

Important equations from Chapter 4
(may not be complete—make your own notes)

{SEC.1} A **Force** is an interaction between two objects; a push or a pull; or action at a distance (gravity); or a force field (electricity&magn.)
Mass = inertia = resistance to acceleration
Net Force = the sum of all actions

{SEC.2} Newton's Laws of Motion

1st Law : $\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = 0 \iff \vec{v} = 0$ *inertia*

2nd Law : $m\vec{a} = \vec{F}_{\text{net}}$ *eqn. of motion*

3rd Law : $\vec{F}_{BA} = -\vec{F}_{AB}$ *action $\hat{=}$ reaction*

$$ma_x = \sum F_x$$

$$ma_y = \sum F_y$$

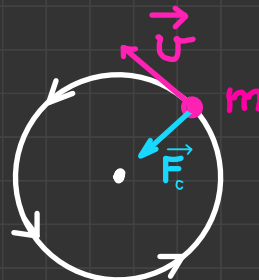
{SEC.4} Friction and drag

Kinetic friction $F_K = \mu_K N$

Static friction $F_s \leq \mu_s N$

{SEC.5} Uniform circular motion

$$F_c = \frac{mv^2}{R}$$



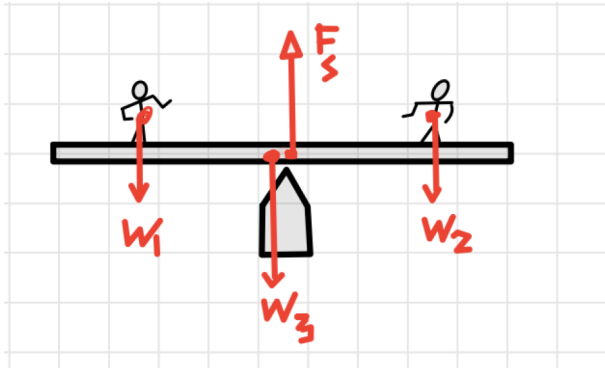
Hints for Problem Set #3

Problem Set#3 = Chapter 4 = Forces

1. TWO CHILDREN ON A BOARD

The net force on the board must be zero.

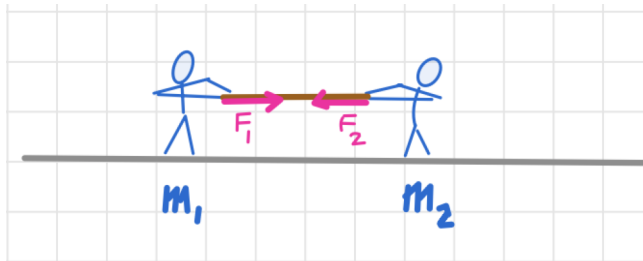
$$F_s - W_1 - W_1 - W_1 = 0$$



2. TWO CHILDREN ON A FROZEN LAKE

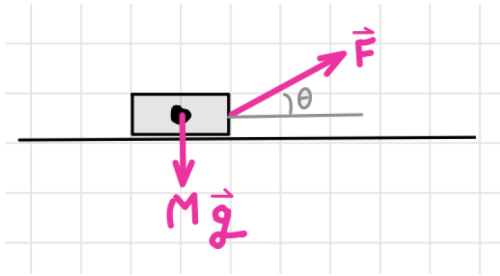
Newton's 3rd law ■■ $|F_1| = |F_2|$ = tension in the rope

Newton's 2nd law ■■ $a_1 = F/m_1$ and $a_2 = F/m_2$



3. BLOCK PULLED AT AN ANGLE

Draw a picture and label it.



$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = M\vec{g} + \vec{F}$$

Resolve the force vectors into components,
and apply Newton's second law for each direction,

$$F_{\text{net},x} = F \cos\theta = M a_x = M a$$

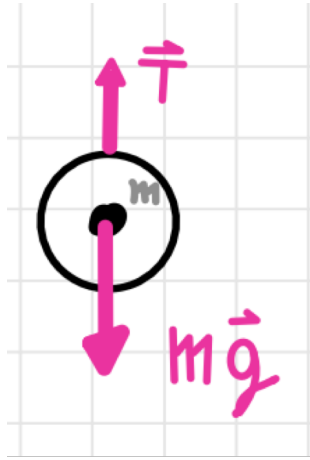
$$F_{\text{net},y} = F \sin\theta - Mg = M a_y = 0$$

Recall for constant acceleration

$$v = v_0 + a \Delta t = a \Delta t$$

4. LIFTING A MASS

Draw a force diagram



Apply Newton's second law,

$$m \vec{a} = \vec{F}_{\text{net}}$$

$$m a_y = T - m g$$

and solve for T .

