

Tutorial 2.1

Angular Motion

1. Convert the following from degrees to radians:
30°, 45°, 60°, 90°, 180°, 270°, 360°, 720°.
2. Convert the following from radians to degrees:
1 rad, 10 rad, 0.1 rad, π rad, 2π rad, $\frac{1}{2}\pi$ rad, $\frac{\pi}{6}$ rad.
3. Convert the following from revolutions per minute to radians per second:
33 rpm, 45 rpm, 78 rpm, 300 rpm.
4. Using calculus notation write down the expression for
 - (a) the angular velocity in terms of the angular displacement
 - (b) the angular acceleration in terms of the angular velocity
 - (c) the angular acceleration in terms of the angular displacement.
5. State the three equations which can be used when an object moves with a constant angular acceleration, α .
State the meaning of each symbol used.
6. A disc is slowed uniformly at 5.0 rad s^{-2} for 4.0 s. The initial angular velocity is 200 rad s^{-1} .
 - (a) Determine the angular velocity at the end of the four seconds.
 - (b) What is the angular displacement in this time?
7. The angular velocity of an engine is increased from 800 rpm to 3 000 rpm in 8.0 s.
 - (a) Determine the angular acceleration. You may assume this is uniform.
 - (b) Find the total angular displacement.
 - (c) How many revolutions does the engine make during this 8.0 s?
8. A wheel accelerates uniformly from rest at 3.0 rad s^{-2} for 5.0 s.
 - (a) Find
 - (i) the final angular velocity after 5.0 s
 - (ii) the angular displacement after 5.0 s.
 - (b) The wheel has a radius of 1.50 m.
Determine the linear velocity at a point on its rim at the end of the 5.0 s.
9. Radius of Earth = $6.4 \times 10^3 \text{ km}$ Geostationary orbit radius = $3.6 \times 10^4 \text{ km}$
Radius of Earth's orbit = $1.5 \times 10^8 \text{ km}$ Radius of Moon's orbit = $3.8 \times 10^5 \text{ km}$
Period of Earth about Sun = 365 days Period of Moon about Earth = 28 days
 - (a) Calculate the angular velocity in rad s^{-1} of
 - (i) the Earth about the sun
 - (ii) the Moon about the Earth
 - (iii) an object on the Earth's surface about its axis of rotation
 - (iv) a geostationary satellite.
 - (b) Find the tangential velocity in m s^{-1} of each of the above quantities in part (a).
10. Derive the expression $v = r\omega$ for a particle in circular motion.