# Physics First Marking Period Review Sheet 

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## Chapter 1: The Science of Physics

- I can explain how the subject of physics fits into science and into everyday life.
- I can explain the scientific method to someone not enrolled in Physics.
- I can understand the language used in the scientific method and I can distinguish between a hypothesis, an experiment, data, an independent variable, a dependent variable, a law, and a theory.
- I know the three types of zeros and I can count the number of significant digits in any given number.
- I can apply the rules for using significant figures in calculations. I remember that the rules for addition and subtraction are different from those for multiplication and division.
- I can use metric-metric and English-metric conversion factors to solve problems.

| Tera- | T | trillion | $10^{12}=1,000,000,000,000$ | 1 inch (in.) $=2.54 \mathrm{~cm}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Giga- | G | billion | $10^{9}=1,000,000,000$ | 1 pound (lb.) $=454 \mathrm{~g}$ |
| Mega- | M | million | $10^{6}=1,000,000$ | 1 quart (qt.) $=0.946 \mathrm{~L}$ |
| Kilo- | k | thousand | $10^{3}=1,000$ | $1 \mathrm{~mL}=1 \mathrm{~cm}^{3}$ |
|  |  | one | $10^{0}=1$ |  |
| Deci- | d | tenth | $10^{-1}=0.1$ |  |
| Centi- | c | hundredth | $10^{-2}=0.01$ |  |
| Milli- | m | thousandth | $10^{-3}=0.001$ |  |
| Micro- | $\mu$ | millionth | $10^{-6}=0.000001$ |  |
| Nano- | n | billionth | $10^{-9}=0.000000001$ |  |
| Pico- | p | trillionth | $10^{-12}=0.000000000001$ |  |

- I can demonstrate how dimensional analysis is used for problem solving.
- I can compare and contrast mass with weight and explain why scientists prefer to use mass instead of weight.
- I can explain the difference between precision and accuracy.
- I can construct both hand-drawn and computer-generated graphs, which include a title, properly labeled axes, a smooth line drawn through the points, and a slope and y-intercept for linear relationships.


## Chapter 2: Motion in One Dimension

- I can calculate average velocity using both $\quad v_{\text {ave }}=\frac{\Delta x}{\Delta t}=\frac{x_{f}-x_{i}}{t_{f}-t_{i}} \quad$ and $\quad v_{\text {ave }}=\frac{1}{2}\left(v_{f}+v_{i}\right)$
- I can determine average velocity graphically. In a position-versus-time graph for constant velocity, the slope of the line gives the average velocity. See Table 1.
- I can determine instantaneous velocity from the slope of a line tangent to the curve at a particular point on a position-versus-time graph.
- I can use $v_{\text {ave }}=\frac{\Delta x_{\text {Total }}}{\Delta t_{\text {Total }}}$ to calculate the average velocity for an entire journey if given information about the various legs of the journey.
- I can calculate average acceleration using $a_{\text {ave }}=\frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t}=\frac{v_{f}-v_{i}}{t_{f}-t_{i}}$
- I can determine average acceleration and displacement graphically. In a velocity-versus-time graph for constant acceleration, the slope of the line gives acceleration and the area under the line gives displacement. See Table 1.


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- I can use the acceleration due to gravity $=g=9.81 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}^{2}$ to solve problems (Recall $a=-g=-9.81$ $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{s}^{2}$ )

|  | Constant Position | Constant <br> Velocity | Constant Acceleration | Ball Thrown Upward |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Position Versus Time: |  |  |  |  |
| Velocity Versus Time: |  |  |  |  |
| Acceleration Versus Time: |  |  |  |  |

- Given three of the following variables-displacement, velocity, acceleration, and time, I can determine the fourth variable from concepts and equations discussed so far.
- Given only two of the following variables-displacement, velocity, acceleration, and time, I can determine both of the unknown variables using the kinematic equations in the left column of Table 2.

