

Circular Motion & Gravitation - Phy 12 - Unit 4 Cheat Sheet by goldennfluff (goldennfluff) via cheatography.com/209545/cs/46536/

Formulas	
Given	Derived Formulas (to know)
v=(2πr)/T	$F_C = (mv^2)/2 = (4\pi^2 rm)/T^2$
$a_C = (v^2)/r$	T_{orb} =(2 $\pi r^{3/2}$)/ $\sqrt{(GM)}$
$F_G = (GMm)/r_2$	E _{total} =-GMm/2r
E _p =-(GMm)/r	$g=(GM)/r^2$
$\Delta E_p = GMm(1/r_f-1/r_i)$	
$v_{esc} = \sqrt{(2GM/r)}$	
v _{orb} =√(GM/r)	

Key Concepts

F_{net}=F_c on any object undergoing uniform circular motion

Vertical Circular Motion: over a hill, object swung with a string, loopty loop, etc.

Top of swing: $v = \sqrt{(rg)} \rightarrow min$. speed to maintain

Bottom of swing: $F_T = (mv^2)/r + mg \rightarrow max$. tension in the string

Variable $M \rightarrow no$ motion object (i.e. Earth being orbited)

Variable $m \rightarrow$ with motion object (i.e. satellite orbiting Earth)

To Remember

F_N is present when an object is on the ground (i.e. car on a curve)

Interstellar space station is in space \rightarrow no gravity in space \rightarrow only force is F_N the apparent weight of something

i.e. ... F_G of person A **due** to person B \rightarrow person A is being affected

i.e. ... at 15500m **above** the surface of Earth \rightarrow r = R_E + 15500m

If no r_i mentioned \rightarrow $r_i\text{=}\infty$

If any final or initial variables are mentioned $\rightarrow \Sigma E_i = \Sigma E_f$

E_T of any orbiting object in a gravitational field is **always negative**

Geosynchronous: to move at the same speed as the Earth



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