

Physics Chapter 2

Speed \ Velocity

Speed = distance/time
Scalar quantity requiring magnitude only to describe how fast a body is.

Velocity = distance/time
Vector quantity requiring magnitude and direction. It describes how fast and in what direction.

Instantaneous speed
The speed at any instant of time.

Average speed = distance/time

Constant velocity
Means motion in straight line at a constant speed.

Changing velocity
If either the speed or the direction or both changes, then the velocity changes.

Fall

Free fall

$a = g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$
Air resistance is negligible.
Depends on weight and inertia.
Dropped means ($v_i = 0$)
Upward means ($v_f = 0$)

Non free fall

$a < g < 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$.
Air resistance is NOT negligible.
Depends on speed and FSA (Frontal Surface Area).
Terminal speed
Occurs when acceleration terminates when air resistance equals weight and net force.

Accelerated motion

Equations

- $v_{avg} = \frac{v_f + v_i}{2}$
- $a = \frac{v_f - v_i}{t}$
- $v_f = v_i + at$
- $s = v_i t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2$
- $s = \frac{1}{2} (v_f + v_i) t$
- $2as = v_f^2 - v_i^2$

where s = displacement, v_f = final velocity, v_i = initial velocity, v_{avg} = average velocity, a = constant acceleration, t = time

Acceleration

is the change in velocity per unit time.

Type of acceleration

- (+a) **positive acceleration.** when the speed increases
- (-a) **negative acceleration (deceleration).** when the speed decreases

* when the speed is constant, the acceleration is zero.

Average acceleration = change in velocity/time

Dimension: Length/time²

Units: m/s², km/h².

Newton's laws

Newton's 1st law

a body at state of rest (speed = 0) or motion with constant velocity (constant speed in straight line) tends to remain at this state unless acted upon by an unbalanced force.

Newton's 2nd law

$F = ma$
 F ≡ the total force.
 m ≡ mass.
 a ≡ acceleration.
The law of acceleration

Newton's 3rd law

To every action there is always an opposed equal reaction.

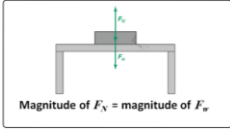
Force

F = ma

F_w = mg
w means weight.

$F_w = mg$
where F_w = weight
 m = mass
 g = acceleration due to gravity
 $g = 9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$ (earth, metric)
 $g = 32.2 \text{ ft/s}^2$ (earth, U.S.)

F_N = mg
N means normal



Friction force

The characteristics of friction can be described by the following equation:

$$F_f = \mu F_N$$

where F_f = frictional force
 F_N = normal force (force perpendicular to the contact surface)
 μ = coefficient of friction

Higher $\mu \Rightarrow$ two rough surfaces; smaller $\mu \Rightarrow$ two smooth surfaces (*not too smooth*)

Net force

the resultant of the forces

- Same direction (add)
- Opposite direction (subtract)

Static friction

The two surfaces are at rest relative to each other.

$$= \mu_s F_N$$

Kinetic friction

The two surfaces are in relative motion.
*** Static friction > Kinetic friction**

$$= \mu_k F_N$$

To reduce kinetic friction:

- 1- Use smoother surfaces.
- 2- Use lubrication.
- 3- Use Teflon.

Work

Work is the product of the force in the direction of the motion and the displacement.

$$W = F_s$$

where W = work
 F = force applied *in the direction of the motion*
 s = displacement

Work = 0 .. when

- F = 0
- s = 0
- Subtopic

Work units are

- 1 N m = 1 joule = 1J (SI system).
- 1 feet x pounds = 1 ft lb (British system).

Power

Power is the rate of doing work;

$$P = \frac{W}{t}$$

P = power
 W = work
 t = time

Power units are

- Joule/second = J/s = Watt (SI system)
- feet/second = ft/s = hp (British system).

Energy

Potential energy

is the stored energy of a body due to its internal characteristic or its position.

Gravitational potential energy

$$E_p = m g h$$

where E_p = potential energy
 m = mass
 $g = 9.80 \text{ m/s}^2$ or 32.2 ft/s^2
 h = height above reference level

Kinetic energy

energy of motion of a body due to the mass and velocity of a moving object.

If object speed is doubled the kinetic energy is quadrupled.

$$E_k = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$

where E_k = kinetic energy
 m = mass of moving object
 v = velocity of moving object

If all the work is transferred into kinetic energy

$$F s = \frac{1}{2} m v^2$$

where E_k = kinetic energy
 m = mass of moving object
 v = velocity of moving object
 F = net force of work
 s = displacement

Conservation of mechanical energy

$$\max E_p = \max E_k$$
$$mgh = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$$

Solving for the velocity

$$v = \sqrt{2 g h}$$

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