



PHYSICS

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SHORT FORMULA (GYAN SUTRA)

PHYSICS

UNIT AND DIMENSIONS

Unit :

Measurement of any physical quantity is expressed in terms of an internationally accepted certain basic standard called unit.

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Fundamental Units.

S.No.	Physical Quantity	SI Unit	Symbol
1	Length	Metre	m
2	Mass	Kilogram	Kg
3	Time	Second	S
4	Electric Current	Ampere	A
5	Temperature	Kelvin	K
6	Luminous Intensity	Candela	Cd
7	Amount of Substance	Mole	mol

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Supplementary Units :

S.No.	Physical Quantity	SI Unit	Symbol
1	Plane Angle	radian	r
2	Solid Angle	Steradian	Sr

* **Metric Prefixes :**

S.No.	Prefix	Symbol	Value
1	Centi	c	10^{-2}
2	Mili	m	10^{-3}
3	Micro	μ	10^{-6}
4	Nano	n	10^{-9}
5	Pico	p	10^{-12}
6	Kilo	K	10^3
7	Mega	M	10^6

RECILINEAR MOTION

Average Velocity (in an interval) :

$$v_{\text{av}} = \overline{v} = \langle v \rangle = \frac{\text{Total displacement}}{\text{Total time taken}} = \frac{\vec{r}_f - \vec{r}_i}{\Delta t}$$

Average Speed (in an interval)

$$\text{Average Speed} = \frac{\text{Total distance travelled}}{\text{Total time taken}}$$

Instantaneous Velocity (at an instant) :

$$v_{\text{inst}} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta r}{\Delta t}$$

Average acceleration (in an interval):

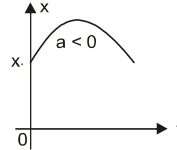
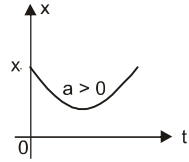
$$= \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} = \frac{v_f - v_i}{\Delta t}$$

Instantaneous Acceleration (at an instant):

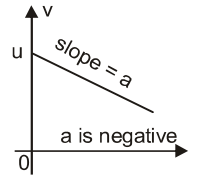
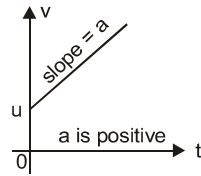
$$a = \frac{dv}{dt} = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t}$$

Graphs in Uniformly Accelerated Motion along a straight line ($a \neq 0$)

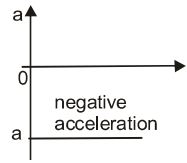
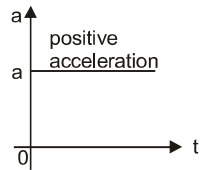
x is a quadratic polynomial in terms of t . Hence $x-t$ graph is a parabola.

**x-t graph**

v is a linear polynomial in terms of t . Hence $v-t$ graph is a straight line of slope a .

**v-t graph**

$a-t$ graph is a horizontal line because a is constant.

**a-t graph****Maxima & Minima**

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \text{ \& \; } \frac{d}{dx} \frac{dy}{dx} < 0 \text{ at maximum and } \frac{dy}{dx} = 0 \text{ \& \; } \frac{d}{dx} \frac{dy}{dx} > 0 \text{ at minima.}$$

Equations of Motion (for constant acceleration)

(a) $v = u + at$

(b) $s = ut + \frac{1}{2} at^2$ $s = vt - \frac{1}{2} at^2$ $x_{II} = x_1 + ut + \frac{1}{2} at^2$

(c) $v^2 = u^2 + 2as$

(d) $s = \frac{(u+v)}{2} t$

(e) $s_n = u + \frac{a}{2} (2n - 1)$

For freely falling bodies : ($u = 0$)

4 Short Formula (Physics)

(taking upward direction as positive)

(a) $v = gt$

(b) $s = \frac{1}{2} gt^2$ $s = vt + \frac{1}{2} gt^2$ $h_{ii} = h - \frac{1}{2} gt^2$

