

Quiz 1

1. Here is Newton's second law in polar coordinates:

$$\vec{F} = m \left(\ddot{r} - r\dot{\phi}^2 \right) \hat{r} + m(r\ddot{\phi} + 2\dot{r}\dot{\phi}) \hat{\phi} \quad (1)$$

Simplify these equations for the case of circular motion (hint: r is constant).

2. Drag force depends most directly on (*select one*):

- (a) position
- (b) velocity
- (c) acceleration

3. The following differential equation will commonly appear in problems with drag force. Find $v(t)$ by solving this differential equation. Use $v(t = 0) = v_0$.

$$\dot{v} = -kv \quad (2)$$