Table 2: Relationship Between the Kinematic Equations and Projectile Motion Equations

| Kinematic Equations | Missing Variable | Projectile Motion, <br> Zero Launch Angle |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  |  | Assumptions made: <br> $a=-g$ and $v_{y, i}=0$ |
| $\Delta x=v_{\text {ave }} \Delta t$ | $a$ | $\Delta x=v_{x} \Delta t$ <br> where $v_{x}=a$ constant |
| $v_{f}=v_{i}+a \Delta t$ | $\Delta x$ | $v_{y, f}=-g \Delta t$ |
| $\Delta x=v_{i} \Delta t+\frac{1}{2} a(\Delta t)^{2}$ | $v_{\text {final }}$ | $\Delta y=-\frac{1}{2} g(\Delta t)^{2}$ |
| $v_{f}^{2}=v_{i}^{2}+2 a \Delta x$ | $\Delta t$ | $v_{y, f}^{2}=-2 g \Delta y$ |

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## Chapter 3: Two Dimensional Motion and Vectors

- I know that a projectile is any object that is thrown or launched.
- I understand that projectiles follow a parabolic pathway.
- I can use Table 2 to better understand how the zero launch angle projectile motion equations can be derived from the kinematic equations.
- I understand that the kinematic equations involve one-dimensional motion whereas the projectile motion equations involve two-dimensional motion. Two-dimensional motion means there is motion in both the horizontal and vertical directions.
- I recall that the equation for horizontal motion $\left(\Delta x=v_{x} \Delta t\right)$ and the equations for vertical motion $\left(v_{y, f}=-g \Delta t, \Delta y=-\frac{1}{2} g(\Delta t)^{2}, v_{y, f}^{2}=-2 g \Delta y\right)$ are independent from each other, and I can use them to calculate information about objects that are thrown or launched.
- I recall that velocity is constant and acceleration is zero in the horizontal direction.
- I recall that acceleration is $g=9.81 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}^{2}$ in the vertical direction.
- For projectiles launched at an angle, I can determine the range of the projectile from
$\Delta x=\left(v_{i} \cos \theta\right) \Delta t$ and its time of flight from $\Delta y=\left(v_{i} \sin \theta\right) \Delta t-\frac{1}{2} g(\Delta t)^{2}$.
- For an object in free fall, I know that the object stops accelerating when the force of air resistance, $\vec{F}_{\text {Air }}$, equals the weight, $\vec{W}$. The object has reached its maximum velocity, the terminal velocity.
- When a quarterback throws a football, I know that the angle for a high, lob pass is related to the angle for a low, bullet pass. When both footballs are caught by a receiver standing in the same place, the sum of the launch angles is $90^{\circ}$.
- In distance contests for projectiles launched by cannons, catapults, trebuchets, and similar devices, projectiles achieve the farthest distance when launched at a $45^{\circ}$ angle.
- I know that vectors have both magnitude and direction whereas scalars have magnitude but no direction. Examples of vectors are displacement, velocity, acceleration, and force.
- I can move vectors parallel to their original position in a diagram.
- I can add vectors in any order. See Table 3 for more information about vector addition.
- For vector $r$ at angle $\theta$ to the x -axis, I can calculate the x - and y -components for $r$ from $\Delta x=r \cos \theta$ and $\Delta y=r \sin \theta$.
- I can calculate the magnitude of vector $\vec{r}$ from $\quad r=\sqrt{\Delta x^{2}+\Delta y^{2}}$ and the direction angle for $\vec{r}$ relative to the nearest x -axis from $\quad \theta=\tan ^{-1}\left(\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}\right)$.
- I can subtract a vector by adding its opposite.
- I understand that multiplying or dividing vectors by scalars results in vectors.
- In addition to adding vectors mathematically as shown in the last table, I can add vectors graphically. Vectors can be drawn to scale and moved parallel to their original positions in a diagram so that they are all positioned head-to-tail. The length and direction angle for the resultant can be measured with a ruler and protractor, respectively.
- I can solve relative motion problems by using a special type of vector addition. For example, the velocity of object 1 relative to object 3 is given by $\quad v_{13}=v_{12}+v_{23} \quad$ where object 2 can be anything.
- I know that subscripts on a velocity can be reversed by changing the vector's direction: $\vec{v}_{12}=-\vec{v}_{21}$