(c) $v^2 = 2gs$

(d) $s_n = \frac{g}{2} (2n - 1)$

PROJECTILE MOTION & VECTORS

Time of flight : $T = \frac{2u \sin \theta}{g}$

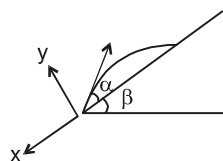
Horizontal range : $R = \frac{u^2 \sin 2\theta}{g}$

Maximum height : $H = \frac{u^2 \sin^2 \theta}{2g}$

Trajectory equation (equation of path) :

$$y = x \tan \theta - \frac{gx^2}{2u^2 \cos^2 \theta} = x \tan \theta \left(1 - \frac{x}{R} \right)$$

Projection on an inclined plane



Range	Up the Incline	Down the Incline
	$\frac{2u^2 \sin \alpha \cos(\alpha + \beta)}{g \cos^2 \beta}$	$\frac{2u^2 \sin \alpha \cos(\alpha - \beta)}{g \cos^2 \beta}$
Time of flight	$\frac{2u \sin \alpha}{g \cos \beta}$	$\frac{2u \sin \alpha}{g \cos \beta}$
Angle of projection with incline plane for maximum range	$\frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{\beta}{2}$	$\frac{\pi}{4} + \frac{\beta}{2}$
Maximum Range	$\frac{u^2}{g(1 + \sin \beta)}$	$\frac{u^2}{g(1 - \sin \beta)}$

RELATIVE MOTION

$$v_{AB}(\text{velocity of A with respect to B}) = v_A - v_B$$

$$a_{AB}(\text{acceleration of A with respect to B}) = a_A - a_B$$

Relative motion along straight line - $x_{B/A} = x_B - x_A$

CROSSING RIVER

A boat or man in a river always moves in the direction of resultant velocity of velocity of boat (or man) and velocity of river flow.

1. Shortest Time :

Velocity along the river, $v_x = v_{R}$

Velocity perpendicular to the river, $v_y = v_{mR}$

The net speed is given by $v_{net} = \sqrt{v_{mR}^2 + v_R^2}$

2. Shortest Path :

velocity along the river, $v_x = 0$

and velocity perpendicular to river $v_y = \sqrt{v_{mR}^2 - v_R^2}$

The net speed is given by $v_{net} = \sqrt{v_{mR}^2 - v_R^2}$

at an angle of 90° with the river direction.

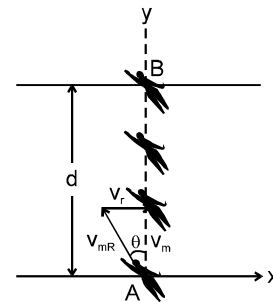
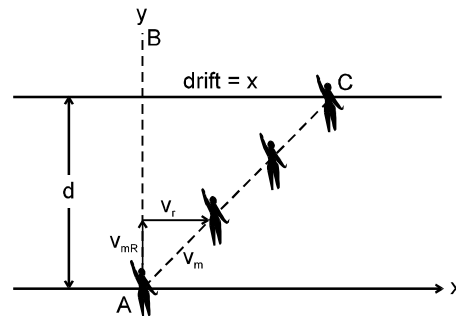
velocity v_y is used only to cross the river,

therefore time to cross the river, $t = \frac{d}{v_y} = \frac{d}{\sqrt{v_{mR}^2 - v_R^2}}$

and velocity v_x is zero, therefore, in this case the drift should be zero.