Now use your calculator.

5. SPACECRAFT IN INTERSTELLAR SPACE

6. ELEVATOR CONCEPTS

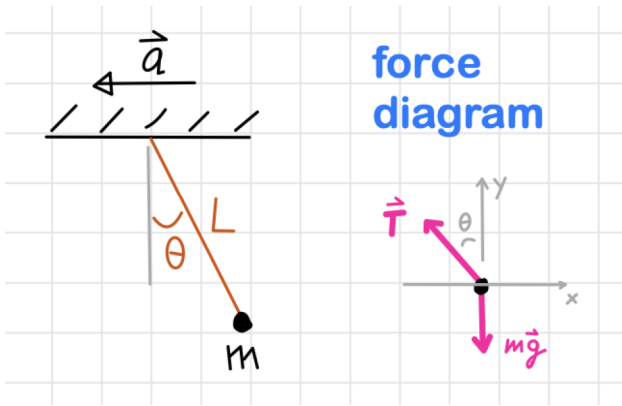
The net force (upward) is

$$F_{\text{net}} = T - Mg = Ma;$$

T = tension force of the cable, M = total mass

7. WHEN A JET TAKES OFF (pendulum in a jet plane)

Draw pictures, and label them.



We'll apply Newton's second law $m \vec{a} = \vec{F}_{\text{net}}$

Resolve the vectors into components ...

$$m a_x = -T \sin \theta \quad \text{and} \quad m a_y = T \cos \theta - mg$$

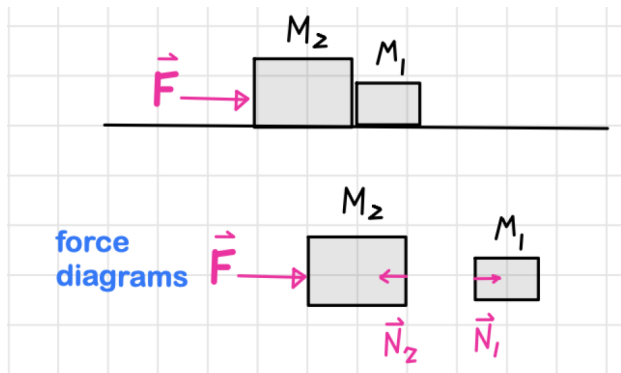
From the diagrams, $a_x = -a$ and $a_y = 0$.

Use algebra to write the equation for a , and only then pick up your calculator.

2 equations for 2 unknowns

8. TWO BLOCKS IN CONTACT

Draw separate force diagrams for the blocks.



Newton's second law, TWICE,

$$M_2 a_2 = F - N_2 \quad \text{and} \quad M_1 a_1 = N_1.$$

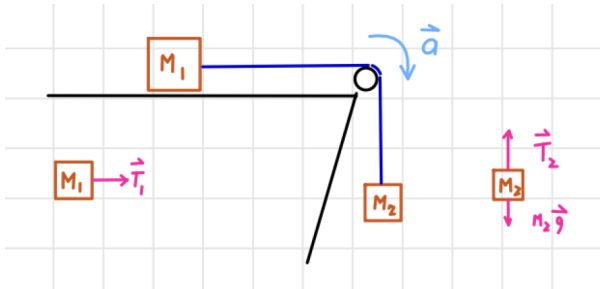
The accelerations are equal $a_2 = a_1 \equiv a$ [Why?]

Newton's third law: $N_2 = N_1$ [Why?]

\Rightarrow Algebra - 2 equations for 2 unknowns.

9. FALLING AND PULLING

- 1 Draw pictures and label them.
- 2 Draw free-body diagrams for M_1 and M_2 .



