

Physics 102 – Formula Sheet

Coulomb's Law: $\vec{F}_{12} = k \frac{|Q_1 Q_2|}{r^2} \hat{r}_{12} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{|Q_1 Q_2|}{r^2} \hat{r}_{12}$

The Electric Field: $\vec{E} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{dq}{r^2} \hat{r}$

Force on a charged particle in an electric field: $\vec{F} = q\vec{E}$

Gauss' Law: $\phi = \oint_S \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{A} = \frac{q_{encl}}{\epsilon_0}$

Electric Field Calculations:

Charge Distribution	Electric Field
Point Charge	$\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2}$
Charged Ring (along the axis taken to be the x-axis)	$\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Qx}{(x^2 + R^2)^{3/2}}$
Charged Disk (along the axis taken to be the x-axis)	$\frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \left[1 - \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + R^2}} \right]$
Infinite Sheet (nonconducting)	$\frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0}$
Uniform spherical charge distribution of radius R	$\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r^2} \quad r > R$ $\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Qr}{R^3} \quad r < R$
Infinite linear distribution	$\frac{\lambda}{2\pi\epsilon_0 r} = \frac{2k\lambda}{r}$

$$\Delta V = V_f - V_i = - \int_{r_i}^{r_f} \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = - \frac{W_{i \rightarrow f}}{q}$$

Electric Potential: $V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \int \frac{dq}{r}, \quad \text{relative to } \infty$

$$E_i = - \frac{\partial V}{\partial x_i}$$

Potential Energy of a point charge: $\Delta U = q\Delta V$

Potential energy of a system of charges: $U = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \sum_{i < j} \frac{q_i q_j}{r_{ij}}$

Potential Relative to Infinity:

Distribution	Potential form
Point charge	$\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r}$
Charged Ring (along the axis taken to be the x-axis)	$\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{\sqrt{x^2 + R^2}}$
Charged Disk (along the axis taken to be the x-axis)	$\frac{\sigma}{2\epsilon_0} \left[\sqrt{x^2 + R^2} - x \right]$
Uniform spherical charge distribution of radius R.	$\frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r} \quad r \geq R$ $\frac{1}{8\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{R} \left(3 - \frac{r^2}{R^2} \right) \quad r \leq R$

Capacitors: $C = \frac{Q}{V}$

System	Capacitance
Parallel Plates	$\epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d}$
Spherical capacitor of radii a and b .	$\epsilon_0 \frac{4\pi ab}{b-a}$
Isolated Sphere of radius R	$\epsilon_0 4\pi R$
Cylindrical capacitor of radii a and b and height L	$\epsilon_0 \frac{2\pi L}{\ln(b/a)}$

Capacitor Combinations:

Series Connection : $\frac{1}{C_{eq}} = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{C_i}$

Parallel Connection : $C_{eq} = \sum_{i=1}^N C_i$

Energy Stored: $U = \frac{1}{2} QV = \frac{Q^2}{2C} = \frac{1}{2} CV^2$

Energy Density: $u = \frac{1}{2} \epsilon_0 E^2$

Dielectric: In the presence of a dielectric material, **replace** (ϵ_0) **by** ($\kappa\epsilon_0$).

Electric Current & D.C.

$$I = \frac{dQ}{dt} = \int \vec{J} \cdot d\vec{A} \quad \vec{J} = ne\vec{v}_d$$

$$R = \rho \frac{L}{A},$$

$$\rho = \rho_o(1 + \alpha\Delta T)$$

$$V = IR$$

$$P = VI = I^2R = \frac{V^2}{R}$$

$$R_{eq} = \sum_{i=1}^N R_i \quad (\text{Series})$$

$$\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{R_i} \quad (\text{Parallel})$$

R-C Circuits:

$$Q(t) = C\varepsilon(1 - e^{-t/\tau}) \quad (\text{Charging})$$

$$Q(t) = Q_o e^{-t/\tau} \quad (\text{Discharging})$$

Charged particle in a magnetic field:

$$F = q\vec{v} \times \vec{B} \quad \omega = \frac{qB}{m} = \frac{v}{r}$$

Force on a current carrying conductor:

$$\vec{F} = I\vec{L} \times \vec{B}$$

Magnetic Field:

Moving charge:

$$\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_o}{4\pi} \frac{q\vec{v} \times \vec{r}}{r^2}$$

Biot – Savart Law : $d\vec{B} = \frac{\mu_o I}{4\pi} \frac{d\vec{l} \times \vec{r}}{r^2}$

Ampere's Law : $\oint \vec{B} \cdot d\vec{l} = \mu_o I_{encl}$

Magnetic Field Calculations:

Shape	Field
Long Straight Wire	$\frac{\mu_o I}{2\pi r}$
Circular loop (along the axis)	$B_x = \frac{\mu_o I a^2}{2(x^2 + a^2)^{3/2}}$
Circular loops (at the centre)	$B_x = \frac{\mu_o N I}{2a}$
Solenoid	$\mu_o n I$

Force between two long straight wires:

$$F = \frac{\mu_o I_1 I_2 L}{2\pi d}$$

Faraday's Law:

$$\varepsilon = -N \frac{\Delta\phi_B}{\Delta t},$$

$$\phi_B = BA \cos \theta$$

Motional EMF:

$$\varepsilon = BLv$$

Induced Electric Field:

$$\oint \vec{E} \cdot d\vec{l} = -\frac{d\phi_B}{dt}$$