Mechanics 2 Revision

Projectiles

- To solve problems we consider the horizontal and vertical components separately.
- $u_{vert} = U \sin \alpha$
 - $u_{horz} = U \cos \alpha$
- Horizontal speed is unchanged throughout motion.

Particle Kinematics

- $\mathbf{r} = \int \mathbf{v} \, \mathrm{d}t = \iint \mathbf{a} \, \mathrm{d}t$
- $\mathbf{v} = \dot{\mathbf{r}} = \frac{\mathrm{d}\,\mathbf{r}}{\mathrm{d}\,t} = \int \mathbf{a}\,\mathrm{d}t$
- $\mathbf{a} = \dot{\mathbf{v}} = \ddot{\mathbf{r}} = \frac{\mathrm{d}\,\mathbf{v}}{\mathrm{d}\,t} = \frac{\mathrm{d}^2\,\mathbf{r}}{\mathrm{d}\,t^2}$

Centre of Mass

- Centre of mass is the point at which the weight acts.
- Centre of mass will always lie on axis of symmetry.
- c.o.m. of a set of masses will be $\sum m_i x_i$

at $\frac{\sum m_i x_i}{\sum m_i}$ and likewise in the

y axis.

- For a triangular lamina, c.o.m. lies ²/₃ distance from vertex to mid-point of opposite side.
- For an arc of angle 2α , c.o.m. lies $\frac{r \sin \alpha}{\alpha}$ from centre.
- For a sector f angle 2α , c.o.m. lies $\frac{2r\sin\alpha}{3\alpha}$ from centre.
- In a suspended lamina hanging in equilibrium, the centre of mass will be vertically below the point of suspension.
- When on an inclined plane, the line of action of the weight must fall within the base of the object, else it will topple.

Work & Energy

- Work = Force × Distance
- Work = $\Delta Energy$
- $K.E. = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$
- P.E. = mgh
- From conservation of energy, *KE* + *PE* is constant.

Power

• Power is rate of change of energy.

• Power =
$$\frac{\Delta Energy}{time}$$

• Power = Force × Speed

Collisions

- $\mathbf{I} = \Delta \mathbf{p} = m\mathbf{v} m\mathbf{u}$
- From conservation of momentum, $\Sigma \mathbf{p}_{before} = \Sigma \mathbf{p}_{after}$
- Newton's law of Restitution, $e = \frac{v_2 - v_1}{u_1 - u_2}$, where $0 \le e \le 1$
- For collision with a fixed surface, we see v = eu

Statics of Bodies

- A body is in equilibrium if the vector sum of the forces is zero, and the algebraic sum of the moments about any point is zero.
- $F \le \mu R$ but when in equilibrium $F = \mu R$