

PHYS 211X

General Physics I

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Formulas

Motion

Position:

$$s \text{ or } p = \vec{v}\Delta t \quad (1)$$

Velocity:

$$\vec{v} = \vec{a}\Delta t \quad (2)$$

Projectile Motion:

$$y_f = y_0 + v_0(\Delta t) + \frac{1}{2}a(\Delta t^2) \quad (3)$$

Force

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$$\vec{F} = m\vec{a} \quad (4)$$

Friction:

$$f = \mu N \quad (5)$$

Drag:

$$\vec{F}_D \text{ or } D = \frac{1}{2}\rho C_D A v^2 \quad (6)$$

Key

v = velocity, meters/second

y = height, meters

x = distance, meters

t = time, seconds

m = mass, kilograms

a = acceleration, meters/second²

g = gravity: 9.8meters/second²

F = force, Newtons, kilogram · meters/second²

μ = coefficient of friction

N = normal force, Newtons

A = area, meters²

ρ = volumetric mass density, kilograms/meters³

C_D = drag coefficient (geometry dependant)