

Unit 3 → Circular Motion

Horizontal Circular Paths

- Uniform Circular Motion
 - Constant, consistent, evenly applied *speed*
 - Uniform
 - Consistent, constantly, evenly applied
- Circular Motion
 - Objects are moving in a curved path
 - How can we find the speed of an object as it moves through a circle?
 - Reference Table
 - $\underline{v} = \frac{d}{t} = \frac{\text{circumference}}{\text{period}} = \frac{2\pi r}{T}$
 - $T = \text{period} = \text{time for one circle(s)}$
 - As r increases, so does v
- Tangential Velocity
 - The direction of velocity is constantly changing
 - The direction is *tangent* to the circle
 - Speed is constant
 - Velocity is *not* constant
 - Change in direction therefore there is acceleration
- Centripetal Acceleration
 - Reference Table
 - $a_c = \frac{v^2}{r}$
 - $a_c = \text{centripetal acceleration (m/s}^2\text{)}$
 - $v = \text{speed (m/s)}$
 - $r = \text{radius (m)}$
 - $F_{net} = F_{net \text{ circular}} = F_c = ma_c = \frac{mv^2}{r}$
 - The force that causes an object to move toward the inside of a circle
 - Centripetal force is circular net force
 - Centripetal force causes centripetal acceleration
 - Net force produces centripetal acceleration of circular motion
 - F_{net} produces a_c of circular motion

- Horizontal Circular Motion

- Flat tabletop
- Car on a curve
- Record player
- Force of gravity DOES NOT directly play a role
- Particular Cases
 - Make towards the center of the circle positive (+)
 - Flat curve

$$ma_c = \Sigma F_x$$

$$ON = F_N + -F_g$$

$$F_c = F_F$$

$$F_{net_x} = F_{net_x}$$

$$F_{c_x} = F_{c_x}$$

$$ma_c = F_F$$

$$ma_c = \mu F_N$$

$$F_{net_y} = F_{net_y}$$

$$ma_y = \Sigma F_y$$

$$F_g = F_N$$

$$ma_c = \mu F_g$$

$$a_c = \mu g$$

$$\frac{v^2}{r} = \mu g$$

■ Conical pendulum

- Object on a string

F_c is a component of the tension force (F_T)

$$F_{net_x} = F_{net_x}$$

$$F_{c_x} = F_{c_x}$$

$$ma_c = \Sigma F_x$$

$$ma_c = F_{T_x}$$

$$F_{T_x} = F_{T_y} \tan \theta$$

$$ma_c = F_{T_y} \tan \theta$$

$$ma_c = F_g \tan \theta$$

$$ma_c = mg \tan \theta$$

$$a_c = g \tan \theta$$

$$\frac{v^2}{r} = \tan \theta$$

■ Banked curve

- F_c is a component of F_N
- Proper banking angle indicates no friction
- SAME SITUATION AS CONICAL PENDULUMS

$$F_{net_x} = F_{net_x}$$

$$F_{c_x} = F_{c_x}$$

$$ma_c = F_{N_x}$$

$$F_{net_y} = F_{net_y}$$

$$ma_y = \Sigma F_y$$

$$0N = F_{N_y} + F_g$$

$$F_g = F_{N_y}$$

$$F_{N_x} = F_{N_y} \tan \theta$$

$$ma_c = F_g \tan \theta$$

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

$$\frac{v^2}{r} = g \tan \theta$$

Vertical Circular Paths

- Vertical Circular Motion
 - Examples
 - Rollercoaster loop
 - Driving over a bump
 - Walking
 - Force of gravity **DOES** play a *direct* role
- Particular Cases
 - Towards the center of the circle is positive (+)
 - Bottom of a curve

$$F_{net_y} = F_{net_y}$$

$$F_{c_y} = F_{c_y}$$

$$ma_c = \Sigma F_y$$

$$ma_c = F_N + -F_g$$
 - Top of a curve

$$F_{net_y} = F_{net_y}$$

$$F_{c_y} = F_{c_y}$$

$$ma_c = \Sigma F_y$$

$$ma_c = F_g + -F_N$$
 - Top of a curve (upside-down)

$$F_{net_y} = F_{net_y}$$

$$F_{c_y} = F_{c_y}$$

$$ma_c = \Sigma F_y$$

$$ma_c = F_N + F_g$$
- Critical Speed
 - Slowest speed at which an object can complete a circle
 - At the top of a curve
 - $F_N = 0N$
 - $F_N = F_g$

$$\frac{mv^2}{r} = F_N + F_g$$

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

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

$$\frac{v^2}{r} = g$$

Force of Gravity

- Long Range force
 - No need for contact
 - Extends to infinity
 - Always attractive
- $F_g = mg$
 - Force of attraction between Earth and another object *on* Earth
 - $F_g = m_{\text{object}} g_{\text{Earth}}$
 - Weight
- $F_g = G \frac{m_1 m_2}{r^2}$
 - Force of attraction between 2 objects
 - m_1 and m_2
 - G is the Universal Gravitation Constant
 - $G = 6.67 \times 10^{-11} \text{ N} \cdot \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{kg}^2}$
- Acceleration due to gravity
 - $|F_g| = F_g$
 - $\frac{G m_p m_o}{r^2} = m_o g$
 - $g = \frac{G m_p}{r^2}$
 - m_p represents the mass of a planet
 - m_o represent the mass of an object
- The Skeleton
 - Equation
 - $F_g = \frac{G m_1 m_2}{r^2}$
 - Skeleton
 - $\frac{(\text{?})(\text{?})}{(\text{?})^2} F_g$

Orbits

- Orbits
 - Vertical circular motion
 - Objects are in free-fall
 - $F_c = F_g$
 - $a_c = g$
 - Period (T) is the time for one full revolution
- Period of an orbit

$$a_c = g$$

$$\frac{v^2}{r} = G \frac{m_p}{r^2}$$

$$\frac{(\frac{2\pi r}{T})^2}{r} = G \frac{m_p}{r^2}$$

$$T = \sqrt{\frac{4\pi^2 r^3}{G m_p}}$$

Circular Motion Quiz

Multiple Choice

- 1) C
- 2) D
- 3) C
- 4) C
- 5) A
- 6) A
- 7) B
- 8) D
- 9) D
- 10) A

Short Response

- 11) $9000N$
- 12) $0.21N$
- 13) 51.34°
- 14) $788N$
- 15) $1,741.5N$

Circular Motion Test

Multiple Choice

- 1) C
- 2) D
- 3) D
- 4) A
- 5) E
- 6) E
- 7) D
- 8) D
- 9) E
- 10) B
- 11) A
- 12) B
- 13) B
- 14) D
- 15) C
- 16) B
- 17) E
- 18) A
- 19) B

Short Response

- 20) $2.35 \cdot 10^{-3} N$
- 21) $6.418 \cdot 10^{-8} m/s^2$
- 22) $2,294.41 km$
- 23) $1.44 \cdot 10^7 m$
- 24) $5.77 m/s$
- 25) $1.9 \cdot 10^{21} kg$