

# LEARNING RESOURCE CENTER

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## MECHANICS

$v_x = v_{x0} + a_x t$	$a$ = acceleration
$x = x_0 + v_{x0} t + \frac{1}{2} a_x t^2$	$A$ = amplitude
$v_x^2 = v_{x0}^2 + 2a_x(x - x_0)$	$d$ = distance
$\vec{a} = \frac{\sum \vec{F}}{m} = \frac{\vec{F}_{net}}{m}$	$E$ = energy
$ \vec{F}_f  \leq \mu  \vec{F}_n $	$f$ = frequency
$a_c = \frac{v^2}{r}$	$F$ = force
$\vec{p} = m\vec{v}$	$I$ = rotational inertia
$\Delta\vec{p} = \vec{F} \Delta t$	$K$ = kinetic energy
$K = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$	$k$ = spring constant
$\Delta E = W = F_{\parallel} d = F d \cos \theta$	$L$ = angular momentum
$P = \frac{\Delta E}{\Delta t}$	$\ell$ = length
$\theta = \theta_0 + \omega_0 t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha t^2$	$m$ = mass
$\omega = \omega_0 + \alpha t$	$P$ = power
$x = A \cos(2\pi f t)$	$p$ = momentum
$\vec{\alpha} = \frac{\sum \vec{\tau}}{I} = \frac{\vec{\tau}_{net}}{I}$	$r$ = radius or separation
$\tau = r_{\perp} F = r F \sin \theta$	$T$ = period
$L = I\omega$	$t$ = time
$\Delta L = \tau \Delta t$	$U$ = potential energy
$K = \frac{1}{2} I \omega^2$	$V$ = volume
$ \vec{F}_s  = k \vec{x} $	$v$ = speed
$U_s = \frac{1}{2} k x^2$	$W$ = work done on a system
$\rho = \frac{m}{V}$	$x$ = position
	$y$ = height
	$\alpha$ = angular acceleration
	$\mu$ = coefficient of friction
	$\theta$ = angle
	$\rho$ = density
	$\tau$ = torque
	$\omega$ = angular speed
	$\Delta U_g = mg \Delta y$
	$T = \frac{2\pi}{\omega} = \frac{1}{f}$
	$T_s = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{m}{k}}$
	$T_p = 2\pi \sqrt{\frac{\ell}{g}}$
	$ \vec{F}_g  = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2}$
	$\vec{g} = \frac{\vec{F}_g}{m}$
	$U_G = -\frac{G m_1 m_2}{r}$

## ELECTRICITY

$ \vec{F}_E  = k \left  \frac{q_1 q_2}{r^2} \right $	$A$ = area
$I = \frac{\Delta q}{\Delta t}$	$F$ = force
$R = \frac{\rho \ell}{A}$	$I$ = current
$I = \frac{\Delta V}{R}$	$\ell$ = length
$P = I \Delta V$	$P$ = power
$R_s = \sum_i R_i$	$q$ = charge
$\frac{1}{R_p} = \sum_i \frac{1}{R_i}$	$R$ = resistance
	$r$ = separation
	$t$ = time
	$V$ = electric potential
	$\rho$ = resistivity

## WAVES

$\lambda = \frac{v}{f}$	$f$ = frequency
	$v$ = speed
	$\lambda$ = wavelength

## GEOMETRY AND TRIGONOMETRY

Rectangle	$A$ = area
$A = bh$	$C$ = circumference
Triangle	$V$ = volume
$A = \frac{1}{2} bh$	$S$ = surface area
Circle	$b$ = base
$A = \pi r^2$	$h$ = height
$C = 2\pi r$	$\ell$ = length
Rectangular solid	$w$ = width
$V = \ell wh$	$r$ = radius
Cylinder	Right triangle
$V = \pi r^2 \ell$	$c^2 = a^2 + b^2$
$S = 2\pi r \ell + 2\pi r^2$	$\sin \theta = \frac{a}{c}$
Sphere	$\cos \theta = \frac{b}{c}$
$V = \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$	$\tan \theta = \frac{a}{b}$
$S = 4\pi r^2$	

