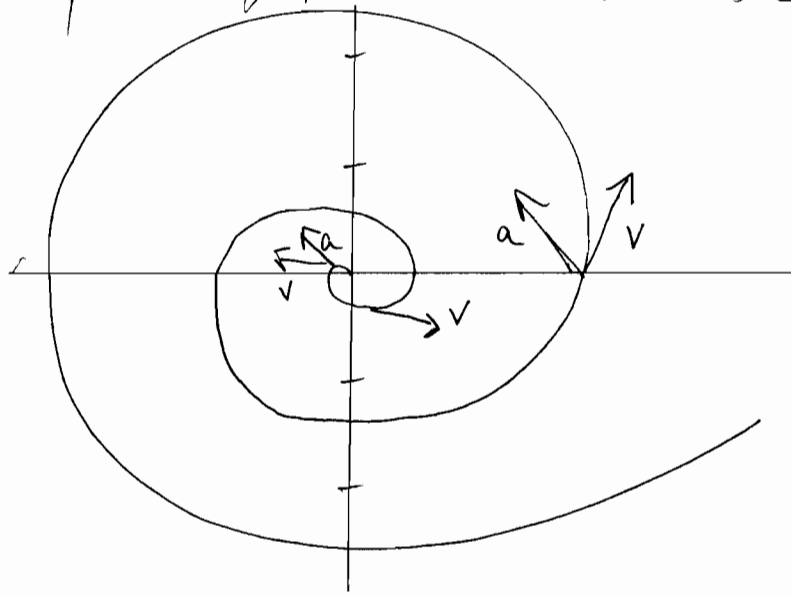


Physics 21 HW#5 Solutions

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(a)



Initially the acceleration is pointed outward in the radial direction

Past $\theta = 1/\sqrt{2}$ the acceleration is pointed radially inward

$$r = A\theta$$

$$\theta = \alpha t^2/2$$

$$A = (1/\pi) \text{ m/rad}$$

$$(b) \quad \vec{a} = (\ddot{r} - r\dot{\theta}^2)\hat{r} + (r\ddot{\theta} + 2\dot{r}\dot{\theta})\hat{\theta}$$

$$= \alpha A(1 - \alpha t^2)\hat{r} +$$

$$(\alpha A - A\theta \alpha t^2)\hat{r} + (A\theta \alpha + 2A(\alpha t)^2)\hat{\theta}$$

$$= A\alpha(1 - 2\theta^2)\hat{r} + A\alpha^2\left(\frac{t^2}{2} + t^2\right)\hat{\theta}$$

$$\boxed{\vec{a} = A\alpha(1 - 2\theta^2)\hat{r} + \left(\frac{5A\alpha^2 t^2}{2}\right)\hat{\theta}}$$

So when $\theta = 1/\sqrt{2}$ rad $\vec{a}_r = (1 - 2(1/\sqrt{2})^2)A\alpha = 0$

$$(c) \quad \vec{a} = A\alpha \left[(1 - 2\theta^2)\hat{r} + (5\theta)\hat{\theta} \right]$$

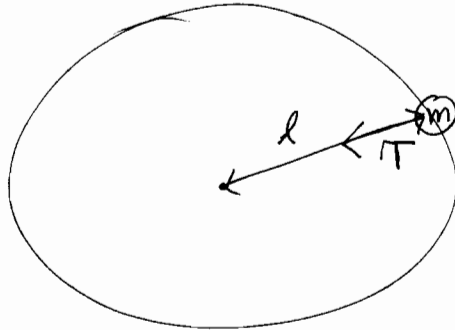
$$a_r = 0 \Rightarrow 1 - 2\theta^2 = 5\theta$$

$$2\theta^2 + 5\theta - 1 = 0$$

$$\boxed{\theta = \frac{-5 \pm \sqrt{33}}{4}}$$

(2)

$$l = 1\text{m}$$



Mass feels a centripetal acceleration equal to g

The only force acting on the mass is the tension of the rope

Newton's 2nd Law

$$\sum F = T = ma = mg$$

For uniform circular motion

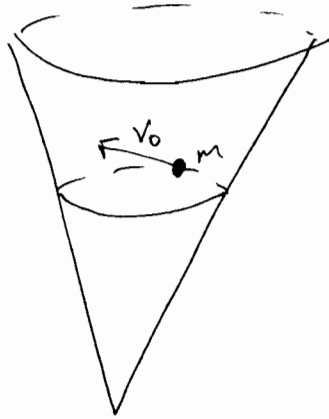
$$a = \frac{v^2}{l} \Rightarrow g = \frac{v^2}{l}$$

The time to complete one full orbit is

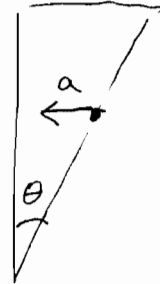
$$T = \frac{(2\pi l)}{v} = \frac{(2\pi l)}{\sqrt{gl}}$$

$$\boxed{T = (2\pi) \sqrt{\frac{l}{g}}} = 2.01\text{s}$$

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(3)



Force Diagram (cross-sectional view)



