Bridging Exemption Test Course: Physics

Overview

This subject is especially suited for students taking 1 semester basic concepts and principles of physics course that can applied later into the study of the field in engineering.

Faculty/Programme Group

- Civil
- Electrical
- Chemical & Natural Resources
- Biomedical & Health Science
- Mechanical
- Bioscience & Bioengineering
- Science
- Education
- Computer Science and Information System
- Geomatic Science & Engineering (SGS, SGU, SGG)

Topics

Introduction & Vector Algebra

Physical Quantities & Symbols, Measurement Units, Symbols, SI (MKS) System, Prefixes, Unit Conversion, Significant Figures, Scientific Notation.

Vector Quantities, Graphical Representation & Components, Unit Vector, Vector Addition, Subtraction, Vector Multiplication – Dot Product, Cross Product.

Kinematics

Displacement, Average & Instantaneous Velocity, Acceleration, Motion with Constant Acceleration, Free Falling Objects, Projectile Motion.

Dynamics

Mass & Force, Newton's First, Second and Third Law of Motion, Force of Gravity, Normal Force, Free Body Diagram.

Work & Energy

Work, Kinetic & Potential Energy, Conservative, Non-conservative Forces, Work-Energy Theorem, Mechanical Energy and Conservation of Energy, Power.

Static Equilibrium

Particle, Rigid Body and Centre of Mass, Moment of Force (Torque), Conditions for Equilibrium, Stability and Balance, Hooke's Law, Stress and Strain,

Oscillations & Waves

Oscillation of Spring, Simple Harmonic Motion, Simple Pendulum, Wave Motion, Type of Waves.

Electric Charge, Field & Potential

Charge, Insulators & Conductors, Coulomb's Law, Electric Field & Field Lines, Electric Potential, Capacitor & Capacitance, Energy Storage.

DC Circuits

Current & Resistance, Ohm's Law, Electric Power, EMF & Terminal Voltage, Resistors in Series and Parallel, Kirchhoff's Rules, RC Circuits.

Magnetic Field

Field from Magnet and Electric Current, Force on Moving Charge, Force on Electric Current, Force on Parallel Wires.

Optics

The Ray Model of Light, Reflection & Image Formation by a Plane Mirror & Spherical Mirrors, Index of Refraction, Snell's Law, Ray Tracing & Thin Lens Equation, Magnification

Friction and Circular Motion

Friction Force, Uniform Circular Motion-Kinematics, Uniform Circular Motion-Dynamics.

Linear Momentum

Momentum and Force, Conservation of Momentum, Impulse, Elastic and Inelastic Collisions.

Fluids

Density and Specific Gravity, Pressure in Fluids, Atmospheric and Gauge Pressures, Pascal's and Archimedes' Principles.

Temperature & Heat

Temperature, Zeroth Law of Thermodynamics & Thermometer, Thermal Expansion, Heat and Specific Heat, Calorimetry, Latent Heat, First Law of Thermodynamics.

Exam Details

<u>Format</u> Subjective (50 %) All calculations must be shown clearly.

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes (no breaks)

References

Textbook:

Giancoli, D.C., PHYSICS for Scientists & Engineers (4th Edition), Prentice Hall International.

Others:

F.W Sears, M. W. Zemansky and H.D Young, College Physics 7th edition, Addison-Wesley.

Physics for Science and Engineers, Serwey Jewett 7th edition Thomson brooks/cole