

Physics Unit 3: Uniform Circular Motion and Torque Review

1. Know about uniform circular motion, centripetal acceleration, centripetal force, torque, measures of rotational motion (position angle θ , angular velocity ω , angular acceleration α), moment of inertia
2. A car engine idles at 900 rpm. What is this in rad/s?
3. A centrifuge spins test tubes in a circle. The centrifuge has a radius of 2 cm and creates 20 m/s^2 of centripetal acceleration. What is the speed of the test tube as it spins?
4. Clothes in a washing machine are spun in a circle with radius 40 cm. If the mass of the clothes is 5 kg, what is the centripetal force when the clothes are moving at 15 m/s?
5. An 80-kg ice skater goes around a 3-m radius corner. She will slip if the centripetal force exceeds 6000 N. What speed can the skater go around the corner without slipping?
6. A string is tied to the end of a lever that pivots at its other end. The lever is 2 m long and the string makes a 50° angle with the lever. If the string is pulled with a force of 20 N, what is the torque on the lever?
7. A playground seesaw has a fulcrum in the center of the board. The board is 10 m long. If a 30-kg child sits on one end, what mass child should sit 3 m from the other end to balance the board?
8. A CD disc is spinning at $100\pi \text{ rad/s}$. What angle does it spin through in 1 ms?
9. A 50-kg kid is spinning in a centrifuge-like ride with a radius of 3 m. If the angular speed change from 5 rad/s to 100 rad/s in 20 s, what is the tangential acceleration of the test tube?
10. A 100-cm radius propeller is rotating at 500 rad/s and a 0.001-kg piece of gum is stuck to the edge. What is the linear speed of the stone?
11. A 100-cm radius propeller is rotating at 500 rad/s and a 0.001-kg piece of gum is stuck to the edge. What is the centripetal force required to keep the stone from flying out?
12. How much torque is required to accelerate a hollow spherical shell rotating about its center in 4 seconds if its mass is 2 kg, its diameter is 10 cm, its initial speed was $2\pi \text{ rad/s}$ and its final speed is $5\pi \text{ rad/s}$?
13. A 50-cm diameter hoop has a mass of 2 kg. A person applies 5 Nm of torque so that the hoop rotates about a diameter. What is the angular acceleration of the hoop?
14. What is the moment of inertia of a 10-kg thin rod rotated about the axis through one end perpendicular to its length if its length is 0.5m?

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Answers

$$2. \quad \frac{900 \text{ rev}}{\text{min}} \left(\frac{2\pi \text{ rad}}{1 \text{ rev}} \right) \left(\frac{1 \text{ min}}{60 \text{ s}} \right) = \mathbf{30\pi \text{ rad/s}}$$

$$3. \quad a_c = \frac{v^2}{r}$$

$$20 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2} = \frac{v^2}{0.02 \text{ m}}$$

$$0.4 \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{s}^2} = v^2$$

$$\mathbf{0.632 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} = v}$$

$$4. \quad F_c = \frac{mv^2}{r}$$

$$F_c = \frac{(5 \text{ kg}) \left(15 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} \right)^2}{0.40 \text{ m}}$$

$$\mathbf{F_c = 2810 \text{ N}}$$

$$5. \quad F_c = \frac{mv^2}{r}$$

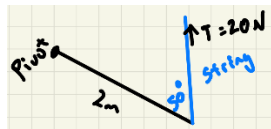
$$6000 \text{ N} = \frac{(80 \text{ kg})v^2}{3 \text{ m}}$$

$$18000 \text{ Nm} = (80 \text{ kg})v^2$$

$$225 \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{s}^2} = v^2$$

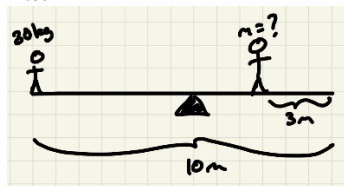
$$\mathbf{15 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}} = v}$$

$$6. \quad \tau = rF \sin \theta$$



$$\tau = (2 \text{ m})(20 \text{ N}) \sin 50^\circ = \mathbf{30.6 \text{ Nm}}$$

$$7. \quad \tau_{\text{net}} = 0$$



$$(5 \text{ m})(30 \text{ kg}) \left(9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2} \right) - (5 \text{ m} - 3 \text{ m})m \left(9.8 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2} \right) =$$

$$0$$

$$1470 \text{ Nm} = m \left(19.6 \frac{\text{m}^2}{\text{s}^2} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{75 \text{ kg} = m}$$

$$8. \quad \omega = \frac{\Delta \theta}{\Delta t}$$

$$100\pi \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}} = \frac{\Delta \theta}{1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ s}}$$

$$\mathbf{0.1\pi \text{ rad} = \Delta \theta}$$

$$9. \quad \alpha = \frac{\Delta \omega}{\Delta t}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{100 \text{ rad/s} - 5 \text{ rad/s}}{20 \text{ s}} = 4.75 \text{ rad/s}^2$$

$$a_t = r\alpha$$

$$a_t = (3 \text{ m}) \left(4.75 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}^2} \right)$$

$$\mathbf{a_t = 14.3 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2}}$$

$$10. \quad v = r\omega$$

$$v = (1 \text{ m}) \left(500 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}} \right) = \mathbf{500 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}}$$

$$11. \quad F_c = mr\omega^2$$

$$F_c = (0.001 \text{ kg})(1 \text{ m}) \left(500 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}} \right)^2 = \mathbf{250 \text{ N}}$$

$$12. \quad \tau = I\alpha$$

$$I = \frac{2MR^2}{3} = \frac{2(2 \text{ kg})(0.05 \text{ m})^2}{3} = \frac{1}{300} \text{ kg m}^2$$

$$\alpha = \frac{\Delta \omega}{\Delta t} = \frac{5\pi \text{ rad/s} - 2\pi \text{ rad/s}}{4 \text{ s}} = \frac{3\pi \text{ rad}}{4 \text{ s}^2}$$

$$\tau = I\alpha = \left(\frac{1}{300} \text{ kg m}^2 \right) \left(\frac{3\pi \text{ rad}}{4 \text{ s}^2} \right) = \mathbf{7.85 \times 10^{-3} \text{ Nm}}$$

$$13. \quad \tau = I\alpha$$

$$I = \frac{MR^2}{2} = \frac{(2 \text{ kg})(0.25 \text{ m})^2}{2} = 0.0625 \text{ kg m}^2$$

$$\tau = I\alpha$$

$$5 \text{ Nm} = (0.0625 \text{ kg m}^2)\alpha$$

$$\mathbf{80 \frac{\text{rad}}{\text{s}^2} = \alpha}$$

$$14. \quad I = \frac{M\ell^2}{3}$$

$$I = \frac{(10 \text{ kg})(0.5 \text{ m})^2}{3} = \mathbf{0.833 \text{ kg m}^2}$$