

# Year 11 Physics Equation Sheet Semester 2

## Physical Constants

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|---|--|
| $g = 9.8 \text{ ms}^{-2}$                             | $g$ = magnitude of acceleration due to gravity |
| $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ Nm}^2\text{kg}^{-1}$ | $G$ = universal constant of gravitation        |
| $h = 6.63 \times 10^{-34} \text{ Js}$                 | $h$ = Planck's constant                        |
| $c = 3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ ms}^{-1}$                | $c$ = speed of light                           |
| $e = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$                  | $e$ = charge of an electron                    |

## Common Formulae

|   |                                      |
|---|--------------------------------------|
| $\vec{F} = m\vec{a}$                    | $\vec{F}$ = force                    |
|   | $m$ = mass                           |
| $\vec{F}_1 = -\vec{F}_2$                | $\vec{a}$ = acceleration             |
|   | $\vec{v}$ = velocity                 |
| $\Delta\vec{v} = \vec{v}_f - \vec{v}_i$ | $\Delta\vec{v}$ = change in velocity |

## Projectile Motion

|  |                            |   |  |
|--|----------------------------|---|--|
| $v_H = v \cos \theta$                          | $v = \sqrt{v_H^2 + v_V^2}$ | $\theta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{v_V}{v_H} \right)$ |  |
| $v_V = v \sin \theta$                          |                            |   |  |
| $\vec{v} = \vec{v}_0 + \vec{a}t$               |                            |   | $\theta$ = angle to the horizontal       |
| $\vec{s} = \vec{v}_0t + \frac{1}{2}\vec{a}t^2$ |                            |   | $v_H$ = horizontal component of velocity |
| $v^2 = v_0^2 + 2as$                            |                            |   | $v_V$ = vertical component of velocity   |
|  |                            |   | $v_0$ = initial velocity                 |
|  |                            |   | $v$ = velocity at time $t$               |
|  |                            |   | $a$ = acceleration                       |
|  |                            |   | $s$ = displacement after time $t$        |

## Circular Motion

|                     |                        |  |   |
|---------------------|------------------------|--|---|
| $a = \frac{v^2}{r}$ | $v = \frac{2\pi r}{T}$ | $\theta = \tan^{-1} \left( \frac{v^2}{rg} \right)$ |   |
|                     |                        |  |   |
|                     |                        |  | $\theta$ = angle to the horizontal          |
|                     |                        |  | $v$ = orbital speed                         |
|                     |                        |  | $r$ = radius of circle                      |
|                     |                        |  | $a$ = magnitude of centripetal acceleration |
|                     |                        |  | $T$ = period of motion                      |

## Gravitation and Satellites

$$F = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2} \quad v = \sqrt{\frac{GM}{r}} \quad T = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi^2 r^3}{GM}} \quad a = \frac{GM}{r^2}$$

$M$  = mass of object being orbited  
 $v$  = orbital speed  
 $r$  = distance between  $m_1$  and  $m_2$   
 $T$  = period of motion

## Energy and Momentum

$$K = \frac{1}{2}mv^2 \quad W = Fs \cos \theta \quad \theta = \text{angle between directions of force } F \text{ and displacement } s$$

$W$  = work done

$$\vec{p} = m\vec{v} \quad \Delta\vec{p} = \vec{p}_f - \vec{p}_i \quad p = \text{momentum}$$

$\Delta p$  = change in momentum

$$\vec{F} = \frac{\Delta\vec{p}}{\Delta t}$$

## Heat and Temperature

$$\frac{Q}{t} = hA(T_o - T_s) \quad \frac{Q}{t} = \text{rate of heat transfer} \quad T_o = \text{temperature of object}$$

$h$  = heat transfer coefficient  
 $A$  = surface area of heat transfer  
 $T_s$  = temperature of surroundings

$$Q = mc\Delta T$$

$$Q = mL \quad Q = \text{heat transferred to or from the object} \quad c = \text{specific heat capacity}$$

$m$  = mass of object  
 $\Delta T$  = temperature change  
 $L$  = latent heat capacity

$$\eta = \frac{\text{energy output}}{\text{energy input}} \times 100 \quad \eta = \text{efficiency}$$

## The Nucleus and Radioactivity

$$N = N_0 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n \quad N = \text{number of nuclides remaining in sample}$$

$N_0$  = initial number of nuclides in sample  
 $n$  = number of half-lives

$$E_b = \Delta m c^2 \quad E_b = \text{energy change}$$

$\Delta m$  = mass change  
 $c$  = speed of light

$$A = Z + N \quad A = \text{mass number}$$

$Z$  = atomic number  
 $N$  = number of neutrons

**TABLE OF PREFIXES**

| Prefix | Symbol | Value     |
|--------|--------|-----------|
| giga   | G      | $10^9$    |
| mega   | M      | $10^6$    |
| kilo   | k      | $10^3$    |
| centi  | c      | $10^{-2}$ |
| milli  | m      | $10^{-3}$ |
| micro  | $\mu$  | $10^{-6}$ |
| nano   | n      | $10^{-9}$ |