$$v_{R/x} = v_{mR} \sin \theta = 0 \quad \text{or} \quad v_{R/x} = v_{mR} \sin \theta$$

$$\text{or} \quad \theta = \sin^{-1} \frac{v_R}{v_{mR}}$$



RAIN PROBLEMS

$$v_{Rm} = \vec{v}_R + v_m \quad \text{or} \quad v_{Rm} = \sqrt{v_R^2 + v_m^2}$$

NEWTON'S LAWS OF MOTION

1. From third law of motion

$$\vec{F}_{AB} = -\vec{F}_{BA}$$

$$\vec{F}_{AB} = \text{Force on A due to B}$$

$$\vec{F}_{BA} = \text{Force on B due to A}$$

2. From second law of motion

$$F_x = \frac{dP_x}{dt} = ma_x \quad F_y = \frac{dP_y}{dt} = ma_y \quad F_z = \frac{dP_z}{dt} = ma_z$$

5. WEIGHING MACHINE :

A weighing machine does not measure the weight but measures the force exerted by object on its upper surface.

6. SPRING FORCE

$$F = -kx$$

x is displacement of the free end from its natural length or deformation of the spring where K = spring constant.

7. SPRING PROPERTY

$$K \ell = \text{constant}$$

= Natural length of spring.

8. If spring is cut into two in the ratio m : n then spring constant is given by

$$\ell_1 = \frac{m\ell}{m+n}; \quad \ell_2 = \frac{n\ell}{m+n} \quad k\ell = k_1\ell_1 = k_2\ell_2$$

For series combination of springs

$$\frac{1}{k_{eq}} = \frac{1}{k_1} + \frac{1}{k_2} + \dots$$

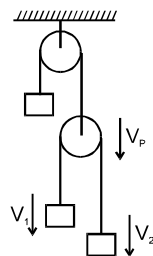
For parallel combination of spring

$$k_{eq} = k_1 + k_2 + k_3 \dots$$

9. SPRING BALANCE:

It does not measure the weight. It measures the force exerted by the object at the hook.

Remember :

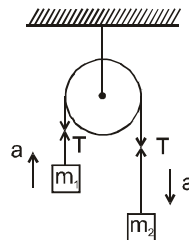


$$V_p = \frac{V_1 + V_2}{2}$$

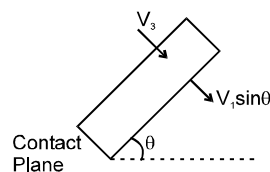
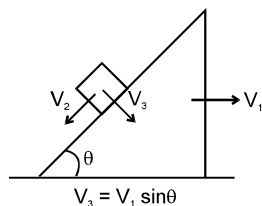
$$a_p = \frac{a_1 + a_2}{2}$$

11.
$$a = \frac{(m_2 - m_1)g}{m_1 + m_2}$$

$$T = \frac{2m_1m_2g}{m_1 + m_2}$$



12. WEDGE CONSTRAINT:



Components of velocity along perpendicular direction to the contact plane of the two objects is always equal if there is no deformations and they remain in contact.

13. NEWTON'S LAW FOR A SYSTEM

$$\vec{F}_{\text{ext}} = m_1 a_1 + m_2 a_2 + m_3 a_3 + \dots$$

F_{ext} = Net external force on the system.

m_1, m_2, m_3 are the masses of the objects of the system and a_1, a_2, a_3 are the acceleration of the objects respectively.

14. NEWTON'S LAW FOR NON INERTIAL FRAME :

$$\vec{F}_{\text{Real}} + \vec{F}_{\text{Pseudo}} = m\vec{a}$$

Net sum of real and pseudo force is taken in the resultant force.

a = Acceleration of the particle in the non inertial frame

$$F_{\text{Pseudo}} = -m a_{\text{Frame}}$$

(a) **Inertial reference frame:** Frame of reference moving with constant velocity.

(b) **Non-inertial reference frame:** A frame of reference moving with non-zero acceleration.

FRICTION

Friction force is of two types.

- (a) Kinetic (b) Static

KINETIC FRICTION : $f_k = \mu_k N$

The proportionality constant μ_k is called the coefficient of kinetic friction and its value depends on the nature of the two surfaces in contact.

