# Physics - Formulas and Definitions

# **Definitions:**

#### 1. Mechanics

- **Speed** the distance traveled per unit of time.
- **Acceleration** the change in velocity per unit of time.
- **Newton's Second Law** the force acting on an object is equal to the product of its mass and acceleration.
- **Momentum** the quantity of motion of a moving object, calculated as the product of mass and velocity.
- Law of Conservation of Momentum in a closed system, the total momentum before a collision is equal to the total momentum after the collision.

# 2. Work, Energy, and Power

- **Work** the transfer of energy that occurs when a force is applied over a distance.
- **Kinetic Energy** the energy an object possesses due to its motion.
- **Potential Energy** the stored energy of an object due to its position in a gravitational field.
- Law of Conservation of Energy energy cannot be created or destroyed, only transferred or transformed.
- **Power** the rate at which work is done or energy is transferred.

#### 3. Thermal Phenomena

- **Heat Quantity** the amount of thermal energy transferred due to temperature difference.
- **First Law of Thermodynamics** the change in the internal energy of a system is equal to the heat added to the system minus the work done by the system.
- **Efficiency** the ratio of useful work output to total energy input, usually expressed as a percentage.

## 4. Electricity and Magnetism

• **Ohm's Law** – the principle stating that the voltage across a conductor is proportional to the current flowing through it.

- **Electrical Power** the rate at which electrical energy is consumed or produced.
- **Resistance** the opposition to the flow of electric current, depending on the material, length, and cross-sectional area of the conductor.
- **Joule-Lenz Law** the law describing the heat produced in a conductor due to the flow of electric current.
- **Lorentz Force** the force exerted on a charged particle moving through a magnetic field.

#### 5. Oscillations and Waves

- **Pendulum Period** the time it takes for a pendulum to complete one full oscillation.
- **Frequency** the number of oscillations or waves that pass a given point per second.
- Wave Speed the speed at which a wave propagates through a medium.

# **Formulas**

#### 1. Mechanics

- **Speed**: v=stv = \frac{s}{t}v=ts (distance/time)
- **Acceleration**:  $a=\Delta v\Delta ta = \frac{\nabla \Delta ta}{\Delta v}$  (change in velocity/time)
- Distance in uniformly accelerated motion:  $s=v0t+12at2s = v_0 t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2s = v0t+21at2$
- **Newton's Second Law**: F=maF = maF=ma
- **Momentum**: p=mvp = mvp=mv
- Law of Conservation of Momentum:  $m1v1+m2v2=m1v1'+m2v2'm_11v_1+m_21v_2=m_11v_1'+m_21v_2'=m_11v_1'+m_21v_1'+m$

## 2. Work, Energy, and Power

- **Work**:  $W = Fscos \Theta W = Fs \cos \theta$
- Kinetic Energy: Ek=12mv2E  $k = \frac{1}{2}$  m  $v^2Ek=21mv2$
- **Potential Energy**: Ep=mghE\_p = mghEp=mgh
- Law of Conservation of Energy: Einitial=EfinalE\_{\text{initial}} = E\_{\text{final}}Einitial=Efinal
- **Power**:  $P=WtP = \frac{W}{t}P=tW$

## 3. Thermal Phenomena

- **Heat Quantity**:  $Q=cm\Delta TQ=cm\Delta T$
- First Law of Thermodynamics:  $\Delta U = Q A \setminus Delta U = Q A \Delta U = Q A$
- Efficiency:  $\eta$ =AusefulQinput×100%\eta =  $\frac{A_{\text{useful}}}{Q_{\text{input}}} \times 100\%$

## 4. Electricity and Magnetism

- Ohm's Law: U=IRU = IRU=IR
- Electrical Power: P=UIP=UI
- Resistance of a Conductor:  $R=\rho ISR = \rho ISR$
- Joule-Lenz Law:  $Q=I2RtQ = I^2R tQ=I2Rt$
- **Lorentz Force**:  $F=Bqvsin\Theta F=Bqv \sin \thetaF=Bqvsin\Theta$

### 5. Oscillations and Waves

- **Pendulum Period**:  $T=2\pi lgT = 2\pi lg$
- Frequency:  $f=1Tf = \frac{1}{T}f=T1$
- Wave Speed:  $v=\lambda fv = \lambda fv = \lambda f$