| Table 3: Vector Addition |  |  |
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| Vector Orientation | Calculational Strategy Used |  |
| Vectors are parallel: | Add or subtract the magnitudes (values) to get the resultant. Determine the direction by inspection. |  |
| Vectors are perpendicular: | Use the Pythagorean Theorem, $\Delta x^{2}+\Delta y^{2}=r^{2}$, to get the resultant, $r$, where $\Delta x$ is parallel to the x -axis and $\Delta y$ is parallel to the y -axis. <br> Use $\theta=\tan ^{-1}\left(\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}\right)$ to get the angle, $\theta$, made with the x -axis. |  |
| Vectors are neither parallel nor perpendicular: | Adding 2 Vectors | Adding 2 or More Vectors (Vector Resolution Method) |
|  | Limited usefulness | Used by most physicists |
|  | (1) Use the law of cosines to determine the resultant: $c^{2}=a^{2}+b^{2}-2 a b \cos \theta$ <br> (2) Use the law of sines to help determine direction: $\frac{a}{\sin A}=\frac{b}{\sin B}=\frac{c}{\sin C}$ | (1) Make a diagram. <br> (2) Construct a vector table. (Use vector, $\boldsymbol{x}$-direction, and $\boldsymbol{y}$-direction for the column headings.) <br> (3) Resolve vectors using $\Delta x=r \cos \theta$ and $\Delta y=r \sin \theta$ when needed. <br> (4) Determine the signs. <br> (5) Determine the sum of the vectors for each direction, $\Delta x_{\text {total }}$ and $\Delta y_{\text {total }}$. <br> (6) Use the Pythagorean Thm to get the resultant, $r$ : $\Delta x_{\text {total }}^{2}+\Delta y_{\text {total }}^{2}=r^{2}$ <br> (7) Use $\theta=\tan ^{-1}\left(\frac{\Delta y_{\text {total }}}{\Delta x_{\text {total }}}\right)$ to get the angle, $\theta$. |

## Equations Available on Physics First Marking Period Test

$\Delta y=\left(v_{i} \sin \theta\right) \Delta t-\frac{1}{2} g(\Delta t)^{2}$
$\Delta x=v_{\text {ave }} \Delta t$
$\Delta x=v_{x} \Delta t$
$\Delta y=-\frac{1}{2} g(\Delta t)^{2}$
$v_{f}^{2}=v_{i}^{2}+2 a \Delta x$
$r=\sqrt{\Delta x^{2}+\Delta y^{2}}$
$\Delta x=r \cos \theta$
$c^{2}=a^{2}+b^{2}-2 a b \cos \theta$
$\theta=\tan ^{-1}\left(\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}\right)$
$\Delta y=r \sin \theta$
$\frac{a}{\sin A}=\frac{b}{\sin B}=\frac{c}{\sin C}$
$\sin A$ sin $C$
$\Delta x=\left(v_{i} \cos \theta\right) \Delta t$
$v_{f}=v_{i}+a \Delta t$
$\Delta x=v_{i} \Delta t+\frac{1}{2} a(\Delta t)^{2}$
$R=\left(\frac{v_{i}^{2}}{g}\right) \sin 2 \theta$

- This list of equations will be provided on the test.
- You are not allowed to use note cards, review sheets, textbooks, or any other aids during the test.
- You may use a calculator. However, you are not allowed to use any other electronic devices ( $i$ Pods, $i$-Phones, smart phones, netbooks, laptop computers etc.) until the last person is finished with the test.
- Calculator sharing is not allowed.
- It is to your advantage to check your work.
- All test materials including scratch paper must be returned at the end of the test.

