

Formulas, Physical Constants, and Trigonometry Identities

Formulas

General differential equation for oscillators $\ddot{x} + \gamma\dot{x} + \omega_0^2 x = f_0 \cos(\omega t)$ has solutions:

$$x(t) = A e^{-\frac{\gamma t}{2}} \cos\left(\sqrt{\omega_0^2 - \frac{\gamma^2}{4}} t + \alpha\right) + x_{ss}(t) \quad \omega_0 > \frac{\gamma}{2}$$

$$x(t) = (A + Bt) e^{-\frac{\gamma t}{2}} + x_{ss}(t) \quad \omega_0 = \frac{\gamma}{2}$$

$$x(t) = A e^{-\Gamma_1 t} + B e^{-\Gamma_2 t} + x_{ss}(t) \quad \omega_0 < \frac{\gamma}{2}$$

where $\Gamma_{1,2} = \frac{\gamma}{2} \pm \sqrt{\frac{\gamma^2}{4} - \omega_0^2}$ and the steady-state solution is $x_{ss}(t) = A(\omega) \cos(\omega t - \delta(\omega))$

$$A(\omega) = \frac{f_0}{[(\omega_0^2 - \omega^2)^2 + \gamma^2 \omega^2]^{1/2}} \quad \tan \delta(\omega) = \frac{\gamma \omega}{\omega_0^2 - \omega^2}$$

Non-dispersive wave equation $\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} y(x, t) = \frac{1}{v^2} \frac{\partial^2}{\partial t^2} y(x, t)$ where $v = \sqrt{T/\mu}$ (string) or $\sqrt{\kappa/\rho}$ (gas).

$$\frac{dK}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} \mu \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial t}\right)^2 \quad \frac{dU}{dx} = \frac{1}{2} T \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x}\right)^2$$

Kinetic, potential energy and power:

$$P(t) = -T \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial t}\right) \left(\frac{\partial y}{\partial x}\right)$$

Reflection and transmission coefficients: $R = \frac{v_2 - v_1}{v_2 + v_1}$ $T = \frac{2v_2}{v_2 + v_1}$

Fourier series for a function $f(\theta) = f(\theta + 2\pi)$ $f(\theta) = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \left[\frac{A_0}{2} + A_m \cos(m\theta) + B_m \sin(m\theta) \right]$

$$A_m = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\theta) \cos(m\theta) d\theta \quad m = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad B_m = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(\theta) \sin(m\theta) d\theta \quad m = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Dispersion: $v_{phase} = \frac{\omega}{k}$ and $v_{group} = \frac{d\omega}{dk}$

Maxwell's equations:

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{E} &= \frac{\rho}{\epsilon_0} & \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{E} &= -\frac{\partial \vec{B}}{\partial t} \\ \vec{\nabla} \cdot \vec{B} &= 0 & \vec{\nabla} \times \vec{B} &= \mu_0 \epsilon_0 \frac{\partial \vec{E}}{\partial t} + \mu_0 \vec{J} \end{aligned}$$

EM force, flux, energy, intensity:	$\vec{F} = q \left(\vec{E} + \vec{v} \times \vec{B} \right)$	$\vec{S} = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{E} \times \vec{B}$
	$U_E = \frac{\epsilon_0}{2} \vec{E} ^2$	$U_M = \frac{1}{2\mu_0} \vec{B} ^2$

Dipole approximation:	$\vec{E}_{rad}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{-q\vec{a}_\perp(t - r/c)}{4\pi\epsilon_0 c^2 r}$	Volt/m
	$\vec{B}_{rad}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{c} \hat{r} \times \vec{E}_{rad}(t)$	Tesla
	$\vec{S}_{rad}(\vec{r}, t) = \frac{1}{\mu_0} \vec{E}_{rad} \times \vec{B}_{rad}$	Watt/m ²
	$P = \frac{q^2 a^2}{6\pi\epsilon_0 c^3}$	Watt

Boundary conditions at the surface of a perfect conductor:	$E_{//} = 0$	$ B_{//} = \mu_0 J_S $
	$E_\perp = \frac{\rho_S}{\epsilon_0}$	$B_\perp = 0$

Transmission lines:	$\frac{\partial V}{\partial z} = -L_0 \frac{\partial I}{\partial t}$	$v_p = \frac{1}{\sqrt{L_0 C_0}}$		$\frac{V_r}{V_i} = \frac{Z_L - Z_0}{Z_L + Z_0}$
	$\frac{\partial I}{\partial z} = -C_0 \frac{\partial V}{\partial t}$	$Z_0 = \sqrt{\frac{L_0}{C_0}}$		$\frac{I_r}{I_i} = \frac{Z_0 - Z_L}{Z_L + Z_0}$

