

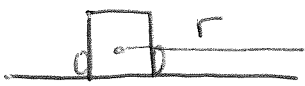
# AP Physics Review

## Circular Motion

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Scenario #1 - Car going around a turn on a flat surface

Car is coming out of page at you and is making a turn w/a radius (r)



What we know:

$$F_c = \frac{mv^2}{r} \text{ and acts towards center}$$

$$F_{\text{static friction}} = \mu_s N \text{ where } N = mg \text{ (because road is flat)}$$

What we can figure out:

$$\text{Maximum Velocity: } \frac{mv_{\text{max}}^2}{r} = \mu_s N = \mu_s mg$$

$$v_{\text{max}} = \sqrt{\mu_s r g}$$

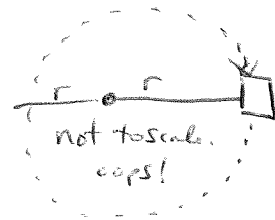
Scenario #2 mass on a string being swung in a circle

$$F_c = \text{Tension on string} = \frac{mv^2}{r} = ma_c$$

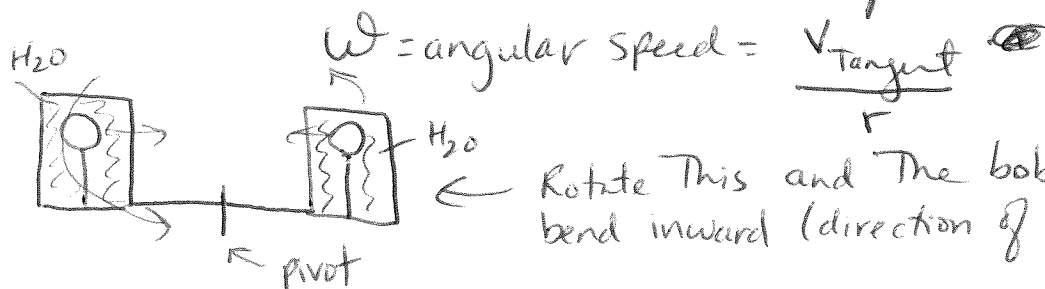
$$\text{You can find Tension: } T = ma_c = \frac{mv^2}{r}$$

$$\text{You can find acceleration: } a_c = \frac{T}{m} = \frac{v^2}{r} = r\omega^2$$

$$\text{You can find Tangential Velocity: } v = \sqrt{a_c r} = \sqrt{\frac{rT}{m}}$$



NOTE: Acceleration is always towards center



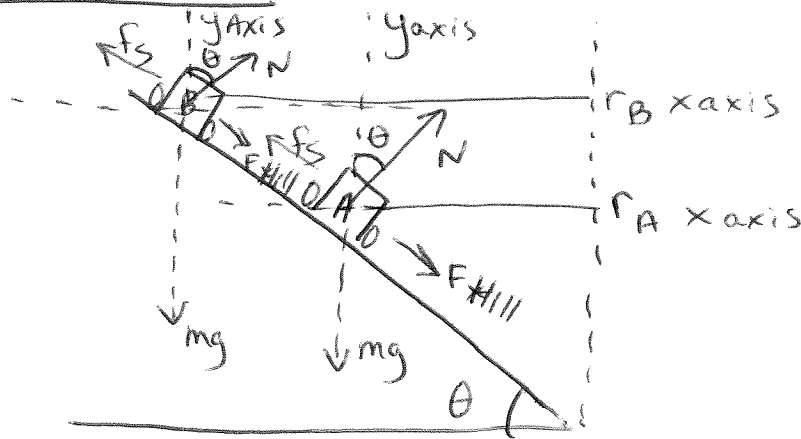
Rotate This and The bobs will bend inward (direction of acceleration)

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## Circular Motion

### Scenario #3 - A car on a banked Turn (Ch. 7 #55)



NOTE: Car A+B are coming out of page at you.

- Notice That x axis is along  $F_c$ .

-  $r_B > r_A$

-  $mg$  acts in  $-y$  direction

-  $N$  acts in  $\theta$  away from  $y$  direction

$$N = \frac{mg}{\cos \theta}$$

- car Tries to slide down hill @  $F_{Hill}$ . It is prevented by  $f_s$  ( $\mu_s N$ )

### What we know!

$$N = \frac{mg}{\cos \theta} \quad N_{x \text{ direction}} = N \sin \theta$$

$$f_s = \mu_s N \quad f_{s \text{ x direction}} = f_s \cos \theta$$

$$\hat{F}_c = \frac{mv^2}{r} = N \sin \theta + f_s \cos \theta$$

$$\hat{a}_c = \frac{v^2}{r} = g (\mu_s + \tan \theta)$$

if frictionless, this is zero

$$\hat{\omega} = \sqrt{\frac{a_c}{r}} = \frac{v}{r}$$

$$\hat{\tan \theta} = \frac{v^2}{gr} - \mu_s$$

$$\hat{v} = \sqrt{gr (\mu_s + \tan \theta)} = (r\omega)^2$$

### What This tells us!

- As  $v \uparrow$ , The car must climb the wall ( $r$  increases) because  $\theta$  of hill is constant.