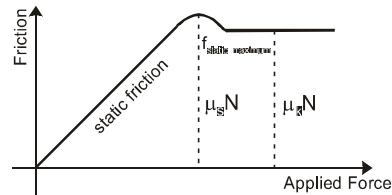
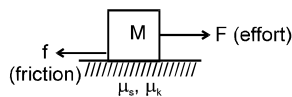
STATIC FRICTION :

It exists between the two surfaces when there is tendency of relative motion but no relative motion along the two contact surfaces.

This means static friction is a variable and self adjusting force. However it has a maximum value called limiting friction.

$$f_{\text{max}} = \mu_s N$$

$$0 \leq f_s \leq f_{\text{smax}}$$



WORK, POWER & ENERGY

WORK DONE BY CONSTANT FORCE :

$$W = F \cdot \vec{S}$$

WORK DONE BY MULTIPLE FORCES

$$\Sigma \vec{F} = \vec{F}_f + \vec{F}_N + \vec{F}_g + \dots$$

$$W = [\Sigma F] \cdot S \quad \dots(i)$$

$$W = F_f \cdot \vec{S} + F_N \cdot \vec{S} + F_g \cdot \vec{S} + \dots$$

or $W = W_f + W_N + W_g + \dots$

WORK DONE BY A VARIABLE FORCE

$$dW = \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{s}$$

RELATION BETWEEN MOMENTUM AND KINETIC ENERGY

$$K = \frac{p^2}{2m} \quad \text{and} \quad p = \sqrt{2mK} \quad ; \quad p = \text{linear momentum}$$

POTENTIAL ENERGY

$$\int_{U_i}^{U_f} dU = - \int_{r_i}^{r_f} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} \quad \text{i.e.,} \quad U_2 - U_1 = - \int_{r_i}^{r_f} \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = -W$$

$$U = - \int_{\infty}^r \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{r} = -W$$

CONSERVATIVE FORCES

$$F = - \frac{U}{r}$$

WORK-ENERGY THEOREM

$$W_{\text{net}} + W_{\text{ext}} + W_{\text{int}} = \Delta K$$

Modified Form of Work-Energy Theorem

$$W_{\text{net}} = -\Delta U$$

$$W_{\text{net}} + W_{\text{ext}} = \Delta K + \Delta U$$

$$W_{\text{net}} + W_{\text{ext}} = \Delta E$$

POWER

The average power (\bar{P} or p_{av}) delivered by an agent is given by \bar{P} or $p_{\text{av}} = \frac{W}{t}$

$$P = \frac{F \cdot dS}{dt} = F \frac{dS}{dt} = \vec{F} \cdot \vec{v}$$

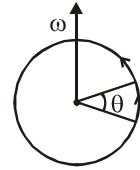
CIRCULAR MOTION

1. Average angular velocity

$$\omega_{\text{av}} = \frac{\theta_2 - \theta_1}{t_2 - t_1} = \frac{\Delta\theta}{\Delta t}$$

2. Instantaneous angular velocity

$$\omega = \frac{d\theta}{dt}$$



3. Average angular acceleration

$$\alpha_{av} = \frac{\omega_2 - \omega_1}{t_2 - t_1} = \frac{\Delta\omega}{\Delta t}$$

4. Instantaneous angular acceleration

$$\alpha = \frac{d\omega}{dt} = \omega \frac{d\omega}{d\theta}$$

5. Relation between speed and angular velocity

$$v = r\omega \text{ and } v = \omega r$$

7. Tangential acceleration (rate of change of speed)

$$a_t = \frac{dv}{dt} = r \frac{d\omega}{dt} = \omega \frac{dr}{dt}$$

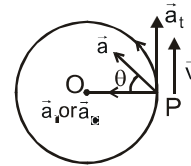
8. Radial or normal or centripetal acceleration

$$a_r = \frac{v^2}{r} = \omega^2 r$$

9. Total acceleration

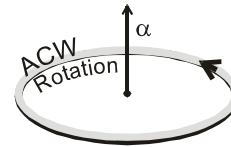
$$a = a_t + a_r \quad a = (a_t^2 + a_r^2)^{1/2}$$

