$

 $\bullet v = \frac{Q}{\Lambda}$

Flow velocity in a pipe (continuity equation)

Pressure formula

 $\Delta P = RQ$

Poiseuille's law for fluid flow in pipes

Modern Physics

 $\bullet E = hf$

Energy of a photon

 $\bullet \lambda = \frac{h}{p}$

De Broglie wavelength for particles

 $\bullet \alpha = \frac{e^2}{4\pi\epsilon_0\hbar c}$

Fine-structure constant

 $\bullet p = \gamma m v$

Relativistic momentum formula

 $\bullet t = \frac{t_0}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}}$

Time dilation in special relativity

Waves

• $v = f \lambda$

Wave velocity formula

 $\bullet T = \frac{1}{f}$

Period of a wave

 $\bullet v = v_0 + at$

Equation for the velocity of a moving wave

Intensity of a wave

 $\bullet \Delta x \Delta p = \frac{h}{2}$

Heisenberg's uncertainty principle

Astrophysics

• $F = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2}$

Newton's law of gravitation

 $\bullet T = \frac{2\pi}{\Omega}$

Orbital period for a circular orbit

 $\bullet L = r^2 \omega$

Angular momentum of a rotating object

• $v = \sqrt{GM/r}$

Orbital velocity of a satellite

 $\bullet E = -\frac{GMm}{2r}$

Gravitational potential energy of an object in or-

Quantum Mechanics

• $E = -\frac{13.6}{n^2} \text{ eV}$

Energy levels of hydrogen atom

 $\bullet \Psi = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2}$

Wave function of a quantum harmonic oscillator

 $\bullet \lambda = \frac{h}{n}$

De Broglie wavelength formula

 $\bullet H\Psi = E\Psi$

Time-independent Schrödinger equation

 $\bullet p = mv$

Classical momentum formula

Relativity

 $\bullet E^2 = (pc)^2 + (mc^2)^2$

Energy-momentum relation

$$\bullet m = \frac{m_0}{\sqrt{1 - v^2/c^2}}$$

Relativistic mass formula

 $\bullet F = \gamma^3 F_0$

Relativistic force formula

$$\bullet t' = \frac{t}{\sqrt{1-v^2/c^2}}$$

Time dilation for moving observers

 $\bullet x' = \gamma(x - vt)$

Relativistic position transformation