

1 - Vectors

1.0 Vector position:

$$\vec{r}_2 = \vec{V}_{avg} \Delta t + \vec{r}_1$$

Momentum:

$$\vec{P} = \gamma m \vec{V}$$

$$\gamma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - \left(\frac{|\vec{v}|}{c}\right)^2}}$$

Momentum, Final:

$$\vec{P}_f = \vec{P}_i + F_{NET} \Delta t$$

2 - Momentum Principle:

$$\Delta \vec{P} = F_{NET} \Delta t$$

Impulse:

$$Impulse \equiv F_{NET} \Delta t$$

Iterative approach (use for finding 'final' positions and velocities when force is not const):

$$\vec{P}_2 = \vec{P}_1 + F_{NET} \Delta t$$

$$\vec{P}_3 = \vec{P}_2 + F_{NET} \Delta t$$

$$\vec{P}_4 = \vec{P}_3 + F_{NET} \Delta t$$

$$\vec{P}_5 = \vec{P}_4 + F_{NET} \Delta t$$

Choose the System and Surroundings

Vector Spring Force/System:

$$s = |\vec{L}| - L_0$$

$$\vec{F} = -k_s s \hat{L}$$

3 - Fundamental Interactions

Gravity

Electric

Strong (nuclear)

Weak

Conservation of Momentum

$$\Delta P_{Sys} + \Delta P_{Surr} = 0$$

Collisions

4 - Contact Interactions

Length of interatomic bonds

Stiffness of interatomic bonds (springs in series/parallel)

$$k_s = \frac{k_{st} N_{chains}}{N_{bonds}}$$

Young's Modulus: $Y \equiv \frac{stress}{strain}$

$$= \left(\frac{F_T}{A}\right) / \left(\frac{\Delta L}{L}\right)$$

Friction

Contact forces due to gasses

6 - Energy

$\Delta E_{sys} = W_{surr}$ (the energy principle)

$$E_{total} = E_{REST} + k$$

$$E_{total} = \gamma mc^2$$

$$E_{REST} = mc^2$$

Kinetic Energy

$$k = 1/2 mv^2 \text{ (low speeds)}$$

$$k = \gamma mc^2 - mc^2 \text{ (high speeds } \sim 0.9c)$$

OR

$$k = \frac{P^2}{2m}$$

$$k = \frac{P^2}{(\gamma + 1)m}$$

$$W = \vec{F} \cdot \Delta \vec{r} \text{ OR}$$

$$= |\vec{F}| |\Delta \vec{r}| \cos \theta$$

Update form:

$$E_f = E_i + W \text{ (the resting energy cancels from both } E_f \text{ and } E_i)$$

$$\Delta U \equiv -W_i$$

Multiparticle Energy Principle

$$\Delta(E_1 + E_2 + E_3 + \dots) + \Delta(U_{12} + U_{13} + U_{23}) = W$$

$k + U < 0$ is a bound state, $k + U \geq 0$ is unbounded

Minimum condition for escape: $K + U = 0$. So:

$$K_i + U_i = \frac{1}{2} m v_{exc}^2 + \left(-G \frac{Mm}{R}\right) = 0$$

AND:

$$k_f + U_f = k_i + U_i$$

Near-earth approximation for Potential Energy

$$\Delta U = mgy$$

$$U_{elec} = 9 \times 10^9 \frac{q_1 q_2}{r}$$

Multi-particle system where binding takes place

$$Rest_f + K_f + U_f = Rest_i + K_i + U_i$$

(need to consider rest energy because it changes after binding)

Power

$$Power \text{ (Watts)} = \text{Joules} / \text{Seconds}$$