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**Linear motion and force**

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Mean velocity	$v_{av} = \frac{S}{t} = \frac{v + u}{2}$
Equations of motion	$a = \frac{v - u}{t}; s = ut + \frac{1}{2}at^2; v^2 = u^2 + 2as; v = u + at$
Force	$F = ma$
Weight force	$F = mg$
Momentum	$p = mv; \Sigma p_{\text{before}} = \Sigma p_{\text{after}}$
Change in momentum (impulse)	$\Delta p = F\Delta t = mv - mu$
Kinetic energy	$E_k = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$
Gravitational potential energy	$E_p = mg\Delta h$
Work done	$W = Fs = \Delta E$
Power	$P = \frac{W}{t} = \frac{\Delta E}{t} = Fv_{av}$

Note: the variable  $t$  refers to the 'time taken' sometimes referred to as the 'change in time' or  $\Delta t$ .

**Ionising radiation and nuclear reactions**

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Activity	$A = \frac{\Delta N}{t}$
Half-life	$N = N_0 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$
Absorbed radiation dose	absorbed dose = $\frac{E}{m}$
Dose equivalent	dose equivalent = absorbed dose $\times$ quality factor
Mass-energy relationship	$\Delta E = \Delta mc^2$

**Heating processes**

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Change of temperature	$Q = mc\Delta T$
Change of state	$Q = mL$
Efficiency	$\eta = \frac{\text{energy output}}{\text{energy input}} \times \frac{100}{1} \%$

**Electrical circuits**

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Electric current	$I = \frac{q}{t}$
Work and energy	$V = \frac{W}{q}$
Ohm's law	$R = \frac{V}{I}$
Resistances in series	$R_T = R_1 + R_2 + \dots$
Resistances in parallel	$\frac{1}{R_T} = \frac{1}{R_1} + \frac{1}{R_2} + \dots$
Power	$P = \frac{W}{t} = VI$

**Waves**

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Wave velocity  $v = f\lambda$

Period  $T = \frac{1}{f}$

Strings and open pipes  $\lambda = \frac{2\ell}{n}$

Closed pipes  $\lambda = \frac{4\ell}{(2n - 1)}$

Intensity  $I \propto \frac{1}{r^2}$

**Prefixes of the metric system**

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Factor	Prefix	Symbol	Factor	Prefix	Symbol
$10^{12}$	tera	T	$10^{-3}$	milli	m
$10^9$	giga	G	$10^{-6}$	micro	$\mu$
$10^6$	mega	M	$10^{-9}$	nano	n
$10^3$	kilo	k	$10^{-12}$	pico	p

**Physical constants**


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Speed of light in vacuum or air .....	$c$	$= 3.00 \times 10^8 \text{ m s}^{-1}$
Electron charge .....	$e$	$= -1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ C}$
Electron volt.....	$1 \text{ eV}$	$= 1.60 \times 10^{-19} \text{ J}$
Unified atomic mass unit .....	$1 \text{ u}$	$= 1.66 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
Rest mass of electron.....	$m_e$	$= 9.11 \times 10^{-31} \text{ kg}$
Rest mass of proton .....	$m_p$	$= 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
Rest mass of neutron .....	$m_n$	$= 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
Rest mass of alpha particle .....	$m_\alpha$	$= 6.64 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}$
Mass-energy equivalent.....	$1 \text{ u}$	$= 931 \text{ MeV}$
Tonne.....	$1 \text{ t}$	$= 10^3 \text{ kg} = 10^6 \text{ g}$
Absolute zero.....	$0 \text{ K}$	$= -273 \text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

**Physical data**


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Mean acceleration due to gravity on Earth .....	$g$	$= 9.80 \text{ m s}^{-2}$
Specific heat capacity of water .....	$c_w$	$= 4.18 \times 10^3 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ kg}^{-1}$
Specific heat capacity of ice .....	$c_i$	$= 2.10 \times 10^3 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ kg}^{-1}$
Specific heat capacity of steam .....	$c_s$	$= 2.00 \times 10^3 \text{ J K}^{-1} \text{ kg}^{-1}$
Latent heat of fusion for H <sub>2</sub> O .....	$L_f$	$= 3.34 \times 10^5 \text{ J kg}^{-1}$
Latent heat of vaporisation for H <sub>2</sub> O.....	$L_v$	$= 2.26 \times 10^6 \text{ J kg}^{-1}$
Speed of sound in air at 25 °C .....	$v_s$	$= 346 \text{ m s}^{-1}$

**Quality factors**


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Approximate quality factor for alpha radiation .....	$QF_\alpha$	$= 20$
Approximate quality factor for beta radiation .....	$QF_\beta$	$= 1$
Approximate quality factor for gamma radiation ...	$QF_\gamma$	$= 1$
Approximate quality factor for slow neutrons.....	$QF_{sn}$	$= 3$
Approximate quality factor for fast neutrons.....	$QF_{fn}$	$= 10$