Where $a_t = \alpha r$ and $a_r = \omega v$



10. Angular acceleration

$$\alpha = \frac{d\omega}{dt} \text{ (Non-uniform circular motion)}$$



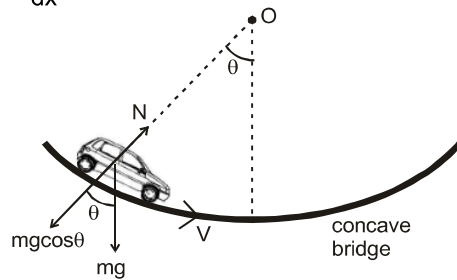
12. Radius of curvature $R = \frac{v^2}{a_{\perp}} = \frac{mv^2}{F_{\perp}}$

If y is a function of x. i.e. $y = f(x)$

$$R = \frac{1 + \left(\frac{dy}{dx}\right)^2}{\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}}$$

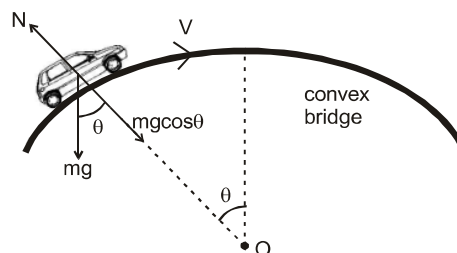
13. Normal reaction of road on a concave bridge

$$N = mg \cos \theta + \frac{mv^2}{r}$$



14. Normal reaction on a convex bridge

$$N = mg \cos \theta - \frac{mv^2}{r}$$



15. Skidding of vehicle on a level road

$$v_{\text{safe}} = \sqrt{\mu gr}$$

16. Skidding of an object on a rotating platform

$$\omega_{\text{max}} = \sqrt{\mu g/r}$$

17. Bending of cyclist $\tan \theta = \frac{v^2}{rg}$

18. Banking of road without friction $\tan \theta = \frac{v^2}{rg}$

19. Banking of road with friction $\frac{v^2}{rg} = \frac{\mu + \tan \theta}{1 - \mu \tan \theta}$

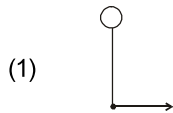
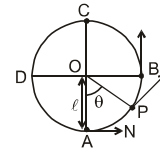
20. Maximum also minimum safe speed on a banked frictional road $V_{\text{max}} = \frac{rg(\mu + \tan \theta)}{(1 - \mu \tan \theta)}^{1/2}$

$$V_{\text{min}} = \frac{rg(\mu - \tan \theta)}{(1 + \mu \tan \theta)}^{1/2}$$

21. Centrifugal force (pseudo force) $f = m\omega^2 r$, acts outwards when the particle itself is taken as a frame.

22. Effect of earth's rotation on apparent weight $N = mg - mR\omega^2 \cos^2 \theta$;
where θ = latitude at a place

23. Various quantities for a critical condition in a vertical loop at different positions (True for a string or on a smooth track.)



$$V_{\text{min}} = \sqrt{4gL}$$

(for completing the circle)



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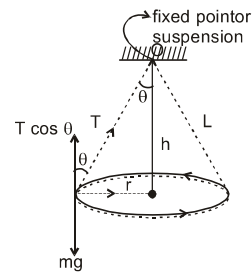
(for completing the circle)

24. Conical pendulum :

$$T \cos \theta = mg$$

$$T \sin \theta = m\omega^2 r$$

$$\therefore \text{Time period} = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{L \cos \theta}{g}}$$



25. Relations among angular variables :

ω_i Initial ang. velocity

$$\omega = \omega_i + \alpha t$$

ω Find angular velocity

$$\theta = \omega_i t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha t^2$$

α Const. angular acceleration

$$\omega^2 = \omega_i^2 + 2\alpha \theta$$

