

## Physics 2A Study Guide (non-calculus)

Kinematics formulas:

$$\Delta v = a\Delta t$$

$$\Delta x = v_i \Delta t + 0.5a\Delta t^2$$

$$\Delta(v)^2 = 2a\Delta x$$

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$$\text{Tension} = (mv^2)/g$$

$$\text{Centripetal} = (mv^2)/r$$

$$\text{Friction} = M_k N, \text{ usually } M_k(mg)$$

$$\text{Work done by friction} = M_k N \Delta x$$

**Springs:**

$$\text{Force} = -kx$$

$$\text{PE} = -0.5k\Delta x^2$$

**Energy:**

$$\text{Kinetic} = 0.5mv^2$$

$$\text{Potential} = mgh$$

$$V_f = \text{sqrt}(2gh), \text{ if no other sources involved.}$$

**Collisions:**

inelastic – momentum is conserved, kinetic energy is not (crash and bounce)

completely inelastic – stick together (car crash)

elastic – kinetic energy is conserved (billiards balls)

For a linear crash (trains into each other) which is inelastic, combined mass,  $m_1$  crashes into  $m_2$

$$V_f = (m_1 v_{1,i} + m_2 v_{2,i}) / (m_1 + m_2)$$

*for an intersection (at 90 degree angle), inelastic*

$$(m_2 v_2) / (m_1 v_1) = \tan(\theta)$$

where  $\theta$  is the final angle of the debris (two cars stuck together)

$$m_1 v_1 = (m_1 + m_2) V_f \cos(\theta) \mid \text{for final x momentum}$$

*elastic 1D*

$$V_{1,f} = (m_1 - m_2) / (m_1 + m_2) * V_i$$

$$V_{1,f} = (2m_2) / (m_1 + m_2) * V_i$$

**Momentum:**

$$\Sigma F \Delta t = \Delta p = I = mv_f - mv_i = m \Delta v$$

$$F_{av} = \Delta p / \Delta t = I / \Delta t$$

**Pendulum:**

after crash (something shot into pendulum)

$$V_f = m / (M+m) * V_i \quad V_i \text{ is the V of the shot object}$$

$$KE = 0.5mV_i^2 (m / (M+m)) \quad \text{where m is small mass being shot}$$

$$\text{final height} = [m / (M+m)]^2 [V_i^2 / (2g)]^2$$

### Atwoods Machine:

Two masses suspended from a pulley. They are at an equal height “h” above the ground. When they are let go, with what speed does the heavier mass ( $m_2$ ) hit the floor?

$$V_f = \sqrt{2gh * (m_2 - m_1) / [m_1 + m_2]}$$

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### Rotational Kinematics

$$\text{momentum} = I\omega = mv = p$$

$$\text{kinetic} = 0.5mv^2 = 0.5I\omega^2$$

*Conversions:*

$$x = \text{angle in radians } (\theta) \quad | \text{ distance} = r\Delta\theta$$

$$v = \omega \text{ (angular velocity)} \quad | \text{ tangential} = r\omega$$

$$a = \alpha \quad | \text{ radial} = ??$$

incomplete. Not going to finish it because my notes are wrong.