## Periodic table of the elements

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18									
<b>H</b> hydrogen 1.008	<b>Li</b> lithium 6.94	<b>Be</b> beryllium 9.012	<b>Mg</b> magnesium 24.31	<b>Ca</b> calcium 40.08	<b>Sc</b> scandium 44.96	<b>Ti</b> titanium 47.87	<b>V</b> vanadium 50.94	<b>Cr</b> chromium 52.00	<b>Mn</b> manganese 54.94	<b>Fe</b> iron 55.85	<b>Ni</b> nickel 58.69	<b>Cu</b> copper 63.55	<b>Zn</b> zinc 65.38	<b>Co</b> cobalt 58.93	<b>Rh</b> rhodium 102.9	<b>Pd</b> palladium 106.4	<b>Ag</b> silver 107.9	<b>Cd</b> cadmium 112.4	<b>In</b> indium 114.8	<b>Ge</b> germanium 118.7	<b>Ga</b> gallium 122.63	<b>As</b> arsenic 124.92	<b>Se</b> selenium 128.97	<b>Br</b> bromine 129.90	<b>Ne</b> neon 20.18	<b>He</b> helium 4.003
<b>K</b> potassium 39.10	<b>Sr</b> strontium 87.62	<b>Zr</b> zirconium 91.22	<b>Y</b> yttrium 88.91	<b>Tc</b> technetium 95.95	<b>Nb</b> niobium 92.91	<b>Mo</b> molybdenum 95.95	<b>Ta</b> tantalum 101.1	<b>W</b> tungsten 103.8	<b>Re</b> rhenium 106.2	<b>Os</b> osmium 109.2	<b>Ir</b> iridium 119.2	<b>Pt</b> platinum 119.51	<b>Au</b> gold 197.0	<b>Hg</b> mercury 200.6	<b>Tl</b> thallium 204.4	<b>Pb</b> lead 207.2	<b>Bi</b> bismuth 209.0	<b>Te</b> tellurium 127.6	<b>I</b> iodine 126.9	<b>Xe</b> xenon 131.3	<b>Rn</b> radon 131.3	<b>Og</b> oganesson 118				
<b>Cs</b> caesium 132.9	<b>Ba</b> barium 137.3	<b>Hf</b> hafnium 178.5	<b>Ta</b> tantalum 180.9	<b>W</b> tungsten 183.8	<b>Re</b> rhenium 186.2	<b>Os</b> osmium 190.2	<b>Ir</b> iridium 192.2	<b>Pt</b> platinum 195.1	<b>Au</b> gold 197.0	<b>Hg</b> mercury 200.6	<b>Tl</b> thallium 204.4	<b>Pb</b> lead 207.2	<b>Bi</b> bismuth 209.0	<b>Te</b> tellurium 127.6	<b>I</b> iodine 126.9	<b>At</b> astatine 126.9	<b>Xe</b> xenon 131.3	<b>Rn</b> radon 131.3	<b>Og</b> oganesson 118							
<b>Fr</b> francium 22.99	<b>Ra</b> radium 88	<b>Ds</b> dubnium 105	<b>Rf</b> rutherfordium 104	<b>Sg</b> seaborgium 106	<b>Bh</b> bohrium 107	<b>Hs</b> hassium 108	<b>Mt</b> meitnerium 109	<b>Rg</b> roentgenium 110	<b>Cn</b> copernicium 111	<b>Nh</b> nihonium 112	<b>Fm</b> ferovium 113	<b>Lv</b> moscovium 114	<b>Mc</b> moscovium 115	<b>Lv</b> livermorium 116	<b>Ts</b> tennessine 117	<b>Og</b> oganesson 118	<b>Rn</b> radon 131.3	<b>Xe</b> xenon 131.3	<b>Rn</b> radon 131.3	<b>Og</b> oganesson 118						
<b>La</b> lanthanum 138.9	<b>Ce</b> cerium 140.1	<b>Pr</b> praseodymium 140.9	<b>Nd</b> neodymium 144.2	<b>Pm</b> promethium 145.0	<b>Sm</b> samarium 150.4	<b>Eu</b> europium 152.0	<b>Gd</b> gadolinium 157.3	<b>Tb</b> terbium 158.9	<b>Dy</b> dysprosium 162.5	<b>Ho</b> holmium 164.9	<b>Er</b> erbium 167.3	<b>Tm</b> thulium 168.9	<b>Yb</b> ytterbium 173.0	<b>Lu</b> lutetium 175.0	<b>No</b> nobelium 103	<b>Md</b> mendelevium 101	<b>Fm</b> fermium 100	<b>Es</b> einsteinium 99	<b>Cf</b> californium 98	<b>Bk</b> berkelium 97	<b>Rn</b> radon 131.3	<b>Og</b> oganesson 118				

key:

Symbol	Name	Atomic number	Standard atomic weight
$\text{H}$	Hydrogen	1	1.00794

[Data source: The International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (2018). IUPAC periodic table of the elements Retrieved from <https://iupac.org/what-we-do/periodic-table-of-elements/>]