$\theta$  of hill can be less for a given velocity if  $\mu_s$  is present.

- Mass of car doesn't matter.

- As velocity  $\uparrow$ ,  $\omega$  (revolutions/sec)  $\downarrow$  (notice that distance car B would have to go around turn is greater than car A)

-  $a_c$  is constant so long as  $\theta$  and  $\mu_s$  are too!

$$F = \cancel{m}g = \frac{Gm_1 m_2}{(r_E)^2}$$

$$g = \frac{Gm_E}{(r_E)^2}$$

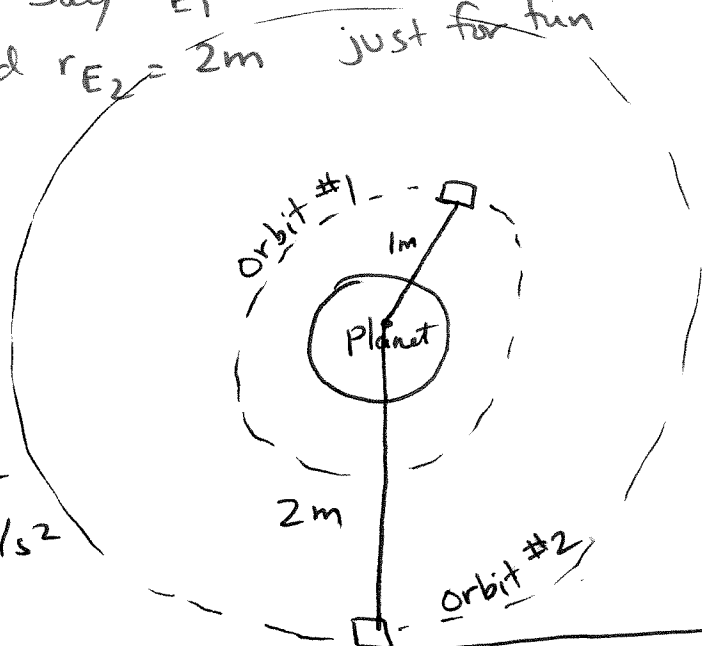
let's call this value 1  
just to make life easy

lets say  $r_{E1} = 1m$   
and  $r_{E2} = 2m$  just for fun

$$g_1 = \frac{1}{(1m)^2} = 1m/s^2$$

$$g_2 = \frac{1}{(2m)^2} = 0.25m/s^2$$

∴ Spacecraft #1 has a g of  $1m/s^2$   
Spacecraft #2 has a g of  $0.25m/s^2$



NOTE:  
 $a_c$  is  
not  
constant  
for orbiting  
satellites.  
It is for a banked turn, however.

$$a_{c1} = \frac{v_1^2}{r_1} = 1m/s^2 = \frac{v_1^2}{1m}$$

$$v_1 = 1m/s$$

$$a_{c2} = \frac{v_2^2}{r_2} = 0.25m/s^2 = \frac{v_2^2}{2m}$$

$$v_2 = 0.707$$

$V_T$  of any satellite

$$V_T = \sqrt{\frac{GM_{Earth}}{r}}$$

$\omega = \cancel{v} / r$

As you increase radial distance:  
 $V_{Tangent}$  decreases  
 $a_c$  decreases

(p. 239 Table 7.3)  
 $\omega$  decreases  
KE decreases  
U increases (smaller negative value)  
 $E_{Total} = KE + U \uparrow$   
opposite to a banked turn.

As you increase  $V_{Tangent}$  (fire retro booster rockets):

radius must grow to satisfy  $a_c$ . But, by virtue of the fact that  $r$  grows,  $a_c$  will decrease and therefore, when you go to engine shut-down, your  $V_{Tangent}$  at your new, higher orbit, will be less than it was before you fired your boosters.

Big ideas:

For a car on a slanted (banked) curve:

- As  $v \uparrow$ ,  $\omega \downarrow$  (revs/sec decrease)

- As  $v \uparrow$ , Radius  $\uparrow$  (climbs the wall)

-  $a_c$  is constant

-  $v$  is greatest w/ largest  $R$  (got to go fast to stay up high)

- As  $R \uparrow$ ,  $\omega \downarrow$  (same as for an orbiting satellite)

For an orbiting satellite

- As  $v \uparrow$ ,  $\omega \uparrow$  (you are getting close to Earth when  $v \uparrow$ )

- As  $v \uparrow$ , Radius  $\downarrow$  (" " " " " ")

-  $a_c$  is not constant  $a_c$  is greatest closest to planet (Gravity pulls you in)

-  $v$  is greatest w/ smallest  $R$

$$- v_T \text{ orbit} = \sqrt{\frac{GM_E}{r}}$$

$$- v_{\text{Escape velocity}} = \sqrt{\frac{2GM_E}{R_E}} = \sqrt{2gR_E}$$

$$- E_{\text{total}} = -\frac{GmM_E}{2r}$$

- As  $R \uparrow$ ,  $\omega \downarrow$  (same as for a banked curve)