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■ **Theme Music: The Byrds**  
*Turn, Turn, Turn*

■ **Cartoon: Bob Thaves**  
*Frank & Ernest*

**Frank and Ernest**  
 A ROTATION RATE THAT'S VARIABLE! ONE REVOLUTION EVERY 365 AND 1/4 DAYS! TILTED AXIS... WHO THE HECK WAS IN CHARGE OF SPIN CONTROL ON THIS ONE!

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### Outline

- Go over Quiz 7
- Uniform Circular Motion
- Circular Motion: Polar description
  - Angles
  - Angular velocity
  - Angular acceleration
- Appendix: What if I like calculus better than geometry?

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### Quiz 7

	7.1	7.2	7.3
a	31%	67%	0%
b	1%	10%	1%
c	28%	1%	1%
d	77%	5%	72%
e	19%	10%	24%
f	2%		

**Quiz 7**

Avg. 5.4

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### Uniform Circular Motion: Equation

Similar triangles imply

$$\frac{v \Delta t}{R} = \frac{a \Delta t}{v}$$

$$\frac{a}{v} = \frac{v}{R}$$

$$a = \frac{v^2}{R}$$

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### Uniform Circular Motion: Acceleration vector

$a = \frac{v^2}{R}$  pointing in to center

$\vec{r}$  = position vector

$\frac{\vec{r}}{R} = \hat{r}$  = unit vector in direction of position vector

$\vec{a} = -\frac{v^2}{R} \hat{r}$

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### Uniform Circular Motion: Forces

- Newton 1 says an object with no net force acting on it moves in a straight line with a constant speed.
- So if an object moves in a circle at a constant speed, there must be a net force on it.  
(The velocity is changing direction, so there is an acceleration.)
- How much force is needed to cause an object to move in a circle at a constant speed?

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### Uniform Circular Motion: Forces

$$\vec{a} = \frac{\vec{F}^{net}}{m}$$
 always

$$\vec{a} = -\frac{v^2}{R}\hat{r}$$
 in order for the object to move in a circle with constant speed.

$$\frac{\vec{F}^{net}}{m} = -\frac{v^2}{R}\hat{r}$$
 Therefore, to do this, we need a net force.

$$\vec{F}^{net} = -\frac{mv^2}{R}\hat{r}$$
 A(n inward) radial net force is needed to maintain circular motion.

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### Uniform Circular Motion

Position

Velocity

Acceleration

$\frac{v \Delta t}{R} = \frac{a \Delta t}{v}$       $\frac{a}{v} = \frac{v}{R}$       $a = \frac{v^2}{R}$

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### Rotational Kinematics: Polar Description of Motion

- Describing the angular position of an object.
  - Angle (radians)  $\theta$
  - Angular velocity  $\omega$
  - Angular acceleration  $\alpha$

$$\theta \text{ (in radians)} = \frac{2\pi}{360} \theta \text{ (in degrees)}$$

$$\langle \omega \rangle = \frac{\Delta \theta}{\Delta t} \quad \langle \alpha \rangle = \frac{\Delta \omega}{\Delta t}$$

Uniform motion:  $\Delta \theta = \omega_0 \Delta t$

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### Uniform Circular Motion

■ In uniform circular motion, the speed is constant. This means the angle grows at a constant rate.

$$\langle \omega \rangle = \omega_0 = \frac{\Delta\theta}{\Delta t}$$

$$\Delta\theta = \omega_0 \Delta t$$

$$\theta - \theta_0 = \omega_0(t - t_0)$$

$$\theta = \theta_0 + \omega_0(t - t_0)$$

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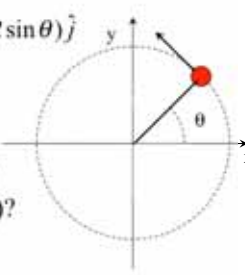
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### Trigonometry for big angles

$$\vec{r} = x\hat{i} + y\hat{j} = (R \cos\theta)\hat{i} + (R \sin\theta)\hat{j}$$

$$\theta = \theta_0 + \omega_0(t - t_0)$$


What happens as  $t$  (and  $\theta$ ) gets large (bigger than  $2\pi$ )?

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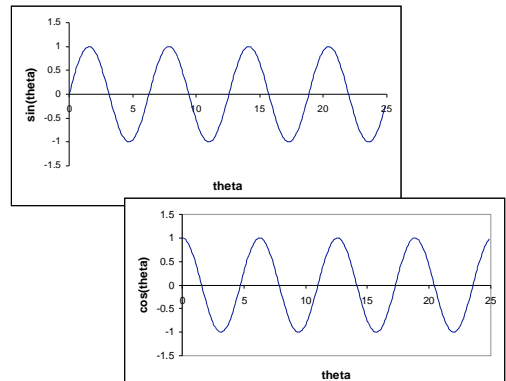
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### Appendix: Rotational kinematics using calculus - 1

$$\frac{d}{d\theta} \sin \theta = \cos \theta$$

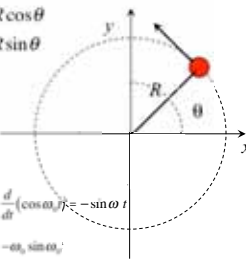
$$\frac{d}{d\theta} \cos \theta = -\sin \theta$$

Uniform motion:  $\theta = \omega_0 t$  with  $\omega_0 = \text{constant}$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\sin \omega_0 t) = \omega_0 \cos \omega_0 t$$

$$\frac{d}{dt}(\cos \omega_0 t) = -\omega_0 \sin \omega_0 t$$

$$x = R \cos \theta$$

$$y = R \sin \theta$$


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### Appendix: Rotational kinematics using calculus - 2

$$x = R \cos \theta$$

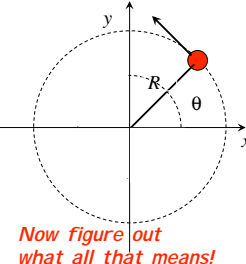
$$y = R \sin \theta$$

$$v_x = \frac{dx}{dt} = R \frac{d}{dt} \cos \theta = -\omega_0 R \sin \theta = -\omega_0 y$$

$$v_y = \frac{dy}{dt} = R \frac{d}{dt} \sin \theta = \omega_0 R \cos \theta = \omega_0 x$$

$$a_x = \frac{dv_x}{dt} = -\omega_0 R \frac{d}{dt} \sin \theta = -\omega_0^2 R \cos \theta = -\omega_0^2 x$$

$$a_y = \frac{dv_y}{dt} = \omega_0 R \frac{d}{dt} \cos \theta = -\omega_0^2 R \sin \theta = -\omega_0^2 y$$



*Now figure out what all that means!*

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