



PHYSICS 111: Laws, Constants and Equations

Laws and Constants					
Cosine law: $c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos \gamma$			Sine law: $\frac{a}{\sin \alpha} = \frac{b}{\sin \beta} = \frac{c}{\sin \gamma}$		
$G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \frac{\text{Nm}^2}{\text{kg}^2}$		$g = 9.80 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}$		$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$	
Linear Kinematics			Angular (Rotational) Kinematics		
$\vec{v}_{avg} = \frac{\Delta \vec{d}}{\Delta t}$	$\vec{a}_{avg} = \frac{\Delta \vec{v}}{\Delta t}$	$\vec{v} = \vec{v}_0 + \vec{a} \Delta t$	$\omega_{avg} = \frac{\Delta \theta}{\Delta t}$	$\alpha_{avg} = \frac{\Delta \omega}{\Delta t}$	$\omega = \omega_0 + \alpha \Delta t$
$\Delta \vec{d} = \vec{v}_0 \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} \vec{a} (\Delta t)^2$			$\Delta \theta = \omega_0 \Delta t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha (\Delta t)^2$		
$\Delta \vec{d} = \vec{v} \Delta t - \frac{1}{2} \vec{a} (\Delta t)^2$			$\Delta \theta = \omega \Delta t - \frac{1}{2} \alpha (\Delta t)^2$		
$\Delta \vec{d} = \frac{\vec{v} + \vec{v}_0}{2} \Delta t$			$\Delta \theta = \frac{\omega + \omega_0}{2} \Delta t$		
$v^2 = v_0^2 + 2a \Delta d$			$\omega^2 = \omega_0^2 + 2\alpha \Delta \theta$		
Relative Velocity	$\vec{v}_{AC} = \vec{v}_{AB} + \vec{v}_{BC}$		From Angular to Linear World		
			$s = r\theta$	$v = r\omega$	$a = r\alpha$
Linear Dynamics			Angular (Rotational) Dynamics		
$\sum \vec{F} = m\vec{a}$		$\vec{F}_{AB} = -\vec{F}_{BA}$	$\vec{\tau} = \vec{r} \times \vec{F}$ $ \vec{\tau} = \vec{r} \vec{F} \sin \theta$	$\sum \vec{\tau} = I\vec{\alpha}$	$\vec{\tau}_{AB} = -\vec{\tau}_{BA}$
Friction (Linear and Angular)			$f_s \leq \mu_s n$		$f_k = \mu_k n$
Circular Motion			Circular Motion & the Angular World		
$a_c = \frac{v^2}{r} = 4\pi^2 r f^2 = \frac{4\pi^2 r}{T^2}$		$F_c = ma_c$	$a_c = r\omega^2$		
Work and Energy					
Linear Kinetic Energy	$KE_{Lin} = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$	Gravitational Potential Energy		$PE_g = mgh$	
		Spring Potential Energy		$PE_s = \frac{1}{2}kx^2$	
Rotational Kinetic Energy	$KE_{Rot} = \frac{1}{2}I\omega^2$	Moment of Inertia	Object Type		k
		Object with mass, m & radius, r $I = kmr^2$	Point mass about r		1
			Hoop, hollow cylinder		1
			Disc, solid cylinder		$\frac{1}{2}$
			Hollow Sphere		$\frac{2}{3}$
			Solid Sphere		$\frac{2}{5}$
		Object with mass, m & length, l $I = kml^2$	Rod, length l , mass m , about its centre		$\frac{1}{12}$
Rod, length l , mass m , about its end			$\frac{1}{3}$		
$KE_{Tot} = KE_{Lin} + KE_{Rot}$					
Work done (in general)			$W = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{d} = Fd \cos \theta$		
Conservation of Mechanical Energy (true if $W_{nc} = 0$)			$\Delta E = \Delta KE + \Delta PE = 0$		
Non-conservative Work (done by non-conservative forces like friction)			$W_{nc} = \Delta KE + \Delta PE$		
Conservative Work (done by conservative forces like gravity or springs)			$W_c = -\Delta PE$		
Net Work or Total Work			$W_{Net} = F_{Net} \Delta x$		
			$W_{Net} = W_c + W_{nc} = \Delta KE$		
Power	$P_{avg} = \frac{W}{\Delta t}$	$P = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{v}$		$P = \vec{\tau} \cdot \vec{\omega}$	
Linear Momentum			Angular Momentum		
$\vec{P} = m\vec{v}$			$\vec{L} = I\vec{\omega}$		
Conservation of Linear Momentum $\vec{P}_i = \vec{P}_f$			Conservation of Angular Momentum $\vec{L}_i = \vec{L}_f$		
1-D and 2-D Collisions $m\Delta \vec{v} = \Delta \vec{P} = \vec{F} \Delta t$			Angular (Rotational) Collisions $I\Delta \vec{\omega} = \Delta \vec{L} = \vec{\tau} \Delta t$		
Static Equilibrium	$\sum \vec{F}_{Ext} = 0$, meaning		$\sum F_x = 0, \sum F_y = 0$		and $\sum \vec{\tau}_{Ext} = 0$