Equations:

$$M_1 a = T_1 \quad \text{and} \quad M_2 a = M_2 g - T_2$$

$$T_1 = T_2 \quad \text{[Why?]}$$

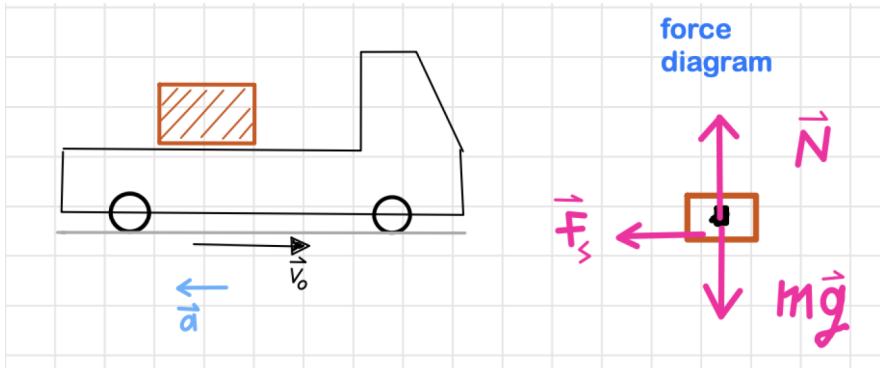
The rest is algebra.

10. BOX ON A TRUCK

Draw a picture, and draw a force diagram.

Be sure to identify all the forces.

\vec{F}_s = force of "static friction".



Equations (which you know from reading Chapter 4)

$$F_{s,\max} = \mu_s N ; \quad \text{in other words, } F_s < \mu_s N ;$$

$$\vec{F}_{\text{net}} = m \vec{a} ;$$

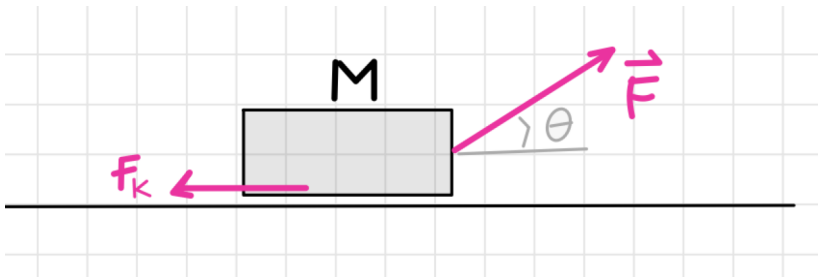
$$a_x = -a ; \quad a_y = 0 ;$$

$$F_{\text{net},x} = F_s ; \quad F_{\text{net},y} = N - mg = 0 ;$$

The rest is algebra.

Also, recall for constant acceleration, $v^2 = 2 a d$.

11. BLOCK PULLED AT AN ANGLE WITH FRICTION



Draw a force diagram showing all three forces.

Resolve the force vectors into xy-components, and apply Newton's second law for each direction.

$$M a_x = F \cos\theta - F_{\text{kinetic friction}}$$

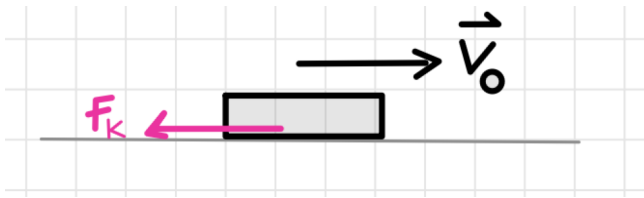
$$M a_y = N + F \sin\theta - Mg = 0$$

Also, $F_k = \mu_k N$.

The rest is algebra.

Then, $v_x = a_x t$.

12. HOCKEY PUCK WITH FRICTION



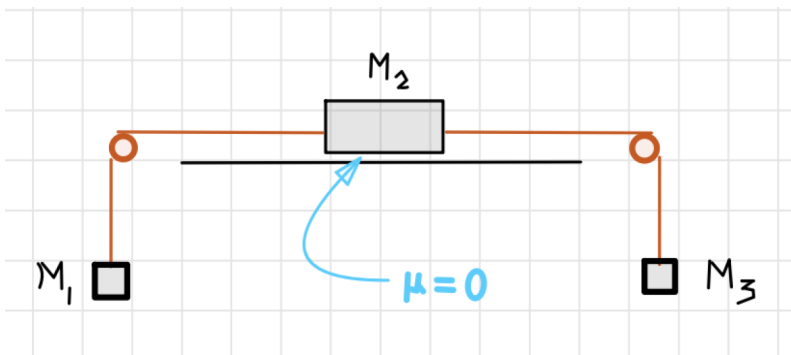
Draw a force diagram with all the forces.

