

Uniform circular motion

Sources:

<https://www.physicsclassroom.com/class/circles/Lesson-1/Mathematics-of-Circular-Motion>

<http://hyperphysics.phy-astr.gsu.edu/hbase/circ.html>

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Key equations:

$x \rightarrow \theta$ (angle)

$v \rightarrow \omega$ (angular velocity - rad/s)

$a \rightarrow \alpha$ (angular acceleration - rad/s²)

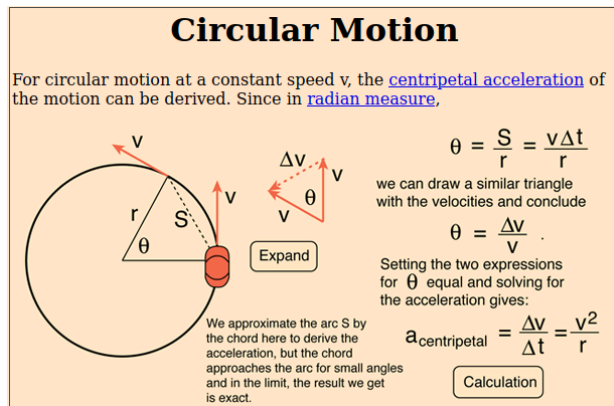
(constant α)

$$\theta = \omega t$$

$$\omega = \omega_0 + \alpha t$$

$$\theta = \omega_0 t + \frac{1}{2} \alpha t^2$$

$$\omega^2 = \omega_0^2 + 2\alpha\theta$$



$$\theta = \frac{s}{r} \sim \text{arc length}$$

$$\omega = \frac{v}{r} \quad \alpha = \frac{a_t}{r}$$

f = frequency (cycles/s)

$$\omega = 2\pi f$$

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

$$F_c = m \frac{v^2}{r}$$

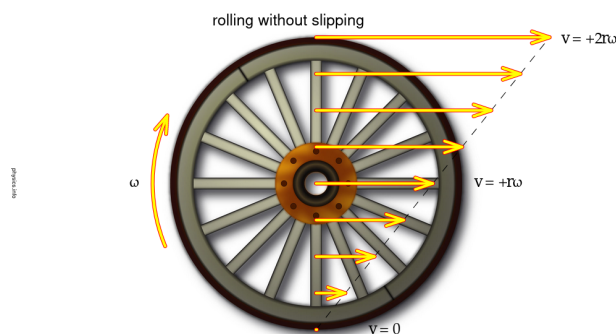
from centripetal force (always points towards center of circle)

Not to be confused with centrifugal force (which is a fictitious force)

Moment of Inertia

Rotational kinetic energy = $\frac{1}{2} I \omega^2$ (rad/s)

Rolling without slipping:



$$KE = \frac{1}{2} m (r\omega)^2 = \frac{1}{2} m r^2 \omega^2 \quad (\text{translational})$$

$$KE_r = \frac{1}{2} I \omega^2$$

to solve these problems, we can set up a system of equations, have a common relationship between KE_t and KE_r through ω

<https://physics.info/rolling/>

Centripetal force: force pointing inward that keeps an object in circular motion (ex: friction force between road and tires keeping the car in a turn)

Centrifugal force: apparent force felt by the object, usually described in the object's (noninertial) reference frame). (ex: apparent force pushing you to the outside of the turn)