

# Physics 121 Common Exam 2 Formulas

Area of circle =  $\pi r^2$     Circumference of circle =  $2\pi r$     1 meter = 1000 mm = 100 cm    1 kg = 1000 g  
 Surface area of sphere =  $4\pi r^2$     Volume of a sphere =  $(4/3)\pi r^3$  ,     $1 \mu\text{C} = 10^{-6} \text{ C}$      $1 \text{ nC} = 10^{-9} \text{ C}$   
 $1/4\pi\epsilon_0 = k_e = 9 \times 10^9 \text{ N}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{C}^2$      $\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2/\text{N}\cdot\text{m}^2$ ,     $e = 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$  ,     $m_e = 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$

Point charges:  $\vec{F} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} \hat{r}$      $\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2} \hat{r}$  where  $\hat{r}$  is a unit vector     $k_e \equiv \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} = 9 \times 10^9$

Superposition: contributions to the field or force from point charges add as vectors at a point of interest  $\vec{F}_{\text{net on } 1} = \sum_{i=2}^n \vec{F}_{1,i} = \vec{F}_{1,2} + \vec{F}_{1,3} + \vec{F}_{1,4} + \dots$

Shell Theorem (spheres only): mimics a point charge from outside; inside  $\vec{E}$  or  $\vec{F}$  is zero

$\vec{E}$  = force per unit test charge at a point     $\vec{F} = q\vec{E}$      $\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m\vec{a}$

Dipole moment:  $\vec{p} = q\vec{d}$      $\vec{\tau}_{\text{dipole}} = \vec{p} \times \vec{E}$      $U_{\text{dipole}} = -\vec{p} \cdot \vec{E}$      $\vec{E}_{\text{on dipole axis}} \approx +\vec{p}/2\pi\epsilon_0 z^3$  for large  $z$

For continuous charge distributions:  $\vec{E} = \int_{\text{dist}} k_e \frac{dq}{r^2} \hat{r}$  and  $\vec{V} = \int_{\text{dist}} k_e \frac{dq}{r}$ . (integrate over the distribution)

$\sigma$  = surface charge density     $E_{\text{conducting sheet}} = \sigma/\epsilon_0$      $E_{\text{non-conducting sheet}} = \sigma/2\epsilon_0$

$\lambda$  = linear charge density     $E_{\text{infinite line}} = \lambda/2\pi\epsilon_0 r$      $E_{\text{finite line}} = \lambda \sin(\theta_0)/2\pi\epsilon_0 d$      $E_{\text{arc}} = \lambda \sin(\theta_0)/2\pi\epsilon_0 R$

$d\Phi_E = \vec{E} \cdot \vec{n} dA = EA \cos(\phi)$      $\Phi_E = \text{electric flux} = q_{\text{enc}}/\epsilon_0 = \oint \vec{E} \cdot \vec{dA}$  over a Gaussian surface

$\Delta V = \Delta U/q = -\oint \vec{E} \cos\theta ds = -\oint \vec{E} \cdot \vec{ds}$      $\Delta U_{\text{el}} = q\Delta V$      $V = k_e Q/r$      $U = k_e Qq/r$      $V_f - V_o = -E(x_f - x_o)$

$\vec{E}_x = -\partial V/\partial x$      $\vec{E}_y = -\partial V/\partial y$      $\vec{E}_z = -\partial V/\partial z$      $Q = CV$     PE:  $U_{\text{el}} = Q^2/2C = CV^2/2$

$\Delta W_{\text{nc}} = \Delta E_{\text{mech}} = \Delta K + \Delta U$      $C_{\text{parallel}} = \sum C_i$      $1/C_{\text{series}} = \sum (1/C_i)$      $C_{\text{series}} = C_1 C_2 / (C_1 + C_2)$

$C_{\text{parallel plates}} = \kappa \epsilon_0 A/d$      $C_{\text{sphere}} = 4\pi\epsilon_0 R$     Dielectric constant:  $C_{\text{diel}} = \kappa C_{\text{vac}}$      $\kappa \geq 1$

$q = \oint \vec{idt} = i\Delta t$      $dq = idt$      $i = dq/dt$      $\vec{i} = \oint \vec{J} \cdot \vec{dA} = J\Delta A$      $J = qnv_{\text{drift}}$      $J = \sigma E$      $\sigma = 1/\rho$

$R = V/i$      $V = iR$      $R = \rho L/A$      $\rho = \rho_0 (1 + \alpha(T - T_0))$     Ohms Law:  $R$  independent of  $V$

$R_{\text{series}} = \sum R_i$      $1/R_{\text{parallel}} = \sum 1/R_i$      $R_{\text{para}} = R_1 R_2 / (R_1 + R_2)$      $P = dU_{\text{el}}/dt = iV$      $P_{\text{resistor}} = i^2 R = V^2/R$

Junction rule:  $\sum i_{\text{in}} = \sum i_{\text{out}}$     Loop rule:  $\sum \Delta V_i = 0$  around any closed circuit path.  $\Delta V = -iR$  when following assumed currents,  $+iR$  otherwise. EMF's positive when crossing from - to +, negative otherwise.