$$F_k = \mu_k N.$$

Recall from kinematics, $\Delta(v_x^2) = 2 a \Delta x$

13. PULLING AND SLIDING

14. THREE BLOCKS, NO FRICTION

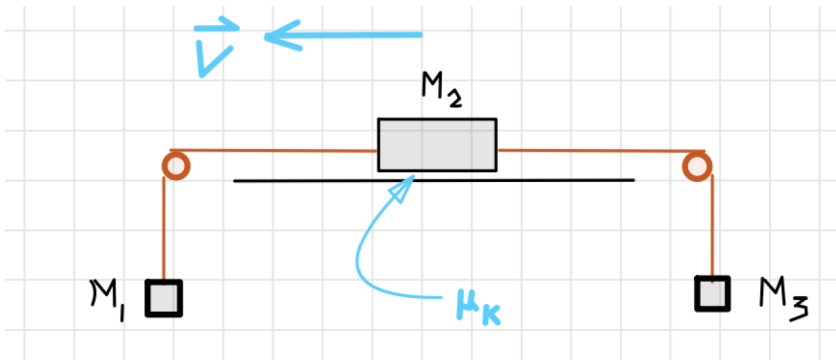


Draw three force diagrams, and write the corresponding equations.

Use algebra to derive an expression for a .

Now use your calculator.

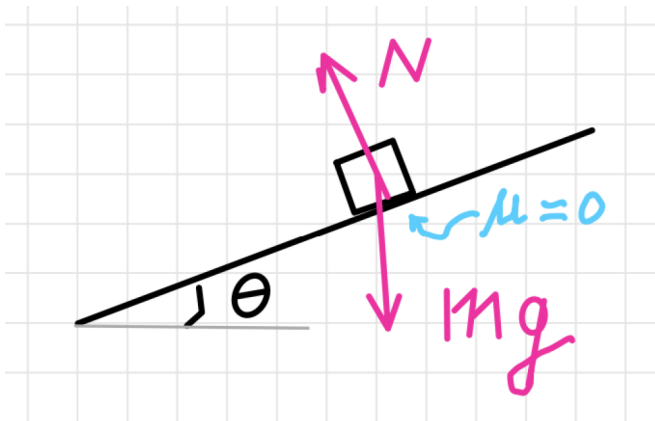
15. THREE BLOCKS WITH FRICTION



Draw three force diagrams, and write the corresponding equations.

The velocity is constant so $a = 0$.

16. BLOCK ON A FRICTIONLESS INCLINE

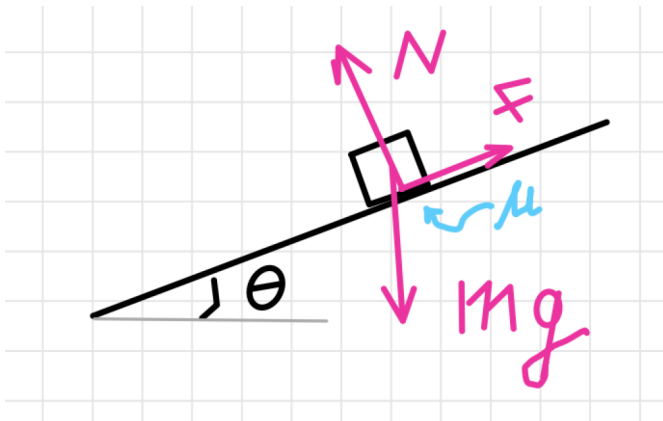


Newton's second law $m a = F_{\text{tangential}}$

$$= m g \sin \theta$$

"Tangential" means down parallel to the surface.

17. INCREASING THE ANGLE



Resolve the forces into normal (perpendicular upward) and tangential (parallel downward) components.

- When it starts to slide, $F_{\text{fric.}} = \mu_s N$ and the net force is zero.
- When it is sliding, $F_{\text{fric.}} = \mu_k N$ and $d = \frac{1}{2} a t^2$.

18. TWO MASSES ONE INCLINE NO FRICTION

Draw a picture.