Boundary conditions at the surface of a perfect dielectric:	$E_{//}^{(1)} = E_{//}^{(2)}$	$\frac{B_{//}^{(1)}}{\mu_1} = \frac{B_{//}^{(2)}}{\mu_2}$
	$\kappa_{e1} E_\perp^{(1)} - \kappa_{e2} E_\perp^{(2)} = \frac{\rho_s}{\epsilon_0}$	$B_\perp^{(1)} = B_\perp^{(2)}$

Fresnel equations: $n_1 \sin \theta_1 = n_2 \sin \theta_2$

$$r_{//} = E_{0r//} / E_{0i//} = \frac{n_1 \cos \theta_2 - n_2 \cos \theta_1}{n_1 \cos \theta_2 + n_2 \cos \theta_1} = -\frac{\tan(\theta_1 - \theta_2)}{\tan(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}$$

$$r_\perp = E_{0r\perp} / E_{0i\perp} = \frac{n_1 \cos \theta_1 - n_2 \cos \theta_2}{n_1 \cos \theta_1 + n_2 \cos \theta_2} = -\frac{\sin(\theta_1 - \theta_2)}{\sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}$$

$$t_{//} = E_{0t//} / E_{0i//} = \frac{2n_1 \cos \theta_1}{n_1 \cos \theta_2 + n_2 \cos \theta_1} = \frac{2 \sin \theta_2 \cos \theta_1}{\sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2) \cos(\theta_1 - \theta_2)}$$

$$t_\perp = E_{0t\perp} / E_{0i\perp} = \frac{2n_1 \cos \theta_1}{n_1 \cos \theta_1 + n_2 \cos \theta_2} = \frac{2 \sin \theta_2 \cos \theta_1}{\sin(\theta_1 + \theta_2)}$$

Special case of normal incidence ($\theta_1 = \theta_2 = 0$)

$$r_{//,\perp} = \frac{E_r}{E_i} = \frac{n_1 - n_2}{n_1 + n_2} \quad t_{//,\perp} = \frac{E_t}{E_i} = \frac{2n_1}{n_1 + n_2}$$

Doppler Effect:

$$\frac{\lambda'}{\lambda} = \frac{1 - \beta \cos \theta}{\sqrt{1 - \beta^2}} \quad \text{for EM waves}$$

$$\frac{f'}{f} = \frac{v_s + v_r \cos \theta_r}{v_s - v_t \cos \theta_t} \quad \text{for sound waves}$$

N source interference and diffraction:

$$\text{Interference} \quad I = I_0 \left[\frac{\sin(N\delta/2)}{\sin(\delta/2)} \right]^2 \quad \delta = \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} d \sin \theta$$

$$\text{Diffraction} \quad I = I_0 \left[\frac{\sin \beta}{\beta} \right]^2 \quad \beta = \frac{\pi}{\lambda} D \sin \theta$$

Diffraction gratings: $I = I_0 \left[\frac{\sin(N\delta/2)}{\sin(\delta/2)} \right]^2 \left[\frac{\sin \beta}{\beta} \right]^2$

Physical Constants

Speed of light	c	3×10^8	m s^{-1}
Vacuum permeability	μ_0	1.26×10^{-6}	$(\text{V m}^{-1}) / \text{A}$
Vacuum permittivity	ϵ_0	8.85×10^{-12}	$\text{C} / (\text{V m}^{-1})$
Electron rest mass	m	9.1×10^{-31}	kg
Elementary charge	e	1.6×10^{-19}	C
Gravitational constant	G	6.7×10^{-11}	$\text{N m}^2 / \text{kg}^2$

Trigonometric Identities

$$\sin(a + b) = \sin a \cos b + \cos a \sin b \quad \cos(a + b) = \cos a \cos b - \sin a \sin b$$

$$\sin a + \sin b = 2 \sin \left(\frac{a + b}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{a - b}{2} \right) \quad \sin a - \sin b = 2 \cos \left(\frac{a + b}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{a - b}{2} \right)$$

$$\cos a + \cos b = 2 \cos \left(\frac{a + b}{2} \right) \cos \left(\frac{a - b}{2} \right) \quad \cos a - \cos b = -2 \sin \left(\frac{a + b}{2} \right) \sin \left(\frac{a - b}{2} \right)$$

$$\sin \left(\theta \pm \frac{\pi}{2} \right) = \pm \cos \theta \quad \cos \left(\theta \pm \frac{\pi}{2} \right) = \mp \sin \theta \quad \sin(\theta \pm \pi) = -\sin \theta \quad \cos(\theta \pm \pi) = -\cos \theta$$

Complex exponentials: $e^{j\theta} = \cos \theta + j \sin \theta \quad \sin \theta = \frac{e^{j\theta} - e^{-j\theta}}{2j} \quad \cos \theta = \frac{e^{j\theta} + e^{-j\theta}}{2}$

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