

Physics 102 Formula Sheet (for Midterm #1)

Coulomb's law (16-2): $F = k \frac{Q_1 Q_2}{r^2} = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q_1 Q_2}{r^2}$ (magnitude) $\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \text{ C}^2 / \text{N} \cdot \text{m}^2$

Gauss's law (16-9): $\Phi_E = \sum_{\text{closed surface}} \vec{E} \cdot \vec{A} = \sum_{\text{closed surface}} F_{\perp} \Delta A = \frac{Q_{\text{encl}}}{\epsilon_0}$

Electric potential due to a point charge (17-5): $V = \frac{1}{4\pi\epsilon_0} \frac{Q}{r}$ (assuming $V = 0$ at $r = \infty$)

Capacitance (17-7): $Q = CV$

Parallel-plate capacitor (17-8): $C = \epsilon_0 \frac{A}{d}$

Capacitors in parallel (19-5): $C_{eq} = C_1 + C_2 + C_3$

Capacitors in series (19-6): $\frac{1}{C_{eq}} = \frac{1}{C_1} + \frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3}$

Energy stored in a capacitor (17-10): $U = \frac{1}{2} QV = \frac{1}{2} CV^2 = \frac{1}{2} \frac{Q^2}{C}$

Ohm's law (18-2): $I = \frac{V}{R}, \quad V = IR$

Resistivity (18-3): $R = \rho \frac{l}{A}$

Electric power (18-5,6): $P = IV = I^2 R = \frac{V^2}{R}$

Root-mean-square (rms) value (18-8): $I_{rms} = \frac{I_0}{\sqrt{2}}, \quad V_{rms} = \frac{V_0}{\sqrt{2}}$

Resistors in series (19-3): $R_{eq} = R_1 + R_2 + R_3$

Resistors in parallel (19-4): $\frac{1}{R_{eq}} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \frac{1}{R_3}$

Time constant of RC circuits (19-7): $\tau = RC$

Charging and discharging: $V_C = \epsilon(1 - e^{-t/RC}), \quad V_C = V_0 e^{-t/RC}$

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