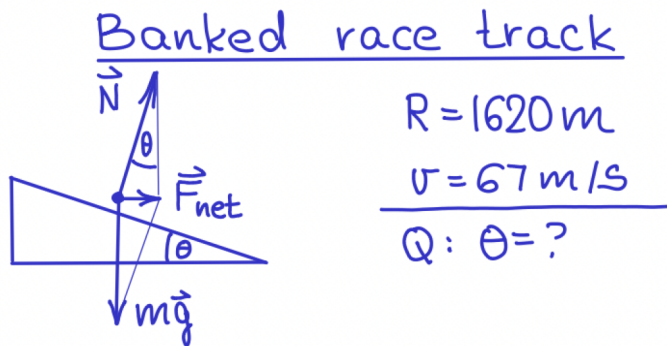
Draw the force diagrams, and write the equations.

$T_1 = T_2$ because the pulley is massless.

$a_1 = a_2$ because the cord has fixed length.

19. TWO MASSES ONE INCLINE WITH FRICTION

20. BANKED TRACK



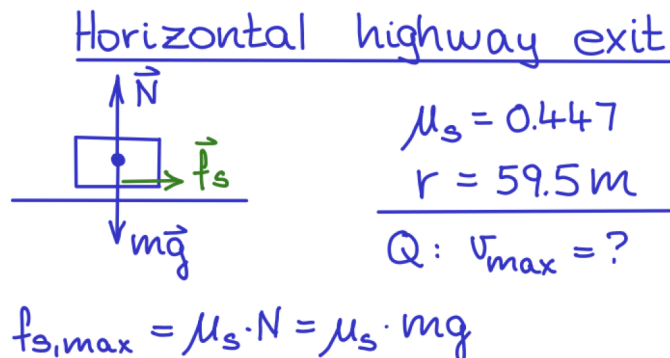
The uniform circular motion is *horizontal*;
write the equations

$$a = \frac{F_{\text{net}}}{m} \quad ; \quad a = \frac{mv^2}{R} \quad ;$$

$$F_{\text{net}} = F_{\text{horizontal}} = N \sin \theta$$

The net vertical force must be 0.

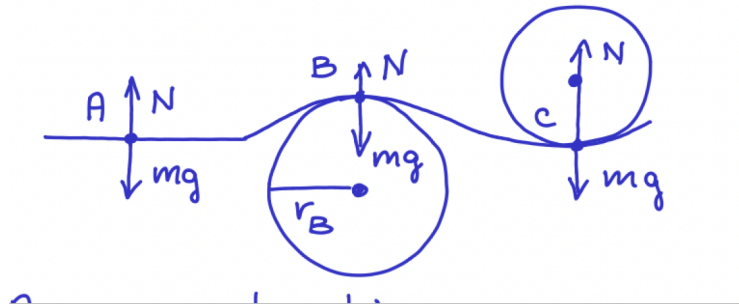
21. HIGHWAY EXIT WITH FRICTION



22. CAR ON A HILLY ROAD

Draw a picture, and force diagrams.

Analyze Newton's second law for each force diagram.



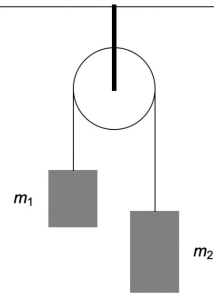
Note: the next problems are taken from the textbook;

- try to do them without the hints;
- if you get stuck, peek at the hints;
- they will also be discussed at the Zoom meeting

Problem 4-62

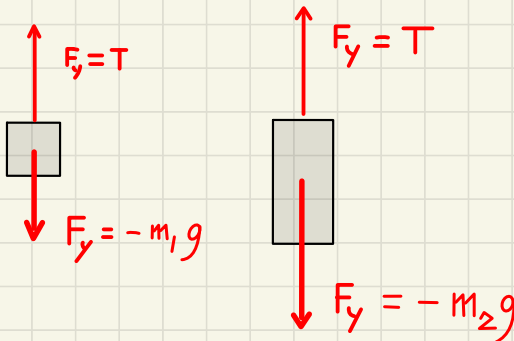
See the figure. Calculate (A) the acceleration and (B) the string tension. {Hints: Draw force diagrams for both masses. The pulley is massless and frictionless.}

Atwood's Machine



Data : $m_1 = 0.33 \text{ kg}$; $m_2 = 0.48 \text{ kg}$]

1/ Draw picture(s)



The positive direction is upward.