Prefixes: n (nano) =  $10^{-9}$  ,  $\mu$  (micro) =  $10^{-6}$  , m (milli) =  $10^{-3}$  , p (pico) =  $10^{-12}$

Useful Integrals:  $\int x^n dx = x^{n+1}/(n+1)$      $\int dx/(x+a) = \ln(x+a)$      $\int e^{\pm\alpha x} dx = \pm e^{\alpha x} / \alpha$

$\int x dx / (a^2 + x^2)^{3/2} = -1/\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}$      $\int dx/(a-x)^2 = 1/(a-x)$      $\int dx/(a^2 + x^2) = (1/a) \tan^{-1}(x/a)$

$\int dx/(x^2 + a^2)^{1/2} = \ln(x + (x^2 + a^2)^{1/2})$      $\int dx/(a^2 + x^2)^{3/2} = x/(a^2 \sqrt{a^2 + x^2})$      $\int x dx / (x^2 + a^2)^{1/2} = (x^2 + a^2)^{1/2}$

Physics 1:  $v = v_o + at$      $x - x_o = v_o t + 1/2 at^2$      $v^2 = v_o^2 + 2a(x - x_o)$      $x - x_o = 1/2(v + v_o)t$

$a_c = v^2/r$      $\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m\vec{a} = d\vec{p}/dt$      $\vec{\tau}_{\text{net}} = I\alpha = d\vec{L}/dt$      $\vec{\tau} = \vec{r} \times \vec{F}$      $\vec{L} = \vec{r} \times \vec{p}$

Vector Addition:  $\vec{a} + \vec{b} = \vec{c}$  implies  $c_x = a_x + b_x$ ,  $c_y = a_y + b_y$

2D:  $\vec{a} = a_x \hat{i} + a_y \hat{j}$      $a_x = a \cdot \cos(\theta)$      $a_y = a \cdot \sin(\theta)$      $|a| = \text{sqrt}[a_x^2 + a_y^2]$      $\theta = \tan^{-1}(a_y/a_x)$

3D:  $\vec{a} = a_x \hat{i} + a_y \hat{j} + a_z \hat{k}$      $a_z = a \cdot \cos(\theta)$      $a_x = a \cdot \sin(\theta) \cos(\phi)$      $a_y = a \cdot \sin(\theta) \sin(\phi)$

Dot product:  $\vec{a} \cdot \vec{b} = a \cdot b \cdot \cos(\phi) = a_x b_x + a_y b_y + a_z b_z$     unit vectors:  $\hat{i} \cdot \hat{i} = \hat{j} \cdot \hat{j} = \hat{k} \cdot \hat{k} = 1$ ;  $\hat{i} \cdot \hat{j} = \hat{i} \cdot \hat{k} = \hat{j} \cdot \hat{k} = 0$

Cross product:  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = a \cdot b \cdot \sin(\phi)$ ;  $\vec{c} = \vec{a} \times \vec{b} = (a_y b_z - a_z b_y) \cdot \hat{i} + (a_z b_x - a_x b_z) \cdot \hat{j} + (a_x b_y - a_y b_x) \cdot \hat{k}$

$\vec{a} \times \vec{b} = -\vec{b} \times \vec{a}$ ,  $\vec{a} \times \vec{a} = \vec{0}$  always;  $\vec{c} = \vec{a} \times \vec{b}$  is perpendicular to  $\vec{a}$ - $\vec{b}$  plane; if  $\vec{a} \parallel \vec{b}$  then  $|\vec{a} \times \vec{b}| = 0$

$\hat{i} \times \hat{i} = \hat{j} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k} \times \hat{k} = 0$ ,     $\hat{i} \times \hat{j} = \hat{k}$      $\hat{j} \times \hat{k} = \hat{i}$      $\hat{k} \times \hat{i} = \hat{j}$