

# Hello

- Find the circumference of a circle with a radius of 0.75m.

4.712m



# Uniform Circular Motion



## Determining Speed

- How do we determine the speed of an object moving in a straight line?

$$V = \frac{\Delta x}{t}$$

## Angular Velocity

- The velocity of an object moving in a circular path.
- If I know the radius of a circle, how can I determine the speed of an object traveling around it?

A car drives in a circle with a radius of 3 m in 4 sec. What is the car's velocity?

$$V = \frac{2\pi r}{t} = \frac{2\pi 3\text{ m}}{4\text{ s}} = 4.712 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$$

A motorcycle rides around a cage with a radius of 4m in 2.5sec. What is the velocity of the motorcycle?



## Tangential and Angular Velocity

- Velocity in a straight line.
- When an object moves in a circle, something has to keep the object in the circle.
- Some force has to keep the object moving in a circle.

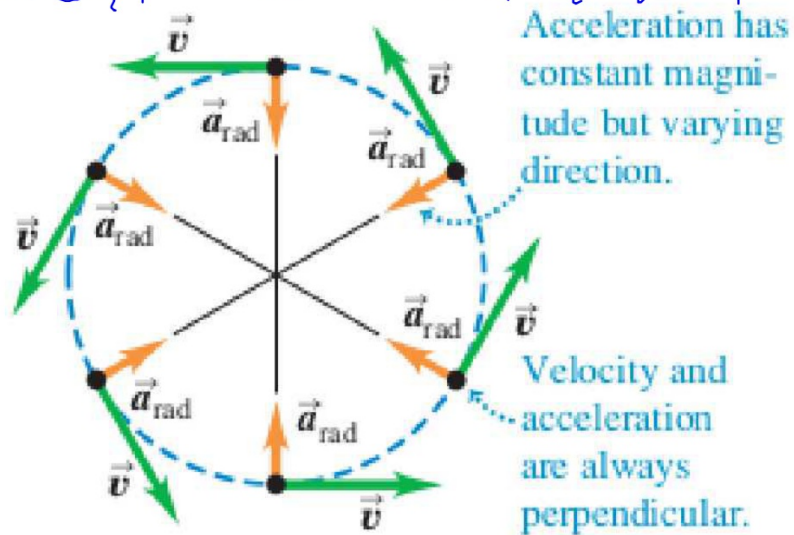
## Velocity and inward force

- What's keeping the object moving in a circle?
- What happens when that force is no longer present?



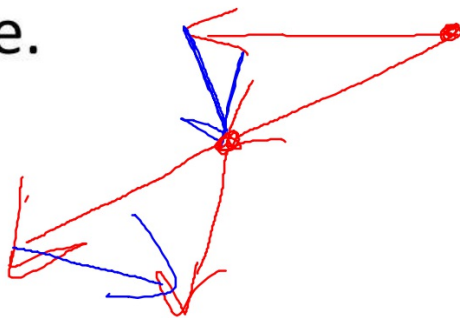
# Velocity Vector in Circular Motion

## Centripetal acceleration



$$\text{Acceleration} = \Delta V / t$$

- $\Delta V = V_f - V_i$
- Draw the vectors for two points on a circle.



## Centripetal Acceleration

- A center seeking force.
- The tension on a rope is from the pull towards the center.
- There is NO centrifugal (center fleeing) force. You can't push with a rope.

## Determining Acceleration

- $V$  is the velocity that an object moves around a circle.
- $r$  is the radius of the circle.
- $a = (V^2)/r$

Students are playing crack the whip. If the person on the outside (5m from the center) is running at 4m/s, what is their acceleration?

$$V = 4 \text{ m/s} \quad \text{Find } a_c = ?$$

$$r = 5 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Eqn: } a_c = V^2 / r = \frac{(4 \text{ m/s})^2}{5 \text{ m}}$$

$$\frac{16 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2}{5 \text{ m}} = 3.2 \text{ m/s}^2$$



A child sits 3.5m from the center of a merry go round. If it makes one revolution every 11 sec, what is the centripetal acceleration of the child?

$$r = 3.5 \text{ m} \quad V = \frac{2\pi r}{t} = \frac{3.5 \cdot 2\pi}{11 \text{ s}}$$

$$a_c = ? \quad V = 2 \text{ m/s}$$

$$a_c = \frac{V^2}{r} = \frac{(2 \text{ m/s})^2}{3.5 \text{ m}} = \frac{4 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}^2}{3.5 \text{ m}} = 1.14 \text{ m/s}^2$$



## Determining Centripetal Force

- $F=ma$ .
- If we know the centripetal acceleration of an object and it's mass, we can solve for the force on the object.

If the student from the previous problems has a mass of 62kg, what is the force on their arm?

From the "crack the whip" problem.

$$K: m = 62 \text{ kg}$$

$$a = 3.1 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$F = ? = ma = 62 \text{ kg} \cdot 3.1 \text{ m/s}^2 = 192.2 \text{ N}$$



If the motorcycle and it's rider have a combined mass of 200kg, what is the force exerted on the ~~cage?~~ rider by the cage?

$$k: r = 4 \text{ m}$$

$$t = 2.5 \text{ s}$$

$$a_c = \frac{4\pi^2 r}{t^2} = 25 \text{ m/s}^2$$

Determine the average acceleration of the demo.

- How are you going to collect the data?
- What is the magnitude of the force acting on the object?

$$m = 60\text{g} = 0.06\text{ kg}$$

$$r = 70\text{cm} = 0.7\text{m}$$

$$t = 8.5 / 10 = 0.85\text{s}$$

## Sum of the Accelerations

- I have a bucket of water on a rope.
- I swing it over my head and do not want the water to spill out.
- The centripetal acceleration needs to be greater than the acceleration of gravity.

## Approach

- The centripetal acceleration has to be greater than or equal to the acceleration due to gravity.
- If they are equal, draw an FBD for the bucket at the top and the bottom of the circular path.

The radius of the circle is \_\_\_\_m. What is the longest period that will allow the water to stay in the bucket?



Figure 17-1 Spinning a bucket filled with water over your head.

## Put it all together

- If you know the radius and the period, you can solve for velocity.
- You can now solve for acceleration.
- If you know the mass of the object, you can determine the centripetal force on the object.

## Why we don't fly off the spinning Earth

- Earth has a radius of  $6.37 \times 10^6 \text{m}$ .
- If the period is one day, what is the centripetal acceleration of Earth?
- What is the centripetal force on a 65kg person?

$$a_c = 0.033 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$F_c = 2.2 \text{ N}$$

