

# Circular Motion II

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## Circular Acceleration

- Centripetal Acceleration
- Centripetal => “center seeking”

- $$a_c = \frac{v^2}{r}$$

- Substituting for v...

- $$a_c = \frac{v^2}{r} = \frac{(r\omega)^2}{r} = r\omega^2$$

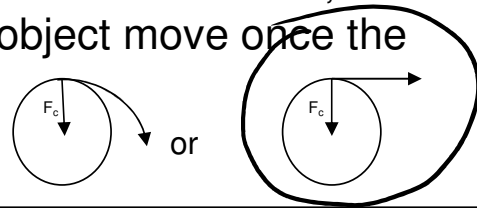
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## Circular Forces

- Centripetal Force
  - force applied to the object to keep it moving in a circle.

$$F_c = ma_c = \frac{mv^2}{r}$$
$$= mr\omega^2$$

- Consider an object moving in a horizontal circle, shown below. What direction will the object move once the centripetal force disappears?



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## Circular Forces: Application

- A car moves around a curve that has a radius of 45.0 m. If the concrete pavement is dry ( $\mu = 0.8$ ), what is the maximum speed that the car can move around the curve without skidding?
  - What is keeps the car from skidding off the track?
    - Friction

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## Circular Forces: Application

- So the force of friction must apply the centripetal force or:

$$F_f = F_c \implies \mu F_N = \frac{mv^2}{r} \implies \mu \cancel{h} g = \frac{\cancel{h} v^2}{r}$$

- Solving for velocity, we get:

$$v^2 = \mu g r \implies v = \sqrt{\mu g r} \implies v = \sqrt{.8(9.8)(45)}$$

$$v = 18.8 \text{ m/s}$$

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## Vertical Circles

- Draw a free body diagram for a roller coaster car traveling in a vertical loop.

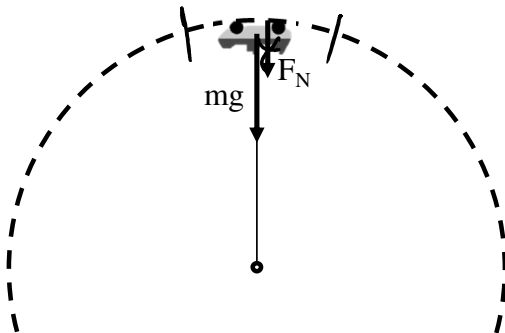
$$F_{net} = F_N + mg$$

Since both forces are pointing toward the center, we can call the net force the centripetal force

$$F_c = F_N + mg$$

If the car travels just fast enough to make it around the loop, then the track will not need to provide any force,  $F_N = 0$

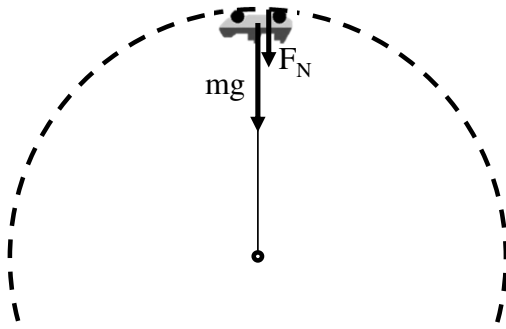
$$F_c = mg$$



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## Vertical Circles

- Substituting and rearranging, we can find the minimum velocity that the car travel to just make it around the loop:



$$F_c = mg$$

$$\frac{mv^2}{r} = mg$$

$$v^2 = gr$$

$$v = \sqrt{gr}$$

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## Rotary Motion: Acceleration

- Angular Acceleration ( $\alpha$ )
  - rate of change of angular velocity

$$A = \frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\Delta \omega}{\Delta t} \Rightarrow \frac{\text{RAD/S}}{\text{S}} \Rightarrow \text{RAD/S}^2$$

LINEAR	ANG
x	$\theta$
v	$\omega$
a	$\alpha$

- Angular and Linear Acceleration
  - Like linear velocity, linear acceleration also varies with the distance from the center of motion, therefore:

$$a_t = r\alpha$$

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## Linear vs. Rotary

- All rotary equations follow the same format as their linear counterparts

Linear		Rotational
$x = x_o + v_o t + \frac{1}{2} a t^2$	(1)	$\theta = \theta_o + \omega_o t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha t^2$
$v = v_o + a t$	(2)	$\omega = \omega_o + \alpha t$
$v^2 = v_o^2 + 2a(x - x_o)$	(3)	$\omega^2 = \omega_o^2 + 2\alpha(\theta - \theta_o)$

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## Sample Problem

- The blades of a fan running at low speed turn at  $275 \text{ rpm}$ .  <sup>$\omega_o$</sup>   <sup>$28.5 \text{ RAD}$</sup>   
 When the fan is switched to high speed, the rotation rate increases uniformly to  $360 \text{ rpm}$  in  $5.03 \text{ s}$ .  <sup>$37.7 \text{ RAD/S}$</sup> 
  - What is the magnitude of the angular acceleration of the blades?  $\alpha$
  - How many revolutions do the blades go through while the fan is accelerating?  $\theta \Rightarrow \text{CONVERT}$

$$\frac{275 \text{ REV}}{1 \text{ MIN}} \quad \frac{28.5 \text{ RAD}}{1 \text{ REV}} \quad \frac{1 \text{ MIN}}{60 \text{ S}}$$

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## Sample Problem

- What is the magnitude of the angular acceleration of the blades?  $\alpha$ .

$$\begin{aligned}\omega_0 &= 28.8 \\ \omega &= 37.7 \\ t &= 5.03\text{s}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\omega &= \omega_0 + \alpha t \\ 37.7 &= 28.8 + \alpha(5.03) \\ 8.9 &= \alpha(5.03) \\ \alpha &= 1.77 \text{ RAD/s}^2\end{aligned}$$

- How many revolutions do the blades go through while the fan is accelerating?

$$\begin{aligned}\Theta &= 0 + 28.8(5.03) + \frac{1}{2}(1.77)(5.03)^2 \\ \Theta &= 167.26 \text{ RAD}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{167.26 \text{ RAD}}{(2\pi \text{ RAD})} & \Big| \frac{1 \text{ REV}}{2\pi \text{ RAD}} \\ \Theta &= \underline{\underline{26.6 \text{ REVS}}}\end{aligned}$$