Newton's 2nd Law

$$\begin{aligned}\sum F_x &= -N \cos \theta = m a_x \\ \sum F_y &= N \sin \theta - mg = m a_y = 0\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow N = \frac{mg}{\sin \theta}$$

$$\therefore \boxed{m a = -mg \cot \theta}$$

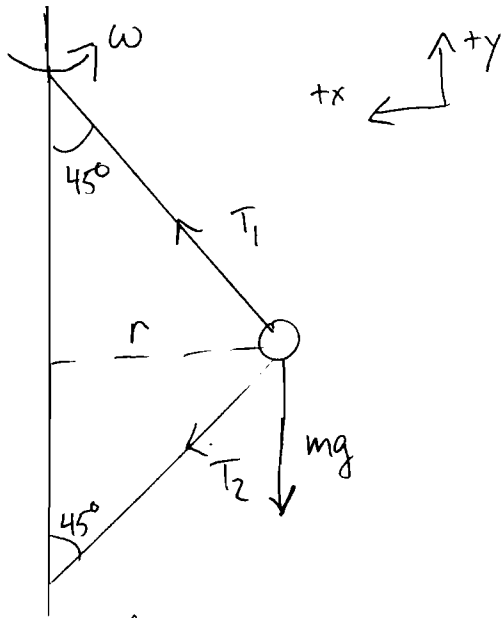
Uniform circular motion $\Rightarrow a = -v_0^2/R$

$$\boxed{\frac{v^2}{R} = g \cot \theta}$$

$$\boxed{R = \left(\frac{v^2}{g} \right) \tan \theta}$$

(since the particle is at constant height)

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(4)



the radius of the circular orbit is

$$r = \frac{l}{\sqrt{2}}$$

Newton's 2nd Law

$$\begin{aligned} (*) \quad & \sum F_x = \frac{T_1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{T_2}{\sqrt{2}} = m a_x \\ (**) \quad & \sum F_y = \frac{T_1}{\sqrt{2}} - \frac{T_2}{\sqrt{2}} - mg = m a_y = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$a_y = 0$ since the mass is at a constant height

$$a_x = \frac{v^2}{r} = \frac{\omega^2 r}{1} = \omega^2 r = \frac{\omega^2 l}{\sqrt{2}}$$

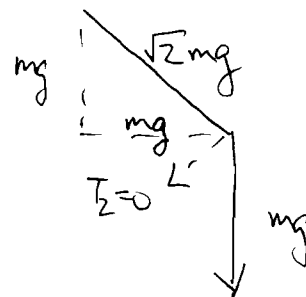
Adding (*) and (**)

$$\sqrt{2} T_1 = m \left(g + \frac{\omega^2 l}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

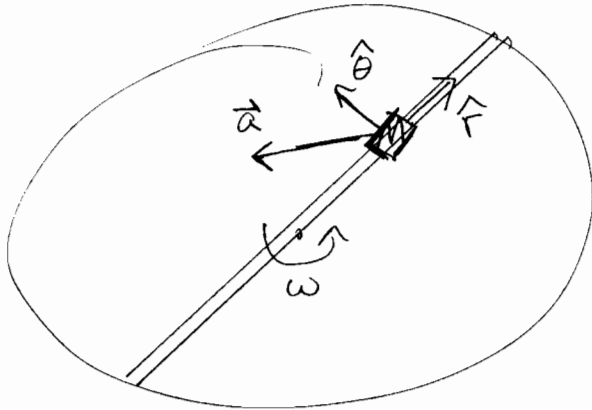
For $\omega^2 l = \sqrt{2} g$

$$T_1 = \frac{m}{\sqrt{2}} \left(g + \frac{\omega^2 l}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} T_1 &= \sqrt{2} mg \\ T_2 &= 0 \end{aligned}$$



(5)
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Ried's eye view
 $Mg = W$

(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{a} &= -r\dot{\theta}^2 \hat{r} + 2\dot{r}\dot{\theta} \hat{\theta} \\ &= -r\omega^2 \hat{r} + 2\omega v_0 \hat{\theta} \end{aligned}$$

where $r(t) = v_0 t$

Newton's 2nd law

$$\sum \vec{F} = \mu N \hat{e}_f = m\vec{a}$$

(note: friction is in whatever direction needed to oppose acceleration call this direction \hat{e}_f)

(b) The magnitude of the acceleration is

$$\begin{aligned} |\vec{a}| &= \sqrt{\omega^2 v_0^2 + 4v_0^2 \omega^2} \\ &= \omega v_0 \sqrt{4 + (\omega t)^2} \end{aligned}$$

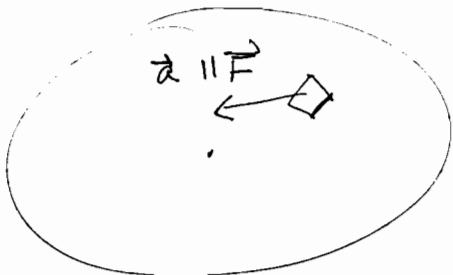
The car just starts to skid when the force of friction can no longer counteract the needed acceleration

~~$$\mu mg \leq \omega v_0 \sqrt{4 + (\omega t)^2}$$~~

$$\left(\frac{\mu g}{\omega v_0}\right)^2 \leq 4 + (\omega t)^2$$

$$t = \frac{1}{\omega} \sqrt{\left(\frac{\mu g}{\omega v_0}\right)^2 - 4}$$

(c)



$$\vec{F} = \mu \omega v_0 \left(-\sqrt{\left(\frac{\mu g}{\omega v_0}\right)^2 - 4} \hat{r} + 2\hat{\theta} \right)$$

immediately before skidding