2/ Write equations from the force diagrams

$$m_1 a_1 = T - m_1 g$$

$$m_2 a_2 = T - m_2 g$$

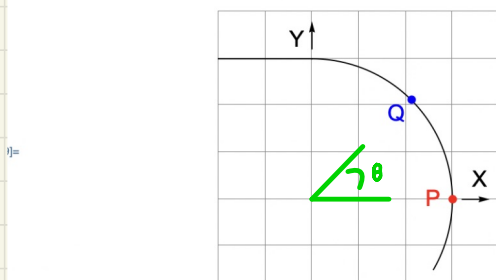
ALSO $a_2 = -a_1$ (why?)

\therefore write $a_1 = +a$ and $a_2 = -a$

3/ Algebra. Solve 2 equations for 2 unknowns

Problem 4-104

A car rounds a circular curve with radius R . From P to Q the speed v_0 is constant. (A) Determine the acceleration vector at P. (B) Suppose the driver presses the accelerator pedal at Q, and the speed is then increasing at rate a_t . Determine the acceleration vector just after Q.



[Data : $R = 150 \text{ m}$; $v_0 = 10.5 \text{ m/s}$; $a_t = 2.4 \text{ m/s}^2$]

$$\theta = 45^\circ$$

Equations from P to Q

Uniform circular motion

$$\vec{a} = a_r \hat{r} ; \quad a_r = -\frac{v^2}{R}$$

At P, $\hat{r} = \hat{i}$

$$\vec{a}_P = -\frac{v_0^2}{R} \hat{i} = (-\frac{v_0^2}{R}, 0)$$

$a_{Px} \quad a_{Py}$

Equations after Q

$$\vec{a} = a_r \hat{r} + a_\theta \hat{\theta}$$

$$a_r = -\frac{v^2}{R} \quad \text{and} \quad a_\theta = a_t$$

$$\text{At Q, } \vec{a}_Q = (a_{Qx}, a_{Qy})$$

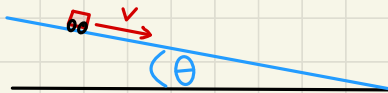
Trigonometry

Problem 4-76

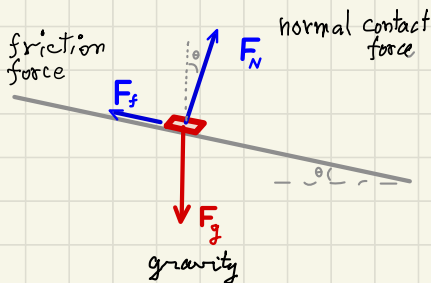
A car slides at constant speed down an icy road, whose slope is Θ . Find the coefficient of friction between the tires and the road.

[Data : $\Theta = 1.5 \text{ deg}$;]

Pictures



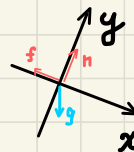
Force diagram



Coefficient of kinetic friction

$$F_f = \mu F_n$$
$$\therefore \mu = \frac{f}{n}$$

Convenient Coordinates



$$F_y = F_n - mg \cos \theta = 0$$

$$F_x = mg \sin \theta - F_f = 0$$

By Newton's first law, the net force is 0; $F = F_g + F_n + F_f = 0$.

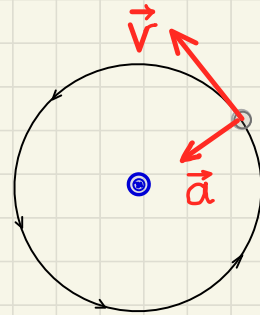
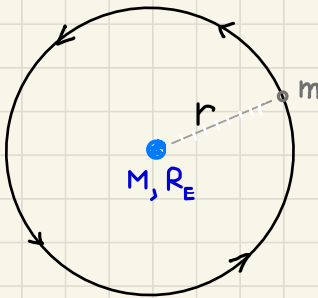


The moon orbits Earth in approximately 27.3 days.
The orbital radius r is approximately 384,000 km.

(A) Compute the centripetal acceleration.

(B) Based on his theory of gravity, Newton estimated $a \approx g R_{\text{Earth}}^2 / r^2$. Calculate Newton's estimate.

Newton's famous calculation



$$(A) \quad a = \frac{v^2}{r} \quad \text{and} \quad v = \frac{2\pi r}{T}$$

$$r = 3.84 \times 10^8 \text{ m}$$

$$T = 27.3 \times 24 \times 3600 \text{ s}$$

$$R_E = 6371 \text{ km}$$